



**DISTRICT A-15 LIONS CLUBS**  
**THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS**  
**Spring A-15 Cabinet Meeting Agenda**  
**Lions year 2021 - 2022**  
**7:00 PM TUESDAY, JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**  
**ROCKTON LIONS CLUB**

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1. Welcome – DG Harvey Wood
2. Protocol
3. Call to Order
4. O Canada
5. Moment of Silence
6. District Governor’s Remarks
7. Additions to the Agenda and approval thereof
8. Approval of the last Cabinet Meeting Minutes from Convention April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
(<http://a15lions.org/pages/Main/HomePage> )
9. Matters Arising From
  - 9.1 Secretary’s Report – Motion required to receive
  - 9.2 Treasurer’s Report – Motion required to receive
  - 9.3 Cabinet Reports – Motion required to accept
10. Committee Reports
  - 10.1. LCIF campaign 100 update - Peter Oswald
  - 10.2. Gift of Life - Jessica Bailey
  - 10.3. Convention Committee Report – PDDG George Patton
11. Old Business
  - 11.1. Accessibility Awareness – IPDG Georg Corrin
12. New Business
  - 12.1 Membership Chair – PDG Denis Vinette
  - 12.3 GST Coordinator - PDG Nancy Ransom – Presentation of service awards Plaques
  - 12.3 2023 Convention Committee – PDG Doug Smith
  - 12.4 Convention Funds – Cabinet Treasurer – Linda Vinette
  - 12.5 Signing Authorities – Cabinet Treasurer – Linda Vinette
13. Upcoming Events from the District
14. For the Good of Lionism
15. Next Cabinet Meeting

16. The meeting is adjourned

**District Reports to Cabinet**  
**Cabinet Meeting June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
**Rockton Lions Club**

**VDG 1 – LION TONY DAVIDSON**

Report to Cabinet June 2022

I would like to thank the District Lions who elected me to the position as Governor elect at the Convention in April. I have had the support of several PDGs, as well as the St George Lions through my journey to become Governor of District A15.

I am very proud to have worked with Governor Harvey and his team to accomplish the many goals he put forward when he became Governor. With the mandate we had to follow due to Covid, not being able to visit all the Clubs Harvey could not accomplish all District Goals. I will be carrying those Goals into 2022-2023.

Some of the Goals being carried forward are, reporting of service, increased membership and LCIF donations.

I have attended all the MDA training in person this year and the LCI training has been on Zoom. I look forward to meeting my LCI Zoom team in Montreal in June. We have training in Montreal for a few days before the Convention begins.

There is a great team of Lions who have taken on positions to make District A15 the best District in 2022-2023 Lions Year. I thank all those who have put their names forward. Unfortunately, we do not have a full slate of officers at this time for next year as no one has stepped forward to be Zone Chair in 37 West. The position of LCIF chair, and District Administer also sit vacant.

Peter Oswald has been a tremendous advocate for LCIF Campaign 100, a position he has held for the full campaign. Peter asked me to find someone to fill the LCIF position and I want to honour his request.

A tremendous opportunity exists for Lions either at Club level or stepping beyond the Club.

Together we Can

DGE Tony Davidson

## **VDG 2 – LION GARRY RANSOM**

### SVDG Cabinet Report June 2022

This year was an interesting year as the year started with a lessening of Covid restrictions to an increase of restrictions after Christmas to now hopefully nearing the end of Covid restrictions. Club visits were done in person and virtually.

I also participated in the Multiple District SVDG training held by Zoom in May.

I participated in the Leadership team made up of GLT Jim Sanders, PDG Diane Smith, Zone Chair Bill Robinson and Zone Chair Lisa Vissar. We held 2 President's workshops, 1 Zone Chair workshop, 1 membership chair workshop, 4 webinars and 1 in person President/Secretary workshop this year. There is a virtual President/Secretary workshop planned for June 9<sup>th</sup>. With the approval of DGE Tony Davidson, we also developed a District leadership action plan for the Lions year 2022-23.

