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District 105A News

# Pride of LIONS

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## Fairlop Lions helping ELHAP

On Friday 14th June 2019, members of **Fairlop Lions Club** (CIO) attended ELHAP (Every Life Has A Purpose), based in Woodford Green for the presentation of a new much needed minibus. ELHAP is an adventure playground for children and young adults with special needs and learning difficulties. The previous minibus was over 20 years old and in desperate need of replacement.

Fairlop Lions have donated £5,500 towards this minibus, which is a very big essential for the service users. It is a 16 seater and will now enable the children and adults to enjoy their trips. The brief event was attended by the ex-Redbridge Mayor Debbie Kaur Thiara and the current Deputy Mayor Joyce Ryan.

ELHAP is Fairlop LP Amarjit Singh Soora's chosen charity this year and was also the chosen charity of the Redbridge Mayor. The staff and volunteers at ELHAP were very grateful for this much needed help, as their users are unable to use public transport.

**Lion Surjit Chodda**



## Ruislip Lions plant sale exceeds expectation!

Gardeners looking forward to the summer months in the garden flocked in their hundreds to the 22<sup>nd</sup> **Ruislip Lions Plant Sale**.

Over the years this event has become a landmark on local gardeners' diaries. Some gardeners probably preparing for the Hillingdon in Bloom Show, our local high profile event where many local residents enter their plants and vegetables in the Show, promoting all that is beautiful, environmentally positive and delicious in the form of edible plants.

This year for our Plant Sale, we were lucky to have so many sponsors. The owners of 'On The Tiles' a local tiling company, sponsored our 5,000 flyers, Ruislip Rugby Club donated use of their car park, Waitrose and



Starbucks donated coffee and cakes (plus community staff to man the coffee pot)! The Duke of Edinburgh students gave their time to help customers move boxes groaning under the weight of bedding plants, shrubs and home grown vegetable plants.

Many smiling faces as people left the plant sale, with Ruislip Lions smiling fit to burst!! In two and half hours we collected almost £7500 of which over £2,900 was profit to support Ruislip Lions many Local Charities.

Our thanks went to all our loyal, local gardeners and new visitors that came to the show. We hope all the plants are bloomin' marvellous!!

**Lion Lynne Kaufmann**

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

**District 105A Golf Day** – 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at Stanmore Golf Club, 29 Gordon Avenue, Stanmore HA7 2RL. For the Ram Jaggi & Elliot Shubert Trophies. To book or for more information please contact: Ramesh Parmar 07831 587495, [ramesh@eurobijoux.co.uk](mailto:ramesh@eurobijoux.co.uk)

**Lions passed to Higher Service** **Lion Chhotalal Pattni** – Lions Club of Enfield  
**PDG Robert (Bob) Moore** (1969–70) – Lions Club of Bournemouth

**Message from the International President, Dr Jung-Yul Choi**

*We Serve all peoples in all places. Lions are a shining example to the world what can be accomplished by uniting in harmony. We are known for our strength and ability to help others – and this is only accomplished 'Through Diversity'*



# Record attendance at LC of London Kingsbury Handover

**LC of London Kingsbury** held their 29<sup>th</sup> Handover ceremony at Blue Rooms in Harrow at which over 140 guests witnessed



Lion President Mayur Mehta take over reins from IPP Lion Jagdishbhai Raithatha. L P Mayur will be supported by Lion

Karan Trikha as Secretary and Lion Girish Shah as Treasurer with other members taking different positions.

LC of Kingsbury has 29 members and expects to induct three new members in the next two months. We raise in excess of £50,000 every Lionistic year for various humanity causes including Cancer Research, British Heart Foundation, School buses in India, Eye sight camps and more.

**Lion Narendra Shonchhatra**

## Osterley Lions host a party for the carers

**O**n 15th June **Osterley Lions Club** arranged Hounslow Carers Celebrations, a tea party for carers working in our communities. Even though it was a cloudy Saturday afternoon over 100 carers looking after the elderly, disabled and disadvantaged arrived at Indian Gymkhana Club not knowing what to expect.

