## **DISTRICT A-3**



# **REPORTS TO CABINET**

Saturday, June 19th, 2021 (Zoom Meeting)

#### **BEREAVEMENT REPORT** to Cabinet

Governor Don and Lions Family,

This is my final Bereavement report for the year 20/21.

Over this past year we have lost 20 of our dedicated members. That is equivalent to a whole club. Tribute was paid to these members in the well put together, Virtual Memorial Service.

Thank you Governor Don Radnor, PDG Frank Hewitt and PDG Doug Galt, PDG Dave Hansen, PDG Harvey Moore and PDG Bob VanWort for making this happen. My sincere thanks also goes out to PZC Bill Pyle for all the work he does in finding pictures of the deceased and putting them together to be presented.

Since our last Cabinet meeting, the following five Lions have passed on;

- Lion Albert Trotter--Apsley and District Lions
- Lion Gordon Hovencamp—Amherstview Lions
- Lion Jim Stillburn--Prince Edward County Lions
- Lion Steven Steele—Trenton Lions
- Lion Roy Forbes—Kingston Lions

Let us stand for a moments silence in honour of these dedicated Lions. May they rest in peace.

Respectfully submitted,
RC Dawn Hansen – A3 Bereavement Chair

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT** to Cabinet

Cabinet Meeting - June 19th, 2021 Via Zoom meeting

DG Don, fellow cabinet members, Lions, and Leos

This is my fourth and final report to cabinet. There is no correspondence since the last cabinet meeting.

A letter for signing authority changes was dropped off to the T-D bank on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021. I have been in touch with next year's district secretary, Lion Theresa Hewitt, and have shared information, templates and previous reports. We will meet in person before her term starts.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Albert Munneke, A3 Cabinet Secretary

#### TREASURER'S REPORT to Cabinet.

Cabinet Meeting – June 19th, 2021 Via Zoom meeting DG Don, fellow cabinet members, Lions, and Leos.

This is my fourth and final report to cabinet.

I have been in touch with Lion Jean Graham, next year's district treasurer. A new accounting program was installed on the district laptop and current information loaded onto it. This will be handed over to Lion Jean along with other information she may require. Arrangements have also been made to have the books audited in July.

The district has 3 GIC's totaling \$32,141.78, all 3 are renewable August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The current bank account is at \$45,793.13 (as of June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021). There are name badges and a banner to be paid for from LCI lions store, but at this time no invoice(s) has been posted.

I have sent the cabinet members a current updated budget and financial report.

On other note – It has been a pleasurer to serve on cabinet since 2009 in various positions, most recently Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer. I thank the governor(s) for their trust in me, it is now time to step back. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Albert Munneke, A3 Cabinet Treasurer

#### DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT TO CABINET

Greetings Lions & Leos of A3,

My final report to cabinet comes with a great deal of mixed emotions. On the one hand, I am thankful that the irritations and grievances that came with leading during a global pandemic are nearly behind me; but on the other hand, it was an opportunity of learning to adapt, adjust and achieve.

We have learned to embrace the virtual world. We have adapted from fundraising to simple service, and we have adjusted the way we serve to reflect all health protocols. Wow... what we have achieved is miraculous!

We held a virtual Memorial Service (thanks to the expertise and persistence of Lion Frank); we attended a MDA convention, a DGE weekend with the Lions Foundation of Canada, and were witness to the first Lions Clubs International Foundation's Tell-A-Thon... all this from the comfort of our own homes! We participated in the World Wide Induction Day, offering our newest members a proper welcome.

We welcomed the Lions Club of Napanee Lioness and the Buckhorn District Lions Club. I acknowledge and thank Lions Bill and Linda Zwier, Lion Jim Wilson and Lion Paul English for serving as Guiding Lions for these new clubs. These additions have resulted in positive membership growth for our District despite, in spite of Covid-19.

We are sad to say good bye to our Lioness Clubs. Their service to our communities, their contributions to our association and the fun and fellowship they have brought to community service will be greatly missed by many.

I had promised to visit each and every club and I looked forward to meeting our members and participating in their service projects, however, that was not to be. That may be my single biggest disappointment, but Lion Ruth Anne and I still intend to do this... we just don't know when.

We all know what this pandemic has brought about...we have all scheduled, rescheduled and cancelled our events and projects with Lions. We did what we felt comfortable doing, right or wrong, good or bad. Only history will determine our success or failure. We are the first and hopefully we will be the last to lead during a pandemic. There was no manual – never forget that.

