

#TEAMCW

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District Governor Lion Rav Sandhu

FELLOWSHIP / CHARTERS

It is fantastic to see the Lions Clubs celebrating once again across the District, their service achievements by arranging Charter Anniversaries. I was kindly invited to a great a Charter evening by Birmingham Chinatown Lions Club to celebrate 35 years of Service to the Local, National and International communities, where over £3,000 was raised through raffle ticket sales and the auction on the evening, well done! Also had the privilege to attend Chipping Sudbury's 50th Charter with my dear wife Lion Jas, which we thoroughly enjoyed. We also attended the Bromyard Lions First Charter Anniversary, supported by 14 Lions Clubs across the District and the Local Mayor. This is fellowship, please support your neighbouring / local Lions Clubs with Charters and Service activities, whilst not forgetting to log in the service hours on my MyLCI.

Three very active Lions Clubs were also visited during the month of September 2022, starting with Dursley, Caerffili and then Wellesbourne & District. There have been numerous Zoom meetings throughout the month and a face to face Board meeting of North Sea Lions and a Youth Exchange meeting at our National Headquarters in Birmingham. The number of people served by our District stands at 141,871 and the membership is growing steadily.

TOGETHER WE GROW, TOGETHER WE CAN AND TOGETHER WE WILL

District Governor's Diary Dates for October 2022

04/10/2022	Rushden & District - Club Visit
05/10/2022	Severn Dean - Club Visit
06/10/2022	Bilston & Willenhall - Club Visit
11/10/2022	Abertillery - Club Visit
12/10/2022	Pembroke & Pembroke Docks - Club Visit
13/10/2022	Droitwich - Club Visit
21/23/10/2022	Council of Governors Meeting Weekend
23/10/2023	Wellingborough & District Charter





Membership Matters

How many Lions does it take to start a New Club ? Maybe not as many as you may think.

Some Lions say that they have problems bringing in new members to their Club because of an age difference or because younger people come with different ideas for Service and fundraising that don't fit with what their Club normally does.



If you want to bring in new members and new ideas – might it be possible to start a Branch of your Club to let these new members work on their own projects? Starting a Branch can offer a more flexible approach and attract members who would find it hard to fit into your normal pattern of meetings and activities.

A Club Branch needs just 5 people, all with a similar wish to help the community together. If they do it as Lions, they are members of your Club but also members of the Branch, with the freedom to develop their new ideas alongside supporting you with what you do. (Of course this works both ways and you would help them as they needed it too. One of your Club members would liaise with the Branch for that reason).

There's lots of information about starting a Club Branch online at [Club Branch | Lions Clubs International](#).



A Club Branch can energise your Club and spread your Service wider. If you are interested and would like to talk this through, please contact your Membership Team.

Sue Wilding Membership Team Coordinator gmt@lions105cw.org.uk

Membership
Mid-Month Brunch



Saturday October 15th
11am



Join in on zoom and let's
talk Membership Matters
All welcome
zoom link will be sent out a week or so beforehand

Welcome to our new members:

BIRMINGHAM MOSELEY & KINGS HEATH
BROMYARD
DROITWICH
NORTHAMPTON
OADBY & WIGSTON
WELLESBOURNE

MARTINA OSBORNE
PETER LANE
DEAN KEY
RAMIN SALEH
DAVID SANSOM
STEVE GUICE

WOTTON UNDER EDGE
BRECON
PORTHCAWL
PORTHCAWL
PORTHCAWL

MICHAEL BADRICK
ANDREA RICHARDS
RHIAN DAVIES
SUE LEWIS
LOUISE ROBERTS



Are here to give every lion a voice and celebrate being an inclusive organization promoting gender parity, young adults and diverse under-represented groups.

Who are new voices within Lions

- Lions and Leos who have not had an opportunity to lead and have a new and innovative idea to share
- Who have an inspiring story or experience to share
- who believes in the mission of Lions and want to get involved
- Lions and Leos who have not had an opportunity to hold a formal position and did not have a voice before
- A member who always comes with good ideas and want to share their story with other lions locally, regionally, nationally and internationally
- A member who can speak out and encourage other Lions and Leos to take the lead and be innovative

4 areas

New Voices is about hearing the story of the unheard, and is a platform for sharing new ideas and learning from each other. It hopes to encourage clubs to be dynamic and innovative by trying something new, while helping individual Lions to grow personally and professionally. New Voices is about creating a network in every district so members old or young, male or female from all walks of life gain acknowledgement for their contributions in one of four fields and have or are excelling in 4 areas

Service

Marketing

Membership

Leadership

We hope nominees will inspire and motivate others to take up leadership roles in clubs and districts promoting stronger membership that is inclusive. Nominees should work to see that clubs and districts demonstrate to their community that Lions are open to both women and men, young and old of all backgrounds by sharing their stories on social media and find innovative ways to spread their message. Whether that is by speaking at Lions and non-Lions events as well as identifying projects that women, young adults, and diverse populations can connect too leading these projects in their districts.

