



We Serve

Lions Clubs International

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Fellow Lions, Leos and Partners.

Ukraine has been very much in the News and the terrible atrocities that are occurring in that country in the last month.

As we are all aware we have Lions serving in over 200 countries of the world and those countries include the countries around the Ukraine that currently have very large numbers of Ukrainian people, mainly women and children, escaping from Ukraine with only the clothes they are wearing and perhaps a small suitcase containing treasured possessions. What way as Lions in District 105 N can we help and are we helping?

The answer is for us to donate monies to LCIF (Lions Club International Foundation) via our District Treasurer and these monies can then be forwarded on to the Lions in the countries where the refugees are to be found to be spent in the most appropriate ways possible by the local Lions Clubs.

I am very pleased to report that to date that 75% of the Lions Clubs in our District have already donated in this way and that our District Treasurer has been able to forward up the 28th March the magnificent sum of £66,604, monies are still coming in each day with further clubs donating and some clubs making a second donation. I appeal to the 19 clubs in our District who have not yet donated to give the matter of donating to the District and LCIF's Ukrainian Appeal some very serious consideration and hopefully donate.

I am very aware we have some very small clubs within our District with limited funds and with an ageing membership. I would like to recommend to these clubs having something as simple as a sealed bucket collection at their local supermarket (with the manager's permission of course), no collecting licence is required as you are collecting on private property, and it is an event that often non-Lion family and friends will be more than happy to provide you with assistance. A very good number of Lions Club have collected this way and have raised hundreds of pounds even thousands of pounds in a few hours of collecting and Clubs Treasurers are telling me that they have never had as much paper money in their collecting buckets before. One Club member reported to me that as he was collecting outside a supermarket a Lady came out went straight to a cash machine withdrew £300 and then proceeded to put it all straight into his collecting bucket. Let us all work together on this Appeal and see if we can have all 71 Clubs in our District donating.

If your Lions Club has not done so already now is the time to appoint the Club Officers for the forth coming Lionistic year and once appointed, can you ensure that the appropriate documentation is completed on the LCI website and details of the appointments sent to our District Secretary Lion Alan Ashburner and Email Officer Mike Rogers.

May I remind all Lions although we appointed Lion Kevin Hunter to be our next District Governor at our District Convention in February, we are still looking to appoint a 1st & 2nd Vice District Governor for the next Lionistic Year. The role is not as onerous as many Lions think, Christine and I should know having been a District Governor for three of the last four years, we have during that time had the opportunity to visit very many clubs, attend numerous Conventions at District, Multiple District, and International level and, in doing so have met many inspirational Lions, made many friends and

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seen first hand some very worthwhile Lions Club projects. Please give the matter some serious thought and if not for you perhaps there is someone in your club who just needs that extra encouragement to put their name forward.

If anyone wants further information on what is involved please do not hesitate to contact myself or District Governor Elect Kevin and for a partner's perspective Christine is more than happy to chat with your partner.

Planning is going very well with regards to a host club for the 2023 District Convention plus a suitable hotel and I hope by the May Newsletter is published to be able to share with you the dates, the Hotel and the Town where the Convention will take place.

We Serve Because We Care

Lion David Wilson
District Governor 105N

District Governor David's April Diary 2022

06 April 2022	LCIF Zoom Meeting	
10 April 2022	Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club Charter Anniversary Lunch	C.A
11 April 2022	Filey Lions Club Easter Raffle	
21 April 2022	Filey Lions Club Meeting	
25 April 2022	Derwent Lions Club	O.V
28 / 29 April 2022	Council of Governors Meeting, Birmingham	
30 April / 01 May 2022	Multiple District 105 Convention, Birmingham	

Whitby & District Lions Club

Whitby & District Lion's Club are very pleased to announce that our club has voted unanimously to donate a £1,000.00 towards Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Refugee & Displaced Persons Place Fund, to assist the millions of Ukrainian refugees fleeing their own country due to the horrific conflict.



The fund will go directly to Lions Club on the ground in neighbouring countries such as Poland, Hungary, Romania, the Czech Republic and Ukraine itself, who are assisting these desperate people.

These local clubs on the ground have helped to arrange truckloads of food and aid to help refugees on the border, arranging temporary accommodation for refugees while

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they move through Europe and arranging collection of donations to be sent to Poland.

Many other UK and international Lions Clubs are also donating to the fund to help in this desperate humanitarian situation.

Each lions club is dedicated to serve and take action in its local area, that's why it is important our club supports our fellow lions who are working miracles to help these desperate refugees.