I want to thank the members of the District A3 Cabinet for all they have done this year and I will do this more appropriately in my final newsletter. Also a special acknowledgement to Lion Theresa Hewitt for our District Directory and to Lion Karen Christopher for our District newsletters. I am so proud of the A3 team and extremely grateful for their support.

Respectfully submitted

## CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Committee report to cabinet 19 Jun 2021

DG Lion Don, fellow Cabinet members, Lions, Lioness and guests;

This is my final report to cabinet for the Lions Year 2020-21 as the District Constitution and By-Laws chair.

Our District Constitution and By-Laws are in good shape. I have received no requests for amendments thus far this Lions year.

I have reviewed the Standard Form Constitution and By-Laws in the International Board Policy manual and note that there are a few of amendments to be voted on at the International Convention later this month. Two of these have to do with the procedure to replace a First or Second Vice District governor in the event of a vacancy. There is an additional proposed change to Second Vice district qualifications adding "has not previously served as a District Governor". The final amendment is adding a Leo Liaison position to cabinet (at the discretion of the district).

For any of the above noted amendments that are mandatory provisions the cabinet can accept these at the first meeting in the new year. For any that are not mandatory provisions, the cabinet should consider these and bring them forward to the membership at the 2022 District Convention.

The vote on International Dues increases has been postponed until the 2022 International convention to come in force 1 Jul 2023.

Lion Jim Peters will be taking over as chair of this committee during my time as DG. I will be providing Lion Jim with my files in the coming days.

Thank you DG Lion Don for allowing me to continue in this position under your leadership this year.

Respectfully submitted Lion Mark Kelso - Constitution and By-Laws Chair 2020-21

## **CONVENTION COMMITTEE 2020/2021**

Report to Cabinet – June 19, 2021

This is my last report for this lions' year.

Not due to all the hard work put in by the host and convention committees, but Covid got us again this year, with no convention in April and the picnics cancelled for May and June. Thank you for all your work. We are at work returning the registration money to lions (sent in for the picnics). I would like to thank Governor Don for the opportunity to serve the district.

Respectfully submitted PDG Bill Lewis

### **DISTRICT A3 LCIF REPORT** — Cabinet Meeting, June 19, 2021

DG Don and Cabinet Members.

As I have reported all year, Covid-19 has had an impact on all aspects of our normal Lions club function. From meetings, fundraising, donations, and most important personal face to face meetings. However, with some creative ideas we have survived.

This time of year, it is time to assess how we did as a district towards supporting LCIF Campaign 100. To date, we have a total of \$12,480.00 US. Of that total, \$4900.00 was personal contributions from Lions and friends of Lions. This year A3 received a LCIF grant of 10,000.00US to support our frontline works. The Trenton Lions received a LCIF grant for \$125,000.00US for "An All-Inclusive Playground". Last year we received a LCIF grant for \$108,000.00US for IV Pumps at the Trenton Memorial Hospital. We do get great support from LCIF. Last year A3 contributions were about \$34,000.00US.

Our district club donations form a big part of the overall goal for A3 and Campaign 100. Many clubs did not contribute to LCIF this year. Raising funds this year has been a challenge. All I ask is to include LCIF in club budget next year.

A Melvin Jones Fellowship is a great way to recognize a club or community member for their dedication to Lions. US \$1,000.00 is cost of a MJF. It is a large commitment. Each donation is recorded by LCIF. With several years of donations, a club will reach the required amount. Donate \$500.00 for 2 years and buy a MJF for a Lion. LCIF is the best charity for the Lions to make a personal contribution. Like many of you, I have continued to support LCIF through my monthly contributions.

Thank you, DG Don for the opportunity to serve District A3.

This report respectfully submitted,
PID Terry Graham – A3 LCIF Chairperson

#### **LEADER DOGS** For The Blind

Report for cabinet meeting June 2021.

Hi District Governor Lion Don and members of cabinet.

This has been a very busy time for your district A3 Leader Dogs ForThe Blind chair and his co-chair Lyn. First of all Lyn's new Leader Dog Leo is settling in great and it sure is nice to have a 2 dog household again.

We have done lots of Zoom calls with Leader Dogs ForThe Blind. We have been to Windsor, Alaska, Nebraska and many Zoom calls in different parts of Michigan. We have a system worked out where our Lions engagement specialist at Leader Dogs Mike Dengate talks a bit and shows some pictures and then Lyn talks about her new experience with Leader Dogs then I talk and then Mike asks us some questions and then the audience does. If any of your clubs are interested in a Zoom visit from the 3 of us either before year end or in September just write me or call and I will set it up with Mike from Leader Dogs. He is able to make changes in his program. If we are talking to clubs in Ontario he can pull up Canadian information no problem.