Respectively submitted

Garry Ransom  
SVDG District A15

**May 8, 2022**

## Zone Chair 9 East Cabinet Report

My Fellow Lions and Leo's

This is my final report as Zone Chair for 9 East. I started out with a lot of enthusiasm and was really looking forward to the year.

I have tried unsuccessfully to visit all of the clubs and to the clubs that I did visit, I say thank you. Thank you to the Clubs who donated in my name to Lions Homes for Deaf.

I will be attending the Celebration of Life for PCC John Stephens and look forward to attending the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Rockwood Club.

I will be attending the Celebration of Life for Lioness Doris Enns,

I did attend the District A 15 Convention and thoroughly enjoyed it. I will be attending the M D A Convention as well.

It has been fun and I wish my successor all the Best.

Kindness Matters

Lion Janet Dawson Brock

## ZONE CHAIR 37S – LION LISA VISSER

As Zone Chair for 37S I would like to thank all our clubs. Getting to visit all our clubs was a true honor. Every club was welcoming and very kind to share with me, in some cases a perfect stranger their successes and challenges over the last few years. Many of our clubs felt challenged with the virtual, unpersonal meetings and having to compete with other community groups to fundraise and preform safe service projects. However, ALL of our clubs had positive outlooks for their futures in Lionism in the coming years. Some Clubs had many successes with restrictions and "thinking outside of the box" doing whatever it took to serve their communities. Virtual online Auctions, porch bottle pick ups, contactless drop offs to people in need. Virtual visits to seniors in retirement homes not being able to see their families. Through all the unknown and challenges. Many OF OUR clubs managed to even recruit and induct new members into their clubs thus year!

Congratulations to all 37S members and I look forward to working with you all again in the 2022/2023 Lions Year.

Zone Chair 37 S. A15  
Lisa Visser

## **Zone Chair 51E**

Since the last cabinet meeting, we have had a successful in person convention where lots of fun and fellowship was had by all. It has been a busy time as of late, managing to squeeze in a couple of official visits. The first was the Fergus Lions Club, while visiting this active club I inducted 3 new members. The second was the Hillsburgh & District Lions, while visiting three members of the community were present to see what the Hillsburgh Lions were up to and by the end of the evening expressed interest to join the club to assist them in their efforts to serve the community. I was invited back to the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting to induct the new members. As the year ends for me as the Zone Chair 51E, I would like to thank DG Harv for allowing me the opportunity to represent the clubs of 51 East on Cabinet this year, it was a lot of fun.

In preparation for next year, I welcome Kevin March to the role of ZC51 and will be transitioning all the data and material I have accumulated this term to him. It should be a seamless transition and continuity of service should be able to be maintained during the change over. I will remain available to Kevin in my new position as Second Vice District Governor if he needs any assistance in his new role on cabinet.

Lion Bill Robinson

ZC51E

# LCIF Committee Chair

Report to Cabinet for June 14, 2022

District Governor Harvey, members of Cabinet and Lions of District A-15

Campaign 100 wraps up on June 30 at the International Convention in Montreal. Over the past 4 years as your LCIF District Coordinator, it has been amazing to see the strong commitment for your Foundation. Your support has made District A-15 one of the best Districts in Canada.

Thank you for all you have done! Here are some highlights:

**5 Model Clubs** (at least US \$500 per member). Marsville, Guelph, Cambridge Highlands, Stratford, Woodstock.

Marsville will be a 200% Model Club! Guelph is a Visionary Model Club at over 150%

**13 Maple Leaf Clubs** (At least CAD \$360 per member)

Ayr-North Dumfries, Cambridge Highlands, Copetown, Elmira, Elora, Guelph, Kitchener, Kitchener Waterloo Community Spirit, Marsville, St Jacobs, Stratford, West Coast, Woodstock,

Totals you have donated:

Year	Amount (all in USD)
pre-2019	\$ 13,413
2019	\$ 33,342
2020	\$ 44,613
2021	\$ 49,074
2022	\$ 42,949.
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$183,391</b>

