



Sign up new members before the end of the month

Barry's Buzz



DG Barry.

March was membership month and I thank all those clubs that went out and found new members. Hopefully we can sign them up before the end of April. A reminder, as soon as the candidate has paid their membership, you are allowed to put them on your books even if the induction is still to come. For those clubs that have not done a membership drive as requested, May is our supplementary month so start planning and working on it now.

To date we have gained seven and lost three for a net gain of four. This Lionistic year we were down 28 and have now reversed that slightly to minus 19. Well done and congratulations to you all, particularly the successful clubs, but don't rest on your laurels as recruiting is an ongoing job. If you let it go by for a while your club ends up full of aged members and it becomes more difficult to get younger ones into the fold.

Plan to conduct at least one recruiting event a year, preferably two. Whatever project we are out doing, talk to prospective members and tell them how wonderful we Lions are and what we do for communities. Communication is the key and we need to engage with the people.

Secretaries, a little request please. If one of our foundations or projects contacts your club with a request, please reply with a status on the request so that they can plan their fundraising and use of funds appropriately. We also need to get a lot better at submitting our MMRs and MARs. Many clubs have been very lucky that our Cabinet Secretary helps out and covers for them. If you are not confident or the new incoming secretary is not able to do these reports, I encourage you to attend the Incoming Officers Forums. From reports, we should have about 35 secretaries but I know that will not

happen. The training is being offered and it is in the best interests of the clubs to make your position holders available.

The training for incoming officers will cover presidents, secretaries, treasurers and membership chairs. This doesn't mean that others who are interested can't attend as the more people we train the better of clubs will be. There will also be a short presentation from the webmaster to assist secretaries with their websites.

I have finally finished my club visits and have also visited the Morley Leos club. This club has a fairly large membership and has some great projects and fundraisers planned for the rest of this Lionistic year and into the next. They also had an entrant in the Leos of the Year Quest. I congratulate Gia Kalimeris who did an incredible job and was the runner up to Stacey Shaw from Harvey. The quest was very interesting and the audience was able to sit in on the board meeting for the first time. The entrants were asked questions on Leos and Lions history, current affairs and points of interest as well as doing their presentations. All the contestants handled the situation well but unfortunately there can only be one winner, but in my eyes they were all winners.

The District final of the **Youth of the Year** quest was also conducted and again the five contestants were amazing and managed to enthrall the audience. These young people are just so knowledgeable and able to think on their feet. They all did a great job and three of them were selected to move up to the State final. Tim O'Donnell from Scotch College was selected as the Public Speaking winner but did not know this until the State final where he came up against Tameekah Donegan from Mater Dei College and Rhys Mola from Sacred Heart College.

Well done to you all. It would be unfair not to mention the clubs that sponsored these contestants so thank you North Beach for Rhys, Ocean Reef for Tameekah and Claremont-Nedlands, for Tim. The two unsuccessful contestants, who I believe were also winners, are Matthew Terencuk sponsored by Kingsley-Woodvale and Ashley Carvalho from Sacred Heart College sponsored by the Duncraig Lions club.

I would also like to thank our chairman Lex Thompson and State chairperson Brian Williams who did a wonderful job organising the event. We also thank the NAB and our judges on the day who had the hardest job sorting out the winners.

I also had the honour of attending the **Children of Courage Awards** at the Pan Pacific Hotel and again I applaud a great effort on the part of the two District chairpersons. These children never cease to amaze as they are all so happy and confident as they come up to the stage to receive their awards. These children who have done so much through adversity are a real inspiration to us all. Bunnings was again at the awards presenting bears and a pencil case to all the recipients. Our special guest presenter Colin Harrison, a paralympian, did such a wonderful job not only presenting the plaques but positioning all the children for photographs. Matt Tinney and Louise Momber from Channel Nine were again the MCs for the

day and we thank them all for their efforts in making this such a special day.