This next event I am so proud of. It has been a lifelong dream for me and it finally happened on Saturday June the 5th. The Peterborough area had its first Leader Dogs ForThe Blind walk. Our great friend Lion Frank Hewitt did 1 last year and it was extremely successful so this year Lyn and I joined in on the fun. Lyn and I are waiting for a bit more money to come in but I am overwhelmed at how well it went especially for our first 1. It was a 5 K walk and surprisingly Casey and I made it. Look on the district page for lots of pictures and video Lion Frank took. I want to thank Lion Frank for all his help with this new venture for Lyn and me. It is so much appreciated. I'd like to thank the members of the East Peterborough Lions club for coming out and supporting Lion Frank and us. The whole morning was a blast and a day we will never forget and we will look forward to next year when we can do it again.

Thank you to members of the Chemung Lake lions club that have donated as well.

If you'd like to contact us to ask any questions about Leader Dogs ForThe Blind or it's programs or to book a Zoom visit here is our contact information.

John and Lyn Morris 300-1010 Hedonics Road, Peterborough Ontario K9j 7t1 Phone 705-876-1905 Cell 705-772-4287

Respectfully submitted, John Morris district A3 Leader Dogs For The Blind chair.

## DISTRICT GST COORDINATOR/DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

Cabinet Report June 19, 2021

Clubs in our District continue to struggle with the pandemic. However, there is still much service and fund raising being done. Clubs are still continuing to support Food Banks, Senior Care centres, hospitals, vaccination centres.

Clubs are thinking outside the box for fund raising ideas, such as bottle drives, take-out meals, rain barrel sales, virtual dog walks, eye glass collections. Some clubs have thought of ways to combine service with fund raising – Bewdley had a dog nail trimming event, along with dog treat sales, Land O'Lakes started their first farmers' market, Norwood with their outdoor recreation kits, Frankford and Tamworth with their yard sales. These are just a few examples of the ways the clubs have coped with the pandemic.

At the beginning of this Lions' year, service reporting was at an all-time low of around 25%. I am proud to report that it is now at 79% and hope it will meet Gov. Don's goal of 80% by the end of June. The average for all of Canada is around 52%. District A3 secretaries have really put our District in the forefront for reporting. My thanks to them all.

I want to thank the Lioness clubs for their service over the years. Many will continue to provide excellent service as Lion Lioness or as independent groups still serving in their communities.

Thank you to Governor Don for his support this year. Next Lions' year, I will continue to be District Global Service Chair and District Administrator.

Respectfully, PDG Bill Zwier
District GST Coordinator and District Administrator

## **VISION/HEARING SCREENING**

Report to Cabinet - June 19, 2021

I am in the process of collecting data on the District equipment and supplies. I have had responses from all the Zones with the exception of Zone 43E. Once I have received all the information I will compile a list so that we can immediately commence screening if we are given the opportunity.

I am forever optimistic that we will once again be back in the schools and will contact the Health Units once the present Covid crisis is over. Perhaps they will be more open to sharing screening for vision and hearing with the Lions. Stay safe.

Respectfully submitted by Lion Nancy Lane – District A3 Vision/Hearing Chair

#### FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT

District Governor Don, Cabinet members, guests

This is my final report to cabinet.

Who could have ever imagined the year that we have had? COVID restrictions on and then off then on again and now as we reach the end of the year things are starting to finally look better. We have been forced to rethink and reimagine how we can meet; fund raise and serve. But in the end, we have had a very good year despite the restrictions placed on us.

I want to thank DG Lion Don for his leadership during this unique year, his positive outlook and continual cheering on of the Lions has made the year a true success despite everything else. He has been faced with obstacles at every turn that no DG in our history has had to deal with. He has faced every obstacle not as a deterrent to getting things done but as an opportunity to do it a different way. His unique quality of seeing the best in every situation has been an awesome example to follow. I have been truly privileged and honoured to work with him this year.

I also want to thank 2VDG Lion Linda Zwier for her perseverance in keeping me on the straight and narrow and for her steadfast support of all Lions in the district. I am looking forward to continue working with her next year.

I have been awed by the continued service that all our clubs have been doing during this pandemic and am proud that we have set the example in MDA for service. I thank you all for getting the word of your service out on social media ensuring that we are not the best kept secret in town and our communities will know that we are here when they need us as we move out of the restrictions. As we know this Lions year is not over yet, so let's continue to serve and recruit new members while we plan for the next Lion's year.

