



## MD Launceston Convention a great success

The Lions 59th Multiple District Convention in Launceston was a great success and the Convention Committee should be proud of their efforts. We all had a devil of a time. The meet and greet on the Friday, April 15 at the Silverdome was the best organised I have ever attended with plenty of food and watering stations.

It was pleasing to see many District W1 Lions in attendance and I thank them for taking the time and expense to get there.

District W1 had our get together on the Saturday night and we joined in with District W2 for fun and fellowship. The fine session went on for some time with stories true and some not so true but the truth should never get in the way of a good story. A total of \$200 was raised by both Districts and this was presented on stage to Fr Chris Riley to help his program on supporting street youth.

The Remembrance Ceremony by PDG Tony Kettle was very moving and a time to reflect on those great Lions and Partners we have lost over the past year. A bouquet of lovely flowers

## Bill's Pipeline

was laid for each District and the names of the departed were scrolled down on the overhead screen.

The Cabaret Ball at the Silverdome was a great night with everyone on the dance floor.

Sue Lowe, Mary Kayes and Ron Freestone were like a couple of teenagers in paradise, they just never stopped dancing. We even managed to get Philip Caunt up and dancing. It was a fantastic fun night and I would encourage Lions to attend the 2012 Multiple District Convention in Perth.

Congratulations to Ellenbrook Lions Club for the highest mint sale once again. A great effort by this club and its dedicated team in continually making sure their outlets are always stocked. Lion Ron Freestone was delighted to accept the national mint award on behalf of his club.

District W1 has once again shown the light in things we as Lions do well.



DG Bill Laundy.

### Youth of the Year National Final

The six state winners entertained us with their brilliance at answering the impromptu questions. This was followed by their own prepared speeches, it does not matter how many times you may have heard their speeches they still inspire and leave you wanting more.

W-Districts State winner Gillian Mahony sponsor club is Claremont-Nedlands W1, was the National winner for 2010-2011. Gillians prepared speech was "Secrets and Wikileaks"

The public speaking winner was Nathan Barnden from the N-Districts.

Congratulations to Gillian and all the Youth of the Year contestants, our nation is in good hands

Thank you District Chairman Brian Williams for his dedication and ongoing support for this wonderful premium project.

Yours in Service

-Bill Laundy, 201W1 District Governor.

## Convention Notices of Motion

### Notice of Motion CNM 1

The Council of Governors Amendment of the Multiple District Constitution – Deletion of Clause 49.2 Lions Clubs International Foundation Fund. "That Clause 49.2 of the Multiple District Constitution be deleted." **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion CNM 2

The Council of Governors Amendment of the Multiple District Constitution – Deletion of Clause 49.3 Lions International Convention Fund. "That Clause 49.3 of the Multiple District Constitution be deleted." **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion CNM 3

The Council of Governors Amendment of the Multiple District Constitution – Clause 82.1.6 Category "C" Projects. **Lost.**

### Notice of Motion CNM 4

The Council of Governors Amendment of the Multiple District Constitution – Clause 45 Contributions payable by Members. **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion CNM 5

District 201V6 Convention. Amendment of the Multiple District Constitution – Clause 86.1. Final Date for Distribution of Copies of Project Motions. **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion CNM 6

District 201V1-4 Convention Amendment of Multiple District Constitution – Clause 86.1.2 Distribution of copies of Project Motions and of other Motions. **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion CNM 7

Amendment of Multiple District Constitution – Clause 61.1 Timing of the Conduct of Multiple District Conventions. **Lost.**

### Notice of Motion CNM 8

The Council of Governors Amendment of the Multiple District Constitution – Insertion of a new clause Leo Fund. **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion NM 9

District 201Q1 Convention Subject: Lions Prostate Cancer Research and Treatment Project. **Carried**

### Notice of Motion NM 10

PROJECT NOTICE OF MOTION Seeking the adoption of a Multiple District Project District 201N5 Convention Pre-School Autism Education and Therapy. **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion NM 11

PROJECT NOTICE OF MOTION Seeking the adoption of a Multiple District Project (Foundation) District 201V5 Convention. Lions Visual Independence Foundation Incorporated. **Carried.**

### Notice of Motion NM 12

District 201Q1 Convention The Australian Lions Diabetes Education "Hypo-drive" Project. "That this Multiple District Convention adopts the Australian Lions Diabetes Education "Hypo-drive" Project as a Category B Project for the period from the 1st June 2011 to the 31st May 2014. **Carried.**

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# Home hospitality for Perth 2012 MD Convention

At the recent MD Convention in Launceston the 2012 MD Convention Committee announced that the 2012 Convention in Perth **would not be holding an informal reception** but instead will be re-introducing home hospitality.

Not all current members have been involved in home hospitality and there appeared to be some confusion regarding the concept of home hospitality.

