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105W NEWS UPDATE

Lion Sally Marsh - District Governor



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My Fellow Lions,
September has been a busy month with three Extra Ordinary Conventions taking place. When this news update is published, I will have attended all three. I have enjoyed the opportunity to talk with so many Lions from all the Districts involved. Reports on the conventions are included in this News Update.

I have continued to travel the District to visit clubs and had the privilege of inducting Lion

Patricia at Porthcawl Club meeting. Welcome to all new Lions, I am sure you will enjoy the opportunity to serve your communities and the fellowship of your fellow Lions in your club, zone and our District. October will see the start of my attendance at Club Charter Anniversaries. It is a privilege to represent LCI at all your celebrations.

MyLION: in the September News Update I reported the information I had about the new **MYLION APP** and said that I would update following the meeting in Frankfurt on the first weekend in September. The advice from this latest meeting is still that Lions **DO NOT** download the App or put any information on it. Further work is being done by the European GDPR team and I will receive more guidance at the Council of Governors meeting in October. As soon as an update is available I will let clubs know what happens next.



Our District Needs You

We continue to have vacancies for the following advisors:



Marketing and PR ...

The role of **District PR Advisor** is to help clubs and the district to promote themselves in their communities. There are numerous resources available on the Multiple District website and the Multiple District PR Team are there to offer help if needed.



LEHP and Sight ...

Lions pride themselves for the work we do as Knights of the Blind. The role of the **LEHP District Advisor**, as part of the GAT Service Team, is to support clubs with their projects when needed, and pass on information. The LEHP programme is currently being updated and information will be sent to District Officers to be forwarded onto clubs.



Lions Lifeskills ...

Lifeskills is the Lions of the British Isles Educational resource aimed at all round development of children and young people. An excellent resource for introducing Lions Youth Products to schools and other youth organisations. The role of the **Lifeskills District Advisor** is to help clubs purchase products for the schools/youth organisation in their communities.

Please come forward to help your fellow Lions. If you would like to find out more about any of these roles or offer your services to help clubs with one of these areas please get in touch with me, dg@lions105w.org.uk. I look forward to hearing from you.

New Insurance Policy ...

Following queries about the Personal Insurance cover, I have asked the MD Insurance Advisor about this and her response is; 'There isn't any Personal accident policy on the main schedule as everyone is covered by the employers liability and public liability policies.'



Lions Logos ...

.... and finally, a reminder about the use of Lions logos.

The standard Club Constitution (LA2), Article IV, \$2 states: 'Use of the name, goodwill, emblem and other logos of the association shall be according to the guidelines established from time to time in the by-laws'. The Logos, reproduced above, are available for download from the International website;

members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/logos/index.php

Please note that the full-colour emblem (above right, with the red tongue and grey shadowing) should **NEVER BE USED** in print or electronic media.

This has been in effect since 2008!

Lion Sally Marsh, District Governor, 105W.

Membership Welcome ...

During September, District Governor Lion Sally welcomed the following members to the family of Lions:

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| Black Mountains | Hilda Davies. |
| Cheltenham | Joan Pounds. |
| Porthcawl | Patricia Farrow. |
| Tenby & District | Paul Deverson. |
| Devizes | Valerie Joubert |
| Ross-on-Wye | Vijay Kaushik,
Josephine O'Driscoll. |

105W Members end of September 2018 – 878

Christine Mills, MBE ...

It is with deep sadness that I must inform you all that Christine Mills, MBE, Founder of Hope for Tomorrow passed away on 1 September following a long fight with Cancer.

A great many of the Lions Clubs in District 105W and across our Multiple District have supported Hope for Tomorrow over the past few years and have had the privilege of meeting Christine. The words 'inspirational' and 'visionary' are used to describe many people, but they really do encapsulate Christine in so many ways.

Christine founded Hope for Tomorrow in 2003 following the death of her husband, David, from Cancer. Christine wanted the charity to focus on alleviating the stress that travelling caused those receiving Chemotherapy. She discovered that Dr. Sean Elyan, Consultant Oncologist and Medical Director of Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Trust, also had a vision to bring Chemotherapy closer to those patients living far away from their nearest Oncology Centres and so the concept of Mobile Cancer Care Units (formerly known as Mobile Chemotherapy Units) was born. The Charity has since gone from strength to strength and there are ten Units operating at present. The next Unit is due to go operational in the area served by Airedale NHS Foundation Trust very soon.

