

The Lions Roar

The Lions Club of Strathroy - Caradoc

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We welcome community-minded men and women with a desire to assist others and enjoy good fellowship.

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A Monthly Newsletter District A-1 Zone 7

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President's Message...



Happy March fellow Lions. Once again for those of us that stay home for the winter, we are staying home today as it is snowing, raining and blowing out there. The groundhog said 6 more weeks of winter (mid March), well I think he is wrong, it will be at least 10 weeks before we get rid of this snow. Our Lions from the sunny south may not want to come back.

On February 26th 5 of our Lions attended Biz after Biz sponsored by the



Lion Mariette Desjardine, President of the Strathroy - Caradoc Lions Club, and President of Lions Camp Dorset

Skin Sense Spa. Needless to say I won a door prize once again. Maybe I better stay away in March. We have all managed to introduce the club to many people at these meetings and hope to have some prospective members at our spring dinner meetings.

March will be more active as we

have the Zone meeting on March 2nd and we return to our regular business meetings on the 1st Thursday of the month at Seasons and our dinner meetings the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Legion.

We have Easter baskets for sale. Check out our Facebook page, The Lions Club of Strathroy-Caradoc.

REMEMBER "JUST ASK !"

Yours in Lionism

Lion Mariette





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DISTRICT A-1

ZONE 7

- Regular Club Meetings are held twice a month except during July, August, Jan, Feb (if too many are in warmer climates).
- 1st Thursday of each month is a Business Meeting held at Seasons Retirement
- 3rd Thursday of the month is a Dinner Meeting at Strathroy Legion

President: Mariette Desjardine
 1st Vice: Ed Hadbavny
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District Governor's Newsletter

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Recreation Planning

It seems the town is receiving a consistent message from local service clubs that \$\$\$\$ rules are restricting how we can participate.

Facebook outreach . . .

As of Feb 23 - Mar 1st:

Likes = 173 / New likes = 13

Contacts:

Bologna,
 Chemung Lions,
 Cebu Kabaney Lions,
 London East,
 District 14k,
 Aubrey Lions,
 Lions Distretto Centootto Tb,
 Essex Lions,
 La Canoa Lions of Green Valley AZ.....

Check your calendar:

March 2 3rd Zone Mtg @ Glencoe
 March 5 Business Mtg @ Seasons
 March 7 37th Annual LDUN ([Lions Day with the United Nations](#))
 March 8 [A-1 Effective Speaking Contest](#)
 March 19 Dinner Mtg @ Legion Leader Dog Presentation
 Apr 1-2 Literacy Presentations @ Mary Wright P.S.
 Apr 2 Business Mtg @ Seasons
 Apr 10-12 District Convention @ [Lampighter in London](#)
 Apr 16 Dinner Mtg @ Legion / Guests Delaware Lions & (VDG Eric Dolansky)
[May 16-22](#) S-C Lions' [CNIB](#) Tag Day
 May 19 4th Zone Mtg @ Mt. Brydges
 May 21 Salthaven Wildlife
 Last Thurs. of every month: **Chamber of Commerce** meets (we're members)



"The work that goes on in our tiny clinic makes a big difference, not only to the individual animals that we treat and release, but also to the volunteer caregivers. Hearts are touched and lives are changed in a selfless spirit of co-operation focussed on giving back to nature. That is the miracle of Salthaven." - Brian Salt

At our May 21st dinner meeting we will have a speaker from [Salthaven](#) present. It would be a good time to invite a guest.

District & International News

Ask One in April and Be Recognized

Ask One is a small step that can make a big difference in your membership efforts. And when you Ask One friend, family member or neighbor to join your club in April, you can earn special recognition. Invite a member to join your club in April and you'll receive a [Membership Growth Award Pin](#)! Plus, if you invited a member in October, you'll receive a gold pin and a banner patch for your club.



