

#Team CW is dusting itself off very fast.

All the clubs I visited during August were face to face, apart from the Virtual club, with members from Scotland to Wiltshire. Although they organise the odd physical get together, they are the exception.



Besides all the club meetings, from Northamptonshire in the East to Bridgend in the West, I also have been taking part at social events of various clubs and enjoyed the 40th charter celebration of Dursley LC. My car has not yet come to terms with the demands. Months in which I perhaps topped up the tank with a few litres every so often, now I am a regular sight at the local petrol station.

It's great to see clubs collaborating with each other and enjoyed attending Zone 1 and Zone 9 meetings.

Preparations for Autumn Forum and District Convention are continuing. Keep an eye out for news and block the dates in your agenda please (AF: 13/11 and DC: 12/3/22) You can count on some exciting events.

We had our first cabinet meeting 22/8 on Zoom If you were there, how did it go? If it went badly, tell me (I can handle criticism very well). If it went well, tell your friends.

Shirley LC member Lion Ron had a lucky escape when he had a cardiac arrest as 2 club members had completed a CPR course which the club provides regularly. Lions Ken and Martin quick action was the first link in a chain that resulted in a happy ending. I urge clubs to give their members a training once in a while. This know-how can make the difference between life and death. GST Lion Simon Moss, a trained first responder, is glad to answer your questions and is also offering the training.

If you have an event, does not matter what, new members induction, duck race, carnival etc. Please let me know and if it is humanely possible, I will try to attend.

I now have to stop writing as my club is now going to have its Carnival after a long hiatus. And they count on me too. Remember, the DG is just a Lion like you. The club counts on the leaders like any other member. We need to support as much as you. We can't come with excuses and let the other members pick up the slack. I saw top Lions doing mundane club jobs and that inspired me. Let them inspire you too.

Membership Matters.

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Welcome to our New Members!

Ammanford	Ben	Davies	Ammanford	Elizabeth	Maul
Kenilworth	Robert	Eason	B'Ham Moseley & Kings Heath	John	Owen
Southam	Nicola	Griffin-Taylor	Nuneaton	Avtar	Purewal
Nuneaton	Mohinder	Johal	Nuneaton	Daljit	Singh
Nuneaton	Jaswinder	Kalsi	Hereford	Diana	Stevens
Coventry Leofric	Adam	Khan	Bromsgrove	Stephen	Wright
Ammanford	Ames	Maul			



Clubs are finding the summer to be a good time to be out in the community finding new Lions. Whilst we lost some members at the end of last year, we are now finding that recruitment is progressing and some potential new members (some of whom have waited for restrictions to change before being 'badged up') are now joining our Pride.

Welcoming New Lions is really important – feedback tells us that being made to feel welcome is one of the most important factors in making new members feel part of their chosen Club. Please make sure that you introduce them to other Clubs, take them to Zone events and also to District events such as Autumn Forum. I would love to meet them there in November.

On behalf of your District, all new Members are welcomed by Almoner Adrian. They are sent a welcome pack that will also help them learn more about the wider world of Lions.

They are also included in our New Voices mailings by New Voices leader Leonie. She is making contact with all those who have joined in recent years and will have more information about opportunities and new experiences. Each Lion is different, we are a diverse group but we are also inclusive so please include all your members as widely as you can in all that is on offer.

Let's Grow Together.

YouTube How often do you visit YouTube?

Do you know we have our own dedicated YouTube channel?

Recordings from the Membership Bootcamp are now available and that includes "The Role of the Membership Chair" which might be of interest to those taking on the role this year.

This link will take you there : [Lions 105CW - YouTube](#)

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Club News - Beer, walking, new events and of course August sees the return of Santa Claus!

Wolverhampton Lions Recycle for Sight

As lockdown restrictions are lifted Wolverhampton Lions have restarted collecting glasses for the Lions Recycle for Sight Program.



Club Members have been in contact with local Opticians to ask if they will have collection bins in their shop, so far, the club has bins in four shops with other opticians also considering having collection bins in their shops.

The club has also been contacted via the club's website by a number of local people wanting to donate their unwanted glasses but unsure who they can donate them to now that VAO has stopped collecting glasses, so club member Trevor Jones has been out collecting these glasses from people's houses.

So far, the club has collected 129 pairs of glasses and will liaise with MDHQ when to deliver them for sorting.

Club President Jeremy Slater is pictured delivering a collection bin to Hague Optometry in Tettenhall and Lion Andrew Coope is pictured handing over a collection bin to Flint Opticians in Compton

Wolverhampton Lions Supporting the 2022 Litter pick Challenge—Commonwealth Games

Wolverhampton Lions Club Member Lion Trevor Jones has teamed up with several community litter pick groups to help clean up local areas and has also encouraged other community groups and individuals to join them in the challenge.

The aim is to collect 2,022 bags of litter by the start of the Commonwealth Games and the club is looking to team up with the Canal and River Trust to help clean up part of the local canal and towpaths.