At the beginning of the year, I had every intention of visiting as many clubs as possible and getting out to help with service activities through out the district. Not being able to do this has been my biggest disappointment for this year. I will be getting out to visit as restrictions allow next year.

I would like to thank all the Lions of District A3 for your support and confidence as you elected me to serve as your next DG. I have been completing my training and preparing for the new year. We have been able to put together a good team for cabinet and I am looking forward to working with them as we continue the legacy of service that district A3 is known for.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Mark

"IT's GREAT to be a LION!!!"

#### **HONORARY COMMITTEE**

Re: 4th Cabinet Meeting Date: June 19th, 2021

Location: Zoom Meeting

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 4<sup>th</sup> report to Cabinet as the District A3 Honorary Committee Chair. I have been in touch with the committee members, and we discussed a few things. It was so great to hear the support from the Past District Governors that contacted me back.

In one of my emails to the Honorary Committee I had a discussion regarding the duplications of messages that we tend to receive. Many of them seemed to realize it was happening but felt there was not much a person could do other than keep deleting the ones that do come in that way.

As I complete this year of being Honorary Chair, I would like to say that I was disappointed that we were not able to make the annual picnics happen or our usual celebrations, however I felt it best to always make myself available for chit-chats.

I would also like to say a huge thank you for those Past District Governors that passed along such kind words about my running for Second Vice District Governor a second time. I hope that I can live up to their support of me and I look forward to serving on Cabinet for as long as possible. Being a Lion is not what I do....being a Lion is who I am.

Respectfully Submitted, PDG Lion Frank Hewitt, Honorary Committee Chair

## **SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR** Cabinet Report

Report for June 19, 2021 via Zoom

Although the pandemic has continued to prevent in-club visitations and gatherings, our Lions continue to find ways to move forward. We have become well-versed and more comfortable with Zoom meetings, with an occasional glitch thrown in.

I attended, virtually, RC Frank's Region Rally, as he demonstrated how it can be done through modern technology. I have participated in a couple of intense 2VDG training sessions which were designed to help bridge the transition from 2VDG to 1VDG.

All of the 2VDGs of A3 continue to meet on a monthly basis. We exchange ideas and experiences and try to help with each other's questions.

As a Guiding Lion, I continue to work with the newly formed Napanee Lions Lioness Club. The first report was submitted to LCI in April and outlined their successes and challenges – Covid being the main one.

I was pleased to be able to participate in the World Wide Induction Day on April 24th, when Gov. Don was able to induct many new members into District A3.

A special highlight was joining the Brighton Lions' Club meeting and listening to a young man, Ethan Cook, who inspired us all with his courage, positive attitude and determination to turn his sudden blindness into something that does not define him as a person.

I also attended the MD "A" Convention and listened to a gifted speaker, PID Phil Nathan. He spoke from the heart of his many experiences from around the world.

The Memorial Service for A3 Lions who have passed was held virtually on May 23. Kudos to Lion Frank and all those involved for pulling this together in this manner for the first time ever.

The virtual tour/presentation of Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides was held on June 11/12. I have visited LFC and Breslau before but there are always new things to learn.

What gives me the most pleasure is helping other Lions achieve what they need. This month, I have been able to assist Lions with accessing various awards for their club members. As well, I have answered questions involving club elections, particular protocol proceedings and other day to day issues that arise. With Gov. Don, I am working on the Club Excellence Application process for clubs.

I thank Lions for their support this year and look forward to the future as 1VDG.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Linda Zwier 2VDG

#### **GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM**

Re: 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting Date: June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Location: Zoom Meeting

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 4<sup>th</sup> report to Cabinet as the Global Membership Coordinator. I am excited to know that this District has grown by 2 new clubs. And to hear that we are looking at finishing the year off with more members than we started with is truly a great thing especially during these times when we hear "How can we get new members, when we can't meet?" A big thank you to those clubs that took that question and continued to prove it wrong.

I emailed the clubs several times throughout the year offering to help with membership issues. I would like to thank the clubs that held New Member Orientation sessions as well as the clubs that invited me to come and talk to them regarding "How to Invite New members". These events were so much fun to do, and I would do them again at any point.

'Welcome' cards were sent to new members as they were inducted and that seemed to really make a difference to several new members to our organization. I would also like to congratulate the district on gaining two new clubs and although I was not involved in them, I have been in contact with several of the new members and offered any assistance when needed.

Thank you once again for your faith and trust in me and I look forward to continuing to work and help in whatever capacity I can with District A-3.