Conventioners will **not be billeted in a private home** during the convention but share an evening in a club members home.

It is envisaged that WA metropolitan and outer metro clubs will offer hospitality to visiting Lions by arranging dinner for a group of say four couples in a home or more in a club environment to share some local WA hospitality.

The convention will open on Friday, May 4 and home hospitality will be held that evening.

**–Bill Robertson APM**  
2012 MD Convention Chairman.

## Meals at a good price

Chairman Bill has more information for W-District Lions. "If you are going to the 2012 MD Convention in Perth, I have followed up recently re-meals at Burswood for a good price.

"On my recent trip to Burswood I have gathered the following information, there is discount meals and drinks and cheap parking. An example is breakfast at Carvers in the casino for \$10, there are nine restaurants in the com-



PDG Pam Baird at the Perth Convention stand at the Launceston convention.

plex and you get between 15% and 30% discount depending on which one you go to. All you need is your Seniors or Pension Card."

For more information go to . . .  
<http://www.lionsclubs.org.au/perth2012convention/news.html>

# WA State finalist takes out YOTY title



Proud parents Sean and Alex Mahony and daughter YOTY winner Gillian after the presentation in Launceston in Tasmania.

Methodist Ladies College student, Gillian Mahony has taken out the Lions/NAB 2011-2012 Youth of the Year quest in Launceston, Tasmania on Friday, April 15. Earlier in the month Gillian took out the State title that gave her entrance into the national speakoffs.

The prizes are attractive - the State winners receive a round Australia trip to visit the home town or city of all the other State winners. This will take place in December and January for five weeks. There is also a \$500 cash prize for these winners.

The overall national winner also received a trip as a Lions YOTY Quest Australian ambassador to an International Youth Exchange Camp in the United Kingdom, plus \$1000 spending money. This is an opportunity which Gillian is looking forward to as she has ambitions to study arts and commerce at UWA, with a view to a career as a diplomat.

In the public speaking section, all contestants responded to two impromptu questions, which included; identifying the qualities of a good leader in the workforce and the issue relating to school bullying and the intrusion of the media. Gillian's five minutes' prepared speech was on the subject of "Secrets and Wikileaks".

The Quest seeks to develop citizenship and leadership qualities. Contestants were assessed and judged on these criteria: Leadership, sporting, cultural and community involvement; Personality; General knowledge; Academic record and Public speaking.

The Lions/NAB Youth of the Year Quest began in 1964. It is open to young Australians aged between 16 and 19. There have been many prominent Australians who have entered the quest, including the former prime minister, Kevin Rudd. The National Australia Bank has sponsored the Quest for fourteen years.

The Lions Club of Claremont-Nedlands, Gillian's sponsor, presented her with a keepsake trophy and MLC with the perpetual trophy which is to be displayed in the school's trophy cabinet for the next year.

Claremont Nedlands Lion "Roy the Boy" Geoff Warner said that Gillian followed Emily O'Keeffe from Presbyterian Ladies College in 2006/07 and Merredith Cully from Iona in 2008/09 as contestants sponsored through his club who went to be the State winners of YOTY.

**–Graham Madigan.**

# Old computers go on line for schools in disadvantaged countries

A PERTH charity is saving hundreds of old computers from landfill by restoring and shipping them overseas to schools in disadvantaged countries.

Murray Fletcher and the Lions Club of Perth are managing the project from a warehouse in Bassendean, where they wipe hard disks, download new program's and pack hundreds of computers on a pallet for shipping.

Mr Fletcher said one man's trash could be a disadvantaged child's treasure. "The computers generally come from schools, government departments and hospitals that get new and updated ones," he said "But it's great for schools in Africa, which have never seen a computer.

Recently the team packed a pallet of 24 computers for Kenya. Later the volunteers sent their biggest shipment of 350 computers to Cameroon in West Africa.

"By the end of this year we would have sent shipments to Tanzania. Kenya. Papua New Guinea and Cameroon, Murray said. "Generally we send the computers to schools and orphanages who use them to increase education."

It cost about \$50 to restore and produce one fully operating computer. programs as well as the warehouse space are provided by Technology Assisting Disability WA. To donate an old computer or for more information visit [www.tadwa.org.au](http://www.tadwa.org.au) or call 93797400.

Pictured left Ronn Selby, retired State Manager Philips-Siemens hospital equipment and installations. Ronn says he is not a "joiner", but he has immeasurably sped up our installa-



tions progress and works harder than most of us on the PC refurbishing project, Lion Max

Lurie, initial chairman of the project and Lion Murray, current chairman of the project.

## Here is a mint suggestion to build your club's activities account

Attention all W1 Club Mint chairpersons. How are your club's sales going? Could be better?



Here are some suggestions that will boost your sales potential and increase your club activities account profits.

