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Lions Clubs International

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Fellow Lions, Leos and Partners.

Ukraine continues to donate the News Headlines and I would like to begin my Newsletter contribution this month by expressing my grateful thanks for all the monies that Lions Clubs in our District have donated and continue to donate to our District Appeal. I am very pleased to share with you that up to the 25th of April our District has received £82,960 to be forwarded onto LCIF and then on to our fellow Lions in Poland and in other countries surrounding

war torn Ukraine to spend as they feel appropriate on items to help relieve the awful suffering that is taking place.

I am incredibly pleased to report that fifty-eight clubs out of seventy one Clubs in our District have already donated and that I have received notification from another five Clubs that they are currently still fund raising for the appeal and will be donating very soon. I have set a target in my own mind for our District by the 30th June to have reached a total of £100,000. Although this is an extremely high figure it is achievable when promised donations are received, the remaining eight clubs who have not donated look to donating plus I am aware of several Clubs who have so generously donated already are continuing to fund raise for this very worthwhile appeal.

Remember fellow Lions that the monies many of you have received in bucket collections you can apply to the Inland Revenue to receive Gift Aid. My own Club Filey received some £4,000 in our Supermarket bucket collections and have already donated a further £1,000 from the Gift Aid we know we will receive back from the Inland Revenue in the next few weeks. I will update you all again on our Districts Ukraine Appeal in our June Newsletter.

If your Lions Club has not done so already now, may I remind you that it is now the time to appoint your Club Officers for the forth coming Lionistic year and once appointed, can you ensure that their details are sent to our District Secretary Lion Alan Ashburner and Email Officer Mike Rogers, also if the officer is new to the role or has not held the role for a number of years that they receive some training and induction from current officers and that they have a member in their Club to act as a mentor and confidant.

As promised last month I agreed to share with you this month the announcement of the venue for the District 2023 Convention and it is Bridlington, in East Riding of Yorkshire. The Convention will be hosted by the Filey Lions Club in Bridlington, with the permission of the Bridlington Lions Club, since there is no Hotel big enough in the Filey Lions catchment area to host the event. The Convention will all take place in Bridlington's Premier Hotel the Expanse which is situated on the Sea Front on the north side of the town. The hotel has forty-seven bedrooms and capacity for the Convention Banquet and Ball for some 150 attendees.

The Convention dates for your diaries are Friday 3rd to Sunday 5th February. The hotel has very kindly agreed to reserve the whole hotel for our own use until early January 2023. Filey Lions Club have experience of previously hosting a District Convention when they very successfully hosted a District Convention in the year 2000 in Scarborough. I will be Convention Chairman and Filey's Second Vice President Elect ,Lion Ian Butler will be Convention Booking Officer. Full details and booking forms will be available from late Summer onwards.

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When you receive this Newsletter Christine, and I will in Birmingham for a two-day Council of Governors Meeting followed by the one-and-a-half-day Multiple District Convention. I will report back to you on the proceedings of the MD weekend in the June Edition of our Newsletter.

As I approach the last two months of my time in office Christine, and I am very much looking forward to attending and meeting many of you at forthcoming Club Meetings, Charter Anniversaries' and various Club Fund raising and Service activities.

Remember

We Serve Because We Care

Lion David Wilson District Governor 105N

District Governor David's May Diary 2022

28 / 29 April 2022	Council of Governor's Meeting, Birmingham	
30 April / 01 May 2022	Multiple District 105 Convention, Birmingham	
04 May 2022	Derwent Lions Club	O.V
11 May 2022	Knaresborough Lions Club	O.V
19 May 2022	Filey Lions Club Meeting	
20 May 2022	District 105N Trustees Meeting	
22 May 2022	District 105N Cabinet Meeting, Northallerton	
28 May 2022	Scarborough Lions Club	C.A





Thank you to all the Clubs who have donated to LCIF during the current Lions Year. Especially the Donations for Ukraine.

I try to consider all Disasters as 3 phases. The immediate action. The make safe, The rebuild.

The immediate action is what reaches the News and moves us to action. The donations have been exceptional. I send out to all Clubs, via our email coordinator, the list of grants. Hopefully. They are circulated to all members.

I have been asked on several occasions about making donations to support Ukrainian Families who are being housed locally. This is a local Club decision, the make safe phase. There are Clubs who are planning for this eventuality. Think how your Club could facilitate welcoming them into your community, at little cost.

Eventually, hopefully soon, we have the really expensive Rebuild phase. Lions will not be expected to build the houses. Lions can help in turning the house to a home. Your donations will be needed as we move through each phase.

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LCIF Europe Day. Saturday 11 June, organise an event to promote your Club, if it's a Collection, talk to your local Licencing Office. There are promotional items and press releases being produced. Where and how to get them be known will be soon. Start planning now.

