## **Lions Clubs International**



## **District 105D**



## **District Governor**

# **Ron Twining**



## 47th Annual District Convention 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> March 2012 Norton Grange, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight

"Service before Self"



With Fun and Fellowship

## LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL PURPOSES

**TO ORGANISE**, charter and supervise clubs to be known as Lions clubs.

**TO COORDINATE** the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.

**TO CREATE** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

**TO PROMOTE** the principles of good government and good citizenship.

**TO TAKE** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

**TO UNITE** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

**TO PROVIDE** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest, provided, however that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

**TO ENCOURAGE** service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavours.



## **DISTRICT GOVERNOR 105D**

## 2011 - 2012

#### Hello & Welcome Fellow Lions.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all those attending our 47<sup>th</sup> District Convention here by the side of the Solent, at Norton Grange in Yarmouth on the Isle of Wight. I am sure you will find not only serious business to be discussed, but a fun packed weekend as well. The convention team of I o W Lions under the able chairmanship of Lion Jane Goodlet, have done their best to ensure your weekend will be enjoyable, the rest is up to you.

I also welcome all those who are attending their first ever Lions Convention. It is over 30 years ago that I attended my first Lions Convention, and I know how proud I felt to part of such a great and dedicate band of people as the Lions, a really great organisation. I hope you will have the same good experience and feeling that I had on that day. I also give a warm welcome to those attending our Convention from many of the other Districts within our MD.

I am sure the weekend will live up to our International Presidents theme of "I Believe" as we show everyone just how positive Lions are by achieving all the things we set out to do.

We have had to resort back in time a little as the centre does not readily suit the style of the past couple of years, but I hope this will not stop you from getting the most out of what we are doing. On Friday we will have the usual short cabinet meeting, in order to get ready for the evenings fun. The theme for this weekend is "Carry On", based on the Carry On films and plays, of which there have been over 36, so plenty of different themes and costumes to choose from. I am sure also the resident entertainment team will keep us laughing and enjoying ourselves into the early hours.

But we must be up bright an early for the day of business on Saturday, starting with a good rousing opening ceremony followed by interesting business, several resolutions and I hope some enlightening speeches, some with presentations. Also the elections of our New DG and VDG team. I believe that at the end of a very good day, we will have a really rousing and Lionistic finish. The evening brings our Banquet and Ball, allowing all our ladies and the men to dress up in all their finery, followed by another evening of great entertainment by the resident boys and girls.

Sunday morning after a slightly later start we will have an open forum with our International Guest PID Lion Randy Heitman, and his wife Lion Kathy, from Nebraska in the USA; a time to question all our distinguished guests about matters of Lionism. This will be followed by more entertainment by the Norton Grange, boys and girls. The day will finish with the usual Sunday lunch. Also some time over the weekend, it is hoped, perhaps even after Sunday lunch to have a session called "would you like to be a DG, and how to do it, without being a lottery winner" for those wishing to experience a brilliant year.

During the weekend all the recreational facilities of the centre are available to you all. So as the weekend is not only about business, but about having "Fun and Fellowship" please make use of them, and meet old friends as well as creating new friendships. I will do my best to meet and talk to as many of you as I can.

So come along and enjoy yourselves and remember it is your convention, so make the most of it.

Your District Governor Lion Ron Twining.



With Fun and Fellowship.



## RANDY L. HEITMANN PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Randy L. Heitmann, of Cambridge, Nebraska, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 86<sup>th</sup> International Convention, held in Denver, Colorado, USA, June 30-July 4, 2003.

Past Director Heitmann is the owner of Heitmann Tax Services, a taxation and accounting business.

A member of the Cambridge Lions Club since 1986, Past Director Heitmann has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, district governor, USA/Canada district chairperson, council chairperson and Long Range Planning chairperson. In addition, he has held several positions in the Nebraska Lions Foundation and USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received numerous awards, including the 100% District Governor's Award, the LCIF Certificate of Appreciation, the International Horizon Award, the International President's Certificate of Appreciation, three International President's Leadership Awards, the International President's Award and Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association grants its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, a Nebraska Lions Foundation Dennis Hull Fellow and has had 16 years of perfect attendance.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past Director Heitmann is active in numerous professional and community organizations, such as member of the Tri-Valley Medical Foundation, treasurer of Cross Creek Golf Links and chairperson of the board of Tri-Valley Health Systems. In the past, he served as chairperson of the Cambridge Chamber of Commerce and in numerous positions for the Congregational United Church of Christ.

Past Director Heitmann and his wife, Kathy, also a Lion and a Melvin Jones Fellow, have three children, all of whom are Lions and Melvin Jones Fellows.

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### Lions Clubs International District 105D 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Norton Grange, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight

#### **Order of Proceedings**

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	The High Sheriff of the Isle of Wight Mrs S. J. Sheldon	
	Escorted by Region 3 Chairman Lion Mick Turner	
	The Chairman of the Isle of Wight Council. Councillor David Williams and	
	Vice Chairman Councillor Susan Scoccia,	
	Escorted by 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Lion David Merchant & Lion Diana Merchant <b>Our International Guest. Past International Director Lion Randy Heitmann, &amp; Lion Kathy Heitmann</b>	
	Escorted by Immediate Past District Governor Lion Brigid Hendy & Past District Governor Lion Mike Hendy	
	Past International Director Lion Howard Lee and Lion Claire Lee.	
	Escorted by Region 2 Chairman Lion Alan Chapman & Anne Chapman.	
5	Ceremony of the Flags and Anthems	
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10	Welcome to the Isle of Wight. Chairman of the Isle of Wight Council - Councillor David Williams	
11	Vote of thanks to Councillor David Williams – Youth Chairman Lion Yorky Tuke	
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13	Official Opening of Convention by The High Sheriff of the Isle of Wight Mrs S. J. Sheldon	
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37	Adoption of District Almoners Report – Lion Eric Nixon	19
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40	Adoption of International Relations Committee Reports PDG Lion Barrie Richardson (Chairman) Europa Forum liaison & Music Competition	25-28
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41	Lion Ian Puttock LCIF, Disaster Coordinator and Gift for Living Adoption of Youth Team Reports	28-30
41	Lion Yorky Tuke – Chairman, & Young Ambassador Officer.	28-30
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43	Adoption of Welfare Team Reports	33-36
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	Lion John Drago – Mobility, Speech & Hearing Officer	
	PDG Lion Patrick Hamblin – Sight Preservation Awareness & Action Officer.	
44	Lion Anita Drago – Special Needs & Circumstances Officer.         Presentation on Dentaid – Chief Executive Mr Andy Jong, introduced by PDG Lion Vic Smith	
44	Attendance Reports & Announcements - District Sergeant at Arms PCC Lion David Firth	
46	Tail Twister – PCC Lion David Firth	
47	Close of the Morning Business Session. Adjournment for Lunch 13.00 hrs to 14.00 hrs – enjoy.	
	Ballot boxes are open until 13-50hrs for the election of DG, 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG for	
	2012 – 2013 The afternoon session of convention will start at 14.00hrs Prompt	

Reconvene Convention & Call to Order - District Sergeant at Arms PCC Lion David Firth           Announcements - District Sergeant at Arms PCC Lion David Firth
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Presentation of Awards for the District Competitions, Introduced by PDG Lion Judith Goodchild
Lions International Sight Savers Awards – Presented to Lions Clubs in recognition of their support for 'Comprehensive Eye Services' over several years, (formerly known as 'Eye Camps'). There are 4 Patches – Bronze 10 X £250 funded; Silver 20 X £250 funded; Gold 40 X £250 funded and Diamond 75 X £250 funded.
Bill Field Sight Cup –         Presented to a Zone, Lions Club or individual member of a Lions club for particular effort in a sight related area.
Godwin Micallef Peace Poster Award – Lions Clubs International Competition, ages 11 to 13 years
<b>Bill Smith Memorial Peace Poster Trophy</b> – District 105D competition ages 9 to 10 years.
<b>Bill Smith Memorial Peace Poster Trophy</b> – District 105D competition ages 7 to 8 years.
Bill Smith Memorial Peace Poster Trophy – For Computer aided design
Junior Poetry Competition - Presented to young children for writing a poem to a specific LIONS theme.
Club Magazine Award – There are three criteria used for the selection of the top Club Magazine award: Interest and Topicality, Layout and Presentation, Regular Publication.
<b>Club Scrapbook Competition</b> – Presented for the club Scrapbook which showed, the most variety and volume of media and other coverage over the year, whilst maintaining an attractive and appealing presentation.
Peter Allen Environmental Photo Competition – Presented to an individual member of a Lions Club for particular effort in the Environmental Photo Competition.
Helen Deakin "Make the world a better place" Photo Competition - Presented to Lions or Clubs for improving our environment.
Leo Plumley Award Presented to the Lions Club or Zone who have made a significant contribution to the well being of those within our society with Physical and Learning disabilities.
John Greenaway International Award – Presented to the Lions Club or Zone most involved with Lions International Projects.
<b>Colin Rickman Youth Project Award</b> – Presented to the Lions Club who has made the greatest contribution with support and sponsorship in all aspects of Youth in the community, whether this be a Lions International initiative, Scouting or other Community and Social Projects.
Blackmore Vale Cheese – Presented to the Lions Club, which made the best contribution to encourage and support the Lions Youth Exchange Programme, either by hosting visitors or by sponsoring young people on overseas visits.
<b>Youth Football Shield</b> – Presented to the winning team in the 105D District Football Competition.( no competition 2010/2011)
<b>Ian Birch Membership Award</b> – Presented to the Lions Club or Zone that has made the greatest effort to increase Lion Membership (this is not necessarily the club with the largest membership).
<b>Barrie Richardson Travelling Lion Award</b> – Awarded to the Lions Club gaining the most points for visiting other Lions Clubs, wherever they may be, District, Region and Zone organised events.
Club Website Award – Presented to the Lions Club with the best Website. The evaluation criteria for this is: Good first impression; easy navigation; clear contact information; friendly image; search engine compatible; useful content; appropriate for audience; download time; designed for all and WOW factor.
Partners rejoin Convention Presentation on Conving Partners, Introduced by Lion Ann Twining
 Presentation on Canine Partners - Introduced by Lion Ann Twining           Introduction & Presentation by the District Young Ambassador Winner – Lion Yorky Tuke
Announcement of Results of Ballot for DG, 1 <sup>st</sup> VDG & 2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG 2012-2013 & Partners Parade to stage
Announcement of Results of Ballot for DG, 1 <sup>-4</sup> VDG & 2 <sup>-4</sup> VDG 2012-2013 & Partners Parade to stage 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor (Elect) to address Convention

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#### MINUTES OF 46th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF DISTRICT 105D HELD AT BEAUMONT HOUSE, OLD WINDSOR, SL4 2JJ ON SATURDAY 19th MARCH 2011

#### 1. Call to Order

The Annual Convention of District 105D was called to order at 9.05 am by District Sergeant at Arms Lion Travis McCall.

- 2. The Health & Safety Briefing was carried out by Lion David Merchant, Health & Safety Officer.
- **3. Introduction and receive District Governor Lion Brigid Hendy and Lion PDG Mike Hendy** by District Sergeant at Arms Lion Travis McCall.
- **4. The Escort of Distinguished Guests to the platform** were introduced by the SAA Lion Travis McCall:-International Director Lion Per K. Christensen (Denmark) and Lion Anita Olsson escorted by IPDG Lion Judith Goodchild and PCC Lion John Goodchild, Past International Director Lion Philip Daubeney and Lion Rita Daubeney escorted by 1st VDG Ron Twining and Lion Ann Twining.
- 5. The Ceremony of the Flags and Anthems was presided over by District Governor Lion Brigid Hendy.
- 6.The Invocation was conducted by 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Lion Roger Munday.
- 7. The Lions Clubs International Purposes were read by Lion President Iain Pudney, Lions Club of Burnham.
- 8. The Lions Clubs International Code of Ethics was read by Lion President Clare Dowling, Lions Club of Bracknell Forest.
- 9.Lion District Governor Brigid Hendy welcomed everyone to the Convention.

#### 10. The Official opening of Convention was performed by PID Philip Daubeney.

PID Philip looked back to when our District D was formed in 1965 and which covered a large area. Parts of it eventually went to Districts SW and EA, as other District were formed. PID Philip outlined the many projects that we now undertake, especially for Youth. He was also proud that our District has held more MD Conventions and has more Past Council Chairmen, than other Districts.

- 11. <u>Special Messages</u>: Sergeant at Arms Lion Travis McCall stated that there were numerous messages for a successful Convention.
- 12.DG Brigid Hendy then welcomed the following and asked them to stand and be recognised:-
  - \* Visitors from 105A, which was the DG's previous District.
  - \* DG Terence Mangan from 105I.
  - \* International Director Per K. Christensen (Denmark) and Lion Anita Olsson.
  - \* PID Lion Philip Daubeney and Lion Rita Daubeney.
  - \* PCC Rod Weale
  - \* All Past Council Chairmen and Past District Governors in 105D.
  - \* All PDG's visiting from other Districts:
  - \* All Club Presidents.
  - \* All New Lions
  - \* Members attending Convention for the first time.
  - \* And members of her family.

DG Brigid awarded her Niece a Certificate of Appreciation for all the hard worked she performed, in designing her Banner.

13. <u>The Remembrance Ceremony</u> was conducted by District Almoner, Lion Eric Nixon.

All in attendance were asked to stand in silence in remembrance of:

Lion Joseph Byers	Bournemouth
Lion John Arman	Bridport
Lion Richard Mantle	Westbury
PDG Lion Hans Plate	Christchurch
Lion Terry Clements	Westbury
Lion Tricia Conlon	Andover
Lion David Jordan	Bradford-on-Avon
Lion Geoff Beck	Windsor
Lion Gwynneth Davies-Gale	Cosham
Lion Ron Dyer	Basingstoke
Lion Amanda Wingfield	Portsmouth
Lion Harold Musker	Christchurch

Lion Hugh Phillips Newburv Lion Stuart Downton Weymouth & Portland Lion Christopher Hodason Ringwood & Fordingbridge, Lion Jim Layton Bridport Lion Brian Godley Goring, Woodcote & District Lion David Havter Bradford-on-Avon Lion Van Huelin Jersev Lion David Picot Jersev Lion Ray Ballinger Goring, Woodcote & District Lion Brian Green Alton Lion Mike Johnson Petersfield Weymouth & Portland Lion Carlo Policella Jersey Lion Brian Sutton who had all passed to higher service, since the last District Convention.

**14.Three Candles** were lit in remembrance of all those who had all passed to higher service, since the Last District Convention.

One for the UK by DG Brigid Hendy, one for Denmark by 1st VDG Ron Twining and one for Lions Worldwide by 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Roger Munday. This was followed by a minute's silence.

- **15.District Governor Lion Brigid Hendy** thanked all those involved in the opening.
- **16.** Doors open for partners and guests to depart. There was a brief adjournment while partners departed for their outing.
- 17. <u>The Convention Business Session</u> was called to order by District Sergeant at Arms Travis McCall.
- 18. <u>Convention Standing Orders</u> were invoked by DG Lion Brigid Hendy
- 19. <u>Attendance Report</u>: District Sergeant at Arms Travis McCall reported that 77 Delegates and 7 Alternates, representing 47 clubs had registered for voting purposes.
- 20. <u>The Minutes of the 45th District Convention</u> were drawn to the attention of the delegates. They were proposed by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Ron Twining (Sandown & Shanklin) seconded by PCC Lion John Goodchild (Loddon Valley) that the minutes be accepted as a true record. The motion was carried. There were no matters arising.
- 21. <u>Report of Constitution, Nominations and Resolutions Officer</u> and Business and Voting Procedures. CNRO Lion David Merchant presented his report and confirmed that there was a quorum at Convention. There had been no invitation to host the 2012 Convention, but one was expected from the Floor - Item 52 of the Agenda.

Lion David pointed out that there were 4 Resolutions to be voted on. Resolutions 1 & 4 required a 2/3rds majority, as they required amendments to the Constitution. Resolutions 2 & 3 only required a simple majority.

As Lion David Merchant was standing for election for 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG, he handed over to Deputy CNRO PCC Lion Goodchild, who explained the process for voting for the 2011-12 DG, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG.

- 22. <u>Nominations for District Governor 2011/2012</u>: Deputy CNRO PCC Lion John Goodchild announced that there was only one candidate for the position, Lion Ron Twining (Sandown and Shanklin), proposed by the Lions Club of Sandown and Shanklin (Lion Barry Kemp) and seconded by the Lions Club of Ringwood & Fordingbridge (Lion Zone Chairman Yorky Tuke). Both then made a short presentation on behalf of Lion Ron, who then addressed Convention.
- 23. <u>Nominations for First Vice District Governor 2011/2012</u>: Deputy CNRO PCC Lion John Goodchild announced that there was only one candidate for the position, Lion Roger Munday (Fleet), proposed by the Lions Club of Fleet (Lion Graham Drayton) and seconded by the Lions Club of Newport (Lion PDG Roger Huntley). Both then made a short presentation on behalf of Lion Roger, who then addressed Convention.
- 24. <u>Nominations for Second Vice District Governor 2011/2012</u>: Deputy CNRO PCC Lion John Goodchild announced that there was only one candidate for the position, Lion David Merchant (Newbury), proposed by the Lions Club of Newbury (Lion Judith Colby) and seconded by the Lions Club of Westbury (PCC Lion David Firth). Both then made a short presentation on behalf of Lion David, who then addressed Convention.