To keep up to date with our work and events, please follow us on our various social media pages such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and our own website.

Lion Brian Harrison
Whitby & District Lions Club

Wetherby District Lions Club

Shake Rattle and Bucket

The Lions were rocked by the generosity of Wetherby shoppers on Saturday morning when in just two hours nearly £800 was raised to support Ukrainian refugees.

Donations are forwarded via 'Lions Clubs International Foundation' (LCIF) to Lions clubs in the affected areas

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to allow them to direct aid to where it is most needed. Currently clubs operating in Poland, Hungary, Romania, Czech Republic and Ukraine itself are being supported.



Lions Ruth and Martin collecting at Morrisons

Read more about the workings of LCIF in Ukraine here <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/humanitarian-crisis-ukraine#updates>

A big thank you to all who contributed and if you missed us you can still donate using our website here <https://www.wetherbylions.org/donate>.

Lion John Wardley
Wetherby Lions Club Webmaster

this was so clearly happening today.

Stories of how others were helping were shared regularly today with the volunteers from the Lions and the equally brilliant Rotary. It was never in doubt but we are a credit to our country. Thank you everyone!

Lion Les Sage
President, Morpeth Lions Club

Dumfries Lions Club

Christina Silby is the latest member to join the Dumfries Lions Club and she was welcomed into the Club by the members at their meeting this month. Christina was invited to become a member by Belinda Thomson who recognised her qualities and her contribution to the Club will be considerable.

She is the first of three new members to join the Club with a further two members to be inducted next month and these additions will increase the total Club membership to 25.



Founder member of the Club and Past District Governor Bill Walker performed the brief induction ceremony on the 40th Anniversary of the formation of the Club and is pictured below with President Jock Carlyle, Christina and Belinda Thomson.

Lion John MacColl
Dumfries Lions Club

Lions Club of Morpeth



it's not often that I am lost for words but after Saturdays Lions Street collection and contributions from several groups making the total to over £8000.00. With more unbelievable donations Morpeth Lions have sent off today. £10,000.00 to Lions Ukraine relief fund

The public were so unbelievably generous when helping to support the Morpeth Lions to raise money for the refugees fleeing from the war in Ukraine It was genuinely heart-warming to see children give pocket money, to see people go to cash points, to experience people emptying their pockets, purses and wallets.

Everything helps and everything will go towards this very worthy cause. We all pull together during hard times and

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Garforth & District Lions Club

We were saddened to hear of the passing of one of our former Garforth & District Lions from Breast Cancer. Gwyn had been a Lion for over 10 years, holding many posts including Membership Chairperson.

Gwyn and her husband Paul had recently moved to Fife where she attended the local MAGGIES centre.

We have donated the sum of £100 to MAGGIES as a sign of our appreciation for the work she did for her local community whilst a Lion,

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Long Service Awards

We recently celebrated with two of our Garforth & District Lions who achieved Long Service Awards and recognition badges. Pictured are Lion Steve Mercer for 30 years service and Lion Ruth Pittuck for 10 Years.



Lion Steve being presented with his 30 year service award



Lion Ruth being presented with her 10 year service award

These were presented by PDG Lion Nigel Ware. Well Done and Thank you for Serving your community.

Lorraine Darby
Garforth & District Public Relations Officer

District Almoner

Lions and Partners who have passed on to Higher Service

Lion Aliso Muckersie Dumfries Lions Club

Our thought and prayers are with her loved ones at this sad time

DG Lion David Wilson
District 105N Almoner

Membership

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

Lion Stephen Brown	Boroughbridge 98 Lions Club
Lion Peter Seymour	Boroughbridge 98 Lions Club
Lion John Topliss	Bridlington Lions Club
Lion Olwyn Morley	Transfer from North Wolds to Bridlington
Lion June Rojohn	Holderness Lions Club
Lion Shawn Leggett	Homsea District Lions Club
Lion Gerry Woodfenden	Homsea District Lions Club
Lion Dawn Bolton	Maltby Lions Club
Lion Jan Cooper	Minster Lions Club of York
Lion Geraldine Dent	Teesdale Lions Club
Lion Michael Kerr	Tynedale Lions Club
Lion Firas Kamel Soudani	Yarm Lions Club
Lion Marilyn Bennett	
District 105N MYLCI Co-ordinator	

Zone 1 Lions Clubs

the Zone N1, Aberdeen area clubs who came together to make a donation to the Archie Foundation / Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital as part of the district wide project to support children with Cancer.

