



Lions Club of Kiama Inc. (District 201N2)

Ki-Lines Monthly Newsletter

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President Hilton's Comments

Our van was used for the recent October Long Weekend Driver Reviver activity and was rostered by our neighbouring Lions Club of Minnamurra, whose efforts are very much appreciated.

At the Kiama Council promoted Second-Hand Saturday event on 3 October our Club provided the BBQ with takings of \$945 plus a bucket collection for Cancer Care of \$800. Many thanks to our team who contributed to the day's success.

On 8 October, 81 Members, partners and guests had a very enjoyable time at our Happy Hours at Kiama Surf Club, co-ordinated by Geoff Heinecke, the first to be held on a Thursday evening.

On 22 October 2015 an Election Meeting to confirm the election of Peter Wilson as 3rd Vice President of our Club was held followed by our Club's Annual General Meeting where the election of all other Board Members for the 2015-16 Year was confirmed. There were no items of special interest arising from either meeting. On the night, James Doak, our Club's District Zone Chairman, was guest speaker and provided a very enlightening presentation on Lions International support for improving child mobility for those in need. Over the past seven years our Club has provided two walkers for children.

Relay for Life, held in Kiama at the oval adjacent to Kiama Leisure Centre, was fully catered by our Club with Wendi Scifleet performing a great job as our Co-ordinator strongly supported by many of our Members, their partners as well as 10 non-Lion volunteers. The proceeds from food sales after costs will enable us to make a donation of approximately \$2,000. It is appropriate to recognise the strong support received from Woolworths of Kiama.

Our Club is participating in the community wide "**November**" fund raising activity to raise cancer awareness. Judging of Lions' participating will be at our Youth of the Year evening on 26 November will be by the youth participants. All male members of our Club are encouraged to get involved and **funds raised will go to our Cancer Care Fund.**

We have just commenced identifying potential candidates for sponsorship for the 2016 Outward Bound Navigator Course for 15-17 year olds. If you know of a potential candidate, please contact me.

For Your Diary – Members’ Activities and Events

Sunday 1 November	Lunch time BBQ at ‘Jerrara Falls’ farm (noon)
Tuesday 3 November	Melb. Cup Race Day glass pick up (11.00am)
Wednesday 4 November	Melb. Cup clean-up (7.30am)
Tuesday 10 November	Visionally Impaired Persons (VIP) lunch
Thursday 12 November	Dinner Meeting – Twilight Bowls (6.00 for 6.30pm) at Kiama Bowling Club, Shoalhaven Street
Sunday 15 November	Kiama Markets at Black Beach
Thursday 19 November	Board Meeting at KLC
Thursday 26 November	Dinner Meeting with partners at KLC - Youth of the Year and Movember judging
Sunday 29 November	Special Extra Kiama Market (BBQ central location)
Thursday 10 December	Club’s Christmas function with partners (6.30pm) at Kiama Surf Club
Friday 18 December	School Holidays 19/12 – 26/1/16
Sunday 20 December	Kiama Markets at Black Beach

At our Dinner Meeting on 26 November, Chris Hatton will host our Club’s Youth of the Year contest with participants already identified and judges selected. It will be a most enjoyable evening for Members, partners and guests.

Pre-Meeting Apologies – If a Lion is NOT attending he/she needs to apologise by ringing the Kiama Lions Club’s mobile 0449 523 040 two days in advance if possible. Likewise, advise if you are bringing a guest.

Program 2015-16 Year Variations

The Rugby Club at Kiama Show Ground has now been booked for our BBQ/Buffer Meeting with partners to be held on Thursday 14 January 2016. Warren Steel has confirmed that our Dinner Meeting planned for Thursday 10 March 2016 at Dapto Dogs Racecourse has been booked.

Members’ Awards

At the Dinner Meeting held on 22 October 2015, Bob Gray, Richard Langford and Ross Simmons were presented with Lions Club International Milestone Chevron Awards to commemorate and recognise their years of service as Lions which collectively exceed 90 years.

Congratulations to these Members for their achievement.

Fund Raising Projects [including Kiama Markets]

We are fortunate to have again been allocated the prime central BBQ location for the extra Market Day to be held at Black Beach, Kiama on Sunday 29 November. On past experience we are likely to raise in excess of \$2,500. At our latest prime site BBQ location Market Day held on 18 October all food was sold and we raised \$2,400 before costs. A great effort by our team organised by Dennis Wilson.

