



Lions Club of Kiama Inc. (District 201N2)

Ki-Lines Monthly Newsletter

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President Hilton's Comments

At the NSW Parliamentary Lions Club Gala Dinner held at Parliament House on 29 October 2015 to support brain cancer research I represented our Club accompanied by my wife, Jan. There were 350 people including Gareth Ward and other politicians. \$80,000 was raised.

Eight Members from our Club, including myself were involved in a working bee at 1st Kiama Scout Group Hall on Saturday 31 October. It was good to see that the Scouts had nine members present. We painted the outside of the hall in four hours and were pleased with the results of our efforts. We would like to acknowledge the assistance of Bunnings and Dulux who donated the paint and other items. Greg Crofts, 1st Kiama Scouts Group Leader has sent us a letter of appreciation.



On Sunday 1 November, Lions and family members went to 'Jarrara Falls' Farm owned by the Wilson family for a BBQ. It was a most relaxing and enjoyable experience on Saddleback Mountain overlooking Jambaroo Valley. Our hosts were Peter and Liz Wilson who made us feel most welcome and we thank them for providing us with a special experience.

At our bowls night on 12 November, which was very well co-ordinated by Warren Steel, we had an excellent roll up of 43 Members who showed a wide range of skill levels on the bowling green. Fortunately, the threatening rain held off and we were able to have a stirring competition. The Chinese banquet that followed was well received and in every way it was a great get-together.

On 24 November an information night co-ordinated by James Doak, our Zone Chairman, was held at Shoalhaven Golf Club in support of a new Lions Club in Shoalhaven Heads. There were over 50 people present including Phil Willetts and myself representing our Club. It is pleasing to see that the new Club is close to having the 20 members necessary to move it forward.

Our Club's Youth of the Year contest held on 26 November was well co-ordinated by Chris Hatton with the assistance of Geoff Wilson and other Lions Members. It was strongly supported by 72 of our Members, partners, potential Members, contestant participants, their families, mentor teachers and judges. The event was very successful and enjoyable. Nathan Harrington, declared the close winner, and Nicholas Marin provided interesting presentations. They also acted as judges for our Movember Members Cancer Care Fund supporting contest. Lion Jerry Granger-Holcombe was declared the winner with his outstanding moustache.

The Waratahs WW1 March Re-enactment Service was held in Kiama on 30 November 2015 and our Club was represented.

November was a very busy month for our Club and I thank all of our Members for their efforts.

For Your Diary – Members' Activities and Events

Thursday 10 December	Club's Christmas function with partners (6.30pm) at Kiama Surf Club
Thursday 17 December	Board Meeting
Friday 18 December	School Holidays 19/12 – 26/1/16
Sunday 20 December	Kiama Markets at Black Beach
Tues. 22 to Fri. 31 December	Driver/Reviver Kiama Lions rostered period
Thursday 14 January	BBQ/Buffer Meeting with partners at the Rugby Club Kiama Showground
Sunday 17 January	Kiama Markets at Black Beach
Thursday 21 January	Board Meeting
Friday/Sat. 22/23 January	Kiama Show BBQ catering & manning gates (check on rosters)
Thursday 28 January	Dinner Meeting at KLC

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. Lions not apologising in advance for non-attendance at Dinner Meetings are still a problem as we incur an unnecessary cost. **Please be mindful of this.**

Program 2015-16 Year Variations

Inclusion of a Board Meeting on 17 December 2015.

Members' Awards

At the 2015 Kiama Electorate Community Recognition Awards hosted by Gareth Ward MP and held at the Kiama Pavilion, Peter Scifleet was recognised as an outstanding Local Volunteer. Congratulations Peter.

Fund Raising Projects [including Kiama Markets]

A team from our Club, co-ordinated by Jim Webb, once again undertook a clean-up at the Kembla Grange Racecourse Melbourne Cup event on both the 3 & 4 November. This raised funds for our Club and we thank all Members who participated.

Our Club took the opportunity to be involved in the Steam Train experience from Kiama to Shellharbour Junction and return on both 8 & 22 November. 128 Members, their families and friends participated and we raised \$1,280 for our Cancer Care Trust Fund. We thank Lachlan Valley Railway Society for making this enjoyable event possible.

Burnetts on Barney, who are supporters of our Club have advised that this year they have Christmas Trees available for sale at their premises in Barney Street, Kiama. If you need a tree see Burnetts.

Community Service Projects

At the annual Visually Impaired Persons (VIP) luncheon held on Tuesday 11 November, arranged and hosted by our Club, there were 44 visually impaired people, their carers and the entertainers - 51 people compared with 47 last year. We were pleased give them an enjoyable time, as most of them do not have many opportunities to go on special outings. Many thanks go to our Lions and partners who worked tirelessly on the day and to those who prepared and donated large salads. We received special support from Woolworths Kiama as well as Red Rooster Kiama and Dolphins Deli.

During November we donated \$2,500 to Tim Francis (A Taste of Paradise Organic Farm) for his youth support program and we hope that this amount will be matched by the government grant that Jerry Granger-Holcombe is pursuing.

We have been advised that the recent Relay for Life in Kiama for which we provided the catering services, raised \$96,000

From the Board and other Administration

Our Club's Board has decided not to proceed with the Community Raffle but to review possible future involvement at the commencement of the 2016-17 Lions Year in July next. We have made this decision because the local schools and other community organisations are showing very little interest in the project.

Money Matters

Account balances as at 19 November 2015:

Activities Account (after unrepresented cheques)			\$17,954.04
Administration Account (after unrepresented cheques)			\$6,659.56
Harry Budd:	Business Account	\$11,112.53	
	Fixed Term Deposit Account	<u>\$87,087.85</u>	\$98,200.38

Membership News

Michael Eadon and John Unwin are recovering well from recent illnesses. Ian Chellew is recovering from a fall at the Kiama Scout Hall Lions painting working bee.

An updated membership promotional brochure is at present being prepared by Gordon Bell in liaison with Peter Scifleet and should be ready shortly.

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

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

Final Reminder

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.

If you have not already paid it would be appreciated if your payment with the 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.