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January 2019—"Alone we can do so líttle, <u>Together we can do so much</u>." Helen Keller





District Governor—Peter Scifleet - District 201 N2 of the International Association of Lions Clubs

## Greetings from District, Governor Peter

Greetings fellow Lions, Leos & Lioness.

New Years greetings to everyone. Wendi & I hope that your Christmas and New Year was a joyous time. I was very proud to be with a few of our Lions Clubs; Shellharbour, Figtree and Crookwell as they donated a Moby Mat & Chair (Shellharbour Lions), a yacht (Figtree), with the aid of Australian Lions Foundation, to

assist handicapped folk enjoy the beach, the ocean and sailing on the Lake Illawarra and an amenities block (Crookwell) at the local sporting fields, again with the assistance of ALF as well as other community groups.

Well done to these Clubs and all of our District's Clubs for the great work they are doing for our communities locally, nationally & internationally.

I would also like to thank the Clubs who responded to my request to help our brothers & sisters affected by the tsunami that swept across Java/Indonesia just prior to Christmas.

You will remember that over the past few Newsletters I have been 'banging on' about membership and change. A Kiama Lion recently did a "KEEP, STOP, START" exercise during one of our Dinner Meetings. (see the photo) Basically, what Lion Ivan did was divide a whiteboard into three sections, with headings "Keep, Stop and Start".

This exercise requires the Lions in a Club, without argument or aggression, to put their point of view forward about the direction they would like to see their Club move in the future.

You will note that items like our Happy Hour meetings and the concept of having our meetings at different venues are placed in the 'Keep' column, as well as Driver Reviver and the VIP Lunch. 'Youth of the Year' is mentioned in two columns, Keep & Stop.

This indicates to the Club that there is a difference of opinion on whether the Club should do this project and that there should be discussion on the subject. You can also see in the Stop column the items Lions don't want to have or do anymore.

The 'Start' column speaks for itself and spells out the items the Kiama Lions want to investigate to start or begin. This exercise when done properly, without animosity, gives a clear indication for change and refreshment of a Lions Club. Kiama has 66 members......they must be doing something right, right?

Lion Ivan indicated to me that he may be able to help a couple of Clubs out with this exercise. Give me a buzz on 0414973388, and I'll have a yarn with him. Until the next time I sit and write for your reading enjoyment, see you later. District Governor



Lion Peter Scifleet













## FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

#### **JANUARY REPORT**

Welcome back to all the Lions of District 201N2. I am hopeful you all have had a great Christmas break. Now it's time to get back into it. Lyn and I have had a very busy time with Club visits, and DGE training and I must say everyone warned me the work load of the DG and the DGE is insane. However, it is very informative and satisfying when you have completed it and for those who are contemplating taking on the role have a go. You will meet a lot of fellow Lions just wanting to make a difference.

We start this year with the membership being slightly down, so I ask every member out there to consider asking just one person to join this great organization of ours. Give them the opportunity to serve and find out for themselves there is no greater feeling then helping someone in need.

The club visit continued with Shellharbour Marulan, Taralga and District and Woonona all doing incredible work in their local community. So, don't forget when you are out there serving the community treat everyone with respect and above all enjoy and have FUN.





Regards Gordon





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District 201 N2 covers southeast NSW and the ACT, comprising Lions, Lioness & LEOs Clubs in south western Sydney, down the Hume Highway to Bowning, ACT, Snowy Mountains, Far South Coast, Eurobodalla, Shoalhaven, and Illawarra.

Welcome to the following new members of N2 Clubs who joined since the November 2018 N2 e-newsletter was distributed. Enjoy the activities, fun and fellowship

of the world's largest service organisation. Don't be afraid to ask questions and suggest new projects.

We look forward to meeting you.

