

Lions Club of Minnamurra



Fishy Tales

June 2022 Newsletter

Welcome to the June 2022 edition of Fishy Tales - our club newsletter. I hope that you enjoy it.

President's Report

At the dinner meeting last Tuesday Bill Lyon was formally elected as Vice President of Minnamurra Lions for 2022/23. Congratulations and thank you Bill. **A vacancy now exists for a Director for 1 year and nominations are invited from members.** The Board is to consider nominations at its next meeting on 14th June. A Director's role is not onerous and is an opportunity to be closely involved in the operation of the club.

Bill's election followed an entertaining talk by Mark Honey on the life journey of a dairy cow from artificial insemination to 'off on the next truck'. Bruce McLean gave a toast to democracy in action last Saturday, with a nod to candidates, volunteers and election workers.

Upcoming Events

We are currently in the throes of the Red Shield Appeal. Some teams were out collecting last Sunday and more teams will be treading the bitumen again this weekend. Thank you to all involved and to Brian Cox for his organising.

Thanks also to the volunteers for the Rugby League gates last Saturday in conditions that were cool and damp. John Knox will be seeking volunteers for the next round on Sunday 5th June. If you originally advised your support for Lions participation in these events but have not yet had a turn – then this is your catch-up chance.

The Red Cross Kiama Fun Run has been organised for Sunday 12th June. Brian Scott is seeking volunteers to act as marshals. If you could help for a short period please contact Brian.

Next Market BBQs are on the public holiday Monday 13th June, followed by the usual monthly market on Sunday 19th June. It is acknowledged that two markets within a week will be an impost on the members, but it is considered important to support the market organisers for ongoing goodwill. It would be appreciated if all available members could give some time to at least one of the BBQs.

Next Dinner meeting is Tuesday 14th June at 6:30pm. Bill Lyon will be facilitating Club Planning Part 2. A good attendance is critical for this meeting to obtain a broad range of views from the membership.

Gerard Kenny
A/President

Please keep Noel Dick informed of any changes to address, telephone, email, partner etc.

This will help Noel to keep our records accurate and up-to-date.

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Treasurer's Report



Account Balances as at 31 May 2022

Administration Account \$13,523.69

Activities Account \$12,542,35

Paying for your Subs and Meals at Dinner Meetings Subs for this half year have been set by the Board at \$65 for the half year. The simplest way to pay for your subs (and meals at our Dinner Meetings) is by making a direct deposit to the club's Admin Account. Details are shown here. If this method is not convenient, I can still take cash payments or EFTPOS (Credit & Debit Card) payments at club functions. Bruce.

Our Admin Account

BSB: 032 689

Account: 120 622

Minnamurra Lions Club Calendar 2021/2022



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June

- 12 Sunday – Red Cross Fun Run Marshalls 7am to 10am (Roster-Brian Scott)
- 13 Monday – Market BBQ Black Beach
- 14 Tuesday – 5pm Board Meeting 6.00 for 6.30pm Club Meeting – Club planning Bill Lyon
- 18 Saturday - Kiama Knights Rugby League Gates – 11.30 to 3.30pm (Roster-TBA)
- 28 Tuesday – Changeover Dinner MIXED MEETING

July

- 5 Possible Night at the Movies—ELVIS
- 9 District Changeover Dinner – Mittagong RSL – Black tie 6.30 for 7pm
- 10 Sunday - Kiama Knights Rugby League Gates – 11.30 to 3.30pm
- 12 Tuesday -- 5pm Board Meeting, 6.00 for 6.30pm Club Meeting
- 17 Sunday - Kiama Knights Rugby League Gates – 11.30 to 3.30pm
- 24 Sunday - Kiama Knights Rugby League Gates – 11.30 to 3.30pm
- 26 Tuesday – 6.00 for 6.30pm Club Meeting

Strategic Planning Process - Part 3

Strategic Planning.

The accompanying document includes all the information gathered in the recent SWOT analysis. It has been sorted into Key Achievement Areas of like issues (KAA) these being:

Membership Operations

Awareness and Promotion

Community Service, Fundraising and Disbursement.

Further I have suggested some broad strategies to address each KAA as follows

Membership Operations – Broad Strategies

1. Attract New Membership
2. Maintain relevance of the club for current members
3. Human Resource Plan- Better utilise the personnel and their skills and expertise within the club

Awareness and Promotion – Broad Strategies

Undertake a website development process

Communication Plan (For media, members and Lions clubs)

Promotion/Awareness Plan (For Local community)

Community Service, Fundraising and Disbursement - Broad Strategies

Identifying our community and it's needs?

Capability framework – what we can realistically achieve (including human and dollar resources)

School, youth and mental health engagement

Partnerships and Sponsors

At the meeting on Tuesday members will be invited to work at developing actions for the strategies employing the SMART (Specific, measurable, achievable, relatable and timelined) process. These will be collated for the board's consideration. Members will work in groups with each group addressing a couple of strategies each. Hopefully at the end of the night there will be time for sharing the results.

