

Fellow Lions, Lionesses, Leos:

Christmas and New Year seems like a long time ago, but I hope it was good for all of you. Lion Kathy and I with our two dogs took a few days off and headed up to Pinestone Resort near Haliburton over Christmas. We enjoyed some snowshoeing and cross country skiing and good food. New Year's Eve was a much quieter affair at home with just the two of us enjoying an excellent meal and some nice wine.

It is hard to believe that it is March already and that we are only 1 ½ months away from our District Convention. It has been a busy couple of months with both Lions and Lioness club visitations, some of which had to be rescheduled a couple of times due to the wacky weather we've been experiencing lately.

I'm excited to report that the Queen's Campus Club has come back to life again with 9 new members and hopefully more to come. We also have a new Leo Club in Sharbot Lake. We are still working hard on trying to establish a new club in Buckhorn, but these things never happen as quickly as we would like. Between now and the end of this Lions year, there are several more clubs to visit and another 3 Charter Anniversary Celebrations to attend.

As I mentioned, our 45<sup>th</sup> Annual District Convention is scheduled for April 21-23 at the Ambassador Hotel in Kingston. The theme is "Climb Every Mountain" which creates a nice link between the International President's theme of 'New Mountains To Climb' and my Austrian heritage. There will be something for everyone at this convention – movie, vendor tables, silent auction, guest speaker, campaign presentations, effective speaking presentations, workshops/information sessions, elections, awards, and booster prizes, not forgetting, of course, our traditional Friday night party. Our International guest this year is Past International Director Robert Littlefield and his wife Lion Kathy so let's be sure we make them feel welcome. I hope as many of you as possible will join us in Kingston – it's <u>a time to renew old acquaintances, make new ones, learn some stuff....and have lots of fun!</u> The program of events is included in this newsletter.

May 27th is a date to put in your diary – the Lions Learning Day this year is being held at the Havelock Lions Hall. A great opportunity to get the inside scoop on what being a club officer is all about. See the flyer on page 14. It's free, and lunch is provided.

We still have 3 ½ months of our Lions Year to go. That's plenty of time to do what's necessary to qualify for a Club Excellence Award, a Centennial Service Challenge Award and to start a Legacy Project or complete one that is already underway.

Hope to see you in Kingston!



# April 21-23 Ambassador Hotel

# **CLIMB EVERY MOUNTAIN**



# PROGRAM

# DISTRICT A-3 CONVENTION

# KINGSTON, ONTARIO

#### Subject to minor changes—please check your Convention Book program when you arrive for final schedule

#### Friday, April 21

2:00pm—7:45pm	Registration	
	Movie—Sound of Music playing in the Ballroom	
8:00pm—9:00pm	Official Opening and Banner Parade	
9:00pm—12:00am	Climb Every Mountain Party	
Saturday, April 22		

#### 7:00am **PDG Breakfast** 7:30am **PDG Spouses Breakfast** 8:00am-12:00pm Registration 8:45am-10:15am **First Business Session** Guest Speaker—Paul MacDonald 10:30am 12:00 pm Lunch Effective Speaking Winners/Peace Poster Contest Results/LFC Report 1:45pm-3:45pm Registration 1:45pm-2:45pm Workshop #1—LCIF—Always The Best Bang for Your Buck Workshop #2—Leadership Development—Where There's A Need There's A Lion Workshop #3—Orientation—The Key to Retaining Members Workshop #4—To Be Announced 2:50pm- 3:50pm Workshop #5—100 Years of Lionism Workshop #6—Lions Quest Workshop #7—e-Clubhouse 101 Workshop #8—Plus Optix Refresher 5:30pm Governor's Banquet—Reception/Social 6:30pm Dinner Guest Speaker—Past International Director Robert Littlefield

#### Sunday, April 23

7:30am—9:45am	Registration
8:00am-9:00am	Breakfast
8:30am—10:30am	Voting
9:00am—9:30am	Memorial Service
9:45am—12:00pm	Second Business Session



# SWOON Quilt fundraiser for

# Lions Foundation of Canada DOG GUIDES

Don't forget to get a ticket! Draw will take place at the A-3 Convention in April! Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

Contact any Colborne Lion, Trenton Lion or Lioness.

This is a licensed draw, open to anyone!



