

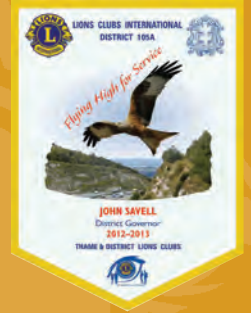


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PRIDE OF LIONS

District 105A News | DG John Savell



LCIF Appeal

Spring has finally arrived after a long and wet winter! We are organising a Sponsored Walk in Aid of LCIF on Sunday 26th May at Rickmansworth Aquadrome, Frogmoor Lane, Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire WD3 1NB.

All the funds raised will be credited to your club accounts. You can designate your sponsorship funds towards **LCIF Measles Initiative** or you can designate funds towards any other LCIF charity. We are encouraging clubs to choose Measles Initiative and/or Area of Greatest Need as it provides LCIF with the ability to financially support any program within the other four general areas and all are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Please contact me (victory801@hotmail.com) for any further information on any matter related to LCIF and if you wish to participate in the Walk. Please send all your donations made payable to LCI DISTRICT 105A and mark at the back with LCIF.

We need help from all the Lions/Clubs and their family and friends to make it enjoyable and successful,

Lion Vijay Arora, LCIF Officer

Lions European Musical Competition - MD105

The MD final of the European Musical Competition took place at the Birmingham Conservatoire on 7th April 2012. 6 contestants took part - one each from districts 105A, 105BN, 105BS, 105E, 105C, 105NE. The instrument played in this competition was the Piano.

The candidate from 105A - Hannah Slavin who was sponsored by Lions Clubs of Milton Keynes Stony Stratford, came third place and received prize of £100.

The winning candidate was from District 105E and runner up from District 105NE. The winner will represent MD105 at the Europa Forum, which will be held in Istanbul, Turkey 31st October - 2nd November 2013.

The performance from all the candidates was brilliant and very professionally done and it was a hard job for the judges to decide the winners.

Lions - Get Ready for World Diabetes Day 2013!

Join us for a Webinar on May 22

Title: *Lions - Get Ready for World Diabetes Day 2013!*

Time: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM CDT

Reserve your Webinar seat now at:

<https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/160683286>

World Diabetes Day (WDD), led by the International Diabetes Federation (IDF), is celebrated every year on November 14 to engage millions of people in diabetes awareness and advocacy. This webinar is for Diabetes, Sight and Lions Services for Children chairpersons and other interested Lions who want to get involved with WDD projects. The webinar will highlight an extensive range of activities, as well as resources for planning a diabetes project.

Get ready for World Diabetes Day... and keep diabetes firmly in the public spotlight.

... NOTICE BOARD ...

Incoming Club and District Officers

Training will take place on Sunday 2nd June 2013 (at Double Tree Hilton, Milton Keynes) and on Saturday 15th June 2013 at Holiday Inn, High Wycombe). Cost £18pp including Tea/Coffee and Lunch.

Contact SAA Lion Peter Codrai for further details.

LCI Purpose:
To take and active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.





DG John's Journal



It has been a busy month with many club visits, Council of Governors meeting followed by the Multiple District Convention in Torquay.

I was privileged to attend the 50th Anniversary Charter of Harrow & Pinner Lions club. The evening was most enjoyable and what was a revelation was the attendance of a Charter member Bob Moore. Not only is Lion Bob still a member of Lions but currently the President of Bournemouth Lions Club at the grand age of 94!! Before this evening I had not realised how many Lions I know from other clubs started in Lionism with Harrow, as it was then. Listening to Bob Moore was a breath of fresh air, hearing about his days as Governor, but more so that he understands the need for change, a rare treat. I was able to present to the club a Certificate of Appreciation from the Multiple District and a letter of Congratulations from HRH Sophie Duchess of Wessex MD patron.

No sooner had I finished one significant charter when another one comes along. High Wycombe Lions celebrated their 40th Charter, again a most enjoyable evening. The club had guests from their twinned club in 111NB Germany, as well as Lions from other Districts and clubs.

I also had the pleasure of attending my own club's charter which was an interesting experience standing up before your own club as District Governor. Others who have gone before will understand what I mean.

The Convention in Torquay was a great weekend; the theme for the host night on the Friday was Flower Power. The District had a consistent theme showing the principles of the Maharishi Yogi by wearing Indian Kurtas, ladies in yellow, and the guys in blue with appropriate hairstyles to go with the clothing.

There were a number of resolutions. Multiple District subscriptions were approved for a small increase of £1.50 making the cost now £24 per annum. The Youth Fund contribution by clubs per member rise to £4 but is payable



At the MD Convention

from the Welfare or fundraising account of a club as a donation.

One of the sad aspects of this job is attending funerals of Lions who have passed to higher service, and in this case made even harder when it is a member of one's own club known for 20 plus years. I refer to Lion Keith Lane who I was privileged to award, with our club President and others, the Bert Mason Award for Humanitarian service only last October.

Going forward there are more charters over the next month including another 40th for Tring club, together with the split cabinet on the 19th May. More club visits, which I look forward to, this is an opportunity to meet with Lions and listen to their points of view.

The first event of May was to attend the planting of an Oak tree at the bottom of Park Lane (Hyde Park Corner) by the Lord Mayor of Westminster, assisted by the President Mike Graybow of London Host, aided by myself. This was to replace the previous one planted to celebrate 60 years of Lionism which unfortunately had died.

Incoming Officers training is over two weekends, one on a Saturday the other on Sunday. The reason is to encourage everyone to participate. There are new systems for secretaries, for Zone Chairman new involvement, an exciting and vibrant time, please book your places.

Enjoy the warm weather and sunshine and I am sure that there is much fundraising going on over the Bank holiday weekends during May and at other times.

DG John Savell

My Diary May 2013

- Thu 2nd Tree Planting Ceremony Lord Mayor Westminster on behalf London Host Hyde Park Corner
- Sat 4th Staines and Ashford Charter
- Sun 5th Honorary Committee meeting
- Tue 7th OV Northolt Club
- Thu 9th OV Covent Garden Club
- Sat 11th JR Trust training
- Sun 12th 10km Fun Run Muscular Distrophy Oxford Set up with Osterley
- Sun 12th Amphill Charter Lunch
- Sun 12th Music in the Park Thame Club
- Mon 13th Parish Council Meeting
- Tue 14th OV Wantage & Grove club
- Wed 15th OV London Host Club
- Wed 15th OV London Ealing Club
- Sat 18th Tring 40th Charter celebrations
- Sun 19th Split Cabinet
- Tue 21st OV Kenton Club
- Wed 22nd OV Wanstead & Woodford Club
- Sat 25th Hammersmith & Shepherds Bush Charter
- Sun 26th LCIF walk
- Tue 28th OV Ruislip Club
- Wed 29th Thame Social night
- Thu 30th Family event
- Fri 31st Witney Charter

OV = Official Visit