#### <u>CLUB</u>

Lions Club of Bombala Lions Club of Canberra City

Lions	Club of Gunning
Lions	Club of Kiama
Lions	Club of Oak Flats
Lions	Club of Shoalhaven Heads
Lions	Club of South West Sydney
Lions	Club of Tathra

#### NEW MEMBER

Debra Louise Gaunson Carolyn Louise Guild Daniel Joseph Murphy Owen Geoffrey West Graham D Dyer John Dodson John Keats Trevor Duncan Chanel Le Andrew Burhop Richard Galton SPONSOR

Anne Thompson Peter Guild Rick Sheeren Rick Sheeren Roslyn McLoughlin Michael Fox Margaret Keats Terry Lillie Tiger Le Anthony Dack Rex Kermode

### PAST MEMBERS REMEMBERED

The following members of the N2 Lions family passed away since the November 2018 edition of the N2 E-Newsletter was distributed.

The N2 Lions family thanks them for their friendship & service to their community and Lions, & offers our condolences to their families, friends & colleagues. May their service be an example to us.

#### Club

Lions Club of Bowral Lions Club of Gungahlin Lions Club of Jindabyne Lions Club of Narooma & District Lions Club of Woonona Name Frederick Cecil G MacDonald Susan Dawes Robert Hope Phil Potter Ron Stewart









## Second Vice District Governor Maxine Helmling



### STAGE 2 CARER'S ACCOMMODATION OFFICIAL OPENING AT BEGA HOSPITAL



Senator Jim Molan, PDG Paul Helmling, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Maxine Helmling & Hon Andrew Constance

including Senator Jim Molan and the Hon Andrew Constance who unveiled the plaque.

The project is an outstanding example of the collaborative approach by Rotary & Lions Clubs in the Region, along with Country Woman's Association members who formed the CCASE Committee under President Lynn Koerbin. The official start of the program commenced with a welcome to country, and after the official opening we were able to enjoy the various meaningful dances which were eloquently explained to those present and completed in a smoking ceremony where we were invited to participate.

The CWA provided a wonderful selection of refreshments.



PDG Paul Helmling, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Maxine Helmling & Lion Robyn Bedford.



#### Smoking Ceremony

On Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019, we were honoured to represent District N2 at the official opening of the Stage 2 Carer's Accommodation Cottages at Bega Hospital. Those involved in the Project were well represented and along with invited quests including Senator Jim Molan and the Hon Andrew Constance who unveiled the plaque.



### **LIONESS REPORT**

Hello Lionesses I hope all the Lioness Clubs and their members had a very restful and peaceful Christmas and New Year. The heat wave conditions have been hard to cope with



and I'm glad Lions and Lioness activities are scaled down over January.

I had the pleasure of attending the Youth of the Year competition in November hosted by Wollongong Heights Lionesses. Congratulations to Secretary Heather and President Gaye for the wonderful job giving the 3 students from St Mary's the wonderful opportunity to present their public speaking skills. The girls were really polished and gave very insightful speeches on current issues.

Congratulations to Secretary Heather on her Melvin Jones award presented at the Convention. Shoalhaven Lioness Club attended the Nowra Players Vicar of Dibley and reports are that it was very funny, particularly the birth scene. We can only imagine! The Club is also busy selling raffle tickets for the upcoming Quilt Show.

Oak Flats have generously donated \$1700 to Lions Need for Feed. A very worthy cause. As well the Club donated to the Shellharbour City Council Mayor's Giving Tree, Operation Smile Australia and Lions Australia Spinal Cord Fellowship. Their 31st annual Duck Derby raised the majority of money for their donations. Well done Oak Flats Club members.

Eden Lioness Club catered for the Xmas Legacy Lunch and donated a wonderful \$5000 to Community Carers Accommodation @ Bega Hospital. The Club have put in many hours at Eden Open Gardens. Well done Eden ladies.

Liverpool Lionesses raised \$568 on two craft stalls at Miller Shopping Centre and donated 16 vanity bags for the underprivileged as well as delivering emergency medical books and toys to Liverpool Ambulance Station. Really lovely kind gestures to people in trauma over Xmas. Well done Liverpool Lioness Club.