The quilt will be on display at the A-3 Convention—look for it and get your tickets for your chance to win at the Exhibitors/Vendor's Marketplace in the lower level near registration.



2015-16 Peace Poster Winner "Share Peace" by Yumo Zhu, 12 years old

#### SILENT AUCTION

A FRAMED COPY OF THE WINNING 2015-16 PEACE POSTER WILL BE AUCTIONED OFF AT THE DISTRICT A-3 CONVENTION IN APRIL. LOOK FOR THE POSTER AND THE BID SHEET IN THE EXHIBITORS/VENDOR'S MARKETPLACE IN THE LOWER LEVEL NEAR THE REGISTRATION DESK.

IN ADDITION, A GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR A PIZZA LUNCH, VIP TOUR AND TASTING FOR 2 AT NORMAN HARDIE WINERY IN PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING.

All money raised will go to Lions Clubs International Foundation

## CALLING ALL THOSE WHO KNIT!

IF YOU HAVE EVER BEEN TO DISTRICT A-3 CONVENTION YOU WILL REMEMBER THAT ONE OF THE ITEMS IN THE BOODLE BAGS IS A KNITTED DISHCLOTH. THIS YEAR WE ARE A LITTLE SHORT. WE HAVE 300 BAGS TO FILL AND ONLY 100 DISHCLOTHS. THE DISHCLOTHS

LOOK LIKE THE PHOTO HERE AND CAN BE IN ANY COLOUR OR PATTERN. IF YOU CAN HELP OUT, PLEASE EMAIL LION KATHY AT wellingtondistrictionlions@gmail.com AND LET HER KNOW HOW MANY YOU THINK YOU CAN DO.

YOUR HELP IS MUCH APPRECIATED!





# Centennial/A-3 Day of Service May 6, 2017

#### Centennial Project/Day of Service - All Across District A-3 - It's Fast Approaching!

#### MAY 6, 2017 IS OUR DAY TO SHINE

#### TO BE OF SERVICE TO OTHERS

Last year, many clubs in the district did a community service project simultaneously on May 7<sup>th</sup>. This year, 2017, is the first repeat of "Day of Service" being continued into the future. Every year, every club.

This is our Centennial year, so make your Service Project into a 100 Year Celebration Project!

BE CREATIVE! BE VISIBLE! BE LIONS IN SERVICE!

Be sure to keep track of your Lions Hours. Report your event online when you do your monthly reporting.

Whether your club selects Youth, Vision, Hunger or Environment, the range of projects is limitless! Some of you are taking the innovative approach of doing four events in one, then reporting in all four categories. Really, it's not difficult to do since pretty much everything we do falls into one of the four areas.

#### WEAR YOUR LIONS COLOURS!

I invite anyone with an interest, comment, or suggestion to contact me.

Steve Williams, Centennial Chair (& Day of Service) sterie2@gmail.com 613-777-5190



**Keene Lions**— DG John Whyte and IPDG Janet Marissen presenting a Certificate of Congratulations for the Keene Lions Club on their 65th Anniversary to President Ivan Clark.

Kendal Lions—1st VDG Bill Zwier presents Kendal President Ralph Wise with three bags of pop can tabs.

The Kendal Club collects pop can tabs to raise money to go towards the purchase of wheelchairs.



# **Colborne & District Lions Deliver "Buddy Benches"**

#### to Cramahe Schools

The "friendship" benches were delivered to both Colborne Public School and Northumberland Hills Public School just before the Christmas break.



Recess as a child is often the best part of the school day, but for others students, it can be a tough time. The concept behind the "Buddy Bench" is a simple project that's growing in popularity in school yards everywhere. The **buddy bench** is a simple idea to eliminate loneliness and foster friendship on the playground.

The project is called the "buddy bench" because, other than the vibrant colours, it's an ordinary bench placed in the schoolyard.

The idea is that kids who are looking for playmates can sit on the bench to signal they would like someone to come ask them to play by sitting on the bench. The benches commissioned by the Colborne & District Lion Club were fabricated by students at **East Northumberland Secondary School**.

The buddy bench idea has been around for some time in Europe and recently exploded in popularity in the Canada and the US.



Sharbot Lake—DG John Whyte inducting several new Leos.



