



DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



September 2009
 District Governor Lion Christine Rowe
 "LIONS ROAR"

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One month on I am now enjoying the opportunity of attending Club meetings, and it is so refreshing and amazing to see the diversity in the activities carried out within the District. Over the coming months I am looking forward to visiting more Clubs and meeting more of you all. Clubs seem to be having a lot of Fun doing the things that Lions do! Supporting local causes; considering International items, working on membership issues as well as supporting each other in times of need.

After speaking with Lions from around the world it seems that all issues and concerns are the same wherever there is a Lions Club, but most importantly the FUN element and satisfaction of helping those in need is paramount.

I have already challenged each President to attend a Cabinet meeting, so that members can be aware how decisions are made which affect us all, as well as challenging each Club to do something completely different this year. Now I would like to challenge each Lion to make an effort to visit at least one other Club during the next fiscal year. I am positive that you will find the opportunity to meet other like minded people who will give you a greater perspective of how Lions can operate, and that you will come away with new ideas for activities or how to improve your current ones. Yes, it is O.K. to 'pinch' ideas and I hope that we can all share our good practices to the benefit of our Organisation.

We must all be on the lookout for new ideas, to both promote our wonderful Organisation as well as ways to fundraise and how we can be more 'hands on' in our communities. I am sure that if we can be seen to be providing assistance locally, then this will lead to people wanting to join us and then we will have extra pairs of hands to either lighten the load or increase our activities.

I urge you all to put 4th October in your diaries to attend the Autumn Forum at Okehampton. I am sure that all Lions will find something to interest them. The well tried format of the District Officers having their tables in the morning will continue. This enables all Lions to meet the Officers and discuss their concerns directly. In the afternoon there will be speakers on various subjects from Young Leaders in Service, LCIF and- dare I say it!- PR. This is also an excellent opportunity to make new friends as well as meeting up with old ones. We will have had the planning meeting for this event, by the time you read this, as well as attending a GMT (Global Membership Team) workshop in Birmingham.

Enjoy being a Lion and **ROAR**

Christine

SEPTEMBER			DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S DIARY			OCTOBER		
1	Wadebridge	Official Visit	1	Holsworthy	Official Visit			
3	Okehampton	Official Visit	4	Okehampton	Autumn Forum			
6	Birmingham	MD PRO Meeting	5	Exeter	Official Visit			
7	Fowey River	Official Visit	9	Weston-S-Mare	Charter Anniversary			
9	Sidmouth	Official Visit	10	Bideford	Charter Anniversary			
10	Launceston	Official Visit	11	Launceston	Charter Anniversary			
14	Wells	Official Visit	12	Tavistock	Official Visit			
19	Portishead	Charter Anniversary	13	Budleigh Salterton	Official Visit			
22	Barnstaple	Official Visit	14	South Molton	Official Visit			
23	Plymouth	Convention Meeting	19	Clevedon	Official Visit			
26	Penzance	Charter Anniversary	21	Callington	Official Visit			
28	Yeovil	Official Visit	23	Yeovil	Charter Anniversary			
			24	Lee Arms, Kenn	MERL Meeting			
			24	Exeter	Charter Anniversary			
			25	Helston	Charter Anniversary			
			30/31	Birmingham	Council of Governors			

DISTRICT BITS AND BOBS



THE FACES OF THE FUTURE

On the left 1st Vice District Governor Lion Neil Rutter member of Seaton & District Lions Club and 2nd Vice District Governor Clifton Cane member of Babbacombe & St Marychurch Lions Club following the recent District Handover at St Mellion Golf Club.



RAISING FUNDS FOR CLUB ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT

Clubs are able to raise funds for their administration account as long as this is made clear in all communications with the public and/or event supporters.

This means that all tickets, posters, advertisements and other communications in whatever medium must clearly state that the proceeds of the event are going towards the administration and costs of the Club.

Lion Ralph Hibbert - District Treasurer

DISTRICT CONSTITUTION

The District Constitution has been updated to reflect the resolutions passed at District Convention on Saturday 7th March 2009. The new version has been posted on the district website and is available in the area entitled Membership Resources:

<http://www.lions105sw.org.uk/assets/Membership/Membership.htm>

Should any club require a printed version please contact the District Secretary.