Key Area 1 Membership Operations

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Threats
<p>Reasonable expectations of members by club All members have opps for leadership roles Commitment of Members All Male Members Meaningful hands on service projects Diverse skills and experiences Camaraderie and Social events Supportive culture over many years Supportive members Socialise outside MLC Communication to membership – events, info etc New members are made feel welcome Members recognised for their dedication Backed by Lions Aust and International Service activities well managed and a good use Meetings, meals, club Meetings and events well organised</p>	<p>Average Age Service activities do not attract new members Lack of members with business/government/community connections – most retired Don't reflect Community - male/old/diversity No female members No clear pathway to attract new members Members with unique skills under-utilised Rarely seek and recruit prospective members Increasing proliferation of electronic information that members don't read Generally 1 term presidents</p>	<p>Leo Club Provide Leadership opportunities with training Club social opportunities More social activities and Mixed nights Younger membership Decide how to identify new membership Membership drive to recruit female members Better training for members in new technologies Improve communications – Board minutes to members.</p>	<p>Internal focus – golf We are old and not getting any younger Little diversity in club Workload of key positions Losing key people</p>

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Key Area 2 Awareness and Promotion

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Threats
<p>Identifiable through our apparel Known for BBQ at markets Community support Rugby 7's, Red Cross & Salvos, KMC etc</p>	<p>Do not work with local media Poor awareness of what we do – who we are Do not use technology to engage community Jamberoo misses out Branding of our club</p>	<p>Signage on Roads – inclusive across the area Website - \$8.5k website grant spent for best result -community interaction -member interaction -improve community awareness Be seen in the community – eg bowls night Conduct an annual significant activity Infiltrate Jamberoo</p>	<p>Lack of community's awareness negatively impacts club's potential operations</p>

Awareness and Promotion – Broad strategies

1. Undertake a website development process
2. Communication Plan (For media, members and Lions clubs)
3. Promotion/Awareness Plan (For Local community)

Key Area 3 Community Service, Fundraising and Disbursement

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Threats
Respected in community and supported by its leaders BBQ Trailer and other assets Parking Skills School Support Relationships with KGC, Sea-side Markets, Projects serve the needs of our community	Little consultation with community Rarely partners with other organisations to leverage resources Youth Engagement Mental health engagement One of 3 Kiama clubs –also Oak Flats and Shellharbour Lack of diversity in fund-raising Don't know what the local funding needs are Do not recruit/engage business leaders who could help advance projects	Community Bus (strong links with members) Link more strongly with youth Work more closely with other clubs Corporate sponsorship Relationships/partnerships with other orgs Engage with school P & C Seek local community service opportunities Support local mental health Formalise council partnerships Community service – Minnamurra, Jamberoo Kiama Downs Extend the use of the BBQ trailer to community events. Use activities for specific fund raising goals. Enhance service impact with focus on the local community	Weather events – funding requests - cancellation of fundraisers No large commercial centre in our area Changes within council personnel and/or focus Legal Liability Global Issues – Pandemics, financial crises, war Loss of scout hall access No ability to refer people to other services

Community Service, Fundraising and Disbursement - Broad Strategies

1. Identifying our community and it's needs?
2. Capability framework – what we can realistically achieve (including human and dollar resources)
3. School, youth and mental health engagement
4. Partnerships and Sponsors

Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal & Program

Fellows - just an email to thank all those who collected for Red Shield . Tracy and the Salvos were very grateful and we managed to do 5 of our 6 areas well and collected quite a bit . Thanks again to all involved .

Also, the events committee is keen to organise an outing to Baz Lurmans Elvis at Shellharbour cinema and then hopefully back to Golf Club for pizza . The night hopefully will be 5th July a Tuesday night . It starts on the 23/6 but our Change Over is the following week and to have 2 things on that week would be too much. It should be still on the following week but we will have to wait until they put the cinema timetable out to pick a date and time but we will try for Tuesday 5th July - one of us will get back to you with date and time . Brian

