

LIONS DISTRICT 105M

CABINET REPORT



Name Heather Hill
Office Region 2 Membership Officer
Date 27th October 2008



DECISIONS REQUIRED

None

JUSTIFICATION FOR DECISION

None

ACTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT

1. Had arranged to attend Sutton Coldfield Club with Zone Chair Pauline Hoogerwerf, but the date was not convenient because of Castle Bromwich club drinks and nibbles. However, two new members were inducted.
2. Telephoned the president of Erdington Club but cannot get hold of him – left several messages for him to return my call, but he has not.
3. Advised that all other clubs in the region are either being managed by specific people or the Region Chairman, or are in healthy position.
4. Rob had telephone call from someone requesting assistance with drinks and nibbles, but person did not advise which club he was from. I will telephone him and make arrangements to see him if appropriate or pass him on to another region.

OBJECTIVES

1. To liaise with Zone Chair and Region Chairman and to assist where required in order to grow membership within the region.
2. To attend MERL meetings with the same objective.

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CABINET REPORT



Name Lion Bill Ranautta
Office District Membership Chairman Region 3
Date 20 October 2008



DECISIONS REQUIRED

None

JUSTIFICATION FOR DECISION

N/A

ACTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT

Alcester Lions Club

At the last meeting held on 25th September, it was decided that the next meeting should be held in January 2009 as some of the prospective members were engaged in other projects for the forthcoming festive season. So during this period we have to prepare for another drinks and nibbles evening to be scheduled for February/March next year. For this we need to have the yellow cards printed by the January meeting. These cards are to be distributed in the part of the area of Alcester town which was not covered during the last drop and the surrounding villages.

Coventry Lions Club

The progress is still in the pipeline of very early stages as we are still trying to find prospective members.

In due course I intend to write to all the Clubs in Region 3 which have with less than 20 members to encourage and assist them to increase membership with the cooperation of Zone Chairperson and Regional Chairman

OBJECTIVES

1. To form Alcester Lions Club.
2. Provide assistance in reforming Coventry Lions Club
3. Most of the Clubs with less than 20 members fall in region 3. I intend to get in touch with all these Clubs to encourage and provide assistance for further membership recruitment.

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CABINET REPORT



Name Phil White
Office Leadership Development Officer
Date 22 October 2008



DECISIONS REQUIRED

None

JUSTIFICATION FOR DECISION(S)

N/A

ACTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT

The new projector screen has been purchased and is available for use.

On 11 September, I attended a training course and was successful in becoming a Certified Guiding Lion.

On the morning of 12 October, I attended a MD faculty meeting to finalise arrangements for the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute in January 2009.

On the afternoon of 12 October, I attended Autumn Forum.

On the 14 October Lion Mike Barker and I travelled to the new Thurnby Lions Club to deliver a New Members presentation. Attendance was disappointing but those that did attend showed a lot of interest and asked meaningful questions. Thank you to Lion Mike for his assistance on the night. In response to feedback, the presentation has been shortened. Thank you to PDG Lion Heather Lee, who worked with me to redesign the presentation and make it slicker.

The updating of the members handbook is still ongoing. Thank you to Lion Ann Pemberton for her assistance with the word processing.

Job descriptions have been produced for DG, 1st VDG and 2nd VDG.

I will be unable to attend the Cabinet meeting because I will be participating in a Lions Leadership Institute in Brussels between 13th & 17th November.

OBJECTIVES

To promote the range of workshops/seminars available and encourage ideas for new ones.

To promote Lions Leadership Institutes

To provide information/training as required

To deliver a minimum of one of the offered workshops during this year

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CABINET REPORT



Name Mavis Cooke
Office Almoner
Date November 2008



DECISIONS REQUIRED

None

JUSTIFICATION FOR DECISION

None

ACTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT

OBJECTIVES

To encourage us all to remember that "Lions Caring About People" includes our fellow Lions and their families.

LIONS DISTRICT 105M CABINET REPORT



Name Douglas Cross
Office MERL Chairman
Date September 7th 2008



DECISIONS REQUIRED NONE

JUSTIFICATION FOR DECISION N/A

ACTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT

The situation with general membership has not changed greatly.