Balsall Common – Beer Fest - 14th August 2021



This was our first event after over eighteen months of lockdown, and it went way beyond our expectations! Our Beer Fest started as a Beer festival five years ago. Now it's a Community Event, indelibly printed in our diaries! Live music, hot food, and three bars. It is organised by Balsall Common Lions Club and Balsall and Berkswell Hornets Football Club, and supported with donations and help from local sponsors all for the enjoyment of the local community. It is a superb example of Lions working with the community. Thanks also to our friends at Coventry Leofric Lions for their support on the day.



While this year's event is still fresh in our minds, we're already starting to work on the plans for next year!

Wotton under Edge Lions—Under then Over

When Wotton Lions wanted to support our Brain Tumour Research appeal they decided that they would donate the proceeds from their newly created event "Ride over the Edge". Wotton had already started a 10k running event in 2019 "10,000M Under the Edge" which raised over £3,000. As Lions Chris Antony said "we went under so now thought we would go over". The Edge being the edge of the Cotswold hills where Wotton under Edge is located.

The Lions were pleased with the first event, which will now be an annual event for them. This first event had 120 entries and raised £2,000 for Brain Tumour research



Hereford Lions—Back in action



The winning golf team with president Lion Sian Bayliss

After a year and a half with no fundraising events, Hereford Lions Club is back in action adding lots of money to the charity fund. The annual golf tournament, abandoned last year was played on August 6 with 43 teams of four playing and put £5 in the kitty.

The Saturday morning car boot restarted in late June adding over £1K so far to the £50K already raised in the first ten years. The monthly Pub Quiz attracted over 40 Quizzers adding £200. Plans are already in action for the festive season's Santa Sleigh tour of the city and its popular Santa's Grotto which will boost the charity funds even higher.

Hereford Lions Club lost two long serving members in August - Stuart Sheehan, aged 70 who was on holiday with his wife when he took ill and died in the local hospital. Micky Bolt, half a century as a Lion, died aged 91

Lions Zara Dyer and Ian Brown Charity Walk 2022

Lions Zara Dyer and Ian Brown of the 3 Million Steps Jogle Challenge are looking to put on their walking boots again, this time they are looking at a coast to coast walk in May 2022 with a possible starting point of St Davids Head on the Pembrokeshire Coast.

Although the exact route has not been worked out at this moment in time, their thoughts of a possible route out to the Severn Crossing would be to keep away from the mountain ranges of The Brecon Beacons but also keep close to clubs that will hopefully be able to support them, so a possible route could be via St Davids, Haverfordwest, St Clears, Ammanford, Neath, Cardiff, Newport, then after crossing the Severn Bridge onto Chipping Sodbury, Cricklade, Lechlade and Oxford.

Zara & Ian were very grateful for all the support they received when they transited through the District on their Jogle challenge and hope that they can again call on assistance from clubs on or near their routes on this new challenge.

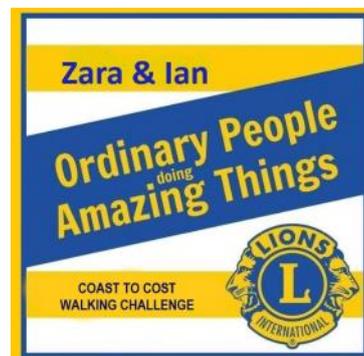
Zara & Ian are also considering the possibilities of giving small presentations to raise awareness of brain injuries at senior schools, colleges / universities as well as attending some Lions meetings along their route.

Lion Zara suffered a stroke, aged 29 years, whilst driving her car in Grand Cayman that resulted in a mercy flight by air ambulance to Miami, Florida, where her life was saved, Zara suffered a life changing stroke and at the time she was not expected to survive or walk again. Zara's brain had split in two severing the nerves that connect your brain to your muscles, she had 6 bleeds on the brain, various fractures to her shoulder, back and upper part of the body, a broken neck, complete paralysis on her right side and a traumatic brain injury (TBI) and the list goes on, this resulted in her being just like a very young child, so she had to be taught how to swallow, talk and walk again

She stayed in a Miami hospital for a month then once back in the UK she received intensive rehabilitation for nine months by Livabilty Icanho in Suffolk.

Although she was not expected to walk again, with grit, determination and a passion to live a full life Zara decided to walk the length of the UK to prove them all wrong and the Jogle Challenge took place

For the challenge walk Lions Zara and Ian would be the only people taking part in the walk, apart from anyone volunteering to walk with them on a daily basis. The help they would appreciate from clubs is somewhere safe and secure to park their motorhome overnight and during the day whilst they continue with their walk or when they are on a rest day.



Every morning, apart from rest days, Ian will drive the motorhome to the next daily finish point from where they would then require a lift back to their previous days finish point to start that's days walk. If no Lions are available to help then they have to rely on public transport or other help, after every walk, Zara must sleep for 2 hours.

Zara and Ian would also appreciate it if they could have the use of a washing machine. Because of Zara's disability she must have constant changes of clothing, also, if possible, the use of a shower would be helpful and with help Zara can manage a bath.

Zone 5 Chair Trevor Jones has been asked look at being the coordinator between Zara, Ian, Zone Chairs and Clubs along the route, Trevor was coordinator for their Jogle Challenge walk.

