

#TEAMCW

105CW News and Information February 2023



News from our District Governor

Fellow Lions our MD 105CW District Convention is from Friday 31st March to 2nd April 2023 at The Manor Hotel, 127 Main Road, Meriden, Coventry, CV7 7NH. Just to break with tradition, we will hold our Black tie Formal Gala Dinner on Friday evening 7.00pm for 7.30pm, Saturday is the Convention Day and in the evening we will enjoy a fabulous Party Night with a good knees up. Eat, drink and dance the night away with some live music. The Cabinet meeting has been scheduled for Sunday morning after breakfast.

Our International guest is AP Singh - International Third Vice President. AP Singh has been a Lion since 1984 and is a member of the Calcutta Vikas Lions Club. He has held many positions within Lions, including District Governor, Council Chairperson and International Director.

He has served as GMT International coordinator for four years and as a member on a number of ad hoc Board committees. Lion AP Singh has also served as multi-national co-ordinator for Campaign SightFirst II, CA leader for Campaign 100 and as a member of LCIF Steering Committee.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Singh has initiated various service programs in collaboration with other trusts, foundations and corporate houses. He has also worked on establishing a web-based Lions leadership development platform and has organised multiple large-scale online events to keep Lions engaged.



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Relax and enjoy some 'live' music
amongst friends.

To book your place
at Convention follow the link..

<https://www.lions105cw.uk/booking>
or
email brigitte@lions105cw.uk

Or call Brigitte on
0121 441 4544



With the end of the Competitions year on 31 December, I'd like to thank everyone of you who have been sending in your **Visiting Lion** forms and entries for the **Photography** competition. I have to say I don't envy the judge for the latter; there have been so many beautiful photos sent in over the past 12 months and I'm really looking forward to finding out, and congratulating, the winners. It was interesting to see the increased activity in the **Visiting Lions** competition once we were all a little more relaxed and less anxious to travel and mix with others after the Covid regulations were eased. I do appreciate though that the virus is still around, but visits/trainings/etc on zoom are still acceptable for the 2023 Competitions year. Although it may not be everyone's cup of tea, zoom has opened up so many opportunities and has certainly saved a lot of time, expense (and stress) in travel.

Results of the competitions for **Membership Growth**, **Best Kept Website** and **Best Social Media** are being worked on right now and, again, I'm eagerly anticipating the results.

Trophies for winners in all five competitions will be presented at District Convention and I look forward to seeing as many of you there as are able to attend.

Turning to **2023**, the competitions year again runs from 1 January through to 31 December.

There will be some minor tweaks to the **Visiting Lions** form but it will remain essentially the same so if anyone wants to send an entry please use the old form until the new one is circulated.

The **Photography** categories will remain the same – with one addition

- Plants
- Weather phenomenon
- Animals
- Other aspects of nature
- Birds

If anyone has any other suggestions, please do let me know. It's your competition!

And **Membership Growth**, **Best Kept Website** and **Best Social Media** are all ongoing, and I'm sure that the latter two are really helpful in growing the first.

Lion Jan Watson 105CW Competitions Officer

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Membership Matters.

Getting information out about Lions to those who know very little about us is very important. Our PR team are constantly putting together suggestions for ways to publicise Lions Clubs, who we are and what we do.

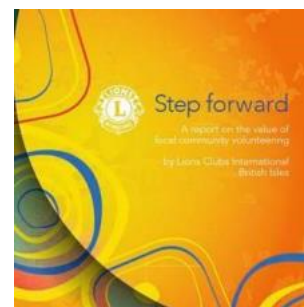
A while ago, every member received a booklet called 'Step Forward' which has had some very positive feedback. These are very useful for giving to prospective new members who are likely to join your Club. It makes a useful 'take away' for them to read at home, for example. There are still copies available from our HQ for the cost of postage only – a real bargain at around £13 a box.

Linked to the booklet is a tri-fold leaflet which is better for giving to someone showing some interest but maybe not at the point of wanting to join yet. They highlight some of the key messages about Lions and can be a good addition to the publicity materials you have about your own Club.

There are also other materials in postcard form which help make up a display table and all sorts of posters that look great on publicity display boards. All of these have been done for us to help us promote ourselves so why not use these to avoid the time, effort and cost of producing your own?

