



Lions Clubs International

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District 105N Newsletter

District Governor 105N



Fellow Lions, Leos and Partners.

I hope that you are all keeping well during once again these very difficult Covid 19 times.

As the majority of you will be aware by now at the Special meeting of Past District Governors held to appoint a replacement for Lion Nigel Ware as District Governor for the part of this Lionistic year there was only one nomination and the Lion nominated did not receive more than 50% support from the Past District Governors. This was advised to Lions Clubs International at the end of September and we are still awaiting their decisions on the way forward, in the meantime I am charged by LCI to be your Acting District Governor. As soon as I have any further information I will communicate it to you all.

Christine and I have been very pleased to have been able to have met a good number of you and your partners at the Charter Anniversary Dinners that we have been invited to attend over the last few weeks. It has been very pleasing to hear that despite the restrictions that Covid 19 puts on our lives and service to our Communities that some very imaginative Welfare, Community Service, Fundraising and Social events are not only being planned but are taking place. We have been extremely well welcomed at all events we have attended in all parts of our District.

Let me remind you however of the recent advice put out by our District Health and Safety Officer Lion Geoff Bushell. This advice is on top of normal Risk Assessments you carry out.

1. **How are you going to manage social distancing.**
2. **Access to toilets and cleaning of them.**
3. **Handwashing and sanitising**
4. **Action you would take if someone arrives with Covid symptoms**
5. **Whether face coverings should be worn.**

Please follow this advice as you plan your Christmas activities.

It will soon be time once again for our District Convention which this year is at Burn Hall just north of York. Please reserve the dates of the weekend of the 4th to the 6th February in your diary now for a weekend of Fun, Friendship and Fellowship.

The Convention will be extra important this time around as we will be looking to appoint a full District Governor Team of District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor and 2nd Vice District Governor,

If you or your partner are interested at all in any of these positions and would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact myself or my wife Christine.

We look forward to meeting you in the next few weeks.

Take care

Lion David Wilson

Acting District Governor 105N

Acting District Governor David's November Diary

02 Nov 2021	Acting District Governor's Team Meeting		12/14 Nov 2021	2918/2019 DG's Reunion	
05 Nov 2021	Withernsea Lion Club	C.A	18 Nov 2021	Whitby Lions Club Meeting	
07 Nov 2021	District 105N Cabinet Meeting		18 Nov 2021	Bridlington Lions Club	C.A

District Competitions.

Travelling Lion.

Thorne Rural Lions Club. 21.
Hornsea Lions Club. 5.

Host Club.

Any Club who has been visited by another Club can claim **One** point. {No points for further visits by same club}.

Scrapbook.

All Clubs entering should have, by now, collected the info. and photo's ready to make an Album to present to Convention.

Photographic Competition.

As I have not had any information. from Multiple District regarding subjects, I will use last years subjects.

Webpage.

Please have your info. kept up to date and ready to submit in January.

Peter Shaw Trophy.

I look forward to seeing some good projects from the last twelve months, even in these difficult times.

Rookie of the Year.

This is for new members who will have been with us less than 18 months at Convention.

Enjoy your Lionism.

Lion Roy Field

District 105N Competitions Officer.



The club has, for many years presented the KEN BELL Award at this function. This award (which comes with a cheque for £500) is presented by the serving President to an individual or organisation that has done outstanding work in the town and has gone that "extra mile" to benefit the lives of others in the community.



The award for 2019/2020 was presented by PP Jenny Eldred to Rosie Bullard who set up a First Aid Station in the town (in TESCO Car Park) after the Minor Injuries Unit at the local Hospital closed.



IPP Michael Parry presented the award for 2020/21 to June Greensmith. Who has set up and continues to run

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Hornsea District Lions Club

We were finally able to hold our Charter Anniversary Dinner on the 20th September in the Hornsea Golf Club. (This would normally have taken place in May!). It was fairly well attended by members of other clubs in the area.

Two of our members were surprised and honoured to be presented with the MJF Award by DG David Wilson, they were IPP Michael Parry and PP Jean Robinson.