Lion David Green - District Constitutions, Resolutions & Nominations Officer

DISTRICT AUTUMN FORUM - SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER OKEHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Meet up with old friends and make new ones, swap ideas and learn something new. Be a '**First-timer**'.

Download your Booking Form from the District website as follows under the July mail-drop and return to Lion Andrew Bryant by 12th September 2009

<http://www.lions105sw.org.uk/assets/htm/Cabinet.htm>

Lion Malcolm Hill - District Leadership Development Officer

PRESIDENT'S EXCELLENCE AWARD

Completed forms for the above award for the last fiscal year must be returned to me (IPDG) by the beginning of September in order for me to meet MDHQ's deadline. Please **do not** send directly to MDHQ without my signature.

The form is available on the district website in the Cabinet area under the June mail-drop:

<http://www.lions105sw.org.uk/assets/htm/Cabinet.htm>

Lion Graham Lang - Immediate Past District Governor

JUNIOR DISABILITY GAMES

IPDG Ted Rockley of 105BN has written sending his sincere thanks to all Clubs within our District who donated £ 850 towards BN's appeal for funding towards the Junior Disability Games. These were held in Blackpool in July when over 700 youngsters participated in the event.

My personal thanks go to all those Clubs who gave financial support to the event led by fellow Lions from another District.

Lion Graham Lang - Immediate Past District Governor

Competitions

Environment and Community

The District Photograph and Environment Competitions are for members to enjoy participating in and can be good PR for their Clubs. Last year's entries for the Photo competition were on a par with the year before but from very few Clubs. However the entries received were of a good standard and all entrants can be commended for this.

I would like all Club Presidents/Secretaries to consider encouraging members to enter on behalf of their Clubs as I'm sure most members take photographs on their holidays and could find at least one photograph that meets the criteria set out by Oakbrook. The judging of all entries will be carried out by a fully independent volunteer. All the rules and categories can be found on the District & MD web sites.

More Environmental projects can be achieved as I feel sure all Clubs large or small, could at least take part in some Bulb or Tree planting or such like within their community.

Please remember it's not just a case of winning but the taking part which is important!!

Should you have any queries please contact me and I will endeavour to help.

Lion Ian Snell

District Environment & Community Chairperson

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Quiz & Skittles & Visiting Lions Competition

The Lions Competitions consists of Quiz, Skittles & Visiting Lion. These are open to all Clubs and all Members who like a bit of competition, no you don't have to be Brain of Britain just have a bit of general knowledge. It is a wonderful way of having fun, meeting new Lions, making new friends, exchanging views and getting new ideas maybe for your own Club. It is designed to be friendly as well as being competitive. The Quiz & Skittles are also a way of clocking up points for the Visiting Lion's Trophy which is presented to the winning Club with the most points at District Convention.

This year the number of clubs taking part is disappointingly low and from a logistic point of view has made it very difficult to organise so come on Clubs let next year be a bumper year when all Clubs have a go. Please see page 5 for information regarding the Visiting Lions Competition.

Lion Hazel Jones

Competitions Officer

ADDITIONAL DIRECTORY CHANGES

Saltash

The newly reformed Lions Club will be holding meetings as follows:

3rd Tuesday of every month at 7.30 pm
Venue - Saltash Working Mens Club

The Club can be contacted or followed from the details below:-

E-mail: saltashlionsclub@googlemail.com

Website: <http://saltashlionsclub.blogspot.com/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/SaltashLions>

Welcome Back

Newquay

Please note that due to illness President Lion Robert Morgan has had to stand down and Lion Graham Drew has taken his place.

We wish you well Robert

Amended Club details are in the Revised 105SW Directory.