I know of at least \$4,300 to be added to the total in June and there is likely more – your fundraising and support of LCIF and especially the Refugees & Displaces Persons fund to support the crisis in Ukraine has been phenomenal. Our total support has risen in each year of the Campaign. **I would love to see us TOP \$50,000 this year!**

## Here is how to DONATE

- Online at <https://lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca/>
- By Cheque to the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF and mail to  
**Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF**  
C/O Stan Durward  
Box 38  
Sunderland, ON L0C 1H0

THANK YOU to everyone that has supported our Foundation so vigorously. If anyone needs more information or assistance, please contact me at [lcif@a15lions.org](mailto:lcif@a15lions.org).



## REPORT TO CABINET ON THE 2022 A-15 CONVENTION

Governor Harvey and Members of Cabinet;

The 2022 A-15 convention was a mixed blessing. It represented the first time since 2019 that the Lions of the district were able to attend a convention in-person. It also demonstrated the lingering effects of the on-going pandemic.

Based on previous in-person conventions, it was anticipated that the convention would attract between 375 and 400 registrants. In fact, there were fewer than 200. Many Lions were not comfortable being in a congregate setting and the Omicron variant did not change this feeling. Although health officials had dropped most restrictions before the start of April, many Lions were being extra cautious, regardless of what health officials had proclaimed, in wanting to protect both themselves and their loved ones.

Also, the decision was made to 'live stream' both the opening ceremonies and the memorial service. This may have dissuaded some Lions from attending who otherwise might have felt an obligation to be there. This probably further reduced registrations, but it was felt that it was important to give as many Lions as possible a change to participate (even passively) in the convention. Unfortunately, I understand only about a dozen people took advantage of this.

As a result, the host committee saw registrations in the low 40% range of predictions. As well, the low participation in rooms booked caused the headquarters hotel invoked 'attrition' meaning that they charged for many things that otherwise would have been included in the initial contract. The results you can see in the attached financial reconciliation.

Those who did attend the convention, we believe, thoroughly enjoyed themselves and we received positive comments about the two-day format.

Many need to be thanked for their contribution to this convention:

Lion Jim Keron and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Garry Ransom for all their work making the live stream of convention events possible;

Lion PDG Denis Vinette for volunteering to organize the Parade of Banners;

Lion PDG Nancy Ransom for providing the flowers and vase for the Memorial Service;

All those who provided hospitality rooms;

And, of course, the members of the Oktoberfest Lions Club and, in particular, Lion Ray Derouin for handling registration.

Respectfully Submitted;

George Patton  
Host Convention Chair

**2022 CONVENTION**

**Convention Budget**

**Registration  
Income**

	COST	+ TAX	TOTAL	PROJECT ED NUMBER	GROSS TOTAL	ACTUA L NUMB ER	TOTAL
<b>Advance Registration</b>						Actual	
Registration for Lions	\$17.70	+HST	\$20.00	(300)	\$6,000.0 0	130	\$2,600.0 0
Registration for non-Lions	\$8.85	+HST	\$10.00	(45)	\$450.00	6	\$60.00
<b>Registration at Convention</b>					\$1,250.0 0		
Lions	\$22.12	+HST	\$25.00	(50)	\$1,250.0 0	32	\$800.00
Non-Lions	\$8.85	+HST	\$13.00	(6)	\$78.00	1	\$13.00
TOTAL REGISTRATI ON				401		169	
<b>Total Projected Registration Revenue</b>					\$7,778.0 0		\$3,473.0 0
<b>Convention Non-Registration Income</b>							
300 pins @\$6.00 ea. (\$1592.92 + HST)					\$1,800.0 0	83	\$498.00
50/50 draw					\$1,500.0 0		\$335.00
Convention Fund Levy (\$1.40 per member in A-15) [1324]					\$1,853.6 0		\$1,853.6 0
Convention Luncheon				100	\$5,000.0 0	45	\$2,250.0 0
<b>Total Other Income</b>					\$10,153. 60		\$4,936.6 0
<b>Total Income</b>					\$17,931. 60		\$8,409.6 0
<b>Expenses</b>							
	COST	+ TAX	GROSS TOTAL				ACTUAL COSTS
Function Room Costs	\$6,250.0 0	+HST	\$7,062. 50				\$8,669.9 3

