



# DISTRICT GAZETTE

*The Latest News from Around Your District*



**MAY 2018**



Welcome to new members:-  
Gnosall & Newport  
Joan Bird, Tracy Healey, Andrew Tench  
Hednesford - Lee Fayers  
Lichfield - Julia Greenhough



**Welcome to you and I look forward to personally meeting you soon, at an event, a visit or a Charter.**

**DG Teresa**

Since last I wrote to you all, I have had the honour of being the guest at Charter Anniversary Dinners at Bridgnorth, Market Drayton, Chester and Burntwood. All of them were very different, but memorable occasions for the warmth of the welcome and the generous hospitality shown not only to me, but to all those present. Sadly a DG cannot be in two places at once, but I have it on good authority that a good time was had by all at the Sale and Congleton Charters. Due to work commitments I was also unable to accept the kind invitation to accompany Chester Lions on their recent visit to Blind Veterans UK. I look forward to hearing all about it in the near future.

A family commitment means that I am unable to attend the forthcoming Youth Brass Band Concert in Alsager on the 27th April, but I shall be thinking of you all. Please pass on my regards to Nigel and all the talented musicians!

As a District Governor it is always a special occasion and very sincere pleasure to present an MJF award to a fellow Lion - what makes it even more special, is that the recipients are true examples of what is good and noble about being a Lion. In the last month I have been able to award four such awards. I have also been able to present long service chevrons at both Charters and on my club visits, and induct three new members into Gnosall and Newport - all in all a very good month!

I have also been able to publicly commend Lions Olly Llewellyn and Jeff Murrison on receiving Townsman Awards. These are presented every two years to citizens of Market Drayton, who are considered to have made a positive and exemplary contribution to the life of their community. Well done gentlemen. If I might just add, Jeff and his wife Christine have just celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Like me, I am sure you wish them both hearty congratulations.

I have been made aware that some of our fellow Lions have undergone surgery this month. In the interests of their privacy, I shall not name them, but wish them a speedy recovery. I know that fellow club members have rallied around to help and cannot thank them enough. We need not only to care about our communities, but each other also. Our thoughts are also with those who have lost loved ones.

The DG Team will shortly be having their second meeting with members of BN, to discuss our forthcoming merger and the practicalities thereof. We will keep you all abreast of events.

Finally, please remember to add your social and fund raising events to 'Busy BS'. It is wonderful to share information about events and in my case, attend them when I can.

**DG TERESA**

The second document has been downloaded from Lions MD105/resources and is a source of all the relevant documents required. Essential reading to all and thanks to MD Officer David Colville who has been working tirelessly on our behalf.

### Introduction to EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

The European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force on 25th May 2016 and will apply in all European Union Member States from 25th May 2018. GDPR introduces a completely new regime in terms of data protection. ***The balance of ownership of personal data (in any format or media) shifts from organisations to the person, with greater rights for the individual to decide how organisations use their data.***

New accountability requirement means clubs are now required, not only to comply with the new law, but to demonstrate that they comply with the new law. In particular, there is a requirement to keep records of data processing activities.

A fundamental part of our GDPR compliance project is understanding what personal information you are collecting and processing. A lack of understanding will make it difficult to ensure that your club's data processing activities comply with the new obligations set out in the GDPR. The key to GDPR, and every other regulation in this space, is a sound approach to data protection across the organisation. ***It's not a security or a technology problem, but a holistic business problem.***

Personal data must be collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes and not further processed in a way incompatible with those purposes. It must be adequate, relevant and limited to those attributes which are necessary in relation to the purposes for which they are processed. You should hold no more data beyond what is strictly required.

There are 4 'proforma' and 1 template consent forms (more will be provided once it is clear what clubs require) available on the MD105 web site at <http://lionsclubs.co/MemberArea/?p=252> and a draft Privacy Notice which will give clubs a guide to considering the purpose for collecting the personal data and the legal basis for processing the personal data.

