



Lions Club of Kiama Inc. (District 201N2)

Ki-Lines Monthly Newsletter

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President Rob's Comments

Thanks to those who helped at Kembla Grange, with the visually impaired luncheon, and to Chris Hatton for staging the youth of the year. It was touch and go if it would occur, but thankfully it did. Those who took part will benefit greatly from the experience.

The Christmas Party on the 7th December will be the final meeting of the year. I am sure it will be a great night, and that the weather will be perfect! The next meeting will be on the 11th January.

All the best for Christmas and hope you all have a happy and healthy 2018.

PRE-MEETING APOLOGIES If a Lion is **NOT** attending he/she needs to apologise by **emailing (NOTE – NEW email address):** kiama.nsw@lions.org.au by 6pm the evening before the meeting.

Likewise advise if you are bringing a guest, including your husband, wife or partner. Lions not apologising will be charged the cost of the meal as the Club is charged for the number booked in. **Please be mindful of this.**

Reports

- Carers Cottage Update 1 Dec 17

After nearly 20 months of waiting and badgering Council we have now been allowed to submit our DA. The delay has been caused by the application to change the use of the land because it was zoned as industrial. We are very grateful to our Architect Madeleine who fought on our behalf. According to Council's guidelines the DA should be processed within 21 days.

We have been making slow but steady progress over the past few months . We have removed literally tons of rubbish , fitted laminate Beams (thanks to Lion Jason Kearns) to support the areas where we removed walls, Fitted cladding , installed a new front door with secure locking system.

We have moved the roof over the entry balcony and jackhammered the floors in the existing bathrooms to ensure that new waterproofing regulations and height of tiles would comply with regulations. We are in the process of fitting new floors to these rooms. While the floors have been up , Dave Robson has installed the conduit for NBN.

We have been very fortunate in having the services of two keen Gerringong Lions to help us, one of them, Steve Pottie, a retired carpenter/builder has been an amazing asset.

We are now mulling over whether we replace the roof with a tin one. We have had an offer that would include replacing the roof, guttering and fascias for a price we could afford. This would be a benefit in the long term as well as making it easier to install Solar panels and skylights . If we go ahead, we will need to do it quickly before we install gyprock.

Financially we are still in a good position but could always do with more . We recently got a grant from the Convoy folks that will cover the cost of all the ramps and decking. If anyone should offer to give you a cheque, please talk to me or at least ensure that it's made out to Kiama Lions Respite House

In the near future we will be identifying where the interior plumbing will go, as well as where each lighting socket/power point will be located and make holes for the wiring. We will also need to paint the outside while the scaffolding is still up.

Project Manager Tony Grainger wants to have a BBQ within the next fortnight on site, to thank the many helpers and so that our Club members can come and inspect the progress themselves.

2 dads

- **Stamp Collection** Don't forget to collect used stamps for the Lions Children's Mobilty Foundation. All stamps welcome. Please give stamps to Ian Gammage.
- **December 17 Markets Teams 6 & 7 See team list below**
Team 6 7:30-12 Ivan Boulton (Captain) Gordon Bell (Co-Captain) Mike Monaghan Russell Fredericks David Grant Janis Dzelde
Team 7 11:30-4pm ~~Richard Hoskins (Captain)~~ (Injured) Jason Kearns (Co-Captain) Chris Favorito Dennis Wilson Ian Kennedy Richard Langford

[For Your Diary – Members' Activities and Events](#)

DECEMBER

Thursday 7 December Xmas Party @ KSLSC

Thursday 21 ? December Board Meeting (perhaps better on 14 Dec)

Friday 15 December School Holidays 15/12 – 30/01

Sunday 17 December Kiama Markets (Teams 6 & 7)

Sunday 17 December Kiama Markets BBQ Trailer – Dragons abreast

Sunday 1 January New Year's Day

Thursday 11 January BBQ/Buffer Meeting - TBC At Rugby Club with Partners

Sunday 21 January Kiama Markets (Teams 8 & 9)