For any help on LCIF matters, from, how many MJF credits your Club have. Filling in an MJF application or how to apply for a grant. Please contact me first.

Donations to LCIF is: Lions Helping Lions.

PDG Roy Chambers 105N LCIF Coordinator

<u>Teesdale & District Lions Club</u> <u>Complete Wild Tribe Heroes roll out.</u>

Just before the first lockdown in 2020, Teesdale Club decided to issues each of the fourteen local primary schools with the first three available "Wild Tribe Hero" books by Ellie Jackson.

Following excellent feedback from the District Convention by club Secretary Sue Barron, following the promotion of the completed set of books, the club have now rolled out all seven books to the same Continued overleaf

schools.

Says founder member and current Club President Paul Beere 'the response from schools has been fantastic, indicating that these educational materials are hitting the spot. If all Lions clubs in Britain can roll this out within their catchment areas, then large numbers of children can be motivated to take a personal interest in their environment".



Woodland School responded immediately to the Club gift, stating "We would just like to say thank you to the Teesdale District Lions on behalf of Woodland, Butter knowle and Frosterley schools, for the beautiful books you have donated for the children.



Our children are very aware of environmental issues and are interested in how they can make a difference. The books are a wonderful and accessible way to introduce and discuss the impact of climate change with the children."

Teacher Mrs Amanda Shippen from Staindrop Primary said "these books are just so topical at present and can feed into a whole variety of subject matter. They are pitched absolutely perfectly for all children of primary age and the illustrations are stunning. The books have already attracted a lot of interest for personal reading in class"

Lion Bob Garton Teesdale & District Lions Club

Keighley Lions Club

Things now moving along generally! One very special occasion when two of our members received their 30 year long service pins. Lions David Ogden and Eric Acomb were presented with their awards by President Hazel Jiggins...much to their surprise and delight.

We have projects running providing books with an ecological theme to local primary schools, a village fete gazebo and a tree planting.



Lion President Hazel Jiggins planting a tree in Keighley Another happy occasion was a thank you gathering for all who assisted us over Christmas.



Keighley Mayor Julie Adams out with scouts on sleigh at Christmas

Then to raise funds for various charities we are holding one of our famous race nights at the civic hall on the 14th May...and plans are afoot for a charter dinner later in the year. To help our friends at Bradford central Club we are carrying buckets at the Bradford soap box Derby in aid of Air ambulance and their own defibrillator project...We certainly have some catching up to do post pandemic!

Lion Harry Ambler PR & Marketing Officer Keighley Lions Club

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Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club CIO

Food Tasting

Castleford and Pontefract District Lions Club CIO members and friends were again part of the British Frozen Food Award tasting panel.

This year our members had the difficult task of tasting 17 different pizzas in the Bakery category. We tasted everything from Pepperoni to Asparagus and cheese pizza parcels all washed down with plenty of water. Unfortunately nothing but water is allowed to ensure that our pallets stay fresh and cleansed in between

Our kitchen staff Lion Helen and her partner Jim kept the pizzas coming and kindly informed us that if we ate each sample in full we would consume the equivalent of 3 full pizzas during the course of the day. Needless to say we were all pretty full up by the end of the day and I doubt very much that any one had Pizza for their evening meal that night!



It was a great way to spend the day with fellow Lions and friends and we all got to grips with the new technology and in App scoring system. A great way to boost our funds too as the club get £300 pounds for taking part

Charter Anniversary Surprise

District Governor David Surprised two of our members when he presented them with their Long Service Awards



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He said "on behalf of Lions Clubs International and District 105N he wished to thank both PDG Lion George Morgan MJF and Lion Jeanne Morgan MJF for their combined Services totalling 100 years" when he presented PDG George with his 55years long service award and Lion Jeanne with her 45 Years long service award.

He also presented PDG George with the International President's Certificate.

Although both are in their late eighties now, they are still active and valuable members of our club and district.

Lion President Karen Heywood Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club

Ayr & Prestwick Lions Club

There are smiles all round as you can see in this photograph of Lions Lance Moffat and Robin White. Yes, the Ayr & Prestwick Lions are delighted to be back in action after such a long hiatus due to Covid restrictions. Members were delighted to have had a successful week at the Maybole Charity Shop recently.

It was the first time since spring 2019 that the club had been able to have its annual week there.



The club is also grateful to the good folk who came along and lent a hand during the week. The old shop on Maybole High Street was condemned as unsafe last year so we were a little apprehensive about how well we might do in the smaller, temporary premises. As it transpired, we had some very good stock donated by family and friends and also lots of quality items following appeals in a local monthly publication.

Certainly, the hard work involved has paid off and we have boosted the club's charity account.