- GDPR – Proforma Club Consent Form (Advertise Event).
- GDPR – Proforma Club Consent Form (Friends of Club).
- GDPR – Proforma Club Member's Consent Form (Publish Directory).
- GDPR – Proforma Club Member's Consent Form (Email Distribution).
- GDPR - Data Subject Consent Form (Template).

Under GDPR, consent must be “freely given, specific, informed and an unambiguous indication of the subject's wishes by which he or she, by a statement of clear affirmative action, signifies agreement to the processing of personal data relating to him or her”. ***Essentially, this requires subjects' must “opt-in” rather than “opt out”*** - the GDPR specifically bans pre-ticked “opt-in” boxes. Consent must be granted in “a statement or a clear affirmative action”. While a statement should be obvious enough, an “affirmative action” needs clarification. ***An “affirmative action” in this context is something that the data subject does, rather than something they achieve through inaction.***

At Europa Forum in Montreux a Privacy Protection Group, consisting of members from Germany, Belgium, Netherlands, Finland, Italy and the UK, was formally recognised. Its initial task is to formulate a legal basis for transferring members' personal data to our International HQ in Oak Brook and consider how to publicise information to all Single/Multiple Districts within Constitutional Area 4.

In MD105 there is a dedicated web page (<http://lionsclubs.co/MemberArea/?p=252>) to publish policies, procedures, processes and forms. This material will continue to evolve as guidance from European Data Protection Authorities is made available, and in some cases updated.

A more in-depth document 'Heads-up to Clubs' is available at <http://lionsclubs.co/MemberArea/?p=252>, which explains the parts of the legislation that are likely to be most useful to clubs. It might be useful to consider appointing someone within your club to provide a link with the Multiple District Data Protection Officer, or a designated District Officer, and assist the club in demonstrating compliance with data protection legislation.

Lastly, work is ongoing with guidance on data protection legislation at Club, District, Multiple District and International level.

## DG ELECT'S PRESENTATION TO CONVENTION

It is a tremendous honour to be standing here as DG Elect for District 105BS. And I thank you for showing your confidence in electing me.

When deciding what form my presentation to convention should take, it became obvious to me that change is in the air for 105BS. In order to deal with the changes and challenges ahead, we will need an important ingredient.

So far, during my travels, I have heard so many Lions say "We must work together" and I am so encouraged and delighted to hear these words. However, we must not let them be "Just Words".

Fellow Lions, my theme for many years, even before I became a Lion, has been "Working Together" and still believe it is the core of any organisation or club. Lions Clubs International is no different.

During our lifetime, we all experience change in the way we work, live and even our voluntary pursuits, such as Lions Clubs. change us a word that can strike fear and resentment into some and is welcomed by others, whether organisations, clubs or individuals.

Change can be seen in various forms, it can be compulsory, necessary or voluntary.

With regards to our District 105BS as part of MD105, in the next few months, years, we will be experiencing some changes to aid and support our survival in this great organisation we are all so proud to be associated with.

*Compulsory change:* CIO "Charities Incorporated Organisation". We are all being made aware of any changes required to the way our District and Club finances are managed with regards to complying with the laws set out by the Charity Commission. This change is not an option, it is compulsory.

*Necessary change:* Re-Districting. Due to the falling numbers in District memberships across the Multi-District over the years, numerous have descended into Transition, less than 1250 required by Constitution. To that end, Re-Districting has become "Necessary" to enable us to grow and take on the future with more positive progress and expansion of leadership talent to lead us into that future. Fellow Lions, we need this necessary change for our District and Multi-District to survive. We must embrace our future union with District BN and we welcome their members here today and I confirm that negotiations are underway to ensure a smooth transition.

*Necessary change:* LCI Forward and GAT "Global Action Team" initiatives, which you will hear more about in the coming months. They are designed to help guide us through many years, to strengthen and take us into the next 100 years with positive leadership, increased membership and important service programs. There is also the DBS (data barring service) and the Data Protection rulings which are there to protect us.

Fellow Lions, we must embrace these changes and work in harmony together, to keep us strong and fit for the future of Lions.

If I may, I would like to quote from a previous presentation and passion for Lions.