As guests took their seats the excitement among the Osterley members was growing as this was our first event of this kind. We were honoured to have the Mayor of Hounslow as our chief guest. There was a delicious buffet of salads, hot snacks, sandwiches, scones and various desserts. Entertainment included a free bingo, free raffle and plenty of dancing to the smooth motown grooves from DJ Surinder. The afternoon whizzed by and Osterley Lions were very proud to see the carers enjoying themselves

The committee had worked tirelessly and put together a wonderfully relaxing programme for all to enjoy. Club members support in raising funds and on the day were vital in the success of this event.

Some carers on their way out said 'Nobody thinks of the carers who care'. They wanted to know if we were going to

hold this party next year. Having received many thank you and congratulatory messages, the club will definitely look to welcome our carers once again in 2020.

The Mayor was presented with a cheque of £101 for his charities by Lion President.

WE CARE....WE SERVE....

**Lion Meena Gupta**



## London Covent Garden 22<sup>nd</sup> Charter Anniversary and Handover



**LC of London Covent Garden** celebrated their 22<sup>nd</sup> Charter Anniversary and Handover Ceremony for incoming Officers at Golden Phoenix Restaurant, London.

This special occasion was celebrating 22 years of our Club's service to the communities and the installation of Officers for 2019-20. It was an excellent evening, held in pleasant surroundings with over 60 attendees including VDG Elect Alastair and all our Members.

We were particularly honoured that PDG Vijay Arora carried out the Handover ceremony for our incoming President and installation of our Officers. Everyone enjoyed a fantastic dinner whilst sharing friendship and much conversation and laughter.

**Lion Flora Man**



# International Convention 2019



Dr Jung-Yul Choi  
International President



## Hatch End Centennial at Priestmead School summer fair



**L**C of Hatch End Centennial participated at this fair with the aim of promoting in the Community Lions' Youth activities, and in particular Peace Poster contest, Young Leaders in Service and Lions Making a Difference.

LP Arnawaz Amaria and six members attended the event and received 15 positive responses from parents wanting to know more about Lions. The event was also published on the Clubs Facebook page and received 113 likes of the event.

The Club for the New Lionistic Year has set objective of more community participation projects generating more awareness of Lions in Community with the aim of increasing membership.

**Lion Erach Amaria**

**NEW MEMBERS** at **LC of Barking**, New Lions Satnam Kaur, Surinder Kaur, Surinder Tiwari, Mansukh Kantaria, Arvind Kantaria and Baljinder Singh were inducted by PDG Lion



Vanmali Mistry, in presence of Lion Abdul Bux.

## A very successful fund raiser event

**F**airlop Lions Club (CIO) held their annual fund raising event on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019 at the exquisite venue, The Willows in East London. It was a very well attended event and Fairlop Lions are pleased and proud to have raised in excess of £31,000 by way of donations, raffles, auctions and pledges.

The event was put together by a very dedicated team who pulled out all the stops to make this the success that it was. Guests included the Deputy Mayor of Redbridge Joyce Ryan, the previous Mayor of Redbridge Debbie Kaur Thiara and the Mayor of Havering Michael Deon Burton, our DG Doreen Allen and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Elect Alastair Joel, who was also our compere for the evening.

The monies raised will go a long way towards the various worthy projects that Fairlop Lions partake in both abroad and in the UK. We thank all our sponsors, donors, guests and fellow Lions for their kindness, generosity and support, and all the time and efforts put in by all fellow Lions.

**Lions Club of Fairlop**





# DG Kamal's Chronicle



I would like to start by thanking our Immediate Past DG Doreen Allen, who is also a dear friend, for her hard work in making a difference to our District. She will be a hard act to follow and I very much hope that I will be able to emulate her hard work and dedication, and at the same time remain humble and grounded.