**Frankford Lions**— PRC Susan Taylor presented Certificates of Appreciation and Banner Patches to those clubs who had done Vision Screening in their local schools.

Amherstview Lions Club

# 2017 Rain Barrel Sale

in partnership with Loyalist Township

Order your rain barrel between March 22 and April 21, 2017 (must be pre-ordered)

> Pick up Saturday, April 29 between 9 am – 4 pm at the WJ Henderson Rec Centre

> > 322 Amherst Drive, Amherstview

Proceeds from sales will benefit community initiatives by the Amherstview Lions Club



#### \$55 includes HST

- Several colours available
  Includes leaf/mosquito filter, spigot, overflow
- Includes leat/mosquito filter, spigot, over hose and instructions
   Additional accessories can be ordered:
- Downspout Diverter \$25
  - Stand \$30
    - Flexible Downspout Pipe \$10

For more information, please visit www.loyalist.ca/go/rainbarrel or call 613-386-7351, ext. 103.





Proceeds from this fundraising dinner will support our various Lions projects in order that we may continue serving our communities, both locally and globally.



The Lions Club of Campbellford



#### Register a team

Raise the first \$75.00 to enter the donation challenge and have an afternoon of

### fun, fun, fun!

Only 16 teams! Open to all ages. Let your family, friends, coworkers sponsor you.

# MUSIC - BINGO - PRIZES

SAVE THE DATE Saturday April 29th 2:00pm Trent Valley Lane 63 Front St N, Campbellford

#### Dress up your team!

Costumes are encouraged. A prize for the best team theme!

Information: Lion Emilio Ojeda 905-375-7047 Campbellfordlions@gmail.com

SPRING CRAFT SHOW FRANKFORD LIONS March 11\17 10 till 3



50 Centre Street Frankford Lions Hall [arena] Canteen open Lunch available

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#### Lion Laraine Warren's Celebration of Life

A wonderful gathering of Lions, friends and family also attended by several dog guides and dog guides in training (including her last two foster puppies).

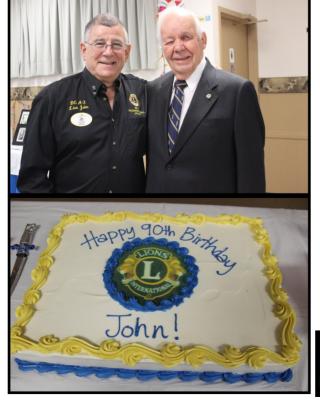
Getting all of the dogs to face the camera was somewhat of a challenge!



Wellington Lions—Lion Janet Marissen demonstrating the art of folding origami cranes at a Family Day event.



**Kingston-Lakeshore Lions**—1st VDG Bill Zwier with Secretary, Marion Lasher.





Congratulations to the Trenton Lioness Club on their 40th Anniversary!

Happy 90th Birthday PDG John Thompson! DG John Whyte congratulates PDG John Thompson on his 90th birthday at a celebration in his honour at the Trenton Lions Club.





DG John going "wild" at a Family Day event



**East Peteroborough**—2nd VDG Frank Hewitt presents PCC Harry Marissen with a \$1,000 cheque for LCIF.



**Wellington Lions**—the club was invited to arrange a Lions display in the window of an empty storefront on the main street in Wellington. A great opportunity to share all of the wonderful things Lions do!

# RICE EDU

# Celebrate 100 years of humanitarian service

by purchasing a Lions Clubs Centennial Commemorative Coin.

This exquisitely crafted, limited-edition, silver dollar coin is produced by the United States Mint and features our founder Melvin Jones.

This keepsake coin is the perfect way to honor our rich history and support the life-changing work of Lions around the world. For each coin sold, US\$10 is authorized to be paid to Lions Clubs International Foundation to improve the lives of even more people in need.

The Centennial Coins will only be minted during 2017 and supplies are limited. Don't miss your chance to own a piece of Lions history.