Don't forget we have some very important events happening in the near future, commencing with the MD Convention in April, IOF in May, the awards night and cabinet meeting in early June. I invite you all to think about attending the awards night as it will be a highlight for me to give some Lions special thanks for supporting our District.

Many Lions members have worked so hard during March and I thank them all. It has been a very successful period with our flagship projects leading the way and an increase in our membership finishes the month off very well. We have achieved an element of success from all of our endeavours. Thank you.

**-Barry Middleton, 201WIDG
"Success Through Endeavour"**



DG Barry presents a plaque to Ray Ronggani the State public speaking winner at the YOTY final.

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Claremont Nedland hands out \$25k to Lions Foundations

The Claremont Nedlands Lions club (W1) handed out cheques to the value of \$25,000 at their last meeting held on April 16.

PCC Ambrose Depiazzi and chairman of Lions Eye Institute took home \$3k and one of the clubs favourites the McCusker Foundation for Alzheimer's Research was also handed \$3k which was accepted by chairman Graham Nixon who is a member of the Moora Lions club.

ALF chairman PDG Clive Tonkin took \$5k back with him to Moora for the Australian Lions Foundation.

Ballajura Lion Sue McDonald from Hearing Dogs Assistance was granted \$2k

PDG Gary Irvine from was handed a cheque for \$4k for the Lions Cancer Institute.

Black Dog Ride were beneficiaries of \$3k. The cheque was handed to Black Dog Director Steve Andrews ex-Claremont Nedlands member now a Busselton Lion.

Bronwyn Claughton from the Ear Science Institute and Lions Hearing Institute was given \$3k.

Lucy Reader from Parkinson's WA accepted a cheque for \$2k.

Story: Leo McManus. Pictures: Jenny Gill, Exec-Manager, McCusker Alzheimer's Research Foundation.

Our pictures above right: PDG Gary Irvine and Dirk Avery, Busselton Lion Steve Andrews and Gavin Miles. PCC Ambrose Depiazzi and Lex Thompson, Leo McManus and PDG Clive Tonkin, Lex Thompson and Bronwyn Claughton, Patsy Wyndham and Graham Nixon, 'Aussie' Keith Wheldon and Lucy Reader, Warren 'Woody' Wood and Sue McDonald.

Twenty five years in Lions for Geoff 'Roy the Boy' Warner

There was a double celebration at the recent Claremont Nedlands Lions meeting when DG Barry 'Bazza' Middleton on a special trip to Perth was at the meeting and called 'His Royness' Geoff Warner to the lecturn. Nobody calls him by his Christian name Geoff, the District Newsletter thinks it might have something to do with the horn rimmed glasses he wore so proudly many years ago.

Caring for carers

With carers themselves and staff from the Department of Child Protection, members of the Lions Club of Ocean Reef held sausage sizzles at Bunnings Joondalup to raise funds to support our local foster carers.

Carers come from many diverse backgrounds and family situations but they all provide an extremely important service for the children in our community. When the carers come together as a group they can provide unique support to each other, share experiences, build bonds and often give children in family units an opportunity to spend time together.

In the last four years we have held seven sausage sizzles and raised nearly \$15,000. We have provided sponsorship to the carers for a Mother's Days luncheon, a Father's Night out, a Kids' Christmas Party, playgroups, speech pathology resource kits, prizes/awards for professional development days, a children's camp and a range of other events. We have also been able to provide equipment to several of our carers groups. It has been a wonderful partnership with the carers and staff from the Department for Child Protection Joondalup and we look forward to be involved in this important project or many years to come.

-Laurel Miro, President, Lions Club of Ocean Reef.



Geoff 'Roy the Boy' Warner received his 25 years certificate at a recent meeting.



Youth of the Year judges put to the test

You would not have wanted to be a judge trying to separate the finalists in the State YOTY final.

It was a tough time for decisions hard to pick two winners from six deserving speakers.

But eventually winners were announced, W2 representative Ray Ronggani from the Lions Club of Atwell a student from Lakelands Senior High School took the 2013-14 public speaking title and Tim O'Donnell a Scotch College student entered by Claremont Nedlands was announced the overall winner.