As more details become available these will be shared with clubs that are in the area of the walk



Leicester Lions club's beer festival raises £7800 for Prostaïd.

What a success the 3rd festival was, the Lions took an event which had happened twice before and was cancelled in 2020 due to the 'lockdown' and got nearly 1200 people there at its new location at Blaby. There were 3800 pints of real ale drunk, 400 pints of lager, 1050 pints of cider, 800 servings of various gins (with 20 kg of ice), plus lots of wine & prosecco. There were over 300 servings of food sold from the Rugby clubs kitchen.

There were over 60 volunteers who put in between 2 & 12 hours each, giving a total of over 500 hours during the weekend. This is what Lionism is all about, doing stuff and enjoying it, in and for the community while raising funds at the same time.

Around 20 cars were parked in the car park as 90% of the people walked came by taxi or were dropped off by 'the wife/partner/girlfriend'!. Some left their cars there overnight and came back the next morning.

There was fantastic entertainment throughout most of the 'busy' times during the event. From a 6 piece jazz band, a 3 lady 'girl band', traditional one man singers and rock & roll groups. Our thanks go to them for giving their time free for our event.

Comments from departing customers, "a great event, well organised, you must do this every year".



This event now probably ranks as South Leicester's largest beer festival.

The rugby club was happy with the event and so it has been booked next year for the 28/29 & 30th July. The Lions are thankful for the opportunity to use the clubs premises and the help from Lutterworth Rotary in serving the beer and arranging the entertainment.

Chepstow and Caldicot Lions

It's the club's 50 year anniversary this year and their first ever female president, Lion Denise Harrison has committed to walk 50 miles in September aiming to raise £500 to support Sightsavers UK.

Find out more on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ChepstowLions2016/posts/2690991687863655>

100% of all money raised on this sponsored walk will go to Sightsavers UK. Raising just £30 could buy 12 pairs of sight giving glasses for those who need it most.



Wellingborough Lion celebrates 40 years service

At the August meeting of Wellingborough & District Lions Club the President, Yvonne Lawson, surprised PDG Lion



Roger Handcock when she presented him with the club president's certificate of appreciation in recognition of forty years service to the local community.

Also attending the meeting was 105CW District Governor, Jaap de Jonge, who presented Lion Roger with a Lions Clubs International Certificate in recognition of his forty years service to Lions Clubs International.

Lion Roger has served the organisation in many ways including holding the position of District Governor for 1992/93; and Chairman of the PR Committee for the British Isles & Ireland from 1990 to 1993. In 1993 he was co-opted onto the International Convention Host Committee when he was responsible for all the publicity relating to the Lions International Convention, held in Birmingham in

1998. Recognised as the largest Convention in the world it was attended by over 30,000 Lions from 180 countries and geographical locations, and in Roger's words: "an experience never to be forgotten".

In 1997 Wellingborough & District Lions Club recognised Roger's dedicated service by presenting him with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. The following year he received a further honour when he was presented with the International President's Leadership Medal, followed in 1999 with an International President's Medal for dedicated humanitarian services.

Worcester Lions have been incredibly busy this month!!

As it's August, it has of course been all about Santa! The Lions have taken a very active part in the Worcester Festival this year and Santa came along on his holidays (despite the downpour...). He loved meeting everyone, listening to their suggestions of where he should visit this Christmas and also visiting the iconic statue of Edward Elgar and seeing Worcester's Big Parade,

Worcester Lions also took part in the Worcester Show with some duck based fun and ran a tombola stall with lots of lovely prizes. All of this was in addition to their usual weekly Street Cafe cook and spectacle recycling collections.

Worcester Lions

Who said August was a quiet month??



Dursley Lions 40th Charter

Fellowship is back as Durley celebrate their 40th charter.





An Invitation from MD105 Council Chairman Lion Richard Williams



Here is an opportunity to attend a **Zoom Meeting** and discuss the work of Lions Clubs both nationally and internationally.

In attendance will be International Director **PDG Lion Teresa Dineen** from D133 (Ireland).

This event will take place on **Saturday 4th September 2021 at 7.00pm.**

To register your interest to attend this event please email richardwilliams@lionsclubs.co.uk



September Club visits

District Governor

- 1st Shirley New member induction
- 2nd Aldridge
- 6th Wellingborough member induction
- 8th Marston Green
- 9th Ammanford
- 21st Sandwell
- 27th Oadby & Wigston

1st Vice Governor

- 1st Carmarthen
- 2nd Rugby Rokeby
- 6th Barwell & East Shilton
- 8th Birmingham Chinatown
- 9th Shakespearre
- 13th Malvern Hills
- 14th Thornby
- 16th Llantwit Major & Cowbridge

2nd Vice Governor

- 1st Caerfilli
- 2nd Cardiff
- 6th Wotton-under-Edge
- 7th Rushden & District
- 9th Abertillery (tbc)
- 16th Bilston & Willenhall (tbc)
- 29th Birmingham Moseley

Congratulations—you reached the end.

Nine clubs contributed this month. We would love to have your clubs news

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