



DISTRICT GAZETTE

The Latest News from Around Your District

MARCH 2019



Welcome

Crewe & Nantwich - Alexandru Buzila, Macauley Owen

Nantwich Branch - Faye Adams, Dereck Borford,
Alison Brazendale, Claire Brown, Diane Cripps-Bradie,

Elaine Gnyp, Robert Hardy, Paul Mills, Sarah Newcombe, Jan Roberts,
Mark Tucker, Hannah Warner, Johnathan Welford

Tamworth - Peter Walters

Urmston - Brenda Logan

Vale Royal - Linda Hilditch

Welcome

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

DG Steve Talbot

DG'S BIT

Hello Fellow Lions, here we are again. The lighter nights are coming, the days getting longer, the spring flowers are starting to give us a great show. We now start the long journey of summer projects and fundraising events. As I visit our clubs, it is amazing to see the thought, work an organisation that you, the members put into these events. Your commitment is amazing.

My Scheduled club visits are now nearing completion, having visited five throughout February, bringing the total to 27. As usual, I have been met with great fellowship, friendship and hospitality, for which I cannot thank you all enough. Truly an honour and a privilege to be in your company. I have also had the honour of being invited to and attended five Club Charter Anniversary Dinners which have all been very enjoyable. The company and the meals have all been second to none. (My waistline is getting towards the need for some TLC.)

March sees the 36th and final District 105BS Convention being held at Telford Whitehouse. I am so looking forward to the weekend, which will be Fun, Interesting and tinged with a bit of sadness but will take us forward towards our future as part of the new consolidated District CN, under the watchful eye of DGE John Chambers and his team.

Some news you may find interesting and encouraging. District 105BS is the top of the MD League Table with the most new members through January 2019. What a brilliant way to near the end of our District 105BS. Let us ensure that we can continue this trend whilst mentoring and retaining our valuable new members. A number of clubs I have visited recently have either inducted or have prospective new members at their meetings. This is great news.

Regarding the Gazette, it is great to see so many clubs now including articles of past, present and future events, sharing their successes and news with the rest of us. Including great photo's of new members and the various events.



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Sorry this is a short piece this month.

Before I finish, Thank you, each and every one for your friendship, fellowship and support over the last few months. It is privilege to have you as true friends and Fellow Lions.

DG STEVE

Observation, As you get older, three things happen. The first is your memory goes, and I can't remember the other two.

1ST VDG'S BIT

Well it's been an active month, with more visits and meetings, Council of Governors and Cabinet. But the highlight, I suppose, was the trip to Chicago, into the cold for our training. An intensive week but enjoyable, meeting new Lions from round the world, altogether a great experience. I had the chance to visit the grave of our founder, Melvin Jones and also visit the headquarters at Oakbrook. We met our future International President Vice International President Jung-Yeol Choi. His message, once again this year, is We Serve and highlight on service to our communities and LCIF.

Picture shows the headstone on the grave of Melvin Jones



The diverse way that Lions Clubs have, around the world, of working is amazing and gives a real insight to how great our organisation is. Despite the intense learning experience, the getting around was a little easier than I thought as we encountered -5 degrees most days with an ice storm and heavy snow one night but, the day we went to visit, the skies cleared and the thermometer shot up to 9 degree for just that afternoon then swiftly plummeted back. We were obviously blessed for that day.

Picture shows 1st VDG by the side of Melvin Jones' grave.

Now returned and the work has started again with meetings this week of the 105CN planning committee, further visits and attended Llandudno Charter. A great night with over 140 guests. Our District Governor gave out chevrons totalling 95 years service to 3 Lions and presented an MJF to Lion Gordon Woodyatt.

I will be attending the 105BN Convention this week, having time to meet more of our fellow Lions who we will be joining very soon to become 105CN. Also don't forget our last Convention coming fast upon us, only a week and a half away, where we can celebrate, for our last time, as 105BS. It looks like being a great weekend not to be missed. I will also be going to see our other fellow Lions coming to join us from 105E when I attend their Convention a couple of weeks later. I have a full month ahead which I am looking forward to, with opportunities to meet many more of you. So let's look forward and work together for the future.

**1st VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR
JOHN CHAMBERS**



LCI CENTENARY MONUMENT

To mark the Centenary of Lions Clubs International and in recognition of the services that Oswestry Lions Club provides to our local community, Oswestry Town Council provided a prominent space in Cae Glas Park for the erection of a monument. The monument was unveiled on the morning of Friday 24th November 2017 by Mayor Cllr Vince Hunt.