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Hornsea Urban Gardeners (HUG) who have done amazing work in the town. Ranging from establishing flower beds to painting Benches and clearing the footpath along the Old railway Line.

Lion Mel Watson
Hornsea District Lions Club

Knaresborough Lions Club

Membership boost for Knaresborough Lions Club

Knaresborough Lions were delighted to welcome 7 new members to their ranks at their meeting on September 22nd. The club, best-known for hosting the town's bed race, recently hosted a successful beer festival as part of the town's FEVA week, with a number of people expressing interest in finding out more about the organisation at the event.

Club President Mike Pyle expressed delight about the influx of new joiners: "Since the start of the coronavirus pandemic, Knaresborough has really thrived as a community with people supporting one another. We're overjoyed to welcome so many new members to carry on this great work and we know that they will all be excellent additions to our ranks. We have several more interested applicants too, so it is a really exciting time for the club. We are already starting to gear up for Christmas and have dusted down the sleigh ahead of taking Father Christmas out around the streets in December.



Pictured left to right: Stewart Reid; Bernadette Reid; Suzy Jury; Matt Walker; Club President Mike Pyle; Mark Flood; John-Michael Lloyd; Mike Baldwin

Lion Martin Brock
Knaresborough Lions Club

Morpeth Lions Club

The recent Lions Club of Morpeth Book Sale was an event that kept on giving.

Whilst donated books were being sorted by Maureen Chambers and Lion Louise Blease some photographs

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fell out of one of the books. They were pictures of two separate weddings from different periods.

As the books had been donated locally, Louise felt that by using social media someone might recognise them. Sure enough, within a day, two family members got in touch saying that one related to her wedding whilst the other was of her parents wedding.

Accordingly they were posted out to the lady who was delighted to be reunited with them.

Louise said 'We are so pleased that we found the photographs and even more so that we have been able to return them to the family. How they came to be in the book is a mystery; however that book certainly brought about a happy ending'.



The recent Lions Club of Morpeth Book Sale.

Lion Simon Pringle
Publicity Officer Morpeth Lions Club

Wetherby District Lions Club

A well-earned rest on the Harland Way!

Wetherby District Lions Martin and Ken, in partnership with Harrogate Borough Council, have been working on the Harland Way.

Martin explains the project - "Since lockdown, increasing numbers of people are using the Harland Way. Several of the seating benches on the Spofforth side of the railway cutting have deteriorated with age to the extent they are unusable. Wetherby Lions are delighted to have refurbished four of these benches using recycled plastic lumber and to have had the support of Harrogate Borough Council and Sustrans in doing so."

Shirelle adds, "it's been such a pleasure working together with Martin and Ken refurbishing the benches, helping Harrogate Borough Council to improve the seating on the Harland Way. The benches look fantastic and we've had such good feedback on them.

Please pass on our thanks and appreciation to the

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Wetherby District Lions for funding this project. I hope we can work together again soon."



Shirelle Hawkins - Countryside Education Officer, HBC and Lion Martin taking a breather!

Wetherby welcome newest member

At our club meeting on 4th October, Wetherby District Lions welcomed Ruth Holt. Ruth brings a wealth of experience to the club and says, "I am delighted to be a member of the Wetherby District Lions Club. I recently retired from the NHS where I worked as a nurse for over 30 years. Retirement is my opportunity to give something back to the community of Wetherby as a Lion.

I am looking forward to doing this alongside my loves of golf, sailing, walking and catching up with friends and family.

We do think that Ruth is being rather modest about her very varied career in the NHS!



Lion Martin (Sponsor) - Lion Ruth - Lion President Tim

Lion John Wardley
Webmaster Wetherby Lions Club

Whitby Lions Club

Whitby Lion's Club recently celebrated their 51st Charter Night at the Inn on the Moor in Goathland which was enjoyed by all who attended. Continued in next column

The club's charter night celebrates the club's birthday from when it was formed 51 years ago. The club was due to hold a much larger charter night at the Whitby Pavilion last year to celebrate its 50th anniversary, however unfortunately, due to Covid-19 the event had to be cancelled.

