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The International Association of Lions Clubs



#### **District 105SC**

District Governor 2021 - 2022 ♦ Lion Brian Donovan

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"Through Service We Grow"

### The DG's Leader...

Through Service We Grow

#### Dear Family of Lions ...

#### Wow!

We had our Convention. It was great to see Lions there, taking part in celebrating our District. The Host Night was witness to some spectacular costumes - plenty of 'cor blimey' chimney sweeps; the whole cast of the Sound of Music including many nuns; the Greatest Showman and not forgetting the Mad Hatter.



The Host Night DJ really got us all up and dancing and involved in party games.

On Friday of Convention, Lesley and I 'popped' up to Heathrow Terminal 2 to pick up International Director Lion Daniel Isenrich and his partner Biggi who flew in from Munich, but we were back in time for Cabinet.

The Saturday business session was a blur and before we knew it, Sunday morning had arrived. I do hope that those that attended had a good time and were able to catch up with other Lions that they had not seen for a while.

I was gladdened to see Lion Sandra Manktelow stand for and become 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Elect. I wish District Governor Elect Dave 'Ebbo' Ebsworth and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor David Taylor all the very best for Lions Year 2022/23.

The events in Ukraine will be foremost in our minds and I have seen many Lions step up with fundraising and organising collections. I have pressed upon the National LCIF leaders that we all need frequent feedback on what is happening to the funds that are being donated. This is critical as these stories need to be told to those that donated funds and items. You will see from the appeal notices that as Lions we can chose to donate individually or as a Club to LCIF or indeed to our own MD105 Foundation.

This choice is important and there is no conflict between the two foundations, LCIF are able to focus and provide rapid grants to those Lions and causes in the countries where those fleeing conflict or disaster go to as their first port of call, However there is need for support for when those people are welcomed into the UK. This is where our domestic foundation will be able to support what happens here.

People have asked how they can help refugees coming into the UK. The first stop is your local authority, but reaching out to community groups as well, asking them what is needed is a good step forward.

There are still some months to run on the current Lions year. There are plenty of things for us to do. I have got a number of official Club visits and Anniversary Charters to attend and I am looking forward to all these visits where I get the chance to meet more Lions.

Be seeing you soon

Lion Brian DG105SC



## The Bigger Picture

# Global Service Team News - April 2022

The weekend of 11 to 13 March saw the first face to face 105SC Convention in Swindon and a return to some awards being made. Did your Club win anything?

The new **Nixon Trophy**, presented by PDG Lion Pat and given by herself and the late Lion Eric, for Community Service was won by **Hook and Odiham Lions** Club. They had performed many diverse service activities ranging from purchasing and installing two defibrillators to marshalling at Covid Vaccination Centres to helping schools by holding their Village Connect Trail. The award was originally awarded in 2020 to Romsey and Waterside Lions Club but was never presented.

The **Leo Plumley Award** went to Zone 2E plus Loddon Valley Lions for running a very successful Fun Fest despite all the problems associated with Covid. Fun Fest is a free fun filled day for disabled people and their carers, normally held in June, but postponed until August last year.

Lion Jim Storey of Fleet Lions Club produced the best photo, as judged by the DG team, and therefore won the **Peter Allen Photographic Award**.

The lan Birch Membership Cup was won by Highworth & District Lions, with a membership growth of five. This was a Club with a dwindling and aging membership, that requested assistance from the District. This was a triumph for lions working together - the DG team, GMT Officer, Zone Chairman, neighbouring Clubs and the remaining members themselves coming together with one objective – to revive the Club so they could again serve their community in a greater capacity.

Fleet and Devizes were close with net growth of four members this year, both Clubs gained five but lost one.

The Colin Rickman Award for Youth Activities was won by Swindon Lions Swindon Lions Club, who do a great deal to promote youth projects and took part in peace poster, ROAR and Young Leader in Service Scheme.

