

Another successful District Golf Day

There were 26 golfers – represented by Lions Clubs and Lions' friends, who played on 7 September at Stanmore Golf Club. It was a fantastic sunny day. The golfers started with a full English breakfast and some Indian savouries. Each of them was treated with a goody bag with some snacks and water and a sandwich at half way house. The course was in an excellent condition and the golfers did come back with good scores.

DG Doreen and PDG Andrew came early and DG stayed the whole day at the golf course helping Lion Kadu and Lion Karanjeet for collecting payments, putting up banners and organising the raffle. My thanks to the first group – friends of Lions – Dipak, Suresh, Jay and Dhan – who collected and checked all the score cards. Thank you also to Lion Surinder who took the photos in the evening.



After the game everyone had a relaxing well deserved drink. More guests arrived to join for carvery dinner, altogether 42 diners represented by 15 clubs – Lions Clubs of Bletchley MK, Belmont, Edgware, Fairlop, Finchley, Golders Green, Hatchend Centennial, Hayes & Harlington, Kenton, Kingsbury, London Central Host, MK Central, MK Stoney Stratford, Watford, and Westminster. After dinner DG Lion Doreen was invited to say a few words.

The prize giving was then conducted by PDG Lion Ramesh Parmar. Overall Lions Winner was guest Pradeep Pankhania, Runner up Lion Nirmal Shah of LC of Edgware. The name of LC of Edgware will be engraved on the Ram Jaggi cup as winners in 2018.

The team prize was won by Lion Vinod Pankhania and Lion Nirmal Shah both of LC of Edgware and the Club's name will be engraved on the Elliot Shubert cup for 2018. Well-done and congratulations to LC of Edgware for winning once again the Ram Jaggi and Elliot Shubert Cups! PDG Lion Elliot expressed his thanks to all who supported the event.

There were also prizes for nearest to pin, nearest to pin in two and longest drive. A trophy was also presented to guest Hema Dabasia who achieved Hole-in-One playing with the District Golf day in September 2016.

A raffle was conducted, followed by an auction of two golf vouchers which was received compliments of the Stanmore Golf Club. A wonderful amount of £310 was raised for the PDG Andrew charity – Haven House Hospice.

Overall it was a fantastic day and thank you to all who have supported this event.

but my favourite is

Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services

The word Services could be changed to Support or Succour

OR Why not send me your suggestion

PDG Ramesh Parmar

What are Lions?

We are often faced with many initials within our Association. IP / ID , DG / IPDG and so it goes on... but what of the word

LIONS

The "official" version has been Lions International Our Nations Safety

NOTICE BOARD

ATTENTION ALL CLUBS... Please note: 19th Annual Senior Citizens Celebration hosted by our District 105A to be held on Sunday 10th FEBRUARY 2019 from 2pm at Harrow Leisure Centre, Christchurch Avenue, Harrow, HA3 5BD

The ticket price is £10 including; Food, Entertainment, Free raffle and Bingo. Contact Lion Ken Rouse (lionsdenken@gmail.com) or Lion Parveen Verma (ds@lions105a.org) All Sand

PDG Andrew, Chauffeur/Gofer to DG Doreen

Beyond the Horizon LCI Ethics: Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

Helping young people



emel Lions were delighted to support Grovehill Youth Club a £500 donation to buy some extra equipment for their activities. Lion President Terry represented the club at the presentation of some of the items from their wish list.

LP Terry Allen



LC of Mill Hill support flood relief efforts

The people of Kerala and Karnataka,in India were in urgent need of help. The entire region had been savaged by torrential rains and landslides, submerging several villages and cities and leaving many isolated and vulnerable. Hundereds have lost their lives, thousands are missing and over 1.2 million people have been displaced by the disaster.

The Akshaya Patra Foundation has joined the national relief effort by setting up temporary kitchens to prepare and distribute cooked meals at breakfast, lunch and dinner to the flood-affected people of Alapuzha in Kerala and Coorg in Karnataka. Food is being delivered to people in Akshaya Patra meal delivery vans, boats, and also at the temporary kitchens themselves. They were providing bottled water and 10,000 meals at a cost of Rupees 300,000 or £3,323 per day.

LC of Mill Hill have donated £1,000 towards this worthy cause.

Lion Shirish Sheth

Nominations for District Governor, 1st VDG and 2nd VDG 2019/2020

Following the deadline for submitting nominations for District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor and 2nd Vice District Governor, I now inform you all of the following nominations received:

Nomination for District Governor 2019/2020

Lion Kamal Sharma of London Golders-Green Lions Club.

Nomination for 1st Vice District Governor 2019/2020

Lion Alastair Joel of Feltham and Whitton Lions Club.

Nomination for 2nd Vice District Governor for 2019/2020 Lion Karanjeet Assan of Hatch End Centennial Lions Club.

> Lion Minesh Mehta District Constitution, Nominations and Resolutions Officer

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Editor Lion Shirish Sheth

Welcome new Lions

A very warm welcome to our new members:

- Jamie Cox Yoghen Joshi Arvind Parekh Milan Patel Nehal Patel Peter Payne Vatsal Patel Helen Penn Ashwin Nanalal
- Banbury Greenford Willow Tree Edgware London Kingsbury Sudbury Stony Stratford Chipping Barnet Harpenden Mill Hill



LP Jaman of Mill Hill Club welcoming new member Lion Ashwin Nanalal

Winter Forum 2018

The Winter Forum will take place on Sunday, 4 November from 9am to 2pm at Kents Hill Park, Training Centre, Timbold Drive, Milton Keynes MK7 6BZ. An exciting programme has been organised, including general sessions on: Membership, Conflict Resolution, and Leadership. This will be followed by small group discussions on: Mentoring, My Lion, Webinar, Facebook, and Website, Lions Orientation, Public Speaking, and information will be available for CIO/DBS. After lunch, we hear presentations by candidates for 2ndVDG, 1stVDG and DG-elect, a brief presentation on the 2019 District Convention, questions and answers, and completion of an evaluation form.