Eye Donor Awareness Month in March



The month of March is a special time to honor eye donors and their families for giving the gift of sight. Eye donations are crucial for research and education, as well as for corneal transplants that can help restore the sight of children and adults. [Lions Eye Banks](#) recover, evaluate, store and distribute human eye tissue for sight-saving procedures. Lions support more than 50 eye banks in eight countries. Recognize Eye Donor Awareness Month in March! [Contact your local eye bank](#) to learn how you can raise awareness in your community about the importance of eye donations.

Notice of 3rd Zone Meeting Monday Mar 2nd Glencoe Arena Auditorium

- * Glencoe Lions Meeting 7.00.pm. Zone Meeting expected to start about 8.15-8.30p .
- * Committee Chairs P.D.G Lion Don McKessock and Lion Joyce Mahovolich will speak (time Limit Imposed)
- * Please advise me by Feb 15th how many from your club will be attending for Meal purposes..
- * Minutes of last meeting and agenda to follow

Z.C.Lion Jerry

Be a Lion



Strathroy - Caradoc Lions Make Gift Baskets for Special Events

This one went to the Delaware Trivia Contest. We assemble baskets for Christmas, Valentines, Birthdays, your special date and occasion. \$25 and up depending on size and contents.

Contact Lion Mariette Desjardine at 519-205-0437 / strathroycaradoclions@bell.net / marietted@rogers.com



Items to Help Your Club:

Lions Clubs and Credit Cards

Most people use debit and credit cards for the majority of their financial transactions. Is your club ready to accept them? How about your District: can your Lions register and pay online to attend your District Convention?

So how does a Lions Club become able to accept credit cards? Your club's banker maybe able to give you options, but most "merchant accounts" are geared toward businesses that have a large number of transactions per month that spread-out the month charges. Filling this void for smaller operations are several services like Square and pay-pal.

While we are not endorsing these programs, they are options for your club to be able to accept credit cards. Let's take a look at Paypal: the most commonly used service.

With a PayPal account, your club can accept payments through four different methods:

1. Online---using your club's website to accept donations, register for events, etc.
2. Swipe---with a smartphone or tablet you can swipe the card. People can then use their cards with you at club events.
3. Invoices---you can email invoices to donors or members that allow them to pay the invoice electronically through the web.
4. Manually enter card number: you can take cards numbers and information over the phone and enter it into Paypal online. There is a larger charge for taking credit/debit cards through this method.



PayPal can be added to our website as a "widget".

It could be used as a method of receiving donations from anyone around the world at any time.

Paypal is not free: it charges a percentage of each transaction:

Online transactions and Invoices:

- 2.9% + \$0.30 per transaction (\$3.20 / \$100)
- 2.2% + \$0.30 per transaction for 501(c)3 ONLY (\$2.50 / \$100)

Swiped Transactions:

- 2.7% per transaction (\$2.70 / \$100)

Manually entered credit card through web:

- 3.5% + \$0.15 per transaction (\$3.65 / \$100)

These fees add up. So, be prepared to include the fees in the pricing of the items you plan to accept credit card.

Each service has different sign-up requirements, but generally you need the following items when signing your club up:

1. An individual club leader that will be the contact and guarantor of the account. Normally, this person must provide their tax id number (social security number)
2. A physical address for the club. Maybe the individual's home address.
3. The Club's Employer Identification Number
4. A linked checking account. Funds will be automatically deposited and reverses deducted from this account..

Paypal's website gives step by step directions to setting up "buttons" on your website for making payments. We encourage you to check it out for more details.

Your club or district's leadership should consider the costs and benefits of making these new payment methods available. The day of physical checks is passing quickly.



Hyde Park and District Lions Club

Bowling for Books

The Hyde Park and District Lions Club will be hosting Bowling For Books to raise money for Children's Literacy as part of the Lions Centennial Service Challenge.

March 24th, 2015, 7 to 9 p.m.

