



DISTRICT GOVERNOR – AJIT S VIRDI – MESSAGE

Well.....my fellow Lions, it was this time last year that I was writing my first Newsletter as your District Governor Elect – 12 months have now passed and what a ‘roller coaster’ ride it has been!

I returned from Sydney in July last year and had many thoughts about what needed to be done in the coming months within our District. It has been a very challenging, exciting and rewarding time and I wish that I could talk about all the many enjoyable activities that Kulwant and I have been involved within this Newsletter - However, that may require a novel and I only have a couple of pages!

Preparing for the job as DG involved many months of planning and training but this does not reflect the reality of what is involved once you assume responsibility. Indeed, it is actually tremendous fun as well as hard work so the concerns as DG elect are soon overcome.

The DG role is one which is part of a wider team and without the support of the District Cabinet and all District Officers I could not have managed the range of activities undertaken. As well as my District team I have had the privilege of being part of the Council of Governors and working with not only all the DG’s in our Multiple District but also International Officers and our President this year.

One of the highlights for me over the year was the District Convention, which was successfully organised by Lincoln Lions Club. In addition, I also had the opportunity to attend the Multiple District Convention in Belfast where I spent some time with the International President - Lion Sid Scruggs. Working with all of these individuals, both within our District and from across the UK and International Lions has helped me to learn even more about our great organisation.

As we all know the clubs in our District are where the details of how we support our communities is decided. Through the programme of my club visits and attending Charters I have witnessed the great motivation, enthusiasm and hard work which has helped the District progress and grow over the last year. I would like to thank all those Lions at the grassroots for the fantastic reception, hospitality, kindness and respect which they have shown to Kulwant and myself during these visits. We have made many new friends along the way and have been humbled by their friendship and support.

Lions through their hard work provide so much to their local communities, but this is particularly visible in the various youth activities which I have seen. This has included attending and judging the Peace Poster Competition and also the District Youth Football Competition final. I have also kept track of the Youth Ambassador Competition and all of these wonderful areas where we are encouraging our youth has given me great pleasure.



One of my aims when I came back from Sydney was to ensure that we continue to grow our District and I am pleased that earlier in the year we were presented with the 'First Light Award' by our International President for increasing membership. We are still on track and making good progress to end the year on a positive note with more Lions joining us.

As part of the growth challenge, I was very pleased that after many years I was able to welcome a new club into our District which increased the number of clubs to 60 in District 105E. The new club – Market Rasen Lions Club were awarded their Charter status in April 2011 where I had the honour to personally present the Charter and welcome so many new Lions into our family.

Although it has been extremely intensive, both Kulwant and I have enjoyed immensely all that we have been involved in. I am sure our DG Elect Robin and Rosemary will find the next year both challenging and enjoyable - I would like to wish Robin and his team a successful year.

I started by saying that there was so much that I could talk about, but promised I would not write a novel! I hope that I have been able to give a somewhat brief but reflective summary of the last year. Both Kulwant and I have had a wonderful and enjoyable year meeting everyone and in the process making many new friends. It has been an honour and privilege to serve as District Governor this last year and I have been supported so admirably by many of you. I am certain the District will continue to flourish and Kulwant and I certainly plan to continue supporting and being an active part of our Lions family.

Once again, I would like to thank you all and wish you well for the future. I look forward to meeting again and hopefully having a little more time to relax and to return to being more active within my own club – Nottingham West Lions Club.

Please do continue to offer 'A Helping Hand To Those In Need'.

Ajit S Virdi, District Governor 105E

DISTRICT GOVERNOR TEAM 2011 – CLUB VISITS

Schedule of Proposed Visits – June 2011. Member of the Team visiting will telephone or E-Mail 4-6 weeks in advance to confirm arrangements.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR – AJIT S VIRDI

District Cabinet Meeting	4th June 2011	Nottingham
Scunthorpe	6th June 2011	
Melton Mowbray	9th June 2011	
Rutland	15th June 2011	

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR – ROBIN DUKE

Skegness	TBC
The Deepings	TBC

DISTRICT GOVERNORS PARTNERS CHARITY APPEAL

For the year 2010/2011 District Governor Ajit's wife Kulwant has chosen Diabetes UK as her nominated charity.

