

Lions Club of Woy Woy Peninsula Inc

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Platta Chatta ...

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

'Blink', what happened to July - it's gone with the months passed already this year. The pace just accelerates and we keep holding on.



On 22nd July, we hosted lunch at the Lions Park in Woy Woy for the Camp Kookaburra Overseas visiting students. These fine young adults came from 18 different countries and they were very good ambassadors. It was an absolutely beautiful afternoon and the students certainly entertained themselves and us with some of the games they played. We treated them to good old 'Aussie Hamburgers' which they seemed to enjoy. A big thank you to all the Lions who cooked and served. As usual a job well and enthusiastically done.

The Car Boot Sale on 27 July was somewhat small with around only 40 sites hired out. Perhaps the inclement rainy weather on Saturday and coolness on Sunday morning put some stallholders off. Maybe it is the amount of markets that are being held at other locations that is drawing stallholders elsewhere! Can you think of anything to encourage them to come to us?

The Lion's stall and barbecue still did quite well. Many thanks to the Lions and Lionesses for a job well done on the day. The unexpected 'entertainment' certainly made us all take notice of what was going on around us. Lions IanT, Des, Kevin and Ken almost had to be umpires for the event.

To all who are not well, our thoughts are with you. Keep strong, you are always in our prayers.

Remember, you are special people. Enjoy being a part of the big Lion's family and most importantly look after *you!*

President Lyn

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DATES FOR THE DIARY



Regular events:

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| Dinner Meeting | Mon 4 Aug | Mon 1 Sep |
| Board Meeting | Mon 18 Aug | Mon 15 Sep |
|  | Sun 31 Aug | Sun 28 Sep |

If you are unable to attend a meeting, please phone President Lyn before 10 am on the morning of the meeting.

Other events:

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| Annual General Meeting | Mon 18 Aug |
| Imperial Centre Craft Days | Thu 14-Fri 15 Aug |
| ANZI Pacific Forum Adelaide | Fr 29-Su 31 Aug |

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1st Diane
7th Heather
9th Robert
28th Lyn

Apologies to five very special Lions whose birthdays were missed in July's Platta Chatta (time to sack the editor)



Robyn 10th



Denis 13th



Faye 21st



Jamie 27th



Elmo 30th

Great News!!

Lion Ian and Lion Denis have been putting hours of work into two applications for funding, and both applications have been successful. Thanks are due to ALF, Wheeling and Able, and other organisations for their assistance.

The flooring for Annaliese will soon be completed and the wheelchair van conversion for Sophie is in its final stages of planning.

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Camp Kookaburra

On Tue 22 Jul, a very excited group of 39 exchange students hopped off their buses at Lions Park Woy Woy, and performed some sort of song and dance before joining their host Lions for a barbecue lunch.



Lion Lyn received an appreciation certificate from one of the exchange students

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Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker for July was Don MacVean, President of the Pearl Beach RFS. Don spoke of the history and challenges facing the rural fire service in NSW.



Lion Ian presenting Fireman Don with a donation from our Club

Guest speaker for August will be Peter Yates, special education teacher at Henry Kendall High School.

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Get ready for some fun!

Of course, we always have fun when going about our Lions duties. Lion Elmo has suggested we get together for some social interaction outside our Lions work. Lion Bob is following up on this suggestion and will shortly have news of an activity in which we can all participate.

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Craft Fair



On Thu 14 and Fri 15 August, Lion Hope and helpers will be selling craft items at the Imperial Shopping Centre in Gosford. This has been a good fund-raiser for our Club in the past, so if you have any craft items suitable for the stall, get them to Lion Hope as soon as possible.

In previous years, the floorspace was shared with a number of organisations, but as the Centre is currently being renovated, each group will be allocated it's own days and won't have to compete with each other.

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Just for Fun



Here is the proof – Lions Ken and Denis really are handy in the kitchen



Sometimes those meetings can be a cure for insomnia!!

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NEXT EDITION of Platta Chatta

Send your contribution for September's issue of Platta Chatta to Heather at wwplions@yahoo.com.au by **Friday 22 Aug**

Deadlines: 22 Aug 25 Sep 24 Oct 21 Nov 19 Dec

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Lion Bob Willis

When did you join Lions?

I joined Woy Woy Lions Club in 1998 and when that club folded I joined Woy Woy Peninsula in 2003. Harrington Lions for six months in 2012.

What does Lions mean to you?

I enjoy being part of an organisation that can help make a difference to the community.

Positions held in Lions:

President three times, Zone chairman, Lions Tamer, Director and Vice President.

Awards received for Lions service:

Melvin Jones Award, and Barry Palmer Award.

What aspect of your Lions life do you most enjoy?

I enjoy giving up my time to be part of a team that enables me to assist when and where I can.

What is your most memorable Lions moment?

There are several. One that stands out is seeing a young child taking her first steps after being presented with a Hartwalker that the Lions Foundation had donated.

My childhood home was:

Lansdowne – a small country village situated 20 km from Taree NSW.

The earliest memory I have is:

Following my brothers and sisters to school and keeping a great distance so that I could not be seen.

My first job was:

Delivering telegrams with the PMG in 1964.

The best advice my parents gave me:

Hard work never killed anyone.

Advice I have passed on to my children is:

Work hard and the rewards will come.

The book/movie that has most influenced me:

1984 by George Orwell.

An amazing talent I have is:

Communicating on a one-to-one basis and being positive.

One talent I wish I had is:

Being a chef.

Cat or dog?:

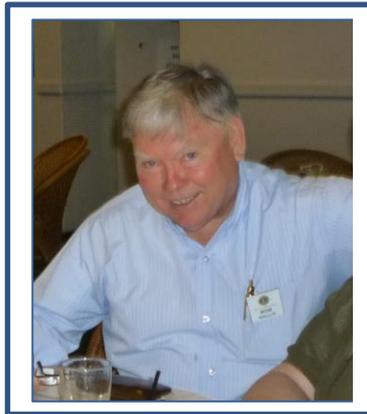
Dog.

My most embarrassing moment:

Too many to mention!!

My favourite food is:

Any seafood.



In my spare time I really enjoy:

Unwinding at my local watering hole.

It was so cool at the time, but I would never again:

Go skinny-dipping.

Award-winning Bob



Ticket-seller Bob

Banker Bob



Barbecue Bob

Bob and his favourite girl, Heather