Many who met Christine will have been touched by her warmth and friendship, as well as her tenacity and determination in making the vision of Mobile Chemotherapy become a reality. Christine was a true pioneer in the treatment of Cancer and she has given so many people who have benefited from the use of Mobile Cancer Care Units, real Hope for Tomorrow.

There will be a Memorial Service to celebrate Christine's life and work on 15 October at Gloucester Cathedral, commencing at 12.00 pm and all who can attend are welcome.

PDG Lion Tony Buchan

Cotswold Fosseway News ...

Cotswold Fosseway Lions Club welcomed Town Councillor Pauline Rigby to their September meeting, when she set out the development programme for the new play park. We have been fundraising for the upgraded play park since 2015 and welcomed the news that removal of the existing playground equipment would at last begin in late September. Development of the replacement facility for young children is expected to be completed within four weeks.

Final arrangements were put in place for our Community Open Afternoon at the Westwoods Centre on Sunday 30 September. Organiser Lion Val Read reported that the majority of the 20 organisations invited to showcase their activities had already responded positively. The event is primarily aimed at the many newcomers to the town, but was an 'opportunity for the community to come together, make new friends and open up a whole new adventure'.

Club members voted to make a donation to the Gloucestershire Fire & Rescue Service 'GFRS against Cancer' fund. The Northleach station were raising funds

through a 'bed push' from the town all the way to Fairford in mid-September.

Also welcomed to the September meeting was Lions First Vice District Governor Ian Gott, who described regional and international plans for membership recruitment and leadership development. He then flagged up early plans for a regional campaign against single-use plastics in Spring 2019.

Mark Ogden, PRO, Cotswold Fosseway.

Young Ambassador, 2019 ...

The Young Ambassador Competition for 2019 will be the very last one as District 105W, so please, please, have a go. I know there are lots of excellent youngsters doing great work in their local communities. Check with your local schools, guides, scouts - the list goes on. Closing date for applications is the 30 Nov. This is so that I have time to get the completed applications to the Judges for them to peruse before the Competition.

District 105W will hold its last Competition in the first week of January, date to be confirmed. Let's make it the best one yet.

The MD finals will be held in Dudley on the weekend of the 22 - 24 Feb. 2019. If you cannot come for the weekend, come along on the Sunday when the presentations are made, and listen to 12 inspiring youngsters (bring tissues).

To be eligible for the Young Ambassador, candidates must have reached their 15th Birthday but not their 19th Birthday before 30 June in the year of the MD Finals. There is a £500 bursary for the District winner who attends Dudley, plus £250 from 105W.

The MD winner goes on to win a further £1000 bursary. These monies are to be used towards the candidate's projects, whether it is paying for training or buying much needed equipment.

They are out there just waiting to be found so please Lions JUST FIND THEM!

Chris Sheldon, youngambassador@lions105w.org.uk

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Peace Poster 2018 ...

This year is our last year as District 105W as we know it. Can we make it the best year ever! It's up to you, you all have schools, youth clubs, girl guides, boy scouts and numerous other organisations in your areas get them to join in.

The rules are on the website.

This year the theme is: 'KINDNESS MATTERS'.

In all the years I have known about the Peace Poster Competition, it has always included the word Peace, but this year it doesn't and it leaves it wide open to all sorts of interpretations which I really look forward to seeing.

So come on District 105W, let's go for it, I would like at least 40 posters dropping on my mat by the closing date of November 15 2018.

Peace poster packs are available from MDHQ and I also have one, £14 plus P&P.

Chris Sheldon, peaceposter@105w.org.uk

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105SW Extraordinary Convention ...

All clubs from Zone J, who will be joining the new 105SW district, were represented at the extraordinary convention held at the Exeter Court Hotel, Kenford, Exeter. We had the pleasure of the company of our own DG Sally, along with DG Peter Rowe from 105SW and DG Ken Staniforth from 105D.