Respectfully Submitted, Lion Frank Hewitt, Global Membership Coordinator

### **LIONS QUEST**

#### Report to Cabinet HELP! \$\$\$\$\$ Needed

Lions Quest in District A 3 has always had terrific support from our Lions clubs and from LCIF. For over 30 years we have provided nearly 1000 educators with a workshop and materials, giving them a comprehensive resource to provide age appropriate lessons and activities to help our children and youth learn the social and emotional skills that they need to become the capable, healthy, young people of positive character that we all say we want them to be.

When school opens again in September, educators at all levels are going to be faced with students for whom this last year and a half has been stressful at least and traumatic at worst. Supporting students who have gaps in their learning through no fault of anyone and who are now facing new challenges in their relationships with peers and educators is not an easy task. Providing educators with proven materials that are easy to implement and based on sound research into what they need, is a gift that we can give. We have given it to our educators in the past. It is needed more than ever now.

If each Lions Club in District A 3 would commit to giving \$350 to our District Lions Quest account, we would be able to continue to provide the materials and the workshops to educators in District A3 who wish to have the opportunity.

Lions Quest is recognized around the world as an important resource for educators. It is used in over 100 Countries. It is a school-based partner of the United Nations office on Drugs and Crime. It is owned by Lions Clubs International Foundation. It is OURS. Our students need it and I need your financial support in order to continue to offer this to the children and youth in District A 3.

<u>PLEASE HELP</u> the Educators in District A 3 who are working with our children and youth access some resources that will help all of us support our children and youth.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Marissen, District A3 Lions Quest Chair.

#### SPECIAL OLYMPICS

District Governor Don, Cabinet Members and Lions of District A-3, Please accept this as my final report for the Lions year 2020-2021.

There is quite a bit of good news to share this month!

First, Special Olympics Ontario has given the local Chapters direction on the rules and guidelines that must be followed to re-open sports and activities, which means in-person sports and activities will be permitted to begin once the local SO Chapters have their procedures in place for the safety of the Athletes, Coaches, Caregivers, Spectators, Families and Communities. Athletes have been encouraged to watch their Local Chapter's websites as organizers plan and prepare for the return to in-person sports.

Then, from January 22 to 28, 2022, 2000 athletes and Unified partners from 108 Nations and 3,000 Volunteers from all over the world will gather in Kazan, Russia to create acceptance and inclusion through sport, volunteerism, education and health at the Special Olympics World Games! I haven't kept up with athletes throughout our District, but I know of one athlete in Peterborough who has been accepted to the Canadian Ski Team – Lisa Butler. We are excited to watch her train and look forward to watching her and the other 2000 athletes compete next year! Best of luck to all the Athletes!

Finally, because of your continuous dedication and support, I received a letter from President & CEO of Special Olympics Glenn MacDonell. He says, "On behalf of Special Olympics Ontario, I would like to personally thank you for your very generous donation in the amount of \$3,700. Your contribution and continued support enriches and enhances the lives of over 26,000 people with an intellectual disability, allowing them to live a fuller and more integrated life within their community." "Special Olympics is more than sports. We are a leader in programs that improve the health and fitness of athletes, resulting in enhanced well-being, sports performance, and quality of life. As a generous donor, take pride in what we have accomplished – without you nothing would be possible!"

Thank you, Lions, for your continued support of Special Olympics.

Respectfully Submitted, Lion Theresa Hewitt District A-3 Special Olympics Chair



Date: June 19th, 2021

## **REGION 10 CHAIR** Re: 4th Cabinet Meeting

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 4<sup>th</sup> report to Cabinet as the Region Chair for Region 10. In my last report I spoke about holding a Virtual Region Rally with Region 10. We held it and it turned out to be a great success. Members shared some much-needed fellowship and shared lots of information among themselves. The breakout rooms were a huge success and members were wanting to do more of these types of sessions. Lion Bill Zwier did a fantastic job speaking on Service and Lion Theresa got their spirits up and the blood pumping with her inspiration to those in attendance.

As Region Chair, I made sure to contact the club presidents as often as I could, just to encourage them and to offer assistance to any of them that might need some. It was interesting to hear the different ways that the leaders of our clubs in Region 10 were managing. I am thankful to those President's that took the time to check on their membership and keep an eye on them as often as possible.

I am disappointed to see the end of this position happening, but I understand the reasons. I would have loved to see the positions revamped and put to better use through those in position; however, I support the choices being made.

As the Region Chair, during a pandemic, I was unfortunately unable to attend any of the Club meetings, although I always made sure to stay in touch with the club leadership and offer my help whenever needed. It was difficult to keep the Zone Chairs encouraged and doing what they needed to be doing, however I was incredibly pleased to be a part of the Virtual Zone meeting held by Zone 10 South. Thank you, Zone Chair Lion Kevin, for pulling that together for your membership.