The following clubs came together to make the donation:

- Aberdeen Lions Club
- Aberdeen Bon Accord Lions Club
- Stonehaven & District Lions Club
- Westhill and Skeen Branch Club



Members of the above clubs at the hospital to make the cheque presentation

Lion David Lawman
Zone 1 Chairman

Ayr & Prestwick Lions Club

At last we are approaching normality after a two year hiatus. Business meetings are now back to a monthly pattern and events are being planned. At the time of writing final preparations are being made for a week at the Maybole Charity Shop from 26 March. This will be

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our first week there since 2019. A long awaited bypass of Maybole has recently opened and the town is to benefit from planned improvements to the High Street.

The old charity shop is closed due to structural problems so we will be in temporary premises this year but hopeful for a successful week.

For many years Ayr & Prestwick Lions Club has been collecting used spectacles with the help of four local optometrists. This was one activity which continued during the pandemic. Lion Robin White recently dispatched eight boxes of glasses to MD HQ in Birmingham. These contained 2,880 spectacles



Lion Alec Mooney
Ayr & Prestwick Lions Club



Bruce and Zoe Thornhill accepting our grateful thanks their help from their company, "Kevin Thornhill Motor Engineer".

Bruce and Ross towed the Lions Santa Sleigh around Dalbeattie, Kirkgunzeon, Palnackie and Kippford.

We couldn't have done it without them and it was great fun for us.

Lion Lynda Burns
President, Dalbeattie & District Lions Club

Dalbeattie & District Lions Club

Presentations



Marshall Smith receives his Citation and Badge to commemorate his 30 years of service as member of Dalbeattie and District Lions Club from club President Lynda Burns

A stalwart of the club, Marshall has given the most tremendous unflinching service to the club and we were all pleased to acknowledge this special occasion with him.

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Keighley Lions Club

Spring at last! Lighter nights, a feeling of optimism in the air.

We held a thank you social evening for all those friends of Lions who helped out over the Christmas season, manning the grotto and sleigh plus standing in the cold with bucket collections. A few fun games and party nibbles provided by members made a great chance to say 'thank you'

Then a tree planting in Riddlesden, along with others at a primary school.

Our president has a project running to provide well written and illustrated books aimed at teaching primary school pupils about the environment and the problems created by our carelessness. She is contacting schools in the area, which could be ongoing for some time.

Officer elections on the horizon...will there be changes...or a roll over? We shall see the election of officers comes up at our meeting.

Lion Harry Ambler
PR & Marketing Officer
Keighley Lions Club

Morpeth Lions Club

The Lions Club of Morpeth recently celebrated a milestone in its history having achieved 50 years of service to the local community. The celebration in the form of a Charter Dinner took place in the function suite of, what was known as, the Queens Head in Morpeth. This in itself was a first for the hotel owners as it was the first function held in the 'new' premises.

Lion President Les Sage welcomed over 110 guests including the 'Top table' comprising the Mayor Councillor David Bawn and his wife Nicola, Lion District Governor David Wilson and his wife Christine, plus Morpeth Rotary Club President Mary Kendall and her husband Bob.



In his speech, David Wilson praised the service given by Morpeth Lions over its history; highlighting fundraising for the Morpeth Flood Victims and more recently Ukrainian refugees.

David then took pleasure in presenting a number of long service chevrons to a number of Morpeth Lions – in total representing over 250 years of service. Notably to Eddie Gebhard and Les Sage who have each been members for over 45 years.



In addition, District Governor David presented a framed Certificate of Appreciation for the Club's half century of service to the Morpeth and District community. This had been signed by the National Patron, Sophie, Countess of Wessex.



In responses Les Sage said 'We thank the guests for their attendance and the support they have given over many years. We are fortunate to live in an appreciative community that always rises to the occasion whenever we identify a need. This has enabled the Club to assist so many local organisations over the past 50 years. This has been helped by the long service of many of our members.

I would also wish to praise the excellent meal we have enjoyed tonight and for the exemplary service given by the 'Queens Head' staff.'

Lion Simon Pringle
PR Officer, Morpeth Lions Club

Travelling Lion Competition

Thorne Rural Lions Club 33

Fellow Lions

So far Thorne Rural Lions Club appear to be the only club collecting points for this competition.

If your club is doing club visits then please send me the number of points you have collected on each visit.

Lion Roy Field
District 105N Competitions Officer

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

Sunday 24th April 2022

Lion George W Morgan
District 105N Newsletter Editor