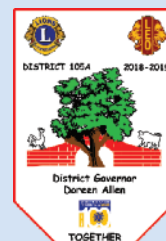




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# PRIDE OF *Lions*

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## A poppy to remember a centenary



**L**P Jagjit Gill and **Watford Lions Club**, as part of Lions International Centenary project, have supported our incoming Lion President Frank Rouse to commission a plaque of remembrance which was unveiled on 16th June.

Lion Frank designed and created the commemorative Poppy for Abbots Langley Village Millennium Garden. The purpose of the poppy is to bring the local community closer together, by attracting a younger generation to celebrate and remember the centenary of the end of World War I, in collaboration with the Royal British Legion and The Royal Airforce. The poppy will be sited in the village along other memorials. If you would like to visit and see the Poppy creation for yourself, you can find it on Abbots High Street, Abbots Langley.

**Lion Prakash Panchal**

## Bedford & Biggleswade Sandy Lions buy a new pony

**F**or many years both **Bedford & Biggleswade Sandy Lions Clubs** have been associated with the Bedford Disabled Horse Riding Association. They use horses as therapy to help over 100 children in Bedfordshire a year. On a horse a child receives physiotherapy in a subtle way. The child is required to balance on a three dimensional object. It is a massive workout of the hips, pelvic area and leg muscles which helps develop motor and balance skills. The horse's temperature – one degree warmer than humans – helps relax muscles.

Earlier this year when it was learnt that two of the Association's ten horses had died suddenly, the Presidents of both Clubs suggested to their Members that a combined donation be made to purchase one replacement. This was unanimously agreed.

They immediately started looking for a suitable replacement. These ponies need to have a very calm temperament and after a lot of searching Maisie was found.

At BDHRA's Fete on Saturday 23rd June the two Club Presidents were pleased to meet Maisie and to present cheques totalling £2,500 to buy her for the Charity.

**LP Keith Lewis, Biggleswade Sandy LC**



*Maisie the new pony and the presenting of cheques to BDHRA*

## ..... NOTICE BOARD .....

### Welcome new Lions

**Andrew Donovan** – Abingdon  
**Meenakshi Mehta** – Osterley  
**Rijul Mehan** – Wanstead and Woodford  
**Kanwaljit Ghattaura** – Wanstead and Woodford

**Daljeet Jheeta** – Wanstead and Woodford  
**Tihurairaja Mohan** – Watford  
**Satinder Bharj** – Wembley

And thank you to their sponsors.



*Beyond the Horizon*

**LCI Ethics:**

*To Show my faith in the worthiness of my vocation  
by industrious application to the end that I may  
merit a reputation for quality of service.*



# London Covent Garden celebrate 21st Charter Anniversary



**L**C of London Covent Garden in celebrated their 21st Charter Anniversary on 23rd June at Holiday Inn Forum, Kensington, London. We were very grateful to have PDG Meena Gupta as the Master of Ceremony.

It was also the Induction of our new member Sophie Pang. We were particularly honoured that PCC Viresh Paul was the installation Officer for the Club's Handover ceremony for incoming President Flora Man and Officers as from 1st July.

**Lion Flora Man**

## A successful year for Tring LC

**T**he Tring Lions and their partners met to induct their President for 2018/19 and to review the past twelve months. Out going President Mike Adams said he was very proud of what the Club had achieved, raising over £13,000 to support local causes to give back to the community.

During the year the Club organised carol singing in the car park, attended by over 700 people, organised an entertainments evening for the senior citizens in Tring as well as providing regular transport to enable people to attend local support clubs. All this was achieved by only sixteen members and hoped that in the next twelve months, this number will increase. As a final act of his Presidency, President Mike presented a



*Presenting the MJF award to Kieron*

Melvin Jones Fellowship award to Lion Kieron Tucker for his outstanding contribution to Lions and the Community over many years.

Incoming President, Lions Penny Tregillus thanked Mike for his leadership and hoped that her year in office will be as successful. She set out her vision for the next year with a key objective of increasing membership and serving and supporting more people in the community.

**Lion Steve Mitchell,**

## Pride of Ealing Lions Club

**L**ions Clubs International started a Centennial Programme a few years ago, for membership growth and retention.

Lion Ranjit Singh Mangat has introduced a number of new members during this programme and some of them have been very active in Club, Zone, District events including attending International Convention.

Previously in 2017, he had been presented the silver and gold pins and a gold key for membership growth and retention. This time at the Zone D social event on 25th May, DG Abhnash presented him with Centennial Diamond pin again for membership growth and retention, thereby completing the full set of Silver, Gold and Diamond pins. Congratulations!

**Lion Pervinder Singh Panesar**

## Stony Lions Motors at the Museum



**O**n a warm June afternoon Stony Stratford Lions Club held another of their Motors at the Museum events. These monthly meet-ups during the summer are intended as an informal get-together for all petrol heads to chat, admire, swap tips and enjoy an eclectic mix of cars and bikes. The small admission price also gives free entry to the Museum itself, and the popular Granary tea room also stays open after hours for hot and cold drinks and refreshments and of course the famous Stony Lions Burger Van feeds the crowds.

Just over 100 vehicles turned up, including cars from the Aston Martin Owners' Club and an army scout car. All money raised goes to the Lion's charitable causes and Milton Keynes Museum's expansion fund. The grounds and museum stay open until around

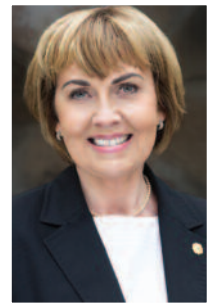


9pm depending on weather and daylight. Lions being visible in the community.

