

Perspective

Lions Clubs NSW-ACT Public Health Care Foundation



Lions Clubs NSW-ACT Save Sight Foundation

The official newsletter of the Lions Clubs NSW-ACT Save Sight & Public Health Care Foundations

Chairman's Chatter



I have been told that time flies when you are having fun, well I must be having heaps of fun because the last year has flown. It has been interesting, satisfying and rewarding for me and I hope it has been for all of you as well. It has been a pleasure and an honour to work with all of you.

The biggest highlight of the Year was when I attended a Gift of Sight Remembrance Service in the Chapel at Concord Hospital on Friday 24th October 2008, for those touched by Eye-Tissue donation and transplantation.

It was arranged by the Coordinators from our Lions NSW Eye Bank in the Chapel at Concord Hospital and attended by members of Families who had a deceased member donate their organs and Families with a member who received the Gift of Sight because of a Eye-Tissue Transplantation. It was very sad for those who had lost a loved one but they were rewarded when they were able to meet and speak with some of the people who can now see because of their actions

After the Service during afternoon tea people mingled and swapped stories about their particular experiences

Lions (you) were thanked for your efforts through the Save Sight Foundation by providing the money to fund research and to enable collection of eyes and or tissue for transplantation to people who need it.

You have all helped to give people the Gift of Sight.

Lots of Clubs have already returned their Money and Ticket Butts in our Raffle with some requesting thousands more Tickets.

Two hard working long serving Directors retire on 31-12-08, PDG Nick Bennett N1 and Lion Syd Hyett N2. Thank you both very much for all you have done for our Foundations over the years, You have given Years of Dedicated service and will be missed by all of us, Good luck from all of us.

Welcome to our two new Three Year Directors Lion Chris Elford N1 and Lion Ken Mc Leish N2 from 1-1-09.

Thanks to all of the Lions and Lioness members who continually support The Save Sight & Health Care Foundations, without you we will not exist. All of the country Clubs must be finding it very hard to raise money because of the Long and continuing Drought but are still supporting us. On behalf of all of us I thank them and all of the other Clubs from the bottom of my heart.

Lion Jim Field Foundations Chairman

FOUNDATION CONTACT DETAILS

(Updated December 2008)

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201N5 Directors

DG Elvio Munzone Home 02 9311 3146 Lion Bob Price Home 032 9358 5214 Lion Jean-Claude Legrand Home 02 9862 8814 Lion Samuel Chu Home 02 9706 3560

Have a Look at our New Look website

www.lionssavesightfoundation.org.au

Web Master PDG Lion John Sim



THE TWO LIONS NSW-ACT FOUNDATIONS

The purpose of the various Lions charitable Foundations are frequently a source of confusion within Clubs. As a result, the two Lions NSW-ACT Foundations are sometimes overlooked by Clubs as a possible source of funding assistance towards their community sight, medical and/or health related projects.

All the various Lions charitable Foundations were established as a result of resolutions passed by the delegates attending either a Lions International, or Multiple District, or District Convention. The Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight Foundation and the Lions Clubs NSW-ACT Public Health Care Foundation were established as a result of resolutions passed by the delegates attending the Conventions of the Districts located wholly within the boundaries of NSW and the ACT, often referred to as "the 'N' Districts" and were adopted as a District 201 N4 project. All Clubs within the District are automatically members of the Foundations.

Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight Foundation

The Foundation was established in 1974 and since then has funded grants worth over \$4.5 million.

As its name implies, the Foundation's purpose is to save sight, and this is achieved through the funding of research into eye care and the causes, diagnosis, prevention and treatment of diseases of the eye. This is achieved through the provision of grants towards research projects; the purchase of equipment for universities, hospitals and institutions involved in eye health; equipment for the visually impaired; and the promotion of eye care in the wider community.

The Foundation provided the University of Sydney's Save Sight & Eye Health Institute with seed funding to assist in its establishment. The Lions NSW Eye Bank was an initiative of the Foundation that was established in partnership with the NSW Government and the then Sydney Area Health Service. The Foundation currently contributes \$100,000.00 annually towards the running costs of the Lions NSW Eye Bank.

<u>Lions Clubs NSW-ACT</u> Public Health Care Foundation

The Foundation was established in 1981 with the primary objective of promoting, advancing and assisting research into the causes, diagnosis, prevention and treatment of illnesses, sicknesses and afflictions of all kinds suffered by humans. Since its establishment, the Foundation has funded grants worth over \$4 million towards research projects concerning various health and medically related matters; funding for the purchase of equipment for universities, hospitals and other health institutions; and for the promotion of health matters in the wider community.

