



DISTRICT GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER - 105D SEPTEMBER 2008



Ordinary People
Amazing Things

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Well the Multiple District International Youth Camp has been and gone. 40 young people from 28 countries. Both Lion Ann and I were delighted to be able to spend some time with this wonderful group of young adults. The day on the Isle of Wight was a chance for them to slow down and take in the local culture and what a great day it was.



We started from Yarmouth with a journey across the Island, stopping at many viewpoints and places of interest en route, a lunch break was taken at The Park Centre in Ryde, where Lion Barry Kemp and his helpers laid on a super Barbecue & Salad lunch that was enjoyed by all, It was then on to the Dinosaur Museum at Sandown, whilst some braved a dip in the sea! The day was rounded off with a stop at Alum Bay and a most enjoyable picnic at Yarmouth Yacht Club before they boarded the ferry for the return trip to Lymington.

Our grateful thanks to PDG Lion Mike McCreanor, Zone Chairman Lion Pauline McCreanor and the Island team for all their hard work with the superb arrangements, the Isle of Wight Lions Clubs for their financial support for the day, also not forgetting the contingent of helpers who travelled with the group from the mainland, it was a lovely day in more ways than one, certainly a day that will remain with us for some time to come.



On the Friday it was over to the Avon Tyrell Activities Centre to greet and escort The Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire Mrs Mary Fagan and the media around the various activities that the group enjoyed during their stay. someone, somewhere has a photo of Mrs Fagan shooting an arrow, followed by DG Roger who she challenged! Fortunately nobody required medical assistance after, as

the arrows actually hit the intended target! What a great way to finish off an outstanding week with a wonderful Gala Dinner in Bournemouth. The food, the



company and the entertainment were first class.

I express my personal congratulations and grateful thanks to Lion John Apps and his team for the excellent arrangements, it was all first class, thanks also to all the Clubs and Lions in our district who arranged trips for the group on various days, Visit to Salisbury, which incidentally hit the media channels, visit to London, visit to Portsmouth and many more, and thanks also to DO Lion Ron Twining (MD Youth Exchange Officer Inwards) for getting the youngsters to us and safely home again, particularly with the difficulties in Georgia, which did pose a problem for one of the group.



Yes we certainly should consider doing this again at the earliest opportunity and not allow a twenty year gap as before, it would normally be a thirteen year cycle if all of

the districts were to bid for their turn, but this does not normally happen and so who knows, something for the youth teams of the future to bear in mind.

I would like to take this opportunity to mention that in September the Charter is being held of the Helen Keller Internet Lions Club. We wish them well and hope that they have a fantastic evening. One of the members is our own Brigitte Waterfield, the recently appointed manager of the Multiple District Office in Birmingham.

New Members I am extremely pleased to welcome the following new members to the 105D family of Lions Clubs International as reported to LCI in the July reports, congratulations, wear your Lions lapel pin with pride at all times.—

Uschi Gudgin - Andover Lions Club,
Christine Micallef – Bournemouth Lions Club,
Pankaj Kale – Bracknell Forest Lions Club,
Helen Bellamy – Hart Lions Club,
Cynthia Carr – Lymington Lions Club,
Graeme Paul Dunn – Trowbridge Lions Club,
Carolyn Deges – Wokingham Lions Club,
Nic Lander – Wokingham Lions Club,
Janet Freemantle – Cowes Branch Club (August)

New Appointment: The District Governor has appointed PDG Lion Godwin Micallef to represent District 105D on the Multiple District Long Range Planning Committee with immediate effect.

District Service of Thanksgiving and Dedication

3.00pm Sunday 12th October 2008 at St. John's Church, Warminster. Arrangements are being made this year by the Lions Club of Warminster. With one of their members actually leading the service. The District Governor would like to extend an invitation to all Lions and members of the Lions family, their friends and guests to attend if they so wish. The service will be followed by afternoon tea for those who are booked in.

A letter with booking form included is currently in circulation, please invite your local civic dignitaries, Mayor etc., the booking form to be returned by 1st October.

My grateful thanks to the members of Warminster Lions Club for taking this task on, should you not catch sight of the letter and booking form but would like to attend, please contact Lion Richard Owen Tel: 0845 833 9843 or Email: richardowen50@hotmail.com

The July report from Oak Brook indicated that there were 16 clubs in the district who did not submit a membership report by the due date, can I please remind all club secretaries that the monthly reports should be recorded on the Oak Brook computer by the last day of each month, if for some reason you are unable send your report to Oak Brook, please let the district Reports Officer have the details by the 25th day of the month and Lion Ron will send them to Oak Brook electronically for you,

The procedure was changed last April, and we no longer have ten days grace after the end of the month to make adjustments, the computer automatically closes of on the last day of the month and if your report is not on the system by then your club will show up as a Nil report. Please do not leave it until the end of the month, the system can get clogged up with clubs from all parts of the world trying to make last minute adjustments, submit your 'M' report as soon as possible after your monthly Business meeting.

And most importantly. Please remember the 'M' report is the basis upon which, your club per capita international dues are calculated, so keep your treasurer happy, by not generating unnecessary work.

By the time this newsletter is received by you all, I will have started my club visits. both Lion Ann and I are looking forward to this. It is a great chance to meet up with members, listen to what you have to say and find out what everyone is up to! It is also your opportunity to tell us what you think of our Lions organisation and what changes you would like to see take place, if any.

DG's Diary Dates.

If meetings are not taking place on the dates listed, please inform the DG as soon as possible.

September.

2nd Havant OV.
3rd Zone 3G Meeting Ryde.
4th Christchurch OV.
6th Swanwick CA.
7th Loddon Valley Treacle Fair.
8th Swanage OV.
9th Bridport OV.
10th Zone 2E Meeting Lymington.
11th Burnham OV.
15th South Chilterns OV
16th Convention Meeting Ryde.
18th New Forest OV.
21st Fleet CA.
22nd Reading OV.
25th Slough OV.
26th GMS CA.
28th District Cabinet Meeting

October.

5th Maidenhead CA.
6 Woolmer Forest OV.
7th Warminster OV.
8th Dorchester OV.
9th Sight Savers Windsor.
9th Petersfield OV.
11th – 19th MD Lions Awareness Week.
11th Eastleigh CA.
12th District Service Warminster.
13th Andover OV.
14th Sandown & Shanklin OV.
15th Yatley OV.
16th Alton OV.
17th Bradford on Avon CA.
18th Portsmouth CA.
19th Bracknell Forest CA.
20th Hook & Odiham OV.
22nd Salisbury OV.
23rd Wincanton Branch OV.
25th Woodley & Early CA.
28th Farnborough OV.
30th 31st 1st Nov 2nd Council of Governors Belfast.

So you want to be a DG

An information for those thinking of going for 2nd VDG/1st VDG/DG in the future, will be held at The Inn at Highpost, Salisbury. Sunday 28th September 2008. starting at 14.15hrs. If you would like to attend, please contact Lion Mike Hendy as soon as possible. Tel: 01344 484725 Email: leadership@lions105d.org.uk If you are not attending the District Cabinet meeting in the morning and would like to book in for lunch prior to the seminar, at 13.00hrs please contact the District Sgt at Arms Lion Travis McCall now Email: sgtarms@lions105d.org.uk

DG Roger & Ann