DG Barry Middleton attended with his partner Carolyn and had the greatest of pleasure on the night to witness our youth in action once again at the State Final of the Youth of the Year quest held at the Nedlands Golf Club.

Although low in patronage it was a spectacle to behold as the three contestants from both W-Districts vied for the crown of State finalist. The function was well organised by YOTY State chairman Lion Brian Williams with a meal and a well orchestrated evening.

Lion Lex Thompson W1 YOTY chairman was chuffed when his club's representative received the prized title.

Lex attended Scotch College to present Tim with his award in front of 1300 students and their parents.

Tim's headmaster Dr O'Connell was full of praise for his student and told the audience that the college was one about character. "Take a rise, like Tim," Dr O'Connell said.

The finalists were: Madison Boot from Santa Maria College sponsored by the Lions Club of Booragoon.

Tameekah Donegan from Mater Dei College and sponsored by the Lions Club of Ocean Reef.

Rhys Mola from Sacred Heart College, sponsored by the Lions Club of North Beach.

Tim O'Donnell from Scotch College, sponsored by the Lions Club of Claremont Nedlands.

Briana Preimesberger from All Saints College sponsored by the Lions Club of Bull Creek.



Above: The six contestants not in order Madison Boot, Tameekah Donegan, Tim O'Donnell, Briana Preimesberger, Ray Ronggani and Rhys Mola. Below left: Margaret Dente and YOTY State chairman Brian Williams with Briana Preimesberger. Below right: DG Barry and overall winner Tim O'Donnell.



Ray Ronggani from Lakeland Senior High School sponsored by the Lions Club of Atwell.

The judges were Peter Casey from Trott and Associates, an employment company, David Dawson a commercial manager, Christine Kelly who works as an Advocate for the Family Inclusion Network, Gillian Mahoney a



State and National winner of the Quest, Michelle Scherer from NAB, the national sponsor and Isha Sandhu who was last year's State winner of the quest as the reserve Judge. Thanks must go to the judges for giving their time to make the quest a memorable one.

South Perth Lions club big band for hire

The Lions Club of South Perth has developed a 'big band' that already performs at various locations and is available for both Lions

and non-Lions functions across the Perth metropolitan area.

The members of the band donate their time, skills

and expertise freely and all funds raised go towards club projects.

The band has a regular gig at the Scarborough Sportsman's Club on the fourth Friday of every month.

Members of the Scarborough Lions club have attended on many occasions, brought along their friends and family and thoroughly enjoyed the show. Friday, April 26 will be a special event for the band and we invite as many people to attend at the Scarborough Sportsman's Club in Deanmore Road. Whenever you need good old fashioned big band music at a function, contact South Perth Lions. Website: <http://southperth.wa.lions.org.au/> where you'll find more information about the band, our singers and our music program.

-Bob Whitney, South Perth Lions Club. Project Coordinator.



Children of Courage another outstanding Lions event

Three major planks on our Lions calendar have passed by, Leo of the State final, ditto Youth of the Year and the real tear jerker Children of Courage awards.

This year the CoC awards were held at the Pan Pacific Hotel on April 7 where 86 recipients were recognised, nine unfortunately failed to attend for health reasons.

The two W-Districts coordinators Lion Pat Peterson and PDG Stuart MacFadyen came together as one to present children facing life's challenges with exceptional courage.

Forty four Lions Clubs participated with the project. Founder, the late PDG Joe Mason would be chuffed to know that CoC celebrated its 30th year and is now presented in three States. Pan Pacific hotel was thanked by the officiating DGs and promised to offer their services again next year.

Pan Pacific supply the ballroom where the presentations are held, morning tea on arrival and a splendid lunch at the finale. It doesn't get better than that. Thank you Pan Pacific.

W2 DG Geoff Carberry opened the proceedings with a genuine welcome to all on behalf of all Lions members of the two Districts in WA.