#### 25. <u>Report of District Governor</u>: DG Lion Brigid Hendy said that her report was as tabled.

The report was proposed by Lion Sue Balchin (Wokingham) and seconded by Lion George Jeremiah (Christchurch) that the report be adopted. **The proposal was carried.** 

26. <u>Report of Immediate Past District Governor Judith Goodchild</u>: IPDG Lion Judith Goodchild said his report was as published. She thanked everyone for their support during her year and, especially, her husband, chauffer etc. PCC Lion John Goodchild.

The report was proposed by Lion Ann Huntley (Cowes) and seconded by PDG Lion Pat Nixon (Cosham)) that the report be adopted. The proposal was carried.

27. <u>Report of the District Secretary</u>: PDG Lion Godwin Micallef said that his report was as tabled.

It was proposed by Lion Ken Taylor (Wimborne & Ferndown) and seconded by Lion President Iain Pudney (Burnham) that the report be adopted. **The proposal was carried.** 

28. <u>Report of the District Treasurer</u>: Lion Linda Picton said her report was as tabled and required Convention to accept the Accounts.

It was proposed by PDG Vic Smith (Swanwick) and seconded by Lion David Birt (Blackmore Vale) that the accounts be accepted. **The proposal was carried.** 

The District Treasurers report was proposed by Lion David Merchant (Newbury) and Seconded by SAA Lion Travis McCall (Fleet). **The proposal was carried.** 

#### 29. <u>Resolutions.</u>

**Resolution 1** The resolution required a change to the Constitution, re having an 'independent' examination of the accounts, as distinct to an Audit. It was proposed by PDG Lion Roger Huntley (IOW Newport), on behalf of the Cabinet, and seconded by PDG Lion Barrie Richardson (Ringwood & Fordingbridge). **The proposal was carried.** 

**Resolution 2** This Convention resolves that "The District Per Capita Levy for the Fiscal Year 2011/2012 shall be in the sum of £9.00p per Lion. This shall be payable in two equal instalments - £4.50p per Lion by 1 August 2011 based upon the known membership as at 30 June 2011 and £4.50p per Lion by 1 February 2012 based upon the known membership as at 31 December 2011". It was proposed by District Treasurer Lion Linda Picton (Hart), on behalf of Cabinet, and seconded by IPDG Lion Judith Goodchild (Hook & Odiham). **The proposal was carried.** 

<u>Resolution 3</u> The resolution that this Convention resolves that "that Messrs Gilroy & Brooks of Alton, be sincerely thanked for their services to the District in the past and that they may be, and the same hereby, reappointed as Independent Examiner for the year". It was proposed by District Treasurer Lion Linda Picton (Hart), on behalf of Cabinet, seconded by IPDG Lion Judith Goodchild (Hook & Odiham) **The proposal was carried.** 

<u>**Resolution 4**</u> The resolution required a change to the Constitution for the District Secretary, who is a Trustee of District Finance, is a member of the Finance Committee, as distinct to an attendee.

It was proposed by IPDG Lion Judith Goodchild (Hook & Odiham), on behalf of Cabinet, and seconded by PDG Lion Roger Huntley (IOW Newport). **The proposal was carried.** 

#### 30. Introduction of ID Lion Per K. Christensen

PDG Lion Mike Hendy introduced ID Lion Per Christensen, who has been a Lion since 1992 and who is a member of the Lions Club of Gug (Denmark).

#### 31. Convention Address – ID Lion Per K. Christensen

ID Per Christensen passed on the congratulations from the International Lion President Sid L Scruggs III. He stated that our organisation has had a long and varied past but are we really servicing our Communities. For example, do we have the strength to support them and to support International disasters such as Haiti and Japan?

Are we attracting younger members in the 30 to 50 year olds to replace us? It is not about membership numbers, as long as you are continuing to support your communities. In Denmark, they have more Clubs and more members than our District.

If there is a possibility of a new Club in your area, do not say 'No', say 'Yes', as it is supporting the Community that is important.

There is a worldwide focus on Membership through the Global Management Team (GMT) and on Leadership through the Global Leadership Team (GLT) which replace the previous MERL team. This includes increased membership and extension by creating new Clubs within Districts. Things have to change, if our organisation is to continue to Serve our Communities.

#### 32. Vote of thanks to ID Lion Per K. Christensen

First VDG Ron Twining thanked ID Per for an inspiring talk and for mentioning that Club extension is needed in order to continue, and increasing, support to our communities.

#### 33. Presentation and Adoption of all Cabinet Reports - en bloc.

DG Brigid asked that each Committee stand and be recognised and that Reports were to be voted on, en bloc, at the end.

During this process, Personal and Competition awards were presented, following the relevant Committees, as follows:-

- \* Finance
- \* Long Range Planning
- \* District Almoner

#### \* Zone Chairmen

A DG's Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to Lion Richard Jotcham, President of Trowbridge, for his effort in recruiting members in order to start a younger members Club. A DG's Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to Lion Malcolm Mortimer, President of Woodley and Earley, for doubling their membership.

#### \* District Club Development

A DG's Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to Lion Pauline McCreanor (IOW Ryde) for all her effort in Chairing the Club Development Teams.

\* Region Club Development Chairmen The Ian Birch Membership Award was presented to Woolmer Forest.

#### \* Youth Team

A Banner was presented to Lion Tony Ives, Blandford & District, for their effort in forming a new Leos Club.

The Godwin Micallef Peace Poster Trophy (11-13 year olds) was presented to Burnham.

The **Bill Smith Memorial Peace Poster Trophy (9-10 year olds)** was won by Charlotte Hornet - Blandford & District.

The **Bill Smith Memorial Peace Poster Trophy (7-8 year olds)** was won by Joshua Cook - Blandford & District.

(Please note that, due to an error, both of the Bill Smith Trophies should have been awarded to Blackmore Vale, not Blandford & District. This error was resolved post Convention.)

## The **Bill Smith Memorial Peace Poster Trophy (for Computer Aided Design) –** there were no candidates.

The Youth Poetry Award was won by Lucy Mears - Andover

The Colin Rickman Award was presented to Blandford & District

The Youth Football Competition – The competition was not held this year.

The **Blackmore Vale Cheese** was presented to New Milton.

The Peter Allen Environmental Trophy was not awarded.

#### \* Communications Team

A **DG's Certificate of Appreciation** was awarded to both District IT Chairman Lion Tom Sayers (Fleet) and Deputy IT Chairman Richard High (Loddon Valley) for their efforts, in particular, for the Convention.

The Brigid Hendy Club website Award was presented to Reading.

The Barrie Richardson Travelling Lion Award was presented to Hart.

#### \* Community Services Team

The Leo Plumley Award was awarded to Hayling Island.

The Bill Field Sight Cup was presented to Crofton.

The Lions Sight Savers – no awards were presented.

#### \* International Relations Committee

PDG Lion Barrie Richardson (Ringwood & Fordingbridge) presented an update on the Japan earthquake and the fact that LCI are unable to make contact with 10 Lions Clubs within the area. This was the third recent major disaster, following the Australia and New Zealand ones. An appeal will go out to Clubs, for donations to all three areas.

The John Greenaway International Award was presented to Sandown & Shanklin.

As this was the end of all the Cabinet Reports, DG Brigid Hendy asked that all the reports were to be accepted, en bloc.

Proposed by PDG Lion Colin Rickman (Southampton) and Seconded by Lion Ian Puttock (Yateley & District). **The proposal was carried.** 

- 34. <u>The Tail Twister</u>, PCC Lion David Firth (Westbury) extracted many fines. DG Lion Brigid Hendy stated that she would like the money to go towards the Japan earthquake and everyone was asked to donate towards it.
- **35.** <u>Attendance Report:</u> District Sergeant at Arms Lion Travis McCall reported that 79 Delegates and 7 Alternates, representing 48 clubs had registered for voting purposes.
- **36.** The first Business Session closed at 12:30 p.m.
- 37. <u>Reconvene Convention</u>: was called to order by District Sergeant at Arms, Travis McCall.

#### 38. Announcements

A message had been received from our Patron, The Countess of Wessex, wishing us a happy and Productive time.

Following the request by the Tail Twister, before the Lunch break, £500 was collected for the Japanese earthquake relief.

#### 39. Introduction of Mr. Colin Williamson of St. Dunstan's

PDG Lion Patrick Hamblin reminded us that it was Helen Keller, in 1925, who asked that we became 'Knights of the Blind'. Our MD has formed a partnership with St. Dunstan's to provide a Day Room in a new centre being built in Llandudno, North Wales. We have raised sufficient funding for one Room and we are currently trying to raise another £50,000 for another Room. The Rooms will be called Melvyn Jones and Bert Mason, both notable Lions.

He then introduced Colin Williamson, who thanked us on behalf of St. Dunstan's, for supporting injured Servicemen.

He explained that they supported ex and current forces plus members of the Emergency Services and not just for sight lost in conflict only. The organisation was started in 1915 by Sir Arthur Pearson and was set up to provide Independent living for injured Servicemen from WW1. The first site is in Brighton and this was followed by another in Sheffield, for 'Northerners'. Currently, there are some 50 new members each month, from the many conflicts, some of which continue today.

#### 40. Presentation of other Competition awards

During lunch, PDG Ken Rouse (105A), and his wife Margaret, judged the following competitions.

The Scrapbook Award was won by Hart.

The Club Magazine Award was won by Jersey.

#### 41. Introduction and Presentation by the District Young Ambassador Winner

DO Lion Richard High (Loddon Valley) thanked DG Lion Brigid Hendy, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Ron Twining and Lion Ann Twining for their help with the Young Ambassadors final. In addition, he thanked Lion Richard Wareham (Poole) for taking the photos and for the collage of photos from the final.

He introduced Camilla Potter, from Wokingham, who presented her project and activities that made her such a successful winner. She has started a ME2 club for children with special needs, who need Chaperones to attend various activities.

DG Lion Brigid Hendy congratulated Camilla on her project and presented her, and Lion Mervyn Clark (Wokingham) with the Trophy. DG Lion Brigid Hendy presented her personal Banner to Camilla's parents.

#### 42. Celebrate Success

DG Lion Brigid Hendy introduced the following successful events.

#### Membership

Lion President Richard Jotcham (Trowbridge) presented his Club's project to attract new, younger members, who would not want to join an 'old' members Club.

They created leaflets which specifically targeted younger people, 25 to 30 year olds, with a view to creating a new Club for them. Their research showed that you have to reach them via various different methods such as Face book, Twitter etc.

They invited a number of potential members and to a Social evening and also arranged for young Celebrities to attend and talk to them. Of the 28 attendees, 14 were targeted and 3 have been badged up recently. In addition to his Club members, he thanked Zone Chairman Lion Richard Loverock and the District Membership Team for their support.

#### **Children Smoking and Alcohol Abuse**

PDG Pat Nixon (Cosham) presented the project aimed at preventing children from Smoking and Alcohol Abuse.

After discussion with TACADE, a Peer Education program was highlighted and, in conjunction with Hampshire County Council, the project was aimed at 10 of the 17 Primary Schools in the Gosport Area. The project was a success but, unfortunately, Hampshire Count Council is unable to fund further projects. However, if Clubs / Zones were able to fund a project in their area, then PDG Pat Nixon, and possibly others, would be prepared to help.

#### International Projects

Lion Mike Spencer (Sandown & Shanklin) presented the project that he, and his wife Lion Helen, started in 2007

If followed a holiday where they visited Mombassa and decided that they would help to develop a children's home. They made contact with a local New Century Lions Club who agreed to work with them.

The original intention was superseded by other events, which resulted with land having to be being purchased, in order to build a new home. The expected cost for this is some £52,000 and, to date, some £42,000 has been raised. We have now applied for a standard grant from LCI, to help complete this project.

#### **Dragons Den**

DO Graham Drayton (Fleet) presented the 'Dragons Den' project which was initiated to try and provide funds to worthy causes that have not previously been supported by their Club. After all, larger Charities have professional fund-raisers.

It took 6 weeks to implement and, similar to the TV program, possible recipients had to make presentations to a panel, requesting funds for their Charities.

#### **Future Leaders**

Lion Veronica Tacke (Bracknell Forest) and DO Richard High (Loddon Valley) gave a presentation on the Leadership Institute that they, and others, had recently attended. The topics covered were varied and included managing projects, presentation skills, stimulating leaders, rejuvenating Clubs, and to encourage 'my Ideal Club'.

#### 43. The Partners rejoined Convention.

#### 44. Ballots for appointment of District Governor, the First Vice District Governor and the Second Vice District Governor: DG Lion Brigid Hendy announced the results of the ballots held earlier in the day:

District Governor for 2011/2012 •

Lion Ron Twining (Sandown & Shanklin) Lion Roger Munday (Fleet)

First Vice-District Governor for 2011/2012

Lion David Merchant (Newbury)

Second Vice District Governor for 2011/2012 DG Brigid sought, and received, permission to destroy the Ballot papers.

- 45. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Governor Elect: Lion David Merchant thanked everyone for their support and will do his best to serve the District
- 46.1<sup>st</sup> Vice Governor Elect: Lion Roger Munday thanked everyone for their support and he will do his best to Serve and laugh with me.
- 47. District Governor Elect: Lion Ron Twining thanked everyone for their support and looked forward to start of his year where there will be change. His motto was 'Service before Self' and he will encourage more Service projects throughout his year.
- **48.** As there were no candidates for the Music Competition, 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE Roger Munday gave a presentation on the topics being reviewed by the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC). More members have been added to the team and specific groups are looking initiatives such as:-

#### **Technology & Reporting**

Conference calling, for meetings, Minimising the monthly M&A reporting administration, and duplication of effort. The District web site plus advertising on the web site to generate Income.

#### \* Projects

Review of our District projects .Shall we continue with some of them, enhance them etc. Identity, do people really know about Lions - what can we do to improve perception. PR activities for our Lions Centenary celebrations.

#### \* Finance

Cost benefit analysis of the Projects and Technology & Reporting initiatives will be performed. In addition review:-Roles of District Officers – perhaps combine posts. Health & Safety aspects. Communication with Clubs.

#### 49. Maison des Landes, Jersey

PID Philip Daubeny showed a video of the facilities available at Maison des Landes, which is a holiday home for disabled people, run by the Lions Club of Jersey. As the guests are fully catered for, and taken out on various excursions, this allows for their carers to be able to have some respite care themselves.

#### 50. District Governors Presentations

ID Per K. Christensen presented:-International Presidents Certificates of Appreciation to:-

DO Eric Nixon (Fareham)

DO Lion Yorky Tuke (Ringwood & Fordingbridge)

PDG Lion Bill Reed (Blackmore Vale)

DT Lion Linda Picton (Hart)

#### International President's Leadership Medal to:-

DO Lion Graham Drayton (Fleet)

DG Lion Brigid Hendy also gave a personal thank you to Juliet Brown, for all her assistance with the Convention IT aspects.

#### 51. Call for Nomination of Convention Host Club 2013

CNRO Lion David Merchant introduced the honorary member of Fleet, PID Lion Philip Daubeney, who proposed that Fleet will host the 2013 Convention on behalf of 1<sup>st</sup> VDGE Roger Munday (Fleet). **Convention** accepted the proposal.

#### 52. Presentation by Host Club for Convention 2012

SAA Lion Travis McCall asked the 2012 Convention Host Club to come forward. A procession of 'carry on' type characters paraded into the hall and announced that the 2012 Convention will be at Norton Grange, IOW on 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

The theme will be 'Carry On across the Solent' and the host Chairman is Lion Jane Goodlet (IOW Ventnor)

#### 53. Presentation of Host Committee 2011

SAA Lion Travis McCall introduced the host Convention team, led by Steven Spencer (Burnham) and included members from Burnham, Bracknell Forest, Maidenhead and Windsor.

#### 54. Presentation to ID Per K. Christensen

DG Lion Brigid Hendy presented ID Lion Per and Lion Anita Olsson with personal gifts. In addition, ID Lion Per was presented with a District Gift of £100, which would be donated to LCIF on his behalf. He asked that it be sent towards the Japan earthquake appeal.

#### 55. <u>AOB</u>

IPDG Lion Judith Goodchild congratulated DG Lion Brigid Hendy on a successful day.

#### 56. Announcements

None

#### 57. Tailtwister

PCC Lion David Firth (Westbury) extracted more fines!

#### 58. Presentation of Convention Flag to Host Committee Chairman 2012

DG Lion Brigid Hendy presented the Flag to Host Committee Chairman.

#### 59. Closing Ceremony.

Everyone stood up, and joined hands, to sing the closing song.

61.<u>Close of the 46<sup>th</sup> Convention of Lions Clubs International, District 105D</u> Convention closed at approx. 16:35 hrs.

#### CONSTITUTION, NOMINATIONS & RESOLUTIONS - PCC John Goodchild

Following last year's Convention, my predecessor advised our Association's International Office of the names of the successful candidates in the ballots for District Governor, First and Second Vice District Governors 2011-2012. The International Office was also advised of the substance and results of the voting on the Resolutions considered by the Delegates at Convention. The District Constitution was revised in line with the decisions taken at Convention and the revised version was (and continues to be) published on the District Website. From my point of view, there are no outstanding matters arising from Convention 2011.

The Convention 2012 Call was issued by the District Governor in August 2011, together with a call for nominations to the posts of District Governor, First and Second Vice District Governors 2012-2013, any Resolutions to be considered at Convention 2012 and Invitations to host Convention 2014. The District Cabinet have accepted a proposal from the Lions Club of Fleet to host Convention 2013.

By the closing date for receipt of nominations, resolutions and invitations:

- One nomination had been received for the post of District Governor 2012-2013
- One nomination had been received for the post of First Vice District Governor 2012-2013
- One nomination had been received for the post of Second Vice District Governor 2012-2013
- Six Resolutions had been received for debate at Convention 2012, three being from the District Cabinet and three from the Lions Club of Hayling Island.
- No invitations were received to host Convention 2014.