Camden Lioness Club in conjunction with Curves Camden donated over 120 handbags filled with personal items for women who have been victims of domestic violence in the Macarthur area.

### LIONESS REPORT CONT;

Domestic Violence Court Advocate Tanya Whitehouse wrote a letter of appreciation in which she said " some women were brought to tears and were extremely appreciative that someone thought of them and went to the trouble of donating a bag."

Camden Club have sold little knitted Xmas stockings filled with lollies at local shops, held a craft stall and Cake stall at Bunning's and hosted their annual Xmas party at Camden Civic Centre.

Looking forward to a busy and productive Lioness year in 2019.

If you wish to contact me at anytime my phone no is 0421636098 and my e mail is jennifermurphy1954@gmail.com Until next time stay cool. Lioness Jennifer Murphy

Lioness Chairperson

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON

As the Club Membership Chairperson, you will bring Melvin Jones' dream to life - that every need can be met by a Lion or Leo. By bringing new members into your club, not only will you develop new friendships, but you will ensure your club will have stronger foundation to serve your community and the world. You will impact lives!

The Club Membership Chairperson e-Book provides a fast and logical link to the information you need. Whether recruiting new members, chairing a membership drive or participating in region, zone or district meetings or engaging a prospective member the e-Book makes it easier to access the information, tools and resources you use most often to help you stay on top of your busy schedule. Following are helpful tools to ease the task as Club Membership Chairperson.

Go to the Lions Clubs International website page <u>https://</u> <u>lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-</u> <u>membership-chairperson</u>

Club Membership Chairperson e-Book Club Membership Chairperson Guide Membership Application I Am A Lion Brochure Membership Opportunities (Membership Types) We Are Lions Meeting Information Poster New Member Orientation Training Guide New Member Orientation Guide The Lions Mentoring Program Membership Operations Forms and Publications Club Quality Initiative

The resources above are live links that will take you directly to those items and they can be saved to your computer or printed. Please contact me if you need assistance in downloading. PDG Ron Skeen OAM



### MONARO HIGH SCHOOL LEO CLUB - AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD

Today (26th January 2019) we were very honoured to receive the Community Group of the Year Award at Cooma's Australia Day Celebration.

Congratulations also to our President Sarah Fraser who was named Young Citizen of the Year and Treasurer Tai Haines who was nominated in the same category. Way to go Leos!













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### **BRAIDWOOD LIONS WRITING FESTIVAL ROARS**

During 2018 the Braidwood Lions Club ran a very successful Young Writers Festival culminating in an Award Ceremony in the towns National Theatre on 16 November.

The idea of the Festival was to give local school children the opportunity to develop and discover their writing talents. Recognising early on that their skill set was probably not going to cut the mustard Braidwood Lions Club members went about harnessing support from the local community.

Both local schools embraced the project from the start, the business community came on board with sponsorship and local authors from our community quickly lined up to assist. Braidwood's own Jackie French agreed to be Patron and Roger McDonald, Julian Davies, Julian Laffan, Stephanie Owen Reeder, Cate Whittle and Robyn Goodwin took on the task of identifying the entries showing the most promise.

And that did turn out to be a most challenging task – there were over 270 entries from budding authors in the Braidwood district. An outstanding result!

Awards were presented in 6 categories with a highlight of the Program being the launching of the Young Writers Book containing Award winning entries, background on the Festival and information about sponsors. This is a very professionally produced book celebrating the writing skills of Braidwood students.

A website has been established by the Lions Club and it is the intention to place all entries on braidwoodyoungwriters.com

The Braidwood community is delighted with this Lions Club initiative and looking forward to the next Young Writers Festival (2020).

**Right:** This is the School children any many from the community who attended at the Award ceremony





Left: These are he School Captains from the St Bede's Primary School and Braidwood Central School

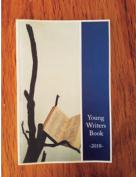
**Right:** These are the children who won awards and some of the Braidwood Lions Club members





**Left:** These are the authors and Patron... from left Lions Laurie Ffrench (MC) Len Balmer (President) the six local authors who judged the entries-Julian Laffan, Julian Davies, Roger McDonald, Cate Whittle, Stephanie Owen Reeder and the Festival Patron Jackie French.

