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

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER



To all the Lions, Lioness, and Leos who are the members of our Foundations I hope you are all well, happy and prosperous. If not, ask your fellow members for assistance, help or just a yarn. We should all try and help one another.

The last few months have been terrible for lots of people, starting with the world economic collapse, the bush fires in Victoria, drought in NSW-ACT, and floods in the North East of NSW and Queensland. What a diverse country we live in but it can only get better and it will.

Retirement of our Honorary Solicitor

It is with sincere regret that I have to announce the retirement of our dedicated Honorary Solicitor, PDG David Tuckerman OAM at the end of June.

David helped set up the Foundations and has worked tirelessly and continuously helping our Foundations for over thirty five years without expecting any reimbursement. We will miss him greatly and he'll be very hard to replace, but we wish him all the best in his retirement.

Annual Raffle Drawn by Professor Peter McCluskey

We had a great deal of pleasure in welcoming, to our last Foundation meeting on Sunday 22nd March, Professor Peter McCluskey, Professor of Ophthalmology and the new Director of the Lions Save Sight Institute. At 12 noon, Professor Peter drew the winning tickets in our Annual Raffle. The winners were spread far and wide from Camden, Melbourne and Glen Innes.

We did very well from the raffle (400% increase net profit on last year) due, in part, to the car cost being less than last year thanks to Paul (Super Salesman) from Gerald Slaven Holden Canberra. In addition, ticket sales were up, thanks to the outstanding efforts of some Directors, a Past Director, an Honorary Officer and some Clubs who sold lots of tickets. Also, I express my thanks to my wife June and to Ruth Small for all the work that they did to ensure the success of the raffle.

On behalf of the Directors and Honorary Officers I thank all Lions, Lioness, Leos and friends who sold raffle tickets for our Foundations. At the present time, the Annual Raffle is our only major fundraiser.

The Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight & Public Health Care Foundations belong to you and to all of us. We desperately need your continuing support.

We need help from all Clubs to raise the necessary funds to ensure that we are able to continue to support the Lions NSW Eye Bank, the Save Sight Institute and the grants to Clubs etc, all of which help people less fortunate than ourselves.

I would urge the Clubs who did not support this year's raffle to please do so in 2010.

Welcome to New Directors

Our two new Three Year Directors, Chris Elford (N1), and Ken McLeish (N2) were made to feel most welcome when they attended their first official Foundation meeting on 22nd March.

Retirement of our District Governor Directors

As they near the end of their term as Directors we offer sincere thanks to the five District Governors, DG Malcolm Merrick (N1), DG Phil Lawler (N2), DG Ann Ryan (N3), DG Bob Moore (N4) and DG Elvio Munzone (N5) for their excellent contribution to the Foundations during their term. Please continue to promote and support our foundations into the future.

We offer our warmest congratulations to DG Phil Lawler upon his recent election as Council Chairman 2009-2010.

Welcome to our New District Governor Directors

We will shortly welcome our five new District Governor Directors, Christine Woolnough (N1), Paul Helmling (N2), Marilyn Kinealy (N3), Ray Strong (N4) and Beryl Payne (N5). I know that all of you will maintain the extremely high standard set by your previous DGs.

Future Survival of our Foundations

Members and Directors, our Foundations will survive but only if we all work very hard to achieve and ensure that survival. We all need to put our creative hats on and think of new ideas to promote, advertise, improve and raise more money for our Foundations to ensure that we are able to continue the work started by such dedicated Lions as PDG David Tuckerman OAM when our Foundations were formed.

Regards

Jim Field, Chairman & District 201 N2 Director

SUPPORT YOUR FOUNDATIONS

Support the **Foundation's Honour Award Scheme**. Nominate Lions, non Lions, corporations and organisations to receive a personally inscribed and individually numbered award plaque, framed certificate and lapel pin. Consider.....