I want to thank DG Lion Don Radnor for his faith and trust with me in this position and I look forward to my new position as  $2^{nD}$  Vice District Governor.

Respectfully Submitted, Lion Frank Hewitt, Region 10 Chair

#### **Zone 10 South**

Report to Cabinet – June 19th, 2021 Hello DG Don Radnor, Cabinet Members, and Fellow Lions

I have been in contact with all of my clubs. I had my first Zone meeting on Feb. 23 at 7pm over zoom thanks to Region Chair 10 Frank. Thanks to all our speakers, everyone had a good time. Better days ahead. I hope everyone stays safe and hope to see you all soon.

Respectfully Submitted Lion Kevin Kimmerly – Zone 10 South Chair

#### **REGION 11 CHAIR** Report to Cabinet June19/21

Governor Don and Lions Family,

As this is my last report to Cabinet as Region Chair, I want to express my sincere thank you to Governor Don, 1st VDG Mark and 2ndVDG Linda for their belief in me to be the Region11 Chair and for all the work they have done to keep our District going through this trying year. It has not been an easy year for anyone but they have never given up. Thank you also to Zone Chairs, Lion Red Emond and Lion Carman Fisher.

I have been very disappointed that I was not able to visit the clubs to meet with the Lions of Region 11. I have attempted to keep in touch with them through emails and phone calls. I was able to join the Tamworth Club on 3 Zoom meetings.

Most clubs have attempted to do some sort of service projects, such as continuing to take coffee and treats to front Line workers, have drive thru Easter Bunny Days, carry out recyclable collections, bottle collections and to get their parks ready for their communities to enjoy. Storrington, Napanee and Verona Lions have been able to raise some money to pay expenses for their buildings by serving drive thru meals. Other clubs have still been receiving a small amount of money from the Bingo halls they are associated with.

Most clubs continue to make donations within their communities as they normally do. Clubs that have little income have found it difficult to keep up all their normal donations outside of the local areas.

I am concerned about the Pittsburg Lions as I know they haven't met at all and do not answer phone calls or emails. This is a club that I feel The Global Action Teams should take a look at and try to help in the coming year.

I am also a little concerned about the new Napanee Lions Club Lioness as they are in difficulty attempting to get an executive for next year. I have tried to give the present executive encouragement to stay on for another year but not sure it is working.

Storrington Lions celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on June 3<sup>rd</sup> with a few members and the Reeve of Storrington giving them thanks from the community outside of their hall, with social distancing. I wish them all the best for the next 50.

I was able to vote at the MDA Convention and am looking forward to taking part in the LCI Convention. My best to the new Cabinet as they take over their duties. I sincerely hope that they have an exciting, productive year ahead.

Respectfully submitted, Region 11 Chair, Dawn Hansen

#### **REPORTS Zone 11 EAST**

Carman Fisher, Chair – Reports from four clubs in the zone.

#### **Newburgh-Camden Lions**

The halls in Stone Mills Township continue to be closed so the Lions have met when needed at either the home of Lions Victor & Mary Ann Smith or at Centennial Park when weather permitted.

Centennial Park is now open so maintaining it is the Club's main work at this time. Keeping the lawns cut, the beach area clean and maintaining the washrooms daily keeps us busy. So far fifty plus hours have been given.

The new gazebo in the Park has not yet been started.

We would like to thank District Governor Don Radnor for the superb job he did under very difficult circumstances.

We wish everyone a great safe summer.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Mary Ann Smith, Secretary - Newburgh-Camden Lions Club

#### Amherstview Lions Club

(Report Edited) This Report to Cabinet is from January to May 2021 on behalf of the Amherstview Lions Membership: 21 Reports: All monthly reports have been submitted to Lions Club International

#### Support

- Supported Jason and Melissa Kelly regarding their son's BMX racing
- Supported The Sunshine Foundation regarding a child in the Region
- Supported Camp Kirk Foundation
- Supported June VON Meals on Wheels for Seniors in Amherstview
- Lions Award to a graduating student of Ernestown Secondary School
- Lions Bench ordered and bought to be placed in Ridge Park by Township
- Supported Heart and Stroke Foundation when Lion Gordon passed away
- Supported Lions Home for the Deaf
- Supported Lennox and Addington County General Hospital in Napanee
- Supported University Hospitals Kingston Foundation
- Supported Lion Hearts Meals in Amherstview

#### Sources of Funds

- Play! Gaming and Entertainment
- Sale of Pampered Chef Products
- Loyalist Township Grant
- Draw for water colour of Kinnebec Lake and 15 Blind Anglers pins
- Bath Artisans

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Golf Tournament Fund Raiser in support of Mental Health in fall of 2022
- Donation to each of three schools of balls, bats, skipping ropes etc. in fall of 2021

Respectfully Submitted by Lion Barb Johnson Club Secretary, Amherstview Lions Club

#### **Kingston Lions Club**

(Report edited). Key activities. Our current members are 22 in total. We continue to hold meetings virtually (mostly through emails).