Weston-super-Mare

Please note the following changes for Weston-super-Mare:

Meetings – 1st Monday Dinner meeting and 3rd Monday Business meeting

Venue – Post Code is BS23 2ED

President's details - Tel: (H) 01934 626331 Mobile: 07904 096402

Email: clivedarke@yahoo.co.uk

Honiton & District

Please note contact details for the President, Lion Ed Pescud are as follows and **not** as in the Directory

Tel: 01404 890238

GALA DAY & GREEK SUPPER WITH MAMMA MIA

Callington Lions Club's Gala Day as part of Carnival week was a bit of a 'wet one' and after weeks of good weather it was back to 'wellies and waterproofs'. Despite the rain the Dog Show went ahead whilst Belly Dancing, Punch & Judy, Facepainting and the Town Band carried on in the marquee along with refreshments and the bar.

The 'Mamma Mia' Sing-along evening with a Greek supper on the Friday was a complete sell-out. Our Chefs along with excellent assistants cooked up a 3 course Greek Supper including Moussaka and Baklava for over 100 people, the only thing missing was the Greek Sunshine!! Approximately £ 500 was raised for the Friends of Callington Health Centre.



Pictured are the Head Chefs, Andy Burnard, Jamie Dowdall and Phil Lamb!!!!!! **No plate smashing please.**

HAPPY RETIREMENT

IPDG Graham received an MJF as his "retirement" gift from the District. Graham said that he was honoured to receive the Award and like all those to whom he had made similar presentations during the year he was lost for words.

However he would like to thank most sincerely all the Clubs whose generosity made it possible for him to join the ranks of MJFs after 37 years in Lions and one year as DG!!!



Picture shows IPDG Graham receiving his MJF from District Secretary Lion David Atkins.

ALL ABOARD FOR THE BIG BANG

Torpoint & Rame Peninsula Lions were all at sea during the British Fireworks Championship held in Plymouth. Lions families and friends enjoyed the annual spectacle from a prime position along with many other boats bobbing about on what was a beautiful warm summer evening.



CONQUERING FEARS

Plymouth Tamar Lion Rosemary Tremaine, a Senior Health Care Assistant with Marie Curie Cancer Care recently conquered two of her fears, heights and being underwater, by abseiling 220ft off Canonteign Waterfall and at the same time raising over £1,100 for charity.



Plymouth Tamar Lions have also been busy leading teams across Dartmoor in the Annual 10 Mile Event organised by Plymouth and Plym Valley Lions Clubs, again raising money for charity.

'NO RAIN ON THEIR PARADE'

A week of Carnival events including 'Jazz at the Bridge', Fun Day in the Meadows, Walking Treasure Hunt, Pavement Artists Competition and a 'Concert in the Church' featuring the local talent of Stannary Brass Band, Tavistock Musical Theatre Company and Tavistock Children's Theatre Club culminated with the Saturday Procession. Thankfully it was 'Dry' and although crowds were smaller an amazing £ 2,515.67 was collected en route. This together with profits raised from the other events will be distributed by the Lions to the clubs, schools, charities and other organisations that participated during Carnival Week. This year's Theme was 'Tell us a Story' with Tavistock C P School winning 'Best in Procession and 1st Tavistock Scout Group 'Best in Theme'. Overall the Lions were pleased with the week's event and planning now starts for next year with the theme of 'Let's Celebrate' so that the local community and visitors can enjoy the week's events

Pictured after the 'COUNT' are Lions Richard Jones, Chris Northey and George Nash. 'That's some bags of pennies counted'



President Vicky Holloway and winning entry for 'Best in Theme'.

PORTISHEAD TO LANDS END BY KUBOTA

Crewkerne Lions Club are organising this event in aid of the Children's Hospice for Cornwall 'Precious Lives Appeal' passing through many Lions Clubs towns. You are invited to Guess how many **HOURS, MINUTES AND SECONDS** the vehicle will take on its journey. Substantial prizes for the winner and those closest.



Please support this event as it passes through the District.

Full Details will be sent to Clubs in due course.

