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District Governor Lion Mavis Cooke

Invites you to Convention 2007

District Governor Lion Mavis Cooke invites you all to 105Ms 32nd District Convention.

Convention takes place at the Hinckley Island Hotel, Hinckley, Leicestershire from Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th March

Our International Guests include Past International Director Lion Ross Thorfinnson and his wife Lion Lydia from Minnisota USA.

DG Lion Mavis is acutely aware that may Lions think of Convention's as boring . This will not be so with

Convention 2007 .
In fact the instructions from our DG are,
Meet New Friends
Have Fun
Enjoy Yourself.

So come along to Convention, as the saying goes, you never know how good it is until you try it.

And by the way, how about trying "The Big One"?



FROM THE CUB REPORTER.

For the 28th Year Malcom Stent is making a two night appearance with all proceeds to Balsall Comon Lions Club to be used for their Lions charities.

Dates Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd March
Tickets £16:50 & £17:50 respectively.

Includes a meal and wine.

Contact Lion Brian Hornsby 01675 532793



News in brief

MD Website

Did you know that you can publicise your forthcoming events at www.lions105m.org.uk/events At the moment only two Clubs from M are listed.

Wellesbourne with the Raft Race and Shirley with their Fun Run. If you want other Clubs to support your events then use this facility.

You will see that throughout this edition of Midland News we have started to feature forthcoming events.

If you have an event you feel would interest other Clubs, or indeed have held a successful event and want to pass on the idea please let us know here at Midland News.

Calendars

Lion Alan James tells me he still has a number of Lions calendars left from this years order. Because of the popularity of the calendars last year, the production run was increased this year. Let's not let them go to waste, Lion Alan has reduced the cost and they are a great bargain so give him a ring on 0121 743 5041

Wellesbourne & District Raft Race

Once again Wellesbourne & District and Shakespeare Lions Clubs will be holding their annual Raft Race on June 24th 2007.

The main beneficiary this year is the Jennifer Trust for Spinal Muscular Atrophy.

SMA is a genetic neuromuscular condition. It causes muscle weakness and can cause respiratory and nutritional complications. 1 in 40 of the UK population are thought to be carriers of the gene that causes SMA.

The Mission of the Jennifer Trust for Spinal Muscular Atrophy (JTSMA) is to be there for everyone affected by or involved with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), providing support and information, and investing in research. The JTSMA is the only British



This could be you!
Is your Club up to entering a raft for 2007

organisation dedicated to providing support, care, information



For your Raft Race entry form go to :-

www.raftrace.org.uk

LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

If you would like to know more about the topics listed, workshops/information sessions are available for any group of Lions or individual Clubs within the district.

They are delivered to groups of 10-12, in a professional manner, by a team of qualified presenters.

- Action Planning
- Conflict Resolution
- Creative Thinking
- So You Want To Be a District Officer
- Leadership
- Managing Meetings
- Motivation of Clubs
- Presentation Skills *
- Public Speaking
- The Lions Structure
- Team Building

Each session is approximately 2 hours duration. However, * can be expanded to either 1/2 day or 2 full days, day 1 Utilising IT (Power Point) and day 2 (about 4 weeks later) allowing the opportunity to practice a short presentation.

If you have ideas for sessions you think would appeal please share them with us.

To register an interest contact: _
Lion Phil White 0121 785 0392
(evenings only) phil@whitehouse76.freeserve.co.uk

Lion Mike Barker 01922 456558
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Bedworth Lions Talk To The World



On January 13th (the birthday of Melvin Jones our founder)

Bedworth Lions Club once again
“Contacted The World”

Lion Brian Leathley–Andrew, a keen licensed radio amateur, applied for a special event call-sign. BG4BLC.

For the second year running,

Bedworth Lions Club invited members of the public to meet the Lions and to help put both the town of Bedworth and Bedworth Lions Club on the map world wide.

This was achieved by members of the public passing greetings messages to people all over the world via the amateur radio.

During last years event, all continents of the world were contacted.

This year is Bedworth Lions Club 30th charter year, so extra celebrations will take place.

The events are yet to be announced.

So Watch This Space

Drinks and Nibbles



The Leamington Spa Lions Club has sent over 3,000 invitations to it's Drinks, Nibbles and Information Evening on Thursday 15th February starting at 8pm at The Angel Hotel, Regent Street, Leamington Spa.

Lion Neil Chisholm said “It is impossible to cover the whole town, but even if you did not receive a personal invitation, you

will be more than welcome. It is a chance to see how the Lions make a difference.

If you would like to know more you can contact me on (01926 426438.)”

The club meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 8pm at The Angel Hotel.

Has your Club tried the “Drinks and Nibbles” membership scheme yet? Can you beat 3000 invites? Did it work for you? If you have tried it, let Midland News and the District know how it went.



Warwick Carnival 2007



Warwick Carnival this year will be on Saturday 30th June. Our procession will follow our usual route from the Warwick Racecourse starting at noon arriving at St. Nicholas Park about 1 pm. It is again being organised by Warwick Lions Club to raise money for our charities, the great majority of which is spent locally. The theme of the procession will be Feature Films. We are looking for floats and walking entries from local groups and trade organisations from the greater Warwick area.

Racing Club Warwick will again be hosting our Carnival Queen competition to select a Carnival Queen and Carnival Princesses.

There will also be a five a side football competition and a tug of war competition for pub teams.

Adult admission to the arena in St. Nicholas Park will be by programme and we are planning an exciting series of events there. There will be food stalls and charity stalls beside the arena.

We are looking for sponsors, stall holders, floats, prizes for the children and adults on the winning floats, five-a-side teams, pub tug-of-war teams, advertisers for the programme and plenty of spectators. For more information contact warwickcarnival@aol.com.

We hope everyone will help us to make this a Carnival to remember.

60s NIGHT



Come, enjoy and dance to an evening of music from the 50's, 60's and 70's provided by Mike and Suzi Sheridan.

at

**St Peters Church Hall, Holly Lane
Saturday 12 May 2007**

Tickets £10 each, including Light Supper & Bar

***For tickets phone Lion David Sargent :
01676 534837***

Balsall Common Lions

**Two fish in a tank.
One say's to the other
I'll man the guns, you drive.**

A woman has the last word in an argument.
Anything a man says after that is the beginning of the next argument.

Things You Learn From Children

A 3 year olds voice is louder than 200 adults in a crowded restaurant.

When you hear the toilet flush and the words "uh oh" it's already to late.

If you hook a dog leash over a ceiling fan, the motor is not strong enough to rotate a 3st boy wearing Batman underwear and a Superman cape.
It is strong enough, however, if tied to a paint can to spread paint on all four walls of a large room.



That's telling em

I ate three cloves of garlic before the show:
Check the tamers expression when he puts his
head in my mouth