Please remember that there are others who can help and advise you as you promote Membership and the Service that your Club undertakes. If you don't know who to ask, just get in touch.

We have lots of publicity materials available from HQ to help you increase your measurements. Step Forward Booklets cost £ 13 including postage.



Following items will be plus postage. Mini leaflet per 100 £ 10 - Postcards per set £ 1.50 - A4 Posters set 5 £ 1.50 -

BIRMINGHAM MOSELEY & KINGS HEATH	MARK HUDSON	HARBOROUGH TWENTY 12	MICHAEL BUNNING	RUGBY ROKEBY	CHRISTINA BOURNE
BLACK MOUNTAINS	ALEX CRICHTON-STUART	KENILWORTH	ROBERT JAMES MANSFIELD	RUTLAND	DAVID A CLARK
BLACK MOUNTAINS	CHRISTINE GARRATT	MARSTON GREEN & DISTRICT	CHRISTOPHER JOHN LOVATT	RUTLAND	DIANE L WEBB
BROMYARD	HELEN MORRIS	MELTON MOWBRAY	MICHAEL ANDREW HENDY	RUTLAND	JAMES GERALD MAXWELL
CARDIFF	MICHAEL ALLEN	NUNEATON	HARBANS SINGH GUMMAN	RUTLAND	LYNNE V MAXWELL
COVENTRY GODIVA	STEPHEN BLACKER	NUNEATON	SURINDER SINGH BHAMRA	SHIRLEY	GREG S JOHNSON
COVENTRY GODIVA	ARCHNA MEHTA	NUNEATON	SURINDER SINGH MARWAHA	WOTTON UNDER EDGE	IAN CARR
COVENTRY GODIVA	RAMESH CHANDER KOHLI	ROSS ON WYE	ROB SEDMAN	WOTTON UNDER EDGE	STEVE VASLET
DROITWICH	TAJINDER SUKHIA	ROSS ON WYE	SUSAN HANSON	WOTTON UNDER EDGE	TREVOR CATMULL
	MARK WOODLAND	ROSS ON WYE	SUSAN JOHNSON		

A3 Posters set 5 £ 4 Hint order a box of booklets and then other items can go in the package making only one postage cost

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Welcome to our new members



Club News

Comment from the editor—this months newsletter contains reports from only three clubs. Why? What do we need to change? When I took on this role it was with my belief that it was a great way to share ideas between clubs. By sharing our knowledge of events and service we give ideas for others. Our own club started a project having seen another clubs success.

We have over 90 clubs in our district. The most that appeared in an issue I think was 9 clubs. How do we get you to



share?

Dursley Lions carried out some post-Xmas service for Longfield Hospice & Cheltenham Cobalt Appeal. Collecting Xmas trees & delivering them for mulching and collecting Xmas cards within the area & delivering them to the recycling depot, respectively.

Ross on Wye Lions - Helping those who also help others

Ross Lions are very aware of the importance of the Service provided by the West Midlands Air Ambulance teams. Their helicopter is often seen flying overhead or landing nearby as their base is at Strensham near the end of the M50 motorway.

Some Club Members recently visited the base to present a cheque from funds raised at recent Lions events. Luckily for the Lions, the helicopter was on the ground and they were able to meet with the pilot, medical team and representative for WMAA in cold, but bright sunshine. The helicopter is called into use on average 3 times a day and costs around £3,000 each time it goes out so Ross Lions were glad to make a contribution towards keeping the team in action.

Christmas in Ross on Wye 2022

Sometimes people find themselves in hospital without the basic essentials, simple things like toothpaste and a toothbrush. Ross Lions



make up toiletries packs and deliver them to the local hospital – together with a few treats for the staff at Christmas time.

Ross Lions are a major partner in the Ross on Wye Community Lunch, an event for anyone who might be in need of company on Christmas Day. Those who cannot make it to the centre or who prefer to stay at home have a meal and gift delivered to them. Planning for this takes some weeks and preparation on Christmas Eve involves lots of peeling, table setting alongside general good humour – and chocolates!



WARWICK LIONS were honoured to welcome to their first meeting of 2023 District Governor Ravinder Sandhu who brought greetings from the International President & presented a banner to Lion President Peter Amis and the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellowship Award to Past President John Tunney



Wotton Lions

Wotton kicked off year with their first social. December is always too busy so Christmas together happens in

January.