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Welcome to you all and I look forward to personally meeting you soon, at an event, a visit or a Charter. DG Steve Talbot

Thanks to D.O. Lion David Elliott for producing these details each month. Ed.

DG's BIT

Well fellow Lions, sadly the day has arrived for the last edition of the BS Gazette,due to becoming part of the new district CN in July.

For the past two years, we have had the opportunity to share our forthcoming and past event news and their successes. News of presentations to many of our fantastic Lions. The energy and commitment given to your clubs and communities has shone through, highlighting the resourcefulness, fun and dedication to all you do. Each and everyone of you should be proud.

As this is the final edition of the Gazette, it is a great opportunity for me to say a huge thank-you to each and every Lion in District 105BS for your fantastic support and fellowship whilst I have had the privilege and honour of being your District Governor for the final year as 105BS, I enjoyed every minute of the roller coaster ride which has carried me through the ups and downs of the office.

My report this time is not long in length , but it carries my very best wishes to every Lion in District BS.

Finally, last but by no means least. I would like to thank DO Margaret Marsh for the work she has done during her time as Gazette Editor, which I know has been quite taxing but has taken considerable time each month to produce a professional, interesting Gazette from all the articles that have arrived on her desk. Thank you Margaret from District 105BS. DG STEVE

> Holding back the years? I`m 72 now, but that's just 22 Celsius. My doctor told me if I took up jogging it could add ten years to my life, He was absolutely right, I NOW FEEL TEN YEARS OLDER. !!

1st VDG JOHN

What a busy last month has been with a great night out at the Stokeon-Trent Charter. A couple of online meetings then off to Swansea for the MD105 Convention. What a long weekend that was, started with the first and last Supper where we were joined by International President Gudrun Yngvadottir who spent time talking with all of us. A very knowledgeable and inspiring lady, our first lady International President of course. This was all alongside 3 days of meetings that



helped lay the foundations for our new year, the first year with all the new consolidated districts.



We had a good host night followed by the main convention day at which we were given a great insight to the workings of the International President Gudrun Yngvadottir and her family and the commitment she has made to our organisation, the family of Lions. Then on to the Banquet and Ball and a great



time was had by all, including past, present and future District Governors in Teresa, Steve and myself.



Then came my highlight on the Sunday morning when the DGEs are presented to the Convention, myself and Wendy came into the music of Welcome to the House of Fun and where greeted by a great crowd from 105CN, who created a wonderful carnival atmosphere with horns, applause and endless confetti and ticker tape, I can't say where we found it all later. They really put on a great show and thanks to everyone who made the journey to make it such a

wonderful weekend and thanks for all the messages of support from those that couldn't make it. It really was a great time that we will both remember.

Since then I have also been to Newcastle Charter where, as many may have seen, was pictured with a certain Lady from Stoke-on Trent Lions who wished to try on her raffle prize, what have I got myself into. Maybe it's beware entering the Potteries for Charters. But it was great to see Lions doing what they should do, having fun together as a happy Lion has pride in what we do. On to Oswestry Lions Charter were I had the honour to present a surprised Lion Maureen Ross with an MJF, well deserved for all her hard work. Also last week was honoured to be the guest of Knutsford Lions celebrating their 43rd Charter a great afternoon of good friends and good food.





Well done to all this last month, it is obvious that everyone is getting ready with all their events for the summer months and Bank Holidays. All looking forward to the future like me as I suddenly realise, as I write this, in 4 weeks I am off to Milan and start my year in our new consolidated district of 105CN. As soon as I am back we will be having the Handover at the Park Royal in Warrington which looks like being another fun event not to be missed, to say thanks to our District Governor Steve for all his hard work this last year. It's not always been easy but he has certainly supported me in setting up our new 105CN District and I certainly would like to say thank you.

So this is the last edition of our 105BS Gazette, so thanks as well to Margaret who has put up with all my late editions and done a great job. Finally thanks to all that helped make 105BS so successful in the past and in our final year and thanks for your support and hope I can rely on you all for our next adventure with 105CN.