All Lions are no doubt aware that this disease is affecting increasing number of people not only in this country but across the world. Diabetes UK are helping those affected by this disease and also funding research to find a cure.

Please make donations payable to Lions Clubs International District 105E and endorsed on the back of all cheques with – **Diabetes UK** and forward to the District Treasurer.

Kulwant is grateful and appreciative of donations which have already been made to this important appeal. She will be working hard with DG Ajit and all clubs within the District to further raise funds and hopes that you can all continue with your support.

PAKISTAN FLOOD RELIEF – LIONS CONTINUE TO HELP

MATLOCK DERWENT VALLEY LIONS CLUB – Reg Charity no. 1038179

A chance conversation, between Lion Kevin Senior and Darley Dale Scouts and Guides Association, that they were looking for somewhere to get rid of their 4 large tents, which sleep up to 10 people, led to the club taking possession and contacting Lion Stefan Erentraut, to find out if they could be used in any of the recent disasters. Suddenly, word spread and units from Tansley and Starkholmes offered tents. Then, the County Scouts and Guides Association got involved. We ended up with 13 tents which sleep between 6, 8 or 10 people. The tents are in very good condition but being of the old fashioned variety, are very heavy with wooden ridge and upright poles. We did find that some of the guy ropes were missing but by contacting Yeomans Outdoor Leisure, they very kindly replaced them free of charge. Stefan has arranged for a link to send them to Pakistan.

The Derbyshire Scout and Guide Association suggested that Lions Clubs should contact their own County Association to see if they have any tents that are surplus to requirements and that our own national organisation should contact their own, likewise.

Right: Lions Kevin Senior and Bill Howard loading the van with tents bound for Pakistan.



RETENTION MATTERS!

Club Presidents, now is the time to claim recognition for all the good work you and your members have put in this year!

Download the Club Excellence Application Form: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/da1-2011.pdf>

The completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, to arrive by September 30, 2011.

You could also consider a personal thank-you to recognise individuals who have made an extra effort? - You can present a President's Certificate of Appreciation!

OBITUARY

GALLYOT, LION BRIAN, Bradgate Lions Club.

It is with the deepest sadness that we have to announce the death, after a long and courageous fight against cancer, of our club Treasurer, friend and esteemed fellow Lion.

Lion Brian will be greatly missed by all at the club which he served with dedication during his time as a member.

Our love and support goes to his wife, Nancy and all the family

DERBY LIONS AND BRAILLE CHESS

The Braille Chess Association held a tournament in Derby at the weekend where Derby Lions Club donated the trophies. Derby Lions have been associated with this tournament and believe that it is in the true spirit of Lionism and is an answer the Helen Keller’s challenge to be Knights of the Blind. The Braille Chess Association has about 220 members throughout the country and 30 of them were playing in the Derby tournament.