Palasud South
141 Pine Valley Blvd London

-\$25 per person, includes game, bowling shoes, & donut bar
-food/drinks available on site

<http://www.hydeparklions.ca/bowling-for-books>

50/50 draw & prizes, & Lions, spouses & friends welcome

Please RSVP to Fundraising@hydeparklions.ca



Hyde Park and District Lions
We Serve

Email: fundraising@hydeparklions.ca
Web: <http://www.hydeparklions.ca/>



Region 24 RALLY CLASSIC

Sunday, March 15, 2015 @ Lucan Legion Registration

12-1230 p.m. Green flag drops at 1:00 p.m.

**Cost is \$10.00 per car also there is a
\$ 5.00 per member charge for the event (includes lunch)**

**The \$ 10.00 includes the KubKar kit and a donation to the
prize pool. If your club already has a car from previous Rally
Race, you only have to pay the \$ 5.00 entrance fee + lunch fee.**

RULES

- The car must be built from the materials in the kit (no wheel bearings)
- Car dimensions must not exceed 70mm (2 ¾") WIDE, 180 mm (7") LONG, and 102mm (4") HIGH and must have clearance between the body and running surface of at least 10 mm (3/8")
- Front and rear wheels must be a minimum of 45mm (1 ¾"). Only 4 wheeled vehicles are permitted.
- The car can NOT weigh more than 142g (5 oz) or less then 85g (if it does not have enough weight it won't go down the track) Weight can be added between front and rear axles, but must be flush with the bottom of the car.
- Cars will be weighed at registration and the winning cars will be weighed after the last race.
- Stickers and decals can be used.
- The car may be lubricated with any lubricant chosen by the builder, but no lubricant may be added after the car has been weighed in.
- We will have a 3 slot track, so each Zone will race against the other two zones.
- Car and race number will be drawn at registration. Cars must be registered before start of racing.

Champion of the Day will be awarded. Lion Trigger is the defending champ.



Region 24 Rally

ALL ZONES WELCOME

Sunday March 15, 2015

Lucan Legion Branch 540

136 Market St., Lucan

12 – 3:00 P.M.

LUNCH AVAILABLE

**COME OUT AND RACE YOUR KUBKARS and HEAR FROM
THE CANDIDATES FOR 2015-16**

Kubcar And entry \$10.00

PRIZE FOR BEST LOOKING CAR

This is a family day so everyone's welcome

For info call barb Tuxford 519-227-2252 or

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Convention Penny Draw

2015-01-15

Lioness, Lions and Leos;

The time has come to start thinking about the 2015 District A-1 Convention which will be held on April 10th, 11th and 12th at the Best Western Lamplighter Inn, 591 Wellington Road S., London. Plans are well underway to make it another great convention this year.

The Convention Committee is asking again for your support for the "PENNY DRAW" which benefits us all by helping to defray some of the convention costs. We are asking each of the Lioness, Lions and Leo clubs to donate a gift for a truly successful draw. In addition, the Committee is grateful to those individuals who continue to support the Penny Draw with a gift.

Would you please contact me as soon as possible if you will be donating a draw prize [unwrapped] so that the proper identification can be made up prior to the convention. ***If you are donating money- please make cheque payable to Lioness Joyce Leal. If you send a cheque – the prize will be the cash. If you wish a gift – you are responsible to purchase one.***

PLEASE NOTE: ALL DRAW PRIZES MUST BE RECEIVED prior to the opening of the convention - no later than 7:00 pm on Friday Night. Should this be an inconvenience please call to make arrangements.

THE PENNY DRAW WILL CLOSE by 1:30 on Saturday afternoon – draws taking place immediately after. A list will be posted as soon as possible and gifts will be available for pickup. We would ask you to please pick them up no later than 5 pm Saturday.

Thanking you in advance for your continued support and participation. Should you require any further information concerning the Penny Draw, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Yours in Lionism

Lioness Joyce

PDP Lioness Joyce Leal