The meeting was chaired by PCC Martin Morgan and formalities were overseen by PDG Ian Haffner, Worcester Lions Club, who declared that 29 clubs were represented by 51 delegates and 2 alternates.

The resolution to adopt the LCI standard District Constitution was carried, along with the resolution for District dues.

James Partridge-Hogbin (Jim), Seaton Lions Club; Lion David Fitzpatrick, Portishead Lions Club and Lion Mark Lockey, Weymouth Lions Club were duly elected to serve as DG, 1VDG, and 2VDG of the new district.

Jim's strap line is, 'Put the *Heart* back into Lions'

Heart, Energy, Ambition, Respect and Trust.

Following the formal proceedings of what I thought was a very positive meeting, we enjoyed socialising and an excellent buffet lunch.

Derek Livsey, Ed, Radstock & Midsomer Norton.

105CW Extraordinary Convention ...

The extraordinary Convention for the new District CW was held at The Chase Hotel, Ross-on-Wye. Present were delegates and members from the majority of the Clubs that will form this new District. The Convention had been planned by a joint team from District M and W, the Zone from District E were invited and kept up to date with all planning but did not take up the invitation and did not attend the Convention. The Convention was Chaired by Lion Abnash from District A.

The resolution to adopt the LCI standard District Constitution was carried, along with the resolution for District dues to be £9 per member (with reductions for family and student members).

Elected to the Post of District Governor 2019-20 was Lion Ian Gott from Chipping Sodbury Lions Club. The elections for the Posts of 1st and 2nd Vice District Governors 2019-20 were both contested. The results of the secret ballots were announced as 1st VDG Lion Richard Williams (Kidderminster & District Lions Club) and 2nd VDG Lion Jaap de Jonge (Shirley Lions Club), Lion Ben Manluctao having withdrawn.

DGE Ian was invited to describe his vision of how the new District will be formed. He particularly mentioned using new technologies and having a fresh start with changes where needed. He said there will be fewer Cabinet Officers, that there are lots of willing people and District roles will be advertised so everyone can know what is involved and express an interest. The roles will be decided by a small panel, not just the District Governor, apart from the role of District Secretary which is being taken on by Lion Andy Pemberton from Balsall Common Lions Club.

The Convention was closed with thanks to all who attended and feelings of great positivity for a District where members can collaborate and work well as a team.

Sue Wilding, Ross-on-Wye.

105SC Extraordinary Convention ...

Clubs from Zone H were represented at the Extraordinary Convention for the new District 105SC, which was held at The Stones Hotel, High Post, Salisbury. District Governor Peter Rowe 105SW chaired the meeting and District Governors Ken Staniforth 105D and Sally Marsh 105W and 1VDG Kamal Sharma 105A were also in attendance.

As with the two previous Extra Ordinary Conventions the main business of the day was the resolutions to adopt the Standard District Constitution and the District dues, both of which were carried, and the election of the District Governor Team 2019-2010.

Elected to the post of District Governor 2019-2020 was Lion Jarvis MacDonald from Westbury Lions Club, as 1VDG Lion Steve Petty from Calne Lions Club and as 2VDG Lion Brian Donovan from Abingdon Lions Club.

All three addressed convention thanking those present for electing them to the positions and outlining the new opportunities for the future. There was a buffet lunch giving time to meet and socialise with old friends and make new friends.

Sally Marsh, DG, 105W.

Black Mountains Steam Away ...

We had a great day at the Hay-on-Wye Vintage rally. Steaming and hooting all day! Despite the weather forecast which threatened heavy rain all day☹, our stalls went well. It stopped raining☺ as soon as the gates opened and started again just as we were packing up for the day!



It didn't keep the crowds away and all were determined to win a Tombola prize or a little lion. Thanks to everyone who visited us and 'had a go' and to all who helped on the day.

Cheryl Hyde, PRO, Black Mountains.

Membership Matters ...



Do you know that we have resources to lend you to help to promote Membership of your Club? The District Membership Stands are for you to use and can either stand alone or

be used alongside stalls that you are running.

All you need is some info on Lions, maybe some of the PR magazine #Lionsgetinvolved and some smiling Lions to chat to passers-by about Service and how you offer opportunities for volunteering in your Community.