(Apologies from the Editor - this should have been published in February 2018 edition)

“WALK TO SCHOOL, BE SEEN - BE SAFE”

Oswestry Lions Club has recently completed a campaign entitled “Walk to School, Be seen - Be safe” providing Primary Schools in Oswestry and district (16 schools) with HiVis jackets for young children.

The jackets show the each individual school’s logo on the front with the Lions logo and campaign name on the back. The campaign has been very well received. It is likely that the Club will extend supply to older children next autumn following a survey to assess demand.



BURSARIES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Joshua Millington of Ellesmere Lakeside Academy was Lions bursary 2018/19 winner to help him follow his enthusiastic desire to follow a career in sailing. He has already accomplished a good standard for his age and demonstrated his potential and his commitment to the satisfaction of the Lions adjudication committee.

The bursary will help fund his next stage in racing tuition and fund a teaching qualification to enable Joshua to officially teach sailing to young people who are physically challenged.



Oswestry Lions music bursary 2018/19 was won, against strong contenders, by Nicole Potts of the Marches School Academy for her piano playing and demonstrable ability to pursue a career in music. The bursary will help Nichole to advance her skills in piano, violin and voice as she progresses to University.

LIONS ASSIST WITH FINANCING FACILITIES.

As well as 12 months financing facilities to support classes for the hard of hearing and partially sighted during 2017/2018, Oswestry Lions finance the facilities for a start-up dementia support group in Oswestry at which Lions also help facilitate activities.



BOWLING

That support will continue at least through 2019. Lions have also discussed the Dementia Buddy system with the aim to introduce it to Oswestry and surrounding district during 2019.

MAUREEN ROSS
OSWESTRY

ENJOY THE DISTRICT CONVENTION
It is the last one for BS
See you all there!



ALSAGER LIONS

Welcome back to Alsager

DEREK POULSON

With his whimsical tour of the British Dialects

“It’s not what you say – but the way that you say it!”

On Friday the 8th March 2019

at the

Thirteen Club

Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm

Tickets: £9.00

Includes Pie and Pea Supper before the performance

Tickets available from the Thirteen Club,

or Telephone 01270 884599

BRANCHING OUT

Meeting every other Tuesday, this Branch Club of Crewe and Nantwich Lions Club is now official - Crewe and Nantwich Lions Club - Nantwich Branch.

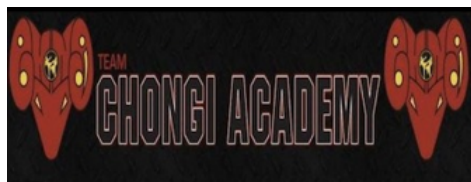
Welcome to you all.



CARRYING ON THE CARE

After C&N Lions became aware of this family, Lions have continued to support both Cath and both children Katie and Ryan.

LP Deb has organised Make up and Hair Lessons by Hayleigh for Katie, as she wishes to take this up for her career and Ryan has been sponsored by local 4 times Kick Boxing Champion, Mark Russell of Chongi Martial Arts providing him with an activity just for him, assisting with his personal fitness and self esteem.



Thanks from Lion President Debbie to both sponsors.

**DEBORAH OWEN
CREWE & NANTWICH**

ENVIRONMENTAL MONTHLY NEWS.

Articles about Environmental.

This month's newsletter features following articles

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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**



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- ➔ You can also use your application form number to track the progress of your DBS check application at www.gov.uk/dbs

CAROLE GODDEN
VULNERABLE PERSONS OFFICER

IT PROMISES TO BE A PIG OF A YEAR or A LION MEETS THE LIONS.

This year, as in the previous years, Gnosall and Newport Lions again joined the local Chinese community in stewarding and supporting them in their New Year's celebrations heralding in the Year of the Pig. In previous years we have only stewarded but this time we decided to put on a Fund Raising Stall of our own as well, with it following a Chinese Theme.



On the day the weather was brilliant, the town was full with hundreds turning out, listening to live bands, dancers, fair rides, we were packed out all afternoon, raising our profile in the town. We were also honoured by being visited by a friendly Lion Dancer who paid us a visit and posed with members of the Club at our Lion Gazebo where we had 2 childrens' games, the 'LION PING' Game devised by Lion President Rick Talbot and an amazing FIND THE PIG game devised by one of our newest Lions, Tracy Healy (it was the year of the Pig after all) where the characters for the various Chinese Year Characters (Pig, Dog etc) were on cards face down and the Children had to turn over three cards and find a hidden pig to win a prize.

It was a great day, great weather, great fun , in fact a LION OF A DAY, NOT A PIG OF ONE.

