

PRIDE OF LIONS



District 105A News
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District charity golf tournament success for Osterley

Lions Club of Osterley made a clean sweep at the Charity Golf Day by scooping the club and guest trophies.

A field of 43 golfers (the youngest taking part was just 16) with a variety of handicaps, representing 14 clubs from District 105A, contributed to a wonderful day of fellowship and friendship. The golf tournament was held to raise money for DG Andrew's chosen charity "Medical Detection Dogs". The charity trains dogs to help people with life threatening health conditions, giving them greater independence and above all saving their lives on a daily basis.

The 18 hole par 69 course was a challenging one, but the tournament winners comfortably completed their round well below par. Lion Pindi Kehar won the tournament with brother Lakhi Kehar. While guests Abdul Menar won the guest trophy with runner up Hansu Pattni.

Zone C Chairman Naresh Gupta, was thrilled that a club from his Zone did so well and congratulated the winners for a tremendous performance. District Officer Ramesh Parmar, assisted



by Zone E Chairman Sunil Patel put together a wonderful day's golf blessed with perfect golfing weather and clear blue skies. Presentations were made by DG Andrew Allen and DO Ramesh Parmar who described Osterley's achievement as exemplary.

Lion Naresh Gupta
Zone C Chairman

Zone F cricket champions



Zone F Annual cricket Tournament was held on Sunday 10th July. This was played by four teams made up of players from all the clubs from the Zone. Players ranged from eleven years to over sixty years old!

Cricket was played very competitively and in good sporting spirit. Forty players participated in the tournament which was won by Lions Club of Mill Hill.

The ladies helped in preparation of a lovely lunch and dinner. Overall everyone enjoyed the day and Lion fellowship and friendship was well enjoyed by all present.

Lion President Dipak Patel
Lions Club of Mill Hill

NOTICE BOARD

District Sponsored Walk

Sunday 9th of October 2011
Aston Rowant National Nature Reserve on the Buckinghamshire/Oxfordshire Border M40, Junctions 5 or 6. Walks start at 10:30hrs with the last time out at 12:30hrs. Sponsorship in aid of the Lions "Gift for Living" Appeal.

105A Goes Back to School Again!

Winter Forum 2011 - Sunday, 2 October 2011
Improve your numeracy skills: Leadership + Membership = Club Success. Woodhall Primary School, Woodhall Lane, South Oxhey, Watford WD19 6QX. Cost £12 per pupil (including coffee/tea & lunch). Send Booking Form to PDG Elliot Shubert. Email: gl@lions105a.org.uk

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To promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.



Lion Karanjeet's magic touch

DG Martin Morgan and cabinet members had been concerned for some time regarding the poor state of DG's Collar and the difficulty of getting it repaired within the time constraints due to DG's busy schedule of Official functions. At the Cabinet meeting of 15th May 2011, Lion Karanjeet Assan (Ealing Club) became aware of their predicament and offered to help. Lion Karanjeet, in matter of days, used her expertise and magic touch to redesign and transform DG's collar into something with the "wow" factor and good enough to be used for the next 30 to 40 years. The new collar was delivered to DG Martin Morgan with compliments of Ealing Lions Club.

DG Martin was very impressed by the new collar which was more comfortable to wear and certainly looks far more professional when worn. He wrote a letter of thanks and awarded Lion Karanjeet Assan the DG's Certificate of Appreciation. The photograph shows Lion Karanjeet with the DG's Certificate along with some members of Ealing Lions Club.

Lion Pervinder Singh Panesar
PRO Ealing Lions Club



Message to all Cabinet Officers

I have been asked by our District Governor to let those new cabinet officers, and to remind existing cabinet officers on the way information is disseminated in the District. Any item that will appear on the District website, or any mail out, on behalf of the District, has to have first been authorised by either the District Secretary (PDG Parveen) or the District Governor (DG Andrew).

If you need to put out information then please send it to those authorising signatories first, they will then pass it on for transmission.

Chris Bryant
District IT Officer

NEW MEMBERS:

Lion Aitzaz Khan Durrani
Lions Club of Belmont

Lion Ramesh Chauhan
Lions Club of Edgware

Lion Hitesh Damani
Lions Club of Edgware

We welcome these new Lions to our Family of Lions of 105A.