- Replace any old header boards with the new, brighter boards. There is one free in every carton of Mints you order and if you want extras contact Dollar Sweets. Spare header boards are available at \$1.

- Make sure the display stands are prominent. People will not buy what they cannot see.

- Keep the displays clean, free from dust and dirt.

- Make sure you rotate your stock. It is not recommended that you order a year's supply all at once. Dollar Sweets are making fresh Mints on a regular basis so there is always a supply on hand. Use the oldest stock first.

- Have you got a club contact number on the back of the display? Nothing worse than missing out on a sale because no one could find you.

- If you get a complaint try to get the wrapper from the roll. There is a code on there that will assist in tracking the manufacturing date.

## Try Gran's Fudge as a club fund raiser

It's AUTUMN going on WINTER, what a great time to sell Lions Fudge!

Have you got your orders in? 1800 805 418 free call to Gran's Fudge. 30 days to pay. Free Freight.

100% profit on each and every sale. What could be a better way to make money for your Activities Account?

The six for the price of five promotion has been extended to any club making their first ever order of Gran's Fudge.

If your club is trying Fudge for the first time you will only be charged \$72.50 for your first carton. That equals 120% profit on that carton.

Come on have go, what have you got to lose?

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LEFT: Lion Bonnie Hull on tamborine.  
 ABOVE: Goodwill Industries workers relax to the sounds of a banjo.  
 TOP: Lions Richard Tunmer, Les Harvey, Ann Harvey and president Kaye Scandrett hold off the hungry hordes at the BBQ.  
 –Philip Caunt, Secretary Ballajura Lions Club.

## Ballajura Lions cook up a musical storm for Goodwill Social Club

For a number of years the Ballajura Lions Club has cooked an annual barbecue lunch for members of the Goodwill Industries Social Club.

Approximately 100 members of the social Club attend each year and enjoy the food and fellowship provided by our Lions members.

This year a roving minstrel joined our group and played the banjo to entertain everyone.

## **"EXEMPLARY SERVICE AWARDS"** **GOING FREE TO GOOD HOMES**

**Do you know a person that has done good within the community and is not a Lion?**

If you know of anybody that fits this description please contact me for an application form, or go to the Lions Exemplary Service Award website and print out the form. Complete it and send it to me. Then I will gladly work on getting a plaque ready for that person. There has to be plenty of deserving public spirit minded people out there particularly with all the disasters that have been going on lately.

I am feeling a rejected, dejected Lion - So please give me some work to do!

–Jill Middlemass, District 201W1 Chairman, Exemplary Service Award.

<http://lionswa.org.au/page/Exemplary-Service-Awards.aspx> Ph: 93420999

# W1 Lions take time out for fun in Launceston MD Convention

RIGHT: District Governor elect Stuart MacFadyen and Jill Middlemass with others prepare for the Lions march past.

BELOW MIDDLE & BOTTOM: Stuart and Joan MacFadyen and DG Bill and PDG Sandy Laundry take a relaxation break.

CENTRE RIGHT: DGs Bill Laundry and W2s Terry Gray give their secretaries Phil Caunt and Robin Roney a fun time.



## LION REG FRANCIS AT THE MALAYSIAN MD CONVENTION IN IPOH



# Granville Park benefits from Lions initiative

The Lions Club of Gingin/Chittering had previously built a Rotunda in Clune Park, Bindoon and at a meeting in February 2008 it was discussed to proceed with the idea of having a similar venue in Granville Park, Gingin. The project would be built for the local and adjoining communities to enjoy and view various aspects of culture, arts and musical events as well as local events, school bands, marriages, awards etc.

From there the club approached the Shire of Gingin to see whether they would be interested in some financial backing and giving permission to build a Soundshell on their land in the Granville Park, with the site already having a natural amphitheatre. The idea was accepted by the Shire on the condition the Lions could raise all other required finances to be able to complete construction. The next step was to approach architects, engineers and quantity surveyors for designs and costing for the project.