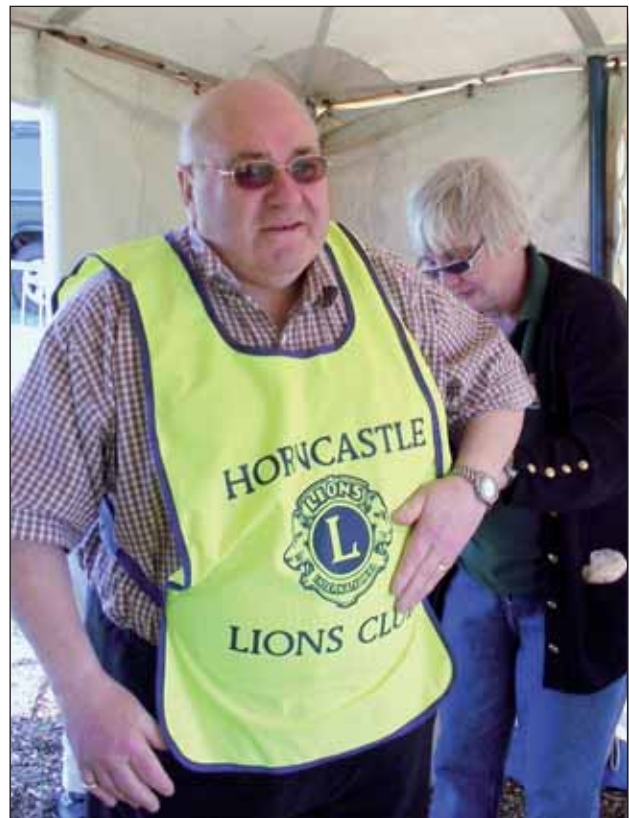


HORNCASTLE AND WOODHALL SPA LIONS HELP OUT AT WOODHALL SPA SHOW

Horncastle and Woodhall Spa Lions lent a helping hand at the recent Woodhall Spa Agricultural Show on a very windy but mainly fine day.



Horncastle President Steve Newton and Lion Andrew Tuxford busy at Woodhall Show.



Do they make a larger size of tabard? PDG Margaret asks PDG Stefan to breath in!!

THREE PEAKS CHALLENGE

For a number of reasons the 2011 Horncastle Lions Club “Three Peaks Challenge” held on the 15th May was not quite as well attended as last year but nevertheless those who attended thoroughly enjoyed a brilliant morning walking the 6km route through bluebell woods, past a Neolithic barrow and over some of the highest “peaks” in Lincolnshire. Their paths not normally accessible to the public led them through woodland, uphill grazing and some cultivated farmland.

As the politicians love to say “lessons have been learned” and a great deal more effort will have to be put into pre-publicity for next year’s Three Peaks Challenge. In terms of organisation this year’s event was a great improvement, clear signposting allowed walkers to follow the route at their own pace which in most cases was a great deal faster than the Lion lead parties. Having said that the majority of visitors seemed very content to wander round in the company of a Lion guide.

A happy band of hikers which included Coningsby & Tattershall Lion Brian in a full Lion suit and various dogs returned to their starting point to receive a certificate and enjoy well earned drinks and a BBQ.

The organisers Lions Andrew Tuxworth, David Birchall and Bob Wayne said “we are already planning next year’s event”. All proceeds will go to charity with a specified amount for Cancer Research UK.

For more information ring Bob Wayne at 01507 527366. mail@bobwayne.co.uk or info@poachershideaway.co.uk. For information about Horncastle Lions Club visit their website <http://lionwap.org/eclub/sites/HorncastleDistrict>.



Lions Clubs International

District 105E

We Serve



May 26, 2011

Dear Fellow Lions

We are coming up to the end of the Fiscal Year so I thought you would all be interested to know how well you have supported your Foundation.

The latest appeal for the Japanese Earthquake has gone extremely well and so far this District has given up to the end of April £8275.00.

Undesignated donations are also coming in well and there are several Melvin Jones Fellowships in the pipeline that will be presented by Clubs in the District to their recipients by the end of June 2011.

I am also extremely pleased with the way that Clubs have taken up the 100 % Contributing Members Program and so far the total contributions are £940.00.

I encourage Clubs to continue to become 100 % Contributing Members Clubs, this can be paid out of their Charity Account and this way Clubs can support LCIF on an annual basis.

The combined amount of money donated by the Clubs of MD105 up to the end of April is for Pakistan £165,082.67, for New Zealand £22,690.00, for Japan £44,215.00, for Haiti £14,001.00, for Contributing members £3,148.00 and for Melvin Jones Fellowships £35,084.00.

In Haiti LCIF have signed off a project to rebuild the National Nurses School of Port Au Prince, LCIF will provide \$368,421 US Dollars or 27% of the entire cost of construction and equipment. Other projects for LCIF Funding are still in the development stage including suitable educational and medical projects for the donations which are now in excess of \$660,000 dollars provided by the Lions Clubs of the British Isles and Ireland.

LCIF have just launched a brand new website, the new site gives you more tools and resources to promote the work that Lions are doing, so please visit the new site at www.lcif.org I hope you will agree that these improvements will help all of us with better communications.