VIP Dinner	\$600.00	+HST	\$678.00			\$418.20
Registration costs	\$500.00	+HST	\$565.00			\$661.12
300 Convention	\$1,087.0		\$1,228.			\$1,228.3
Pin Costs	0	+HST	31			1
	\$2,100.0		\$2,373.			\$2,415.8
Compulsory Costs	0	+HST	00			0
Convention			\$5,587.			\$2,514.5
Luncheon			84	100	45	3
Misc. Costs	\$500.00	+HST	\$565.00			\$82.98
<b>Total Projected Expenses</b>						\$18,059.65
						\$15,990.87
		Net				-
		Income/Loss				\$7,581.27
		ss				-\$128.05
		After HST recovery net				
		income/Loss				<b>-\$113.32</b>
						<b>-6,738.03</b>

Inventory remaining		Registration materials	Approx	\$200.00
		Convention pins		\$888.48
				<u>\$1,088.48</u>
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## **GMT COORDINATOR – PDG DENIS VINETTE**

District Governor Harvey and Members of Cabinet

June 14, 2022

Since my last report, I have displayed the New Member Recognition Wall at our Convention on April 9. As promised, each new member and sponsor will be provided with a personal recognition of their effort in increasing our membership this year.

In addition to the in-person “Introduction to the Global Membership Approach” (G.M.A.) session 3 provided at the convention, we held a repeat of the 3<sup>rd</sup> session “online” for those not in attendance at Convention. This was held on April 28, 2022. It was well attended and I was particularly pleased to see clubs with as many as 5 in attendance from a single club. The GMA is a team process and this goes a long way on building teamwork.

Since the convention, I have met with my successor and have offered her all of the information and material from the work done this year. I believe that we build on what comes before us and have offered the new Global Membership Chair my time and experience in making Membership one of our pillars of Success.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve in this capacity this year and I look forward to support our District this coming year.

Denis Vinette, GMT Coordinator,

2021-2022, District A15

June 14, 2022  
Global Leadership Team Report

Since the last cabinet meeting the leadership team has held a Club Presidents and Secretaries Workshop on May 15<sup>TH</sup>. Twelve Club Presidents and Club Secretaries joined members of the Leadership Team at Cambridge for a day-long training session. PDG Lion Len Day (District A12) opened the session emphasizing the importance of these two roles. PDG Lion Len also encouraged participants to take advantage of the training and District support available to them. The session used the membership portal on the Lions Clubs International website to explore MyLion, MyLCI, Learn, and Insights. We also reviewed the use of the district email system. The feedback from participants while highly positive also provided comments and recommendations for future sessions. We are encouraging all members to access the Learn module which provides tools to help them become better Lions

I have also included a District Leadership action plan for your review. It is an action plan for:

Zone Chair Succession  
Club Executive Training  
Zone Chair Training

This will be the Leadership plan that will be in place for the Lions year 2022-23. Please forward to me any comments or suggestions you may have.

I would like to recognize DG Harvey and cabinet for the privilege of serving as your GLT Chair. I look forward to serving in this important role in the year ahead. I would also like to recognize and thank the Leadership team Garry Ransom, Bill Robinson, Diane Smith, and Lisa Visser for their time and commitment to the Leadership portfolio.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Sanders



**Area of Focus**

<input type="checkbox"/> Service Activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leadership Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Custom Goal
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Campaign 100	

**Goal Statement**

To have all District Officers positions filled at the end of the District Convention. To have 75% committee chair filled at the end of the District Convention