Guernsey Lions Club sponsored Malia, from Les Beaucamps High School, who won the **Godwin** 

**Micallef Peace Poster Award** for older students. This entry then went on to the MD Competition.

Yateley and District Lions sponsored both Talia and Iris who won the Year 3-4 and Year 5-6 **Bill Smith Memorial Peace Poster Trophies** respectively. Both were from Cranford Park School.

The following awards were not made this year but hopefully will be awarded next year - the Bill Field Sight Cup, the John Greenaway Award for International Activities and the Website Competitions.

Fareham Lions Club won the **Ian Birch Member-ship Cup** for making the greatest effort to increase membership.

Please remember to report your Service activities on the LCI website and write and tell me about them.

Lion Judith Goodchild

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## DG Elect's Month April

2 April - Petersfield Lions Charter

4 April - Petersfield Lions Club meeting

13 April - Wokingham Lions Club

19 April - Hook and Odiham Lions Club meeting

23 April - Havant Lions PSA Day

27 April - 2 May - MD105 Convention and Council meeting

### Lions matters of moment



I am sure you will not be surprised that this month the focus is on Ukraine and the rounding countries. We have all seen the devastion, the lives lost, the women and who have fled the bombing of their country. Lions Austria \$15,000 food, medicine and hygeine have responded to the call for help and support. The main applications for grants have been from countries that have taken in refugees or, as in the case of Poland, are helping doctors in Ukraine treat the wounded.

As I am sure you can appreciate the situation is fluid and the figures I am about to share could already be out of date. However, I hope they will give you an idea of where the money is going. Ukraine itself has received \$30,000 to help Internally Displaced Persons. This includes support to bomb shelters, basic care kits supporting orphans.

**Poland** \$15.000 for medical equipment in border care centres.

Hungary \$15,000 relief packs with food, water sanitary supplies.

Romania \$15.000 sleeping bags, blankets, basic care for border cities.

Czech/Slovak Republics \$15,000 food, water blankets and hygeine

items

For a full list of grants awarded visit the International website and type in Ukraine in the search area.

A massive thank you to Clubs and individuals who have responded to the call for help. Remember that grants are overseen by Lions on the ground, so we know where our money is going. If you have any queries, do get in touch.

Lion ann Huntley MJF

District 105SC LCIF Coordinator

#### LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

Join us for our first short presentation to hear how Lions Clubs International Foundation has made a real difference.

Listen to the latest news and impact from the Ukraine Appeal and have your questions answered.

This is one of six informative sessions planned and brought to you by members of the Lions Multiple District service team. Over the coming months there will be more delivered on the following; Sight, Hunger, Diabetes, Cancer, Environment. Find out what support is available and how you can be involved.

Dates: Wednesday 6 April 2022 at 7.00 pm; Thursday 7 April 2022 at 2.00 pm. Please register your attendance on Zoom at roadshow@lionsclubs.co.uk.

Lions Clubs International Foundation is the grant-awarding body which enables Lions members to create a greater impact in their local communities and around the world. 100 per cent of every donation supports Lions community service through LCIF grants and programmes. With financial support from Lions members and Clubs worldwide, appeals such as 'Campaign 100' have been set up to increase community service in the core areas - responding to humanitarian crises and disaster relief, improving eye health and eye care, relieving hunger, combating diabetes, supporting childhood cancer initiatives and protecting the environment.

### **More Lions matters of moment**

# Welcome New Lions

I am delighted to welcome new members into Lions Clubs International and wish them a long and happy time as a Lion.

**CALNE - Lion Jo Smith** 

FLEET - Lion Laurie Heath

**HENLEY ON THAMES - Lion David Freear** 

**READING - Lion Sue Mitchell** 

**WESTBURY - Lion Jason Bull** 

**WOKINGHAM - Lion Monnie Yimeng Lin** 

DG Lion Brian

## 350 years of service

At the Lions (lub of Bradford-on-Avon December 2021 meeting, nine members and one ex-member were presented by M.D.105SC V.D.G. Lion David Ebsworth with Long Service Awards totalling 350 years. The highest award, for 50 years' service, was given to founder member (hris Penny M.J.F. (pictured below, but sadly absent through illness).



