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Lara Lions Bulletin

November 08

 **October Dinner Meeting**

Busy Night for DG Mary Harlow's visit

Phew! 'that was the night that was' for hard working V2 District Governor Mary Harlow when she visited the Lions Club of Lara on Monday 27 October 2008.

DG Mary had to: give her address, install the new Leo executive, Induct 2 new members Jen & John Wilson, present a Melvyn Jones Award to Lawrie Plowman, present a 15 year Monarch Service Award to Stewart Walker, present a 100% President's award to the Lions Club of Lara's Immediate Past President Dennis Grant and present an AJ Holding Memorial Community Service Award to our local Barber Bruce Leckie. It was great to see ex Lara Lion Don Rankin attending.

Yes, DG Mary certainly earned her dinner this evening!!



Leos to work with Lions

"This term our goals are to work closely with the Lions in as many projects as possible, including, Austin Park Clean-up, Centreway BBQ, Monthly Raffles, McManus Annual Charity Golf Day, Lara Heritage Festival and Airshows Downunder to name but a few. Another focus for the Leos is to continue to be involved in a diverse range of projects and continue to develop relationships with the local community and other community groups."

"The Leos current challenge is the lack of members. On 17 November, the Leos will be holding a casual Information Night for the youth of Lara and surrounding communities who are interested in joining the Lara Leo Club. The Night will be held at Lara Secondary College and we are all hoping for a good attendance."



"The Tail Twister Says...."
"Write down your favourite film, seal it in an envelope and write your name on the front!"



Nov Dinner Meeting
19:30, Monday 24 Nov 08
Flinders Bistro
Members Night
\$20.00 per head



Information/BBQ Evening

The Leo Club of Lara together with the Lions Club of Lara invite prospective members between the ages of 12 to 18 together with their parent/s and/or guardian/s to an Information/BBQ Evening where you can learn what it means and takes to be a Leo within the community.

Time: 18:30 for 19:00 Start
Date: Monday 17 Nov 2008
Venue: Library, Lara Secondary College.

This is an opportunity to come and listen to what the Leo Club can offer you as a member and enable you to ask questions about the Leo programme. There will be no obligation to join, however, Lions and Leos will be on hand to advise and assist you in making your decision.

Please contact Jeff on 0419 822-110 by Sunday 16 November, and advise him of the number of people attending for catering purposes.





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.



Graffiti

Some graffiti has been spotted at a couple of the schools and at Lakelands. Please advise Maurie Ryan regarding locations of graffiti you see whilst on your travels around Lara.



Lara Beautification

A request for 5 school students to do 3 hours work each for the Duke of Edinburgh Award to work on Hoffman Walk under Lions supervision.



Citizen of the Year

Nominations to be in to Club by 12 Dec 08.



Roster for Clean-up, Raffle and BBQ

Nov 08/May 09	Dec 08/Jun 09
Lawrie Plowman	Bob Eyton
Jon King	Sue Eyton
Stewie Walker	Byron Willey
Don Robinson	Joe Walshe
Peter Kuchenmeister	Mick Daffy

MD201 V2 District Convention Edenhope, Vic

Childrens Increased Literacy Skills Development

Members please note that the Club's Notice of Motion regarding the Children's Charity Network has been adopted by the District V2 Convention and will now go forward to the MD201.

That Lions Clubs in District 201V2, in conjunction with the non profit Children's Charity Network, support the development of schools based programmes within the District 201V2 to improve children's literacy skills, and that the project run for an initial period of three years.

Children's Charity Network Inc is an Australia wide group working to improve children's self esteem and improve literacy and artistic skills, encouraging students of primary and secondary schools to participate in development programmes.

The programme involves published authors and artists visiting schools and conducting exercises to encourage children to challenge their own abilities. Students are encouraged to submit their writing on any subject and each article is published in the Children's Charity Network high quality glossy magazine.

The experience of the Lara Lions Inc is that where the programme has been implemented, a panel of five published authors visited the local schools for a two day period and after the visit literacy levels increased by 15% across the schools. These figures are indicative of the success the programme is having throughout Australia.

The Lara Lions Citizen of the Year for 2007 is the Chief Executive of the Children's Charity Network.



Skandia roster is on our webpage, please check for your turn of duty and see other vacancies that require volunteers. All queries to Don Robinson.

Toybank 08

The successful Toybank Programme keeps rolling on with children from disadvantaged and challenging backgrounds at Lara Primary School who have made a couple of Billy-Carts during the sessions.



The Toybank Programme which has now run for some 6 years keeps on inspiring these children who very rarely form any sort of relationship with an adult.



♪ You must remember this... ♪

- Sat/Sun 15-16 November: Bisinella Catering and Car Parking 10:00 to 16:00
- Raffle Dates: 22 Nov 08
- Centreway BBQ: 22 Nov, 3 Jan 09
- Sep will be on his jollies to 24 Dec 08
- Next Executive Meeting: Wed 3 Dec 08 at St John Ambulance Facility
- Next Dinner Meeting: Mon 8 Dec 08 at Flinders Bistro, Lara Sporting Club
- Lara v Little River Lawn Bowls/BBQ Challenge: 18:30, Mon 19 Jan 09
- Skandia Geelong Week 23 - 26 Jan 09
- Air Shows Downunder: 10 - 15 Mar 09
- Meeting APOLOGIES to Lion Tamer, Jeff on 0419 822-110 ASAP