

AN URGENT MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

LIONS DISTRICT 105CE

DG Paul Southerton

2023 - 2024

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The Start of a new 105CE chapter.

What a fantastic week in Boston for the international convention.

Much of the time was taken up with classroom activities and the final training that was required for us to be District Governors.

There were about 40 of us Lions from England and Northern Ireland who took part in the Parade of Nations on Saturday morning, fortunately we were near to the front as other nations were still walking 1 ½ hours after we had finished. On Saturday evening we were among 7,000 Lions who were at the Queen tribute band. A great concert but at times a little deafening.

Sunday and Monday there were various seminars and meetings which we were required to attend, some of which were very interesting. Monday evening the Lions from Britain and Ireland hosted about 600 Lions from around the world at a gala evening which went on till nearly 1am.

Tuesday morning was the close of the international convention when the international presidents changed over. During this there was a 10-year-old girl who sang two songs to an audience of 7,000 Lions. After the first song she received a standing ovation from nearly everyone present. What outstanding confidence. Following this was the main event when the District Governors from around the world were sworn in.

Thank you to IPDG Chris for allowing the DG chain to be presented to me in Boston and a big thank you to all including a waitress who so bravely tried this on obviously to make sure it was the right one.

We then had free time to visit some of the sights of Boston before flying home on Wednesday.

Friday, I spent time preparing for the District Governors handover taking place in Peterborough on Saturday.

For the 40 plus Lions from our District we had some fun, and a little bit of serious work.

What a week of fantastic memories that I will treasure for a long time. Thanks everyone for your cards and kind messages of support.



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Don't miss these great learning opportunities!

CLUB OFFICER SUPPORT

There will be another opportunity for club officers, who were unable to attend the last session, to receive support. This session will take place on Zoom on Saturday 12 August at 10.00 am. The link will be circulated a week in advance of the event. It would help planning if those intending to attend would let me know in advance, please. <u>gmals@lions105ce.org.uk</u>

LIONS PORTAL

The latest information on this development is that the aim is for it to come into operation during the last week of September. In the meantime, clubs should continue to enter their information on the My Lion system.

For further information please go to lionsclubs.org/portal-updates

If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Lion Graham Venables.



LION PORTAL IS LAUNCHING SOON

We're taking the digital tools you use as a Lion and combining them into one unified, streamlined experience: the Lion Portal.

The functions you do today in MyLion, MyLCI, and Insights are moving to the new experience - making it even easier to carry out your Lion-related tasks. Including from your mobile devices!

Check out the Lion Portal webpage for updates, helpful information and walkthrough videos previewing the new experience.

Scan the code with your mobile device to learn more



Training is invaluable for incoming officers and Lions Clubs International has the informational tools to help. As the time to train your incoming club officers approaches, review the courses with them available in Learn inside the <u>Member Portal</u>. Encourage your club leaders to access Learn where they will find these four helpful courses under "Course Catalog."

- Club Officer Training
- Club President Responsibilities
- Club Secretary Responsibilities
- Club Treasurer Responsibilities

Additionally, encourage your marketing chairpersons to check out the <u>Marketing</u> <u>Matters</u> webinar series to boost their marketing know-how. And if your clubs don't have a marketing chairperson, encourage them to appoint one!

Take the time to review some helpful programs and resources with the incoming officers, which are noted below.

- <u>Club Quality Initiative Program</u> A strategic planning tool that helps clubs identify opportunities for improvement. By understanding our current operations, identifying areas that can be improved and taking measured steps to accomplish your goals, your club can be even better.
- Plan for Your Club's Success (Global Membership Approach) Webpage This webpage has been designed to assist clubs in attracting new members, overcoming challenges and developing new goals and strategies. Clubs can use the **planning guide** and **PowerPoint** to discover their strengths, ways to improve and new opportunities that will help them grow and thrive! Planning forms help develop a vision, assess your club's needs and organize your plan for a successful implementation.

Encourage club officers to familiarize themselves with the dedicated webpages and resources available to them to help them succeed in their roles. The <u>Managing a Club (Club Officer</u> <u>Team)</u> webpage provides direct links to club officer webpages, e-Books and other resources.

As you prepare for your year, please contact us if you have any questions. We can be reached by phone at (630) 468-7084 or by email at **clubofficers@lionsclubs.org**.