Details of the above Nominations and Resolutions were circulated to clubs by the due date and are to be found elsewhere in this Convention Brochure. I can confirm that all candidates are fully qualified (as defined by the Constitution and By-Laws of our International Association) to stand for the posts to which they have been nominated.

At the time of writing (late December 2011) no amendments have been received to the above mentioned Resolutions, however the closing date for receipt of these by me is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2012 so it is possible that the situation may change.

#### PCC John Goodchild

### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 105D

NOMINATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AT DISTRICT CONVENTION 2012

FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR - 2012-2013

Lion Roger Munday (Lions Club of Fleet) Nominated by The Lions Club of Fleet Seconded by The Lions Club of Isle of Wight Newport

#### FOR FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR - 2012-2013

Lion David Merchant (Lions Club of Newbury) Nominated by The Lions Club of Newbury Seconded by The Lions Club of Westbury

#### FOR SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR - 2012-2013

Lion Mike Hendy (Lions Club of Bracknell) Nominated by The Lions Club of Bracknell Seconded by The Lions Club of Reading

NOTE: Even though there is only one candidate for each of the three posts, the International Constitution requires that in each case, there shall be a written secret ballot held to decide whether the candidate should be elected or not. That is to say: the voting delegates have an opportunity to say that they do not wish a candidate to be elected.

#### FOR CONVENTION HOST CLUB - 2014

No Invitations submitted

NOTE : Article VIII Sections 4(c) and 4(d) of District 105D Constitution (as adopted March 1984 - with amendments to March 2011) read :

"(c) If no invitation to host a subsequent Convention is received by the date stipulated, invitations may be presented from the floor to Convention and may be accepted, but will be subject to Cabinet approval at their next meeting.

(d) If there should be no acceptable invitations whatsoever, it shall be the duty of the next succeeding Cabinet to arrange the venue of the appropriate Convention at such place within the District and at such time and by such means as it shall decide.".



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#### Lion Roger Munday For District Governor - District 105D 2012- 2013



#### Introduction

Roger was born in London in May 1944 and moved to Hatfield, Herts in 1955. He attended Hertfordshire College of Building and studied Civil Engineering at the same time. His current qualifications are as a Certified Cost Engineer and Project Management Professional. He has completed over 2 of the 3 part time years towards a MBA. He has been married to Christine for 43 years. They have two daughters, two sons-in-law and six grandchildren. In 1979 Roger was offered an assignment to South Africa for two years. One thing led to another and the family decided to stay. They have had dual Nationality since the first democratic election in 1994 and returned to the UK in 2002.

#### Lions - Offices held and Committees

Roger has been a member of Fleet Lions since April 2004 and is currently 1st Vice Governor. As 1VDG Roger is a member of the Global Membership Team (GMT), filling the role as Extension Officer and is a member of the Finance Committee. As 2VDG he was Retention Officer in the GMT, a member of the Finance Committee and was Chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee. This followed two years as Region Chairman where he was a member of the MERL Team. Prior to that, in 2007-08, he was Zone Chairman.

He was President of Fleet Lions in 2006-07 and Youth Chairman 2005-06 combined with Leos Club Advisor, SNAP Disco Coordinator and member of Hart Youth Partnership Committee for that year. In 2009-10 he was chairman of Fleet Lions Membership Committee and has served on Community Services combined with Youth in 2007-09. He was a Member of the Zone K Fun Fest Committee from 2007 - 10. He compiles and Edits his Club and Zone K Magazines

#### Rotary

Roger was a Rotarian for 18 years, 17 of them in South Africa and one year in a club in Surrey before joining Fleet Lions. He was on the Board of Directors for 10 years of his years in Rotary and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President in both his clubs there. However, the nature of his professional duties forced moves and a decision to return to the UK curtailed the second club membership. He led Fundraising, Youth and Rotaract Advisor (equivalent of Leos), and Community Service at various times.

#### **Parents Teachers Association**

Roger was a member of the PTA for 3 years when his daughters were in High School in South Africa; his final year was as chairman, where he was very successful in Fund Raising.

#### Scouts

As a boy and young man Roger was a Cub, Scout, Senior Scout and Rover. He gained the Baden Powell Award as a Rover Scout.

He was warranted as an Assistant Senior Scout Leader, Venture Scout Leader and Rover Scout Leader. He became a mountaineering instructor and was trained in cold weather survival techniques.

#### Sports

Roger played Football at School and Club Rugby after leaving school. In South Africa he played in Softball and 10 pin bowling leagues. He also played Squash and Badminton.

### The Lions Club of Newbury

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#### For First Vice District Governor 105D 2012/2013

#### Club Level

President – 3 times Secretary Treasurer Events Director Welfare Director Membership Officer

#### District & MD Level

Second Vice District Governor District Treasurer Region Chair Zone Chair Newsletter Officer LEO Clubs Officer Diabetes Officer Vulnerable Persons Officer CNRO District Risk Advisor Deputy MD Officer for Vulnerable Persons

#### **Other Lion Activities**

Attended MD Conventions Attended District Conventions Assisted at International Convention in Birmingham 2 District Governor's Medals of Appreciation

### Professional and Personal Details

I recently retired after 40 years of teaching. My roles within the education sector have included those of Deputy Head of a small rural comprehensive and Head of Mathematics in a large urban comprehensive. I still maintain links with education and young people via private tutoring and as an Examiner for various examination boards. Experiences I have gained within these many and varied roles have combined to help me prepare me for this senior role within lionism.

Diana and I have been married for 42 years and we have 2 grown up children. Diana, herself a Lion, has always assisted in the many and varied events and social functions of Newbury Lions Club and has been a firm supporter of all my roles within Lions both at Club and District level and I know she will continue to support both me and the District in the role which I now seek.

For the past 11 years I have been Vice Chair of the Newbury Carnival Committee and Parade Marshal: as such I have had responsibility for the Parade, Road Closures and maintaining positive working links with the Police and the Local Authority. In addition I spent many years as a staff representative on the PTA, I have been a Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator and was a football referee for some 20 years.

I believe we all have a role to play in helping those who most need our support. This may be within our own Club, our District, the Multiple District or throughout the whole family of Lions. My message to the Lions of 105D is for us all to work together and by so doing to give <u>Service with Pride</u>.

## PDG Lion Mike Hendy, MJF. Candidate for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, 105D 2012/2013

Nominated by: Lions Club of Bracknell Seconded by: Lions Club of Reading

**Club Offices:** 

Club President (105A & D)

Club Secretary (105A & D) Club Director (105A & D) Welfare/Social/Fund Raising & Membership Chairman Tail Twister & Charter Member (105A) **District Offices:** District Governor & 1<sup>st</sup> VDG (105A) District Training Officer (105D) District Extension Officer (105D) Zone Chairman (105A & D) Multiple District Offices: MD PR Chairman MD Leadership Chairman

Lions Awards

International President's Leadership Medal International Presidents Medal

#### Additional Lions experience:

• Attended majority of District 105A, 105D and MD Conventions since joining Lions in 1987

Region Chairman (105A & D)

- Attended International Conventions in San Diego, Hawaii, Indianapolis and Sydney
- Faculty member of the MD105 Emerging Lions Institute (5 years)
- Faculty Member for three pan-European Senior Lions Institutes
- Faculty Member for one pan-European Faculty Development Institute
- 'Graduate' of MD105 Emerging Lions Institute & LCI Senior Lions Institute & Faculty Development Institute

#### Personal data:

Although I have reached retirement age, I have just signed up for another five years in my role as a Project Manager with Berkshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust. I manage build and fit out projects for GP surgeries, hospitals and administrative premises. I have been married to PDG Lion Brigid for 22 years and have four children and five grandchildren.

I transferred from 105A in 2004 after 17 years as a Lion in that District. When I transferred in I joined Wokingham Lions and stayed with them until asked by the DG to try to rebuild Bracknell Club which was about to fold. I succeeded in this task and membership was up into double figures until younger members started getting married and moving away to parts of the country where it is cheaper to live. We hope to be back up to seven members soon and Brigid is also assisting as an Associate Member.

Having already qualified for and served as District Governor in 105A 2000/2001, I am very excited about the new opportunities for more strategic thinking at District level offered by LCI by the introduction of the DG Team allowing visits to be spread over three years instead of one – this ensures the DG and his/her team can think and plan ahead for the betterment of the District and it's members. I firmly believe in our motto 'We Serve' and would wish to encourage clubs to find more 'hands on' service projects but ensure that in whatever they do, fun and fellowship is among the by-products



#### **Immediate Past District Governor – Lion Brigid Hendy**

As I wrote a fairly comprehensive report for Convention last year this is more of an update for the later months of my period as District Governor.

My main thrust throughout the year had been an increase in membership and possibly clubs. We added 130 Lions to the District last year but lost 149 (22 of whom passed to higher service) so unfortunately I did not achieve this net growth. That said however the work that was started last year has been continued this year and it is hoped that by convention we may have chartered (or be very near to) a new club in Aldershot – an area that has been on the 'to do' books for many years. My personal thanks to PDG Fred Massey and his team for bringing this nearer to a reality. I know the District Membership team are working hard on other areas as well and I wish them all success in their endeavours.

I will take this final opportunity to thank all my District Cabinet team for all the support they gave me and also you – the District Membership and your partners – for the hospitality and friendship you accorded to Mike and me during our travels over the year. The baton has been passed into capable hands and long may this District flourish in its achievements

#### **IPDG Lion Brigid Hendy**

#### **District Secretary – PDG Lion Godwin Micallef**

My role this year has been similar to prior years and includes the following main tasks:-

- \* Taking minutes for the District Cabinet and the Membership, Finance and Long Range Planning Committee meetings.
- \* Collecting various forms/questionnaires such as the District Directory, Delegate/Alternate forms for the District and MD Conventions.
- \* Collecting and sending out Mailings to the Clubs on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. The District mailings are sent to the Club Secretaries and Presidents in order to ensure that all the Clubs receive the information, one way or another. District Officers also receive the District mailings.

The CLUB mailings, which usually contain non-business items such as Charter invites, were also sent on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. These are sent to Club Secretaries only.

- I have supported a number of Clubs this year with general advice and with their monthly Membership & Activities (M&A) reporting. This year, we asked the Clubs to cease providing Club Activities to the District and encouraged them to provide the information on the LCI web site instead. By doing this we have achieved the following benefits:-
  - 1. For a number of Clubs, we have eliminated the need to provide duplicate Activities information to both District and LCI.
  - 2. We have eliminated the office of Reports Officer from Cabinet, as well as the need for Club Secretaries to send copies to multiple email addresses each month.
  - The previous Word Document Activity reporting was only seen by a few people.
     e.g. The recipients of the emails.
     Now, many more District Officers can view the detail. In addition, LCI also have all the additional Service Hours and Funds raised information, which was not available to them, previously. This information will roll up to the International tally of Service Activities information.
  - 4. We now have an electronic archive of this information, on the LCI web site, as distinct to printed reports in a filing Cabinet held by the DG. This is also beneficial to Clubs.

I would like to thank all the Club Secretaries for responding to the Reporting change, and also to congratulate them on a job well done. At the time of writing this report, 63 of the 66 Clubs have provided their Activities information to the LCI web site.

I am here to help you, therefore, please feel free to telephone me if you need any assistance. **PDG Lion Godwin Micallef** 

#### **District Treasurer – Lion Linda Picton**

#### 2010-2011 Accounts:

End of Year final accounts for both the Administration and Charitable Trust have been confirmed by our independent examiner and are circulated in this Convention 2012 booklet. (Pages 41-54) They can also be viewed on District 105D website.

Once again, total expenditure for the year did not require the full budget amount from reserve funds. This is due in the main to reduced expenditure on the part of District Officers. Many did not claim permitted expenses that were within the budget. Final accounts as recommended by the Finance Committee, endorsed by Cabinet to be taken to Convention for approval.

#### 2011-2012 Accounts:

Administration Account: Details of expenditure YTD (December 2011) can be found in the relevant column on the Proposed BUDGET PLAN 2012-2013 spreadsheet and reflect the mid-point in the lionistic year. Deposits to secure bookings for Conventions and stage payments have been advanced from the District Account to be reimbursed once full payment for bookings is received by the Host Committees. The current healthy level of surplus funds allow this, however, this may not always be the case.

Charitable Trust: Thank you for responding so generously to emergency and regular appeals. Details of charity donations YTD are updated at the end of each calendar month, and can be viewed on the 105D website. If you experience any difficulty with downloading or access to this facility, please let me know.

#### **BUDGET PLAN 2012-2013**

This budget plan was prepared using input from District Officers, with the benefit of previous spending patterns, and an insight into the future structure of the committees and cabinet. This was reviewed by the Finance Committee and endorsed by Cabinet in November 2011 and does plan to reduce the level of reserve funds to what is considered to be an acceptable level. Details accompany the proposed Resolution for District Convention. (Pages 15-16)

#### Other Relevant Matters:

Once again, our thanks go to Messrs. Gilroy and Brookes for efficiently inspecting our accounts and making our reporting deadlines possible.

The cost of membership does still seem to be a point of discussion in some areas. Official dues, as at December 2011, still equate to less than £1.10 per week. International £24.96, Multiple District £21.50 and District £9.00. These figures do include your copy of 'The Lion Magazine' but not the one off International joining fee or any local charges levied by individual clubs. I have made Club Treasurers aware of pipeline increases for International Dues (US\$4 to be phased in over next two years) and £1 Multiple District Dues. Concessions for Life, Family and Student membership currently apply to International Dues ONLY.

Serious consideration will be given to levels of expenditure and surplus funds vs. increase in dues for District 105D during this coming year.

Please remember to keep your membership reporting accurate and up to date to avoid any billing errors.

Financial Information page on District 105D website is frequently updated with additional information. Please let me know if there are any items you feel would be useful additions.

If you have any specific financial queries relating to the final end of year accounts or the budget plan, that may require further investigation on my part, it would be appreciated if you could please contact me ahead of District Convention.

#### **Lion Linda Picton**

### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 105D

#### **RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AT DISTRICT CONVENTION 2012**

#### Resolution 1

#### Proposed by the District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that :

"Messrs Gilroy & Brookes, Chartered Accountants of Alton, be sincerely thanked for their services to the District in the past and that they be, and the same are hereby, re-appointed as Independent Examiner to the District for the forthcoming Year."

*NOTE* : Article IV Section 4 (a) of District 105D Constitution (as adopted March 1984 – with amendments to March 2011) reads :

"The Governor or Cabinet shall provide for an independent examination of the books, records and Financial Statements of the District covering the Year by a suitably qualified person to be appointed (or re-appointed as the case may be) by resolution at Convention each Year".

Resolution 2

Proposed by the District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that :

"The District Per Capita Levy for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 shall be in the sum of  $\pounds 9.00p$  per Lion. This shall be payable in two equal instalments -  $\pounds 4.50p$  per Lion by 1 August 2012 based upon the known membership as at 30 June 2012 and  $\pounds 4.50p$  per Lion by 1 February 2013 based upon the known membership as at 31 December 2012"

NOTE : Article IV Section 1 of District 105D Constitution (as adopted March 1984 – with amendments to March 2011) reads :

(a) (i) To provide revenue to defray administration and Convention expenses of the District, and such other matters as the Governor or Cabinet shall from time to time deem fit, a Per Capita levy for a Year shall be collected from each Club by the District Treasurer at such times and in such amounts as shall be passed by way of Resolution proposed by District Cabinet at Convention held in the previous Year.

(ii)In the event that any Resolution to determine a Per-Capita levy for a Year is not passed at Convention held in the previous Year, the amounts collectable from each Club for the Year shall remain those as determined at the most recent preceding Convention.

(b) Clubs organised or re-organised during the Year shall be liable to pay per-capita dues calculated on a pro-rata basis commencing from the first day of the month following the date of their organisation or re-organisation meeting.

(c) From and after 1 July 2000 Cabinet shall be empowered to levy a carrying charge, not exceeding  $\pounds 10.00p$  as shall be determined at their first meeting in the Year, on any Per-Capita Levy not settled in full by the due date.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

At the November 2011 meeting the Finance Committee reviewed the budget for the next year. Reconciled figures for 2010-2011 were discussed, together with balances in reserves and it was decided that the budget should remain in line with previous years. The budget has been reconfigured to reflect costs incurred by each committee.

The anticipated costs for running the District equate to  $\pounds 20,115$ . The Committee considered the membership number should be 1,375 for budget purposes. This would make the dues  $\pounds 14.63$  per member. After discussion the Committee recommended that the dues should remain constant at  $\pounds 9.00$  per member for 2012 - 2013, with the balance being taken from reserves.

The District Cabinet endorsed these recommendations at their November Meeting.