JOHN CHAMBERS 1st VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR OF THE NEW DISTRICT CN

THE GAZETTEER

TRAVELLING LIONS	CLUB NAME	POINTS
What a busy roaming month	STONE	54
	LLANDUDNO	45
	BERT MASON INTERNET [LITTLE ORM	NE] 40
you have	SOUTH MANCHESTER	38
had!	STOKE ON TRENT	26
I am aware that there was a little upset	BARTON	16
at the results of the competition at	CANNOCK	15
Multi District Convention, this is be- cause the rules vary from District to	ELLESMERE PORT	12
District, some not being the same as	LICHFIELD	10
MD's.	STAFFORD	
This issue is being addressed by DGE	8	
John Chambers and myself.	WREXHAM MAELOR	3
Please don't let this stop your roaming - it's still a lot of fun, and a good way of	ALSAGER	2
making Lion friends.	GNOSALL & NEWPORT	2
I will report as soon as something has	NEWCASTLE	
PAM TREVENA TRAVELLING LIONS	email: pam.trevena@gmail.com Tel: 01827 706 591 4 Morston, Dosthill, Tamworth, Staffordshire, B77 1PP	
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(Photos of honey bee on Snapdragon by Editor)

CHRISTOPHER EVANS

BARTON GETS 'BUNNY'S EARS'!

Barton Lions recently went on a 'pub crawl' to sell raffle tickets for their Easter Egg raffle.

better to hear the rustle and clink of money!

The picture shows, from left to right:



BARTON GETS 'SHOOK UP'!

Barton Lions recently had a Can Shake at Byrkley Park Garden Centre. [The former home of the Bass family].

The day was very successful, raising over £170.00 for club funds.

The picture shows, from left to right: Lion Pam, Lion Ivan and the Lion Lion....who has been checking out Barton's activities and promotion display.



BARTON GETS 'TEA'D UP'!



Barton Lions have just held the first of two tea parties for the senior residents of Barton under Needwood.

The picture shows that a transformation occurred – all attending [except the Lion!] magically grew a set of bunny's ears – all the

Lion Jillie, Secretary, Lion Pam, the Lion [no prizes for guessing who

it is!], and friends of Barton Lions Keith, Penny and Steve

The previous tea party was a rescheduled Christmas party, which the seniors enjoyed, as an event away from Christmas, so Barton Lions decided to hold one in April, and another this coming October.

President Judi, Lion Pauline, Lichfield, Lion Pam, Penny, and Lion Sue making sandwiches – sorry, no cucumber!



The room, ready and waiting for the hungry seniors of Barton.



Lions John and Pauline, Lichfield, Sue, Barton WI, Barry, Lion Pauline, Lion Jillie, Lion President Judi, Steve, Lion Sue, Lichfield Lion Ann, Lion Pam.



Some of the seniors, enjoying the event.

The event took place with the help of the local WI – [cakes and tea-making!] and some friends of Lions. The guests, Barton Lions and their friends had a super day at the event.

A PLAY WOT WE ACTED

Lichfield Lion John, Lion Pam, Lion Geoff, Lion President Judi, and, underneath all the hair, Lion Ivan, performing a rather special rendition of Cinderella. [At least, some of the guests enjoyed it!]



LUCKY RAFFLE WINNER

One of the seniors with his raffle prize, presented by Barton's Lion, with 'handler' Lion Ivan on hand.



GEOFF TREVENA BARTON-under-NEEDWOOD



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 16th November 2004 and 15th November 2007
No GLUEING or STICKING ON 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 : 0161 9762152 Iindacresswell52@btinternet.com

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

The end of our district 105 BS draws ever closer, and I wish to say a huge thank you to all clubs who have supported LCIF over the last 37 years. Donations have been increasing year on year. The last (2017/18) Lions year saw donations reach an all-time high of £25,000. That was fantastic and congratulations to all concerned. Even after such a year we as a district have still continued to give fantastic support to LCIF and this (2018/19) year we are very close again to a magnificent amount; I would think we may possibly reach £19-20,000 (at the current rate of donations) before the end of this Lions year. Once again thank you all so much for the most fantastic support.

Donating to LCIF is becoming more straight forward. Whereas in the past there was only 4 main categories to donate to, under Campaign 100 there are now the following categories, Vision, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer, Hunger, Environment, Disaster relief and of course undesignated. Giving a simpler and wider area is I am sure a more practical way forward. When we become District 105 BN donating will become somewhat different and details will be released shortly on how to make your donations to continue supporting LCIF.