Lion Lesley Chudley - Crewkerne

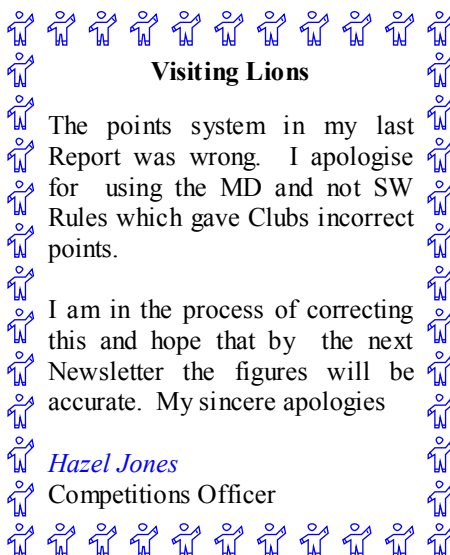
In Memoriam

Sadly the following dedicated Lions have passed to Higher Service since the August edition of the Newsletter

Lion Jackie Girling
(Hayle & District Lions Club)
Wife of Past President
Dave Girling

Lion David Fletcher
(Exmouth Clyst Valley)

They remain in our Thoughts



Visiting Lions

The points system in my last Report was wrong. I apologise for using the MD and not SW Rules which gave Clubs incorrect points.

I am in the process of correcting this and hope that by the next Newsletter the figures will be accurate. My sincere apologies

Hazel Jones

Competitions Officer

Membership

Welcome to the following who have recently joined the family of Lions:

Fred Knight	Axminster
Paul Sterlini	Bridgwater
Lynne Wood	Cheddar Vale
Francis Davis	Crewkerne
Angela Kurn	Liskeard
Warren Thompson	Lyn
Keven Pedrick	Okehampton
Alan Cranleigh	Okehampton
Deborah Willcocks	Plymouth
Neil Challen	Saltash
Gloria Challen	Saltash
John Barrington-Rowall	Seaton
Les Green	Wadebridge

Rejoin

Greg Kelloway	Burnham-on-Sea
Trudy Kelloway	Burnham-on-Sea
Bob Payne	Saltash

Transferred from District

Gwen Froment	Seaton to Rowell L.C. 105M
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**District Membership as per July
MMR Reports 1370**

Seaton & District Lions Club

Present the

Three Counties Band

at

Seaton Town Hall

27th September 2009

Tickets £5 - available from
Jim Partridge-Hogbin until 20th
on Tel: 01297 23260



Doors open at 7 pm



Axminster & District Lions Club

Present

Rock and Roll Night

Pete Hutton & The Beyonders

Supported by

Rock A Billy D.J.

Screaming Brian

Saturday 24th October 2009

The Guildhall

West Street, Axminster

8 pm-1 am with Licensed Bar

**TICKETS £10 on the door
or available from Jackie 01297 323163**

CHANGE OF CLOSING DATE

MUSIC COMPETITION 2009/2010

Please note that Application forms for this year's Music Competition (the Classical Guitar) must be returned to me by **30th November 2009** and **NOT** the date shown on the Application form. Please make every effort to sponsor a Young Musician so that we can replicate last year's success.

Expenses incurred attending the District competition are to be borne by the sponsoring Club. The expenses of the winning candidate to the MD final will be borne by MD.

A provisional date of Saturday 12th December has been set for the District Competition. Full details at a later date.

John Halford
Young Musician Officer

Lions District 105SW



Annual Carol Service
with Prose & Poetry

**St George's Church
Tiverton**

5th December 2009

7.30 pm

**Guest Soloist
Mandy Bussell**

Any Lion wishing to take part in the service please contact Lion Wendy Broom as soon as possible.

**Numbers to Lion Wendy Broom by
1st December 2009**

Seaton & District Lions Club Present

Truro City Choir

at

Seaton Town Hall

17th October 2009

Tickets from £ 7.50 - available from
Jim Partridge-Hogbin
Tel: 01297 23260

Doors open 7 for 7.30pm

Watch this Space!!!



**There's Faeries
about!!!!**

6 CLUB ARTICLES

64 Received so far . Come on
Publicity Officers let me
have some news. *Editor*

Please submit editorial articles by the 14th of the month preferably by e-mail to:

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*Sweet
Dreams*