105D ADMINISTRATION	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2010-2011	%	2011-2012	2011-2012	2012-2013
	final	final	final	BUDGET	final		BUDGET	22-Dec-11	PLAN
Incoming Resources	30.6.08	30.6.09	30.6.10		30-Jun-11				
Membership Dues	13240	12584	12482	12600	12295		12510	6025	12375
Interest Net	1059	307							
Affinity Card after Royalties	312	287	236		208				
Sundry Income (Handover)	476	24	75		45				
Convention Social			762		612				
Leos(Closure Dist.Leo a/c)	0	791							
Total Income	15087	13993	13555	12600	13160		12510	6025	12375
Resources Expended									
District									
Expenses District Governor	800	800	800	800	800	100%	800	400	800
Expenses District Secretary	624	415	488	1000	592	59%	800	563	700
Expenses District Treasurer	467	224	268	400	328	82%	350	176	325
Sgt at Arms		94	106	120			100		100
DG Advisory Cttee							100		100
Almoner			69	120	67	56%	100	56	100
Region 1	143	141	237	250	267	107%	250	195	250
Region 2	361	198	303	400	366	91%	500	85	400
Region 3	117	167	44	250	52	21%	250		250
Region 4	44	0		250	80	32%	250		250
Region 5	166	79	76	250	165	66%	250	52	250
Forums & Other Room Hire	780	733	732	1500	2036	136%	2200	1300	2200
Insurance	53	0							
Equipment/Regalia	96	162	459	200	66	33%	450	45	300
Island Travel	593	566	620	800	1224	153%	850	149	1250
Bank Charges	240	140			4				
Тах		3	4						
Room Hire (Cabinet)	500	536	400	700	450	64%	700	200	600
Miscellaneous	7	0	267	200	100	50%	200		200
Total District	4991	4259	4873	7240	6597		8150	3221	8075
Committees									
Communications	441	395	697	750	302	41%	900	90	750
Community Service	336	822	476	1500	377	25%	1100	268	900
Convention	1563	2387	3816	3131	3032	97%	4000	14350	4000
Convention Social	7239	1724							
Finance	353	226	320	600	274	46%	450	89	350
International Relations	277	224	479	600	173	29%	1000	180	900
Long Range Planning	104	80	429	700	534	76%	500	73	500
Lord Mayor Show	0	527	743	500	624	125%	750	149	500
Membership Drives (net )	0	50	400	500	180	36%	1500	200	1000
GMT/GLT	847	1486	1487	1700	1400	82%	1450	740	1200
Newsletter	332	496	374	450					
PR	1818	0	168	500	341	68%	700		500
Training	0	-90					440		440
Youth	650	939	650	2000	1067	53%	1800	129	1000
Total Committees	13960	9266	10039	12931	8304		14590	16268	12040
Total Expenses	18951	13525	14912	20171	14901		22740	19489	20115
Shortfall/Surplus	-3864	468	-1357	-7571	-1741	23%	-10230	-13464	-7740
								-	
Members	1400	1400		1400			1390	1339	1375
	9.00	9.00		9.00			9.00	4.50	9.00
Reserves							-		
Administration	25715	26628	2039	24589	2327		22262		
Leos	0	791	80	711	26		685		
Convention Business	5000	5000		5000			5000		
Convention Social	0	0	-762	762	-612		1374		
Membership	2445	2445		2445	1		2445		
	2443								
Total Reserves	33160	34864	1357	33507	1741		31766		

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2 ARTICLE IV OF THE DISTRICT 105D CONSTITUTION

Renumber existing Section (c), (c)(i) to read as existing Section (c)

Add new section (c)(ii)

Revised Section (c) to read as follows:

"(c) (i) The Governor and the District Treasurer and the District Secretary shall jointly, but subject to the ratification of Cabinet, have management and control over the property and funds and of all budgetary matters of the District and its Committees (if any). No obligation may be approved or made which would result in a deficit in the total funds of the District at any time.

(ii) No person shall commit the District to expenditure in excess of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds  $(\pounds 250)$  in any one transaction without the prior approval of the Cabinet. For all expenditure where the sum is above that figure including District events, a budget must be submitted by the organiser/purchaser first to the Finance Committee for review before being presented for Cabinet approval.

**EXPLANATORY NOTE:** The District Cabinet consider it pertinent to provide better financial protection to ensure the District is not exposed to undue uncontrollable expenditure. As this resolution seeks to amend the District Constitution, it will need to be passed by a two thirds majority of those delegates who exercise their right to vote.

#### Resolution 4

Proposed by the Lions Club of Hayling Island Seconded by the Lions Club of Portsmouth

This Convention requests The District Cabinet to introduce a Poster Contest more relevant to the interests and imagination of children to be known as The Environmental Poster Contest.

EXPLANATORY NOTES: The International Peace Poster Contest which was so successful in its early years has lost the interest of children, as evidenced by the decrease in entries year by year. The proposing club does not recommend the elimination of the existing Peace Poster Contest as they recognise there may be clubs, Districts and Multiple Districts in the World, where there is still strong support for this contest. The Hayling Island Lions Club recently organised a children's poster contest to highlight the harmful effects of plastic bags to the environment. This attracted a high level of interest and a large number of entries. We believe that a Children's Poster Contest relating to topical environmental issues would re-awaken previous enthusiasm. We suggest that themes related to Lions projects, such as the planting of trees be used.

#### Resolution 5

Proposed by the Lions Club of Hayling Island Seconded by the Lions Club of Portsmouth

This Convention requests the Council of Governors to consider the introduction of a Multiple District Environmental Poster Contest in addition to the existing Peace Poster Contest. The new contest to be organised in similar fashion to the existing Peace Poster Contest.

**EXPLANATORY NOTES: As for Resolution 4** 

#### Resolution 6

Proposed by the Lions Club of Hayling Island Seconded by the Lions Club of Portsmouth

This Convention requests the International Board of Directors of Lions Clubs International to consider the introduction of an Environmental Poster Contest in addition to the existing Peace Poster Contest. The new contest to be organised in similar fashion to the existing Peace Poster Contest.

EXPLANATORY NOTES: As for Resolution 4.

#### **Finance Committee – IPDG Lion Brigid Hendy**

The committee make –up is enshrined in the District Constitution and is a rolling committee. This year the committee comprises the following members: IPDG Brigid Hendy (Chairman), Linda Picton (District Treasurer), PDG Godwin Micallef (District Secretary), VDG 1 Roger Munday, VDG 2 Dave Merchant, PDG Judith Goodchild and PDG Roger Huntley.

The committee has met in July, September and November prior to the corresponding District Cabinet meetings; it will meet again in January specifically to approve the 2013 Convention budget which you will hear about at District Convention in March.

The District Accounts for 2010/2011 have been inspected and no comments made. The budget plan for 2012/2013 has be scrutinised and recommended for subsequent approval by Cabinet and Convention. The 2011 Convention Accounts were in order and a profit made.

The committee also recommended the purchase of a new laptop and associated software for the District Treasurer as the old one was 6 years old and not very efficient processing Excel spreadsheets. This will make the Treasurer's job much simpler.

Finally, after much discussion at both committee and cabinet, a resolution is being proposed for the 2012 convention incorporating recommendations from the Finance Committee to ensure that efficient and effective controls are in place for the future for items of major spend – this will cover Conventions, District Services, District Handovers, Leadership Workshops and any single item of major expenditure.

My thanks go to all members of the committee this year and especially to District Treasurer Linda who looks after the finances in such an efficient manner.

#### **IPDG Lion Brigid Hendy**

#### Long Range Planning – 2VDG Lion David Merchant

Over the past 12 months since our last District Convention the Long Range Planning Committee has been busy establishing some changes within the procedures of the District Cabinet, the use of electronically recorded details by Club Secretaries and is currently working on a number of projects to further enhance the way our District works.

Specifically we now have a common style for Cabinet and Convention Reports including an agreed font style and size i.e. Arial 10. The Reports have any Decisions separated and these are dealt with as a specific item within Cabinet Agendas and the Objects are mentioned in the first Report of the year only and all further reports concentrate on Progress since the Last Meeting. In addition, taking all the Reports 'en bloc' has created time for meaningful discussion to take place at Cabinet Meetings. Club Secretaries have been offered training to use the International system WMMR to record membership and activities information and the vast majority now use this approach. It also provides instant access to the information for those Cabinet Officers who require it.

The projects currently under taken by the Committee include preparing generic job descriptions for Cabinet Officers, streamlining the competitions available in the District and initial discussions on how District 105D can best celebrate our Centenary in 2017. Specifically the job descriptions will help future District Governors keep Cabinet Officers informed as to their roles and prevent unnecessary time being spent each year in rewriting these documents. Hopefully the work on the Competitions front will help Clubs concentrate on those competitions which best reflect their interests. The celebrations for 2017 will be designed to ensure we gain maximum publicity and public awareness of Lions and their achievements.

We are also promoting the two Signature Projects launched in January i.e. the Lions Eye Health Programme and Young leaders in Service; these are intended to help Clubs increase their profile within their local communities as well as leading to an increase in membership as a result of greater public awareness of lionism.

The Committee will continue to support the aims and objectives of the Vice District Governors to provide for a seamless transition between successive District Governors.

The Committee continues to investigate ideas which will help develop 105D and contribute to a more streamlined and effective Cabinet.  $2^{nd}$  VDG Lion David Merchant

#### **District Almoner – Lion Eric Nixon**

The District Book of Remembrance is the permanent way in which the District can remember those Lions that have passed to higher service, I thank the team of backup Lions who ensure that all elements of Remembrance are actioned.

As stated in my letter to all District Clubs it is essential that I am informed of Deaths, Anniversaries, Illness etc in order that I can take the appropriate actions, as requested by the District Governor. This, I think, should also cover ex Lions who, over many years, have given loyal support to our organisation. At least they could then be recognised at District Cabinet meetings. I personally have attended at the funerals of local Lions and ex Lions and am always amazed at the attendance of the many ex Lions. Perhaps, as I have said before, in our hearts we will always be "Lions" and wish to remember those with whom we have "Served".

Thank you District Governor Ron for the opportunity you have given me to be your District Almoner. Lion Eric Nixon

#### **Region 1 Report – Lion John Cake**

This past year has been one of the most demanding for many Lions within Region 1.

Many of them have been involved in the programme to revitalise Lionism in the Bournemouth area and great credit must go to Zone 1b Chairman Mike Bartlett and his team for the many hours of dedicated work trying to recruit new Lions for a branch club of Wimborne and Ferndown in the Bournemouth area but more work needs to be done to achieve this aim. Work continues in the area with encouraging news that the existing Bournemouth Lions Club are also hoping to recruit new members.

Elsewhere in the Region, clubs continue to recruit new members steadily and the support of the clubs to their respective communities has been outstanding throughout the year.

The current economic situation has meant that Lions Clubs have been asked to give more financial support to their communities and individuals. All clubs have raised more funds and contributed more than ever before to those in greatest need in our communities.

Finally, my sincere thanks to both Mike and John (Lay-Flurrie) for their commitment and hard work as Zone Chairmen keeping all the clubs alert and active with a variety of differing activities and events planned for the benefit of their respective communities. Their Zone meetings have been well attended and most interesting to attend and I am grateful that they have undertaken most of the club visits on my behalf. I am confident that the Region will be in good hands should either of them accept the post of Region 1 Chairman when I stand down at the end of the Lions fiscal year.

Lion John Cake

#### Zone 1A Chairman – John Lay-Flurrie

#### <u>Membership</u>

The five Clubs in District 1a have combined membership in December 2011 of exactly 100, with significant changes in just two of the Clubs; Sherborne and Bridport. Sherborne were saddened by the sudden death of Lion Ricky George, a very active member of the Club, but have recruited 4 new members through a recruitment evening. Bridport have decided to remove 5 inactive members from their membership, as there is no prospect of them returning after extended periods 'at large'.

#### Fund Raising and service activities.

The clubs have continued to hold a very extensive programme of fund raising events, both individually and in collaboration with each other service and corporate groups, serving their local and wider communities. Many of the activities follow a traditional pattern, including stall, Easter egg raffles and Christmas floats, but Clubs are trying new activities, such as Bridport Blues Extravaganza, and extending others, including the Weymouth MotoX.

Through a zone calendar the Clubs have identified not just their contact details, but also key activities, especially those where they would welcome support.

Clubs have agreed to support a Zone Project, a new phone system for the Brainwaves Charity, benefitting not just children and their families in the Zone, but also those in the wider District.

#### The Future

At their last zone meeting Clubs expressed concerns about the increasing ages of members and the small number of members who take on active leadership roles in the clubs. Following a presentation by Lion

Graham Drayton clubs will be considering how to respond to these concerns individually and in collaboration.

They would also welcome efforts by the District and multiple District to raise the profile of Lions, as support for increasing membership and financial support.

#### Zone 1B Chairman – Mike Bartlett

Zone Clubs all active, potential members appearing, motivation within Clubs appears good.

Re-vitalisation of Bournemouth Lions – possible new recruit who is attending Wimborne Lions meetings as a result of recruiting stands in North Bournemouth.

Promotional efforts on hold for holiday season. Recommence after new assessment on the way forward. Wimborne Lions have agreed to be a 'parent' to a new Branch if this stage is reached.

Bournemouth Lions are continuing as they are. Events are being planned, outside help will be required. They plan to reassess their situation in June. They hope to enrol new members in the pipeline.

#### **Region 2 Report – Lion Alan Chapman**

The year has not gone according to my plan of forming a Salisbury Club Branch at Amesbury, where the population has gradually increased in recent years and should be capable of sustaining a Lions Club in its own right. The problem is that a large percentage of members of the Salisbury Club are living in the surrounding area of Amesbury but are reluctant to form a Club Branch until their own membership reaches a sustainable 20 members. At present Salisbury membership is 13 with 2 members resigning in the New Year. This has now delayed the formation of the Branch even further. Salisbury is planning a membership drive in the New Year but this will not include Amesbury. I have explained to the Salisbury Club that the members of a Club Branch will be members of the parent Club but this has not been accepted as a means of increasing their membership. It is now my intention to speak to the Club as a whole in the New Year and give them the opportunity to include Amesbury in their membership drive; if I am not successful I will look for another Club near to Amesbury with the intention of forming full Lions Club. I have a good reliable ex Leo who is keen to help set up a new Lions Club in this area and it would be a shame if it cannot be done with the backing of the Salisbury Club as this could cause friction between them in the future. It is my intention to get this situation resolved and bring Amesbury into the equation before the end of this Lionistic year.

**Zone C** is working extremely well with the Chairman Lion Richard Loverock holding good, lively and informative meetings with all Clubs taking an active part. The membership of all clubs is increased slightly and retention is good.

**Zone D** has not been active as the Chairman Lion Bill Wyatt was unable to hold any meetings to date due to a very busy work load and an eyesight problem which involved several hospital visits, due to this he eventually resigned the post in late October. Lion Barry Frizzell from Salisbury has accepted the post and has advised all Clubs of his appointment. He will be holding his three zone meetings in the second half of this Lionistic year and hopefully will be able to include the Channel Islands.

**Zone E** Although I have not had the opportunity to attend a Zone E meeting, I am sure that Chairman Lion Nick Mussert is doing an excellent job as his reports show an active Zone. ZC Nick has spent a lot of time supporting the newly Chartered Hythe & Waterside Club. His objective with this Club has been successful as they will be appointing new Club officers for the 2012/2013 Lionistic year and a plan to increase their membership of seven in the not too distant future.

#### **Region 3 Report – Lion Mick Turner**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the hard-working Zone Chairmen of Region 3. Each one of them are trying to help their clubs to build membership and in some cases help the clubs to survive.

As Region Chairman I go to a number of the district meetings. Membership is mentioned at all of them in one way or another.

Some very good ideas come up, but getting the clubs to put them into practice is not so easy - each club has autonomy and their members are volunteers who will not be dictated to.

I would like to Welcome ALL new members in Region 3, BUT better still I would like to see them still in their clubs in 2-years time.

I haven't forgotten the other members of the team - Membership, Leadership, Community Service and P.R.O. Once again these enthusiastic people are wanting to help the clubs with their problems, but by some members and clubs, they are looked on as interfering.

The words "I Believe" are in my thoughts, but what comes after is the problem.

#### Zone 3F - Lion Barry Woolcott

Zone activity and attendance at meetings in the early part of the year was poor. All clubs in the Zone had membership retention and recruitment problems. The concept of reporting direct to the WMR web site was received with some trepidation and some clubs were slow to respond to the new system. However I am pleased to report that all clubs are now reporting and the consensus is that it is an easier system to use.

Attendance at zone meetings has improved and clubs have recognised they have a part to play in working with and assisting other clubs in the Zone.

At the time of writing this report we are looking to support a Zone project and clubs are promoting the planting of trees. Some clubs are working together in this respect.

Clubs are slow to respond to the request for contributions to a Zone Diary and to the agreed principal of zone publicity but we will renew this initiative in the new year when the Christmas activities are over.

To summarise to date we have lost five and gained six members and clubs are now showing a willingness to work with and support each other.

#### Zone 3G – PDG Lion Roger Huntley

All Clubs in the Zone are active with a full programme of fundraising and community service activities and despite the current difficult financial climate; fundraising results are often proving to be better than expected, however it appears to be getting more difficult to get support from major outlets and supermarkets with fundraising.

Membership in the Zone remains stable, the current Lions year started in July 2011 with the Zone membership slightly up on the previous year, at the time of writing this report the Zone total remains the same, which is a clear indication of the effort being put in by all clubs on Membership and in particular Retention.

Five Zone meetings were scheduled for this Lionistic year, to enable each of the four full Clubs and the Club Branch an opportunity to host, two meetings have to date taken place hosted by the Newport and the Sandown & Shanklin Clubs with a satisfactory attendance, the third meeting will be 18<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at Ryde, with further meetings 7<sup>th</sup> March at Ventnor and 16<sup>th</sup> May at Cowes. The District Youth Team gave a presentation at the first meeting and the District Young Ambassador Officer attended the second meeting to talk about the Young Ambassador project and also on behalf of PDG Lion Pat Nixon, the Schools Rock Challenge. Visitors expected to attend the January meeting are the Region PR Officer and the Region Chairman, the Cowes Club Branch is looking into the possibility of hosting a Zone Social.

It is my intention to visit each Club in the Zone once, with other visitations on an as and if required basis, Clubs and the Zone are not without problems, some being more serious than others, where problems do occur, determined effort is being encouraged and made to address the situation.