**Right:** This is the cover of the young Writers Book. This Celebrates the writing of the young people of Braidwood bringing together the best 32 entries from the Festival the book is available for sale at \$14(plus postage)





### OAK FLATS A LITTLE RAY OF GIVING" 2018

On Wednesday 19 Dec 18 members of the Oak Flats Lions Club and representatives of the Ray White Oak Flats and Shellharbour Real Estate gathered at the Shellharbour Office of Ray White Real Estate prior to proceeding to the Southern Youth and Family Services in Warilla.



"A Little Ray of Giving" is an initiative of Ray White Real Estate to provide Christmas presents for under privileged children under the care of the Southern Youth and Family Services Warilla and the Oak Flats Lions Club has been proudly associated with this event for the past 3-4 years.

The gifts are purchased/donated by staff and the Oak Flats Lions Club and this goes a long way to making Christmas special for these children and their parents/carers and families. The photos below show what this means and there is not a dry eye in the house when this happens.

### LIONS THE GREAT ACHIEVERS.

In front of 400 guests Lions Clubs Australia were awarded the Betty McGrath Award in recognition of their tireless efforts in supporting Mater Foundation over the past 40 years.

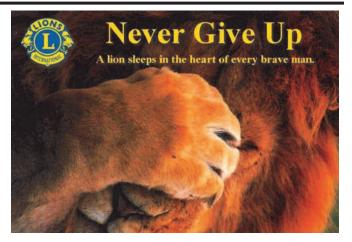
The Mater Foundation introduced the Betty McGrath Award to honour Mrs Betty McGrath AM a founding member of the Board of Directors of Mater Foundation. The Award recognises significant philanthropic support to Mater Foundation by an individual, group or organisation.

Lions Clubs Australia have supported many aspects of Mater including the Queensland Cord Blood Bank at Mater and in recent times' Prostate Cancer Research via the Lions Prostate Cancer Research and Treatment Project. Nigel Harris CEO of Mater Foundation said when awarding Lions Australia the Betty McGrath Award, "We are deeply indebted to Lions for many reasons and have enjoyed friendship with Lions members for many years". Lion John Grimstone

Coordinator for Lions Australia Prostate Cancer research project.





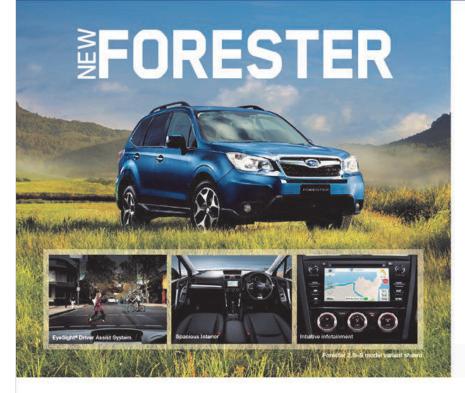


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### AUSTRALIAN HONOURS - AUSTRALIA DAY 2019

#### MEDAL (OAM) OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA IN THE GENERAL DIVISION

#### Lions related achievements of positions

**N.B.** The information below is taken from the Governor General's media files and only includes 'LIONS' related items, all these recipients have given service to other organisations.

Mr Michael Harvie BLEBY OAM, MILLICENT, SA

For service to the community.