Professor Frank Billson Platinum Honour Award

Keith Small Gold Honour Award

Neville Tucker Silver Honour Award

Harry Hession Bronze Honour Award

See inside for more details. Also available are:

Life Memberships and Life Governorships

"We need you to help us, so that we can help you, so that you can help them."

ANNUAL RAFFLE DRAWN BY PROFESSOR PETER MCCLUSKY

The Foundation's latest raffle was drawn at the Bankstown Sports Club on Sunday 22nd March 2009 by Professor Peter McClusky, Head of the Lions Eye Bank, and ably assisted by Jim Field, Foundations Chairman.



ABLY ASSISTED BY CHAIRMAN JIM, PROFESSOR MCCLUSKY DRAWS THE FIRST PRIZE TICKET FROM THE BARREL.

The winners were:

First Prize Holden Astra CD Hatch (Ticket No.: 025351) - Messrs Keith Maddock and Bill Spear.

Second Prize Lady's or Gent's Watch (Ticket No.: 079479) - M. Douglas.

Third Prize 2 Sapphires valued at \$150.00 (Ticket No.: 004284) - Messrs Ken Brien and John Kearney.



RAFFLE WINNER KEITH MADDOCK (CENTRE) RECEIVES THE FIRST PRIZE CAR FROM PAUL STAMATIS -SALES LEADER, GERALD SLAVEN HOLDEN AND CHAIRMAN JIM FIELD.

The Chairman and Directors of the Lions Clubs NSW-ACT Save Sight and Public Health Care Foundations would like to express their sincere appreciation to all those Lions and other members of the local communities for their participation and support in ensuring a successful outcome once again.

FOUNDATIONS' WEBSITE

www.lionssavesightfoundation.org.au is updated with the latest current information. In addition to the latest news, grants etc., most of the Foundations' forms can be downloaded. And, there's also a great deal of general information on the work of YOUR two Lions NSW-ACT Foundations.

SUPPORT YOUR FOUNDATIONS

As we near the close of this Lion's year we ask our clubs to consider supporting your Foundations. There are many ways your clubs may render this support.

- Make a donation of any size to either or both Foundations from the club's activity fund.
- Nominate Lions, non Lions, corporations and organisations to receive a personally inscribed and individually numbered award plaque, framed certificate and lapel pin. Awards available are:

Professor Frank Billson Platinum Honour Award

Donation \$2,500.00

Keith Small Gold Honour Award

Donation \$1,000.00

Neville Tucker Silver Honour Award

Donation \$500.00

Harry Hession Bronze Honour Award

Donation \$250.00

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SAMPLE AWARD PLAQUE

- 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.
- Purchase the **Foundations' Merchandise** items at special discounted wholesale prices and retain all profits from their sale.
- Promote the **Life Governor** (Donation \$10,000) and **Life Member** (Donation \$5,000) **Award Schemes** among the business and corporate sector.
- Seek bequests and **personal and corporate donations**.
- **Donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible.**

LIONS FASHION AWARDS

Macarthur Lions Club Inc is organising a very special project to support the Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight and Public Health Care Foundations. The project, "**Lions Fashion Awards**" is a competition for designers and up and coming design students to enter garments in various categories for prizes.

"**Lions Fashion Awards**" is to be held at Sweeney's Function and Entertainment Centre, just out of Campbelltown, on Friday 4th September, 2009 (judging only). Presentation of Awards and Dinner will be at the same venue on Saturday night 5th September, 2009.

Macarthur Lions Club Inc and the Foundations would appreciate support from the Lions Family throughout NSW and the ACT. For details go to www.lionsfashionawards.com

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Chairman and Board of Directors of the Foundations we acknowledge and express our sincere appreciation for the generous donations listed below. It is only with the support of these generous donations that the Foundations are able to function and continue to provide the many and varied grants related to Sight and Public Health Care.