The Zone will once again be host to the District Convention at Norton Grange, Yarmouth and a great deal of hard work is going into this, with all clubs in the Zone playing a part in some way or other.

#### Zone 3H – PDG Lion Derek Knight

At Any Zone Meeting membership is the dominant subject. There is no doubt that the problem lies in the lack of natural leaders and that is a matter of policy. It is stressed in the latest publication from Oakbrook and was the cornerstone of recruitment for the first 80 years of the Association. It was called quality which translated into men and women who were natural leaders in their chose profession outside Lions.

Such a policy of invitation only meant that being asked to join our association was an honour. Not so now! One club in Zone H has altered its policy and is now recruiting leaders. It is an extremely active club. Another is now suffering from excellent retention and has a significant number of members who contribute little through age inability. I suspect most clubs are entering this phase.

The like attracts like syndrome suggests a continuity and worsening to the leadership problem. The solution is a change of policy which is becoming ever more difficult.

#### **Region 4 Report** – Lion Christine Munday

Following on from a very successful last Lionistic year, Region Four is showing signs of good growth in some of the clubs as well in the formation of club branches. The Region Team has continued to hold regular meetings where discussions on progress and problems are aired. Unfortunately one of the Zone chairmen had to resign and up to now the new incumbent has not met with the team, but I hope this will be rectified in the near future. The communication between two of the Zone Chairmen and the rest of the team has been excellent, but I do feel there is one area in this Region which is staying on the outside and not getting the benefits of the support and help which the clubs in the other two zones get from the people in the region team.

There are two club branches being formed in the Region, one in Aldershot where a need was seen to form a new club. They are very active and already showing signs of independent thinking and actions. They have guidance from a Fleet Lion, from a past District Governor and a past International Director (from another District, but a great friend) Hopefully they will get the required number of members to be a full club by the end of this Lionistic year. They have good publicity, and even the Mayor is a member. The other club branch is for the younger generation. It will be the first mixed club in Fleet. They too are active and have a good base of members of about seven people. More members are required and so the hope to be a full club might not be achieved until the next Lionistic year.

As can been seen in the following reports the Zone Chairmen have good relationships with their club Presidents and the chains of communication are well and truly oiled and working. Zone meetings are lively and informative. Club activities are varied and always supportive of their local communities. Clubs have good social activities.

Well done Region 4 and I hope you continue to grow and develop not only as a benefit to yourselves, your clubs but to the whole LION family.

#### <u> Zone 4J Chairman - Geoff Foan</u>

At the time of writing this report two Zone meetings have been held and a further three are planned with agreed hosts. Attendance at the November Zone meeting was 28, the highest for last two years, and the meetings have provided a good forum for discussion and communication. One area that has focussed discussion has been the need for clubs to ensure that membership levels are maintained and that strategies for growth are considered. So far retention has generally been good, with the loss of only one member at this stage of the year, but the smaller clubs have not yet managed to recruit new members despite all being involved in some type of drive for new members. A good debate was held at the November Zone meeting with First Vice District Governor Roger Munday who spoke to the clubs on the need both to maintain membership levels and to seek growth.

Zone Chair visits to the clubs have continued, with attendance at meetings of all but one club. The visit to the remaining club will be made in the New Year. Both the club visits and the Zone meetings have provided opportunities for discussions relating to cabinet information and decisions. It was agreed at the first meeting that the Zone agenda would have standing items both for discussion of safety issues and for relaying any necessary information from Cabinet. Both agenda items have provided fruitful discussion.

As a Zone all Clubs have been in discussion about the possibility of planting trees in their areas to support the International President's challenge, and it is hoped that progress will be reported in the latter half of the Lionistic year. It is also hoped that clubs will support the work being done by one of the Zone clubs to help provide a wheelchair for a severely disabled youngster.

The first half of the Lionistic Year has been one of positive progress within the Zone, with all clubs being active in their local communities and also in their support of International causes. As Zone Chair I will work to ensure that this positive attitude continues in the second half of the year.

#### Zone 4K – PDG Judith Goodchild

The Zone currently has five clubs – Farnborough, Fleet, Hart, Hook and Odiham and Yateley and District but hopefully, by Convention, will also have two Branch Clubs – Sirius – a mixed group of younger Lions in Fleet and a mixed one in Aldershot. It is likely that Fleet Lions will be the host club for both these branches. The clubs are working well and are particularly busy during December with both Fund Raising and Welfare activities.

To date two Zone Meetings have been held – the first was hosted by Fleet and attended by 26 Lions and the second was hosted by Farnborough and attended by 25 Lions, including our Second Vice District Governor who spoke about Retention and the Signature projects, and 3 prospective members of the Aldershot Branch. Two further meetings are planned for March and June. There will also be a dance hosted by Hart in February to raise funds for Fun Fest. Fun Fest 2011 was another very successful event and it is hoped that 2012 will be even better as it will be the 20<sup>th</sup> one.

The most important work of the Zone has been the continuation of the project to start a new club at Aldershot. At the moment there are insufficient prospective members to form a club but enough to form a strong Branch. The members are already very active in the town and are also helping Fleet at events. The branch will be formed in January and it is hoped that a full club will be formed by the end of this Lionistic year. My thanks to the team for all their hard work in getting to this stage.

One Presidents social/meeting has been held and it is planned to hold more. I have also circulated the Presidents with short reports of the Cabinet meetings for discussion with their members.

Membership has fallen by 2 since the end of June but there are several prospective members in the wings.

**Farnborough** Membership now stands at 13. The 4 Rivers Walk was a great success as was their Quiz Night. Donations have been made to local projects. A very pleasant Hand Over/ Charter was held in July.

**Fleet** Membership is now 38 including the MP as an honorary member. As usual the club has been very active with a very successful Fire works evening. Local hospices and projects as well as International projects have been recipients of donations. The HYPE Discos continue and these were featured on the Lions International web site.

**Hart** Here membership is now 23. The club continues to serve its community well with such events as an elderly persons Garden Centre visit. As usual Hart Lions assist Fleet Lions at various activities including Fireworks and Father Christmas. Donations have been made to International projects as well as local ones.

**Hook and Odiham** Here Membership is 17. The club will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary in early March. A very successful Duck Race has been held and Christmas activities are going well with Father Christmas visiting Tesco's on 4 days as well as going around the streets of our communities. Hampers were raffled at 2 Christmas markets. A young girl was helped when the club contributed towards a very special trike. Local firms have provided donations of food stuffs for the Christmas parcels for both the elderly and families

**Yateley and District** Membership is now 26 Chief guest at Yateley's Charter was Charlie who was in need of an operation in the USA. The club has made a donation to this cause and Charlie is now recovering from surgery. They have also continued with Bingo for the elderly, marshalled at 10K runs, held a very successful Fireworks evening and supported International projects.

#### **Region 5 Report** – Lion John Shephard

We have continued to hold Joint Zone Meetings within our Region which have had an excellent attendance, established good rapport, with Clubs interaction, including working together to support neighbouring Clubs with their projects and events. We have arranged for Guest Speakers to attend our Zone Meetings which have so far featured PR & Youth Projects.

There are10 Clubs covering both Zones, with most having a generally healthy level of membership, together with a few Clubs that need to focus on expanding their prioritisation of growing their membership. During 2012, the Region Membership Team aim to work with these Clubs, focussing with their indoor and outdoor networking membership initiatives.

A success for a significant number of Clubs has been the introduction of an associate network of unofficial, Friends and Supporters of their Club, a much valued group of individuals that are not Lions. They maybe Friends, Family, Neighbours and or associates from other voluntary organisations within villages or towns that are keen to support Clubs with their Community Service activities & Fund Raising Events. These persons provide a much valued boost to Clubs, which has in instances led to some subsequently joining the Clubs as Lion Members.

We are keen to hold a Regional Workshop featuring PR & Marketing in 2012 following identifying clubs needs and interests including new media communications, social networking and use of photography.

#### Zone 5L Chairman - Marilyn Rolfe

It has been a busy end to 2011 for all the clubs in the region what with firework displays, Christmas Fayre's, Santa Sleighs and Christmas parcels. It is always a great time of year to get closer to the people in our various communities.

We have had two really full joint zone meetings over the past months which has encouraged and provided information to all the clubs in Zone 5 L and M on PR, which is now quite an important element of Lions in helping to grow our clubs and providing interest/information within our communities. It is hoped that later in the year we will be able to have a workshop on setting up a website which in particular would help to raise the profile of the smaller clubs in the Zone and it is also a good "shop window" for Lions.

The other session we had was on the Youth Programme Pat Nixon and John Apps kindly came and spent sometime with the Zone highlighting the various Youth Programmes that are available it was a great opportunity to get the subject of Youth on the agenda for discussion.

In the New Year we will be starting to prepare for our Joint Zone Project in June at Beale Park. We will have our first meeting in January to start planning and making arrangements for the event. It is hope that this will take on a slightly different slant from what was done this year and inviting a different group of needy/underprivileged children and their families.

#### Zone 5M Chairman Eric Warner

Lions Lesley Robinson (Reading) and Brigid Hendy (Burnham) are working on a `Tree Planting Project ` to include schools and other educational establishments. A meeting was held last month and a progress report will be given at the January Joint Zone Dinner meet at the Bird in Hand.

A Joint Zone outing to Beale Park for needy /underprivileged Children in June 2012 will be arranged and the first meetings will be organized in Jan/Feb 2012 to start the ball rolling.

#### **Global Membership Team – Lion Pauline McCreanor**

Since the beginning of this lionistic year Vice District Governors Lions Roger and David along with myself and the Leadership team have met regularly with the Region Chairman and PRO team to look at ways we can help clubs to increase their membership and, more importantly to retain their existing members. As a result of this we have formed a sub committee to focus on retention. Our two Vice District Governors are hoping to attend Zone meetings to assist clubs with any issues. Statistics show that a high percentage of our membership leave within the first 3 years of joining our organisation, also we are encouraging clubs to take part in the My Ideal Club initiative as this is a positive and useful tool.

Last year we revised the District extension plan which in some Zones and Regions was received with trepidation and negativity, this was a plan and our aim was that the clubs would give us feedback, as you the members are the experts having the geographical knowledge of your individual areas. However there is a positive side to this, as we are in the process of forming one new club and a club branch with plans underway for more extension within the District.

Since the beginning of this Lionistic year we have increased our membership, and at the end of June our total membership was 1339 and at the time of writing this report we have 1349 members a figure of plus ten this is an increase of 0.75%.

#### **Lion Pauline McCreanor**

#### Extension-1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Lion Roger Munday

#### Zone meetings

- The first of the allocated Zone Meetings was attended on the 5th December at Basingstoke at the invitation of the clubs and Zone Chairman of Zone J, Geoff Foan.
- I gave a talk on Membership, Extension and retention.
- Further Zone meetings will be undertaken in January March 2013 by arrangement with the Zone Chairmen

#### Extension

- The proposed Club Branch being set up by Fleet Lions meets monthly and is moving on to full establishment in the first quarter of 2013
- The Zone K project to establish a Lions Club in Aldershot has made good progress and a meeting to elect officers will be held in early January. An open meeting will be held on 17th January

#### 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Roger Munday

#### Retention-2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Lion David Merchant

The sub-committee on Retention formed as part of the Global Membership Team continues to focus on the critical aspect of membership i.e. the retention of our members. It is imperative each Club does all in its power to ensure its members remain enthusiastic and committed. If the individual Lion believes their achievements and commitments are recognised within their own Clubs they will continue with their efforts to make a difference for those most in need.

The two Vice District Governors are visiting all of the Zones between them. It is hoped these visits will help Clubs focus on the relevance of maintaining a retention policy which recognises the worth of their Lions, shares in their successes and retains their most valuable asset – their own members.  $2^{nd}$  VDG Lion David Merchant

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#### International Relations Committee – (Chairman) PDG Lion Barrie Richardson

#### Dentaid Liaison Committee Chairman – PDG Lion Vic Smith. Committee: Lions Ian Simpson, Richard Frost and PDG Lion Roger Huntley

The committee have held their three meetings throughout the year with Dentaid and can report a very successful year with the equipment collections by many Clubs throughout our District as well as from other Clubs of MD105. This has been co-ordinated by Lion Richard Frost of Blackmore Valley Club with great efficiency and diplomacy. The total collections for 2011 amounted to 95 of which there is only ten outstanding, an increase of 25% on the 2010 collections. All of this has been achieved with the co-operation of Jacqueline James the office Administrator and the Engineer Dave Effamy co-ordinator for Dentaid.

Dentaid's Chief Executive Andy Jong is still at the helm, and will be attending Convention to give a presentation on the work of Dentaid and its partnership with Lions Club International through the Liaison Committee.

There will be a Dentaid Stand at our Convention, with a member from Dentaid as well as the committee Lions. There will also be a stand at District 105A Convention, manned; but only the presence of the attending committee members at the MD Convention during 2012. There will be committee attendance at District 105SW, but no stand this year.

We had excellent coverage this year in the Lion Magazine on the Complete Surgery for Moldova, which was requested by the Lions Club Chisinau Viliumas (issue June/July page 20). This project was totally funded by donations from the Lions Clubs MD105.

Donations are still coming in and are required to fund more Portable Dental Chairs that have been requested but not sponsored.

Finally, I must thank my committee for their enthusiasm and the work carried out by the staff of Dentaid and the co-operation we receive so willingly

#### District L.C.I.F./Disaster Coordinator/Gift for Living Advisor – Lion Ian Puttock

L.C.I.F. is the international charitable arm of Lions Clubs International and is one of the top International Aid Organisations. The purpose of L.C.I.F is to serve local and international communities by funding humanitarian service projects. By contributing to L.C.I.F your generosity brings help, healing, relief, comfort and hope to the many who benefit from the Foundation's supported programmes world-wide. To ensure that funds are used wisely, all funds are distributed through local Lions Clubs in an accountable way. L.C.I.F. grants are made in a number of ways, but range in size from £2,500 up to £500,000. It is possible for our Clubs within our District to receive grants. Since it began over 40 years ago some £466 million has been awarded in grants for sight restoration, providing disaster relief, supporting youth and serving humanitarian needs.

Whilst some emergency projects are supported to ensure immediate relief can be given, L.C.I.F. usually comes in after the initial emergency to be involved in longer term rebuilding, ensuring the community remains viable even after the relief efforts have been withdrawn. In December 2011 £13,000 in emergency grants were awarded for flood relief in Sri Lanka and Wildfire relief in the U.S.A.

In the Lionistic year ended 30 June 2010, 519 grants were awarded totalling £25 million. In October 2011 35 grants were awarded totalling £2.6 million for sight projects, help for the disabled, provision of medical equipment in countries from Argentina, Burkina Faso to Taiwan and the U.S.A.

In October 2011 our own district was awarded a grant of £23,000, which the Sandown and Shanklin Club will use to help construct and furnish a Lions Orphanage in Mombassa, Kenya.

Please do not forget the Bert Mason Humanitarian Award for exceptional Humanitarian Service by a Lion in the Multi-District. This award costs £320 of which £150 is donated to LCIF, £150 to MD105 for UK Humanitarian purposes and the remaining £20 is for Admin costs.

Gift for Living is a Lions Charity, set up to care for critically ill children in the former Yugoslavia. In the early days, sick children were flown to be treated in the UK but now Gift for Living, working in partnership with

Maternal and Child health Advocacy International (formerly known as Child Advocacy International), create better lives and a better future for children in the former war zone whose treatment has been affected by the breakdown of medical services.

In our District we continue to support the Gift for Living Appeal with a foreign coin collection and via club donations.

Finally I would like to end by thanking all the Clubs in 105D for their continued support of the work of L.C.I.F. and should you wish to know more about their work or indeed are considering making a grant request for a project please do not hesitate to contact me and I will happily come and talk to your Club or Zone.

#### District Europa Forum & Music Competition Advisor – PDG Lion Barrie Richardson

What is Europa Forum? Quite simply it is the Annual General Meeting of all the Multiple Districts in Europe, our Constitutional Area, very much as our District Convention is the Annual General Meeting of all Clubs within our District. Business takes place over three days with added social events. Voting on any Resolutions proposed is on the basis of one vote for each Multiple District present.

My job as I see it, is to encourage participation by members of our District, disseminate information as it is received, encourage Clubs, Zones and Regions to prepare and submit reports of successful activities which could be considered for inclusion in future Forums and to investigate Group travel facilities for members attending where this is practicable.

The **57<sup>th</sup> Europa Forum** was held in **Maastricht**, **Holland** on **13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October 2011** attended by five Lions and Partners from our District. In all 3 Clubs in our District were represented.

Detailed papers in support of the published programme and accepted proposals for the consideration of the European Council were all made available by the due dates as the Rules of Procedure.

The Forum and all Social events were held at the MECC Conference Centre a purpose built conference and cultural centre with excellent facilities for all parts of the programme.

The organisation was generally good, but some aspects of the programming with important meetings running simultaneously left a little to be desired. This apart, our Dutch Hosts are to be congratulated on a well run and enjoyable Forum.