CENTENNIAL PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION

Mrs Julie Rich of Chetwynd Park Newport receiving her Centennial Plaque of Appreciation at our February meeting in thanks for her unstinting work supporting Lions Clubs not just in Newport and District but throughout Shropshire and Staffordshire as well over many years. Well deserved . She has been the lady responsible for organising our Prostate Testing event, in conjunction with Lion Peter Sterling, to which many men of a particular age throughout the area must be really thankful.



THE £1755 NEW YEAR'S DAY TRACTOR RUN



Gnosall and Newport Lions were in for a surprise visit to their February business meeting with the Coombes Family when David, his wife Sheena, their children accompanied by Donna and Daz. Their mission, to present the Club with a cheque for the amazing sum of £1755 which they had raised towards Prostate Testing, with which the Club is heavily involved. This amazing sum had been raised, in the main, by the New Year's day Tractor Run organised by Dave and involving his many friends in and around our locality. However, not all

the money came from the Tractor run as Sheena also did some fund raising herself along with her friends baking cakes etc.

To say that the members were speechless was an understatement, as we know how hard it is to raise any sum of money. Given that we tested this year 398 men locally with a total spend of just over £6000 this amazing sum of money will go a long way to ensuring that we can continue to carry on Prostate Testing into the future.

Our thanks go to the Coombes Family, their friends and supporters and also to Lion Peter Sterling, who liaises with the family doing so much work behind the scenes on our PSA Programme including riding shotgun on New Year's Day . Long may this important work continue which I am sure it will do with such a staunch family of supporters.

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LIONS MAKE A SPECTACLE OF THEMSELVES YET AGAIN.

Gnosall & Newport Lions recently dispatched the latest batch of in excess of 1500 pairs of spectacles to the Lions Spectacle Recycling Centre in Chichester. Once checked, cleaned, refurbished and graded they are all destined for use in people in countries around the world in need of them.



In the past 2 years the Club have sent well over 7000 pairs and will continue to do so, collecting them from opticians locally who are saving them for us as they are fully aware of Lions Clubs International's involvement in sight issues. Helen Keller, as far back as the late 1920's, challenged Lions to become 'Knights of the Blind' which the organisation has continued to do from that day on, including inventing the 'White Stick'.

**RICK TALBOT
GNOSALL & NEWPORT**

TRAVELLING LIONS



"We're nearly at the end of the Travelling Lion year!

Welcome to Wallasey Club's first entry in this year's competition.

Who knows what next year will bring us - more clubs in the new district to rock to!

The table published in this article is not the final count for the year, as forms submitted to me must reach me no later than 5th March will be included in this competition.

I look forward to seeing you at Convention

Happy travelling!"

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CLUB NAME	POINTS
LLANDUDNO	182
SOUTH MANCHESTER	123
ELLESMERE PORT	63
CANNOCK	62
STONE	61
BERT MASON INTERNET (Little Orme)	60
BEAUMARIS MENAI AETHWY	58
STOKE ON TRENT	49
STAFFORD	39
GNOSALL & NEWPORT	22
RUGELEY & DISTRICT	21
TAMWORTH	20
HEDNESFORD CENTENNIAL	17
BARTON	16
NEWCASTLE UNDER LYME	16
SALE & DISTRICT	10
WALLASEY	9
LEEK	6
ALSAGER	4
LICHFIELD	4
CREWE & NANTWICH	2
MIDDLE MARCHES	1

**PAM TREVENA
D.O. VISITING LION**

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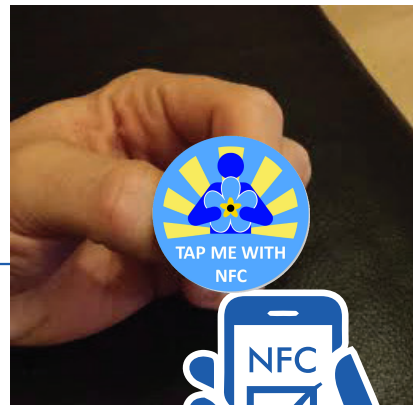
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At the moment Stafford Lions are just helping to publicise this, but we do intend becoming more involved in the future.

**PAULINE GAY
STAFFORD**



ELLESMERE PORT LIONS CLUB (C.I.O.)



are holding an

EASTER CRAFT FAIR

at

Whitby Sports Club

Chester Road, Ellesmere Port, CH65 6QF

on

Sunday 7th April, 10.30 am - 4.00 pm

Craft Stalls, Easter Egg Raffle

Easter Bonnet Competition

at 2.00 pm

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Happy Easter

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