Thank you in anticipation for any donations you can give.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Lionism

Lion Stefan H Erentraut
LCIF Coordinator District 105E

www.lions105e.org.uk

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DISTRICT TRAVELLING COMPETITION*Position as at 20th May 2011***ZONE A**

Brigg District	700
Grimsby Cleethorpes	538
Barton on Humber	0
Caistor	0
Humberston North Sea	0
Grimsby NE Lincs	0

ZONE B

Glanford & Lindsey	768
Lincoln	720
Scunthorpe	272
Isle of Axholme	152
Gainsborough	145
Hykeham	50
Winterton	0

ZONE C

Coningsby & Tattershall	1937
Woodhall Spa	532
Mablethorpe Sutton & District	68
Louth	30
Boston	0
Spilsby	0
Skegness	0
Horncastle	0

ZONE D

Sleaford & District	770
East Elloe	646
Spalding	363
Bourne & District	335
Grantham	292
Crowland	0
Stamford & District	0
The Deepings	0

ZONE E

Ilkeston	419
Matlock Derwent Valley	225
Ripley Amber Valley	0
Derby	0
Long Eaton	0
Ashbourne & District	0
Eastwood	0

ZONE F

Loughborough	1370
Bradgate	421
Swadlincote & District	48
Ashby de la Zouch & Coalville	0
Rothley Soar Valley	0
Shepshed	0

ZONE G

Retford	525
North Notts	439
Edwinstowe & The Dukeries	372
Newark	0
Worksop	0
Mansfield	0
Southwell & District	0

ZONE H

Nottingham West	925
Nottingham City	0
Nottingham Sherwood	0
Vale of Belvoir	0
Notts Derby Hemlockstone	0
Radcliffe On Trent	0

ZONE I

Leicester Host	0
Blaby & District	0
Leicester Charnwood	0
Oadby & Wigston	0
Melton Mowbray	0
Rutland	0

NB

After 17th June - please send Travelling
Lion reports to the new District

Competitions Officer: Lion Anne Simons

57 Park Lane, Coningsby, LINCOLN.

LN4 4SW email: annesimons@talktalk.net**PLEASE NOTE – DIARY DATES**

All Charter Dates and Club & District Events for inclusion in the District Secretary's Notice Board should be sent direct to the District Secretary, Bob Coxhead – he can be contacted at bobcoxhead@btinternet.com, telephone 01529 304602, or by post Lion Bob Coxhead, 17, Kirkdale Close, Leasingham, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 8NN.

**LIONS DISTRICT 105E
DISTRICT SECRETARY'S NOTICE BOARD
JUNE 2011**

Please contact the District Newsletter Editor – Lion Steve Newton – if you have any items of interest whether they are of a formal or humorous nature for inclusion in the DGs Newsletter. His email address is: stephennewton@cupits.co.uk

Lion Steve Bird, the District Marketing Officer, has a new private e-mail address. It is stevebird44@hotmail.co.uk

Charters
2011

- 10 Jun. Hykeham Lions 22nd Charter Anniversary – Bentley Hotel, North Hykeham
- 11 Jun. Ashby de la Zouch & Coalville Lions 3rd Charter Anniversary – The Appleby Inn, Appleby Magna.
- 11 Jun. CANCELLED - Caistor & District Lions Charter – Caistor Town Hall
- 18 Jun. Bradgate Lions Annual Charter – Forest Hills Golf Club
- 18 Jun. The Deepings Lions Charter – Further details later
- 18 Jun. Radcliffe on Trent Lions – Charter Anniversary Celebration Dinner – The Cafe Piano, Main Road, Radcliffe on Trent.
- 26 Jun. Retford Lions Charter – Sunday Lunch at West Retford Hotel.
- 02 Jul. Southwell and District Lions 30th Charter - The Saracen's Head Hotel, Southwell. 19.00 for 19.30. More details later. Contact Ian Robinson on 01636 815704
- 01 Oct. Ilkeston Lions Charter - Morley Hayes Hotel and Golf Club - 7.00pm for 7.30pm - Please note new date & venue. More details from Ray / Sue Birch 0115 9447737
- 02 Oct. Matlock Derwent Valley Lions Charter – The Boundary – 12.30 pm for 1 pm – Details from the Secretary.
- 15 Oct. Derby Lions 38th Charter Dinner & Dance - £27 each - 7.15 - 7.30 - Mackworth Hotel, Ashbourne Road, Derby DE22 4LY - B&B @ £55.95 Per room per night
- 11 Nov. Skegness Lions 35th Charter Anniversary Dinner - South View Park Hotel, Skegness.