Lions Clubs International:

Lions District C2: Chairman, Convention Committee, 2011 Lions Club of Millicent: Member since 1999 Past President Past Secretary, 2 years Past Board member Past Chairman Lions Youth of the Year Quest

Mr William Alexander CAMERON OAM, YOUNG, NSW

For service to the community of Young

Lions Club of HARDEN-MURRUMBURRAH, NSW Founding Member, 1968

Mr Donald John CLINCH OAM, TAREE, NSW

For service to the community of Woolgoolga Lions Club of Woolgoolga

Supporter, current

Mr Peter Maxwell COX OAM, NUMURKAH, VIC

For service to the community of Numurkah Lions Club of NUMURKAH Member since 1988 Various committees since 1988

Mr Ronald Lester DAVIS OAM, ARMIDALE, NSW For service to heritage preservation Lions Club of LUGARNO Member & Director 1974 to 1980 President 1976 to 1977 Lions Club of ARMIDALE DUMARESQ Member & Director 1981-2018 President 1985 to 1986

Mr Kevin Gerald EGAN OAM, HIGHTON, VIC
For service to the community of Torquay
Lions Club of TORQUAY
Member since 1990
President 1994 to 1995, 2003 to 2004
Awards and Recognition includes:
1992 Lion of the Year, Lions Club of Torquay
2009 Alan J Holding Award for Community Service, Lions District 201 V2
2010 Melvin Jones Fellowship, Lions Clubs International
2017 J. D. Richardson Award for Community Service



### **AUSTRALIAN HONOURS - AUSTRALIA DAY 2019**

#### Mr Brian John ENGERT OAM, BEROWRA HEIGHTS, NSW

For service to the community of Berowra Heights Lions Club of BEROWRA Member since 2003 Webmaster since 2004 Vice President 2004 to 2005 President 2005 to 2009, 2013 to 2015 Membership and Marketing Director since 2015 and 2009 to 2013 Awards and Recognition includes: 2012 Lions District 201N5, District Governor's Award 2016 Lions Clubs International, International President's Leadership Medal

#### Mrs Anne Margaret FAGG OAM, ROCKY CAPE, TAS

For service to the communities of Rocky Cape and Wynyard

Lions Tasmania District 201T1 Zone Chairperson 2009 to 2010 Region Chairperson 2011 to 2013 State Leadership Training Coordinator, since 2015 Secretary, State Leadership Committee, since 2015 Ambassador, Lions Tasmania Eye Health Program, since 2015 Lions Club of Rocky Cape Charter member, 2000 Secretary 2000 to 2009 President 2010 Guiding Lion since 2017

#### Mr Robert Charles GEE OAM, HUNTERS HILL, NSW

For service to the community of Maitland Lions District 201N3 Former Zone Chairperson Former Zone Director Former Region Chairperson Lions Club of Maitland Member since 1978 Former Vice President President 1981 and 2012 Lions Club of Millbrae, San Francisco, USA Member 1975 to 1978 (Former Australian Trade Commissioner, USA 1970s)

#### Mr John GIORGIUTTI OAM, BAULKHAM HILLS, NSW

For service to the community of Baulkham Hills Lions Clubs International Life Member since 2007 Lions Club of Baulkham Hills Fundraiser since 1970 President 1976-1977 Director & Membership Chairperson, current



### **AUSTRALIAN HONOURS - AUSTRALIA DAY 2019**

#### Dr Bernard Maurice JENNER OAM, GEELONG, VIC For Service to the community of Barwon Region Awards and Recognition include: Alan J Holding Fellow Award, Lions District 201 V2 1998

Mr Brice KADDATZ OAM, Araluen, QLD For service to horticulture Awards and Recognition include: Lions Club of Pioneer (Mackay) Citizen of the Year, c. 1980

Mrs Nicole Maree KISS OAM, COWRA, NSW For service to the community of Cowra Awards and Recognition include: Lions Club of COWRA Citizen of the Year, 2016/17

#### Mr Robert John KNIGHT OAM, ROCHESTER, VIC

For service to the community of Rochester Lions Club of ROCHESTER Member since 1988 President and Secretary 2004 to 2007 Secretary 2009 to 2010 Secretary, Sports Museum sub-committee since 2016 Secretary 2017 Awards and Recognition include: Melvin Jones Fellowship, Lions Clubs International 2017 Lions International, Lions Club International Award 2018

