

Whyalla Mount Laura Lions Club Inc. Newsletter August 2015



Wayne's Words of Wisdom

All of a sudden we find ourselves at the end of August with another Whyalla Show behind us and some busy weeks ahead.

The opening of the extension of the telecommunications building at the Mt Laura Homestead occurred on August 9th. This event was very well attended by the community to view the opening of the "PDG Jim Hewitson Memorial" by Lions Lady Aileen, overall the day was a great success.

Bob's Mitre 10 as you are aware was reopened and subsequently we are back there once a month with our BBQ's. The weekend we had in August was quiet although it is hoped this was due to the fact it was the weekend after the Show. Time will tell as to whether the BBQ's will be worth doing into the future. In the meanwhile it was decided at the last meeting that we will put the BBQ at Viscount Slim Woolworths on the backburner for the time being.

As indicated in this newsletter we have a number of events coming up. Next Friday September 4th is the BBQ for the Samaritan College junior sports day. This is conducted at Jubilee Park. On the Saturday we have the chip van at the Netball Grand finals. The Chipvan is also at the football grand final on September 12th at Bennett Oval.

If you are in a position to help out on those days please get in touch with Tony Treasure.

Just a reminder we have the Convention in Port Pirie on October 16,17 & 18, those wishing to attend should have been in contact with Steve Pearce by now.

A thought to finish on:-

"Do not argue with stupid people. They will drag you down to their level and then beat you with their experience" (Author unknown)

Cheers

Wayne

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We have some work that we would like complete at the Cubby over the coming period up to Christmas.

- Dig a trench at the rear of the Cubby to take the waste water from the sinks. We need to go down about 600mm and about the same across, fill with bricks/gravel and lay irrigation pipe on top, seal with iron then cover with 300mm of dirt after connection to the two outlets.
- Relocate the water tap to the front Cubby wall
- Level the floor of the eastern side lean-to with crusher dust and lay pavers (we may be able to get some second hand ones at a good price if we sort and collect them)
- Fit the roller door on the front of the lean-to
- Design and erect shelving inside of lean-to hold excess stuff
- Relocate all the yellow chairs from the Apex shed
- Pave the area around the toilet in the other lean-to

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Whyalla Show Dutch Shed

A big THANK YOU to all the people who helped out at the Dutch Shed this year. We turned over \$7,143, a great effort and slightly more than last year. We say it every year and it is quite true that we need a full club effort to man the Dutch Shed plus the Chipvan. Our decision not to man the Hot Dog van due to lack of numbers proved correct.

We were also supported by some younger people, namely the King boys, Luke and Matt. Of course Donnie was a big help even though he had bailed from Lions last year. We would really have struggled without the extra people. Another good show over for 12 months.

Rest up for next year!!

Graeme

Whyalla Show Chipvan

A Big THANK YOU to the Chippers and Do-nutters who soldiered on with only one Donut machine from early Saturday. The long shifts, easy banter and the camaraderie was worthwhile. The \$ 6,123 was down on last year but the loss of the donut machine would account for that. The new legs to the van fitted by Mick did the trick, Thanks. Tony

Events scheduled for September 2015

- Friday 4th Samaritan College BBQ, Malcolm Captain.
- Saturday 5th Whyalla Netball Association Grand Final
- Thursday/Friday 11th Team Logos at Bennett Oval
- Saturday 12th Whyalla Football League Grand Final, Chipvan, WFL to borrow the Hot Dog Van
- Thursday 17th Carols in the Park meeting
- Sat/Sun 26/27 Bob's BBQ team members Marshall, Fuller, King, Carpenter, D Clapp Captain.
- **A reminder that any Lions member that can't assist with the BBQ's Please organize a replacement and notify the Captain of the change.**

Coming up in October

- 16th to 18th District Convention at Port Pirie, a ROYAL Occasion, Steve has seven or eight people interested so please put your in registration forms and notify him of your acceptance for accommodation please.
- Commence Sleigh runs of Christmas cakes. Brian M will coordinate and will contact the two groups Whyadale and the Gymnastics' groups to run for us. We will require member's involvement to take control on some nights and to take on the Santa role. We could do four or five nights per week with a weekend afternoon to use Lions as the runners if that's what you want to do for the community.

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The caring grandfather

A woman in a supermarket is following a grandfather and his badly behaved 3 year old grandson.

It's obvious to her that he has his hands full with the child screaming for sweets in the sweets aisle, biscuits in the biscuit aisle and for fruit, cereals and coke in the other aisles.

Meanwhile granddad is working his way around, saying in controlled voice "Easy William, we won't be long... easy boy"

Another outburst, and she hears the Granddad calmly say "It's OK William, just a couple of more minutes and we'll be out of here, ...hang in there boy"

At the checkout, the little terror is throwing items out of the cart and Granddad says again in a controlled voice, "William, William relax buddy, don't get upset. We'll be home in five minutes. Stay cool William".

Very impressed the woman goes outside where the grandfather is loading his groceries and the boy into the car. She said to the elderly gentleman, "It's none of my business, but you were amazing in there. I don't know how you did it. The whole time you kept your composure and no matter how loud and disruptive he got, you just kept saying things would be OK. William is very lucky to have you as his Grandpa."

"Thanks" said the grandfather, "but I am William that little XXXd's name is Kevin"

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