Hopefully, we can now look forward to a summer of fundraising at various events in South Ayrshire.

Lion Alec Mooney Secretary, Ayr & Prestwick Lions Club

Teesdale District Lions Club

Teesdale Lions in Oscar Ceremony

Teesdale and District Lions Club have sponsored a highly original and leading edge play, aimed, primarily at youngsters, about coping with relatives and other people who suffer from dementia.

Following IPP Sharon Walker's two years in office, during which her main area of focus was dementia, the club donated £1000 to local theatre group The Castle Players to help fund the star of the show, eight year old Oscar.

However, Oscar can be forgiven if his performances are a little wooden – he's a puppet. Oscar takes his place in "Always by Your Side", a play about dementia awareness that has toured local junior schools during March and April. After the performance, there is then a short facilitated workshop, for the pupils and teachers to further understand this much mis-understood issue.

Written by local author Jessica Shepherd, the play features an eight-year-old boy who comes to understand why his Grandma is becoming so forgetful. Director Laurence Sach explained: "It wouldn't have been practical to cast a real eight-year-old in the role so there seemed to be only one solution - Oscar had to be a puppet."



Professional puppet maker, Georgia Hill, from Newcastle, was commissioned to create the character, who has already proved a massive hit with the other members of the cast, and indeed, all of the children who have seen the play to date.

Laurence visited the club meeting on 6th April, when he gave progress update and discussed possible future roll- outs.

Oscar has been made an honorary member of the club!

Lion Bob Garton Teesdale & District Lions Club

Boroughbridge 98 Lions Club

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"Everyone Welcome"



Boroughbridge Lions and Boroughbridge Community Care have been working together on a joint venture to set up a Community Larder and Weds 13th April saw its official opening by the Mayor of Boroughbridge.

What is a Community Larder?

It is a place where ANYONE (shops, households, farmers, allotment holders etc.) can donate any surplus produce they have; this food is then available to ANYONE, free of charge, regardless of means. A Community Larder is not a food bank.

Why have a Community Larder?

The aim is to reduce the amount of food waste going to landfill (this will help reduce greenhouse gas emissions which in turn will help climate change) so this is being classed as one of our club's environmental projects. We also want to help develop a stronger community by bringing people together to work on a local initiative.

As a result of our appeal in a local online paper for somewhere to house the Larder, the Reverend from Boroughbridge Methodist Church got in touch and very kindly offered us the use of a room in the Church. We spent quite some time getting the room ready - we had to remove pews, re-plaster some of the walls and lay new flooring.



The Mayor, 3 Lions, the Manager of Boroughbridge Community Care and a Community Champion from Morrisons at the official opening of the Community Larder

The Larder will initially be open for one afternoon a week on a Wednesday but this might increase depending on its success and also on the supply of food which has mostly been donated by the Community Champions in our local Morrisons, Minskip Farm Shop and Fink, an independent grocery shop.

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We would like to involve as many local people as possible and with the help of appeals on Facebook we have recruited 14 volunteers from the local community: some help with collecting the food from the shops; others stock the fridge/shelves and others pack the shopping bags.

In our first week of opening we received 29 visitors and handed out 75kgs of food, in our second week we had 47 visitors and handed out 105kgs so in just 2 weeks we have prevented 180kgs of food going to landfill. The atmosphere has been electric with a really buzz of excitement in the air.

More and more people are hearing about the Larder either by word of mouth or via Facebook where the Larder now has its own page.

The concept is hard for some to understand - some still see it as a Food Bank and therefore feel they shouldn't be receiving free food so we are constantly explaining that its aim is reduce food waste and so help climate change. We'll get there!!

Service Awards



At our March meeting Paul Bullivant, President, had the pleasure of presenting two 15 years service awards to Josie Quartson and John Alder.



Also the inauguration of 2 new members: Stephen Brown and Peter Seymour.

Lion Sue Johnson Boroughbridge 98 Lions Club

Membership

We welcome the following members into District 105N and into Lions Clubs International

Lion Clifford Price Peterlee & District Lions Club Lion Derek Barwick Tickhill & District Lions Club

Lion Marilyn Bennett

District 105N MYLCI Co-ordinator



Saturday 6th August 2022



Venue Sandall Park, Wheatley, Doncaster, DN2 5DW

"All registration can be done on line via the website

http://www.lionsfunandsports.co.uk/index.html "

For further information please contact **District Sports / Special Olympics Officer**

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Come along and enjoy a day of Fun and Friendship

In order to publish the June edition on time please ensure your articles are with me no later than

Tuesday 24th May 2022

Please send your photographs as separate Jpegs of at least one Megabyte in size, do not include them in the body of the email.

Lion George W Morgan District 105N Newsletter Editor