Action Step	Responsible Party	Required Resources (team member, technology, funding, etc.)	Date to Begin	Due Date
Develop a database to record and identify potential district officers and committee chairs. Database maintained by the Secretary/Administrator	DG team and Secretary/Administrator	Shared Google Docs	7/1/22	7/30/22
Develop a procedure to communicate potential leaders' information to the Secretary/Administrator	DG team/Leadership Team/Secretary/Administrator		8/1/22	8/31/22
Train ZC to identify potential leaders	Leadership Team and ZCs		9/1/22	9/15/22
Review Data Base, select interview person and set interview schedule	DG team/ ZCs	Zoom	2/15/23	2/28/23
<b>Assessment</b>		<b>Alterations</b>		
The process should be assessed ongoing and change if required				



**Area of Focus**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Service Activities<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Membership Development | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leadership Development<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Campaign 100 | <input type="checkbox"/> Custom Goal |
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**Goal Statement**

50% of the District's club officers and all of the Zone Chairpersons will complete the club officer training courses on the Lions learning center by November 1, 2022. Complete 2 workshops for each Club Marketing Chairs, Membership chairs, Service chairs, Presidents and Secretaries.

Action Step	Responsible Party	Required Resources (team member, technology, funding, etc.)	Date to Begin	Due Date
Have an in-person President/Secretary workshop on the importance of MyLion, MyLCI, Insight, Learning and District email system. Evaluate in person workshop verses Zoom workshop	Leadership Team	Budget and facility,	5/1/22	5/30/22
Have Zoom President/Secretary workshop for those unable to attend the in person workshop, on the importance of MyLion, MyLCI, Insight, Learning and District email system. Evaluate in person workshop verses Zoom workshop	Leadership Team	Zoom	6/1/22	6/30/22
Develop a correspondence highlighting the goal and include it in the district's July and August newsletters.	Leadership Team	Instructions for how to access the Lions Learning Center, marketing Communications members	6/1/22	7/1/2022 and 8/1/2022
Email instructions to all clubs on how to access the Lions online Learning to all clubs and to all Secretaries and Presidents directly	Leadership Team	Email addresses of Club Presidents and Secretaries	7/1/22	7/15/22

Develop a person(s) to be responsible for any one-to-one training for accessing the membership portal.	Leadership team	Zoom	6/1/22	6/15/22
Verify who has taken the online courses and follow up with the ZCs to contact those that have not taken the course	GLT and SVDG	Club Presidents' phone numbers, instructions for how to access the Lions Learning Center	9/1/2022	9/30/2022
Develop a workshop for each Club Executive position. Workshop could be in the form of education, interactive workshops, training, webinars	Leadership team		7/1/22	9/1/22
Market the workshops to the clubs	Communication Chairperson	District Newsletter, Club executives' emails, Zone meetings	9/1/22	11/30/22
Hold all workshops and evaluate	Leadership team	Zoom	9/1/22	11/30/22
Develop a second set of workshops to be held in the New Year. Follow the best procedure for marketing and execution from previous experience.	Leadership team	Zoom	1/1/23	3/30/23
<b>Assessment</b>		<b>Alterations</b>		
Leadership team will be able to recommend methods to have 100% of all club executives take the Lions Learning courses next Lions year. Leadership team will be in the position by experience to recommend the best workshop training for future club executives				





**Area of Focus**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Service Activities     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leadership Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Custom Goal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Campaign 100                      |                                      |

**Goal Statement**

Zone Chairs – 100% of the Zone chairs are trained  
 Zone chairs contribute to the District operations and are a part of the District decision process

Action Step	Responsible Party	Required Resources (team member, technology, funding, etc.)	Date to Begin	Due Date
Appoint Leadership team led by the SVDGE and the GLT for 2022-23	SVDG and GLT		May 1, 2022. Immediately after District convention	May 15
Determine ZC training requirements and date for an in-person meeting.	Leadership team	Zoom	May 1, 2022	May 30, 2022
ZC training ZCs not at the in-person meeting to be trained by Zoom Allocate ZCs to GAT positions	Leadership team	Facility and budget Zoom	Before June 15	
Survey ZC training Review ZC training and suggested changes Determine if more training is required	Leadership team	Zoom	Immediately after Training	
Set bi-monthly schedule to meet with ZCs to review their activities, solve issues	SVDG	Zoom	July 1	July 30

and discuss District strategies				
Determine future ZC workshops and schedule	DG Team	Zoom	On going	April 30
<b>Assessment</b>		<b>Alterations</b>		

May 6, 2022

## **Peace Poster/Essay Report June Cabinet Report.**

My fellow Lions and Leo's

This will be my final report as the Peace Poster/Essay Chair for District A 15. I certainly have enjoyed my years as the Peace Poster /Essay Chair.

