



Lions Clubs International

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Fellow Lions, Leos and Partners.

A Very Happy New Year to all members, their partners, and their families.

It has been very interesting and encouraging over the last few weeks to see and read all the wonderful news on social media with regards to your Lions Clubs and in particular to see and read once again how successful you have all been with your Santa's Sleighs. I always feel that our Sleighs help us to achieve several goals, they firstly provide us with much needed fund-raising opportunities raising many thousands of pounds each year, they are a brilliant form of publicity for getting our Clubs better known within the Communities that we serve, they encourage good friendships and bonding within our clubs and finally they bring much needed joy and laughter to young and old alike. One phrase I often hear time and time again when out with the Lions Sleigh is we feel that Christmas has really arrived when the Lion's sleigh has been down our street.

I am very pleased to advise members that in the last month I have been able to appoint a District Leadership and Development Officer with Lion Richard Bailey stepping forward to fill this role. Lion Richard is from the Doncaster Went Valley Lions Club and was an attendee at the recent Multiple District Young in Service Symposium. Thank you, Richard, for taking on this role and I am sure we all look forward to meeting you soon. We still have vacancies for a Zone Chairman in South and West Yorkshire and a District Membership Officer.

I must report that in the last month two of our well-established clubs have decided to call it a day, Normanton, and Featherstone Lions Clubs. We thank these clubs for the service they have given over many years. This reduces the Central Yorkshire Zone down to one Club, Castleford, and Pontefract which after discussion with ZC Keith I have decided to move the Castleford and Pontefract into Leeds area zone and this zone which did not have a Zone Chairman will now be led by ZC Lion Keith Smalley. I am very grateful to Lion Keith for his help and support with these recent changes in Central Yorkshire.

To help all clubs recruit more members the International Board has made the decision to continue the suspension of new members joining fee (35\$) now until the 30th of June 2022. Whilst your District Cabinet has made the decision not to charge clubs a District levy of £4 per member for the next 6 months. This is all very good news as we try to fully re establish our clubs after a period of a year not being able to have face to face meetings.

I would like to remind all members that my wife Christine's partners appeal is the Lions Brain Tumour Appeal, and I would like to thank those Clubs who have already donated. Donation is by cheque or by BACS transfer into District funds from where our District Treasurer forwards on your contributions.

District Convention is fast approaching the 4th to the 6th of February at the Burn Hall Hotel just north of York. Full details of how to book for the District Convention are on our District Web page or are available from your Club Secretary or from the Convention Booking Officer Lion Kevin Hunter at kandchunter@btinternet.com.

There has been a change in our International Guest for the Convention it is now current International Director
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Daniel Isenrich and his wife Biggi from Bavaria who I am informed is not only a very good and interesting speaker but he also has a very good grasp of the English Language.

We are currently seeking hosts for the 2023 District Convention, please come with your offers to this years Convention and please be assured that this year's team will be only too pleased to offer you advice and support should you require it.

Lion David Wilson
District Governor 105N

District Governor David's January Diary 2022

09 Jan 2022	Election of VDG's Zoom meeting 10am	20 Jan 2022	Filey Lions Club Meeting
09 Jan 2022	Convention Zoom planning Meeting 11am	21/23 Jan 22	Council of Governor's Meeting, Kenilworth
14 Jan 2022	Filey Lions Club Social Evening	24 Jan 2022	District 105N Trustees Zoom Meeting

Whitby Lions Club

Whitby & District Lions have recently been sharing in the Christmas spirit by purchasing a range of festive treats for Whitby Food Bank's Christmas care hampers. As we all know, Christmas can be an expensive time of year, especially when trying to make a special Christmas lunch.

To assist those in need, Whitby Lions have purchased one hundred packs of mince pies and a range of Christmas puddings. A selection box for all of the children of the families who use the Christmas care hampers has also been provided, with Sainsbury's Whitby very kindly donating half of these, whilst also generously contributing to the overall cost of purchases.

All care hampers have been individually put together and distributed to families in need in the local area, ready for Christmas day.