Presentations and voting at the plenary sessions of the European Council were as follows:

- 1. The Minutes of Europa Forum 2010, Bologna that were widely circulated within a few weeks of the conclusion of the meeting, where approved.
- 2. The report of the EF Accountant incorporating the Accounts of the Europa Forum 2010, Bologna was approved.
- 3. The proposal by MD105 via the European Young Ambassador Competition Committee that each Candidate can nominate a maximum of two non-Lion/Leo guests to attend the presentation session on a complementary basis was adopted.
- 4. The proposal by MD 111 that the Host Committee should forthwith cover the expense of the appointed EF Accountant, as is currently the position with the EF Archivist, was adopted.
- 5. The proposal by MD 108 that simultaneous translation should be made available for all seminars was rejected.
- 6. The proposal by MD 108 requesting support for the promotion of the Italian language principally within the European Union was rejected.
- 7. The proposal by MD 103 that the European Music Competition should be named after Thomas Kuti was adopted.
- 8. The proposal by MD 106, presented by PID Phil Nathan, generally amending the Rules of Procedure to bring them into line with current LCI policy was adopted.
- 9. Presentation of the theme for the Europa Forum 2012, Brussels, Belgium, "Building Solidarity for Tomorrow" was approved.
- 10. Council confirmed the nominations for the new Advisory Committee with PCC Philip Goodier being the MD105 representative.
- 11. Recommendation from the Lions & Ethics workshop to review the Lions Ethics with a view to making them more acceptable to younger potential members was adopted.
- 12. Recommendation from the Integration Serving Civil Society seminar to nominate a Lions Chair Person and present a follow up seminar in Brussels 2012 was adopted.

- 13. Recommendation from a workshop to continue work on the proposed Lions European University project was adopted.
- 14. PDG Kalle Elster D 120 Estonia, PDG Benedict Ancar D 124 Romania and PCC Kenneth Persson MD 101 Sweden were all presented as International Director Candidates for 2012-2014.
- 15. PID Joe Preston from Arizona, U.S.A. was presented as the Second Vice International President candidate 2012.

During the Closing Ceremony a presentation was made in respect of Europa Forum 2012, Brussels, Belgium that will take place on 6th to 8th September 2012.

Our entry in the European Musical Competition, Aisling Maguire winner of our MD competition from District 105A was unplaced. She proved to be an excellent ambassador for MD105.

Our entry in the European Young Ambassador Competition, Ryan Green winner of our MD competition from District 105W was placed second. Again he proved to be an excellent ambassador for MD105.

We enjoyed fun, fellowship and generally warm sunny weather that is apparently unusual at this time of the year.

The **58th Europa Forum** will be in **Brussels, Belgium** on **6th to 8th September 2012.** The official Forum website at www.europaforum2012.be is up and running with further information being added as it becomes available. An "early bird" discount for Registration prior to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012 is being offered. Further information will be provided in due course.

The **District 105D Musical Competition** is progressive with the winner going on to represent the District in the Multiple District Competition. In turn a candidate is selected to represent the Multiple District in the Competition held at the venue of the Lions Europa Forum. Prizes are awarded at District, Multiple District, and Europa Forum stages. It is important that prospective Candidates are made aware of the progressive nature of the competition and can commit to attending the subsequent competitions should they be successful.

Last years competition featured the oboe but no entries were received with the result that the District Competition was abandoned and we were unable to field a candidate in the MD Competition that took place on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at the Birmingham Conservatoire.

This year's competition features the cello and full details were issued to Clubs and Cabinet Officers in the July District Mailing and posted on the District Website at **www.lions105d.org.uk** with a closing date for entries of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011. At the date of writing this report no entries have been received.

The winner of our District Competition will be announced and presented at Convention.

#### District International Relations & UN Advisor – Lion Lynden McIntyre

International Relations covers many Project areas - highlighted below.

Wateraid - A Charity dedicated to providing water wells, safe water, sanitation and hygiene education in many underdeveloped countries. 1.1 billion people worldwide are without safe water and 2.6 billion without adequate sanitation. Funds donated by Lions Clubs in our MD to Wateraid are now being used in Malawi and Nepal projects. We are requesting an annual report of where all Lions donations are being spent. Regular updates appear in the Lions Magazine. Wateraid have also started recycling Mobile Phones - 3 phones can provide enough funds to supply one person a lasting supply of water and sanitation.

A New emergency disaster Water Kit PAUL (Portable Aqua Unit for Lifesaving) was shown at the Europa Forum designed by a German University. It can be parachuted into disaster areas and changes dirty water into clean drinkable water. Await news if it is to be adopted as a UK International Project.

Street Children - Millions of children around the world live and sleep on the streets. Lions are working with the Consortium to give education and life skills to vulnerable children. 5 nominated Street Children Organisations that come under the umbrella of Consortium of Street Children to be identified in January for Lions donations.

Malawi Education - £100 per student per year for 4 years sponsors a Child throughout their Secondary Education in Malawi. Reports from schools received from Blantyre and Mzuzu Lions Clubs sent to those clubs who support the scheme. To be rebranded to Malawi Scholarship Programme.

Edukits - These are "Schools in A Box" and provide education sets via Unicef to disaster areas and third world countries. The kits now include wind-up radios as well as standard items such as pencils, blackboards and exercise books. One Edukit costs £175 and covers 40 children. Recently they have been

sent to Gaza, Sri Lanka, Haiti and Japan after the disasters. A picture and list of contents is available on Unicef website www.Unicef.org.uk/Lions.

Gift for Living in Bosnia (MOET campaign -Management of Obstetric Emergencies and Trauma) and Korle Bu (Moorfields) Eye Hospital Project are now under the IRO area and regular updates of these projects appear in the Lion Magazine.

United Nations - the UN Day at the House of Commons together with the Peace Poster Presentation will be on Tuesday 13th March 2012 - this year an early evening presentation commencing at 5:30 pm. Tickets will be allocated upon application.

Twinning/International Friendship - Our District is twinned with 111SW in Germany and I am aware that Clubs in our District are twinned with Clubs in Germany and other Countries and still continue to make contact with members of their Twin Clubs and where possible make exchange visits. Please inform me of clubs that you are twinned with (either in UK or abroad) as a Register is being created for MD info.

#### Youth Team – (Chairman) Yorky Tuke

The Youth Committee have been active in promoting all aspects of our youth programme. We have regularly been attending Zone Meetings around the district to encourage clubs to become more aware of the opportunities that we can offer the young people in our communities. In most cases the benefits are reciprocated when we involve young people, as they talk about their connections with a Lions Club so they spread the name of Lions around. Parents may become involved with the club and be a source of new members. We must all invest our time in young people and encourage them in every way that we can, and never forget that THEY are OUR future.

#### Adopt a Youth Club – Lion John Apps

This is a project which needs to progress at two levels, Youth club organisers and Lions Clubs.

The Association of Youth Clubs is split into counties – each county has a structure which is unique to each county and this District has its Clubs in Hants, Dorset, Wilts, Bucks, Berks, Surry, IoW and the Channel Islands. My initial contact was the Hampshire organisation which seemed very keen to know more and asked for a copy of the information we had to date on Lions Clubs and how they were prepared to assist. Their list of clubs needing help was promised but never supplied and I have not contacted them in the last 2 months (Job losses?) My second I felt was more promising with a visit to Dorchester and meeting with a county with seemed 'on the ball' with knowing what was needed they were also keen to know about other Lions Projects (Young Ambassador etc) I am currently waiting for them to tell me what youth clubs would benefit from our help. At a region 5 meeting in the North of the District I was surprised to hear that 3 clubs had already spoken to their County Youth Club associations. I wait to hear if there is any positive progress there.

#### Schools And Education Projects - PDG Lion Pat Nixon

My role here is to endeavour to get schools interested in Lions and Lions Clubs interested in Schools!

Like all of us Schools are suffering from reduced levels of finance .....It will be the frills....the fun...that will be the first to go. We have to make sure that schools in our area know that we exist and that we MAY be able to help. I am not advocating the giving of a big cheque but as I have proved in my own club even a little money and some time can make a difference.

Helping a school take part in ROCK CHALLENGE can make a difference to a group of children who because of lack of funds are not able to take part. In 105 D 112 schools are taking part in 2012 .....all your Zone Chairs have details or you can look on the web site www.rockchallenge.com or phone me.

Rock Challenge is only one way to help .....All schools need help with fund raising particularly residential trips for children from poorer areas. Why not offer to run a fund raising event for them A Quiz Night/ Race Night/ Bingo etc or provide prizes for their raffle.....very little effort needed there We have just given 10 theatre tickets to a school to raffle to support a residential trip that some of their children will not be able to afford.

I urge you all to think about how you can help!! Let me know what you have done or are doing so I am able to pass on ideas to others.

#### <u>Leo Liaison - Lion John Apps</u>

The Omega Leo club of Guernsey is still active with several projects although he numbers have fallen due to University or work commitments there is a dedicated group who are continuing with their excellent work. The two Alpha Clubs (School based) in Blandford and Portsmouth are also continuing with their community work and fundraising. Both clubs meet for a half hour during their lunchtime and have also smaller numbers than when they were formed although new members are being recruited.
I have noticed that there is also a reduction in the number of enquiries I have received from clubs compared with 2 years ago. At that time 6 clubs asking for information encouraged me to 'make the effort' to keep in touch and provide support if they needed it. None of these, with the exception of Blandford Forum, has progressed and so I have had no new enquires from the district. Zone and Region Chairman have been helpful in inviting members of the Youth Committee to attend their meetings to promote Youth Projects and this must continue.

#### Life Skills - Alan Chapman

March 2011 was the start of an Annus Horribilis, Tacade being our main suppliers of Personal Health and Social Education materials and resources for schools; they had just lost two of their major sponsors with a loss of around £40,000 in funding for 2011/2012. They had orders for resources which they were unable to fulfil and their programme for new resources and other educational materials was thrown into turmoil. It was their project work with other organisations which kept them going as this is their only source of income for salaries and general running costs as all donations go the project for which it is raised. They were lucky in as much that their bank was in full support.

At the 2011 Youth symposium the MD Life Skills officer Lion David Skinner explained the situation regarding Tacade but also said that it was business as usual and please continue to support them as we have done for the past 28 years. A challenge was set by District NE for all Districts to donate a sum of £500 to enable Tacade to reprint the 'I am, I know, I can' resource for which they had around 50 orders to fulfil. This challenge was put to all districts by the District Life Skills Officers where eight Districts were forthcoming and others left it to the DLSO's to raise funds from their Clubs.

This enabled Tacade to supply the back orders and have a small amount of stock; the sale of these resources will generate the funds to continue with their reprinting programme.

Luckily this is now in the past as Tacade have been successful in securing a grant from Comic Relief under the 'Sport for Change Scheme' which is wonderful news and a great achievement.

The Project is called 'A sporting chance for deaf young people' and Tacade will work with several groups of deaf children and young people in the East Midlands, including the Leicester deaf youth club and the Royal School for the Deaf in Derby. In addition, Tacade will work with the Leicester Tigers Community Development team to enhance the self esteem and self confidence of deaf children and young people, who will work in a variety of communities, using rugby as the vehicle.

This will now enable Tacade to move forward and they are now in negotiation with other possible sponsors to get general funding for the future.

My hope is that all Clubs will support the Tacade programme by using the Voucher scheme to put the up to date resources into their Primary and Secondary schools in their local areas.

#### Peace Poster/Poetry/Essay Competitions Advisor – Lion Frances Bond

#### **MD Peace Posters Winners**

1st Lizzy Moar age 11 sponsored by Swanage Lions

2nd Amelia Carvner age 12 sponsored by New Milton Lions

3rd Storm Collery age 11 sponsored by Sandown & Shanklin

#### **DISTRICT POSTERS**

#### Here are this year's winners of the AGE 7-8 Group:

1st Emily Sheppard sponsored by Yateley

2nd Maria Graziallo sponsored by **Blackmore Vale** 

3rd Gabby Challier sponsored by **Blackmore Vale** 

#### Here are this year's winners from AGE 9-10 Group:

1st Charlotte Leeders these are all sponsored **by Blackmore Vale** 2nd Paige A'Court 3rd Archie Harness

#### Computer Aided Design

For the first time this competition has had two entries both from **Yateley**. **Well done** to them. 1st is by Ella Worland 2nd is by Jessica Draper.

Well done to all those that took part, the Posters were excellent and it was a hard job to pick the winner.

I have continued to update the 105D website; I now have an Essay competition page for all lions to have a look at. I have had enquiries regarding Poetry and Essay competitions.

### Youth Exchange - Lion Tony Baker

Since taking up the office at the start of this Lion year, I have attended a Multiple District meeting in Birmingham, two zone meetings, and visited Swanwick to assist in the preparation of the application for their student, as well as attending five meetings with the two schools in New Milton area.

#### Youth Exchange Outward 2011

Last summer saw eight teenagers from the District take advantage of the programme, seven stayed with Host families and then went on to the Youth Camps, in Australia, Hawaii, Texas & Virginian in the USA, Norway & Italy, whilst one elected to just stay with a host family in France as preparation before going on to University to read French.

All these students were sponsored by the Lions Club of New Milton, who welcomed six of the students and their parents, to one of their Club meeting evenings, where they displayed their Souvenirs & photo's & discussed their visits .The two who were unable to attend sent their apologies , as they were at University in Durham & Manchester .

#### Youth Exchange Inward 2011

This year three clubs hosted five students, they were Gillingham Mere & Shaftesbury, Ringwood & Fordingbridge who both hosted two students and Basingstoke who hosted one student. Our thanks go to these three clubs for their generosity.

#### Youth Exchange Outward 2012

At the time of writing this report, I can confirm that 13 students from the District have so far applied for a place at Youth Camps.

The Lions Club of Swanwick are sponsoring their first student, who has been accepted into a camp in Australia, and The Lions Club of New Milton have so far sponsored 10 students from their Sixth Form College and 2 students from the local Comprehensive School.

#### Youth Exchange Inward 2012

District BN are hosting 40 students at this years Youth Camp in Liverpool from the 4<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August, and would welcome volunteers to host the students for the 10 days prior to the camp. At this time it is possible to choose if you prefer to host boys or girls, and whilst all of the students speak English, if you have any other language skills, they do add to our guest enjoyment of their stay.

If any individual or club is interested in hosting please contact me.

### Young Ambassador of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century - Lion Yorky Tuke

At the time of writing this Convention Report I have had notification of four candidates for this year's district competition. There will be an update to the Cabinet after the District Final on the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

### Young Leaders In Service - PDG Lion Pat Nixon

On January 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 Young Leaders in Service is to be launched as a MD105 Signature Project

As many of you are aware this Award scheme is very satisfying to both participants and Lions AND it is both easy and not expensive to administer.

I am already hearing success stories but I would appreciate some contact from clubs that are involved with both positive & negative comments.

Any youth officer who wishes further information please contact me and I am ready to help.

### Youth Camp 2013

At the November Cabinet meeting a vote was passed to submit a proposal the Council of Governors that District 105D should host an International Youth Camp in 2013. This proposal is now being formulated and will be put before the Council in January 2012.

Our intention is to hold the Camp at Osmington Bay near Weymouth. This is an extremely well situated venue with excellent facilities. If our bid is successful we would combine the experience gained from the hosting of the 2008 International Camp at Avon Tyrrell with the enthusiasm and commitment of a new committee to produce the finest camp possible for our District. The support of all clubs is vital to the success of the camp and your help is also needed. If any Lion wishes to volunteer to sit on the organising committee please make yourself known to me.

# **Communication Committee – (Chairman) Lion Tom Sayers**

The Communications Committee continues to run smoothly thanks to the work of the District Officers: Competitions Officer - PDG Judith Goodchild Insurance Adviser and Health & Safety Officer – Jo Hamblin Lion Magazine and Newsletter Editor – Peter Garlick Marketing & PR Co-ordinator - Richard Keeley Deputy Webmaster – Richard High IT Officer & Webmaster – Tom Sayers

### Lion Tom Sayers – commchair@lions105d.org.uk

### IT Officer & Webmaster – Lion Tom Sayers

The District website www.lionsl05d.org.uk continues to grow as more and more District Officers embrace the medium for communicating with all Lions in the District and beyond as well as the general public. Some excellent examples are the Peace Poster and Poetry Competition pages maintained by Lion Frances Bond maintained and the Competitions pages by Lion Judith Goodchild. Please see www.lions105d.org.uk/projects for all of the other excellent pages maintained by the relevant District Officer.

The Website Competition results are displayed on a chart on **www.lions105d.org.uk/\_webcompetitionresults-r.html** page. We are very lucky to have so many skilled and dedicated Webmasters in this District.

In addition to the In Memoriam pages we now have Awards, Milestones and New Members pages all driven by simple form input. These will become accessible by Club Secretaries this year.

District financial information is available thanks to Lion Linda Picton on **www.lions105d.org.uk/financial** and District Cabinet Reports are available thanks to Lion Godwin Micallef.

There are many more valuable contributions so I urge you to visit the website frequently.

There are more innovations on the way and both **Deputy Webmaster Lion Richard High – depit@lions105d.org.uk** and I look forward to working with DG Ron and incoming DG Roger to bring more useful information and tools to help and support clubs and members in doing what Lions do best — caring for the community.

### Lion Tom Sayers – it@lions105d.org.uk

### Competitions Officer – PDG Lion Judith Goodchild

My main aim this year has been to publicise the various competitions and I have circulated clubs with details both at the beginning of this Lionistic year and more recently as a reminder that nominations are needed for several of the competitions.

I have also tried to make members aware of the history of some of the competitions. I am also using the website to inform clubs about these.

The Visiting Lion competition ends at the end of December and this year 8 clubs have entered which is a great improvement on the previous year. This costs the District nothing to run as all report cards are sent to MDHQ electronically. I do urge other clubs to enter this competition.

Of the remaining competitions some will both have been announced and reported on elsewhere, e.g. Peace Poster and Young Ambassador, but the remaining winners will be announced at Convention. **PDG Judith Goodchild – <u>competitions@lions105d.org.uk</u>** 

### District Insurance Adviser – Lion Jo Hamblin

I have issued a number of District Mailings throughout the year that hopefully have helped clarify the position on the Multiple District and Lions International Insurance available to Clubs. I have updated the insurance page on our District website and created links to the Multiple District site together with that of our insurance brokers, Miles Smith. This should have made access to the insurance certificate, claims forms and insurance documentation easier for Clubs. In addition each Club has been sent its own copy of the current evidence of insurance letter.