We have had some marvellous posters over the years and I want to thank all of the Club Chairs for working so hard to keep this program so Successful. We have had over 20 Peace Poster kits out to the clubs in a year. This past couple of years has been a little harder.

I am pleased to report that I will be the Chair for M.D.A again. I thank Council Chair Mark Kelso for asking me. We have had some success at the M D A level. Our Essay submission won for the World and attended the United Nations.

This year for the first time we have had a MERIT Award. Congratulations A 16

Come to the M D A Convention and meet Jadya Stickwood from A 16. She will receive her check and plaque.

Thank you to the Clubs who donated to the Peace Poster/Essay Contest at the District level and the M D A level. You know who you are.

I wish Lion Deb Nelligan all the best in her new role as Chair.

Kindness Matters

Lion Janet Dawson Brock

**LEO CLUB REPORT – A15  
Cabinet Meeting  
June 14, 2022  
Rockton**

District Governor Harvey, Cabinet Members and Lions:

On April 12<sup>th</sup>, I made a Leo Club presentation to the membership of the Brantford Lions Club.

Hopefully in the future, we will see some hard working and community minded youth in that area.

Sponsoring a Leo club gives Lions the opportunity to mentor and empower young leaders and foster a commitment of community service while energizing club members to stay involved.

As this concludes my final year at the helm of this Committee, I thank the past 3 Governors for their belief and dedication to this program.

Yours in service:

Lion OJ Wilura  
District LEO Chair.

## **Report to Cabinet**

June 14, 2022

### **Lions Quest Chair**

It has been a challenging year for Lions Quest in regard to donations. They are down this year compared to past, but the work continues. We continue to reach out to as many educators and community leaders to inform them of this program and that assistance is available from local Lions clubs through out the District, Province, and country. We will be producing Child ID kits to help raise funds for the program and encourage the clubs of A-15 to consider the Lions Quest Program as they do their budgets up for the upcoming Lions year. I have enjoyed my time as the Lions Quest Chair and have also enjoyed working with Joanne McQuiggan and the other Lions Quest Chairs across the country. I welcome Barb Melara as she continues in this role. I will be transitioning all the information I have accumulated to her in the very near future.

Lions Quest Chair

Lion Bill Robinson

**Lion DG Harvey & Members of Cabinet**

**Re: Constitution & By-laws Committee Report for the June 14th 2022 Cabinet Meeting**

As Chair of the captioned, we have no view nor recommendations to report at this meeting.

However, now that we have endured more than two years of impact by Covid epidemic and resultant need to find ways of conducting the business of Lions without meeting in person - it would be timely to approach updating our Constitution & By-laws for District A15, along with Policy and Procedures Manual. There should be abundant examples adopted by LCI for consideration/adopting and incorporating into our doing the business of A15 Lions.

Such undertaking would doubtless benefit from adding committee members to effectively form a committee under this chair position, if not permanently, perhaps for Lions year 2022/2023. Such committee could then convene with LCI hard copy & A15 current hard copy to affect the procedure at one or more 'in person' meetings to ultimately produce new 'draft' for consideration of Cabinet, in due course. (Not a one-person task!)

We suggest that DG Elect give serious consideration to his appointment of Chair of this Committee for 2022/2023, and then allow that appointee considerable influence in choosing knowledgeable Lions as new committee members.

The process could prove onerous and time consuming, as well as worthy of having a budget approved for 2 or 3 lengthy meetings with cost of printing and perhaps meals and milage. Meeting location could also be in need of good internet access and access to a printer.