Reminder

The foundations should not be considered as the first option for providing funds

Alternative fund raising should be considered and pursued

GRANTS APPROVED JANUARY – DRCEMBER 2008

Lions NSW-ACT save Sight Foundation

No. 225 - Lions Club of Sydney Pacific Inc. (N5) fpr \$5,080.72 towards the purchase of a Quantum Clear Note+ Magnification Device and a Quantum Fusion Portable Magnifier Machine for the VisionEd Technology Centre, Royal Institute for Deaf & Blind Children, North Rocks. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$6,580.72,.

No. 226 - Lions Club of Tamworth Inc. (N1) fpr \$69,500.00 towards the purchase of an Alcon Infiniti Vision System Phacoemulsifer Machine & Accessories and a Keeler Cryomatic Cryotherapy Surgery System & Accessories for the Tamworth Rural Referral Hospital. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$102,500.00

No. 227. Save Sight Institute. Grant for research projects for \$33.959.00 Total cost of projects are \$78,969.00

No. 228 - Lions NSW Eye Bank - up to \$2,500.00 per calendar year for 5 years towards the cost of staff attendance at work-related training and conferences. The sum of \$2,156.92 was approved for payment for expenses incurred in the first half of 2008 in relation to the expenses of 4 staff members' attendance at work-related conferences and training in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. The Grantee is the Save Sight Institute.

No. 229 - Lions NSW Eye Bank - for \$757.00 towards costs associated with the holding of the 2008 Eye & Tissue Remembrance Service, for the families who donated the eyes of their deceased family members for corneal transplantation to the Lions NSW Eye Bank, to be held in the Concord Hospital Memorial Chapel. The Grantee is the Save Sight Institute.

No. 230 - Lions Club of Yagoona Inc. (N5) fpr **\$1.500.00** towards the purchase of a **ICare portable thermometer & probes** for Bankstown Hospital. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$5,145.00

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No. 539 - Lions Club of Grenfell Inc. (N4) - up to \$7,213.00 towards the purchase of an Abbott i-STAT 1 Blood Diagnostic Machine for the Grenfell Multipurpose Health Service. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$13,718.00

No. 540 - Lions Club of Swansea Inc. (N 3for **\$9,490.00** - towards the purchase of a **Laerdal Resusci Anne Simulator** (training mannequin) for the Belmont District Hospital. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$10,990.00

No. 541 - Lions Club of Gungahlin Inc. (N2) – for \$1,700.00 for the purchase of a Dejay AB-430 Junior Section Change Table for the Disability Program of the Gungahlin Regional Community Service Inc. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$3,626.00,

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- No. 542 Lions Club of Charlestown Inc. (N3) for \$40,000.00 for the purchase of 10 x Thompson Maxilift 2 Dialysis Treatment Chairs for the Wansey Community Dialysis Centre, Charlestown. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$50,000.00
- **No. 543** Lions Club of East Gosford Inc. (N3) for \$10,000.00 towards the Conversion of a Van & Supply & Fitting of a Hydraulic Wheelchair Hoist for the use of a quadriplegic woman. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$19,345.00,
- No. 544 Lions Club of Nambucca Heads Inc. (N1) for \$1,990.00 towards the purchase of a Pegasus Viaclin Dynamic Mattress System for the Macksville & District Hospital. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$3,990.00
- No. 545 Lions Club of Singleton Inc. (N3) for \$13,000.00 towards the purchase of 3 x Thompson Maxilift 2 Treatment Chairs for the Haemodialysis Unit of the Singleton District Hospital. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$15,600.00 with
- No. 546 Lions Club of Muswellbrook Inc. (N3) for \$10,000.00 towards the cost of 3 x Regency Healthcare Electric Hi-Lo Beds & Accessories, 1 x Proact Medical Systems Datascope Trio Cardiac Monitor, 1 x Welch Allyn Examination Light & Mobile Stand, and 1 x Arjo Tempo Power Patient Lifting Hoist & Accessories for the Muswellbrook District Hospital. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$23,474.50
- **No. 547** Lions Club of Ingleburn Inc. (N2) for **\$2,900.00** towards the purchase of an **Animas Insulin Pump 2020** for the use of a 63 year old woman with Type 1 Diabetes. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$5,400.00
- **No. 548** Lions Club of Liverpool City Inc. (N2) for \$2,990.00 towards the purchase of an **Aruba 4 Motorised Mobility Scooter** for a 33 year old man with Multiple Sclerosis. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$4,990.00
- **No. 549** Lions Club of Young Inc. (N4) for **\$2,990.00** towards the purchase of a **Glide 2 wheelchair** for a 29 year old woman with Cerebral Palsy. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$5,295.00
- **No. 550** Lions Club of Warren & Zone 9 Clubs Inc. (N4) for **\$7,643.00** towards the purchase of a **Tily in space wheelchair & accessories** for a 5 year old girl with Severe developmental delays. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$12,343.00

