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## The President's Report



Welcome to this "special" edition of the Jervis Bay Lions Bulletin.

Tonight we have with us some visitors from outside Lions, and they are here to take part in the Club Judging section of the Lions Youth of the Year Quest.

You will find later in this Bulletin the details of the mechanics of running the Quest, however I should point out that this is a competition that is unique to Australia and Papua New Guinea and has been running in our area since 1964 having originated in Brisbane and then spread to the rest of the Country.

Tonight I would like to welcome our Judges, Gemma Hart, a Youth Developmental Worker at the Bay and Basin Resource Centre at Sanctuary Point, Gayle Simpson and Tanya Bennett who both work out at the Nowra Correctional Centre, Gayle is the Operations Manager there and looks after the

"industrial" side of the Centre, while Tanya looks after the educational needs of the operation.

This is a special welcome to these people because they are setting aside their own time to help us in this Quest. According to the rules, judges cannot come from the ranks of the Lions Organisation, they must come from the community.

Another guest I should thank sincerely is our contact with Vincentia High School, teacher Gabrielle Keoh. Without the assistance and dedication of Gabrielle, this Quest would be considerably harder to put together. She is our "teacher to go to" at the school and her interest in the young people at the school, her encouragement for them to enter the Quest, and her overall enthusiasm for the youth in her charge is inspirational.

Of course, now we come to our contestants, the stars of the night, the ones who will face to judges at their interviews, the ones who will face the ordeal of the dreaded Impromptu Questions and the ones who will regale us with their Prepared Speeches. I can guarantee you will be impressed with each and every one of them and come away from the night with a renewed impression of the youth of our area and hope for our future.

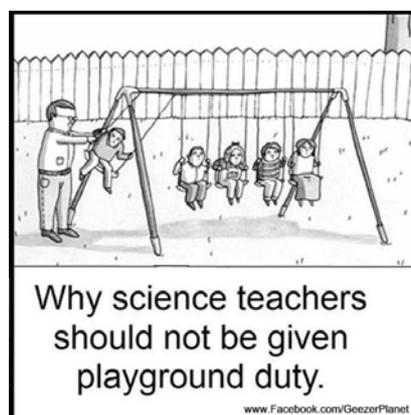
Our "stars" for tonight are Josh Print, Lara Norton, Sarah Kennedy and Gavin Beddingfield. They are all from Vincentia High School and promise us an interesting and informative evening as they contest our Club Judging of the Lions Youth of the Year Quest.

The Overall Winner from tonight will go on to compete in the Youth of the Year Regional Contest that will be held on the 15th March 2015 at the St Georges Basin Country Club, so best of luck to everybody and we all look forward to following our winner as he or she climbs the contest winners list towards the Australia-wide, Multiple District Contest at the Lions Multiple District Convention at Newcastle in May 2015.

Welcome everybody and enjoy your night with our Club.

*Lion John Brown*

*President*



# *Lions Youth of the Year Quest - The History*

The Lions Youth of the Year was the brainchild of the late Jamie Jamieson, a member of the City of Brisbane Lions Club.

In 1964, Lion Jamie formed a committee composed of Lion Sid McDonald (Chairman), Lions Arch Merrin, Arthur Smout and Bill Jones. The Committee was to investigate a Youth of the Year Project. This Committee pioneered and supervised the quest for a number of years.

At first, the Quest was confined to metropolitan Brisbane. The first Final was conducted at Convention Hall - Lennons Hotel - Brisbane on 17th December 1964, and for the first 2 years it was conducted in Queensland only. In 1965, Lions Clubs based in Sydney also established a quest in their local areas. In 1966 the national convention held in Brisbane adopted the Quest as a Multiple District project. Lion Sid McDonald was appointed coordinating Chairman, a position he occupied with distinction for a period of ten years.

The Quest originally suggested by Jamie Jamieson was for boys, as there were numerous other quests already for girls in operation. In 1979, it was decided that girls would be admitted into the Lions Quest. The first integrated Youth of the Year Quest was held in 1980.

The Quest continues to grow in stature and is undoubtedly one of the best and most successful National Projects undertaken by Lions. Lions in the future will be taking this program to another level, and it will then promises to become a truly International Quest.