As with many organisations, especially our Clubs, be they small or large, to survive and get through what can be difficult and turbulent times, good communication, collaboration, compromise, understanding and solid teamwork are paramount to their survival.

On that note, I would like to bring Teamwork to the fore.

As Lions, our main aim is to help and support those within our communities who are less fortunate, which we do extremely well. However, we must not forget ourselves.

Within our District, there are Clubs that are less fortunate than others because of low membership numbers, ageing and, unfortunately, health issues together with other reasons. Because of these, they cannot fulfill their ambitions totally to serve their communities. which, in turn, promotes despondency and sadly, in some cases, Club closures.

I ask you, Fellow Lions, to consider such clubs in your area and offer them help or assistance where needed, I am sure they would be grateful. "This is what families do".

Finally, if we work together, supporting and being there for each other, our family will stay strong and work with the challenges that lie ahead.

**STEVE TALBOT DG ELECT**

**STEVE'S ODD BIT, Multiplying 111, 111,111 X 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321**

## **GETTING PAST THE FRONT DOOR and INTO SCHOOLS**

At Convention I spoke about my method of getting into schools with regards to the Youth Programmes, mainly the Young Leaders in Service but could also apply to the Peace Poster and Young Ambassador ones as well. It has worked every time for me and I hope that it may be of use to others. **GOOD LUCK!**

### **SPOT THE OPPORTUNITY**

Keep your eye open in local papers or on your local Radio Station and if you spot something about a local youngster who has done something good in your community then take advantage of this by contacting their school or organisation. Saying how impressed you are.

### **TAKE THE ADVANTAGE**

Write a letter directly to the Head, Principal, Unit Commander saying who you and that you are from the local Lions Club and may be able to help both them and their pupil by rewarding both school and pupil and whilst also getting good local publicity.

### **HIGHLIGHT IN YOUR COMMUNICATION ABOUT THE YOUNG LEADERS IN SERVICE SCHEME**

- State who you are and about your Club
- The recent achievement of their pupil, student, cadet etc, etc and where you saw it.
- State how Impressed you are by their achievement and how well it reflects their school.
- Briefly state how you can help the school/ student etc, etc such as by supply Art Materials for the Peace Poster Competition, donate a Trophy, help with their UCCAS applications therefore Improving the Pupils' Job Prospects, UCCAS Applications, Forces and Emergency Service applications etc.
- That the YLiS not just for High Achievers or the Academic
- There is no cost involved to the school or organisation.

Offer to come into school to talk about it and other Lion Youth Opportunities

### **YOU NEED TO PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO YOUR LETTER TO THEM.**

- \*Get the Addressee's Title Correct : Mr. Mrs, Major, Chief Inspector etc
- \*Spell their name Correctly with their correct initials.
- \*Get their Qualifications or Awards Correct, BA, BSc, MA. MSc, QGM etc
- \*Correct Address and Post Code ( on line from School Website)
- Seal the Envelope and Mark it as : PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (The addressee has to then personally open it, not a clerk)
- Use a 1<sup>st</sup> Class Stamp. (don't make it look like a mail shot )

### **ADVANTAGES TO THE CLUB**

- At no expense to the School or organisation
- Could lead to an Increase in Income at your events
- More local Interest due to increased PR
- More involvement with local Schools and Youth Groups locally
- More to put in your monthly Press releases.

### **WHAT GNOSALL & NEWPORT GAINED IN ADDITION.**

- Membership stabilised gaining 4 new members this year due to more local press coverage.
- Schools & Pupils now know who & what "Lions" are.
- Schools publicise our events in their Newsletters giving Free advertising and better ticket sales
- Our Events are becoming more popular
- Tickets are easier to sell

**RICK TALBOT  
YOUTH OFFICER**

## LIMERICKS FROM CONVENTION

The Lions announced their intention  
To hold yet another Convention  
When business is done  
They will all have some fun  
And frolics not to be mentioned!  
*Maureen Oatway (South Manchester)*

Marie Antoinette wanted to bake  
Though her ingredients turned out to be fake  
The butter was lard  
Then the bread was too hard  
So she said Let them eat cake  
*Shirley Vaughan (Telford Lions Club)*

