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From District Governor Des Ryan



Convention for Our Times

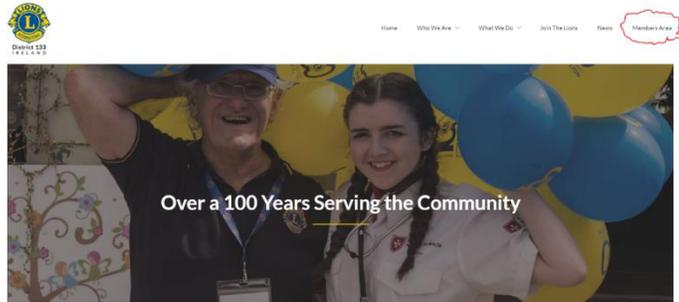
Dear Lions,

CONVENTION 2021 is confirmed for March 6th 10.30am as planned. It is with great sadness that we won't be joining the Galway Lions in Salthill this year, but we will be doing our very best to provide a motivational and interesting digital convention on-line. All of us have got used to communicating on 'Zoom' these days and we plan to use the platform to invite all of our members to join us at Convention 21. All Cabinet members please note that there will be a Cabinet meeting beforehand starting at 9.00am. More details will follow over the next few weeks, along with a full timetable and running order. See you there.

Officer Training – Part 2

In last week's issue of the Newsletter you will recall I pointed out how to go onto the LCI website and find Officer training programmes. Our own District website also has a lot of really good information for

current and incoming club officers. Go onto your browser and search for Lionsclubs.ie - This will bring you onto Lions Clubs District 133 web site.

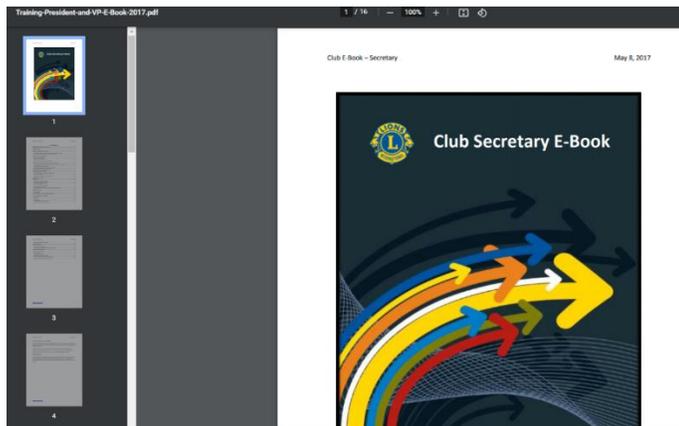


Click on the 'Members area' and scroll down to the Training PDF & Videos page

Training PDF's & Videos

Training PDF & Video Downloads		
Club Secretary E-Book	Club President & VP E-Book	M/LCI Registration & Lorenson Video
Club Treasurer E-Book	Zone Chairperson Manual	M/LCI - Addline & Editline Members Video
M/LCI - Reciprocity Club Officers Video	Membership Officer E-Book	How to Market Your Club
District 133 PR Manual 2012	How to Market Your Club	Newsletter Writing Guide
Social Media Guide for Clubs	Club Website Manual	Tips for Zone Meetings

There you will see what's called E-Books. These are very useful guides to help you to familiarize yourself with your club position and responsibilities.



There are many other useful manuals and training videos. Have fun Stay safe and stay positive.
DG Des

From IP Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

Service and Kindness



Where your service goes, kindness grows. Because you do more than make a difference in people's lives—you inspire them to do the same for others. And the more your community knows about how much your club has accomplished the greater impact you'll be able to make. Sharing your club's stories is the best way to promote your club and service activities. We are now already more connected than ever before through virtual meetings, social media and even traditional media. So share your success, inspire your community, and let people know how they can be a part of your service.

year, but they went that extra step over last weekend

New Lions Press Centre



The Lions brand is one of the most recognized in the world, so take advantage of it when you tell your stories and promote your club. The new Lions Press Centre gives you the tools to stand out in your social and local media, and it can help your local media learn more about Lions and our mission of service. You will find everything you need including customizable press releases, media kits and other PR resources.

Be sure to visit the Lions Press Centre and discover all the tools and resources your club needs to start sharing your good news today.

Visit the www.lionsclubs.org website.

Wicklow Lions Dance 'Jerusalema'

Members of Wicklow and District Lions Club are renowned for the huge amount of charity work they carry out throughout the



The club also likes to bring some cheer and even excitement to the local community and further afield. This is exactly what happened on Sunday last in Wicklow town.

A video recorded the 'pride' of Wicklow Lions in their natural habitat as they danced the afternoon away to the world wide Dance Challenge hit song 'Jerusalema'.

While there are numerous social media videos of different folk taking on the dance challenge, as far as we know Wicklow is the only group willingly dressed up as Lions to perform this dance. Could this be a world record for Wicklow and for Lions?

The always willing and active members turned up and danced the afternoon away in their official Lions costume beside the seaside during very severe weather conditions.

Adhering to strict social distancing and wearing the official Lions distinctive masks the group quickly warmed up with the help of choreographer Miriam Walker an expert line dancer.

Eugene Whelan from East Coast Video Productions looked after the filming.

President Sean Olohan thanked the dancing Lions for coming along in such bad weather and hopes the video will bring a smile and a laugh to many people during this difficult time.

Sean wrote the very successful International hit song 'Sing with the Lions' now he would like everyone to 'Dance with the Lions' ! The video is now available on YouTube under: 'Jerusalema Dance Challenge by Wicklow & District Lions Club'

'Guiding Lions' ready to serve



Waves of learning washed over the land last week as Lions from all 12 Zones completed their Certified Guiding Lion programme. Though now armed with lots of knowledge they are not dangerous. In fact they will be only too happy to pass on their knowledge to clubs and members to help them help their community.