- November, 2020 donation to Lionsheart
- November-December, 2020 Christmas cakes sales fundraising
- Unsold cakes donated to Lionsheart and Martha's table
- January 2021 donation supporting victims of horrific fire in Verona
- April, 2021 District-wide induction (3 new members inducted in our club)
- May, 2021 Presentation of induction certificates to new members and sponsors
- June Donation to LCIF
- Bursaries to be given to our last 4 students which will end our 5-year commitment of \$20,000 per year for five years

Total funds raised from Bingo as at May, 2021 \$16,670

Lion Florence Dery, Secretary Lions Club of Kingston

#### Bath and District Club Report - Friday, June 18th, 2021

As we continue the good fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, it is our sincere hope that this report finds you all healthy and unaffected by the virus.

At the Bath and District Lions Club we continue to find new ways to be able to provide for our community. We are also fortunate that we have received tremendous support from our community members and businesses.

Our services and activities included;

• Lion Andrew Hobbis continues to offer mobility equipment to members in the community in need. He has created working relationships with several therapists in the area. He is often called upon to supply a device for a recovering patient. This is a service that operates completely on volunteered services; all equipment is donated to the club, Lion Andrew maintains the equipment and meets with patients in need on his own time. There is also no cost for use of the equipment. He has recruited a couple of members to his team. Lion Helen VandeSande has been spreading the good word about the program in the community flyer, therefore making more people aware of this wonderful service.

- Lion Joe Wilkinson organized a large bottle-drive. With the help of various lions, the drive proved highly successful. The local convenience store, Fast Freddie's, took in most of the empties, leaving the club with a very welcome \$-amount.
- Lion Tom Houston continues to operate the food bank for those in need. The food bank operations were held on Tuesday mornings from 9-11 am. With the new stay at home orders in place, Lion Tom has made his contact information available for those in need and he continues to drop off baskets to households.
- Lion Dan McGrath continues to deliver meals to seniors who are housebound. This service is performed weekly.
- Lion Fred Brown continues to work tirelessly on recruiting new members. As of this moment 10 The club has reached a new high of 25 members.
- The club has established partnership with three volunteer organizations: Lionsheart Kingston, Morningstar mission Napanee, and Limestone Food Sharing. All receive monetary assistance from our established budget and overflow food from the club's Food bank.

Respectfully,

Pieter Kooiman, Secretary-elect for the Bath and District Lions Club

#### **ZONE 11 WEST**

**REPORT TO CABINET - JUNE 2021** 

This is my final report of my two year tenure as Zone Chair 11W

As reluctant as I was to take on the responsibilities of ZC, I truly enjoyed the time spent in that position, before the pandemic. When dealing with people, phone calls and emails just don't do it for me. I'm a person who likes face to face contact and was very disappointed that necessary COVID restrictions cramped my style. I truly enjoyed the few meetings at the start of my appointment and learned a lot by visiting with members of different clubs. I felt accepted and appreciated when solving issues of mutual interests.

I shall miss my visits as Zone Chair with all clubs 11W clubs. COVID has truly affected our clubs' abilities to serve to their full potential. Nevertheless, our club leaders proved to be innovative, effective and managed to serve their communities in manners that brought praise and accolades from people that may never have realized what being a Lion meant. I'm proud of all our clubs accomplishments and although I'm stepping down as ZC, I will continue visiting our clubs to thank them for their tenacity and support during this pandemic.

To my leaders, your dedication is remarkable. Your exemplary conduct and human approach with different people who serves with you are much appreciated. You have shown perseverance and understanding in accepting that not all of our volunteers can excel to a level we would hope for, but you have accepted that regardless how much volunteers do, all efforts are accepted and appreciated.

Clubs of 11W are excited to see a pandemic solstice developing (poor word but you get the picture). Soon, we will all be rejuvenated and we will benefit from the experiences we have gained during this unexpected phase of our lives. Somewhat older, we will continue to support all Lion's initiatives and prop up our leaders in their endeavours to accomplish their goals.