#### Mr Raymond Edward (Ray) KUSCHERT OAM, WELBY, NSW For service to veterans and their families.

Lions Club of Tahmoor Member 2010 to 2016 Former Vice President

#### Mr Yong Ja LEE OAM, NSW

For service to the Korean community Lions District 201N5 Zone Chairperson 2010-2011 Lions Club of Sydney Inner West President 2009-2010 and 2013-2014

#### Mr Stuart Gerald LISTER OAM, CLEAR ISLAND WATERS, QLD

For service to electrical engineering and to the community Lions Club of Collinsville Charter member 1965

#### Mr Paul Gerard McGRATH OAM, Blakehurst, NSW

For service to the broadcast media, particularly to radio

Lions Club of Lugarno Master of Ceremonies & announcer at Lugarno Lions Spring Festival since 2005



### AUSTRALIAN HONOURS - AUSTRALIA DAY 2019 CONT:

Mrs Marilyn Jean MILLAR OAM, PORT NOARLUNGA SOUTH, SA

For service to the community through Lions International Lions District 201 C2 Assistant Cabinet Secretary 2001-2002 Internet Chairperson 2002-2004 Chairperson, Women's Membership Development 2004-2006 Chairperson, Health Projects since 2011 & 2008-2009 Organiser, Lymphedema Screening 2008-2010 Chairperson, Skin Cancer Screening since 2011 Director, Lions Cancer Institute since 2015 Lions Club of Noarlunga Morphett Vale Member since 1997 Secretary 1999-2000, 2006-2007 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President 2000-2001 President 2001-2002

#### Mr Peter Francis MONAGLE OAM, ROELANDS, WA

For service to local government, and to the Shire of Harvey Brunswick Lions Club Secretary 1986-1988 President 2005-2006

#### Mr Garry James O'DWYER OAM, URANGAN, QLD

For service to the community of the Tweed Coast Lions Club of Emerald Member 2002-2014 Vice President 2003-2006 President 2007-2008 and 2010-2011 Lions Club of Tweed Coast South Vice President & Director, current Awards and Recognition includes: Lions Club of Emerald Melvin Jones Fellowship, Lions Clubs International

#### Mr Edgar Reginald PFEIFFER OAM, MOUNT GAMBIER, SA

For service to the community of Mount Gambier Lions Club of Millicent Member 1967-1978 Lions Club of Campbelltown Member 1978-1979 Lions Club of Mount Gambier Member since 1984



### AUSTRALIAN HONOURS - AUSTRALIA DAY 2019 CONT:

Mr Ronald Earl MacLEOD OAM, MARYVILLE, NSW For service to the community through Lions International **Lions District 201 N3** Zone Chairperson 1975 Deputy District Governor 1976 Lions Club of Newcastle Central Member 1968-2006 Vice President 1970-1973, 1982, 1984-1987, 1991 President 1974, 1988-1989, 2005 Director 1977-1981 Bulletin Editor 1977-1986, 1990 Secretary 1992-2007 Membership Chairperson 1992-1994 Coin Trail Chairperson 2005-2006 **Lions Club of Elemore Vale** Member since 2006 Coin Trail Chairperson since 2006 Director 2007-2016 Soccer Parking Chairperson since 2012 Awards and Recognition include: **Lions District 201 N3** Inaugural Recipient of Bary Palmer No. 1 Advanced Fellowship Pin, Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation 2018 50 Year Service Award 2018 Lions Club of Newcastle Central Melvin Jones Fellowship, Lions Clubs International 1995 **Lions Club of Elemore Vale** Life Member, Lions Clubs International 2013 Mr Brian John REARDON OAM, ROMA, QLD For service to the community through a range of organisations Lions District of 201 Q3 District Representative for Western Area including the following positions: Zone Chairperson Deputy District Governor Chairperson of Public Relations Convention Chairperson Membership Chairperson **Lions Club of Roma** Charter member since 1967 Chairperson of various committees since 1967 President 1971-1972 Secretary, 4 terms Treasurer, 5 terms Awards and Recognition include: **Lions Clubs International** Life Membership **Lions Club of Roma** JD Richardson Award, Australian Lions Foundation Brian Reardon Club Member of the Year Award Mr Ronald Colin SARGENT OAM, GOOLWA, SA For service to the community through a range of organisations Lions District 201 C2 Zone Chairperson 2007-2008, 2016-2017 District Governor 2014-2015 Member, District Nominations Committee **Lions Club of Stirling** Member 1981-2000 Awards and Recognition includes: Melvin Jones Fellowship, Lions Clubs International **Lions Club of Stirling** Member 1981-2000 President 1986-1987