Our club's getting long in the tooth  
We know we must import some youth  
To find those who'll commit  
Will take quite a bit  
It's a difficult job that's the truth  
*Shirley Vaughan (Telford Lions Club)*

There was a young man from Stoke  
Who took a fancy to eating coke  
He became red with fire  
Through this foolish desire  
And now he is emitting Smoke.  
*Paul Martin (Stone Lions Club)*

Teresa just can't spell ARDDERCHOG  
So the district can't yet have its own blog  
This works for now  
But just tell me how  
Will it work in a club in Porthmadog  
*Eric Roberts (City of Bangor)*

Now today we have 2 Teresas  
Both of them District Governors  
Both have class and have style  
Both from the Emerald Isle  
But come July they'll be back down amongst us.  
*Eric Roberts (City of Bangor)*

I know a young lady called Nickson  
Brown eyed, blonde haired and buxom  
From Ireland she hails  
But she now lives in Wales  
With a Lions District to govern  
*Eric Roberts (City of Bangor)*

There once was a Lion called Fry,  
Who uttered the Maori cry.  
He entered the scrum  
With head next to bum  
And finally managed a try.  
*Ann Moore (South Manchester)*

In the forests and plains  
The Lion remains  
With pride in tow  
They walk in a row  
The King of the Lions reigns  
*Ann Moore (South Manchester)*

We don't run with the pack  
Or say "I'm all right Jack".  
Together we serve  
Those who deserve  
A hand or a pat on the back  
*Ann Moore (South Manchester)*

We are here at a Lions' convention  
A cheerful and happy invention.  
We talk about ways  
To improve peoples' ways  
Through guidance and wise intervention.  
*Tony Moore (South Manchester)*

I really thought I ought to mention  
About the theme for this year's Convention,  
Denim's not bad  
There's a lot to be had,  
But I can't do the diamonds on me pension.  
*Terry Twyford (Llandudno Lions) The Winner!!!*

There was a DG called Teresa  
And it doesn't take much to please her.  
Ring her last thing at night  
Don't give her a fright  
And she'll laugh when you try to tease her.  
*Margaret Marsh (Ellesmere Port)*

There was a DG called Teresa  
Who oft was a bit of a sneezer  
One morning at 4  
She slammed her front door  
And Teresa was a sneezer no more.  
*David Mawson (Vale Royal)*

There was a couple from BN who wanted to go to a party  
 But thought Denim and Diamonds were a bit tarty  
 So decided it was better to get a large cup of Latte  
 After awhile they became very warm and hearty  
 So decided, after all they would go to BS for the party.  
*Liz Axten (BN)*

There was a Cumbrian lad and lass  
 Who both managed to get a pass  
 To get a away for a weekend blast  
 But we will still manage to raise a glass  
 As BN and BS together will be first class  
*Liz Axten (BN)*

There were 2 lovely lady lions from Little Orme  
 Wherever they went they caused a storm  
 They were very nice  
 Like sugar and spice  
 But they liked to break free from the norm  
*Lynn and Ginny (Little Orme)*

This week gripped with snow and alarm  
 I went shopping for bread in the storm  
 For goodness sake  
 Let them eat cake  
 I'm going home to get warm  
*Beryl Roberts (City of Bangor)*

There was a lady from Twickenham  
 Who bought some new boots and couldn't walk quick in them  
 She hobbled for a mile  
 Came up to a stile  
 Took off the new boots and was sick in them.  
*Paul Martin (Stone Lions Club)*

**THIS SPACE COULD BE FILLED  
 WITH NEWS FROM YOUR CLUB  
 SHARE YOUR NEWS AND IDEAS  
 WITH YOUR FELLOW LIONS  
 IN DISTRICT BS**

**VISITING LIONS**

Hi, all

Now spring is here, let's all get out there, and travel to some clubs or events, and get these report cards rolling in to me!



