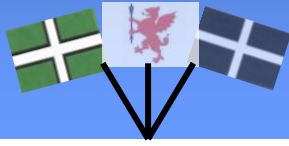




Lions Clubs International District Newsletter of 105SW *Chronicles of Clif*



October 2011

The Year Ahead - I Believe

The past month has seen the continuation of my Club visits and I have been very impressed by the optimism of all Lions in the different Clubs.

There has been a wide selection of fundraising activities I commend to all Clubs to look at what they do, decide what is working and if not, be prepared to change. It is also very important to see what service/welfare activities you are supporting. There are many to choose from and in the next few months Clubs will be asked to examine the needs of their local Communities. Although it is easy to send money to other organisations, there are certainly other local groups and individuals that need your help. Please start as soon as you can.

Early in September, I was privileged to attend Little Harbour Children's Hospice near St Austell to witness the handing over of some £40,000 collected from Clubs around the District plus the grant from Lions Clubs International applied for by IPDG Lion Neil Rutter during his year of office.

The building work is complete and now furnishings and landscaping are underway. Little Harbour is in a beautiful location and for those that have not yet visited, I commend you to visit when the opportunity arises.

On the 14th September we were invited to attend the National Memorial Arboretum for the opening

of the Lions Shelter funded by most of the Clubs in the Multiple District. Our Patron, HRH Sophie, Countess of Wessex arrived at 12 noon and unveiled a plaque to officially open the Shelter.

In the Shelter is a display case in which the names of Lions who have passed to higher service will be displayed for 12 months. The names will be changed each year at the time of the Multiple District Convention. After lunching with us, our Patron was introduced to each of us and showed her knowledge of our Districts in conversations with us. Sincere thanks are given to all who have donated towards the cost of this Shelter which we hope will benefit many thousands of visitors over the years.

Clif Cane

Looks as if I'll have time for a cat nap in November



HRH Sophie, Countess of Wessex with Chairman of Council Tony Gadsby at the unveiling of the Lions Shelter at the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire

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OCTOBER

- 2 Autumn Forum
- 4 Helston OV
- 5 Callington Honey Fair
- 8 Bideford CA
- 9 Launceston CA
- 12 Looe OV
- 13 Lyn OV
- 14 Yeovil CA
- 15 Portishead CA
- 17 Falmouth
- 20 Convention Mtg Exeter
- 22 Exeter 50th CA
- 23 Helston CA
- 24 Plymouth OV
- 28- Council of Governors
- 30 Solihull

NOVEMBER

- 2 Glastonbury & Street OV
- 3 Plym Valley OV
- 7 Padstow OV
- 8 Seaton OV
- 12 Saltash CA
- 14 Tavistock OV
- 22 Rivendell Palace OV
- 26 Paignton CA



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DISTRICT CONVENTION 105SW 2012
IMPERIAL HOTEL, TORQUAY
2nd - 4th March 2012

Newsletter & Booking Form
AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE
Convention Chairman Lion Glyn John
convention@lions105sw.org.uk

District News

A Great District Achievement for 105SW

On Friday 2nd September a cheque for £42,650.88 was presented to Eddie Farwell at the Children's Hospice South West Little Harbour for the Lions Den by IPDG Neil Rutter, the Grant Administrator and LCIF District Coordinator PDG Brenda Wood together with representatives of Clubs from around the District .



The cheque included donations from Clubs in the District and the matching grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Eddie Farwell thanked the Lions of the District for their generosity and spoke movingly about the need for the Hospice in Cornwall. He then gave the members present a tour of the Hospice which was appreciated by all concerned. PDG Brenda Wood went on to explain that there is

extra money available to pay for soft furnishings for the Lions Den and Emma Lloyd, fundraising executive, is compiling a wish list.

It is hoped that Clubs will have taken the opportunity to visit the Hospice during the Lions Days at the end of September.



We're on the web
Lions105sw.org.uk

Membership

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

Barnstaple	Tracy Jefferies
Bideford	Chris Payne
Bodmin	Alan Truscott
Brixham	Sylvia Francis
Crewkerne	Gary Hillier
Kingsbridge	Amanda Bloomer

Transfer within District:-

Clevedon - Peter Bird from Penzance

Transfer from District:-

Ilfracombe - Arthur Fletcher to Dartford 105SE

District Membership as per August reports 1349

Travelling Lion

Launceston	52
Babbacombe St M	42
Seaton	27
Newquay T Blystra	18
Sidmouth	12
Axminster	9
Crewkerne	8
Exeter	7
Yeovil	6
Callington	5
Saltash	5
Crediton	2

PEACE POSTER

A reminder to all Clubs that your entries must be with the **District Governor** by **15th NOVEMBER 2011**

Lion Fred Broom
District Peace Poster Officer

ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT



International President's Theme



Plant A Million Trees Campaign

October News Update! October News Update!
Planning on getting involved??

Despite the last grant opportunities from the Forestry Commission, which were sent out last month, having expired there are still grants available!!!!

These grants are for community groups to plant trees in neighbourhoods where people live and work.

Funding applications must be received by March 2015!!

The web site for the Forestry commission is:
<http://thebigtreeplant.direct.gov.uk/about.html>

Please have a look and see if your club can benefit and let me know how you get on?

