



Pride of LIONS



District 105A News

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Hemel Hempsted Lions and Ambulance Service

Community first responders volunteer for the ambulance service and attend emergency calls in the area in which they live or work. Their aim is to reach a potential life threatening emergency in the first vital minutes before the ambulance crew arrives. Their role is to help stabilise the patient, through starting life support until the more highly skilled ambulance crew then take over the treatment. We discovered that the service in Hemel only had one kit... which had to be shared and swapped at the end of each shift.

So we decided to buy them another kit. The £2,000 kit comprises a defibrillator, an oxygen cylinder, face masks for children and adults along with bandages, plasters etc. The kit was presented at our bookshop with Lions Anil, Barbara, Gren and Terry in attendance along with Andrew and Steve from the East of England Ambulance Service.



With East of England Ambulance Service

Wantage and Grove Lions help the environment

On 5th April, Wantage and Grove Lions club planted 5 trees just opposite the 'Plane on a Stick' on Mably Way, in Wantage. The trees were donated to Sustainable Wantage by the East Vale Canal Group. This was an interaction between three voluntary groups for the improvement of the local environment.



Wantage Lions planting trees

Seven Lions, two Canal groups member and a Sustainable Wantage member helped to plant trees in an area that had already been cleared by the canal group. 5 different varieties and sizes were planted to be enjoyed by the community and wildlife.

Lion Stuart Milsom

Tring Lions support local causes

During March, Tring Lions raised over £2,000 from its fundraising activities. First up was our support for the Marie Curie Collection - this took place at our local Tesco Store and raised just over £900. The Club then topped up the amount to £1,000.

The next event was our 4th Annual Quiz Night in association with the Tring Air Cadets. A sell out audiences enjoyed a fun evening with plenty of laughter and some interesting questions. The proceeds from the event will split between both organisations.

Leading up to Easter, and with the support of local businesses, we raffled 8 giant Easter eggs with the winning numbers drawn on Easter Saturday.

Moreover, the Club, through a bequest from the late Lion Ken Brennan, will be donating a defibrillator to the Town. The equipment has been ordered and will hopefully be installed soon. Once, we will be running a training sessions.

The Lion in the photographs is Club President Alan Pollard

Lion Steve Mitchell



Raffle raises funds

NOTICE BOARD

Incoming Officers Seminar to be held on the 22nd May 2016.

Lions Club of Banbury celebrate their 47th Charter Evening on Saturday 28th May at Banbury Rugby Club. Contact LP Ian Wilson for details on email: ianwilson21@gmail.com

Lions Club of Uxbridge Musical Evening with Dinner Dance at URBAN HAANDI on Friday, 13th May 2016 .

Blind Veterans UK with whom we recently renewed our liaison, are to hold a Charity Day at Frogmore House & Gardens in Windsor Home Park, on 8 June 2016. For tickets: www.blindveterans.org.uk/frogmore



LCI Purpose:

To Organize, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions Clubs.



DG Meena's Message



Since the Convention in early March I often had members commenting 'it's all downhill now... not long to go... you can start to wind down etc. etc'. I can assure you it is nothing like that. I am as busy as I was pre Convention and intend to carry on, full steam ahead, up until District Handover on 17th July 2016!

I am very pleased our District has a net increase of 10 members to date. Just imagine if we had retained the 100 dropped this year, we could have been the second largest District in MD105 after Ireland!! Not a bad thought. Let us ensure, we put our best foot forward, talk to our members wanting to leave our organisation, understand their needs and reasons before we decide to drop them. Let us give our best shot to retain our members!

Global Leadership Team has been busy this month with Orientation and Certified Guiding Lions Training. They have put together a good program for the Incoming Officers Seminar being held on 22nd of May. Experienced and new incoming club officers are requested to attend. I am certain incoming DG Lion Brindar will get in touch with you regarding venue and form. A gentle reminder to all clubs to bear in mind our very own Foundation LCIF when deciding Charity payments this year. LCIF helps to restore sight and prevent blindness by improving eye care. Supports Youth through Lions Quest and other projects, enabling youth to enjoy opportunities to develop and succeed. LCIF is committed to immediate and long-term disaster relief. Humanitarian needs to improve health, fight measles and provide aid to the disabled and hearing impaired. It is our funds that help our organization to carry out numerous projects. Please support LCIF our roar should cross borders!

Please support Railway Children which has been receiving matched funding from UKAid (www.railwaychildren.org.uk). Donations should go via our District Treasurer.

Next week is our Multiple District Convention in Eastbourne. Council has put forward an emergency Resolution to defer redistricting till next year, thereby allowing more time for

discussions with the membership and assess financial repercussions to District. We also have the 8 and 7 Districts Resolution which will be put forward if the first Resolution falls. There will be a 90 minutes discussion allowed by Council Chairman before the three Resolutions are put to Convention. I would like to bring to your notice that with the 7 District option 105A will be 105HC. It will be a much bigger District, gaining many clubs from our neighboring Districts, unlike the 8 District option. 7 District option gives an equal membership to all Districts and a fresh start to all. A card vote will be used for the Emergency Resolution. The original redistricting resolution will be voted by secret ballot.

MD Convention promises to be an interesting one and Naresh and I look forward to welcoming District Governor Elect Lion Brindar and Balbir to Sunday's fanfare.

This Lionistic year has 2 more months to go. Let us keep an eye on our membership and train our future leaders to take our clubs to the next level.

DG Meena

My Diary May 2016

3rd Lion Club Of Greenford & Willows Trees - OV
5th-6th Council of Governors meeting
7th-8th Multiple District Convention Eastbourne
10th Lions Club of London Westminster - OV
11th Lions Club of London Covent Garden - OV
13th Lions Club of Mill Hill - Mehfil
14th Lions Club of Tring - Charter Night
15th Cabinet Meeting
16th Zone G Business Meeting
18th Mill Hill / Chipping Barnet - Golf Competition
20th Zone D Meeting
22nd Lions Club of Wantage & Grove - Charter Lunch
27th Lions Club of Beaconsfield - Charter Night
28th Lions Club of Banbury - Charter Night
OV = Official visit

Zone B Easter Egg Hunt and Duck Race

After a week of rain, the Hargreaves Scout Camp was wet and muddy, but on Easter Monday the sky was blue. The sun was out and the yells of excited disadvantaged children rang out at the annual Zone B Easter event. Hunting for eggs, racing chickens, craft activities, egg and spoon races and welly wanging was the order of the day before the finale Duck Race. Zone Lions and Leos along with

DG Meena kept the children amused and occupied. Everyone went home with a present, a medal and Easter Eggs.

Was it muddy? Yes! - Was it fun? Yes! - Would we do again? - Without a doubt.

Lion Doreen Carr

Osas and Nosa finding eggs



Multiple District Music Competition

Many congratulations to Bletchley Milton Keynes Club and their contestant Emily Mowbray on winning the Multiple District Music Competition. Emily will now represent the MD and 105A in Sofia, Bulgaria at the Europa Forum in October. We wish her best of luck.

Lion Terry Allen

Welcome new Lions

Jennifer Harrison:	L C of ABINGDON
Sylvia Whatley:	L C of HIGH WYCOMBE
Mili Ghosh:	L C of LONDON CENTRAL
Bhadrinadh Chintapalli:	L C of LONDON PARK ROYAL
Abbaya C. Kothari:	L C of LONDON PARK ROYAL
Lynda Ashton:	L C of TRING

Lions of District 105A welcome you all to our family of Lions.