Lions at the National Memorial Arboretum

Congratulations Lions Clubs of the British Isles and Ireland. The Council of Governors have pleasure in announcing that the Lions Shelter at the National Memorial Arboretum is ready To Serve.

The details of the dedication of the Lions Clubs Shelter can be found at <http://lionsmail.co.uk/phplist/lt.php?id=FRhXCw5XS1cHGVNV> or <http://www.thenma.org.uk>

The dedication was performed by our Royal Patron, HRH The Countess of Wessex on September 14th.

The Shelter is situated at the point where the area to be developed in the next five years joins with the existing development. Inside the Shelter there are displayed two posters, one explaining about Lions Clubs, the other lists the names of Lions who have passed to higher service and were named at MD Convention at Belfast. The second poster will be changed every year.

There are also areas to display the winning Peace poster and winning Poem, which will be changed each year.

Life Skills – Tacade

In 2010, the Lions-Tacade partnership developed and published 'Life Changes: loss, change and bereavement for children aged 3-11 years old', which has been received with 'open arms' by all those involved with the welfare needs of children. Lion Jean Langmead (District Life Skills Officer for 105SW, Worle Lions Community Service Officer, a former Secondary School Teacher) commented that the resource is 'so comprehensive, well-structured and child-oriented'.

Due to numerous requests from teachers and Education Advisers, the partnership now intends to develop and publish a version for young people aged 11-18 years old. The majority of

young people (as high as 90%) are reported to have experienced the loss of what they consider to be a 'close' or 'significant' relationship before 16 years of age.

Such loss may well trigger changes in emotions, behaviour and attitudes, eg. focus in school, disruptive or criminal behaviour, mental health issues and suicide. This new resource will enable teachers and others to support young people in times of great need, including the death of a parent, grandparent, fellow student, teacher or brother/sister and loss/change due to divorce, family breakdown, imprisonment of parents/friends, or because of military service overseas in locations such as Afghanistan.

Your support is really needed to raise the E30K funding required.

Keith Collard
Life Skills / Tacade Officer

A new club for District 105A

A new Club was formed called Eaton Bray & Edlesborough which is a branch of the Luton Lions Club.

Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at: Coffee Tavern, 37 High Street, Eaton Bray, Beds. LU6 2DN.

Our new club is keen to join in with the family of Lions as soon as possible, so please add us to your mailing list. We are

starting with our first activity and would love to meet our fellow Lions at the event.

The contact details are:

President: Lion Rachel Arnold

Tel (H) 01525 229656 (M) 07815 067556

Email: president@ebelions.org.uk

Secretary: Lion Peter Arnold

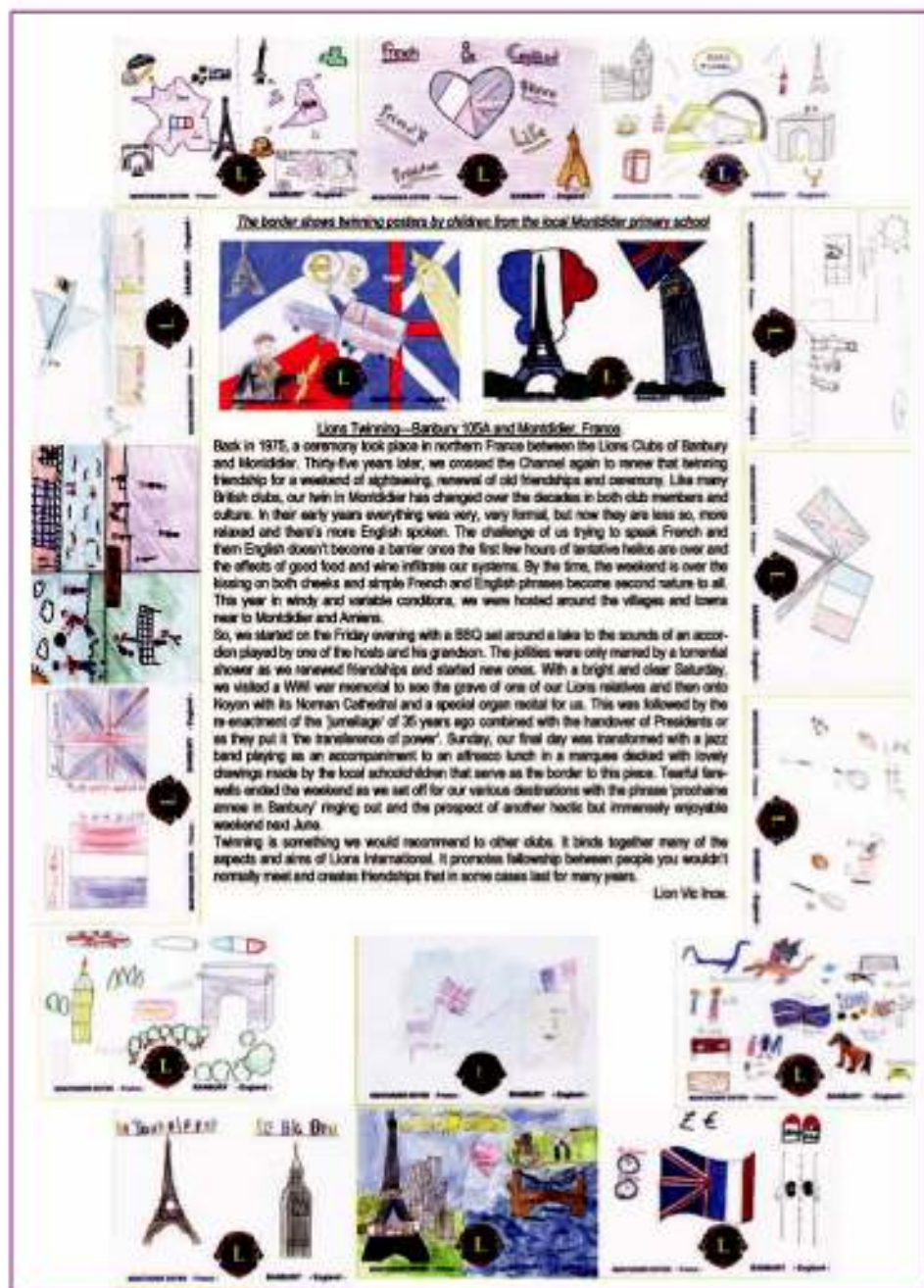
Email: secretary@ebelions.org.uk

Multiple District Convention

Birmingham 4th-6th May at the Hilton Metropole Hotel

A wonderful rate has been negotiated on our behalf at the Convention Centre Hotel, The Hilton Metropole. The rate is £81.71 per room to include breakfast and parking. It is advisable to book early to avoid missing these superb rates.

OBITUARY: Lion Kirit Patel - Lions Club of Chipping Barnet



Peace Poster Competition

Fellow Lions,
Peace Poster Kit order Form

"Children Know Peace"

This is the theme for the 2011-12 Peace Poster Contest.

Cost per kit £8 including P+P

To order your Peace Poster Contest kits contact:

Lion Himanshu Bavaria

peaceposter@lions105a.org.uk

Upon receipt of application form and payment it will be despatched to you.

Andrew's photo scapbook

Last year Louvain asked me to do a scapbook of Andrew's year. Louvain would take photos at the events they attended and I would put together the scapbook. Sadly, as you know, I lost my photographer in February.

Would you mind e-mailing the Clubs in the District asking them if they could take photos of events that Andrew attends, i.e. Charters, meetings and really everything he is involved in, and e-mail the photos to me at frederick-freeman@sky.com. Hopefully, with everyone's help, we will have a nice scapbook to present to Andrew at the end of his year. I have already spoken to Lion Geoff and he is going to e-mail me any photos he takes. Many thanks.

Lion Doreen 01908 526732

From the Editor

I know that a lot of activities are happening around the District and many Clubs are embarking on ambitious projects to raise funds for the needy.

Please let Lions of District 105A share your stories. So much good work done by Lions is not appreciated because the tale is not told. It is said that Lions' work is the best kept secret in the society. Why?

Just because little attention is paid by the Clubs publicizing their efforts. It is by showcasing our good deeds that we will encourage others to emulate and maintain interest in Lionism. Surely that is one useful way to retain and grow membership.

Lion Shirish Sheth



DG Andrew's Anecdote



Life in the fast lane is nothing at all like being a District Governor, last week I had to do a special job for an important client which involved me working, yes I still work and at times, all in a rush, and I managed to do a 35 hour week in four days and still had time to make three Club visits and another meeting on GMT/GLT then fell asleep in the armchair on Friday and woke up in the early hours of Saturday morning... with just enough energy to make it to the bedroom for another few hours sleep.