Nominations to

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For more information visit the New Voices Website: <https://weserve.org/newvoices>

COMPETITIONS UPDATE

The cold winds doth blow and we shall have snow

Well maybe it's not quite that bad yet, but with the cooler days upon us I'm reminded that summer has probably left us for this year. However, that certainly doesn't mean our competitions have stopped – in fact it might be just the time for you to think back on all you have done over the spring and summer and send in any photographs and completed Visiting Lion forms. And to then plan for the remainder of the year to give you and/or your Club the best chance to be a winner in one or more of the competition categories.

To remind you all, these are

- Best Kept Website – independently selected
- Best Social Media – independently selected
- DG 'Best Club' award – chosen by the DG at his discretion
- Membership Growth - based on percentage growth of the Club as reported to MyLCI
- Visiting Lions – this can be virtual or in person
- Photography – divided into the following four categories
 - Plants
 - Weather phenomenon
 - Animals
 - Other aspects of nature, including landscapes, seascapes etc

Something for everyone!

Visiting Lions - I have seen many Lions at events I've attended since 1 January – both on zoom and live – and I have already received a good number of completed forms. But I know there are some missing – so please everyone check your diaries for what you've done and where you have been and let me have your forms. Joining other Club meetings, service projects and events, Zone meetings, Members Forums, seminars, trainings and other District events are all eligible. If you need an electronic copy of the form you can email me for one at competitions@lions105cw.org.uk. And that's where to send your completed ones please.

Photo competition – a non-Lion professional photographer will, as before, judge all entries in the separate categories which again should be sent to competitions@lions105cw.org.uk. Now we are able to get out and about more freely I'm sure many of you will have some wonderful photos in one or all of these categories. There is no limit to the number of entries you can submit – all it takes is your time to find and send them in. So please do.

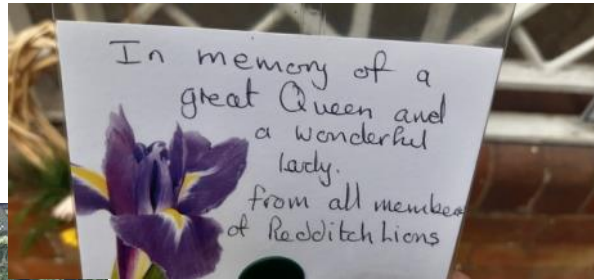
Our competition year ends on 31 December, and trophies will be presented at District Convention in April 2023. In the meantime, please give me something to do during the coming autumn and long winter evenings by sending in your entries.

Lion Jan Watson

105CW Competitions Officer

CLUB NEWS

REDDITCH LIONS — responded to the Local Council’s announcement that flowers in remembrance of Queen Elizabeth II could be dropped off at the towns centres pavilion.



WARWICK LIONS have been fully occupied with community based projects this month. Early on we joined Morrisons Supermarket and other charities and dignitaries in a campaign to help alleviate holiday hunger in local children. Customers to the supermarket were each invited to donate an item from their trolley in a challenge to fill a parking bay with donated items.



The generosity of the people was amazing and we managed to fill our bay with thirty-five crates of items which our members then delivered to a more than grateful Packmores Community Centre Food Bank.



Later in the month we again joined other organisations to help promote Safeline a locally based National Charity who support those who have been affected by sexual violence and abuse. To raise awareness of the Charity the local market was taken over for a day of family fun with performers and musicians joining the regular stall holders.

In an interesting deviation from normal at our last meeting Lion Tamara Friedrich who is an Associate Professor of Entrepreneurship & Innovation at the University of Warwick entertained us with an exercise in creative thinking in connection with building more awareness of Lions and attracting and retaining members.

WOTTON LIONS

Last month Wotton Lions were “Riding over the Edge”. This month it was **“10000M UNDER THE EDGE”**. Approx. 200 runners helped the Lions raise funds for Lions Brain Tumour Research appeal and supporting their community. The event raised just over £2,000 .