Club & District Events
2011

- 04 Jun. Fifth Cabinet Meeting and District Social
- 09 Jun. Long Eaton & Derby Lions – Joint Charity Golf Day in aid of Cystic Fibrosis – Mickleover Golf Club – Further details from Lion Brian Moore on 01332 515536.
- 11 Jun. Ilkeston Lions - 21st Anniversary of the Ilkeston Lions Carnival on the Rutland Recreation Ground, 12.30 – 5.00pm
- 11 Jun. Oadby & Wigston Lions - Music for Heroes Concert in support of Help for Heroes to be performed by the Bardi Wind Orchestra at De Montfort Hall Leicester 7.30pm. Tickets cost £12, £10 and £8 or £2 for under 18s, with concessions at £10.50, £8.50 and £6.50 and are available from De Montfort Hall box office on 0116 2333111.

- 17 Jun. Isle of Axholme Lions – Golf Day Competition – Lincolnshire Golf Club, Crowle - 3/4 Stableford 3/4 Handicap Max 18 - Cost £24.00 – Contact Lion Stephen Burrell 01427 752139 or Lion Graham 01427 753319.
- 2-3 Jul. Vale of Belvoir Lions – Bottesford Open Gardens Event - 11am to 5pm both days - Refreshments available including the famous ‘ploughmans’. Prize of a country hamper for the winning garden.
- 24 Jul. District Governor’s Homecoming - Hosted by Loughborough Lions Club – Charnwood Golf Range – Il Giardino Restaurant- Derby Road, Loughborough – 12 noon – 4 pm - £15 each – Please contact Lion Joan Cheeseman on 01509 556452 or e-mail john.cheetham57@ntlworld.com
- 24 Sep. Spalding Lions 60/70s Night - £10 per ticket includes hog roast – Spalding Grammar School – further details on www.spalding-lions.org.uk
- 04 Oct. Spalding Lions Sponsored Swim - further details on www.spalding-lions.org.uk

This is your District Notice Board. Use it to promote your Club Social and Fundraising events or to pass on any information to the Clubs in our District.

Please notify me of any changes in home addresses, meeting places, telephone numbers, e-mail addresses etc. as soon as possible.

I can be contacted at bobcoxhead@btinternet.com. My telephone number is 01529 304602.

My home address is Lion Bob Coxhead, 17, Kirkdale Close, Leasingham, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 8NN.

Melton Mowbray Lions'  

Charity Golf Tournament

At Melton Mowbray Golf Club
Sunday, August 21, 2011
 in Aid of Disadvantaged Children

Single Stableford Competition & Handicap. Certificates required for prize table.

Best Prize Table in Leicestershire

Prizes: Overall winner £400, Best Gross £150,
to the value of 1st £100, 2nd £50,
 Prizes to 5th in 3 Handicap Sections,
 Ladies' 1st, 2nd & 3rd Prizes

Putting Competitions Longest drive Nearest the pin on all par 3's

Entry £25 per person
 to: Melton Mowbray Lions Club, Melton Mowbray Golf Club
 Thorpe Arnold, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE14 4SD
 Book Start times on 01664 569629 Download an entry form. [www.mmglc.org \(events\)](http://www.mmglc.org (events))

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 Prize Presentation PLUS Auction at 8 pm



Oadby & Wigston Lions Club
 (Registered Charity No. 326456)

Charity Golf Competition

Wednesday 8th June

at Scraftoft Golf Club

Teams of 4 golfers can enter for a fee of £180, which includes 18 holes of golf and a 3 course dinner, with over £500 in competition prizes.

- The winners will be the best 6 teams.
- Nearest the pin and longest drive individual competitions.
- The new Adrian Day Trophy will be presented for the highest individual points score from a Lion member.
- Why not *Sponsor-a-hole* which includes an advertisement in the competition programme this will only cost £25.
- Friends, supporters and fellow Lions are invited to attend the 3 course competition dinner for £15

If you want to take part or require more information please contact Lion John Brooks on 0116 2592754 or Lion President Kelvin Kempster on 0116 2592103 or email kelvinkempster@btinternet.com

A great day out for Golfers and friends.