Respectfully submitted, J-J (Red) Emond Zone Chair 11W

#### **ZONE 43 WEST**

#### **Report received from:**

Norwood Lions Club, June 2021...

We currently have a membership of 50 members. We have recently applied for and received Life Memberships for 3 long serving Lions. These will be presented as soon as we can return to meeting as a Club. We have only had 1 full membership meeting since Mar2020. We were able to meet in Sept 2020. The Directors have held monthly Zoom meetings. The Directors hope to meet in person over the summer and surely by fall we will be able to meet as a Club. The few times that a call for help has been sent to the members there has been a good response.

The new Board of Directors have been appointed for the coming Lion's year. We hope to have an induction in Sept.

Our Fundraising, though it has been limited has been successful.

- Tree Sale We advertised the sale of Nursery Grade trees 6-8 feet tall to the Community.
   129 trees were ordered and distributed in a Drive Thru Pickup This was an environmental project that raised \$3300. For the Club
- Rain Barrel Sale Through Rainbarrel.ca we sold 175 units of their product which included 143 barrels, 2 water totes. 1 composter and diverters etc. Again a Drive thru pickup was held and the project netted a profit of \$2200.
- We held our annual Baby Blue Whale Race by selling tickets on the fastest whale down the Ouse River. Due to Covid restrictions the Race was run out of a ticket drum. All 714 tickets were sold and the Club achieved a profit of \$2000.

- A concert with fiddler Richard Wood from PEI has been postponed till 2022
- Eye Glass Collection- We have revitalised the eye glass collection by adding several more donation boxes in well visited businesses of the village and did some more advertising. Hopefully this will result in more donations to the program

Donations were made to Camp Ooch, Planted a tree in Memory of a popular restaurant owner. Donated to the expenses of a village resident who is receiving treatment in Toronto. Replanted flowers in flower boxes we presented last year at Maple View retirement Residence. Donated a microwave to the staff lounge at Pleasant Meadow Nursing Home. Replaced the wood benches at the Lions Park. Installed new shelving in a shed for Hucklebug Pre School thanks to the donation of the lumber by a Lions Member and the installation of the shelves by another. Joined with the Township to supply outside play kits for needy Families, to encourage kids to play outside over the summer.

Donated \$500 to a familie that had a house fire.

Donated \$250 to the Fair Board in appreciation of the use of the horse barn for our Rain Barrel and Tree Sale

Bursaries will be presented to 4 deserving graduates of NDHS

The Special Projects Committee is investigating projects to Commemorate the 70th Charter Anniversary of the Norwood Lions Club

Thank You to all our District Officers for their efforts over the past year. Special mention to our Zone Chair Lion Bill Shaw. Your work is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Jack Begg, Secretary Norwood Lions Club

#### WEBMASTER & TECHNOLOGY

Re: 4th Cabinet Meeting Date: June 19th, 2021

Location: Zoom Meeting

Cabinet Members, District Officers, Lions, Lioness and Guests,

Please accept this 4<sup>th</sup> report to Cabinet as the Technology & Webmaster Chair. What a fantastic year it has been for this position. With all the technology happening, it has been an excellent time to learn how we can do things differently and keep our members involved.

This past year I have hosted 35 Zoom meetings with several clubs (and I still have more to go), I have been involved in the First Zoom Induction of new members, we held the first Virtual Zone meeting with Zone 10 Centre, we held the first Virtual Region Rally with almost 70 members in attendance, including a few guests from other districts. We have held 4 District Cabinet meetings online, held the Lions Memorial Service virtually and I have managed to continue being a Guiding Lion to two clubs even though we were barely able to meet in person throughout the year.

The work on the District Facebook page is an ongoing thing and has a few issues that need to be addressed by the Cabinet. One of the main issues is the promotion of other District's accomplishments posted on our Facebook page which can cause our own events to drop further down the listings. This is an item that should be addressed in more detail as soon as possible to clear up any issues as soon as possible.

Lion Kim Carr has done exceptional work as the co-chair and always seems to be on top of things. Thank you, Lion Kim.

As for the District E-Webpage there were lots of updates and redressing's that happened to the E-webpage, and I think it is finally up to date with happenings in the District. One recommendation that I would look at is the privacy issue of posting Lion's phone numbers and email address online. Soon, we might want to look at using the secure Member's only area to address some of these issues and to help keep members info tighter.

Also, a training session on how to use the E-Clubhouse webpages might be an idea to help clubs use the free site for their promotions.

Thank you in advance for all your faith in me with this position.

Respectfully Submitted Lion Frank Hewitt, Technology and Webmaster Chair