



KI LINES

OUR newsletter with information for YOU

SEPTEMBER 2019

From President Jim



Hello Lions,

This month we welcomed back Jerry GH and Janis and Veronica from their travels overseas and hope they had a great time. It's good to have you back!

We also look forward to seeing Geoff Heinecke back at the Club soon after having a hip replacement. I saw Geoff last Friday and he was walking amazingly well for so soon after the op.

Also great to see Dennis Wilson looking so fit & well after having a little heart operation. I hope you have those fines ready to go for next meeting Dennis, I know you've been itching to get to them after we have run out of time the last 2 meetings.

Bill Gilbert was given a wonderful send-off last week. We heard from Bill's 6 sons with each having their own fond and often hilarious memories of their time growing up with Bill. We also had quite a few Lions who wore their Club jackets to the funeral so we could give Bill a guard of honour. A fitting send-off by many of Bill's Lions mates.

September is going to be a busy month with a number of projects on the go. These activities are:

- Bunnings BBQ on Friday 6 September
- Hot Rod Show at Black Beach on Sunday 8 September
- Lions Club Meeting on Thursday 12 September
- Lions Club/Community BBQ at Black Beach Sunday 15 September
- Board Meeting Wednesday 25 September
- Happy Hour Dinner Meeting at the Surf Club Thursday 26 September
- Driver Reviver from 27 to 30 September
- Second Hand Saturday at Black Beach Reserve on Saturday 28 September

As you can see, it's going to be a full-on month, so it's 'all hands on deck' for this month.

We also received the new '5 year plus 5 year' lease documents for the Lions Cottage from Kiama Council this week. Once we have had a chance to go through them we will come back to members with the Cottage Committee's recommendations.

We had great feedback from members who attended last Thursday's meeting regarding our guest speakers, Alex and Jade. Both young guys doing their Masters at university who spoke about the dangers the internet can be to our young ones. They are looking to conduct programs for schools and community groups so they can talk to those who are at risk of things such as bullying, pornography, gambling etc via the internet. We had over 30 minutes of questions after their talk, so there was obviously a lot of interest shown by our members.

Finally, many thanks to Gerry McInerney who spoke with me and offered to put his hand up for the position of Welfare Officer. It is an incredibly important role in any Club, making sure that members are OK and that assistance is given to all members when it is required. Thank you Gerry.

Yours in Lionism

Jim

NEWS and GOSSIP!!

1. Your editor is back having sorted out the English cricket team (what a game!!) and encouraged Boris to try something different. He certainly knows how to put the cat among the pigeons!

2. Carers Cottage.

Cottage Manager Fiona reports that enquiries are starting to come in and we have a booking during next month. Feedback from those who have used has been extremely positive.

3 UPDATE ON OUR RECYCLING PROJECT

With the commencement of our contract with TOMRA for the cleaning of the Woolworths site and the proposed establishment of the Spinal Cord injury Trust by Graham Bradley, it became obvious that the collection of these recyclable items could dovetail into these activities and provide some of the funding needed.

With that in mind Lion Ian Chellew started the club's "Return and Earn" programme and with the help of Lion Dennis Burke approached a number of clubs/ pubs etc to gain their business. Kiama Leagues Club supported our request and this commenced our drive .

A number of other club members, Lion Ray Redgrave, Lion Dennis Wilson jumped on board and with the help of their friends have contributed by way of can donations. From the beginning of the year to the end of June the club had made over \$2100.

Subsequently, with the addition of Easts Beach Caravan site, the Kiama Surf Club and some local establishments, i.e. Amaki and The Hungry Monkey and others coming on board the funds collected since July 1, have increased to \$1747-00 just for the two month period. We certainly expect that to increase once the holiday season starts.

It is anticipated that over \$10,000 will be raised this financial year.

Further approaches have been made to The Pavilion and the Leisure Centre sites by Lion Ian and the matter rests with the Kiama Council to approve. We are awaiting their decision.

This venture would not be possible without the regular help of the recycle team members and of course the fortnightly use of Jeff Gray's faithful truck to ferry the bins and recyclable bags.

4 How interesting that NASA's replacement for the Hubble telescope is going to be called the James Webb Space telescope!

5 **Treasurer reminds us that Subs are due and some are still outstanding—remember , he knows where you live!**

6. Just a polite reminder that Lion Wendi has a weakened Immune system at the moment. So, if you have a cold or 'flu, she would be much happier with a wave rather than a hug !

7 **MARK YOUR DIARIES !**

HAPPY HOUR Thursday 26th Sept Happy Hour , Surf Club.

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**CHRISTMAS EXTRAVANZA AT OLIVE AND VINE;
THURSDAY DECEMBER 5TH .**

At great expense and personal sacrifice, Geoff Heinecke has managed to obtain the services of Tina Turner as the cabaret for our annual Christmas party. Save the date. He will be providing further details as they become available. Friends will be welcome

Dame Edna next year ????