I have regularly answered calls and emails from Clubs relating to insurance queries and continue to be available to provide assistance to Clubs and Members as required.

### Lion Jo Hamblin – insurance@lions105d.org.uk

### District Health & Safety Officer – Lion Jo Hamblin

My first year as the District Health & Safety Officer has been interesting. I have built on the work carried out by my predecessor and re-issued the health and safety questionnaire to Clubs. I have been encouraged by the responses received with still more completed forms to follow. All the evidence so far suggests that Clubs take the matter of safety seriously and do prepare the appropriate health and safety risk assessment for events. I have received a number of requests from Clubs for example risk assessments for specific events and I am hoping to develop a small library of template risk assessments that Clubs can share.

The Multiple District 'Road to Safety' guidance document is under review and will hopefully be republished for Clubs during 2012. It is planned that the new document will incorporate additional guidance pages on specific events, such as firework displays, food safety, street collections and the like. In the interim I have created a link on our District website to the existing 'Road to Safety' document and made Clubs aware of its existence.

#### Lion Jo Hamblin – haso@lions105d.org.uk

#### Lion Magazine and Newsletter Advisor – Lion Peter Garlick

It doesn't seem possible that I have been involved in your newsletter for over 14 years, and is now much easier to produce with everyone using emails and digital photos

Over the past year I have had some great articles and photos so please keep them coming, this is your newsletter and it is an important tool for sharing, especially new ideas. Just a reminder on photos, please ensure they are sent as JPEG, and if possible do not reduce image quality or size, please do not imbed photos in Word documents.

All newsletters are automatically put on the District Web Site **www.lions105d.org.**uk and I email a copy to each Club Secretary in PDF format. This I believe has worked extremely well, as I have had some nice comments

All articles received are automatically passed on to the Lion magazine for possible insertion. Can I remind all clubs that Obituaries should be emailed to me; these are then forwarded for insertion in the Lion, and to the Webmaster for putting on the 105D Website <u>www.lions105d.org.uk/InMemoriam</u> Lion Peter Garlick – <u>news@lions105d.org.uk</u>

#### Marketing & PR Co-ordinator – Lion Richard Keeley

The Lionistic year 2011/12 has seen the continued use of the District PR equipment by clubs throughout 105D. This has provided a consistently high profile image for Lions events locally, together with major events such as the Lord Mayors Show in London. Clubs continue to purchase their own club banners with several buying their own Lions costumes following the success of the District Lion costumes.

Support is continuing to be given to Clubs requesting PR material and advice. It is particularly pleasing to see clubs making good use of all available media with Lions events and successes being seen on Meridian Television, advertising and news items, and heard on local radio and in newspapers throughout the District. It is also very gratifying to see Club websites developing throughout the District and use being made on several club websites of 'The Lions Story', a video about British Lions Clubs which was screened on Community TV in March 2011 and is available on You Tube for any club to feature on their website.

The ever widening use of the district banners and Lion costumes is clearly evident on the PR equipment calendar available under the 'Clubs' tab on the District website (**www.lions105d.org.uk/clubs**). The success of this initiative has seen district equipment travelling long distances between clubs throughout the summer, autumn and Christmas event periods.

A successful day of PR Training took place at Brands Hatch in July 2011 organised by 105SE. Although a number of Lions from 105D took part, the distance to the venue was too great for a number of Clubs in the south of our District to take part. Distance issues and availability problems continue to hamper attempts at PR Training at a District level. Options such as distance learning techniques are being investigated together with Regional PR Training initiative using local expertise, as proposed by the Region 5 PRO.

Encouragement through the District mailing for participation in the Lions Signature Projects – Lions Eye Health Programme (LEHP) & Young Leaders in Service (YLIS).

Details of the invitation from the Queens Office to participate in setting up and lighting the series of national beacons on the evening of 4th June 2012 to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee have been distributed

Encouragement of Clubs on the route of the Olympic Flame to get involved to help promote Lionism by their participation in the support of the 2012 Olympic Games with those who are in Olympic venues.

A video of The Fleet Lions HYPE Disco was featured on the LCI Quarterly and has been viewed worldwide – see the link on **www.fleetlions.org.uk**.

Clubs are requesting help in acquiring publicity material and advice on PR matters. Assistance was given to help publicise the formation meetings of Aldershot and North Bournemouth Lions Clubs.

The official opening of the Lions Arboretum Shelter in Staffordshire by the Countess of Wessex was attended by District Officers and Lions from Clubs in 105D who supported this project.

The Lord Mayors Show was very successful with 105D PR equipment highly visible. Applications from Lions in our District to take part reached an all time high in 2011 requiring a standby list to be opened. However in the current financial climate it is becoming increasingly difficult to sustain the Lions entry from the 4 Districts in and around London.

#### Lion Richard Keeley – pro@lions105d.org.uk

# Welfare Committee – (Chairman) Lion Marilyn Skennerton

#### Community Services Coordinator – Lion George Jeremiah

Several Clubs in our District have been actively promoting, "We Serve", undertaking Community Service projects, unfortunately, many Clubs have not been reporting their activities.

Christchurch Club's Community Service project on Prostate Cancer Awareness was a great success with 160 people attending, the publicity was on two Radio stations and in several Dorset papers. Other Clubs are working on organising similar events.

Several Clubs have been collecting food, etc. outside Supermarkets for making into Christmas parcels for the needy. New Milton Club did an excellent job advertising on Radio Solent where they would be collecting over several days. Clubs were wearing tabards advertising Lions and "WE SERVE". Christchurch Club decorated a Residential Home for the elderly with Christmas decorations in addition to collection of food for two days outside a local Supermarket. There have also been beach clean-ups, and assisting with marshalling at Christmas events and processions, throughout the District.

#### Diabetes Officer – Lion Richard Fulstow

I have developed a link with Multiple District Officer (MDO) Diabetes Awareness, Keith Hedges ensuring that LCI and MD projects are introduced to District 105D.

Multiple District meetings held for Diabetes and the introduction of the Signature Projects were attended. Samples of Lions information leaflets on diabetes and related complications causing sight problems such as Glaucoma are being distributed to clubs in 105D. A letter will go to Clubs encouraging the purchase and distribution of these leaflets at Diabetes screening and other events to contribute to the support of the Signature Projects.

I am available as a resource to clubs for activities related to diabetes and will attend zones and clubs if required.

I have established links with external agencies such as International Diabetes Foundation and Diabetes UK to keep abreast of activities and initiatives in the broader field of diabetes.

Regular reports have been prepared for 105D Cabinet and MDO Diabetes Awareness and District Welfare Committee Chairperson as required.

Blandford and District Lions Club are to be congratulated for running a Diabetes Screening day in conjunction with a local GP practice. Other activities may have been undertaken but were not reported to me.

### Environmental Projects Officer – Reg Norton

As with previous reports, this one is having to be written in December, over four months in advance of our District Convention, and only half way through the Lions Year. It is therefore impossible to report fully on achievements in this field of activity, but for once the signs are very promising. My optimism is, in part, due to the tremendous emphasis our International President has put on Environmental Activities

My aspirations for the Lions Year 2011 – 2012 include the following:

- 1. To Increase awareness and develop contacts for Environmental matters.
- 2. To Organise a District Environmental Photo Competition and forward a winner to M.D.
- 3. To encourage participation by Clubs in the Environmental Competition called "Make the World a Better Place" and in the "Million Trees" Project
- 4. To Promote, Organise and inform Clubs of the District Clean Up month.

I have often explained that I have found it difficult to make this role meaningful because the majority of Lions appear to have little interest in promoting the subject. However, this year there is evidence of interest and activity in all of the above.

I have maintained contacts with the Marine Conservation Society, the Keep Britain Tidy campaign (now known as "Love where you live!"). Both of these organisations can be helpful for the "Clean Up Month in March.

I have also established links with The Woodland Trust, (Who have some excellent resource material called "Nature Detectives" for children), Forestry Commission, The Tree Council and Woodland Friends.

Four entries have been received for this years International "Environmental" Photo Competition. This year a winner from EACH Category can be forwarded to the Multiple District Heat from where one overall winner will be sent for judging at Busan International Convention.

At the time of writing I am aware of three possible entries for the "Make the World a Better Place" competition. Winner to be announced at convention.

Crofton Lions Club have reported planting 60 trees (one for each year of the Queen's reign) and 600 Daffodils and Crocus. I look forward to other clubs advising me of their tree planting projects.

Finally, recycling is obviously an environmental project, and that includes spectacles, hearing aids, ink cartridges and mobile phones. Let me hear your stories so that, as a District we can publicise our collective achievements.

# In Environmental and Community Activities little things <u>do</u> mean a lot because, by working together, we can have a positive effect on our environment and communities.

For help in getting your club involved in environmental projects please visit the following websites:

http://www.lions105d.org.uk/projects/environment.html

http://www.lions105d.org.uk/projects/milliontrees.html

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/community-environment/index.php http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/community-environment/lionsgreen-team/index.php

### MedicAlert Officer- Lion Eric Nixon

MedicAlert is an emergency medical identity system supported by Lions Clubs. Members wear a custom made engraved identity emblem which alerts medical practitioners in an emergency situation. Many Lions Clubs subsidise applicants who have difficulty in affording the membership costs. These subsidised members are never taken of the files held by MedicAlert.

Clubs can request brochures and/or membership forms from me at any time and they will be sent by return of post. Some Clubs request these forms etc direct from MedicAlert.

The "green to be seen" bracelet is still a well used item and once again I hold a stock which can be used to satisfy a quick reaction request. All you have to do is ask. Over the year there was some talk of this facility was/might be discontinued. This was discussed at the recent Do's Meeting. All the DO's stated that they thought it was a wrong cut and requested the MedicAlert Member to pass our comments to his higher authority. We have been informed that this was done and the basic concept would continue. We await to see what the changes, if any, will be.

The MD MedicAlert appeal asking for support to purchase a new linking machine, used during bracelet manufacture, came to a successful conclusion and the new equipment was bought and is now installed and is in full use. I can tell you that the Clubs in 105D donated over £2000. Thank you.

### District Message in a Bottle Officer - Lion Ken Williams

The scheme has spread throughout the District with an effective 100% coverage, although some of the coverage is with a different format not run by Lions.

Clubs are being encouraged to reinforce the benefits of the scheme and also the benefits of Medic Alert so that we can demonstrate how the two schemes work together to provide information in every environment for those people most at risk in the Community.

The volume of Pallets being ordered has seemed to fluctuate somewhat albeit the requirement from within the NHS has increased the number of pallets being ordered from HQ. It is still the case that at present, I have to either contact the President or Secretary of a particular club when I receive a request for information about the scheme in a particular area. It would be much better if I could contact the correct Lion direct, and avoid delays.

Around the District there has been an increase in the number of bottles being requested from various NHS entities. At a local level effort is being made to encourage the requesting NHS entity to make a donation towards the cost of bottles. Only recently a donation of £3000 has been made to Southampton City NHS Trust for the purchase of bottles for the doctor's surgeries around the city.

Let us continue to ensure that we promote Message in a Bottle, Medic Alert and other Lions initiatives such as Sight First, to show Lions as a Sharing, Caring organisation which anyone would be proud to become involved with.

Remember, Message in a Bottle is one of the best Promotional aids Lions have and can be used as potent tool in advising potential Members of what Lions are happy to be involved with at a Local Community level.

#### Mobility, Speech and Hearing Officer - Lion John Drago

Paultons Park was a huge success last year with over 2100 tickets sold and 36 clubs taking part, some for the first time. This means that Lions Clubs in the District raised over £20,000 to send underprivileged, disabled and those with learning disabilities on a really great day out. We had a lot of positive feedback and some concerns over the siting of the Lions gazebo but this will be moved next year as the whole frontage of Paultons Park entrance is being changed. It was lovely to see so many happy faces and we hope to make 2012 (The 21<sup>st</sup> year of the District attending Paultons Park) even bigger and better.

Deaf Awareness training is available within the District if Clubs are interested and the door hangers and "I see what you're saying" badges are proving popular with those who suffer with hearing loss.

Meetings have taken place between the MD Speech and Hearing Officer and Action on Hearing Loss (formerly RNID) regarding working together but no formal agreement has yet been agreed.

#### Sight Preservation, Awareness and Action Officer – PDG Lion Patrick Hamblin

Once again Spectrek was very successful with a very large number of spectacles collected. My thanks go to both Petersfield Club that organise the day and to all Clubs that collect spectacles for re-use somewhere in the world.

The Lions Sight Savers Trust that provides funds to 'Sightsavers' (formerly 'Sightsavers International') to enable sight restoration, assistance to persons whose sight cannot be restored and sight education has continued to be supported by Clubs in the District. In the Lionistic year 2010 to 2011 an amount of £6,521 was donated. This year, from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> November, an amount of £2,200 has been donated.

A number of Clubs took part in World Sight Day (or weekend) in October 2011. Some Clubs organised walks with mayors or other civic dignitaries blindfolded to enable them to at least have a little understanding for a short while how it must be not to be able to see. Others organised displays to promote the Lions Eye Health Programme. Good publicity was obtained at local level by a number of Clubs.

The Lions Eye Health Programme is a very important public awareness programme, with the object of reminding people to have their eyes tested to combat glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy. This is achieved by distribution of literature and the displaying of posters. A number of Clubs in the District are continuing to promote the Programme and there will be a greater opportunity to promote in 2012 as the Lions Eye Health Programme has been selected as one of the two 'Signature Project' programmes for particular promotion over the next few years.

I would remind Members that whilst Campaign Sightfirst II is over, it is very encouraging to see what has and continues to be done with the funds raised. There are regular reports of grants on the Lions Clubs International website.

The St Dunstan's Multiple District Appeal was well supported by the District, with £9,450 donated in the 2010/2011 year and £4,550 donated this Lionistic year.

There has been little call to make sight related presentations to Clubs or Zones this Lionistic year. We must continue to remember the challenge that Helen Keller gave to Lions in 1925 and is just as relevant today – '*I* call on you to be knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness'.

#### Special Needs and Circumstances Officer – Lion Anita Drago

I have tried to encourage clubs to look towards helping Young Carers, many already do, but there are still many children missing out on their childhood who could benefit from our help.

In May we had many youngsters with Special Needs at Paultons Park but it would be wonderful to have a lot more next year.

Other than this it has been quiet with little other questions from, or help required from Clubs.

# INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS DISTRICT 105D

# **CONVENTION STANDING ORDERS**

(INCORPORATING ALL ACCEPTED AMENDMENTS THROUGH MARCH 2010)

# CHAIRMAN

- **1.** The Chairman shall have discretion in selecting speakers, in deciding on the number of speakers to any resolution/amendment and in terminating discussion whenever he considers it appropriate.
- **2.** The Chairman, being entirely neutral, shall not be a delegate of his Club and if at any time he wishes to express a personal opinion on a matter under discussion he shall vacate the Chair for this purpose.

# **SPEAKERS**

- **3.** On the Chairman standing any speaker shall yield to the Chair and immediately resume his seat.
- **4.** (a) Any person wishing to speak on any report/resolution/amendment or other matter of business, must use a microphone, announce his name and Club, and address the Chair.

(b) With the exception of the provision for the Chairman in accordance with Clause 2 above, a member of Cabinet speaking on any report/resolution/ amendment or other matter of business shall be deemed to be representing his personal views unless he states otherwise.

(c) Unless Convention decides otherwise, only the Chairman, and the mover of a resolution in exercising his right of reply, shall speak more than once on any report/resolution/amendment.

# **RESOLUTIONS AND AMENDMENTS**

- **5.** (a) Resolutions/amendments will be moved by:
  - (i) Nominees on behalf of Cabinet; or
  - (ii) A member on behalf of the Club submitting the resolution/amendment.
  - (b) Resolutions/amendments will be seconded by a member on behalf of a Club other than in Clause 5(a)(ii) above.
- 6. Resolutions to be taken as read.

- 7. (a) If no member is present from a Club submitting a resolution/amendment then, unless that Club advises the Resolutions Officer in writing before the commencement of the Convention of the names of a mover and seconder each from other separate Clubs, the resolution/amendment shall be withdrawn unless Convention shall otherwise decide. With this one exception no resolution/ amendment may be withdrawn after the Convention Call has been issued and Clubs have been notified of the proposed resolution/amendment, without the consent of Convention;
  - (b) If a resolution be withdrawn with the consent of Convention and there has been an amendment submitted to that resolution then that amended resolution shall become the substantive resolution;
  - (c) Each resolution/amendment shall be moved and seconded before consideration by Convention, and not more than one resolution/amendment shall be discussed at any one time:
  - (d) No person shall move more than one amendment to any resolution nor shall the mover of a resolution move any amendment to such resolution;
  - (e) Where appropriate, resolutions/amendments will be put for consideration immediately following the adoption of the relevant District Officer's report.

# TIME LIMITS FOR SPEECHES

- 8. (a) The mover of a resolution/amendment will be permitted a maximum of three minutes to put their case, and after doing so shall formally move the resolution/amendment, The seconder will only formally second the resolution/ amendment but may reserve the right to speak later. At the conclusion of the debate and before a vote is taken on a resolution the mover of the resolution only shall have the right of reply for the purpose of answering questions or clarifying points raised, and shall not be allowed more than two minutes for this purpose. They will not be permitted to introduce fresh arguments.
  - (b) The mover of an amendment shall not be entitled to the right of reply except when an original resolution has been displaced by an amendment which has became a substantive resolution in accordance with Clause 6(b) above when the right of reply ensues to the mover of the amendment.
- **9.** (a) With the exception of the time limits stated in Clause 7(a) each speaker in general debate will he limited to one minute and must direct their comments directly to the report/resolution/amendment under discussion.
  - (b) The times specified for speakers may be exceeded only with the approval of convention.