> On Sale Now! **\$52.95** per proof-finish coin

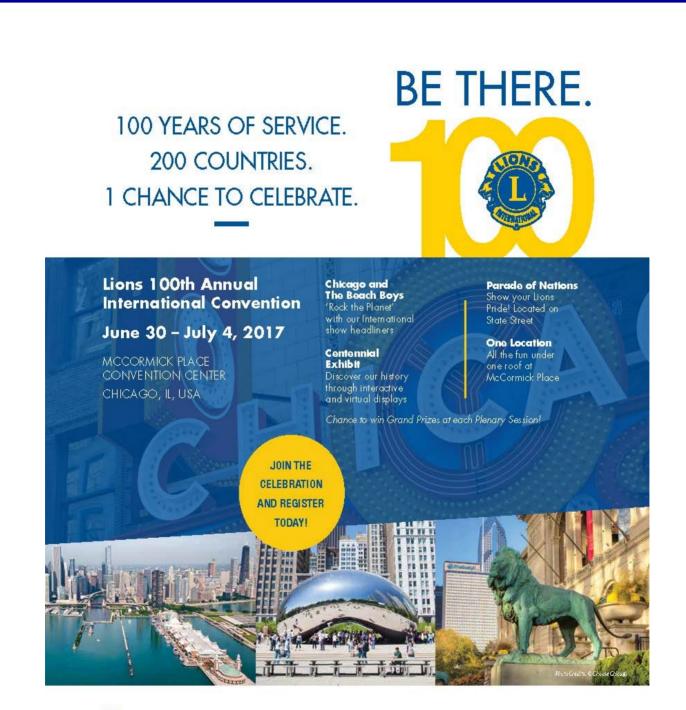
Order your Centennial Coin today! www.lionsclubs.org/coin

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# **ICLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD**

Remember! To be eligible for a Club Excellence Award, one of the three criteria you must meet is you must have made a donation to LCIF (Lions Club International Foundation). Applications for a *Club Excellence Award* can be downloaded at www.lionsclubs.org.









# Lions Quest is Back!

I am sure that you have been lying awake at night wondering what happened to our very own Lions Quest! Well, I have the answer<u>- it is back</u>. It is alive and well and it is going to be available in District A3 on a first come, first served basis (only 35 spaces available) on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at the Havelock Lions Hall. (you have to register, though)

Over the last several years the Lions Quest school program has been totally rewritten and updated to address some of the issues that students were not facing when we started to provide the programs for Educators in our District. Kids are still kids but they face many challenges with regard to social media, bullying and internet decisions that were not around when the first Lions Quest workshops were given.

Students still need to learn positive decision making skills and attitudes and how to build positive relationships with peers and adults. Social and Emotional competencies are the keys to helping young people grow up to become well adjusted adults and contributing members of society.

Please visit the Lions Quest Canada website at <u>www.lionsquest.ca</u> to find out more about the program or call or email Janet Marissen at 613-961-0990 or <u>jgmarissen@gmail.com</u>. Better still, register to take the workshop so that you can let everyone know what a great resource for children and youth we have available.

Please encourage any educators you know to look at the possibility of adding this resource to their toolkit by registering for the workshop on April 4, 2017. This workshop usually costs \$395 per person but for this time only *it is free to anyone in District A3*. This cost includes a full years curriculum for the grade level of the participants choosing, as well as lunch and a day of a fun interactive workshop.



**Club LCIF Co-ordinator**—This newly created club position is an ambassador for Lions Clubs International Foundation in your club. This person will share LCIF stories, motivate fellow Lions to support LCIF, and enable LCIF to advance its humanitarian work both locally and globally. This new position is crucial to the promotion of our foundation and we need all club presidents to actively recruit within their clubs to enables its success!

Correction: In the December issue of the DG Newsletter, reference was made to the Sharbot Lake Club chartering a new Leo's Club. The club has been formed which currently has 8 Leo's, however the club can not be chartered until there are 20 Leo members. Our apologies for the error!

## MD'A' Council of Governors is Seeking a Secretary

Multiple District 'A' Council Secretary John Stewart will officially be concluding his five-year term as the MD'A' Secretary on June 30, 2017. The Council of Governors has authorized the Administration Committee to seek a replacement MD'A' Secretary. The term of office is from July 1, 2017 until June 30, 2022, subject to annual reviews. The position is a home based operation.

A summary of the position requirements and Secretarial duties are as follows:

#### **Responsibilities:**

The Multiple District Secretary shall manage the Multiple District administration functions as detailed in the Multiple District Policy & Procedures Manual under the direction and supervision of the Council of Governors.