Over the last year the Club has recruited another nine members, including one badged up in that meeting, so in 30 years' time maybe there will be another bumper crop of long-service awards! In the meantime, the Club

continues to serve their local community and support other worthwhile causes.



# MARKETING - PART 9 Attracting the media

APART from their service to their own communities and the world in need at large, it is true to say that the most consistent ongoing concern of most Clubs is attracting new members and retaining those we have.

When I became a Lion 50 years ago, the world was a very different place. Thanks to its high profile (more about that a little further on) being invited to join the Lions Club was a mark of having made it in the local community. Being restricted to 40 members, Jersey Lions Club even had a waiting list! Yours truly was blackballed initially because it was felt by some that the Club already had too many members from the media (hence the high profile!). How times have changed.

What made the Lions an attractive proposition was that the good they were achieving in the community was well known (because of the members of the media in the Club) and young(ish) men (and it was only men in those days) wanted to be involved in a caring organisation.

While I am not advocating that Clubs should seek their new members exclusively from the media, there is no doubt that making personal contacts with individuals from all the media impacting on the community Clubs serve is a great help. Journalists will readily accept stories from Lions Clubs, but first of all they must be NEWSWORTHY.

Club press officers (whose role is marketing their Club whether they perceive that to be so or not) should study all the media on two levels. Who in each medium does what and how do you get to know them, make friends with them and find out what makes them tick? How does each medium treat news. Each medium, whether mainstream or social, has a style of news presentation, a style that distinguishes itself from its associates and rivals. Study these styles. Each medium is different. The printed media will accept a long story and may even print all of it. Electronic media won't. Craft your story and make sure everything you want to convey is in the first paragraph. That paragraph is what goes to the electronic media (radio, television, online, etc) AND MAKE SURE IT'S NEWSWORTHY in the way your new journalist friends will tell you. In news terms what you do is what's newsworthy, not who you are.

A family will enjoy their first hot meal for a fortnight thanks to the Lions Club of Wherever" is a much more compelling story than "The Lions Club of Wherever is providing hot food for families".

That's good journalism and it's also good marketing. Go for it.

Lion Peter Tall MJF MCIM MCIPR

## Luck is a dividend of sweat. The more you sweat, the luckier you get. - Ray Kroc

## WINDSOR LIONS' BIG GIVE AWAY

Friday 25 March at Windsor Guildhall saw a gathering of multiple cup and trophy winners and the recipients from a variety of local and national charities of cheques, all from the Windsor Lions' two major fundraising events in 2021.

The Cross Country Horseride, held in September and the Swimathon in October raised more than £55,000 between them and more than £30,000 was given away at the ceremony. The remainder of the funds raised will be used to fund the Windsor Lions' ongoing work in the local community during the year.

Among the organisations which benefited were DASH (Domestic Abuse Stops Here), Thames Valley Adventure Playground and the local branches of Riding for the Disabled. Windsor Boys School and St Mary's School, Winkfield, took part in the Swimathon and raised funds for their own causes including Windsor Lions charities.

The event was attended by the Mayor and Mayoress, Councillor John and Mrs Barbara Story, who presented cups to top riders and swimmers in categories such as Best Sponsored and Best Turned out Horse and Rider.

Event host, Lion Mark Fraser, who was also the organiser for the Horse Ride, showed the audience a video highlighting some of the work of the Windsor Lions. "This event is the showcase for the Windsor Lions. It represents the culmination of the hard work for our two big events," he said, "We are proud and delighted to share it with everyone who helped to make the events so successful, especially the riders and swimmers who took part."