**Lion  
Christopher  
Coolen**



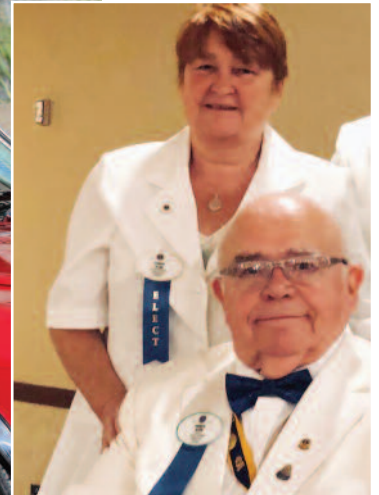
# International Convention Las Vegas 2018



IP Gudrun



The way to travel  
in the Parade



B&I banquet



Now DG... a long journey begins



THE B&I Parade



DG Doreen  
with newly  
elected  
International  
Director Geoff  
Leeder



IP Gudrun, Jon Bjarni, DG Doreen and PDG Andrew





# DG Doreen's Dialogue



**M**y fellow Lions – what a start to my year as District Governor 2018-2019. I am back from Las Vegas and very excited and eager to begin this year. Thank you for putting your trust and confidence in me. I can't believe how time has flown by since I became DG Elect at our Convention in March. It is surprising how much more there always is to learn about our Lions Family. It has been a steep learning curve with not having the benefit of a year as 2nd VDG so it has been hard work but very rewarding.

After taking a 10 hour flight to Las Vegas, the home of our Associations 101st International Convention, the wonderful friendship of our worldwide membership became so apparent with Lions from all nations, everywhere I looked. After three days of intensive training at DG School along with my fellow Governors from MD105 I graduated, ready and willing to take that momentous step. These training days were very informative, motivating and inspiring to prepare us for the year ahead.

To be a part of the International Parade was truly amazing – a sea of colour and flags and Lions – I saw history happen as our first female International President Gudrun Yngvadottir took the oath. An Icelandic Lion she gave an inspirational speech highlighting her message "Chart our course pursuing new horizons". President Gudrun, well known in MD105, is passionate in her belief that we need to strengthen our Association from the club

up by retaining members as a priority. She eagerly and energetically shared her ideas, inspiring and challenging the Convention. I look forward to working with you as we accept that challenge and never forget, regardless of the size of a club, every time we help one person we are successful. It was uplifting to see our own PDG Geoff Leeder installed as an International Director and I know you will join with me in wishing Geoff and May a wonderful time ahead.

The District Handover at Elstree so ably organised by PDG Ken Rouse was the perfect start and so special. A particular thank you also to IPDG Abhnash who worked so hard encouraging and supporting Clubs in her year and what an amazing choice of DG Charity – who will ever forget that presentation shown at Convention so powerful, so moving and so relevant.

Be proud of the difference you make in people's lives. Let our communities know what we are doing. Don't let media opportunities slip by. The more people who know about us, the more interest it

will trigger. Many clubs are having joint activities and fund raisers – if your club is close to another, reach out, we are all family.

No doubt there will be some challenges and surprises for us to manage, however, if we all work TOGETHER as a team, and at the same time, have fun, then it is going to be a brilliant year. I also look forward to working with as many of the clubs as I possibly can. Please feel free to make contact me see if TOGETHER we can be of any assistance. You are all an extended family and isn't that what families do for one another. Invite me to your Charters and events as soon as possible – if I can attend I will be there. I want to fill the year with fun, service and fond memories.

My theme is "TOGETHER", very basic but essential to achieve our goals and for the coming year the DG Team of myself, 1st VDG Kamal and 2nd VDG Alastair will certainly do our best to help all Lions of our District to achieve theirs.

DG Doreen

## My Diary July 2018

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| 1-6 Las Vegas International Convention | 19 Motors at the Museum Stony Stratford LC |
| 8 Harpenden LC Highland Games          | 22 Fairlop LC Handover & CA                |
| 13 Waltham Forest LC CA and Handover   | 23 Funeral Lion David Lloyd Winslow LC     |
| 15 District Handover                   | 25 Funeral Tony Davies Amptill LC          |
| 16 Stevenage Corey's Mill LC Handover  | 27-29 Council of Governors Solihull        |
| 17 Convention Planning                 | 31 Zone B Meeting                          |
| 18 Stony Stratford LC Handover         | 4 Aug Zone B Social                        |

## Fairlop Leos go crazy for golf

**L**ast year Fairlop Alpha Leos Club of 12-16 year olds decided there should be more interaction between them and their Lions Club so they decided to set up an annual challenge, with the winning Club receiving the Fairlop Challenge Shield for the year. This year the challenge was Crazy Golf – and they organised the event, arranged the team rounds followed by McDonald's, cakes and obligatory ice cream.

Sixteen players a side, the event was held at the local Moby Dick Crazy Golf Centre. The games were highly competitive and everyone on tenterhooks waiting for the scores and results. Mark scored the lowest individual round and the overall winners were the Lion Presidents Team. The afternoon was also attended by Leo parents and siblings. Forward Planning by the Leos meant they could advertise next year's Challenge as Ten Pin Bowling.

DG Lion Doreen Carr