#### **Qualifications**:

- Knowledge of the International Association of Lions Clubs
- Knowledge of the Multiple District Lions organization
- Knowledge of Secretarial Duties
- Capabilities of preparing Agendas & recording Minutes of meetings
- Computer Literate
- Previous Management/Administration Experience
- Ability to Communicate
- Motivation and Enthusiasm

#### **Expected Key Results**

- Receive and send correspondence on behalf of Council
- Attend Council and other meetings as requested by Council, the Council Chair & MD'A' Committees.
- Keep accurate minutes of all Council Meetings
- Assist the Governors' Council in conducting the business of MD'A', and perform such duties as are required by the LCI & MD'A' Constitution & By-Laws, as well as those that may be assigned by the Governors' Council from time to time.
- Assist the MD'A' Convention Advisory Committee with the planning of the MD'A' Convention
- Maintain databases and the MD'A' Directory
- Maintain a 'Motion Book' for the benefit of the Governors' Council
- Provide regular updates to the MD'A' Web Master and LION Magazine Editor
- Provide for updated hard copies of essential documents to the Governors' Council and MD'A' Committees

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

A full MD'A' Secretary Job Description is included in the MD'A' Policy & Procedures Manual which is available on the MD'A' Web Site by clicking 'Policy & Procedures Manual'.

#### REMUNERATION

The MD'A' Secretary receives an honorarium as outlined in the MD'A' Policy & Procedures Manual as well as full travel expenses and essential office expenses. Some office equipment is provided.

#### APPLICATION

Resumes from interested applicants must be received no later than **Friday**, **March 31**, **2017**. All applicants are required to send a copy of their resume by email to the Lions listed below.

PCC Bob Tanner MD'A' Administration Committee Chair <u>lionbobt@bell.net</u> (519) 882-0765 PDG John Stewart MD'A' Council Secretary <u>secretary@mdalions.org</u> (519) 523-4528

#### INTERVIEWS

Interviews for qualifying candidates will be held in Markham in April, 2017



#### DR. PATTI HILL IONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

#### Campaign Committee

PID Bill Webber Chair PIP Judge Brian Stevenson ID Rod Wright IPID Yves Lévéille PID Marvin Chambers PID Carl Young PID Dave Hajny PID Tom Lehman PCC Betty Ann Robson PCC Donna Coulter PCC Lynne Coulter Lion Harry Anderson

#### **MD C Council**

CC Tim Haight DG Ron Wackenhut DG Gail Haight

#### February 2017

To: All Canadian Lions Club Presidents

We have a Lions club member among us that can influence, in a very positive way, the future of Lions Clubs International. I refer to Past International Director Lion Dr. Patti Hill and her candidacy for the position of International Vice President of the International Association of Lions Clubs. Dr. Hill is superbly qualified to lead our International Association. I have attached a brief introduction of Lion Patti for your review and ask that you share it with others as we build support for her candidacy. In our 100 year history Canada has had but four Lions serve as International President. I am honoured to have been the fourth, however, my election to International Vice President was in 1984. After 30 plus years it is time for Canada to once again be represented in a leadership position of our Association. You and your members can help us achieve that goal. We invite your personal and club support for this global campaign. A ground swell of support from club to district to international leaders will make it clear that Lion Patti is the leader that we want.

The committee guiding Patti's campaign has accepted the recommendation of the International Officers and Directors of PID Haynes Townsend for the position of 3<sup>rd</sup> International Vice President to be elected in Chicago 2017. We have set our sights on Las Vegas 2018 and it is time to make clear to all that NOW IS THE TIME; LAS VEGAS IS THE PLACE; and DR. PATTI HILL IS THE CANDIDATE for 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President in 2018!! Join us in this important journey.

Judge Brian Stevenson Past International President



Committee to Elect Dr. Patti Hill

## Dr. Patti Hill for International Vice President Campaign

Every Campaign runs on great ideas - and here are some ideas for your clubs to undertake as a new fundraiser in support of the Dr. Patti Hill Campaign.