There are presentations that will enrich your personal and

professional life and/or your Lionistic experience. Equally important, discussion will be encouraged, where you can express your opinions and ideas.

We look forward to your attendance and participation, because you will be taking part in the positive growth in the District. Also, it is an opportunity to meet other Lions in the District.

Booking forms must be completed by **Monday, 29 October** to allow for the planning of food, coffee and tea. You can Email the booking form to SAA Alastair Joel and pay on the day for lunch, coffee/tea.

PDG Elliot Shubert, GLT Coordinator

Back on his wheels again!

When I transferred to Biggleswade Sandy Lions back in 2010 Ian Williamson was one of those get up and go Lions; he'd just walked from the West Coast to the East Coast along Hadrian's Wall. A year later he took his bike down to Lands End and then rode it for 1,111 miles over 18 days to John O'Groats. I understand that he caught the train home. He's slowed down a bit since then, what with having a stroke 2 years ago and all that entails; but he's back in action again.

On the 30th September, together with his "minders" he completed the 30 mile Escape the City Stroke Association bike ride. On the 3rd October he joined some Bigg Sandy colleagues at WheelPower's National Junior Games and witnessed children between the age of 12 and 18 discovering new opportunities in life through sport. That evening at the Club Meeting he told us how he his experience having completed his bike ride had given his confidence a massive boost, very much like what he had witnessed that morning at Stoke Mandeville Stadium when the children in wheelchairs discovered a new world of hope and achievement.

Cycling is one of Ian's hobbies, he had thought he'd never do the like of this again.



If anyone would like to add to his sponsorship, please email him at ianwill@ntlworld.com

Steve Foott, Biggleswade Sandy Lions



DG Doreen's Dialogue



The days are getting colder and the nights are drawing in – it's October already and September just seemed to have flown by so quickly.

It has been a busy month for the DG Team. We have all visited many clubs and Zones and have learnt so much. Thank you all for your great hospitality and sharing with us all the great service and fundraising activities you all do. So much has happened and many Clubs are planning and now moving towards their busy Christmas period.

From September 1st we have a new Insurance Broker and cover details have already been distributed –but please remember organise those important risk assessments to keep your members and the public safe –if you have any queries please talk to Lion Brian Dickety our District Insurance advisor.

Thank you to all those Clubs who organised activities to coincide with World Sight day. Vision is one of the main five service areas of LCI and I am proud of the way our District has contributed to the awareness of blindness and the issues that visually impaired people face. Keep collecting those unwanted spectacles too – what better way to help a fellow man improve their sight.

November is Diabetes Month. World Diabetes Day is Wednesday 14th November 2018 when Lions Clubs are encouraged to do something on this day for Diabetes Awareness. DO Lion Rohit has been visiting Clubs and Zones to highlight this important area of service. Diabetes is a global epidemic and it's growing... this is why LCI have given it such a high profile. More than 400 million people of all ages are living with the disease all backgrounds in every country in the World. Yes, it a huge challenge to overturn the epidemic but don't let that worry you – I am confident that Lions working TOGETHER throughout the world can put words into action to change the world as only Lions can. Even small service activities can make a big difference in our fight against Diabetes. Your event or activity can be anything – as long as it is promoting Diabetes Awareness and is promoting healthy eating and exercise. What will your Club do? How will you make a difference in your community? – and please don't forget to report all activities on MYLCI.

I am pleased to report that for the MD Young Lions Symposium in Kenilworth at the end of November we have been able to fill our allocated places with representatives attending from Southall, Redbridge Centennial, Wanstead and Woodford, London Hendon and Watford Lions Clubs.

I am excited to visit and to work with all the clubs in our wonderful District this year and to hear about your clubs, members, projects, questions and concerns. I along with all Cabinet Officers are committed to support you all to make District A a strong and vibrant example of Lions working TOGETHER.

Please continue to invite the DG Team to Club meetings, Zone meetings and your celebration Charters but don't forget we are Lions and equally would love to help at your service activities.

This newsletter is YOUR newsletter and a way to share your activities and news throughout the District.

DG Doreen

My Diary October 2018

- 2 Fairlop Leos
- <u>3 Zone B meeting</u>
- 4 Enfield
- 5 Stony Stratford
- 6 Bletchley Milton Keynes
 Charter
- 7 District Service Seminar Hemel Hempstead
- 7 Luton Charter
- 8 DG Team meeting
- 9 Fairlop meeting
- 10 District Convention meeting

- 11 World Sight Day –Stony Stratford
- 12 Biggleswade Sandy Charter
- 13 Hemel Hempstead Charter
- 14 District 105A Cabinet
- meeting 17 London Acton
- 19 Presentation Little Heath School
- 20 -22 MD COG meeting
- 24 Feltham & Whitton

Westminster Anniversary evening

ondon Westminster Lions Club's 15th charter anniversary was held at the Thai Silk restaurant on 1 September 2018.

DG Doreen was greeted by 12 Lions and guests. It was a small and informal gathering but an enjoyable evening.

PDG Elliot Shubert

Lions passed to Higher Service Lion Tony Fowler – Ampthill & District Club. Lion Frank Allen. Condolences from Lions of district 105A



DG Doreen and Pres. Yemi receiving the DG's banner.