

Lions Club of Minnamurra



Fishy Tales

May 2026 Newsletter

Report from the President

It was nice to welcome Peter & Julie Jamieson to their second meeting as guests of Bill & Franca Lyon, along with Warwick Huntsdale as a guest of Martin Coffee. I hope they enjoyed their night enough to attend other upcoming meetings.

Our Change-over dinner is on 23 June, 2026 at the Golfie. Planning is underway with voting for Lion of the Year already commenced. If you were away last meeting make sure you pass on your vote to Rod Ayling. More details about our Change-over dinner will follow as the night gets closer.

The board has decided to assist the Salvos in their annual Red Shield Appeal. The good news is, it is not “door knocking” as in the past. We have been asked to staff a “Bucket Collection” at the Kiama Village Shopping Centre. This will take place on 29,30 & 31 May between 10.00am & 2.00pm on each of the days. A roster will follow shortly.

The big news is that Ken’s application to ALF for half the funding towards a new Defibrillator machine, was successful. I believe the money is in our account and the order has been placed. Well done, Ken.

In LEHP news. Last Tuesday 12 May, Ken, Steve & myself visited Shoalhaven Heads PS to assist with screening, 3/4 classes. The experience gained will be invaluable when our turn comes to conduct a Centre at Minnamurra Public School. By the way we screened 31 students with 6 students being referred on for further specialist attention.

Finally, we had a huge day of service on Sunday 17 May, with both our monthly market BBQ & Rugby League gates on the same day. All in all, we managed to cover these events with enough volunteers - some members even doing an “all-dayer” and one of our prospective new members in Peter Jamieson helping out. Thankfully we only have one more Sunday where there is a clash of events. Thanks to all for your efforts.

Denis Beynon

Minnamurra Lions Club - Club Positions 2025/2026

ELECTED OFFICER POSITIONS		
President	Denis Beynon	
Immediate Past President	Bill Lyon	
First Vice President	John Knox	
Secretary	Phil Andersen. Assistant Secretaries - Ken Horspool, Chris Duffy	
Treasurer	Mike Bowden. Assistant Treasurer - Vaughan Schneider	
First Year Directors	Martin Coffee, Chris Duffy, John Haseltine	
Second Year Directors	Nesbit Hindmarsh, Ken Horspool, Vaughan Schneider	
Membership Chairperson	Garrick Napier	
LCIF Coordinator	Denis Beynon	
Vacant Positions	Second Vice President, Service Chairperson	
NON-ELECTED POSITIONS		
BBQ committee	Rod Ayling (Chair), Kevin Lewry, Hugh Sail, Vaughan Schneider, Ross Thompson, Phil Woodcock	
Clean Up Australia Coordinator	Ross Thompson	
Club Nominations	Martin Grove, Steve Omrod	
Driver Reviver	Nesbit Hindmarsh, Paul McInerney, Roger Millburn	
Events Committee	George Gray (Chair) Meeting & Meals Coordination: Martin Grove, Gerard Kenny	
Headland Gardens & Infrastructure Committee	Roger Millburn (Chair), Nesbit Hindmarsh, John Knox, David Tyson	
IT Specialist	Mike Bowden	
Lion Carer	Martin Grove	
Lion Tamer	Vacant	
Local Youth & Schools Activities	Bill Lyon (Chair), Mike Bowden, Martin Grove	
Man Walk Minnamurra	Bill Lyon, Roger Millburn	
Media & Communications Management Committee – including Publicity	Oversight Committee	Bill Lyon (Chair), Phil Andersen, Mike Bowden, Brian Cox, George Gray, Roger Millburn
	Website Administration	Phil Andersen, Mike Bowden
	Website & Social Media Content Management	Bill Lyon (Chair), George Gray, Paul McInerney, Bruce McLean
	Website Members Support Team	Phil Andersen, George Gray, Bruce McLean
Newsletter	Steve Omrod	
Outdoor Events - Including RL Gates, any parking, Fun-Run or other outdoor events.	Ken Horspool (Chair), John Knox, Kevin Lewry, Brian Scott	
Property & Repairs	Roger Millburn, Nesbit Hindmarsh	
Public Officer	David Tyson	
Recycling (Return & Earn)	Brian Cox (Chair), Martin Grove, Bruce McLean, Garrick Napier, David Tyson	
Safety Officer	Ken Horspool	
Tail Twister	Brian Cox, Bill Lyon	
Xmas Cakes (for orders only)	Bruce McLean	

Lions Club of Minnamurra - Calendar 2025/2026

May 2026

- 3 Kiama Knights - Rugby League Gates
- 9 Kiama Downs Surf Club – South Coast Board Riders Challenge – Recycling. Garrick to coordinate.
- 12 Tuesday – 4.30pm - Board Meeting
- 12 Tuesday – Club dinner meeting 6.00pm for 6.30pm – Guest Speaker Charles Walker - U3A.
- 16 Zone Meeting - Shoalhaven Heads
- 17 Sunday – Kiama Seaside Markets – Site D (Triangle). Rod Ayling to coordinate.
- 17 Kiama Knights - Rugby League Gates. John Knox to coordinate.
- 22 Friday 10.00am - Red Cross Fun Run – Meeting with Club and Judi O’Brien.
- 24 Kiama Knights - Rugby League Gates. John Knox/Phil Andersen to coordinate.
- 26 Tuesday – Combined Clubs Meeting. 3.00pm HARS tour. 6.00pm for 6.30pm dinner at the Lakeside Hotel Oak Flats. Martin Coffee to coordinate HARS tour. Ken Horspool/Gerard Kenny to coordinate numbers for dinner. Denis Beynon to organise meals & dinner venue.
- 29 - 31 Friday/Saturday/Sunday – Salvation Army Red Shield Collection—Kiama Village Shopping Centre. More information and a roster to follow.

June 2026

- 7 Sunday – Red Cross Kiama Fun Run – 6.30am to 10.30am. Phil Andersen to coordinate with Judi O’Brien (Red Cross)
- 8 Monday – Long weekend - Possible extra Kiama Seaside Markets – Site D (Triangle) **Awaiting details and Board Approval**
- 9 Tuesday – 4.30pm - Board Meeting 6.00pm for 6.30pm
- 9 Tuesday – Club dinner meeting 6.00pm for 6.30pm
- 21 Sunday – Kiama Seaside Markets – Site D (Triangle) Rod Ayling to coordinate.
- 23 Tuesday - 6.30pm for 7.00pm - Club Dinner Meeting – **Changeover Dinner – with Partners. Details TBC**
- 28 Kiama Knights - Rugby League Gates. Outdoor Events Committee to coordinate

RECENT CLUB EVENTS

At right-

Shoalhaven Heads PS students undergoing screening tests as part of Lions Eye Health Program. Ken is testing for colour eye-sight.



At left-

This is the full LEHP crew taking a break in the schools staff room:- Jenny Barclay (area coordinator) three of us from Minnamurra and about 8 members of Shoalhaven Heads Lions Club made up the team.



Above is the wreath laid by our President and Vice President at the Memorial Arch in Hindmarsh Park on Anzac Day. The dawn service at Blowhole Point was quite moving according to Denis.

Above Left- Hughy the #1 egg cook hard at work at our Black Beach BBQ on 17th May. Bottom Left—it was a fine day!