Minnamurra Lions Club 2021-2022 Board & Office Positions

Board Members - Elected Positions	
President	Paul McInerney
Past President	Ken Horspool
First Vice President	Gerard Kenny
Second Vice President	Bill Lyon
Secretary	Phil Andersen
Treasurer	Bruce McLean - assisted by Phil Cooper
6 other Board members	1 st Year Directors : Chris Duffy, Kari Harju 2 nd Year Directors : Martin Grove, Garrick Napier, Vaughan Schneider
Other Positions - Not Elected	
BBQs Committee	Phil Woodcock (Chair), Ken Horspool, Rod Ayling, Kevin Dawson, Clive Pickering, Hugh Sail, Ross Thompson.
Club Nominations	Martin Grove, John Hetherington
Driver Reviver Team	Denis Beynon, Noel Dick, Nesbit Hindmarsh
Emergency Coordinator	Mal Connellan
Kiama Rugby Sevens	Al Thomas, Gerard Kenny
Killalea Development	David Tyson
Lion Carer	Martin Grove
Lion Tamer	Geoff Shoard
Media & Publicity Officer	Paul McInerney
Events Coordination	Gerard Kenny (Chair), Brian Cox, Martin Grove, , Phil Andersen (KGC liaison)
Parking Events	John Knox (Chair), Chris Duffy, Ken Horspool, Kevin Lewry, Brian Scott.
Property Committee	Geoff Shoard (Chair), Garrick Napier, Artie Smithers
Public Officer	Denis Beynon
Red Cross Coordinator	Clive Pickering
Red Shield Appeal	Brian Cox
Relay for Life	Martin Grove
Safety Officer	Ken Horspool
Strategic Funding Committee	Steve Omrod (Chair), Chris Duffy, Ken Horspool, John Knox, Bill Lyon, Brian Scott.
Tail Twisters	Hugh Sail, Bill Lyon
Webmaster	Mike Bowden
Xmas Cakes - For Orders Only	Nesbit Hindmarsh
Youth Activities Committee	Bill Lyon, Martin Grove
Newsletter	Roger Millburn

A Glossary of Terms and Names from the Rumours Register

For those of you who tend to forget the nicknames associated with the various rumours from the register (and who don't wish to incur a fine for not using the correct name when referring to a fellow Lion at a Dinner Meeting), below is a Glossary of Terms from the register.

Lion	Reason for Rumour	Nickname
Roger	Popular with the ladies at golf	Studmuffin (or Muffin)
Martin	Promotes products like Alf from the Home & Away TV Show	Alf
Ken	Overly devoted to doing stuff for Minnamurra Lions	The Devoted (or Devo)
Bill	A cowboy with a great hat - will cause us to grin!	Cowboy (or Moo)
Geoff	Not quite tough enough for his truck like 4 X 4	Powderpuff
Hugh	Just a plain old-fashioned romantic towards Marie	Romeo
Noel	Has a nightmare every time he sees his tree on Kiama Golf course	Nightmare
Paul	Our cultural attaché – but a bit too ocker (a la Barry Humphries)	Sir Les
Hetho	Mobile phone technology	Ringtone
Knoxy	Skills and experience with parking.	Fonzie
Garrick	The great commentator (on the golf course—and off)	Moose
Dave T	Always looking to improve his dietary constitution (and ours)	Rumpole
Phil A	Carries his handbag with the aplomb of a female impersonator	Dame Edna
Denis	The family resemblance to our esteemed local MP, Gareth Ward	Daddy
Vaughan	The member's love of this international publishing magnate	Hef
George	Man of the jumbled words from the land of the sporran.	Haggis
Steve	Just luv's them sheep—especially on the plate for Sunday dinner.	Gumboots
Kevin B	Couldn't kill him with an axe - any tougher and he'd rust!	King Gee

Lion	Reason for Rumour	Nickname
Bruce	Always after our money	Scrouge
Gerard	Vaccinated at birth with a gramophone needle	Bashful
Artie	Prone to bike accidents	Mulga Bill
Brian Scott	Impressing the lady tour guide	Forrest Gump
Kari Harju	A head of hair at his age	Junior
Brian Cox	Offered a job as nurse assistant	Hot Lips
Mike	Computer nerd and pilot	Biggles
Rod	Retiring educated hillbilly	Jethro
Kevin L	The life he wanted to live.	Rowdy
Phil C	Water Board on-selling	Steptoe
Kevin D	Lame jokes still get a laugh	Bloody

Rumour Register

1. Rumour Ratio - 10% truth

Background

It was announced by government recently that new standards and advisories are being introduced in regards to what people can flush down their toilets to avoid the build-up of fatbergs in the sewerage system. (the 10% truth part). Fatbergs, as the name suggests are large conglomerations of fat and other materials that are purposely or accidentally flushed down the loo. This has upset many of the current waterboard workers as the fatbergs can be a source of income for them as they often contain items that can be retrieved and on-sold. Phil Cooper worked for the Water Board.

As an employee of the Water Board

There is nothing that Phil wouldn't hoard!

From dirty used condoms

cotton buds - old tampons

On selling was his great reward!

Nickname—Steptoe - a hoarder who sold other people's used items.

2. Rumour Ratio - 100% truth

Background.

Some people have the knack of telling the lamest jokes and still getting a laugh out of the audience - Kevin Dawson is not one of these but somehow he is very likable.

The jokes that he tells are quite cruddy!

Sounds like an old fuddy-duddy.

But we love him the same

so we won't change his name

'cause everyone knows him as bloody!

Nickname - Bloody - but feel free to add any other nouns to this. (nuisance, ratbag etc)