Donations Acknowledged by the Board of Directors 22nd March 2009

Donations to Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight Foundation

Lions Club of North Rocks	\$1,000.00
Lions Club of Taree	\$500.00
New Lambton Lioness	\$100.00
Lions Club of Hurstville St George	\$1,000.00
Lions Club of Eugowra	\$100.00
Lions Club of the City of Hurstville	\$1,000.00
Lions Club of Denman	\$100.00
Lions Club of Cootamundra	\$100.00
"Sydney 88" Committee (N5)	\$500.00
Lions Club of Taree	\$500.00
Lions Club of Mosman	\$3,000.00
Lions Club of Bowning & Districts	\$4,000.00
Lions Club of Mudgee	\$1,000.00
Camden Lioness Club	\$300.00

NEW GRANT APPLICATION FORM

As of the March 2009 Board meeting, the maximum 'ordinary' grant that may be applied for has been limited to \$15,000.00 and the minimum contribution that is expected to be found by an applicant is 50% of the cost of the project. The global economic downturn has seen a significant decrease in investment income available to fund grants and the changes have been introduced so that as many clubs as possible may be assisted.

The new Grant Application Form (identified by the notation *Form Revised March 2009* printed at the bottom left of the first page) is now available as an interactive PDF file that can be completed on screen then printed out and signed or printed out and completed by hand.

The Grant Application Form can be obtained upon request from any Foundation Director whose details can be found under your District listing in the MD 201 Directory or on the Foundations' website www.lionssavesightfoundation.org.au

GRANTS APPROVED

GRANTS APPROVED AT THE NOVEMBER 2008 & MARCH 2009 BOARD MEETINGS

Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight Foundation

No. 227: Save Sight Institute - up to **\$58,969.00** towards the purchase of a **Sorvall Discovery WX90 Ultracentrifuge & Accessories** for use in Save Sight Institute research projects. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$78,969.00 with the deficit covered by \$20,000.00 contributed from other sources. The Grantee is the Save Sight Institute.

No. 230: Lions Club of Yagoona Inc. (N5) - up to **\$1,500.00** towards the purchase of a **TiOLAT "iCare" Hand-held & Portable Tonometer and 100 Probes** for the Bankstown Hospital. The total GST exclusive cost of the project is \$5,145.00 with the deficit covered by \$3,645.00 contributed by the club. The Grantee is the Sydney South West Area Health Service.



FOUNDATION DIRECTOR JEAN-CLAUDE LEGRAND PRESENTS THE GRANT TO YAGOONA PRESIDENT LION JOHN STAPLES

No. 231: Zone 1 of District 201 N1 - up to **\$2,539.00** towards the purchase of a **Heine Unplugged Binocular Indirect Ophthalmoscope, Ezview 20D and 30D Lenses and Accessories** for testing the eyes of premature babies at the Maternity Unit of the Grafton Base Hospital. The GST exclusive cost of the project is \$5,039.00 with the deficit covered by \$2,500.00 contributed by the applicant clubs. The Grantee is the North Coast Area Health Service.

Lions Clubs NSW-ACT Public Health Care Foundation

No. 547: Lions Club of Ingleburn Inc. (N2) - up to \$2,900.00 towards the purchase of an Animas 2020 Insulin Pump for the use of a 63 year old woman with Type 1 Diabetes. The GST exclusive cost of the project is \$5,400.00 with the deficit covered by \$500.00 contributed by the club and \$2,000.00 contributed from other sources. The Grantee is the Myrtle Cottage Group Inc. *(Continued on page 4)*



SHANE WESTWOOD PROUDLY SHOWS OFF HIS NEW MOTORISED SCOOTER TO HIS SON MACKENZIE. THEY ARE PICTURED WITH (L TO R) PAST PRESIDENTS BRIAN ROPE AND OLLIE LASSEN, PDG RUTH SMALL, SECRETARY OF THE FOUNDATIONS AND LIONS LADY JUDY FIELD. THE LIONS CLUB OF THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL PROVIDED THE SCOOTER WITH THE HELP OF A FOUNDATION GRANT. (See Grant No 548)

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No. 548: Lions Club of Liverpool Inc. (N2) - up to **\$2,990.00** towards the purchase of an **Aruba-4 Motorised Mobility Scooter** for the use of a 33 year old man with Multiple Sclerosis. The GST exclusive cost of the project is \$4,990.00 with the deficit covered by \$2,000.00 contributed by the club. The Grantee is the Sydney South West Area Health Service.