## **Background by Sydney G. McDonald**

In June 1964 when District Governor elect Lion Jamie Jamieson was leaving Australia from Brisbane Airport to go to America to be installed as District Governor for the year 1964 - 1965, he asked me to walk with him from the passenger lounge to the aircraft steps. As we walked he told me of his desire during his year as District Governor to establish a Youth Quest for young men aged between 16 and 18 years.

He said there were between 20 - 25 Quests for young women but nothing for young men.

Jamie asked me to write a format for the Quest during his absence with a view to conducting the first Quest between July and December 1964. Jamie said he had discussed his idea with some members of his club - City of Brisbane, and I could discuss the matter with them to get a better overall picture of what he had in mind. I spoke with Arch Merrin and Arthur Smout and ascertained what Jamie had in mind. We subsequently formed a small committee with me as Chairman and put some ideas into writing including the aims of the Quest. Points to be allocated in the various sections of the Quest were to be:

Appearance, poise and dress	12
Personality	17
Leadership	24
Academic Ability	18
Sporting Ability	9
General Knowledge	8
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>88</b>
Public Speaking	12
Final Summation to be agreed by the Judging Panel	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>110</b>



Other conditions decided at the time were:

Age limitations to enter -	Under 19 at the date of judging.
First Condition -	Entrants must be "MALE" youths (this was later changed to both Male and Female youths).
Aims of the Quest -	To foster and encourage leadership and other citizen qualities in young men at an age when they are about to enter commerce or higher education.

In its first year the Lions Youth of the Year Quest was conducted in one Lions District only, then Lions District 201A.

In its second year - 1965 - Lions District 201B based in Sydney and Lions District 201D based in Newcastle together with District 201A based in Brisbane and the Northern Rivers of N.S.W. took part in the Quest.

In May 1966 at the Multiple District Convention held in Brisbane City Hall, District 201A submitted a motion recommending that the Youth of the Year Quest be adopted as a Multiple District Project and the motion was adopted. Lion Syd McDonald of the Lions Club of Ashgrove was subsequently appointed as the Multiple District Chairman. He held the position for a period of ten years before relinquishing his responsibility to move on to other activities in the world of Lionism. Lion Nick Bible of District 201B took over as the National Chairman.

It is important to record in the History of the Quest the valuable support and dedication of Lion Merv Reid of the Paddington Club 201B in Sydney and Lion John Murray of Newcastle 201D. They both worked very hard to establish the Quest in their respective Districts. Lion Merv Reid was subsequently appointed co-ordinator of the Quest for Districts in N.S.W.

The winner of the first Quest in District 201A was Peter Wicks of Toowoomba Grammar School whose father was the Rector of All Saints Church in Fortitude Valley, Brisbane. The second winner of the Quest in 201A was Andrew Brown of Brisbane Grammar School whose father was the Managing Director of Queensland's Golden Circle Cannery.

For the record - the first Youth of the Year committee in District 201A was made up as follows:

- Syd McDonald Chairman - Lions Club of Ashgrove
- Arch Merrin - City of Brisbane Lions Club
- Arthur Smout - Eagle Farm Lions Club
- Ian Dalgleish - City of Brisbane Lions Club

These members were subsequently joined by Lions Bill Wissler and Keith Campbell both from the Lions Club of Ashgrove. Lion Ian Dalgleish retired from the committee about this time.

The first Multiple District Committee was made up as follows:

- Syd McDonald - Chairman
- Arch Merrin
- Arthur Smout
- Bill Wissler
- Keith Campbell and Merv Reid - Lions Club of Paddington - 201B and
- John Murray Newcastle - 201D



# *Lions Youth of the Year - The Quest*

## **THE QUEST:**

The Lions Youth of the Year Quest is a project of the combined Lions Clubs of Australia and Papua New Guinea, and its aim is to select an outstanding youth to be an ambassador for his/her country and travel overseas under the auspices of Lions Clubs International.

The Lions Youth of the Year Quest is designed to foster, encourage and develop leadership in conjunction with other citizenship qualities of our youth, at the age when they are about to enter the fields of employment or higher education.

The Lions Youth of the Year Quest provides our youth with the incentive to pay greater attention to the general qualities that are so vital in developing our youth into first class citizens. The qualities sought after, apart from academic attainments, are those of leadership, personality, sportsmanship, public speaking and good citizenship.

