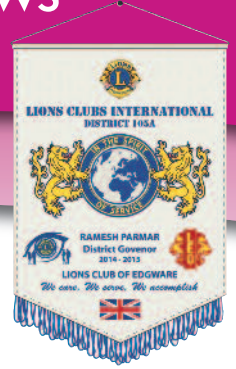




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Convention Issue

Enfield Lions raise £230,000 at 40th Ruby charter night

Lions Club of Enfield recently celebrated its 40th Ruby Charter Night and fund raising Gala Night on 15th November 2014 at The Millennium Suite, City Pavilion. A total of 425 guests attended the celebrations and they included many past presidents and past members including 7 charter members.

The Ruby Charter Night, organised by Lion BK Patel, started with the Charter Secretary Lion Ruparell detailing the history of the Enfield club from the time of its inception. The Club President Lion Prakash Naik cut the 40th anniversary cake, accompanied by charter members.

At the Gala Night, organised by Lion Ramnikbhai Mehta, the Club raised funds in support of Devdaya Charitable

Trust. Devdaya Trust is working towards eradication of childhood blindness in Gujarat (India) since 2004. The Trust runs 2 children eye hospitals which provide free eye care and 10 mobile eye clinics to visit schools in distant areas of the state.

During the evening, the Club raised more than £230,000. This will help the Devdaya Charitable Trust to build a third eye hospital and secure more mobile eye units.

IPDG Lion Assi, Enfield MP David Burrowes, ZC Lion Parmar and many Zone Lions Club Presidents were among the dignitaries attending the event.

LP Dr Prakash Naik



A glimpse of Senior Citizen's celebrations – see inside for more

NOTICE BOARD

Lions Club of Hendon are celebrating their 25th 'Silver' Charter Anniversary celebrations with a charity Dinner & Dance on Saturday 14th March 2015. All net proceeds will be donated to Headway – charity for people with brain injuries. Contact Lion Minesh Mehta.

Lions Club of Mill Hill Gala & Mehfil Eveing at VIP Lounge on Friday, 17 April 2015. Contact Lion President Hemant Dixit.

Lions Club of Moor Park Gala Ball on 16th May 2015 with amazing entertainment, delicious food and drinks. Funds will be raised for Sense International (Supporting deaf blind people to live, learn and thrive). Contact LP Raj Vora.



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To Create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

When you are in it up to your ears...it pays to keep your mouth shut.

District 105A & MD105 Winner of Ship Shape Trophy

Sponsored by the Lions Club of Wanstead and Woodford, James Lingfield, aged 15, won the District 105A Young Ambassador of the 21st Century competition on 11th January 2015. He then went on to the MD105 finals in Dudley on Sunday 22nd February 2015 and won the Ship Shape Trophy, £500 bursary and a trip on a sailing ship when he turns 16.

James is heavily involved in Chigwell Riding Trust where he fundraises, encourages and offers practical and emotional support to nervous riders. He is passionate and positive about inclusion and empowers other disabled young people to make informed choices. James is an Ambassador for Whizz Kids and has spoken about disability sport on BBC Breakfast and been interviewed on Radio 4. He is often asked to talk to newly diagnosed young people and their families. James is an avid supporter of Tottenham Hotspur. He has been a match mascot and met the players. He has also written articles for the fan magazine.

Our heartiest congratulations to James.

Lion Minesh Mehta



James with his trophy, his mum and dad, and Lion Doreen and Lion Minesh Mehta.

District Quiz winners

The District 105A Quiz was held on Sunday 15th February at Harrow District Masonic Centre.

Nine teams took part in the Quiz. The winner was LC of Wantage & Grove. Second place LC of Aylesbury and Third place – LC of Milton Keynes Stony Stratford.



Picture shows the Wantage & Grove team with DG and Lion Dinesh Sonchhatra (District Competition officer)

From the Editor

Convention time is for Lions to meet other Lions from the District and share their experiences. A lot of hard preparatory work would have been done in the past many months, so that all the delegates here have an enjoyable time today.

I am sure that all the 105A Lions will join me in wishing DG Ramesh and his Convention team, a very successful Convention.

Lion Shirish Sheth

Welcome New Lions

A new member, Lion Prasanna Rao was inducted into LC of Wanstead and Woodford on 7th February 2015. Sponsoring Lion Tejsatwant Singh Bansal.

DG Ramesh inducted new member, Lion Sally Chen to LC of London Covent Garden on 10 December. She was sponsored by the President Lion Emily Yeung.



OBITUARY

Northwood Lions Club sadly report the death of Lion Mary Armstrong, who passed into higher service on 25th January 2015, aged 90 years.

She was a former member of Uxbridge Lions, transferring to Northwood Lions when Uxbridge Lions closed.

Too much of a good thing can be wonderful.

Full house of happy partying Seniors



The 15th Annual District Senior Citizens Celebration Party was another resounding success. Our elderly enjoyed the hospitality of Lions as over a thousand people including carers and volunteers gathered at Harrow Leisure Centre on Sunday 22 February.

The magicians, entertainers, bingo and raffle ensured a fun filled afternoon. There was plenty of vegetarian and non vegetarian food with hot cups of tea. They danced, they laughed, they met other people and they left happily with a smile on their face and enquiring about next year's party.