**IDEA 1:** Dedicate one fundraiser to the campaign - Would your club like to do one of the following?

- Host a BBQ
- Donate a timeshare week to be auctioned at an event proceeds dedicated to the Campaign
- · Have a one-day Shoe Shine
- Host a Zone Fish Fry Invite the Zone clubs to a fundraising dinner
- Loony/Toonie Roundup collect coins and donate them into the Campaign Jarat each meeting
- Fundraising with Mystery boxes
- Baby and Toddler supplies resale -
- Board Game Tournament
- Cribbage Tournament
- Christmas Lighting Removal
- Darts Tournament
- Death By Chocolate night
- Wine tasting / Pairing
- Scotch tasting
- Information and tasting evening featuring Ales & Craft Beers

Start a tradition that you can continue, after the campaign, to support your local communities for years to come.

**IDEA 2:** You or your club could become a Participation Sponsorships - Sponsor the cost of a specific Campaign event and come along as a member of the Candidate's team to:

- Lions Day at the UN (NY, NY) = \$5000
- FOLAC Forum (Ecuador) = \$5000
- OSEAL Forum (Hong Kong) = \$5000
- ISAAME forum (Sri Lanka) = \$8000
- ANZI Forum (Indonesia) = \$8000

**IDEA 3:** Other funding opportunities

Host a Hospitality room at a convention at \$500 each

IDEA 4: Join the Campaign as a spokesperson

- · Keep your Zone updated on the plans and progress of the campaign
- Provide feedback for the steering committee
- Email PID Bill Webber (<u>wandjwebber@gmail.com</u>) if you would like to offer your assistance, or ask for more information.



# District A3 Lions Learning Day HAVELOCK LIONS CLUB HALL

May 27th, 2017 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Registration & Social at 8:00 - 9:00 am with Lunch provided (no charge)

Meet your 2017 –2018 Cabinet Members

# Courses Offered:

Club President (All Day) Club Secretary (All Day) Club Treasurer (1/2 Day) Club Membership Chairs (1/2 Day) Club LCIF Coordinator (1/2 Day) Tail Twisting (1/2 Day) Zone/ Region Chairs (All Day)

Open to <u>ALL</u> Lion Members who are interested and may sit in on any Course (s) of their choice

**<u>NOTE</u>** We encourage all clubs to send their incoming executive for 2017-2018

Registration forms will be sent to the club

Come Out and Enjoy the Day

Registration forms will be sent out to all clubs later in March.

# IN MEMORIUM



What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us. What we have done for others, and the world, remains....immortal. Rest in Peace

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Líon Garry Armstrong—Chemung Lake Dístríct Líons Líon John "Jack" Grant Johnston —Kíngston Líons Líon Pat Patterson—Píttsburgh Líons Líon Ray Chrístopher—Kendal Líons Líon Walter Donchak—Chemung Lake Dístríct Líons



## Next Cabinet Meeting

March 18th, 2017

**NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION** – Trenton Lions Club, 77 Campbell Street, Trenton

Pre-Cabinet: 10:30 a.m.

Lunch: 12:00

Cabinet Meeting: 1:00 p.m.

# 2016-17 A-3 Cabinet

Position	Name	Phone	Email
District Governor	John Whyte	613-654-2800	jhwhyte48@yahoo.ca
Immediate Past DG	Janet Marissen	613-961-0990	jgmarissen@gmail.com
1st Vice DG	Bill Zwier	613-335-2053	billyz@xplornet.ca
2nd Vice DG	Frank Hewitt	705-755-0802	hbrothers10@hotmail.com
Cabinet Treasurer	Albert Munneke	705-944-5744	amunneke@nexicom.net
Cabinet Secretary	Karen Christopher	905-983-5851	kchristopher@emailx.ca
District Region Chair	Linda Zwier	613-335-2053	zw3026@xplornet.ca
Zone Chair 10 North	Jim Empringham	705-656-3345	jimempringham@xplornet.com
Zone Chair 10 Central	Sylvia Anderson	905-797-3170	lionsrands@hotmail.ca
Zone Chair 10 South	Barry Chisholm	613-344-2077	barry@goldfields.ca
Zone Chair 11 West	Steve Williams	613-777-5190	sterie2@gmail.com
Zone Chair 11 East	Fred Brown	613-530-5859	lionfred379@gmail.com
Zone Chair 43 West	Peter Armour	705-295-1537	ptrrmr957@gmail.com
Zone Chair 43 East	Frits Scheltema	289-829-0222	fritsscheltema@hotmail.com
Zone Chair 43 South	Jim Peters	905-355-5562	jkpeters90@yahoo.com