# Maidenhead Lions support for Ukraine U K R A I N

Maidenhead Lions have sent £5,000 to the LCIF Ukraine appeal to support the local Lions Clubs in Ukraine and surrounding countries in their amazing endeavours to help refugees and all the issues they are encountering. The Club has also set up a dedicated Just Giving page for the LCIF appeal which has raised £500 plus Gift Aid in just a few days.



# At last! Lions face to face!

# Third Lions District 105SC Convention was SHOWTIME in Swindon

Having been reliant on technology to stay in touch over the last two years it was a real pleasure over the weekend of 11 - 13 March to meet face to face with old friends from around the District for the third District 105SC Convention.

More than 80 Lions with their partners gathered on the Friday evening at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Swindon, many in fancy dress for the themed 'SHOWTIME!' Host Night. As the traditional Convention ice breaker the evening celebrated musicals from *West Side Story* to *Mamma Mia* with many laughs and catch up stories.

Convention Day itself started with the opening ceremony conducted by the Mayor of Swindon, Councillor Garry Perkins, including the traditional Flag Ceremony and Act of Remembrance for the 11 Lions Clubs members lost to higher service in the last year.

District Governor Lion Brian Donovan welcomed more than 80 attendees from across the District and guests International Director Lion Daniel Isenrich and his wife Biggi from München-Heinrich der Löwe Lions Club, Germany, together with Immediate Past International Director Lion Geoff Leeder.

The nomination for the 2022-23 District Governor, Lion Dave Ebsworth, was made by the Lions Club of Reading supported



District Governor Lion Brian Donovan and International Director Lion Daniel Isenrich

All photographs by Lion Richard Keeley

# **Lions District 105SC Convention**



District Governor Elect Lion Dave (Ebbo) Ebsworth



1st Vice District Governor Elect Lion David Taylor



2nd Vice District Goivernor Elect Lion Sandra Manktelow

by Wimborne & Ferndown Lions. Lions David Taylor from Gillingham, Mere & Shaftesbury Lions Club and Lion Sandra Manktelow from Petersfield Lions Club were nominated for the positions of 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor respectively. Each candidate addressed Convention to outline their ideas and how their experience will benefit the Lions Clubs into the future before the ballot boxes were opened for delegates to vote.

Reports from the District Governor Team, District Almoner, Admin Team and Finance Committee were reviewed en bloc and voted on by card vote.

Three resolutions were detailed to Convention before the card vote.

The Zone Chairmen's reports were voted through en bloc. Club Development, Communications, Community Service, International Relations, LCIF and Youth Committees reports were considered en bloc before the vote.

Past International Director Lion Geoff Leeder detailed the Lions Clubs International Foundation response to the Ukraine Crisis explaining how the grants given to Lions on the ground were helping the refugees in the countries surrounding Ukraine, together with aid given by Lions Clubs throughout Europe. He then appealed to Clubs throughout 105SC to contribute to this life saving campaign.

International Director Daniel Isenrich was introduced to Convention. He became a Lion as a Charter Member of the Zurich-Witikon Lions Club in 1993 and is currently a member of the München-Heinrich der Löwe Lions Club after transferring in 1995. He spoke about what it is to be an International Director, giving a fascinating insight. His wife Biggi Isenrich joined him on stage to explain what it means to be the partner of an International Director. Both parts of this presentation were inspirational to those of us who may want to take up high office within Lions Clubs International. Lively and challenging questions followed from the floor enabling International Director Isenrich to hear about issues which Lions locally would like to bring to the attention of Lions Clubs International.

District Governor's wife Lion Lesley Donovan introduced OASIS - Oxford Autistic Society Information & Support - the District Governor Partner's charity 2021/22.

Kerry Fernandez and Joanna Hulbert detailed how OASIS which has been running since 1998 creates a supportive community for parents and carers who are looking after children and young adults with Autistic Spectrum Disorder and related conditions in Oxfordshire. Since July last year Lions Clubs have been collecting for and donating towards the District Governor Partner's appeal

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fund for OASIS. As a result Lion Lesley presented a cheque for £500 for their ongoing work.