# VOTING

- 10. The Voting on any report/resolution/amendment on general business shall be by a show of Delegate Cards of those present and Voting. The Chairman shall declare the result or order a count. If the Chairman's declaration is challenged by 20 (twenty) or more registered delegates, the votes shall be counted.
- 11. Any elections of candidates for office shall be by secret written ballot and such elections shall be carried out by the method commonly called the Single Transferable Vote or Preferential Voting or the Alternative Vote."
- **12.** In the event of a tie following a show of hands or secret ballot the Chairman shall cast the deciding vote.

# MOTION PROCEED TO NEXT BUSINESS

13. Any person, provided he has not already spoken on the matter under discussion, may move at any time that Convention proceed to next business, and if this proposal be seconded the Chairman shall put the matter to Convention after discussion and the mover of the resolution has been offered the right of reply.

# POINT OF ORDER OR QUESTION

14. Any person may at any time ask a question or raise a point of order through the Chair but must confine the question or point of order to the subject before Convention.

# IMPLEMENTATION OF, AND AMENDMENTS TO, STANDING ORDERS

15. (a) These Standing Orders shall take full force and effect following adoption by a duly proposed resolution accepted at Convention by a majority vote of not less than two-thirds of voting registered delegates, or their alternates, as the case may be.

(b) These Standing Orders can only be amended by a duly proposed resolution adopted at Convention by a majority vote of not less than two-thirds of voting registered delegates, or their alternates, as the case may be.

END

# NOTES ATTACHING TO, BUT NOT FORMING PART OF, <u>DISTRICT 105D CONVENTION STANDING ORDERS</u>

District 105D Constitution (incorporating all accepted amendments through March 2011) includes, inter alia, the following provisions relating to District Conventions:

# Article IX, Section 3

# CHAIRMAN

The Governor should preside at all sessions of the Convention. In his absence the Vice-Governor should preside, failing this the Immediate Past Governor should preside. In the event of non-availability of any of the foregoing persons the most recent Past Governor available will preside.

# Article VIII, Section 2

# EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS AND AMENDMENTS

- (a) The Governor shall have power to accept an emergency resolution or amendment at Convention if, in his opinion, such resolution or amendment could not have reasonably been submitted in writing to the officer appointed on or before the date stipulated.
- (b) Such emergency resolution or amendment shall only be presented for consideration with the approval of Convention.

# Article IX, Section 2

# QUORUM

- (a) The delegates (or their alternates, as the case may be) in attendance at a Convention session shall constitute a quorum provided that there shall be at least one representative from each of a majority of the total number of Clubs making up the District.
- (b) If no quorum is present the session shall be adjourned to a time and place to be appointed by the Governor.

# Article IX, Section 5(b)

# SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Convention may suspend all or part of Standing Orders by a majority decision of registered voting delegates at any time during the business of Convention.

END

## LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

# DISTRICT 105D



# Lions Clubs International District 105D Charitable Trust Fund

**Registered Charity Number 1072984** 

Report of the Trustees For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 105D

### CHARITY TRUST ACCOUNT Registered Charity Number 1072984

## Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

The Trustees present their Report together with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

#### Trustees

There are five ex-officio trustees and they remain whilst they hold the following offices:

District Governor Immediate Past District Governor	Brigid Hendy Judith Goodchild
Vice District Governor	Ron Twining
District Secretary	Godwin Micallef
District Treasurer	Linda Picton

The District Governor is also the Chairman of the Trustees and a quorum consists of three trustees.

No trustee received any remuneration from the Trust.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and to enable them to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the Charities Act 1992. They are also responsible for the safeguarding of the assets of the Trust.

In accordance with the Trust Deed IPDG Roger Huntley retired in rotation effective 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 and Ron Twining as Vice District Governor was appointed effective 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010.

The Trustees thank IPDG Roger Huntley for his support and advice and for her contribution to the orderly functioning of the Trust.

#### Objectives

These are defined in the Trust Deed.

The objectives of the Trust are to hold the Trust Fund and its income upon trust to apply them for any purpose which is charitable according to the law of England & Wales whether for the benefit of any individual, or group of people, or for the benefit of any other organisation established for charitable purposes.

#### Statement of Public Benefit

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of The Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission.

Main benefits result from the work of:

- Lions Clubs International Foundation to further humanitarian work and disaster relief
- Lions Clubs in Malawi and UNICEF for education of young people
- Lions Sights Savers Trust to further the cure and prevention of blindness
- Wateraid Projects to help poorer people gain access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene education
- Dentaid projects to help poorer people gain access to dental care, oral hygiene and education
- TACADE to provide life skills and education to young people
- Youth Trust Fund to facilitate recognised Lions Clubs International projects for young people

Benefits relate to our main aims and objectives and beneficiaries are members of the public both within the United Kingdom and overseas.

### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

### **DISTRICT 105D**

# CHARITY TRUST ACCOUNT

### **Registered Charity Number 1072984**

#### Organisation

The rules of the Charity are governed by a Trust Deed dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 1998 and registered with The Charity Commissioners for England & Wales approved on 17<sup>th</sup> December 1998.

#### **Trust Deed**

The Trust Deed is held by the District Treasurer and is available for inspection at any reasonable time.

#### **Review of Activities**

The activities of the Charity continue to be in pursuance of its objectives. Activities are regularly reported at each cabinet meeting and also monitored at District Finance Committee Meetings.

#### **Financial Review**

The detailed financial position of the Charity is shown in the Financial Statements. The Charity continues to receive the majority of its income as voluntary donations. Some of the donations from Lions Clubs in the District are designated for specific purposes. On consolidation, payments are then made on a regular basis to the designated Charities.

The Trustees consider the finances of the Charity to be satisfactory.

#### Assets

The Assets of the Charity consist solely of cash held with HSBC bank plc, Christchurch Branch on interest bearing accounts.

#### Voluntary help received

All administration of the Charity is provided free of charge with any indirect costs such as postage, telephone/fax, stationery costs being charged to the Lions District 105D Administration Account.

#### **Future Plans**

The Trustees plan to continue with the stated objects of the Charity.

Byid Herdy

Brigid Hendy District Governor and Chairman of the Trustees Lions Clubs International 105D

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IPDG Judith Goodchild Chairman Dist. Finance Cttee/Trustee Lions Clubs International 105D

Dated 15.10.2011

#### **DISTRICT 105D**

#### **CHARITY TRUST ACCOUNT**

#### **Registered Charity Number 1072984**

#### Accounts for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Lions Clubs International District 105D Charity Trust.

I report on the accounts of the Lions Clubs International District 105D Charity Trust for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

#### Respective Responsibilities of trustees and examiner.

As the Charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) DOES NOT APPLY. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit. And consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

#### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met.

Or

2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Gilroy & Brookes Chartered Accountants Lord Rodney House 1 Normandy Street Alton, Hants GU34 1DD

Dated 7th Otober 2011

#### DISTRICT 105D

#### CHARITY TRUST ACCOUNT

#### **Registered Charity Number 1072984**

Notes to the Accounts:

#### **Accounting Policies**

#### General

The financial statements have been prepared under historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charities Act 1993.

### **Opening Project Balances**

Agreed previous audit.

#### Taxation

The Trust has been granted charitable status and no provision has been made in the accounts.

#### Legal Status

District 105D is governed by its Constitution passed in March 1984 and as amended at District Conventions from time to time, such Constitution being in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article VI of the Multiple District Constitution and Standing Orders as amended from time to time.

#### Bankers

HSBC Bank plc, 15 High Street Christchurch Dorset BH23 1AF

#### Independent Examiner

As appointed by District Convention 2010, Messrs Gilroy & Brookes, Chartered Accountants Lord Rodney House, 1 Normandy Street, Alton, Hants GU34 1DD

#### **Registered Charity Number 1072984**

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 June 2011

<b>Youth (Designated)</b> Youth General Fund	Opening Balance	Income Received	Donations Paid	Closing Balance
	9994	4497	3818	10673
	9994	4497	3818	10673
International (Designated) Campaign Sight First II/Korle Bu	0	40	40	0
LCIF	0	3815	3815	0
LCI Gift for Living	0	400	400	0
LCI Malawi Student Education	0	500	500	0
Sight Savers	0	6019	6019	0
Street Children	0	700	700	0
UNICEF/EduKits	0	1272	1272	0
Wateraid	0	3150	3150	0
LCIF Appeals Australia	0	950	950	0 0
Haiti	0	200	200	0
Japan	0	9527	9527	0
Pakistan	0 0	14264	14264	0
New Zealand	0	3400	3400	0
Melvin Jones Fellows	0	1000	1000	0
	0	45237	45237	0
Other (Designated)				
105 BN Junior Disability Sports	0	100	100	0
105 SE LIBRA	0	1850	1850	0
MD Medic Alert	0	3025	3025	0
MD National Arboretum	0	400	400	0
MD Special Olympics UK	0	2100	2100	0
MD St Dunstan's MD TACADE	0	9450	9450	0
Belarus Trust	0 0	1050 500	1050 500	0 0
Dentaid	0	2150	0	2150
D G Partner	0	536	536	0
Paultons Park	474	20155	20132	497
Sarajevo	-955	955		0
Unspecified Project	0			0
	-481	42271	39143	2647
Undesignated Funds				
Interest (NET Bank Charges)	1408			1408
Other	880	43	504	419
	2288	43	504	1827
GRAND TOTALS	11801	92048	88702	15147

#### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 105D CHARITY TRUST

#### **Registered Charity Number 1072984**

#### Balance Sheet as at Year Ended 30 June 2011

Fixed As	sets		<u>2011</u>		<u>2010</u>
Current	Assets				
	HSBC Current Acc HSBC Investment Acc Debtors	6436 8097	14533 614 15147	10014 8097	18111
Current I	L <b>iabilities</b> Creditors	0			6310
			15147	_	11801
Funds	Undesignated	1827 13320		2288	
	Designated	13320	15147	9513	11801

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

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Brigid Hendy District Governor 2010-2011 Chairman of the Trustees Lions Clubs International 105D

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IPDG Judith Goodchild Chairman Dist. Finance Ctte/Trustee Lions Clubs International 105D

Dated 15.10.2011

### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

### **DISTRICT 105D**



Statement of Financial Activities For the Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

**Administration Account** 

District Governor District Treasurer District Secretary Lion Brigid Hendy Lion Linda Picton Lion Godwin Micallef

# **Lions Clubs International District 105D**

# **Administration Account**

# **District Governor's Report**

# For the Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

The attached pages detail the District Administration Account for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

The financial activities demonstrate a continuing healthy position thanks to the intangible income the District continues to receive from an administration and community service point of view by means of the hundreds of voluntary hours and unclaimed expenses contributed by District Officers and fellow Lions and supporters.

It is impossible to place a value on this contribution, but it is greatly appreciated and we must remain mindful of this service given for the benefit of all.

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Brigid Hendy District Governor 2010-2011

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IPDG Judith Goodchild Chairman District Finance Committee 2010-2011

Dated 15.10.2011

### **Lions Clubs International**

# **District 105D**

# **Statement of Financial Activities** For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

### **Administration Account**

### Independent Examiner's Statement

We have examined the Administration Income & Expenditure Account for District 105D as prepared by the District Finance Committee.

In our opinion the accounts are in accordance with the accounting records and information supplied.

Gilroy & Brookes Chartered Accountants Lord Rodney House 1 Normandy Street Alton, Hants GU34 1DD

Dated 7th Otober 2011

# District 105D

### **Administration Account**

Notes to the Financial Statements

### Accounting policies

### General

The financial statements have been prepared under historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

These have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice SORP – Accounting by Charities Act 1995 and accruals accounting for the smaller charity October 1995.

### Incoming Resources

Administration funds are received

- For the general running costs of the District in accordance with the budget approved by the membership at the District Convention 2007.
- For the amounts due to International and Multiple District relating to membership dues as agreed by the relevant Conventions each year. These funds are forwarded to International and Multiple District Treasurer respectively.
- Interest from HSBC Bank plc is used to offset administration expenses after making due allowance for taxes.
- Intangible income by way of hundreds of voluntary hours and unclaimed expenses contributed by District Officers, fellow Lions, and others who have provided support. It is impossible to place a value on such contributions but they remain greatly appreciated.
- Income by use of the Lions Clubs International MD Affinity Credit Card after deduction of Royalties payable to International and due allowance for taxes.

### Tangible and Fixed Assets

Certain regalia and other equipment is owned by the District but the value has been written off. Chains of Office etc. remain insured at their estimated replacement value.

### Taxation

Provision for Corporation Tax has been made within administration reserves.

# **Lions Clubs International**

# **District 105D**

# **Administration Account**

Notes to the Financial Statements continued:

### Royalties

10% of gross income on the affinity card is due to Lions Clubs International.

The affinity card scheme is now administered at Multiple District level. Tax and Lions Clubs International royalty is paid by Multiple District Treasurer and income received, effective April 2008, is net of tax and Lions Clubs International Royalty.

No specific reserves required and the sum previously held has now been transferred to administration reserve.

### Finance Committee

The activities of the District Treasurer and expenditure against budgets or where there are no formal budgets agreed at Convention are monitored by the Finance Committee. That Committee is also responsible for the financial planning and budgets. The Treasurer and Finance Committee report on relevant matters at each Cabinet Meeting. The Committee consisted of IPDG Judith Goodchild (Chairman), PDG Roger Huntley, PDG Patricia Nixon, VDG Ron Twining, VDG Roger Munday, District Secretary Godwin Micallef and District Treasurer Linda Picton.

### Legal Status

District 105D is governed by its constitution passed in March 1984 and as amended at District Conventions from time to time, such Constitution being in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article VI of the Multiple District Constitution and Standing Orders as amended from time to time.

### Bankers

HSBC Bank plc 15 High Street Christchurch Dorset BH23 1AF

### Independent Examiner

As appointed by District Convention 2010, Messrs. Gilroy Brookes, Chartered Accountants, Lord Rodney House, 1 Normandy Street, Alton, Hants GU34 1DD

### Lions Clubs International District 105D Administration Account Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

Incoming Resources Membership Dues	<b>2011</b> 12295	<u><b>2010</b></u> 12482
Interest Net	209	226
Affinity Card after Royalties Sundry Income	208 45	236 75
Convention Social	612	762
Total Income	13160	13555
Resources Expended		
<u>District</u>		
Expenses District Governor	800	800
Expenses District Secretary	592	488
Expenses District Treasurer	328	268
Almoner	67	69
Sgt at Arms		106
Region 1	267	237
Region 2	366	303
Region 3	52	44
Region 4 Region 5	80 165	76
Forums & Other Room Hire	2036	1132
Insurance	2000	1102
District Regalia & Equipment	66	459
Island Travel	1224	620
Bank Charges	4	
Tax		4
Room Hire Cabinet	450	
Miscellaneous	100	267
Total District	6597	4873
<u>Committees</u>		
Communications	302	697
Community Service	377	476
Convention	3032	3816
Convention Social	a <b>-</b> 4	
Finance	274	320
International Relations	173	479
Long Range Planning Lord Mayor Show	534 624	429 743
Membership Drives	180	400
GLT/GMT	1400	1487
Newsletter	1100	374
PR	341	168
Training		
Youth	1067	650
Total Committees	8304	10039
Total Expenses	14901	14912
Net surplus (deficit)		(1357)
Total surplus(deficit)	(1741)	(1357)
Allocated to:	()	()
Administration Reserve	(2327)	(2039)
Leos Reserve	(26)	(80)
Convention Social Reserve	612	762
TOTAL to reserves	(1741)	(1357)

#### Lions Clubs International District 105D Administration Account Balance Sheet as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011

Fixed Asset		<u>2011</u>		<u>2010</u>
Current Assets				
Debtors	1593		4132	
Stock				
Convention bank Account			500	
HSBC Current Account	18399		10638	
HSBC Investment Account	15335		20335	
	=	35327	=	35605
Current Liabilities				
Creditors	3561		2098	
Tax Provision				
Oak Brook Royalty Provision				
Net assets	-	31766	_	33507
Reserve Funds				
Administration		22262		24589
Leos		685		711
Convention Business		5000		5000
Convention Social		1374		762
Membership	-	2445 <b>31766</b>	—	2445 33507
	-	31700	_	33307
Movements in Reserves				
Administration				
Opening balance		24589		26628
Allocated from Year Surplus		-2327		-2039
Closing balance	-	22262	_	24589
Leos				
Opening balance		711		791
Allocation		-26		-80
Closing balance	-	685		711
	=		=	
Convention Business		FOOD		5000
Opening balance Closing balance	-	5000	_	5000 <b>5000</b>
Closing balance	=	5000	_	5000
Convention Social				
Opening balance		762		0
Allocation		612		762
Transfer from admin reserve	-			0
Closing balance	-	1374	_	762
Membership				
Opening		2445		2445
Closing balance	-	2445	_	2445
	=		_	
TOTAL RESERVES	=	31766	_	33507

Approved by the Cabinet and signed on their behalf

Brigid Hendy District Governor 2010 – 2011

Dated: 15.10.201/

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# LIONS CODE OF ETHICS

**TO SHOW** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

**TO SEEK** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

**TO REMEMBER** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

**WHENEVER** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

**TO HOLD** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

**ALWAYS** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour, and means.

**TO AID** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

**TO BE CAREFUL** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.