No. 549: Lions Club of Young Inc. (N4) - up to **\$2,535.00** towards the purchase of an **L-40QR Glide 2 Leisure Wheelchair & Accessories** for the use of a 29 year old woman with Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy and an intellectual disability. The GST exclusive cost of the project is \$5,295.00 with the deficit covered by \$500.00 contributed by the club and \$1,770.00 contributed from other sources. The Grantee is Mercy Care Centre Young Ltd.

No. 541: Zone 9 Lions Clubs and Lions Club of Warren Inc. (N4) - up to **\$7,843.00** towards the purchase of an **R82 Panther Tilt-in-Space Wheelchair & Accessories** and **Invacare Decpac EBL 1.65m Ramps** for the use of a 5 year old girl with "severe developmental delays which are a result of a non-accidental injury." The GST exclusive cost of the project is \$12,343.00 with the deficit covered by \$4,500.00 contributed by the applicant clubs. The Grantee is the Orana Early Childhood Intervention & Education Project Inc.

No. 552: Lions Club of Yass Inc. (N2) - up to **\$950.00** towards the purchase of an **Everflo Oxygen Concentrator** for the use of a 5 year old boy with Alagille Syndrome. The GST exclusive cost of the project is \$2,450.00 with the deficit covered by \$1,500.00 contributed by the club. The Grantee is Andalini Services Inc.

No. 553: Lions Club of Goulburn City Inc. (N2) - up to **\$1,980.00** towards the purchase of a **Medtech LIKO Light Portable Hoist & Accessories** for the use of a 10 year old boy with Sarcoglycan Myopathy. The GST exclusive cost of the project is \$4,980.00 with the deficit covered by \$3,000.00 contributed by the club. The Grantee is the Spastic Centre of NSW.



CHAIRMAN JIM FIELD AND LION ALAN MILNE (GOULBURN CITY LIONS CLUB) PRESENT LYNDSAY CURRIE, TEAM LEADER, SPASTIC CENTRE WITH FUNDS TO PURCHASE PORTABLE HOIST & ACCESSORIES (See Grant No 553)

Reminder

The Foundations should not be considered as the first option for providing funds. Alternative fund raising should be considered and pursued

DIARY NOTE

Thursday 12th November - FUNDRAISING DINNER
at Parliament House Sydney, to support the **LIONS NSW-ACT EYE BANK.** - **More Details Shortly**

"BIG FOUNDATION SUPPORTERS" LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY WARATAH

In celebrating their Third Charter Anniversary on 23rd May this dedicated group of Beautiful Ladies proved just what can be achieved with clear goals and a desire to succeed in serving those in the community that are less fortunate than ourselves.

In just 3 years the club has raised over \$100,000 for various community groups and causes.

Spurred on, perhaps, by Foundation Director, Lion Sam Chu these ladies have really taken seriously, the work of the Lions Save Sight and Public Health Care Foundations.

Club members confidently stepped up to the plate for the 'Community Challenge' and organised a 24 Hour Table Tennis Marathon to raise much needed funds for the Foundations. Their outstanding efforts raised \$6,161.00 making them the proud winners of the 2009 Community Challenge.