Commencing in 1994/95 an award is made at each level for the best public speaker, as well as the overall winner. This award was added to recognise the importance of public speaking and to give a secondary form of encouragement to the best speaker. The same person can be the winner of both sections.

The young people meet in fellowship and have the opportunity of open discussion, exchange of ideas and meet professional and business men and women within the community and service club organisation.

### ***The Lions Youth of the Year Quest is open to:***

- a) All youths who are attending a high school or other secondary school or equivalent standard of school in any other educational establishment, including correspondence school, in the Lions year in which the National Final is to be conducted.
- b) Under 19 years of age as at 30th June in the year that the National Final is held. Students under 16 years of age at 31st December in that year must be in their final year of schooling.

## **THE CONTEST:**

The Quest is subdivided into two sections.

The first section (which accounts for 80% of the final score) is conducted prior to the Dinner Meeting and is done by the Judges meeting with and interviewing the contestants in a (relatively) relaxed atmosphere one at a time. A determination is made of the contestants qualities and abilities in areas such as; Leadership, Sport, Community Involvement, Cultural Activities, Personality, General Knowledge and Academic Achievements. (*see "What the Judges were asked to do"*)

Tonight we will see the remaining 30% of the score determined with 5% applied to each of the Impromptu Questions, 5% applied to Presentation and 15% applied to the presentation of the Prepared Speech. The procedure for this section is outlined below. (*see "Public Function Judging Procedure"*)

Two winners will be determined tonight; one for the overall contest (out of 110%), and the second for the best score in the Public Speaking section (out of 30%) These two winners may be the same person.



## What the Judges are asked to consider.

Note: Categories and allocations are unalterable - Sub-sections are an optional guide.

### Leadership, Sport, Community and Cultural:

#### a) Leadership, school and/or community: (15)

The ability to command respect and direct the development of others:

School captain  Form captain  Prefect  Monitor  S.R.C.  Sports captain   
Vice captain  Team captain  Non-school group leader  Number of groups

#### b) Sporting and/or Cultural Activities, school and/or community: (10)

Participation in Sport:

Awards

Participation in Music, Drama, Art, Literature:

Music  Drama  Artistic  Artistic

Representing in Sporting and Cultural at:

District  State  National

Hobbies / Interests:

Range of Hobbies  Other interests

#### c) Citizenship and Community Involvement: (10)

Youth Councils / Forums  Community Service Groups  Office or responsible positions held   
Environmental Groups  Overall Attitude and Conviction

### Personality: (15)

Impact of Interview:

Maturity  Communication skills  Frankness  Sense of humour  Confidence   
Friendliness

### General Knowledge: (20)

Four questions prepared by judging panel are submitted in the same format to each candidate to test knowledge of National and International affairs in Australia/Papua New Guinea.

### Academic: (10)

Achievements in general studies during the past two years:

Scholarships held  Special academic awards  Subjects and levels passed   
Subjects and levels studied currently

### Public Speaking: (30)

#### a) Impromptu Current Affairs Questions: (10)

Each contestant is asked the same two questions, two minutes maximum being allowed for each answer.

Knowledge and reasoning  Coherence of presentation  Logical exposition

#### b) Prepared Speech: (15)

Five minutes on a subject of their own choice.

Organisation of material in logical sequence  Balance of presentation   
Relative importance of topic  Knowledge of topic  Opening Impact  Logical exposition   
Engagement of Audience

Time penalties for less than 4½ minutes or over 5 minutes.

#### c) Presentation: (5)

Clarity / Diction  Conviction  Use of language  Deportment  Confidence



## **PUBLIC FUNCTION JUDGING PROCEDURE:**

· The order of appearance of contestants is determined by a previous random draw.

### · **Two Minute Impromptu Questions**

- (a) Impromptu questions must avoid questions asked at earlier levels. The Panel Chairman or Quest Chairman reads the question once.
- (b) A typewritten (or printed) in large type version of the question is placed before the contestant.
- (c) The question is read a second time. Timing commences on the utterance of the last word of the question.
- (d) Timekeeper rings a clearly audible double bell on the lapse of two minutes. A penalty is incurred if the contestant proceeds beyond the completion of the current sentence.
- (e) **There is no warning bell during the impromptu questions.**
- (f) Each contestant, in order of draw, will be introduced and asked the same TWO questions in the same manner and order.

