



The Lions Family go the Extra Mile



Special 2017



Convention Update Issue

For the benefit of those unable to attend EA's 38th Convention in Peterborough here are a selection of the important decisions and presentations which took place.
Thanks to DG Nigel for the words and Imogen Pope for the photo's.



Lion Elisabeth Haderer

The Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire, Sir Hugh Duberly KCVO CBE, officially opened the 38th Annual Convention. Amongst the special guests was International Director Lion Elisabeth Haderer from The Netherlands.



Sir Hugh Duberly

District Governor Nigel was delighted to present the following awards:

Global Membership Team Leader Past District Governor Lion Paul Martin and Convention Co-ordinator Lion Martin Langdon ~ Melvin Jones Fellowships.

District Secretary Lion David Pope, Convention Host and Zone Chair 1B Lion John Potter, Lioness Chair Lion Angela Howard and Zone Chair 2B Lion Sandie Briault ~ International President Lion Bob Corlew's Certificate of Appreciation



PDG Paul Martin



Martin Langdon



David Pope



John Potter



Angela Howard



Sandie Briault

At the Banquet and Ball, District Governor Nigel presented the following awards:

IT Webmaster Lion David Large, Sergeant at Arms Lion Adrian Robinson and District Treasurer Lion Roger Fuller ~ Melvin Jones Progressive

The winner of the "First Time at Convention Trophy" donated by Lion Ann Gardner, in memory of the late PDG George Gardner, and a bottle of Champagne was Lion Irene Lock.

District Treasurer's Report: Except for one club, all membership dues have been paid for the half year January to June. Expenditure is expected to be £5000 over budget due to the membership drive and re-districting.

Cabinet agreed to continue to reimburse clubs \$25 joining fee for new members. Only one \$25 will be paid on family membership. Club Treasurers must request reimbursement from the District Treasurer within 3 months.

Reminder to Club Treasurers that their accounts should have been forwarded by the end of December 2016, 12 are still outstanding.





District Treasurer's Report cont'd: Donations raised from 1st July to date are £47,579. The District Admin and Charity Trust accounts have been reviewed by ESW Ltd.

Subscriptions to be raised from £9 to £11 because of over expenditure, but we have received £2000 from unexpected sources. Recommend that they remain at £9

Resolution to increase to £11 was defeated on the recommendation of the District Treasurer.



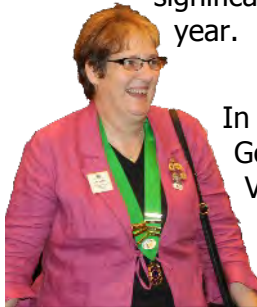
Peace Poster (Ipswich)

Presentation of the Peace Poster District Awards went to the following:-
1st. Xavier Baker-Woods (Ipswich); 2nd. Ellie Watson (Wisbech); 3rd. Sienna Smith (Wisbech). *Special Needs:* Jamie Rowntree (Leigh-on-Sea).



Cystic Fibrosis

DG's Lady, Marion, presented a £4000 cheque for the **Cystic Fibrosis Trust** to Alison Edwards (Community Development Fundraising Manager for the CFT). Marion thanked all Lions for their great support, in raising this significant amount, and said it's still ongoing, raising further funds during this Lionistic year.



VDG Elect Mandy

In the afternoon session the results of the **Election** were announced: District Governor Elect Lion Derek Prior; 1st VDG Elect Lion Mandy Hawksley; 2nd VDG Elect Lion Ujjal Kular all to serve 2017/18.



DG Elect Derek

Presentation on Re-Districting Resolutions

Summary of the facts: As Ireland are leaving MD 105 in July 2017, this is seen to be redistricting. Lions Clubs International have indicated that as only two districts are not in transition, the other 10 are with numbers under 1250.

This could be an opportunity to re-district. Two sets of questionnaires and consultation papers have gone to members. The returns for 105EA are 35 Clubs are for the 8 districts and 9 against. The eight district model will see EA merge with part of E. Which will keep **EA intact**, with a membership of over 2020 which will give the new district, a solid and sustainable basis to build upon. This will be Resolution 14 at the MD Convention in Blackpool on the 22nd April 2017. This Resolution can be passed on a simple majority. If this is passed the next Resolution 15 will not be heard.

Resolution 15 is the proposed merging of Districts E and C. If this went ahead it would take them out of transition, having over 1250 members. This would, however, leave the following districts in transition; 105 EA, 105NE and 105BN.

If none of these resolutions get passed, the new Council of Governors can bring Redistricting back, year on year.



2VDG Elect Ujjal

Emergency Resolution on Multiple District Resolutions

This was for support of the proposed districts E and C to merge, in Resolution 15 at the MD Convention. It was presented, debated and discussed. A vote was taken which showed a majority for the proposal. This was noted.



Young Ambassador

Young Ambassador Competition Winner for 2016/17, Susan Hart, was introduced by the Young Ambassador Officer, Lion Gaby Sharman. Susan is sponsored by the Lions Club of Great Yarmouth.



**Presentation of prizes by Competitions and Environment Officer Lion Dave Parker,
District Governor Nigel and International Director Lion Elisabeth.**



Travelling Lion Winner
Leigh-on-Sea



Travelling Lioness Winner
Witham & District



Lions Scrap Book Winner
Whittlesey & District



Lioness Scrap Book Winner
Thetford (Breckland)
(Received by Lioness Chair Angela)



District Quiz Winner Braintree



The Scribe Winner
Lion Alan Mercer
Clacton-on-Sea



Environment Contest
Lions Winner ~ New Century



Environment Contest
Lioness Winner
Witham & District



Philip Daubeney Environmental
Photograph Winner
Lion Gaby Sharman (Peterborough)



105EA's 39th Convention will be in Norwich in 2018



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