DG Andy on his visits around the clubs continues to call for a PLUS ONE in the total membership of each club.

This is a small target and one which all clubs should & could meet.

This would be helped considerably if all Cabinet officers of all "types" were to carry the same message, particularly in their own clubs.

The overall numbers working on MERL membership which was low at the last meeting in now worse.

David Cox has resigned as Zone Chairman in Zone A
We do not have a Membership Officer in Region 1 at all
Yet this is the region with greatest possible membership growth.

If the MERL system is to work then the 9.30am Cabinet meeting must be for RC & ZC only plus the remaining MERL members, discussing membership.

At the last cabinet meeting this effort was completely diluted because the room was full of other Lions with other interests.

Alternately we must revert to MERL meetings including all RC & ZC's.

Will Clubs let me know when they carry out a card drop and what results they achieve

We are still a long way short of 1250 members, new clubs are a big step towards the numbers game, but only in areas where service is required.

Cabinet Officers can help to locate potential areas but seem very reluctant to do so.

I will again report across the 3 Regions in order to get a feed back on the Yellow Card situation and include updates on the proposed new clubs.

REGION 1

Zone A Codsall & Wolverhampton are weak in numbers are Yellow Card drops being
(6 Clubs) planned..
Did **Bilston & Willenhall** carry out their Yellow Card drop

Zone B Sandwell Club are pressing forward after a successful card drop.
(6 clubs) This Club should be ready for formation in the new year.
Bilston & Willenhall are continuing to act has Mother Club with Lion Stuart Richmond & Lion Jackie McGuirk acting as guiding Lions.

The **Nechells** project has been dropped, some members have joined Castle Bromwich & Chinatown
Edgbaston is a Club short of members and guidance, Harry Hunjan is assisting &
hopefully some Nechells members will join here.

I have not heard from Lion Suresh about the possible **Sparkbrook** club.

Zone C **Heart of England** club have had two meeting with a third on Nov 6th
(5) at Stonebridge GC..

REGION 2

Zone D ZC Lion Pauline inducted two new members at **Sutton Coldfield**
(6) but they seem to have lost contact with others from their D/N
I have made contact with Lion Martin Cook at **Erdington** and hope a daytime meeting can be arranged in the first place

Zone The **Alcester** Club has now delayed their next meeting till Jan due to village events, we may have to form a Club Branch here, poor support from other Zone Clubs

Zone F **Kidderminster** Yellow Card D/N was not a great success
Please remember **Teme Valley** still exists as a club with two members and We must discuss this.

REGION 3

Zone G The new **Coventry** Club is NOT being worked on at all, no positive action has
(7) taken place. The DG is going to discuss this with both clubs on his visit.
It is great pity that two of the strongest clubs in the District will not work together
to try & form a normal club in the second largest City in 105M.

Hinckley & B should be carrying out a Yellow Card but do not seem interested.

Zone H **Northampton** are about to have a Yellow Card drop so connecting it to their
(6+1) Christmas programme. **Rushden** require a YC drop,
Wellingborough have just had D/N what were the results.
DG has recently visited **Chinatown** we still have the problem they meet in MK but are
now working with local clubs.

Brixworth CB are low in membership and do not appear to be increasing.

Zone I Now we have a ZC in this Zone can an effort be made to get Clubs to use yellow (7+1) card system. Certainly **Lutterworth & Rowell** urgently want new members.
Market Harbough CB is still very slow in building up numbers
Thurnby disappointing, to read Phil White report about turn out at a new club.

BUT the most important point of building club membership is to **keep the ones you have**, make sure they all have jobs, and keep everyone busy.

The MERL committee will assist financially any club planning a Yellow Card drop but remember we only have a limited amount of money available.

Phil White is controlling Leadership and will report separately, but new clubs and rebuilt clubs would benefit from a detailed presentation by Phil.

REMEMBER YOU MUST NOT LOSE WHAT YOU GAINED LAST YEAR.

Doug Cross 26th October 2008.