### · **Prepared Speeches**

- (a) To be based on a topic selected by the contestant.
- (b) Timing commences on the utterance of the first word of the prepared speech.
- (c) **Timekeeper rings a clearly audible single bell on the lapse of 4 minutes.** *A penalty is incurred if the contestant does not proceed beyond 4 1/2 minutes of elapsed time.*
- (d) **Timekeeper rings a clearly audible double bell on the lapse of 5 minutes.** *A penalty is incurred if the contestant proceeds beyond the completion of the current sentence.*

## **THE CONTESTANTS** *(in order of speaking)*

<b>Josh Print</b>	attends Vincentia High School
<b>Lara Norton</b>	attends Vincentia High School
<b>Sarah Kennedy</b>	attends Vincentia High School
<b>Gavin Beddingfield</b>	attends Vincentia High School

*Note: All the awards and achievements of these young people are far too numerous to list here, details will be given at their time of introduction.*

## **THE JUDGES** *(not necessarily in order of importance!)*

<b>Gemma Hart</b>	Gemma is a Social Support and Development worker at the Bay and Basin Community Resource organisation.
<b>Gayle Simpson</b>	Gayle is the Operations Manager of Correctional Service Industries at South Nowra.
<b>Tanya Bennet</b>	Tanya is the Educational Officer at the Nowra Correctional Centre.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsor, The National Australia Bank, the Contestants, the Judges, and Gabrielle Keoh, the teacher and our coordinator from Vincentia High who have made this contest possible. Obviously without all of their involvement we wouldn't have a contest. I know you will find the exploits and achievements of these young people fascinating and I also know you will walk away from tonight amazed at their confidence and assurance.

So sit back, relax, and prepare to be educated and entertained by some very talented young people.

*Youth of the Year Chairman, Lion Steve Hayes*



## *Out and about with Lions - New Clubhouse Opening.*

Although we have been using the new Clubhouse for a while now, on Sunday last, the 16th November 2014, we all (well most of us) gathered to have the "Official Opening" of the Jervis Bay Lions Clubhouse.

There were not only our Members present, but a number of guests were there to help us celebrate this rather auspicious occasion.

Probably one of the more noteworthy of these guests was our local Councillor, Greg Watson without whose help we probably would not have achieved this notable outcome of having these rather salubrious premises to call "our own". Probably some four years ago now, when the new combined fire station at Vincentia was proposed, Lion Wendy Roberts was quick off the mark and called muggins who was your President at the time and told me "we should do something about this!"

Wendy called Greg and set up a meeting that resulted in a motion being submitted and passed at Council on our behalf, basically saying that the Jervis Bay Lions Club should have "first right of refusal" when the eventual allocation of the shed was made. This was to be when the shed was made vacant by the process of the Erowal Bay Volunteer Fire Brigade moving to the new Vincentia Combined Fire Headquarters when that facility was completed.

This all came to pass earlier this year and we did indeed get our bid in first with negotiations commencing with the Shoalhaven City Council for Jervis Bay Lions to lease the Erowal Bay Fire Station for the next five years (and beyond). The terms of the lease are very generous reflecting our standing in the community and the obvious high regard we are held in by both the Council and the community in general.

So a big thank you to Lions Wendy and Greg is in order for having the foresight to secure our interest in the new shed at such an early stage. I'm told there was considerable competing interest in the premises from a multitude of interested parties, but that early Motion in Council gave us considerable advantage in exercising our priority and gaining our new premises!

Other guests were present, including those from surrounding Lions Clubs and also some local residents turning up to see what we were all about.

Lion Sue Pearson proudly "did the honour" of officially cutting the ribbon, and then it was into the food and drink to celebrate the event.

Lion Wolfgang was hard at work cooking the snags for all and sundry while there was a great spread put on by all the Members who contributed with various tantalising delicious morsels.

More pictures from the day are on the following pages.

A big "well done" to all who were involved in setting up and contributing to the day!