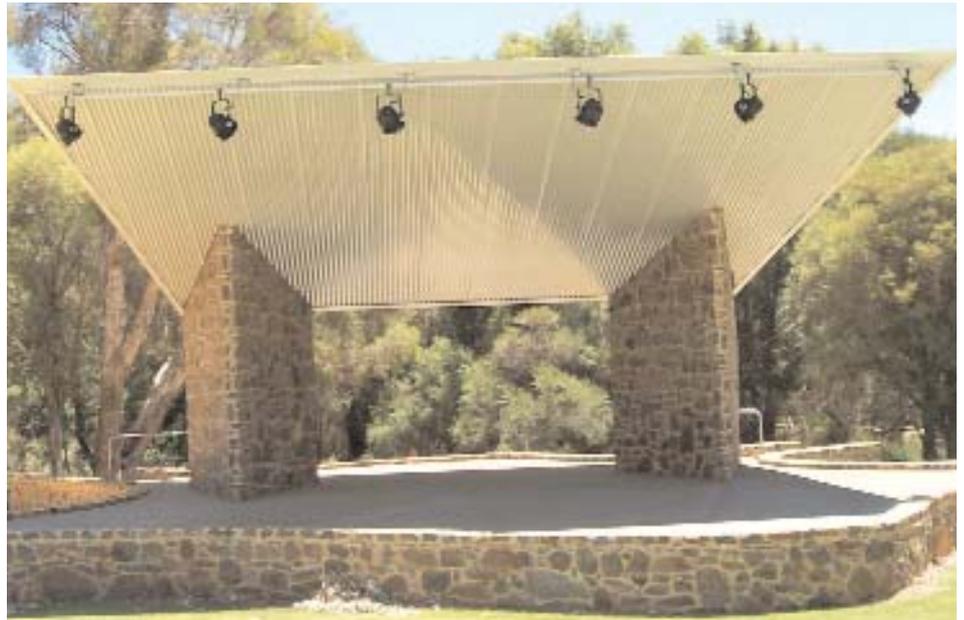
A design was accepted by all and then came the process of fund raising, applying for grants from numerous funding authorities and businesses, which consisted of a number of months to fulfil the required finances. Eventually all the funds were sourced and this gave us the go ahead to begin the project.

It was agreed that the Soundshell would be constructed in local granite. The Lions members and their partners selected 60 ton of appropriate sized rocks by hand and transported all to the site. This was then carried out a second time a month later as more rocks were needed.

Footings were laid and stonework commenced in April 2010. The following months consisted of completing the stonework, constructing the steel frames for the roof and acoustic ceiling and then this was followed by the electrical work and stage lighting. The final touch of roll-on turf was laid to enhance and complete the visualisation of the building.

The project cost was approximately \$205,000 of this \$150,000 was in sponsorship including the Lions Club contribution and approximately \$55,000 in kind, once again by the Lions Club and local contractors and helpers.

It was lucky to finished by December 19 for the annual event of Carols by Torchlight, a successful event with over 300 people in attendance. A decision was made not to have the



opening ceremony of the Soundshell until March when all the holiday period and school holidays were over. The date was agreed to be on March 11, a Friday evening.

The official ceremony was undertaken on Friday, March 11, 2011 and the handover to the Shire was carried out between Herb Elliot, Lions Club Gingin/Chittering President and George Gifford the Gingin Shire President. The unveiling of the plaques was carried out by DG Bill Laundry.

Throughout the evening the audience was entertained by the Gingin School Band, local group the Gingin Jammers and Perth group The Orange Band. The club entertained the major sponsors being, The Shire of Gingin, The Culture and the Arts, Bendigo Community Bank and Lottery West along with local community sponsors and guests.

The club was very pleased that the lighting and the acoustics of the building were a great success on the night and it is hoped to see many more events at this venue in the future.

The local community have been very supportive in their time and efforts contributing to the building of the Soundshell. The names of the businesses and individuals that have supported us have been included on the bronze plaques at the Soundshell.



The Lions Club of Gingin/Chittering hope the community will enjoy all future events at the facility.

This venue is open to all community events such as weddings, private functions, awards, concerts etc. If you require the use of the Soundshell please contact the Gingin Shire directly for any bookings.

–Dianne Miller.

# Lions Cancer Institute seeks funds urgently

The Lions Cancer Institute as you know is a W–Districts Project and so exists from funds provided by clubs like yours.

Over 15,000 people have been screened since we commenced the program in 1990 and lives have been saved through early detection of suspect lesions.

The screening van has now reached the point where it must be left to handle the Perth area and probably the South West – trips to the North West are too much for the van to take due to wear and tear on the chassis and superstructure.

A smaller replacement is what we plan with your help.

Estimated costs are \$100,000 and we propose to apply for an LCIF Grant – how-

ever we must show that some funds have been generated from our clubs.

As chairman I seek the assistance of every club in the State, and yes that means a financial commitment from every club – no matter what the amount is we urgently request your help.

If you are able to make a contribution from your activities account now, please post that to the LCI address below.

If you would like to pledge an amount when your funds are replenished then please e-mail your intended amount to Secretary PDG Neil Saunders. dotneil1@bigpond.com.

Lions this is a genuine call for financial assistance and your response is extremely

important.

–Garry K Irvine PDG, Chairman.

## A GOOD START

PDG Neil Saunders reports that, “Lions Cancer Institute Chairman, PDG Garry Irvine, was amazed at the speed of a response to the Institute’s appeal for funds for a new Cancer Screening Van, when, within less than 24 hours of the appeal starting, the Greenough Lions Club rang and pledged \$2,000.

“PDG Garry said this shows how much the Lions Clubs of WA appreciate the valuable work that our Screening Van does for their communities. Well done Greenough.”