"We are here to honour the young members of our communities that have displayed a level of courage, resourcefulness and understanding or support of others not usually seen in today's modern society. I would like to add my personal congratulations to all recipients and their families on the achievements being recognised today.

"I welcome our sports stars for making the day something that they will remember, cherish and draw inspiration from in the future. I can't forget to also welcome our long time friends from Channel Nine Louise Momber and Matt Tinney. but I must also thank our two District chairpersons in putting the time in behind the scenes to bring this event together."

Unfortunately some time was lost due to traffic snarls in the CBD before the big event got underway. This left some of the children a little agitated.

In closing W1 DG Barry Middleton told the audience said, "On behalf of the Lions of the two districts in WA, I would like to thank the parents and young members of our communities for taking the time out of their busy schedules to make our Children of Courage event a success. You have all displayed great courage and resourcefulness in managing your lives through some very difficult times and situations. My congratulations to all the recipients on their awards and my thanks to the Lions clubs who sponsored them.

"It is not possible to run an event like this without your support, sponsorship and assistance. I wish all the attendees, special guests, recipients and their families all the best for the future and thank you for your attendance."



Top: Lions Kamala Reddy, Helen Montgomery, Maxine Wood, Regina Dixon and the mother of Jacinta. Middle row: Joshua Stone 8yo, Dominique Burns 11 yo, and Jacinta Giuffre 5yo. Front row: parents of Joshua, Nicole and Darryn with Duncraig Lion Kate Archibald. Below left: PDG Rob Meney and Maria the Bunnings lady. Below right: Duncraig Lions Maxine Wood left, Kamalda Reddy and Kate Archibald enjoying their lunch.



Above: Kalin Foley is pictured with his parents Bridgette, Paul and siblings.

EXEMPLARY SERVICE AWARDS GOING FREE TO GOOD HOMES

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

If you know of anybody who 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, W1 Chair, Exemplary Service Award.
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Above: Pan Pacific Hotel General Manager Grant Raubenheimer pictured with his Marketing Communications Executive and W2 DG Geoff Carberry.

Combined service clubs meet and greet



On April 14, a unique meeting for the City of Kalgoorlie – Boulder, took place at Rotary Peace Park. Over 45 members from two Lions clubs, three Rotary clubs and one Inner Wheel club met for breakfast.

The idea was formulated by the Hannan's Goldfields Lions to provide a forum for members of all the local service clubs to get together and actually meet the people involved in these like-minded organisations.

Breakfast was provided by the Hannan's Goldfields Lions club at a cost of \$7.00 per person. All proceeds are to go to the Lion's Big Breakfast which supports the Lion's Childhood Cancer Research Foundation.

A total of \$800 was raised for the Foundation; this included the \$7.00 collected from those who attended, a contribution by the Hannan's Goldfields Lions and \$250 donated by the Kalgoorlie Lions Club.

The event was such a success that it was decided to make it an annual event with a dif-

Above: Members of the five service clubs who attended the meet and greet.



Matthew Cuomo (Right) President of Kalgoorlie Lions presenting cheque for Lions Big Breakfast to John Browner (left) President Hannan's Goldfields Lions Club.

ferent club organising it each year.

The Inner Wheel Club of Kalgoorlie-Boulder has graciously volunteered to be the organising

Below: A group picture of the six presidents pictured left to right. John Browner (Hannan's Goldfields Lions Club), Ross Collins (Kalgoorlie Rotary Club), Velicia Le Tang (Hannan's Rotary Club), Joan Gray (Inner Wheel Club of Kalgoorlie – Boulder), John Chatterton (Boulder Rotary Club) and Matthew Cuomo (Kalgoorlie Lions Club).



club for 2014. If you require any further information please feel free to contact John Browner, President, Hannan's Goldfields Lions Club, on 9021 3335, 0407 534 660 or email: hannanslions@gmail.com

Yanchep Two Rocks Lions donate five iPads



The Yanchep Two Rocks Lions club presented five iPads to the local school just prior to Easter. The Lions have been strong supporters of the school and principle Elizabeth Wildish, she accepted the donation on behalf of the school community. "The iPad's will be used by students as part of their learning," Ms Wildish said.