Thank you to the Senior Citizens Celebration Committee who worked tirelessly with a view to cater for every possible detail. Thanks to all the Lions, Leo's and many friends of Lions who helped to transform an empty hall into a warm fully decorated party venue. Thanks also to all the Clubs in the District who supported the event.

Thank you one and all for being super hosts and giving our elderly folk a few hours of care free pleasure. The biggest service activity of our District truly exemplified the meaning our motto WE SERVE.

PDG Lion Parveen Verma, SCC Chairman



The Senior Citizens Celebrations committee

London Westminster Lions help the homeless

DO Joginder Gill and PDG Lion Elliot Schubert distributed sleeping bags to homeless persons in central London, in late December.

It was a very cold night and many persons did not have warm clothing. The sleeping bags, we hope cheered them up and provided some shelter from the bitter cold.

Lions Club of London Westminster

Mill Hill and Chipping Barnet Lions raise funds for MND

Did you know? Motor neuron disease (MND) is one of five neurological disorders that selectively affect motor neurons, the cells that control voluntary muscle activity including speaking, walking, swallowing, and general movement of the body. They are neurodegenerative in nature, and cause increasing disability and, eventually, death.

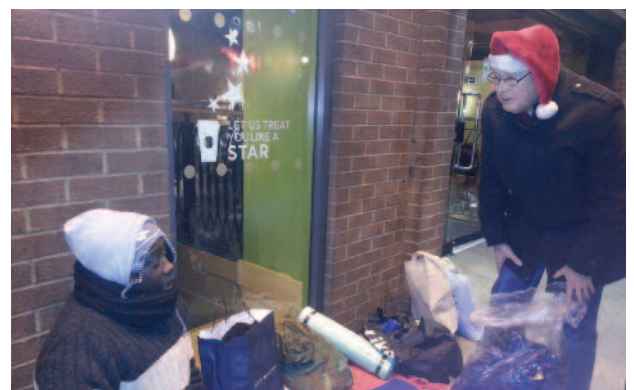
Mill Hill Lions had raised £4,000 after a friend was diagnosed with the disease. This gentleman, an avid Lions supporter, was healthy and played badminton regularly with Lion Sanjay until struck, totally unexpectedly, with MND. He is now in a wheelchair and hence the fund raising. The 8th Annual Golf Challenge hosted by Mill Hill and Chipping Barnet raised a further £4,000 for this worthy cause resulting in the above presentation of cheque for £8000.



Some Lions from Mill Hill and Chipping Barnet, including their Presidents from the last Lionistic year, Lions Sanjay Shah and Niles Vaghadia met people suffering from MND at the residence of Sarah Ezekiel who also suffers from the illness. It was quite an eye opener.

Thank you to all who helped to raise money for MND.

Mill Hill and Chipping Barnet Lions





DG Ramesh's Report



*I would be unstoppable...
if I could just get started.*

My fellow Lions.

Congratulations to all members of Lions Club of Uxbridge who had their charter presentation on 6th February. It was a wonderful evening represented by many clubs and guests to support the new club.



The Senior Citizen Party on 22nd February was a huge success with over 800 guests. It was a very heart warming to see many of the senior citizens having a wonderful time. My big thanks to the organising committee who has worked relentlessly for many months to make this a successful event.



I thank Lion Dinesh Sonchhatra for organising the District Quiz on 15 Feb. Nine teams participated and it turned out to be a very enjoyable afternoon. Congratulations to the winning team of LC of Wantage & Grove. I look forward to seeing you all at the Convention on 6/7 March 2015.



After the Convention we have the UN day on 10th March when we will host a dinner reception for the IP Joe Preston. We are expecting a lot of Lions and guests from all over the Multiple District.

My visits



Zone C - 26 January



LC of Royston - 28 January



LC of London Central 'Elvis Presley' music evening 31 January



LC of Wantage & Grove. New member was inducted at Music evening.



LC of Carterton 3 February



Zone C Swimming Gala



LC of High Wycombe 10 February

It was Lion President John and his Lady Christine's last farewell meeting as they are emigrating to Australia. A Lion trophy was presented to them.

The role of President will be taken over by 1st VP Lion Peter Rainer who has agreed to complete the current Presidential year and then continue for the full 12 months of the 2015-16 Lionistic year.

DG Ramesh



LC of Chipping Barnet visit 11 February

My Diary - March 2015

Tue 3	EDGWARE BUSINESS MEETING
Thu 5	PRE ARRANGEMENT FOR CONVENTION
Fri 6	CONVENTION HOST NIGHT
Sat 7	CONVENTION BUSINESS SESSION (MORNING)
	BANQUET & BALL (EVENING)
Sun 8	INTERNATIONAL GUEST - QUESTION & ANSWER
Tue 10	DINNER WITH INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
Sat 14	HENDON 25TH CHARTER ANNIVERSARY
Sun 22	LONDON HOST 65TH CHARTER ANNIVERSARY
Tue 24	CHIPPING NORTON VISIT
Thu 26	FELTHAM & WHITTON VISIT
Sat 28	SOUTHALL CHARTER
OV	Official visit