FOUNDATION DIRECTOR SAM CHU, LION PRESIDENT LIN ABBOTT AND SOME TABLE TENNIS MARATHON PARTICIPANTS

Come the time to celebrate their Charter Anniversary, again, the Ladies decided to support the Foundations. The Dinner was held at the Marigold Restaurant in Sydney. It was a wonderful grandiose affair with the best of Chinese fare and talented entertainment.

At the close of an outstanding evening a cheque for \$5,000 was presented to Chairmen Jim Field who acknowledged the fine work and support of the club.

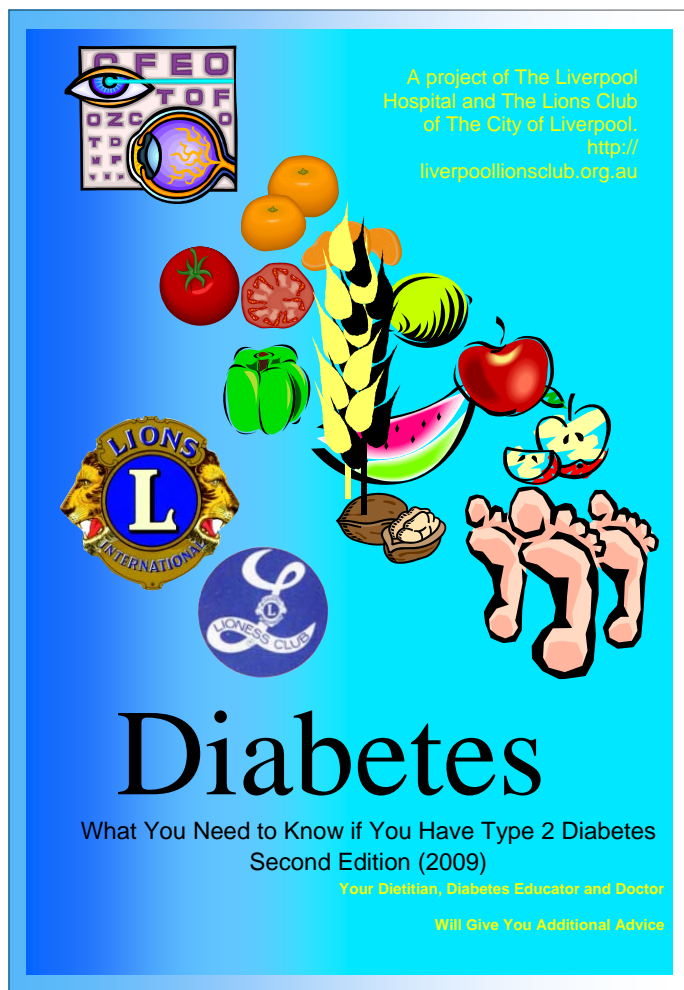


WHO SAID TABLE TENNIS TABLES DON'T COME IN ALL SIZES? THE SAME PERSON PROBABLY SAID THE SAME ABOUT THE PLAYERS!



FOUNDATION CHAIRMAN JIM FIELD RECEIVING CHEQUES TOTALLING \$11,161 FROM LION PRESIDENT LIN ABBOTT, DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELVIO MUNZONE AND A GROUP OF THE BEAUTIFUL LADIES OF THE LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY WARATAH. FOUNDATION DIRECTORS PHIL BOWER AND SAM CHU MAY BE SEEN 'SUPERVISING' IN THE BACK ROW.

DIABETES BOOKLET GOES INTERNATIONAL



The Lions and Lioness Clubs of the City of Liverpool, with the assistance of a \$10,000 grant from the Lions Clubs NSW-ACT Public Health Care Foundation, now have worldwide distribution rights for their enormously successful and widely praised diabetes awareness booklet ***“What You Need to Know if You Have Type 2 Diabetes”***.

To date 80,000 copies of the booklet have been distributed all over NSW and the ACT. The booklet has the support and approval of Diabetes Australia.

The International Association of Lions Clubs recently judged the Club as a finalist in the 'International Challenge to Change Awards'. The Club was honoured at the 2008 Lions Clubs International Convention in Bangkok, Thailand.