I have been invited to take up the position of International relations in our new district of BN, so I will still be badgering clubs for support to the cause. However, in the meantime thank you all for supporting LCIF and making it such a pleasure to serve as district officer LCIF over the past six and a bit years. With kindest regards and wishing every success to all lions.

GRAHAM DOW LCIF DO 105BS

OPAL'S 21ST BIRTHDAY PARTY

Ellesmere Port have been supporting a local club, OPAL (Older People at Leisure) for the last few years by providing the catering for either Christmas Parties or Birthday Parties. This time it was the 21st Birthday Party of the OPAL Club. The club organises activities for the members to help them socialise with other elderly people who might not meet anyone in their daily lives.

We pay for the buffet, supplied by a local caterer and, if needed, supply waiter and waitresses.



Kitchen Crew - Caterers Nick and Eileen and President Margaret



Some of the happy eaters

SURPRISE, SURPRISE!

At our 45th Charter, on 18th May, DG Steve had the pleasure of presenting two of our members with their well-deserved MJFs. Lion Lisa Binfield was the first lady member of EPLC and David Rattey is a stalwart in the club. Both were shocked and pleasantly surprised to get this honour which is voted on from fellow members.



Then he went and spoiled it all by presenting the Gazette Editor with an album of photographs collated, with the aid of District Photographer Martin. Revenge will be sweet guys!

MARGARET MARSH ELLESMERE PORT

ZONE D PROJECT

On Friday 7th June, at Gordale Garden Centre on the Wirral, the Zone D's Project will be finalised.

The aim was to raise enough money, between the 6 clubs - Birkenhead, Chester, Ellesmere Port, Wallasey, West Kirby and Wirral - to purchase a Motorcycle for Merseyside & Cheshire Blood Bikes.

The presentation will be made to the bikers at a publicity event to raise awareness of the local Lions Clubs.

The Blood Bikers are all volunteers that transport urgent blood and tissue samples and other such items from Doctors Surgeries, Hospitals to laboratories and other venues all over the UK.

The service saves the NHS a lot of money, time AND saves lives.

Merseyside & Cheshire Blood Bikes received the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service at a recent ceremony at Buckingham Palace.



MARGARET MARSH ZONE D SECRETARY

MUSIC TO THEIR EARS

The Lions Youth Brass Band under Nigel Birch, gave their first performance at Alsager Civic, on their return from their success at the European Youth Championship in Montreux Switzerland, where they came 5th. They gave a splendid night of brass band music which the audience thoroughly enjoyed. My favourite of the night was Nigel and the band's interpretation of the Proclaimers, "Walk 500 miles." A clue to other Lions Clubs

who are due to be entertained by the band this year, don't miss them they are on top form and Nigel's choice of music was superb.

Nigel was delighted to receive a cheque of from Lions President Geoff Rimmer at the end of the performance, to help their funds.

Thanks to the generous help of raffle prizes from local traders, Tesco - Kidsgrove, The Plough Inn - Alsager, The Royal Oak - Rode Heath, The Honey Pot Tea Room - Alsager, Bailey Arts -Dagfields and Costa Coffee - Alsage, the club raised £161.00, plus the audiences made very generous donations, all helping to swell the pot for Alsager Lions. All in all a super night.

WHERE THERE'S A NEED ...

Thanks to our good relationship with Rich Evans, Community Officer, at the Tesco Store in Kidsgrove, he was able to contact us when a member of the Local Support Team, Tracey Thorley asked for some financial help towards rehousing a young man and his daughter after his partner of some 10 years had sadly died. Alsager Lions Club we're delighted to be able to help with the

purchase of a refrigerator and washing machine, from Curry's PC World store in Hanley, thanks mainly to the negotiating skills of Tracey.

We wish the young family all the very best in the future. Picture from the left. Rich Evans, Lion President Geoff Rimmer, Tracey Thorley and Lion Ken Livingston.

Finally Alsager Lions Club were sad to lose Lion Anton Selvadurai, after many years with the club. Anton and his wife Leila have moved to Nottingham to be closer to family. The club will miss them both and wish them well.

Thank you to all the Clubs that have sent articles and photographs over the last two years. It has been a pleasure to create the Gazette. I hope that you've enjoyed reading what your fellow Lions have been doing. Keep sending your news to the new Editor, Alan Wilde.

> MARGARET MARSH GAZETTEER





KEN LIVINGSTONE

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