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Region 2 Zone 3

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## Lara Lions Bulletin

April 09

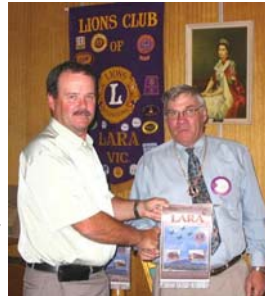
### March Dinner Meeting

The Lions Club of Lara March Dinner Meeting was held on Monday evening 23 Mar 09 at Flinders Bistro, Lara Sporting Club.



Lara Club President, Les Kelly thanking guest speaker Peter McGovern. Peter spoke about the Ports and Channels and ship sizes and problems.

The Club invited 2 guest speakers being Peter McGovern, CEO Victorian Regional Channels Authority and Bob Barry AFSM, Operations Manager, CFA Region 7.



CFA Region 7 Operations Manager, Bob Barry being thanked by Club President, Les Kelly after speaking about the CFAs role in Port safety matters.

Also present were the Lions Ladies who joined with their Lions partners at the Kinglake Fires, cooking meals for the emergency services. Joining them was the other volunteer, Julie Carpenter whilst not a Lion or Lions Lady, did yeoman work for us due to her being a Chef, so was able to make educated judgments on running the operation based on experience.



The one and only Gaye Smedley, after receiving her flowers from Club President, Les Kelly.



Lions Lady Lesley Picker with Chef Julie Carpenter after receiving flowers thanking them for volunteering and doing some very hard work.

### District Final Eludes Lara AGAIN!

Daniel Tran did not quite get all the way.... representing the Lions Club of Lara, Daniel has swept past the opposition by winning the Club section, Zone 3 Final and Region 2 Final of Youth of the Year, just to be pipped at the post at the V2 District Final on Sat 21 Mar 09, at Portland.



District Governor, Mary Harlow with the overall District V2 winner, Naomi and Public Speaking winner, Daniel Tran and Malcolm Harlow.

Daniel Tran, representing Lara with Certificate for winning the Public Speaking section with our own Bob Eytton.

Daniel did win the Public Speaking section of the Final.



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### April Dinner Meeting

19:00 for 19:30  
Mon 27 Apr 09

**Members only**

**Flinders Bistro**

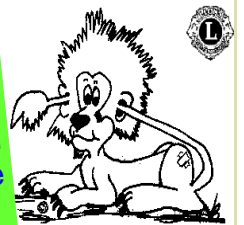
\$20.00 per head



Guest Speaker: Betty Walker

Betty will talk about her ideas for a memorial in Lara for the 1969 fires.

**"The Tail Twister Says....  
"There will be a Ridiculous and Unbelievable Quiz"**



### Food & Wine Festival

\$650.00 profit made on the day. Thoughts to be given on how to improve the efficiency of getting food over the counter.

### Golf Day

Deferred due to the condition of the course. A suitable date and worthy cause to be identified and a Trivia Night will be held to generate funds.

Commonwealth Bank Branch Manager, Monica Pehar, has some signed cricket memorabilia that has been offered for auction.

## Used Postage Stamps

Alan Smedley is requesting all Lions, Leos, families and friends to keep used postage stamps and then donate them to the Lions Club of Lara to assist raising funds for Lions Mobility.



Envelopes around stamps need to be trimmed back to a few millimetres.

## Hoffman's Walk

Watering, watering, watering....



Contact Bob Eyton and let him know what days and times you are available to assist with watering to keep this wonderful Lara asset in the best condition we can.



## Roster for Clean-up, Raffle and BBQ

Apr 09	May 09
Ian Basham	Lawrie Plowman
Tom Elevato	Jon King
Herb Picker	Stewie Walker
Brian Harris	Don Robinson
Les Kelly	Peter Kuchenmeister

## 2009 Airshows Downunder

Ever since Airshows Campsite has been held in the town of Lara, Savio Grossi and Graeme Jones have been a major part of the administration. Since the early days of the Airshows, Graeme and Savio ran the office with the Lions Club of Lara members being simply volunteers showing campers to their sites.

Over the years, the Lions Club of Lara has been slowly taking over the responsibility of the Campsite operations from Airshows. Today, Don Robinson (Lions Campsite Manager) and Lions volunteers all but run the operation to the strict standards set by Airshows.



Savio Grossi and Graeme Jones with Lions Campsite Manager, Don Robinson after receiving their Lara Lions bannerettes and Certificates of Appreciation for 'co-operation and assistance given to the Lions Club of Lara running the Airshows Downunder 2009 campsite'.



Lara Lions Campsite Manager, Don Robinson, with Lion Bill Berkeley and ASDU volunteer Graeme Jones at the Administrative Office.

## Graffiti

Graffiti reported inside the male toilets at Austin Park. Sep and Maurie to be advised. The City of Greater Geelong now have a full time employee which will make contact and action much easier in the future. More kits will be available; Lara Lions is the only community group to have these kits and the City are delighted with our involvement.

## Bike Project

VCAL students at Lara Secondary College want to repair bicycles and give them to people in the community who do not have one. This would require supervision from Lions for 90 minutes per week during school time (not lunch time) for a period of 7 weeks per year if the club wishes to take it onboard.



Volunteers Savio Grossi from Melbourne and Graeme Jones from Brisbane, a Geelong supporter no less, with Lara Lions Alan Smedley and Brian Harris at the Lara No:1 Scout Hall being used as the Campsite Administrative Office.



## ♪ You must remember this... ♪

- Raffle Dates: 23 May 09, 27 Jun 09, 25 Jul 09, 22 Aug 09.
- Centreway BBQ: 9 May 09, 20 Jun 09, 1 Aug 09, 12 Sep 09, 24 Oct 09, 5 Dec 09, 16 Jan 10.
- Next Dinner Meeting: Mon 27 Apr 09 at Flinders Bistro, Lara Sporting Club.
- Next Executive Meeting Wed 6 May 09 at St John Facility.
- Next Business Meeting: Mon 11 May 09 at St John Facility.
- Next Planning Meeting: Wed 20 May 09 at St John Facility.
- Meeting APOLOGIES to Lion Tamer, Jeff on 0419 822-110 ASAP.