Thursday 18 January Board Meeting @ KLC @ 5.30pm

Thursday 25 January Dinner Meeting @ KLC - Could arrange BBQ @ Club

Thursday 26 January Australia Day

Friday 26-27 January Kiama Show



KiamaLions Christmas Party

Thursday 7 December 6.30 pm until late

Kiama Surf Club

Cost \$50 per person ,this includes food from Olive and Vine. all drinks and entertainment

As we need to have the numbers right for catering this will be a **prepay function**. Money can be paid at either of the next two Lions meeting, direct to the club account or to me.

Music by John Spitz

Friends are most welcome.

It would be appreciated if you could send an email to me directly at

mgheinecke@iinet.net.au

if you are not attending as this saves me numerous phone calls.

Geoff Heinecke

Lions Christmas Cake Orders.

To order cakes for Christmas type this link into your browser or click on the link in the email that has been sent.

<https://tinyurl.com/ycp2sfm7>

Or email Peter Wilson **wilsonkiama@gmail.com**

Melbourne Cup—Lions Calcutta Time

Once again another Melbourne Cup Calcutta has been run and won.

Ticket sales were down slightly, I believe, although the final figures are still unavailable.

Kembla Grange sales (\$1,650) were on par with recent years even though we were restricted from selling in the dining room.

Morrie Kelly reported shop/business sales in Kiama also being similar to other years and also that he has found a top ticket seller in Veronica Dzelde.

We still rely heavily on sales at Cukuna by Rob and David – some \$4,000 worth.

We didn't go to the hotels in Kiama this year and sales at the Clubs were difficult as there is a lot of competition.

The response by members to selling tickets is always mixed with a few not prepared to take any tickets, some willing to take tickets and make the effort to sell them at work and to neighbours, and most taking a book of tickets and buying them all or some themselves.

Calcutta night started at 5.30 p.m with a wonderful effort from Lions and partners turning up to prepare tickets for the draw. Also on this day many had attended the

funeral service for our late friend Graham Harris and also a working bee for the Art Society.

Thanks go to Ross Simmons for lending us a "Tumbleweed" barrel which was perfect for the draw.

Geoff Heinecke, assisted by barrel girls Faye Redgrave and Sue Spence from Dougal Real Estate – a new sponsor, admirably conducted the draw.

With a starting pool of \$8,000, the auction of horses commenced under the control of professional auctioneer, Greg Mason, from South Coast Auctions who donated his services. I will send him a letter of appreciation.

The interest in the auction was reasonably good although about five horses made less than \$200. I don't think the additional prize of \$200 for the last horse was worthwhile.

Prizes and winners have been paid.

They are :1st prize: Lachlan syndicate\$9,270
2nd prize – Bruce Whiteman - \$2,654
3rd prize – Rob Verner - \$1,327

Last prize – Bruce Whiteman - \$200

In retrospect I thought the result was pleasing for the effort put in with a resulting profit of \$5,000 +.

The Convention probably dulled the Lions enthusiasm for selling tickets and therefore we still relied heavily on Dave and Rob, who didn't let us down.

The idea of a video connection with the Golf Club may be worth a try but you have to ask yourself why won't the potential video bidders come in person- like it's not far is it, between the two Clubs?

Another point of view regarding the Calcutta is that we pay too much out in prize money (about the equivalent of ticket sales) but the question is "does the larger pool attract larger prices for the auction".

I want to thank my Committee of Bill DeWit, Tony Myatt, Dick Maitland, Chris Lawler, Gordon Bell and a special thank you to Bill for stepping in during my absence.

Also deserving thanks for special efforts on Calcutta night go to Rob Danby, Geoff Heinecke, Jim Webb and Rick Norris.

Lynne would like to wish my successor all the very best for Calcutta 2007!!!!!!

Lion Ray Hunt