Gower and LLwchwr Lions used a stand as part of their display in Pembrey Country Parc. It attracted interest, and that is the point about being eye-catching and visible. From there it went on to Wooton-under-Edge and is now available for the autumn.

I look forward to anyone who wants to borrow a Membership stand to get in touch.

Sue Wilding, membership@lions105w.org.uk

School in a Box – Challenge 155 ...

During the months of July and August the members of Newport and Usk Vale Lions Club have focused their efforts on raising money to purchase some UNICEF Schools in a Box.

For promoting their activities, the club came up with the strap line of 'Challenge 155' which would encompass all the activities for raising money for this challenge, the cost of a box is £155. We established contact with Lion Juan at Chipping Sodbury and arranged to collect a sample 'School in a Box' so we could show people what we were raising funds for – and this proved to be very helpful.

We ran a number of fundraising events, stalls at village fetes, Strawberry tea, loose change collecting boxes, curry night, marshalling a park and ride for the Usk Show to name but a few.

At present, we have raised funds to purchase 11 (yes eleven) boxes and we expect to be able to purchase a further 10 boxes from future fund raising.

Jim Thompson, President, Newport and Usk Vale.

Activities snippets ...

Activity snippets sourced from the Activity Reports completed last month on MyLCI up to 27 September.

Abertillery Club manned their stall at the WW1 party in the park.

Ammanford Club took part in the Centennial Calls to the Elderly.

Black Mountains Club donated to Hay Medical Centre for two surgery defibrillators.

Calne Club provided a motorcycle for the local Blood Bikes.

Cotswold Fosseway Club took donated items in Northleach to the North Cotswold Foodbank.

Dursley Club met the fire service bed-push to support the Cheltenham Hospital Oncology Ward.

Forest of Dean Club supported eight scouts attending the 2019 Jamboree.

Frome Club transported helpers to partially sighted club.

Gower and Llŵchwr Estuary Club promoted Lions at the Pembroke Country Park start of the Tour of Britain.

Hereford Club held a Meet & Greet at the town's Charity Day.

Highworth and District Club provided an outing to Swanage for the elderly.

Keynsham and District Club donated to the local 3-2-4 Playgroup.

Melksham Club attended the River Festival with their tombola.

Ross on Wye Club supported a local Girl Guide for her Iceland trip.

Severn Dean Club marshalled at the annual Forest Vintage Steam Show.

Swindon Club helped Swindon young carers.

Tenby and District Club helped with the purchase of an electric wheelchair for local girl.

John Seymour, Communications Team Leader, 105w.



Diary Dates ...

October

- 1 **1st VDG visits** Tenby & District.
- 2 **2nd VDG visits** Ross-on-Wye.
- 3 **2nd VDG visits** Carmarthen.
- 6 **DG at** Marlborough & District 42nd Charter Dinner.
- 9 **DG visits** Abertillery.
- 10 **DG visits** Glantawe Swansea Valley.
- 11 Lions World Sight Day.
1st VDG visits Lechlade & District.
2nd VDG visits Swansea.
- 14 **DG at** Cheltenham Charter Dinner.
- 19-21 COG meeting, Birmingham.
- 20 Bristol Brunel Charter Anniversary.
Radstock & MSN 'Last Night of the Proms'
- 25-27 Europa Forum Skopje, Macedonia.
- 27 **DG at** Thornbury 31st Charter Anniversary.

November

- 6 **DG visits** Kington.
2nd VDG visits Radstock & MSN.
- 7 **DG visits** Chepstow & Caldicot.
1st VDG visits Caerfilli.
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 14 **1st VDG visits** Bradley Stoke Branch.
- 15 **DG visits** Llantwit Major & Cowbridge.
- 18 105W Cabinet Meeting, Newport.
- 24 Glantawe Swansea Valley.

The diary dates are extracted from the District Calendar on our Website, www.lions105w.org.uk. ANYONE can enter events onto this Calendar, but contact webmaster@lions105w.org.uk to amend or delete entries.

November News Update ...

For November 2018 News Update, please submit articles to news@lions105w.org.uk by 25 October. *Editor Derek.*