The programme took place on Zoom, the informality of which everyone liked. An added benefit was that there was no need to head off at dawn for Dublin, meeting those people with social lives on their way home ! Many felt the course removed a lot of the mystery that can sometimes abound about the workings of Lions Clubs in general and indeed about our own District. As this

perceived mystery evaporates, it is hoped that people will be more inclined to take on roles in their Club and on their District Cabinet.

The intention is that this is *only the start* of a bright new world of learning and information that will make life easier for us all. The ambition is that people will want to learn; to browse at their own pace the huge amount of resource material available to them.

The Guiding Lion Programme will be facilitated again later this year by the District; publicity extolling its greatness will reach you in good time.

Sean O'Neill
GLT District Coordinator

Waterford Raises €80,000



Aidan Barrett, Lion's Club, Shirley Russell, HR Specialist, Bausch & Lomb, Mark Hennessy, Site Lead, Bausch and Lomb, Maria Morrissey, President, Lion's Club, Mark Fitzgerald, Human Resources Director, Bausch & Lomb and Patsy Sheridan, Lion's Club. Photo: John Power

This year due to Covid19 Waterford Lions were not allowed to pack hampers. Instead they decided to purchase food vouchers which were given to St. Vincent De Paul to distribute to needy families within the city. With the Covid restrictions in place Lions set a realistic target of €40,000 which would result in 800 food vouchers. However the appeal was so successful the club increased its target to €70,000 and ended up raising €80,000. As a result, Waterford Lions Club supplied 1,300 food vouchers to St. Vincent De Paul and also 130 food vouchers to the Food Bank.

The €80,000 was achieved by hard working Lions running events which included the following:

Street Collections were done with new Cash Carts which proved very successful because people could donate cash or use their credit card using Tap & Go.

A virtual Carol Concert and an Auction of over 300 items was structured through Facebook and You Tube.

An early Golf Outing raised €10,000 and a Raffle and a Calendar for 2021 were also successful. Lions also approached local manufacturers and small businesses and received great support.

Diabetes Awareness in Ashbourne

**28 DAY
WALKING
CHALLENGE**

ASHBOURNE & DISTRICT



**WALK EVERY DAY
IN FEBRUARY
& RAISE
AWARENESS OF
TYPE 2 DIABETES**

**JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
AND SHARE YOUR 'JOURNEY'**

or log on through our website

www.ashbournelions.com

Ashbourne Lions launched a 28-day walking challenge on Feb 1st to raise Type 2 Diabetes Awareness in the local community. The club decided to run the event as a service project and not a fund raiser so did not charge any fees. It achieved 110 registrations. The plan to spread awareness included:

1. Walkers registering free on Eventbrite which also allowed the

club to create a contact list for the event. It can send updates on the challenge and also use the list for further events.

2. On registration, the participant received an email detailing the challenge and a reminder of to exercise in line with HSE guidelines.
3. Ashbourne Lions prepared a pack for each participant which included a Hi Viz vest (courtesy of RSA and Gardai), a Lions Club Diabetes Bookmark, an Ashbourne Lions Club Bookmark and a Garda Pen. All were hygienically packed in Ashbourne Garda Station.
4. All participants were requested to collect their packs at the Garda Station making it easy to follow HSE guidelines.
5. The club has set up a Facebook page to allow the walkers to follow the challenge and update on their progress.
 - a. <https://www.facebook.com/Ashbourne-Lions-28-Day-Walking-Challenge-raising-Type-2-Diabetes-Awareness-106212964798135>

Feedback so far is very positive, one message on Facebook said “ Day 1. 32 min walk.. delighted to have a purpose to my daily walk for the month of February”

Fellowship for Eamonn



Howth/Sutton Lions Club has presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Past President Eamonn McEvoy. The presentation was made by Lion President John Powell with only a few local Lions in attendance due to the Covid-19 restrictions. It all came as a complete surprise to Lion Eamonn who was adhering to the ‘stay at home’ guidelines. Lion President John commented: ‘Eamonn has been a member of Howth/Sutton Lions Club since September 1991 – virtually 30 years – and has served as Club President in 2001-2002 and again in 2017-2018. He has been involved in most of the Club’s service activities over the years but has been particularly active in the Christmas Food Appeal and in the Annual Holiday Project.’

LCIF Donation Details

Further to the recent appeals issued by PDG Frank O’Donoghue in respect of the Holy Family School for the Deaf and Jordanstown Schools for the Visually

Impaired and Deaf Children and the LCIF Croatia Earthquake Appeal, District Treasurer Kevin Harty has received enquiries from some Clubs as to where they should send cheques or the District account to which they should lodge contributions.

Cheques for either appeal can be sent directly to my home address which is Kilcullen House, Dublin Pike, Kilcully, Co. Cork T23 F544. Please mark reverse of cheque with 'Holy Family School', 'Jordanstown Schools' or 'LCIF Croatia Appeal' as appropriate.

Alternatively contributions can be lodged to the appropriate District Euro/Sterling Administration Account as follows:

Euro Contributions from ROI Clubs: 'Lions Clubs Int – ROI Admin' for which the IBAN is IE72 AIBK 9341 4328 8640 39.

Sterling Contributions from NI Clubs: 'Lions Club Intl District 133 Ireland GBP Current Account' for which the IBAN is GB48 AIBK 238590 08700074.

Please include your Club name and 'Holy Family', 'Jordanstown' or 'Croatia' as appropriate in the Receiver Reference when doing the Transfer and drop me a quick email so I am aware it is being transferred.

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....and that's all for this week