Whitby Lions would like to thank Sainsbury's Whitby for their kind support and say a huge well done to the team at Whitby Food Bank who continue to do amazing work to support their community in difficult times



Lions Paul Freestone & Shirley Smith. Whitby Food Bank Organisers John Woolin, Elizabeth Norval & Chris Taylor

Lion Brian Harrison
Whitby Lions Club

Garforth & District Lions Club C I O

We all need a little help sometimes

It had been a busy time after such a rubbish year,
Santa was tired but didn't want to miss the cheers,
He couldn't rest until after Santa Run
Who could help me make some fun

Mrs Claus was listening whilst wrapping toys,
"I'll go see the girls and boys",
Santa was happy for the help,
Mrs Claus all bright and red
Went out to help upon the sled.



But more help was needed to complete his rounds,
So Friends of Lions took the strain
Who went out collecting in the rain,
With the help from Co-op, Tesco and Garforth Tigers too.

Fun was had by all around
Santa Claus was very proud.
It's good to share the jobs we do
and a little bit of time too.

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Girls from the Co-op



Members of Garforth Tigers

Thanks to All of Our Santa's, Mrs Claus, Elves & not forgetting the reindeer and especially the Rudolf's as we couldn't have done it without you.

We have had some very generous donations so far and are still collecting until 23rd December throughout our District.

Merry Christmas One and All...Here's to a wonderful 2022.

Lion Lorraine Darby
Public Relations Officer, Garforth and District Lions Club

Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club CIO

Following the closure of Normanton & District Lions Club we are pleased to welcome into our club Lions Carole and David Large. Because Lion George could not play Santa this year Lion David volunteered to stand in along with two friends of the Lions Club in order that our grottos could go ahead.

Santa and his helpers have been busy supporting our club again this year. Our first Grotto was held in Pontefract Town Hall for the Lights switch on where we had 240 children come in to see Santa.

We then moved our Grotto into Tilley's Kitchen on J32 Shopping Centre which once again was a great success which means that we have seen around 500 plus children over the past 4 weeks.

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It has been fun and a massive thank you to all our volunteers and to every child who has visited us. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.



Santa in his Grotto



The Naughty Elf with some unusual visitors



They wanted to go and see Santa

Christmas Booze Basket

On the lead up to Christmas we were able to do popular booze basket raffle once again at the Chequers Inn, Ledsham.

Members decided that this year we should raise funds for Prince of Wales Hospice, Pontefract Because of the price increase on the contents of the booze basket we decided to increase the squares on the sheet

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From 250 to 300 rather than increasing the price of the squares. This proved very popular with the customers and with donations received as well we actually took £346 pounds and the lucky winner received her 6 litres of alcohol just in time for Christmas.

Thanks to The Chequers pub at Ledsham for letting us sell our tickets. And also to the customers who bought them



One Happy Lady with her six Litres of spirits ready to celebrate Christmas and New Year

Lion President Karen Heywood
Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club CIO

Membership

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

Lion John Fallon	Harrogate Lions Club
Lion John Kelly	Tickhill & District Lions Club
Lion Margaret Count	Tickhill & District Lions Club
Lion Malcolm Miles	Tickhill & District Lions Club
Lion Carole Boldero	Bradford Central Lions Club
Lion Helen Granger	Derwent Lions Club
Lion Jacqueline Bowater	Huddersfield Lions Club
Lion Joyce Moorhouse	Huddersfield Lions Club
Lion Geoff Strangewood	Peterlee & District Lions Club
Lion Neill Taylor	Knaresborough Lions Club
Lion Ruth Holt	Wetherby District Lions club

Transfers

Lion's David & Carole Large from Normanton District Lions Club to Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club CIO

Lion Marilyn Bennett
District 105N MYLCI Co-ordinator

District Almoner

Lions Who Have Passed on to Higher Service

Lion Robert Martin Darlington Lions Club

Lion Gillian Makin Huddersfield Lions Club

Our thoughts are with their families at this sad time.

DG Lion David Wilson
District 105N Almoner

Wishing Everyone



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

Monday 20th January 2022

Could I also ask that you send your articles as word documents and photographs as separate Jpegs. Please do not send them in the body of an e-mail or as web pages as this can sometimes cause problems when downloading or editing.

Lion George W Morgan
District 105N Newsletter Editor