### AUSTRALIAN HONOURS - AUSTRALIA DAY 2019 CONT:

#### Mr Noel Bernard STALLARD OAM, CHERMSIDE, QLD

For service to literature. Lions Clubs:

Recites poetry for Lions Clubs and other organisations Australia wide.

Mr John Kay STONE OAM, GRAFTON, NSW For service to the community of Grafton

Lions District 201D (now 201N1) Cabinet Secretary 1970-1971 Lions Club of Taree Member 1967-1970 Secretary 1969 Lions Club of Grafton Member 1970-2002 Past President 2 years Past Secretary 3 years Assisted with foundation and mentoring of Lions Club of Yamba 1983

#### Dr Subbaram Sundar SUNDARAM OAM, PYMONT, NSW

For service to the community through a range of roles Lions Club of Sydney Indian Active member since 2003

#### Mr Ian Gordon TAYLOR OAM, STAWELL, VIC

For service to the community of Stawell Lions Club of Stawell Member since 1988 President 1996-1997 Treasurer 1998-2001 Minute Secretary, current Former Chairperson of the following projects: Driver Reviver Christmas Lights Murray to Moyne Program

Mr Upadasa Acharige UDUMALAGALA, OAM, MOUNT WAVERLY, VIC For service to the Sri Lankan community of Melbourne

Lions Club of Dandenong Supper Board member 2009-2011

#### Mr Harold David WILKES OAM, HOWLONG, NSW

For service to the community of Howlong Lions Club of Howlong Volunteer sign writer since 1986

#### Mr Robert Yui Hing ZEE OAM, STRETTON, QLD

For service to the community through a range of roles Lions District 201 Q1 Cabinet Officer since 2001 Zone 11 Chairperson current Zone Chairperson Coordinator since 2017-2018 Lions Club of Brisbane Chinese Inaugural Secretary 1996-1998 President 2001-2002 Lions Club of Sunnybank Member since 2002 President 2010-2011 and 2004-2005 Awards and Recognition includes: Lions International President's Appreciation Certificate 2017



### Lions Clubs International, District 201 N2 Farming Families Drought Relief Project



### ABOUTUS:

As you may be aware, Lions Clubs International is a global community of more than 1.4 million volunteer members—we are the largest service organisation in the world. As an international organisation, we are proud to roll up our sleeves, and help those in need, as we have done for the last century.

Locally, the Lions Clubs of Australia District N2 has a geographic footprint that covers all Local Government Areas (LGAs) east of, and including Snowy Valleys, Yass Valley, and Upper Lachlan, up to Holroyd, Liverpool, Macarthur and Wollongong and everything inbetween–wealsocover the Australian Capital Territory.

### THE FARMING FAMILIES DROUGHT RELIEF PROJECT:

Consistent with the Lions Clubs International Purposes, our mission is to assist families with the necessities to live with pride and dignity, as they deserve. We are cognisant that commerce and industry are struggling in towns ravaged by drought. We are also of the view that it is incumbent on us to support these families too.

It is with these two things in mind that we will administer this project by providing gift cards, vouchers, or cash cards to identified farming families to purchase necessities at their local corners to res, grocers, or retailers.

Initial funds were granted by the *Australian Lions Foundation National Drought Relief Appeal*; additional funds have been provided through donations and support from Lions Clubs and members within the N2 District.