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 D.O. VISITING LION**

CLUB NAME	POINTS
LLANDUDNO	27
SOUTH MANCHESTER	17
CANNOCK	17
BEAUMARIS MENAI AETHWY	11
STOKE ON TRENT	9
ELLESMERE PORT	4
NEWCASTLE UNDER LYME	2
LEEK	1
ALSAGER	1



# PEACE POSTER



## 2018 COMPETITION

produce a piece of art work with the theme

# “KINDNESS MATTERS”



Must be your **OWN WORK** and by **YOU ALONE**



**SIZE:** Minimum 13” by 20”/Maximum 20” by 24”



**AGE LIMIT:** you must have been born between

16<sup>th</sup> November 2004 and 15<sup>th</sup> November 2007



No **GLUEING** or **STICKING**



No **FRAMEWORK** or **EDGING**



No **BOARD** (just paper)



No **LETTERING** or **NUMERICS**

All **MEDIA** accepted but chalk/charcoal must be sealed with fixative spray. The final piece should be suitable for posting in a tube.

**DISTRICT COMPETITION FINAL TO TAKE PLACE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER DISTRICT CABINET MEETING DATE TBC.**

Don't waste money and valuable time by ordering from Oakbrook. Peace Poster Kits are available direct from MDHQ. For £14. Call Brigitte or Jan Direct on 0121- 441 4544

District Peace Poster Officer : Lion Linda Cresswell Tel :  
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## HAPPY HAROLD THANKS PSA TESTING

12 months ago Harold Taylor was blissfully unaware of a cancer raging within his prostate! Being fit and well with no symptoms at all Harold had no reason to believe he was at risk from this silent killer. However his wife Jackie's brother had recently been diagnosed with prostate cancer and persuaded him to attend a free screening session put on by Ironbridge Lions & Ironbridge Rotary.

Harold had his blood sample taken by a professional phlebotomist and then went home to await the results. To his horror his result came back in the red showing that his PSA level was very high.

Then followed a series of hospital appointments, hormone treatment and finally a course of radiotherapy. Nearly a year went by then the news came that his cancer had been conquered with the consultant telling Harold that he just had return to have his PSA level tested every 3 months to ensure he stays clear.

Jackie's brother meanwhile had lost his fight with prostate cancer so Jackie and Harold have been backing Ironbridge Lions' second screening event at every opportunity. Several local radio appearances have featured Harold and Jackie urging all men over 50 to have their PSA level checked regularly..



The event attracted over 700 men including BBC Shropshire's breakfast presenter Eric Smith and the results have shown that there was 11% of the men tested had an abnormal level of PSA. Our retired consultant estimates that Ironbridge Lions has probably saved the lives of 50 men by early diagnosis and intervention. Pictured above - left to right - Ruth Evans, Ironbridge Rotary; Julie Rich, our Star Lead Nurse; Harold Taylor; Lion John Marsh.

**JOHN MARSH  
IRONBRIDGE-SEVERN GORGE**

A reminder for all clubs working towards Centenary Service Challenge banner patches.

All Centennial projects must be completed by June 30, 2018 and reported on MyLCI by July 15, 2018 to qualify for inclusion. Final patches will be issued early in the 2018-2019 year.

**CENTENNIAL OFFICER SHIRLEY VAUGHAN**



### EDITOR'S NOTE

**COPY DATE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE IS  
22nd MAY 2018**

**ALL PHOTOGRAPHS, PICTURES AND EMOTICONS  
TO BE IN JPEG FORMAT PLEASE.**

**IF NOT, THEY MAY NOT BE PUBLISHED**

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## CARE FOR CARERS

As one of their annual service projects Stafford Lions have again hosted an Adult Carers' party to recognise the behind the scene selfless work that lots of local carers do day after day to look after their loved ones.

Once again Stafford Rangers Football Club offered one of their hospitality rooms free of charge to cater for nearly one hundred carers and entertainment was provided for free by the Stafford Steppers dance troupe and the Healing Voices, a local choir who have received funding from Stafford Lions, gave a very enjoyable repertoire of songs to sing-along to.

The event was attended by the Mayor of Stafford Borough Council, Councillor Aidan Godfrey and his wife Wendy. Afternoon tea was provided by the members of Stafford Lions with savoury snacks donated by Lee Adams, The Family Butcher in Penkridge, and every carer received a raffle prize.