A short presentation followed from Lion Bhesh Thapa of Swindon Chautari Lions Club, the most recently formed Lions Club in the south of England. Swindon Chautari Lions are working with the Annapurna Self Sustainable Children's Home in the foothills of the Himalayas in Nepal. Their motto is 'Give the net, not the fish' to emphasise their self-sustainability.

District Young Ambassador Officer Lion Yorky Tuke introduced the winner of the Young Ambassador Competition Chloë de Gouveia from Jersey. Chloë has been helping the less fortunate as a member of the Jersey Colleges' Combined Cadet Force where she is a Cadet Corporal. She teaches First Aid to the cadets every week, helping fellow cadets work towards their Grand Prior Awards. Also as a member of St John Ambulance, she has been involved in public duties providing first aid care to events such as the Barclay's Jersey Boat Show.

Short presentations from Fleet, Hook & Odiham and Basingstoke Lions Clubs were given before Convention was introduced to Liz Jackson MBE who is an ambassador for 'The Snowdrop Foundation', a charity focussed on supporting initiatives that serve the most vulnerable people in society.

Liz is an inspirational figure with an extraordinary story, as many would have discovered when she was featured in Channel 4's 'Secret Millionaire'.

Honoured by Her Majesty the Queen, Liz Jackson was awarded an MBE in 2007 for services to business and in 2012 was bestowed with an honorary doctorate by Staffordshire University for her business achievements. Suffering from a steadily worsening eye condition for most of her life, Liz lost her sight completely at the age of 26. She worked through this with her overriding ambition to become CEO of her company. That achieved, she also became an accomplished author, having published her book 'StartUp!' which provides invaluable help and advice to entrepreneurs everywhere.

After her talk and following a long and heartfelt standing ovation the proceedings were paused for a short presentation ceremony. During the vote of thanks to Liz a citation was read detailing her remarkable life, her business achievements and charitable work. She was then then awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship by International Director Daniel Isenrich, on behalf of Loddon Valley Lions Club with the assistance of their President Lion Vanessa Tolson Goddard. The Melvin Jones Fellowship is the highest award any Club can bestow upon an individual.

Lion Richard Keeley made a presentation on Marketing & PR and the actions of the District team. He asked the question what do Clubs want? There is a Facebook training session on the District website with a large library of downloadable graphics for



Liz Jackson MBE received her Melvin Jones Fellowship



Kerry and Joanna receive the Oasis cheque for £500



Young Ambassador Chloë receives her trophy

# Lions District 105SC Convention



International Director Lion Daniel Isenrich inspires



The DG Elect Lion Ebbo and Anne relax



The organising committee receives the plaudits

Club use. Please contact him direct by email at marketing@lions105sc.org.uk for further details.

Lion Linda Picton gave a presentation on 'A Gift for Living' which started following the breakup of Yugoslavia in 1991-2000. 'A Gift for Living' has been rebranded and new pull up banners are now produced. An example of their work was the eye screening of 7,200 children in Albania and working with a special needs school in Sarajevo plus providing a refurbished dental surgery. 'A Gift for Living' have a wish list of items and Lion Linda asked if Clubs could consider a donation to enable items to be purchased.

The much anticipated election results for District Governor, First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor were announced with Lion Dave Ebsworth being elected as District Governor for 2022/23, Lion David Taylor as 1st Vice District Governor and Lion Sandra Manktelow as 2nd Vice District Governor.

District trophies and International Awards were presented before thanks being given to the Host Committee and the end of Convention Flag transfer. District Governor Lion Brian Donovan gave the closing address before the closing ceremony concluded with a rousing rendition of 'We'll Meet Again'.

The Saturday Night Banquet and Ball was attended by 84 Lions and their partners.

The informal Sunday Morning Open Forum Session to discuss membership initiatives was led by PDG Lion Jarvis MacDonald who heads up the Global Membership Team before the Lions dispersed tired but happy after an eventful and worthwhile weekend.