Email is supposed to make life easier but I get on average 150 a day, take off those that are trying to sell money, those that are selling cheaper 'medical' products, and finally all those that, if you send me your bank account details by return you will inherit millions... there are some 90 left. So please be patient, I will answer them all.

My first visit was to the Palace of Westminster Lions Club, enjoying a nice meal, inducting three new members and really enjoying a 'chat' by the Lion President Mark Francois who enjoys the History of the Palace of Westminster and makes the place really come alive.

Equally whilst visiting Biggleswade Sandy Lions Club another three new members were inducted and another five new members will be inducted at the Club Branch of Eaton Bray & Edlesborough sponsored by the Luton Lions Club. The highlight of any DG's year of course are Club visits, the warmth of welcome the fellowship the friendship will always remain, all that along with the ability to 'retaliate' first.

The first Cabinet meeting was enjoyable and I'll leave the Zone Chairmen to make their respective reports but it was rather strange to be wired into a radio microphone whilst hoping that the tummy does not rumble or you forget to switch it off!

Plans are being worked on for the forthcoming Winter Forum, again being held in Watford.

Have you any constructive comments on where you would like the Lions of District 105A to be heading and what can be done to improve our Service?

I commend for your attention, items which can be used in your Service to the Community in 2012... the Olympics followed by the Paralympics and of Course the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II.

Welcome to New Members of the following Clubs for the month of July

Edgware Ramesh Chauhan and Hitesh Damani. Fairlop Jasminder Rattan. Hayes & Harlington Kiran Bhundia and Syed Amirul Haq. Letchworth GC & Baldock Jose Stevens. Ldn Belmont Aitzaz Durrani. Ldn Central Papinder Gujal. Ldn Hendon Manjula Nishshanka. Ldn Homsey Hansi Khalawan, Seeta Ojah and Mohammed Oyas. Ldn Phoenix NC Alison Mitchell. Milton Keynes Central Kam Vara. Newport Pagnall & Olney Tina Byford. Southall Haramrit Kaur Chadha and Nehal Kaur Sandhu. Palace of Westminster Therese Coffey MP. Wembley Nisarg Shah. Winslow Raymond Selwood.

Good news, 20 new members... Bad news 33 members have left our Association... Good News I've inducted 11 new members in August so far!

District Youth Celebration

There is still time to support the District Youth Celebration which is taking place on Sunday 20 November at Allum Hall in Elstree. With a Jungle Book theme there is sure to be plenty of monkeying around! The important event gives the opportunity for disadvantaged and disabled young people to come together and to have fun in a warm friendly environment. With a disco, singing, magician, sideshows, games and puzzles there is plenty to keep the young people and careers entertained. Tickets for this event are just £8 per person and include all the activities mentioned plus food and drink, a bargain price and as a certain credit card would say "putting a smile on someone's face - priceless". To book tickets for this event please contact Lion Vijay Arora victory801@hotmail.com

We are the Champions

With District Convention being held 2/3/4th March in Wembley it certainly feels like Convention will have a "winning" theme, I like to think that we will have a better success than England and aim for gold. Convention is a time for all of the District to come together to listen and learn about what has been achieved and to share experiences and ideas. Zone D are progressing well in their planning under the Chairmanship of Lion Veni Vaghela of Sudbury Club and details will be sent to each Lions Club in due course. I hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Senior Citizens Celebration

Work is already underway for the planning and preparation of the Senior Citizens Celebration which is taking place on 5 February at The Byron Hall at the Harrow Leisure Centre. It is amazing to see a plain venue transformed into a pretty, inviting venue for over 800 Seniors - the Lions work extremely hard to ensure that all who attend have a good time and the reward is seeing the enjoyment on everyone's faces. So please make a note of this date and support the celebration in whatever way you can, remember "together we serve".

Andrew

My Diary

September 2011

Thu 1 Golf Stanmore
Sat 3 CA Walthamstow
Mon 5 Zone G Meeting
Fri 9 OV Osterley
Mon 12 OV Fairlop
Tue 13 OV Staines

Sat 17 CA Berkhamsted
Sat 17 Horse Ride Watford
Mon 19 OV Fulham
Tue 20 OV Luton
Wed 21 to
Mon 26 Reunion Newcastle
Tue 27 OV Harpenden
Wed 28 OV Leighton Buzzard
Thu 29 Zone A Meeting