District Officer Lion Ian Snell
Environment & Community
Tel: 0845 833 6725
Email: info@iansnell.co.uk

TREE SUCCESS AROUND THE WORLD

Lions - I am proud to announce that in just the first 60 days, we have surpassed our ambitious goal of planting 1 million trees. As of September 7th, the Lions of the world have planted over 1.3 million trees!!

But we aren't done yet! I believe we can continue the momentum we have already put in motion. Any of us can plant a tree. It's a very visible and hands-on way for each and every Lion to make a difference. It's also a great project to invite your community at-large to join your local Lions club in a collaborative effort. So make tree-planting part of your club or district activities this year, and invite your neighbours, friends and members of the community to join you. What better way to be reminded of our gift of service than to watch the trees you have planted grow year-by-year? We will continue to report the number of trees being planted on this Web site. Tree planting and the care and nurturing of our environment remains a cornerstone of my presidential theme.

Again - thank you and congratulations on surpassing our first goal of planting 1 million trees. *Wing-Kun Tam* -International President

DISTRICT CALENDAR NOW AVAILABLE

Full details from District Officer Lion Ian Snell

Tel: 0845 833 6725

e-mail: info@iansnell.co.uk

DISTRICT NEWS continued



DISTRICT 105SW CAROL SERVICE

at



ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
HEAVITREE, EXETER

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2011

7.30 PM START

Parking will be available around the
church in side streets from 6 pm

See the Yew Tree which gives Heavtree its name!

Soloist Mandy Bussell

(hear her sing again)

Refreshments afterwards

(Toilet available downstairs)

ALL WELCOME



Lion Mandy Bussell - Crewkerne

As you can see from the poster alongside Mandy will again will singing at the annual Carol Service.

Mandy has recently taken a huge step by giving up her full time job as a travel consultant to sing as a cabaret artist around the South West. Having spent years training she now feels it is time to venture out into the big wide world as a professional singer. Clubs if you are looking for someone to entertain at your Charter Anniversary or Concert, Mandy can be contacted via her website www.mandyb.org

**ARE ALL THE CLUB
PR OFFICERS ON
HOLIDAY???**

**NEWS IS A BIT THIN
ON THE GROUND
THIS MONTH**

**LOOKING FORWARD
TO HEARING FROM
YOU BY THE
OCTOBER DEADLINE**

SEE YOU AT FORUM

ANY QUERIES

Contact Judith

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or

news@lions105sw.org.uk



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Sunday 30th October

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E-MAIL: torpointlions@tiscali.co.uk

TEL: (01752) 823401 or (01752) 848289

CLEVEDON LIONS CLUB



Present



Lions Brass 4 Youth

at

Clevedon Community Centre

Friday 7th October

7.30 pm for 8 pm

Soloist Florence Watley

supporting

Sax Band

Tickets £ 6, Concessions £ 5

U14s Free of Charge

Tickets available from the Community Centre

Lion Gray Bloxham on 01275 874997

or on the Door



**GUESS
WHO ?**

Meanwhile I wish to thank all those who have supported the walk in all the different ways for their excellent support. I look forward to the restart and a new time line and route will be circulated as soon as possible.

Sincerely Simon Henderson

These 'Ladies of Ascot' were pictured at the Blackmore Vale, Social Caravan Rally earlier in the year. *Some great legs there ladies!!!!*

DEADLINE - Don't forget - deadline for articles to be included in the Newsletter:

14th of the Month to Lion Judith John - news@lions105sw.org.uk

Font: Times New Roman - All images to be attached as jpgs



Club News

Tavistock Not a Complete Wash-out

Tavistock Lions Club experienced a mixed bag of weather during their recent Westcountry Balloon Fiesta with 24 hot air balloons taking to the air on the Friday evening and 17 on the Sunday morning but none during the public sessions of Saturday and Sunday afternoon when weather conditions became too wet and windy. The Fiesta is a joint venture between the Club and Tavistock Round Table and returned last year after a two year gap courtesy of Robert Wiseman Dairies which has sponsored the event for both years. The Fiesta attracted around 2000 people over the weekend even though they had been advised on entry that the sight of hot air balloons taking to the skies was highly unlikely. However it was possible on the Saturday to tether a couple of balloons and the problems experienced doing this, well illustrated the difficulties and frustration of hot air ballooning.



Tavistock Lions were delighted to welcome Lions from their neighbouring Clubs of Callington, Okehampton and Plymouth who had agreed to help out on the entrance gates and in the car park.



A great, if not wet, time was had by all and hopefully the event will have raised some money for local charities.

Pictures: **Above right** - Never mind the weather
Left: Early morning descent

Saltash

Window on Clubs 40th Anniversary

Saltash has made good use of a shop window to display the work of Lions Clubs International as well as promote their own Club and its forthcoming 40th Anniversary.

The Clubs first Flower Boat is now in full bloom and part of their environmental project.



Worle

August Bank Holiday Fun Day

The weather was great and the crowds flocked to the annual Worle Lions Bank Holiday bonanza. The event featured a variety of stalls, games, children's fancy dress, races and a cheerleading display, as well as an appearance by Clarence the Lion. Lion President Keith Cook said "this was the biggest crowd we've had at the event, it was well worth all the hard work, we had a great turn-out".

The eleventh Funday raised just under £3,000, with half of it going towards treatment for two year old "Lymphangiomatosis" sufferer, Ethan Moss (Worle President's project for the year, <http://walkforlymphangiomatosis.webeden.co.uk>) and the rest will be shared between many other local causes throughout the year.



Worle Lion Jo doing a roaring trade with the ice creams