Your District & Club Administration Division Support Team

INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OPPORTRUNITIES

I now have details of opportunities, for qualified Lions, of international institutes that are currently on offer in our Constitutional Area.

ADVANCED LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE – this course will held at Frankfurt from 10 – 12 November 2023. The closing date for applications is 28 July 2023.

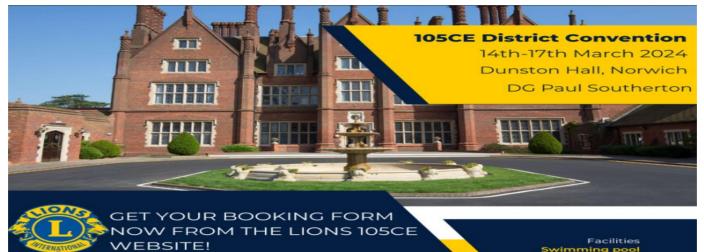
LIONS CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR PROGRAMME – this course will be held in Rome from 3 – 6 May 2024. The closing date for applications is 19 January 2024.

If you are interested in applying for either of these courses please contact me at <u>gmals@lions105ce.org.uk</u> or call on 07833 551998.

Lion Graham Venables

Your District Governor Lion Paul Southerton invites you to join him at Dunston Hall for the 105CE District Convention in March 2024

See details below...



To find further details and booking form please follow this <u>link</u> to the District 105CE website Remember you will need the password to get to this part of the site Do come and join us for another brilliant weekend at <u>Dunston Hall</u>

Let's get Social

Send your content along with a short description to

Having a good social media presence helps our district and organisation as a whole stay relevant in our communities. Posting regular content keeps people aware of the good works we're doing and what it means to be a Lion.

How you help us with boosting our digital footprint...

Photos, videos, clips and memes are widely used on social media, with the average person spending 2-4 hours per day on apps like Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Twitter.

For this reason, it would be a massive help in promoting our selves if you could share your photos and videos with us, so we can add to our social media accounts.

This may be relating to:

- Service projects
- Community engagement
- Social events
- Club meetings
- Awards and acknowledgements
- · Anything else we want to make the public aware of

How you can share your content...

Send your content along with a description to socialmediacomms@lions105ce.org.uk

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News from around the district

District Governor Handover.



The handover from Chris to Paul took place on Saturday 15th of July and was well attended with speeches from both. An action filled day with team building exercises as well as speeches and time to socialise, and of course, the launch of this year's **Lions Partner's Appeal for the forthcoming 'Lionistic Year' which is CARDIOMYOPATHY.**

One theme was the new Lion's Portal and its delay,



apparently caused by working with 14 different languages, whew! If everything goes as planned, it should be up and running sometime in September.

A new target for us all is to have 2030 members in our district by 2030 so keep finding those service-oriented people and recruit them.

New Century Leo's

New Leo's President Mollie Speed was installed during a club social BBQ this month. They were joined by members from New Century Lions and Great Yarmouth Lions.

Several of the club members met for the day, they carried out a service activity of litter picking a local park, followed by their monthly meeting and then enjoyed a BBQ, where the new President was installed.





Spalding Lions Club

Stuart East is the new President of Spalding Lions Club taking over from Michele Elvin.

At a recent social event, President Stuart started his year by congratulating Lion Julie Grant on becoming Second Vice President.

Stuart, Julie, and everyone in Spalding Lions Club are looking forward to the months ahead with lots of charity events already in the diary. We also enjoy regular social gatherings throughout the year giving a good mix to being a Lion Club member.



A SPECIAL INVITE FOR ALL CLUBS.

I wanted to let the Lions Clubs know about a new free children's book that I am offering to all primary schools - both in the UK and abroad. The book is available as an e-book only at this stage although I do hope to offer it in a printed format at some stage. The book is called Sami's Beach Rescue and is a true adventure story about having fun in the water and staying safe. It follows the RNLI message of Float to Live.

Sadly, my younger brother drowned in a sea kayak accident, and I wanted to share this book with children to help save lives. It is supported by the RNLI and RLSS and has already reached almost 250,000 children in schools since last week!