Editors Notes

Just a few points to help me put your article in this newsletter

- Use 9 pt Arial font (Headings 11pt)
- DO NOT use any formatting at all eg Tables, columns etc.
- · Send as attachments to email
- Send photos as jpg or similar
- Editors email is dmboulton@bigpond.com.au
- Editors phone No. is 0249 323474

Club Presidents / Secretaries

I f your Club is holding Merchandise or monies collected from the sale of merchandise could you please return

- Unsold merchandise to Lion Mick Boulton at 89 Forest Hill Drive Oakhampton NSW 2320 or sell at reduced prices
- All monies to The Honorary Secretary Lions NSW-ACT Foundations PO Box 75 C ANLEY HEIGHTS NSW 2166

I need input from you

If there is a joyous moment to be recorded or reported on as a result of a Foundation Grant send it to me and I will put it in "**PERSPECTIVE**" for all to see and enjoy

Ed.

FOUNDATIONS' WEBSITE

The Foundations' website has been given a new look and updated with the latest current information. (Webmaster, PDG John Sim.) I thank PDG John for his good work. The URL is **www.lionssavesightfoundation.org.au** from where most of the Foundations' forms can be downloaded and from where general information on the work of the two Lions NSW-ACT Foundations can be found.

WE NEED YOU TO HELP US SO THAT WE CAN HELP YOU SO THAT YOU CAN HELP THEM

The need by public hospitals and other health related institutions and the like for funding to upgrade existing equipment and purchase new equipment is always greater than the government funding available to service the need.

The Foundations can help by providing grants to assist clubs with the funding of their sight, health and medically related projects such as those listed elsewhere in this edition of *Perspective*.

There are also disabled people who are unable to obtain sufficient funding to purchase the disability aids that would improve their quality of life and level of independence and mobility. This too is where the Lions NSW-ACT Foundations may be able to help.

In these times of economic uncertainty, the support of clubs in continuing to help build the Foundations' capital base is needed more than ever, as grants can only be funded from the income earned on the investment of the Foundations' capital.

The Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight & Public Health Care Foundations

Why not recognise and reward your deserving members this year with an attractive plaque from your clubs NSW/Act Foundations

The Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight & Public Health Care Foundations belongs to the Lions clubs of NSW and the ACT The funds received from these awards pay for the grants your clubs request.









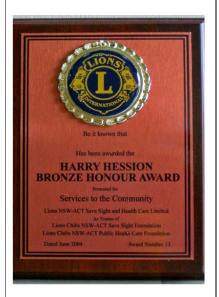
HOW TO SUPPORT THE FOUNDATIONS

- Sponsor an entrant in the new Lions Community Challenge (see details elsewhere in this edition of Perspective).
- Support the *Honour Award Scheme by nominating Lions, non Lions, businesses, corporations and organisations (other than Lions, Lioness or Leo Clubs) to receive a personally inscribed and individually numbered award plaque, a certificate and a special lapel pin which are available in the following categories:

Professor Frank Billson Platinum Honour Award - \$2,500.00

Keith Small Gold Honour Award - \$1,000.00 Neville Tucker Silver Honour Award - \$500.00 Harry Hession Bronze Honour Award - \$250.00

- Make a donation of any size to either or both Foundations from the club's activity fund.
- Support the annual 100% Participating Club scheme by donating the equivalent of \$10.00 per member from the club's activity fund to either or both Foundations. Clubs receive an embroidered patch for the club banner in the first year and an embroidered financial year tab to add to it each subsequent year the club qualifies.
- Sell tickets in the annual Car Raffle. Clubs selling a minimum of \$400 worth of tickets can claim a 25% rebate on their ticket sales to go into their activities account.
- Purchase the Foundations' Merchandise items at special discounted wholesale prices and retain all profits from their sale. (See back page)
- Promote the *Life Governor (\$10,000.00) and *Life Member (\$5,000.00) Award Schemes among the business and corporate sector.
- Seek bequests and personal and corporate donations. Donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible.
 - * Nomination form available upon request from any Foundation Director or can be downloaded from the Foundations' website.



Harry
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Bronze
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Award
Donation
\$250.00



Neville
Tucker Silver
Honour
Award
donation
\$500.0



Keith Small Gold Honour Award donation \$1,000.00

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