The next District Convention takes place on 3 to 5 March 2023 at the Royal Beach Hotel, Southsea, with relaxing hotel facilities and a beachside location. Nearby is the Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, Gunwharf Quays for shopping and the Spinnaker Tower, just a short distance away.

Visit www.2023.lions105sc.org.uk for further details.



# And you will give yourself peace if you perform each act as if it were your last. - Marcus Aurelius

## JERSEY LIONS SWIMARATHON RAISES £95,000

Between Wednesday and Sunday, 9 to 13 March, 418 teams of six swimmers each raised around £95,000 in the Lions Club of Jersey's 50th Anniversary Swimarathon. This figure does not include the generous donation received from the Swimarathon's sponsors the Ravenscroft Group whose funding meets all the costs of staging the event, ensuring that every penny raised from the swimmers will go to Lions' nominated charities.

Given that many teams were affected by members succumbing to Covid, the Jersey Lions are delighted with the result.



# Fleet Lions join forces with schools to create the Queen's Green Canopy

Fleet Lions joined forces with a number of local schools to offert trees to be planted as part of the Queen's Green Canopy initiative. The event took place over the weekend of 26 and 27 March with local people sponsoring a tree. This sponsorship would allow youngsters to raise money for school projects. And, of course, the Lions wanted to see a contribution to the Queen's Green Canopy in honour or her Diamond Jubilee. A contribution to counteracting global warming and different PR from selling tickets to a Lions fundraiser.

The project called for students to obtain sponsorship via their schools to be eligible for one of the 1,700 small trees (whips) that had been sourced by Fleet Lions. Each participant was issued with a certificate to mark the event and a tag tied to their tree so that they could watch their own tree grow. With 27 March being Mothering Sunday, what better way to celebrate the day than dedicating a long growing tree to Mum?

Lion Graham Drayton leading the project said: "We owe special thanks to the local Parish Councils for providing the sites for planting the trees, those who helped finance the event and the Conservation Volunteers and GCI of Reading who supplied the trees at no charge. And, of course, all the youngsters who took part, all under parental supervision."



All the moneys raised by this initiative will be used by the schools on their own projects.

George and Millie Bessell plant a tree whip.

Photo: Lion Graham Drayton

# **Experience is the name every one gives to their mistakes - Oscar Wilde**

# Wokingham Lions plan ahead

It was announced at the Wokingham Club's recent business that this year's beneficiaries of the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual May Fayre on the Bank Holiday Monday, 2 May, will be the Link Visiting Scheme and JAC (Just Around the Corner),

"We are pleased to support these two worthy causes in our community. The Link Visiting Scheme is a charity dedicated to reducing loneliness in the Wokingham Borough. JAC helps young people with special needs to find acceptance and employment," said Lion Andy Goffin, president of the Wokingham Lions Club.



The eighth annual Wokingham Walk taking place on Sunday 8 May has a new twist. The route will be reversed! In addition, a new five-mile 'Accessible Route' has been added, suitable for those in wheelchairs. Hopefully, the bluebells will be in their full glory for all walkers to enjoy.

Lion Andy Slay, (one of the original joint organisers) said: "Reversing the route gives a different perspective to the walk. The 'Accessible Route' has been added for those who can't manage stiles, kissing gates, etc. The ground may be uneven in places, but it should be suitable for those in wheelchairs."

He added: "We are delighted to be able to offer a simple fundraising opportunity for local charities and their supporters to raise their own money. Last year,15 charities raised funds for their causes, and we expect a similar response this year. All proceeds raised will be donated to charities and needy causes in the Wokingham area."



#### Swanmore Village Fete

Preparations are going well for the annual fete held in the Swanmore Recreation Ground. This year the Lions' Swanmore Fete is on Saturday 9 July 2022.