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR APPLICATION:**

Families eligible to apply for assistance are in the following categories:

- A single income farming defendant family; or
- Families of farming contractors (farm-hands on single income); and
- Be within the geographical region of the Lions Clubs International District 201N2; and
- Be within a geographical region in "intense drought" or "drought" as per the NSW Department of Primary Industries Combined Drought Indicator.

### WHAT WE FUND:

Grant assistance in voucher form will be provided to purchase essential groceries at local merchants, petrol at nearest provider, also payment on production of invoice for overdue essential accounts such as gas, electricity and phone for residence only.

Other provisions of assistance to help may include:

- Dental/medical emergency services (gap payments considered)
- Pharmacy payments for prescription medication
- School uniform/footwear expenses, stationary expenses.
- Family pet food and essential medication.
- Family haircuts.

Application for any other emergency assistance may also be considered on a case-by-case basis.

District 201N2 Lions Farming Families Drought Relief Project PO Box 895, Civic Square ACT 2608 | ABN: 26595974684 Auspice by the Lions Club of Canberra Lake Tuggeranong www.lionsclubs.org.au



### Lions Clubs International, District 201 N2 Farming Families Drought Relief Project



### Household Application for Assistance

Assistance requests to meet family household expenses will be granted on needs bases up to a maximum of \$2,000.00 per-family / household. Eligible applicants may make multiple applications to the capped amount. Please return completed form to LIONSN2FFDR@gmail.com; our privacy policy can be found at: lions.org.au

### PERSONAL PARTICULARS

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

DEMOGRAPHIC DETAILS		
Is your address in a drought classified area: Is farming the sole source of household income: What is the total number of household residents:	□ Yes □ Yes	□ No □ No

Please list the ages of the household residents, including children, dependants etc:

### **APPLICATION DETAILS**

Briefly explain how the drought has impacted on family income and circumstances.

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Provide details of assistance required:

Item / Bill	Date Due	Amount
Total	\$	
	\$	

### **REFERRAL DETAILS**

If you were referred to the District 201N2 Lions Farming Families Drought Relief Project, please provide the details of the referring organisation.

Organisation:

Name:

Phone:

Email:

### DECLARATION

Ideclare that the information provided is true and accurate:

Signature:

Name:

Date:

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### LIONSONOZ IN ACTION

Lionsonoz members were kept busy over the Australia Day Long weekend helping the local Lions Clubs in the towns where they found themselves, cooking BBQs preparing for sporting events and/or any of the myriad activities conducted on our one and only National Day.

Lionsonoz members Lions Brad and Debbie Weeks found themselves at Crescent Heads where the local Lions Club was conducting an Australia Day BBQ breakfast. They rolled up their sleeves and joined in cooking sausages, handing out dishes and cutlery, making endless cups of tea and coffee and then lent a hand in the cleaning up. They had a great time!

Lionsonoz member Lion Warren White joined in and assisted the Tamworth Peel Valley Lions in their Marshalling duties for the Country Music fans in Peel Street Tamworth.

The Tamworth civic leaders became concerned about recent "Drive By" terrorists activities in major events throughout the world so Peel Street was blockaded off so the hundreds of Buskers could perform to the great crowds of Country Music lovers in safety.

Vehicle access was only allowed through one entrance. The driver must show an official certificate stating the reason to enter and each vehicle was led through the crowd by a Lion walking in front who waited for the driver to complete his duties and then lead them back out again. The entrance was barricaded by a "Road Closed" sign and a Council Vehicle was parked blocking the way as an added precaution against any intended Terrorism.

There was no trouble, but there could have been. PDG Lion Warren White



**<u>Pictured Left:</u>** Lionsonoz member Lion Brad Weeks (Orange shirt) assisting the Crescent Heads Lions at their Australia Day BBQ.

**Pictured Right:** Lionsonoz member Lion Warren White performing his marshalling duties with the Tamworth Peel Valley Lions at the Tamworth Country Music Festival









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