8 If you need new Lions shirts or Caps, look on the website then talk to Veronica. You will need your Lions number, so if you don't know yours—again go to Veronica!

9. **DON'T FORGET IT'S THE FINAL PUSH FOR THE NDIS PETITION** ensure your neighbours have signed!

Lions Welfare News from Past President Gerry McInerney

Following the death of Lion Bill Gilbert, I have been appointed the club's Welfare Officer. I would be grateful if members or their families could keep me updated when there is illness, hospitalisation or death that relate to our Lions or their immediate families. I can then forward cards or flowers on behalf of the club in accordance with the club's protocols or suggest visitations, when appropriate, with hospital details and visiting hours, etc.

Our club has a great record of caring for its members and their families and I shall do my utmost to ensure it continues, but I will need your help as explained above. Recent bereavements have shown how tenuous our hold on life can be.

Recent deaths: Lions Lady Helen Webb, wife of Lion Jim; Carolyn Brown, daughter of Lion Morry and Lions Lady Barbara Kelly; Charter Member David Yates, husband of Maria, and known to many senior members; and Lion Bill Gilbert, husband of Lions Lady Jeanette. The club's condolences are extended to all their families.

Repairs & Replacements: Past President Geoff Heinecke and Lion David Grant have had hip replacements and are recovering well. Lion Denis Wilson has had his cardiovascular system upgraded following a service that threw in a pacemaker. Lions Lady Mary has been warned that he will now have extra spring in his step!

General: Lions Lady Noeleene Unwin is in Blue Haven Nursing Home with husband Lion John a constant visitor. Lions Lady Barbara Kelly's health has not been good of late, requiring a great deal of care from Lion Morry. Lions Lady Barbara McDonald developed complications following a recent cruise and is progressing well. Vice-President Chris English has hit the headlines recently, with a guest appearance on Alan Jones' radio show, as Lions Lady Bobby was being interviewed about the age discrimination displayed by not including 65s and over in the NDIS Scheme. Hopefully, the petition organised by Lions Chanel and Dennis Burke, and close to reaching its target of 10,000 signatures, might bring some change. It has been a magnificent effort on their part. Lions Lady Coral Fredericks is continuing with her treatment as is Lions Lady Wendy Scifleet. Lion Graham Bradley's partner, Vonnie McCafferty, had an accident on their recent trip to the UK but is now off her crutches. We wish them all a speedy recovery.

Please Note: I will not indicate any condition or treatment unless receiving the express permission of the person involved, unless it has been generally publicised. I encourage all to give that permission, when appropriate, as it will allow our members to properly respond.

Our Cancer Care Trust: Lions Lady Jeanette Gilbert has asked me to express her thanks for the support given to Bill with both his palliative care medications and the electrically powered hospital bed and ancillaries supplied to his home after his discharge from hospital. The trust provides such

benefits to all Kiama Municipality residents when needed and the criteria are met. Generally, the names of Trust recipients remain anonymous unless otherwise authorised, as in this case.

Don't forget Dinner Apologies to;
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2 pages

SEPTEMBER			
Friday 6h	Bunnings BBQ	2 teams	Ian Chellew
Sunday 8th	Hot Rod Car Show BBQ	2 teams + collectors	Jerry GH
Thursday 12th ^h	Dinner meeting	Special Guests, food, wine and beer in betweeni	
Sunday 15th	Market BBQ	Small teams + RED CROSS	See roster
Wednesday 25th	Board Meeting 6pm KLC		secretariat
Thursday 26 th	Happy Hour	Surf club	Geoff Heinecke
27-30th	Driver Reviver		Janis Dzelde
Saturday 28th	Second Hand Saturday	BBQ, Collectors and Stall?	Jim McNeilly
OCTOBER			
4 TH -7th	Driver Reviver	Caravan	Janis Dzelde
Thursday 10th	Dinner Meeting KLC	Wine Tasting?	Ivan Boulton
11 th -13 th	Lions Convention	Merimbula	
Wednesday 23rd	Board Meeting KLC		secretariat
Thursday 24th	Dinner meeting KLC	AGM	
NOVEMBER			
Tuesday 5th	Melbourne Cup Kembla Grange	Glass pick up team	

Wednesday 6th	Kembla Grange	Clean up team	
Thursday 14th	HAPPY HOUR		Geoff Heinecke
Sunday 17 th	Market BBQ	No community group	See roster
Sunday 24th	Rotary Car Show	Showground	Caravan
Wednesday 27 th	Board Meeting	KLC	Secretariat
Thursday 28th	Dinner Meeting	KLC	Ivan Boulton
