

BULLETIN

DECEMBER 2017

President Robert Kelly (below) presents the club banner to Sharon Coombs our guest speaker at last Tuesday's meeting. See story page 4 this issue.

December is a busy time for Lions, expect the same in Mandurah, please help if it's convenient

This is our busy time of the year and all hands need to be on deck.

Having watched Paul McCartney last night (2/12/17) he said something that we as Lions need to follow. I will play some old ones, middle of the road and some new songs. Everyone cheers and phones light up like stars in the universe when he plays old songs. When he plays new songs it is like watching a black hole, because no one knows them and listens.

Lions love their traditions and they have been doing it for years. The old way of doing things and everyone is happy and do what they have done for years.

Lions have to keep changing and doing things smarter and easier. Now we are talking about cooler trailers instead of using an esky. Selling cakes at more venues instead of only at the Forum.

Santa deliveries are a great activity if we all are involved.

We have inspired Lions and thinkers in the club now, who have great ideas and we as a club need to listen to them, make mistakes, improve on it and follow their dreams to make us a more vibrant Lions club with new activities to enhance and better our community we live in.

People do not like change. The Mandurah Lions club is changing so



we all need to get on board and move with the 3 vibrant vice-presidents and have a go. Many hands make light work and we all need to be on board and join in.

Our activities have included:-

- Our Santa outlets and organising Santa suits and personal has commenced
- Wally's walk for sight was conducted on Sunday, October 3. This is the 21st year that Wally has organised this.
- We have organised BBQ's for disability serves, mental health week, Rotary Golf Day and Hogs Breath restaurant, given sleigh for their Christmas festivities.
- Organising a raffle for Hearing dog to sell with our Christmas cake stalls.
- Had a very good camp for Wanslea (children in care) at Mylup Pines which we sponsored.
- Members attended the AGM of the Lions Institute held in Jandakot.
- Ordered and received Christmas cakes and sorted out outlets to sell them with our Hearing Dogs raffle.
- Will induct (did) a new member on November 28.

- We have completed an investigation on what we need to improve our clubrooms.
- Have paid an architect to draw up plans for a new Lions building if we need to move in 2 years. Are having ongoing discussions with Mandurah Council.
- Members attended the Fremantle Convention. Another successful event organised by Fremantle Lions.
- Had our can trailer stolen on Friday, November 3. Keep your eyes peeled for a two-axle trailer with sides all round covered in Lions branding.
- We have changed the mould of BBQs. We now sell hamburgers as well.
- As Lions we need to cater for all needs of the community. We are now looking at a servery like Subway to sell our hamburgers.
- Received Auto Barn Vouchers for \$100.00 and discount flyers to reward people in Mandurah.

Yours in Lionism
Robert Kelly
President 2017/2018

TWENTY YEARS OF WALKING FOR SIGHT . . . A SIGHT TO CELEBRATE

Wally Barrett reported on the Walk for Sight indicating some disappointment at the number of walkers.

Wally will liaise with a representative from the City Council regarding the future.

Many thanks go to Mary Cooper and The Silver Tones for their support and past help. Total takings including sponsorship was \$4690-

Moved Wally Barrett/Peter Drown seconded that the club contribute a further \$310 to bring the Save Sight donation to \$5000.

The motion was carried on the numbers. Wally accepts a cheque from the Silver Tones group on October 3.



CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY FOR WANSLEA KIDS

You can't help but think as to why Lion Des McLean doesn't run out of petrol. He doesn't. Des is primed on diesel, his motor keeps on keeping on.

His latest job saw Des planning and organising the annual Christmas gift and canal tour for 30 under privileged kids from the Wanslea home.

Des told the Bulletin that the event kicks off with Garry Irvine towing the BBQ trailer to the Government jetty behind near where the hotel used to be at 5.45pm.

Lion Graham Madigan is going to cook up 65 bangers and with a bun to be supplied to the kids and their carers. And thanks to Coles who provided the club with a \$50 gift voucher which made the cost zilch.

After that lot is finished Santa will arrive to give the kids a real lift by handing out presents collected by Des. This will be a show stopper.

Around 6.45pm thanks to Des he has arranged for 5 vessels to give the kids and helpers a journey never to be forgotten, a trip through the canals and to witness Christmas light up front.

SILVER CHAIN KEEPS SHARON BUSY

Sharon Coombs our guest speaker at the last meeting in November is proudly working within Silver Chain Group.

Silver Chain is a not for profit organisation delivering Community Health and Social Care services across Australia.

They help aged people to receive the care they need to remain living happy and healthy within their own home.

Sharon is currently carrying out presentations throughout the metro area and it was possible for the Mandurah Lions Club to be presented with an overview of Silver Chain services.

She explained everything about Silver Chain very well.

She was able to answer all questions posed to her and had every Lion watching and listening to her talk. No gong was needed to keep Lions in line and 2 people started to nod off at the 17 minute mark of the talk. This worked perfectly as Sharon was told to only present for 15 minutes.

A good night was had by all and Sharon presented us with a Silver Chain show bag.

If you were unlucky and not receive a show bag there is more available in the shed to members who missed the meeting.

What's on in December

Tuesday. December 5 Meeting includes the AGM

Thursday December 7 Christmas lights with Des McLean and Wanslea kids and five boats

Tuesday, December 12 Christmas Pageant

Tuesday, December 19 Christmas Meeting



Walk With Us . . . a Heart Foundation event

Just wanted to say a BIG thank you again to the Mandurah Lions Club for providing your magnificent services at our 'Walk With Us' event held on Tuesday, November 28.

See attached photographs taken on the day.

A lot of people were mentioning how lovely you were and it's easy to see why.

In regards to our fabulous A frame here is where I purchased it:
www.easysigns.com.au/products/details/changeable-snap-a-frame-sandwich-board

Many thanks, Sara Smith,
 Business Development Manager, WA.

