



Lions Club of Minnamurra

Fishy Tales

February 2014 Newsletter

From our President

G'day fellow Lions,

I hope all are well. I have all but recovered from my couple of days in hospital early last month.

Nominations for club officers need to take place in April. I would like all members to consider taking on one of these roles. Please be aware that unless members fill these roles, the club just cannot operate properly. Jack Laidlaw and Peter Luck have formed a committee to encourage members to nominate. You can expect a call from them in the near future. Thank you Jack and Plucka.

Through Lions, there is training available for all of the positions available, if required and there is certainly a great number of experienced members to call on for advice if and when needed. As I have been informed, anyone can do a better job than me. Here is your opportunity to prove it.

Jack Laidlaw deserves our thanks for his work as publicity officer. He has

developed strong contacts within the Kiama Independent and we have had several articles in the paper giving us more public exposure. This can only help with any projects we take on in the future.

Autumn Fest 14 on the 23rd March is drawing closer. Thanks to Ken Magnus and his team, things are progressing very well. Ken still needs positions filled on the day, so could volunteers please contact him and let him know what you can offer. This will help with the organisation of this very large event.

The Kiama Rugby 7's is on again at the Kiama Showground on the 22nd of February. This event brings money directly into the Admin Account. Although Kevin Dawson will not be there on the day, he has sent out a map of the gate locations and has requested volunteers to man the gates from 12.00 noon to 5.30pm. It's a good day and you get to watch the footy.

Geoff Shoard



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Notes from the Secretary

- **District Youth Camp in Berry** - Youth of the Year contestants are to be invited to attend March 21-23
- **Carols in the Park** committee thanked us for support - \$2177 was donated to Hope Food Barn from proceeds
- **Red Cross Calling** is on again in March - Col Blanchard is organising our collection areas - Volunteers are needed - Call him
- **AutumnFest** details have been placed on our Website and also on Lions Facebook page to promote the event.
- **Club publicity is improving** due to the efforts of Jack Laidlaw and his contact with Kiama Independent. Well done Jack!
- **Xmas Trailer Raffle** proceeds to be divided equally between Dexter Heffernan and Triple Care Farm.
- **Subs** for next six months have been set at \$40 - pay up soon. Gypsy Jokers bikie group has been contracted to break legs of all non-payers!
- **\$500 of proceeds from Seaside Market BBQ** to go to Tune In Not Out - Lions Drug awareness campaign
- **Brian Cox** has been given approval to proceed with arranging restoration of historic harbour anchor.
- **Club raffle policy** process to be developed by Mike Bowden and Ross Thompson to assist with future club raffles
- **Club elections** need to be completed in March therefore nominations will be in February. Nominations committee Jack Laidlaw and Peter Luck will be calling YOU

Calendar

- Feb 11 Club meeting - Ladies night with Guest Speaker from Super Trawler**
- Feb 19 - Zone meeting at Gerringong**
- Feb 22 - Kiama Rugby 7's 12:00 to close**
- Feb 25 Club meeting - MS guest speaker and Nominations night**
- Mar 4 Board meeting**
- Mar 9 Youth of the Year Zone Final at Bomaderry Bowling Club**
- Mar 11 Meeting**
- Mar 21 -23 District Youth Camp at Berry**
- Mar 23 Autumn Fest**
- Mar 25 Meeting - elections**
- Apr 1 Board Meeting**
- Apr 8 Bowls night?**

Youth of the Year

The next round is to be held at Bomaderry Bowling Club, Sunday 9th March.
Participant interviews at 10.00am but the real show will get underway from 12.00.
Any members who wish to support our candidate, Stephanie, can contact me & we can organise a car pool if necessary.
Ralph



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Changes to addresses, e-mails and telephone numbers.

Please keep Noel informed of any changes to your contact details. Your help is needed to accurately maintain our records.

Apologies for Absence

Lions All,

Don't forget to let Howard Smith know about apologies for absence and any intended visitors and guests - Phone 42375909 Messages left with Kari Harju will also be passed on to Howard –

e-mail: harju@westnet.com.au

A few thoughts about alcohol to finish this edition

'Sometimes when I reflect back on all the wine I drink I feel shame. Then I look into the glass and think about the workers in the vineyards and all of their hopes and dreams . If I didn't drink this wine, they might be out of work and their dreams would be shattered.

Then I say to myself, 'It is better that I drink this wine and let their dreams come true than be selfish and worry about my liver.'

~ Jack Handy

WARNING: The consumption of alcohol may make you think you can logically converse with members of the opposite sex without spitting.

'24 hours in a day, 24 beers in a case. Coincidence? I think not..'
~ Stephen Wright

WARNING: The consumption of alcohol may cause you to think you can sing.

'When we drink, we get drunk. When we get drunk, we fall asleep. When we fall asleep, we commit no sin.

When we commit no sin, we go to heaven. So, let's all get drunk and go to heaven!
~ Brian O'Rourke

WARNING: The consumption of alcohol is a major factor in dancing like a retard.

A herd of buffalo can only move as fast as the slowest buffalo. And when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members. In much the same way, the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cells. Excessive intake of alcohol, as we know, kills brain cells. But naturally, it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, making the brain a faster and more efficient machine. That's why you always feel smarter after a few beers.'