*Lion Sue Pearson (playing to the crowd, as usual) "does the honours" on the day, watched by the multitudes.*





*President John has his say - you try to keep him away from the microphone!  
(He even brings his own, just to make sure!)*



*Councillor (Lion) Greg Watson has his say - and so he should, thanks Greg.*



*Wolfgang keeps the multitudes supplied with hot sanga sambos*



*Lion Leanne gets a cuddle!*



*Members and Guests get stuck into the grub!  
While Wendy (and others) record the event.*





*CP Jeff and Sue are obviously thoroughly interested in what Robyn and Joan have to say! Tom has his sights set on the cheese and bickies!*

*The "mob" posing for a group shot*



*Like bees 'round the honey pot!  
More of the extensive repast*



*Considerable interest in lots of photos from the past and present - thanks to Marie-Anne (and others)*



## What's On?

### NOVEMBER

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Youth of the Year Contest- Club Jervis Bay

### DECEMBER

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Lions Dinner Meeting & AGM

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Christmas Carols at Sanctuary Point- Paradise Beach

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Lions Christmas Party at Lou & Jen's

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Markets

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Christmas Carols at Vincentia Mall

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> School Holidays

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> New Years Eve Fireworks- Voyager Park

### JANUARY 2015

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Markets- Carnival Day

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Australia Day Duck Derby at Moona Moona Creek

P.S: At some point there will be Chocolate Wheel at the Carnival, date to be advised

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#### *Understanding Engineers #8*

An engineer was crossing a road one day, when a frog called out to him & said, "If you kiss me, I'll turn into a beautiful princess."

He bent over, picked up the frog, & put it in his pocket.

The frog spoke up again & said, "If you kiss me, I'll turn back into a beautiful princess and stay with you for one week."

The engineer took the frog out of his pocket, smiled at it & returned it to the pocket.

The frog then cried out, "If you kiss me & turn me back into a princess, I'll stay with you for one week & do anything you want."

Again, the engineer took the frog out, smiled at it & put it back into his pocket.

Finally, the frog asked, "What is the matter? I've told you I'm a beautiful princess & that I'll stay with you for one week & do anything you want. Why won't you kiss me?"

The engineer said, "Look, I'm an engineer. I don't have time for a girlfriend, but a talking frog - now that's cool."



## On the Lighter Side



### The Blonde and the Lord

A blonde wanted to go ice fishing.

She'd seen many books on the subject, and finally getting all the necessary tools together, she made for the ice.

After positioning her comfy footstool, she started to make a circular cut in the ice.

Suddenly, from the sky, a voice boomed,

**“THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE.”**

Startled, the blonde moved further down the ice, poured a thermos of cappuccino, and began to cut yet another hole.

Again from the heavens the voice bellowed,

**“THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE.”**

The blonde, now worried, moved away, clear down to the opposite end of the ice.

She set up her stool once more and tried again to cut her hole.

The voice came once more,

**“THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE.”**

She stopped, looked skyward, and said,

*“IS THAT YOU LORD?”*

The voice replied,

**“NO, THIS IS THE MANAGER OF THE HOCKEY RINK”**

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### Random Thoughts

- I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds. People move out of the way much faster now.
- You can tell a lot about a woman's mood just by her hands. If they are holding a gun, she's probably angry.
- Gone are the days when girls used to cook like their mothers. Now they drink like their fathers.
- You know that tingly little feeling you get when you really like someone? That's common sense leaving your body.
- I don't like making plans for the day because then the word “premeditated” gets thrown around a lot in the courtroom.
- I decided to change calling the bathroom the John and renamed it the Jim. I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning

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### Missing you!

The husband was throwing knives at his wife's picture. All were missing the target!

Suddenly he received a call from her “Hi, what are you doing?” His honest reply, “MISSING YOU.”



# LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

## LIONS CLUB PURPOSES

**TO ORGANIZE**, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions Clubs.

**TO COORDINATE** the activities and standardise the administration of Lions Clubs.

**TO CREATE** and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world.

**TO PROMOTE** the principles of good government and good citizenship.

**TO FUND** and otherwise serve the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

**TO ASSIST** financially, culturally, socially, and morally the disabled, disadvantaged and infirm of the community both directly and also indirectly.

**TO UNITE** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

**TO PROVIDE** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

**TO ENCOURAGE** service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavours.

## LIONS CLUB CODE OF ETHICS

**TO SHOW** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

**TO SEEK** success and demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

**TO REMEMBER** that in building up my own business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

**WHENEVER** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

**TO HOLD** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

**ALWAYS** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour and means.

**TO AID** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

**TO BE CAREFUL** with my criticism and liberal with my praise, to build up and not destroy.