The MD convention in Swansea and International Convention in Milan have been the highlight of myself joining the Lion fraternity. A massive thank you for all those who came to Milan to support me, our District and the British Isles. For me and Anita it was a wonderful and exciting experience to meet so many of you and our international members. The British reception was outstanding and magnificent.

Although I have been a Lion for 17 years the journey to become your DG required commitment and hard work. I never missed any Cabinet & COG meetings including training, I gave it my all and thank you for the mandate given to me at the last District Convention.

I do believe we have a good team, made up of experienced and new members who have never been in the Cabinet before, hence, my strap logo – *strive for excellence and help others achieve*. I have made some significant changes to the cabinet structure by moving all five core LCI Pillars to sit

under GST and have assigned IPDG Doreen Allen to lead. I have introduced two new members for Vision &

Environment who are specialised in this respective fields. GMT will sit under Mick Claxton and GLT under Viresh Paul who will also form part of the DG team. Penny will lead the Health Portfolio with completely new set of officers and Lesley will lead the Youth Team. The hard work has begun as we build from this platform to ensure we continue re-building our District and make it great again.



DG Kamal with IPDG Doreen at the Handover

## Fellow Lions, let us take these pledges:

- Continue rebuilding our District 105A and make it great again
- Service is pivotal to our existence and who we are. To the GST service team let us concentrate on the core five pillars – Diabetes, Vision, Hunger, Childhood Cancer and Environment.
- Work with LCIF coordinator to raise money to support campaign 100.
- Let us explore the option of another model club and seek grants for various worthwhile projects.
- Train and appoint at least 5 certified lions
- Let us help each other achieve by asking each club to induct a new member to supplement the shortfall due to re-districting. Let us call our absent colleagues and let them know we are missing them and do

whatever it takes to bring them back to the fold again.

- Let us make sure there is active participation of District officers at both club and zone levels.
- Let us be proud to be associated with Lions International and part of 1.45 million volunteers. Let us nurture and support our members so they can flourish and let us remind them they belong to this great service institution.

Let us strive for excellence, help others achieve, care and respect for each other.

I am here to help.

**DG Kamal Sharma**



1st VDG Alaister at the Handover

## MY DIARY July 2019

5-9 International Convention in Milan  
14 District Handover  
22 DG Team Meeting  
24 GMT Meeting  
26-28 COG Meeting  
4 Aug Cabinet Meeting

30 Club visits to spread over 10 months  
OV = Official Visit

## 12<sup>th</sup> Golf Challenge raises £12,000 for Children's Charities

**Chipping Barnet and Mill Hill Lions** 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Day, supported by one of the top travel agents, STAR TOURS, resulted in a resounding success. On a beautiful and warm day in May our 69 golfers enjoyed the picturesque surroundings of the Hartsbourne Country Club in Bushey, Herts. This highly acclaimed golf club, established in 1927, with the classic club house, and home to PGA golf tournaments, hosted us with warmth and utmost co-operation.

Tea, coffee, soft drinks with kebabs, chicken and other snacks sponsored by

Raagasana provided much needed nourishment at the half way house. After the golf, the complimentary wine reception in the patio was followed by a sumptuous dinner. Many volunteers and outsiders joined us. A party of over 100 people created a great party atmosphere.

We are renowned for our goody bags and this year was no exception. Our thanks go to those who sponsored the wine and also Bombay Chatkaaz for the various savouries, Incense UK Ltd. for their specially designed candles for the occasion and all the other sponsors.

Major Estates are thanked for sponsoring the trophies.

Our thanks also to our volunteers, golfers and sponsors who will no doubt be blessed by the less fortunate and disadvantaged children in UK and overseas who will benefit from their help and generosity.

A quote from one of the golfers: "You put on a super show every year and having attended the 12<sup>th</sup> one today you somehow improve every year to make it a perfect day for us. Thank you very much".

**Lion Parveen Verma**