This year's event was the first opportunity the club had for its members to meet socially for the first time since the start of the pandemic. The event was attended by lion's members, their partners and guests with everyone having an excellent time, enjoying the outstanding food which we highly recommend and a raffle which raised £100 for club funds.

The highlight of the night was our club President Lion Danny Boyes being presented with a certificate of appreciation by our Acting District 105N Governor Lion David Wilson for the 50 years of service the club has served our local community.



Over these 50 years the club has raised thousands of pounds for the many local charities and organisations that it has supported.

If you want to find out further information about our club and our upcoming Boxing Day Dip or the other activities we carry out throughout the year please visit:

www.whitbylionsclub.org.uk

or visit our Facebook and Instagram pages.

Lion Brian Harrison
Whitby Lions Club

Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club

Castleford and Pontefract District Lions Club are pleased to announce that they have received from the Normanton based 'Novus Health' company, a quantity of new but now obsolete hearing aids, with a retail value in excess of £35,000. (This is due to an updated model).

These will be passed on to the Starkey Hearing Foundation, who will refurbish, where necessary and then distribute them to people with hearing difficulties, in the developing world.

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Lions Keith Smalley & George Morgan collecting the Hearing Aids from Heidi Tanton of Novus Health Company

Lions Keith and George along with their ladies then took them over to Dr Michael Nolan of the Starkey Hearing Foundation in Lancashire who assured us he would inspect them and report back to us later that evening.



Dr Michael Nolan and Lion Keith with some of the Hearing Aids

Later that evening we received the following reply from Dr Nolan as follows:

Dear Keith, George,

Very nice to see you folks today and many thanks for delivering the hearing aids. As promised herein is a summary of the contents the bulk as you know being the new hearing aids manufactured by GN Resound. The sundries (thin tubes and domes of various sizes) are used when fitting the hearing aids and are commonly used today instead of the more traditional earmould.- cosmetically better, more discrete

I will determine where these are to be placed and report back

I hope you had a safe journey homes and the girls enjoyed their day.

Kindest best wishes

Michael

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Used Spectacle Collection

The club continues to be very busy with its ongoing used spectacles collections and Lion President Karen along with Lion Jeannette delivered another 3000+ glasses to Lions Headquarters in Birmingham.



Lion Jeannette & Lion President Karen with some of the boxes of Glasses.

Lion George Morgan

Castleford & Pontefract District Lions Club C>I.O

Keighley Lions Club



Lions and Friends attending our Social Dinner

Had a much-delayed Christmas meal, and a relaxed, social dinner, (a charter dinner in all but name, no speeches, no formality, members, and friends enjoyed good food and good company). Much catching up done!

Remembrance Day, Christmas grotto, all in planning stage. Our sleigh is having a much-needed re-furb, with better festive lighting... ready for our street collections.

The Club's stock of spectacles is still growing...hoping for news of what to do with them???

Lion Harry Ambler

Keighley Lions Club

P.R and Marketing Officer

LIONS ORGANISED CLUB EVENTS & COVID-19

Fellow Lions,

In the run up to Christmas many Lions Clubs will be organising events involving elderly and vulnerable groups.

Although shielding programmes and all legal restrictions were lifted in England in July 2021, we still nevertheless must exercise caution and a duty of care when organising any Lions events, especially when these events involve elderly and vulnerable folk and a rising infection rate.

Whilst considering your risk assessment for indoor events involving these groups, in addition to the normal safety requirements, please consider:-

- How you will manage Social Distancing.

- Access to toilets and cleaning.

- Hand washing and sanitising.

- What action you would take if someone arrives exhibiting Covid symptoms.

- Whether Lions / helpers should consider the wearing of face coverings.

It is great that Lions Clubs are once again starting to organise events, but please be careful and if in any doubt err on the side of caution. It would not make good news if a Covid-19 outbreak occurred as a result of a Lions Organised event where Covid risk factors had not been given due consideration.

Many thanks

Lion Geoff Bushell
District H & S Officer – 105N

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

Tuesday 23rd November 2021

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.

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