Community Service Projects

Our team ran the Chocolate Wheel at the Blue Haven Fete held on 10 October and raised \$1,300 in less than three hours for the aged-care facility. Well done.

Jim Webb has organised rosters and emailed them on 25 October for our involvement at Kembla Grange Racecourse on Melbourne Cup day, 3 November, as well as the following day. He has suggested car pooling.

Arrangements are well advanced for the Visually Impaired Persons (VIP) luncheon, being held on Tuesday 10 November, which our Club is providing for affected people living in the Illawarra. This year we are expecting 56 people to attend, including helpers and entertainers, compared with 52 last year.

From the Board and other Administration

At our 201N2 District Convention held on 16-18 October at the Fraternity Club in Fairy Meadow our President, along with other Members of our Club, represented us over the three days. This included a Remembrance Ceremony on Sunday 18 October which included recognition of our Late Member, Paul Gale and Maree Weekes. It was very pleasing to see so many of our Members and partners represent our Club

On Saturday 17 October our Immediate Past President, Peter Scifleet, was elected as Second Vice District Governor for 201N2 District for the Lions Year commencing 1 July 2016. Congratulations Peter.

At the Convention our Club was presented with the Award for the Top Lions Club with Over 25 Members in District 201N2 for the 2014-15 Year. This reflects very well on the contributions made by Members to our Club.



Money Matters

Account balances as at 15 October 2015:

Activities Account (after unrepresented cheques)		\$21,055.80	
Administration Account (after unrepresented cheques)		\$6,961.24	
Harry Budd: Business Account	\$11,257.76		
Fixed Term Deposit Account	<u>\$87,087.85</u>	\$98,345.61	

Lions not apologising in advance for non-attendance at Dinner Meetings is still a problem resulting in unnecessary cost. **Please be mindful of this.**

Membership News

In October David Robson and Hilton Bloomfield visited Noel Corby, a past strong contributor to our Club. He is at Blue Haven Aged Care facility and is critically ill. It was pleasing to see that he appeared to recognise us.

Kim Greentree, who recently joined our Club, has injured herself in an accident and we wish her a speedy recovery.

On the Web - kiama.nsw.lions.org.au

We continue to encourage all Members to record Volunteering Hours for service provided to various organisations outside of Lions through a link set up by Jim Carney on our web site. As previously advised, you need only record once the average monthly hours of service you provide to each nominated organisation.

Item of Special Interest from Geoff Heinecke

The Kiama Lions Christmas Party is being held on Thursday 10 December 2015 at Kiama Surf Club, Manning Street commencing at 6.30pm. The format will be quality finger-food prepared and served by Olive and Vine Restaurant. This includes dessert and tea/coffee and chocolates. Live music and dancing to international performer John Spitz will be provided. All beer, wine, juice and soft drinks are included in the price. Cost \$50 per person.

Due to catering expenses, all Members need to pre-pay to our Treasurer, preferably at our Dinner Meeting on Thursday 26 November, and if not, it would be appreciated if your payment plus names of those attending could be delivered in a sealed envelope to the home of President Hilton (13 Tingira Crescent, Kiama) by no later than Thursday 3 December.

Item of Special Interest from Bob Gray

Minnamurra Lions had a very successful Driver Reviver during the October Long Weekend on the Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Minnamurra utilised our caravan and Kiama Lions David Robson and Chris English assisted Minnamurra with setting up the van at the Nungarry Rest Area on the Kiama By Pass on Thursday evening and taking it down on the Sunday afternoon.

Our caravan is fully utilised at the monthly markets and the more it gets used the more proficient our Members will become with its operations. Lion Jeff Gray advised that the sale of French Fries (Hot

Chips) has been successful and sales continue to increase at each market along with our popular donuts, drinks and coffee.

The caravan committee has been looking at replacing our vending coffee machine and we are about to purchase a reconditioned second-hand one with similar functionality for \$1,200.

Whilst our operation of the van continues to improve with each use, we have identified a slight problem with blockages in the drains that fill the grey-water 80 litre tank under the floor. In order to overcome this problem, would all Lions **please refrain from flushing donut mix through the sinks.** Please **scrape the left over mix into the garbage tins** that are provided and this will overcome the problem. We look forward to your co-operation and your assistance with this procedure would be greatly appreciated.