The club was also the recipient of the International President's 'New Horizons Award in Diabetes Education'.

Version 4 of the booklet is to be produced in the near future (hopefully with the assistance of a further grant from the Public Health Care Foundation) with the aim of wider distribution across Australia and the World.

It has to be said that this is a wonderful example of a project that had, perhaps, small beginnings but with the help of immense dedication and perseverance from a few has resulted in a potential benefit to so many. The Foundation, for its part, and all those Lions, Lioness and others involved are to be warmly congratulated on this achievement.

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FOUNDATION CONTACT DETAILS

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DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Lion Jean-Claude Legrand
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HONORARY SECRETARY

PDG Ruth Small (N2)
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HONORARY TREASURER

PDG Sandra Treble (N4)
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HONORARY SOLICITOR

PDG David Tuckerman OAM (N5)
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WEBMASTER

PDG John Sim (N5)
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DG Malcolm Merrick Home 02 6582 6093
PDG Phil Bower Home 02 6743 4218
Lion Chris Elford Home 02 6556 3260
PDG Brian McWhirter Home 02 6551 2911

201N2 Directors

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Lion Jim Fields (N2) Home 02 6226 6006
Lion Ken McLeish Home 02 6294 3399
Lion Owen Quinn Home 02 4423 6631

201N3 Directors

DG Ann Ryan Home 02 4945 5521
PDG Jim Hodgins Home 02 4933 5757
Lion Mick Boulton Home 02 4932 3474
Lion Max Holmes Home 02 4943 7299

201N4 Directors

DG Bob Moore Home 02 6962 3333
Lion Michele Bentley Home 02 6978 2250
PDG Kerry Williams Home 02 6968 1977
Lion Richard Leonard Home 02 6971 1282

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

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE DISTRICT CHAIRMEN

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- N3 - Lion Max Holmes Home 02 4943 7299
- N4 - Lion Judy Day Home 02 6978 2371
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APPLICATION FOR HONOUR AWARD
of
LIONS CLUBS NSW-ACT SAVE SIGHT & HEALTH CARE LIMITED

ABN: 25 001 232 659

the trustee company of

§ **Lions NSW-Act Save Sight Foundation Charitable Trust**

ABN: 57 536 782 464

and

§ **Lions Clubs NSW-Act Public Health Care Foundation**

ABN: 75 575 730 056

Every Honour Award recipient once appointed shall be enrolled as such in Foundation records and shall be entitled to a personally inscribed plaque stating such appointment and a special lapel pin.

**I / The *Lions / *Lioness / *Leo / *Club of / *District 201 N..... nominate the following *person / *firm / *corporate body / *organisation [other than a Lions, Lioness or Leo Club]:*

.....
[feel free to attach a profile of the nominee]

to receive the

***Prof. Frank Billson Platinum Honour Award** (donation: \$2,500)

***Keith Small Gold Honour Award** (donation: \$1,000.00)

***Neville Tucker Silver Honour Award** (donation: \$500.00)

***Harry Hession Bronze Honour Award** (donation: \$250.00)

Presented by
[details for inclusion on plaque]

**For / *In Recognition / *In Appreciation*

.....
[details for inclusion on plaque - maximum 40 characters including spaces]

I / We wish the funds to be directed to the

***Lions NSW-Act Save Sight Foundation**

***Lions Clubs NSW-Act Public Health Care Foundation**

Please find enclosed cheque for the relevant payment made out to the appropriate Foundation.

Contact's Name: Phone No.:

Postal Address [for receipt of plaque]:

..... Date:

Date received by Foundation Secretary:

Post with payment to:

The Secretary

Lions Clubs NSW-Act Save Sight & Health Care Limited

P0 Box 75

CANLEY HEIGHTS NSW 2166

**Strike out those parts that do not apply*