Lions' aim is simple - "We Serve" and this event showed how lots of other voluntary organisations can all join together to serve their local community to help those less fortunate.



Photograph shows:  
The Mayor of Stafford Borough Council, Cllr Aidan Godfrey and his wife Wendy, receiving a bannerette from Stafford Lions President Glenda Chard.

## ED RULE STAFFORD

## NOVELTY RACE NIGHT

The 6 Clubs in Zone D decided that their Zone Project would be to raise enough money to buy a motorbike for Merseyside and Cheshire Blood Bikes. So, on a damp Friday evening in March, race-goers arrived at Oldershaw Rugby Club to enjoy a night of fun and laughter. Raffle prizes had been donated from each club, races had been sponsored, the horses had been 'bought' and it was time for 'the off'. With Tic Tac Man Neil Hessian, imported from Urmston Lions, along with his wife Christine and fellow Lion Ann Corcoran and THE GEAR, the scene was set. A big "thank you" to them.

Large foam dice were thrown and the 'riders' moved forward accordingly. Bets had been placed at the Tote and the punters eagerly awaited the result, cheering on their favoured 'horse'. The 'owners' won money and the gamblers collected their winnings.



Then large boxes arrived, filled with the suppers from the local Fish'n'chip shop, all pre-ordered and silence prevailed. Once supper was over, the racing continued. A fun night was had by those that attended and £800 started off the Zone Project.

*Photos = The Horses; Biker Simon starting the 1st race; is ZC cheating?; it's Legg's Eleven in the lead.*

JOHN PULFORD - WALLASEY  
MARGARET MARSH - ELLESMERE PORT

## KEEPING BUSY

Last month we were honoured by a visit to our Club by our District Governor, Lion Teresa Nickson and what a visit it was. Talk about a busy meeting. Initially we welcomed and inducted 3 new Lions into the Club, Tracy Healy from Gnosall, Joan Bird and Andrew Tench from Newport with the ceremony conducted by the DG.



She then went on to present 3 Long Service Awards to Andy Burns (35 yrs) Geoff Clark and Peter Sterling (both 15 yrs) and a Friends of Lions Badge to Julie Rich who has done sterling work over the years locally in the field of Prostate Cancer, and the International President's Medal (the only one in the District) to Lion President Rick for work in the sphere of youth. On display also was the Wyn & Bill Strange Shield for Youth Work, and the Club also came 2nd overall for our PR Work.



DG Teresa commended us for our work both locally and further afield, feeling we punched way above our weight and are a credit to our community. Praise indeed. We are now expanding but are always on the lookout for new talent to join us, the more we have, the more we can do for the area.

We are now approaching a quite busy time for the Club in that addition to our monthly Afternoon Tea Dances, held on the 2nd Monday of every month in the Gnosall Memorial Hall, we also have a couple of our main Summer events on the horizon, namely the Annual Golf Day, Newport Carnival and the Newport Show.

We commence with the annual Golf Day on 31st May at Aqualate Golf Club. This year we are raising money for amongst others our Prostate Cancer (PSA) Testing evening in October. The cost, a modest £19 to include Coffee and bacon Butties at the 10th tee. For this I must say a big thank you to all the local businesses which have supported us and a full report on this will appear in the next issue.

**RICK TALBOT  
GNOSALL & NEWPORT**

## ENVIRONMENTAL MONTHLY NEWS

This month first article Conservation Scientist Dr Daniel Hayhow.

This month second article Personal Experience by Mark Ward - Mothers- Day Sunday 11/03/2018.

This month third article few facts about Snowy Owls

This month fourth article Can we educate Children to appreciate the value of Nature at a Young Age?

Link for Lions Environmental Newsletters <http://www.lions105bs.org.uk/>

Access under heading Community Projects, scroll down on drop down menu displays

Environmental Newsletters

Click on Environmental Newsletters Heading.

Displays Monthly editions newsletter.

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**CHRISTOPHER EVANS  
ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER.**