I would love for you to share the book through the Lions with your local schools. I could offer a Lions branded version of the book so Clubs would be able to share that link with their local schools. You can have a look at the book here <u>www.wildtribeheroes.com</u>

Ellie Jackson Author Wild Tribe Heroes Books

Let's get Social

Are you following us on these social media channels, if not, why not? Please do follow us, join in and let's get social...









<u>Coningsby and Tattershall Lions Club updated</u> <u>Beer Festival Information.</u>

We now have Live music: over the weekend, there will be a variety of local bands and vocalists entertaining us with original pop rock; country pop rock originals and covers; traditional Irish country; Lincolnshire based folk pop plus popular covers done in a unique way. Something for everyone whilst they sample the craft beers!!



Nottingham West Lions Club

Charity Golf Day – 28th July 2023









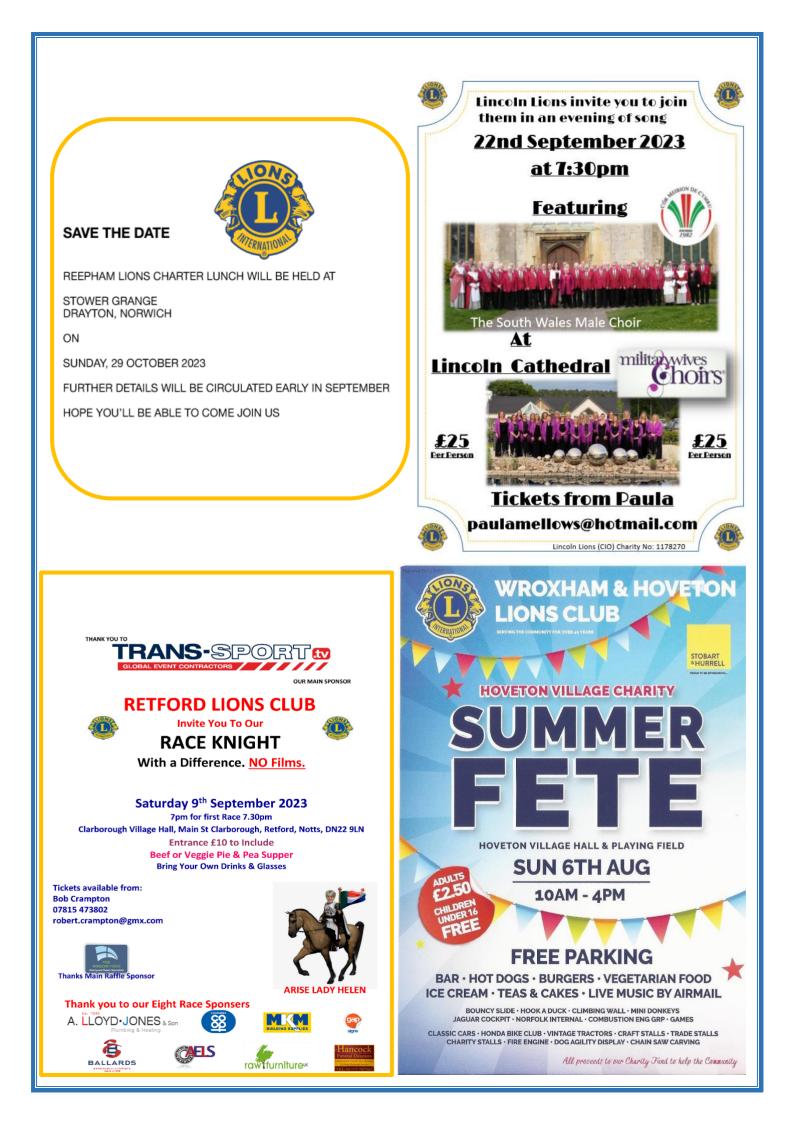




Ruddington Grange Golf Club

- You are cordially invited to come along to <u>Ruddington Grange</u> <u>Golf Club</u> and enjoy a great day out whilst helping those in need through Lions Clubs International.
- We have an Individual & Team Competition with prizes for

 Individual Winner, Runner up & Third place
 Top Team, Longest Drive & Nearest Pin
- Entry is £50 per head, you get a great round of golf on a lovely course and have a fantastic meal with the awards ceremony too
- To register, contact Guch Manku on 07802 918 386. A four ball is preferred, however, we will line you up with a team if on your ownsome!!



3rd to 5th May 2024 - Save the date!



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