"We currently have students who have very specific needs and would benefit greatly from accessing iPad and its associated applications within a classroom setting."

The use of iPads has proven to be a great success for students with special needs.

Pictured left are members of the Yanchep Two Rocks Lions and school-principle Elizabeth Wildish.

Lancelin Lions have a busy and productive month

Having raised just over \$500 for the Lancelin Primary School's P&C Association by making and selling the much sought after Lions doughnuts, the club has also increased its membership with three new Lions being inducted, Lloyd Jones, Brian Check and Lindsay Rudland. Lions are keen to welcome anyone who wants to join and help raise funds for local worthy causes.

Lindsay is the uncle of Damian Oliver who is an icon of WA horseracing scene having been a successful jockey and trainer and winner of the Perth Cup in 1973 with a horse called Allegation.

Lloyd has become secretary of the Lancelin Lions Club and both Lindsay and Brian work at the Lions recycling centre with Lion Mike Tomas and other volunteers.

Lions District Governor Barry Middleton and his wife Carolyn travelled to Lancelin to formally induct the new Lions. Lancelin Lions have also donated \$1,350 to provide new shirts for the Lancelin Primary School's choir.

The club is also providing funds to help three young local people with disabilities, Samantha Goulthorp of Redfield Park, and Rebecca Redshaw and Eamon Ryan both of Woodridge. Eamon's mum, Eleanor was Lancelin's physiotherapist before she moved to Woodridge.

The three youngsters will compete in the AMF National Disabilities 10-pin bowling championship which will be held at Tuggeranong in the Australian Capital Territory from June 8 to June 14. The trio will compete in Singles, Doubles and Treble events as part of a team 15 representing WA.

Record broken by kids train

Members of the Lions Club of Kalgoorlie have just broken a club record with the ever popular children's train.

The club runs the train over the two days of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community Fair charging children – well, their parents – for a ride in order to raise funds for the club.

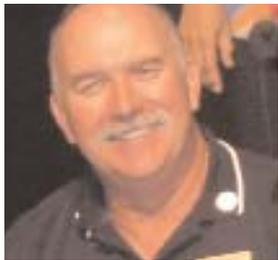
For more than 30 years club members have erected shade cloths on the day before the fair to provide a safe and comfortable environment for patrons.

This year's event raised a record amount of \$3,033 over the two days.

Preparing the train, erecting the shade area and operating the train uses about 100 man (and woman) hours of members time with little or no expense.

Just to top it up the members provided the train at the Boulder Markets on the Sunday after the two day fair and raised a further \$640.

–Eddie Rochester, Train Organiser, Kalgoorlie Lions club.



"The Pride in the City" roars for you

Come and join The Pride In the City Convention!



The Lions Club of Kingsley Woodvale, with the assistance of the Lions Clubs Of Duncraig, Ocean Reef and Wanneroo, invite Lions, partners and friends to join us at our District Convention to be held at Woodvale Secondary College on the weekend of the 11th, 12th and 13th of October 2013.

District Governor Elect Colin Heap and the convention committee are planning a weekend of fellowship, good food, interesting sessions and fun for all.

The suburb of Woodvale is located just over 20km from the city of Perth, heading north via the Mitchell Freeway.

The college is easy to find with plenty of onsite parking and public transport close by.

The convention site is compact with easy access to all the convention venues. The college is also adjacent to the picturesque Yellagonga Regional Park.

For those coming from country areas there is a wide range of accommodation options including hotels, caravan parks and bed and breakfasts.

One of the highlights of the weekend is sure to be Colin's Kingswood Country Caper on Saturday night with delicious food, exciting entertainment and great fellowship planned.

Mark your diary and come along to catch up with old friends and make some new ones.

Our convention committee will keep you regularly updated on the convention and we hope to see you there.

**-Colin Heap,
201W1 VDG.**

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