#### **Not recreating Crufts!**



Following the huge success of 2019 the Club is going to host a dog show again, during the course of the afternoon at the Swanmore Village Fete. While not recreating Crufts, the Lions hope everyone has a bit of fun and the event offers the chance for local dog-owners to show off their pet's best attributes. There will be numerous prizes up for grabs for the best pooches in various classes.

#### LIONS WIT

I have a pure bread dog. His name is Fi-dough



## Sentinel's eye on...

## The Events Calendar

Club events for the next three months and updated month by month are listed here

# **Club Events:** April, May and June

# MD105 Convention Friday to Sunday 29 April to 1 May

- ALTON Second Saturday of every month, Lions Craft Markets
- BASINGSTOKE Sunday 1 May, The Heritage Light Orchestra and Swell Party
- ◆ BRADFORD IN AVON Friday 3 June, Jubilee Family Fun Day
- ◆ CHIPPENHAM May 2022, Twinning Weekend
- DEVIZES Saturday and Sunday 2 and 3 April, Sports Coaching Weekend; Thursday 12 May, Charity Golf Day; Wednesday 8 June, Presentation Evening; Sunday 12 June, Lions on the Green
- FLEET Monday 2 May, Annual Motorcycle Rally;
   Sunday 15 May, Bluebell Charity Walk
- HIGHWORTH & DISTRICT Friday 27 May, 48th Charter Anniversary Dinner
- HOOK & ODIHAM Saturday 21 May, Prostate Cancer Screening at Odiham Cottage Hospital
- ◆ JERSEY Thursday 5 May, A Night at the Theatre
- ◆ ROMSEY & WATERSIDE Friday & Saturday 1 & 2 April, Street Collections; Saturday 9 April, Bookstall in Romsey Market; Tuesday 10 May, Hythe Fashion Show; Saturday 14 May, Bookstall in Romsey Market; Saturday 21 May, North Baddesley Fayre
- WIMBORNE & FERNDOWN Thursday 21 April, Club Quiz
- WOKINGHAM Monday 2 May, Annual May Fayre

Webpage—www.lionssc.org.uk/events.html









MD Convention Host PDG Guch Manku PMJF

#### MD105 Convention

#### Eirmingham 29 April to 1 May 2022

#### Lions It's a Kind of Magic

- From the wonderful city of Birmingham, the heart of our MD
- Afantastic opportunity to 'really' meet up with friends old and new
- To celebrate our 70th Anniversary in style
- To attend our AGM and have your say
- With an inspirational line up including Past International President Lion Jim Ervin
- Oreating a magical post-digital get-together for us all to remember
- Convention Hotel is the Holiday Inn Birmingham City Centre—call 0121 634 6200 to book rooms and quote Lions 'L28'
- Convention Venue is next door at the Elimingham Conference & Events Centre

FRIDAY 29 APRIL - Host Night and Social to celebrate our 70th Anniversary

SATURDAY 30 APRIL Morning/Afternoon Concention - Our AGM - Partners visits to many local attractions SATURDAY 30 APRIL - Gala Dinner - Dress to Impress SUNDAY 1 MAY - Meet the Council of Governors

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https://www.md105convention.uk/booking



# OLD MONARCH

#### The Editor has the last word ...

It's obvious that in missing the Convention I missed a lot. I'm very grateful to Lion Richard Keeley for reporting it so well both typographically and photographically that those of us who could not be there will have a feel for what we missed. Although Zoom has been invaluable in keeping us together, hopefully from now on it becomes just another tool in our comms portfolio rather than the most vital one. In the meantime the Sentinel's congratulations and best wishes to our District officers Elect for 2022/23. You have some impressive acts to follow.

Although clearly Covid is still with us (and likely to become as routine as the flu), this Convention shows how much better things are when we Lions get together and I am delighted to note that next year's dates do not clash with the Jersey Lions Swimarathon!

Lion Peter Tall



# Lions tail...



Please send all articles and pictures for publication in the

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