Respectfully submitted, May 13/2022.

Lion PCC Bill Carson

Chair of Constitution & By-laws

## **A-15 Historian Report for June 14 2022 Cabinet Meeting**

I continue to collect pins and stories; and wish to thank those Clubs who have shared their past history and service.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve, and best wishes for a happy and safe summer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Nancy Ransom, A-15 Historian

## **GIFT OF LIFE REPORT - CHAIR LION JESSICA BAILEY**

As the next meeting is in person, I am going to decline to join it. I am still very protective of Covid as I am immune compromised.

If someone can virtually join me into the meeting, I would join that way.

My update is: I just sent out another email gift of life survey for members to sign up. I received 9 new submissions. I will hopefully receive more, as it was just yesterday.

It seems every time I send out an email "blast" about the survey. I receive more people's submissions. I do want to congratulate Stratford Lions Club, as all their members have completed the survey.

I am checking into the production of the patches as the lady had machine issues. If I feel it is not going to happen with her making them. I will let you know and research someone else.

I am wondering if it would be a good idea for each club to have a Gift of Life representative that can communicate with me.

It seems like we need to connect more to the club level than the district email level. People's thoughts?

District Governor Harvey Wood

This is a request from the Multiple District A Lions Home for the Deaf People

LHDP have taken on a new project that will be completed in the 2022-23 lion's year. We are partnering with Sensity Deafblind and Sensory Support Network of Canada to build a new modular home. The cost will be \$100,000 that we will pay off next year.

Housing for people who are deafblind is the greatest challenge. Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services funds Intervenor Services for adults who are deafblind however housing supports are not included in the financial commitment.

Individuals receive fixed-income benefits through the Ontario Disability Support Program, which mandates their housing cost must stay within the allowable limits for accommodations. Approximately \$350 a month. Housing also needs to be accessible and safe to meet their unique needs. Finding accessible housing for \$350 a month in the current real estate market is a major challenge.

D.G Harvey Wood if the clubs of A15 would consider the POSTIVE impact they could have on remembering to budget as much as possible to continue supporting all the projects that the 10 districts have been doing for many years. It is possible that some clubs need to be reminded that we as Lions years ago identified several charities' that are supported with all 500 clubs within our Multiple – A. There request is that we help them with their desire to pay off the first 100.000 dollars next year. Soon the Lions Home for the Deafblind People (LHDP) is hoping to sponsor up to 3 more of this modular expansion. If the club secretaries could review page 112 of this years District Directories for additional information.

I have attached a link for any club that would want to invite the Canadian Hearing society to a club meeting to better keep their members informed of hearing learning opportunities to our membership "Canadian Hearing Services [info@chs.ca](mailto:info@chs.ca)"

Respectfully submitted

PDG A15 Hearing Chair George Corrin



May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## **Accessibility Report for MD-A15**

District Governor Harvey Wood

This is the final report for the Accessibility Committee for the Lions Year 2021 / 2022

The accessibility survey was sent out to all the clubs email address. We will re-send out this fillable survey that would certainly assist the team at MDA to establish, what type of information is needed to collect and distribute. The information that is provided will benefit both club members and the community they serve.

Helen Keller was an advocate for more than individuals that were blind or deaf, she was instrumental in helping the general population to understand, people with disabilities are also people, who want to or have a desire to participate in community activities. Why does a person with a visible or invisible disability need to work extra hard to be treated equally? The Lions of A15 in the province of Ontario (MDA) are in a position to develop their plan, to remove as many barriers as possible that currently restrict an individual from holistically participating in being a contributing member of our community.

Bob Dylan composed "Blowing in the wind", I recommend to our members to listen to this song as a passive reminder of how precious life is.

It's a coincidence that Helen Keller spoke in 1925 and one hundred years later her words are being said again. This time under the watchful eye of the leaders of our province. (AODA) legislation Below is a link to a written document,

<https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/read/35893787/read-helen-kellers-speech-to-lions-1925>

Respectfully submitted

George Corrin

## Childhood Cancer Report

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District A-15 Childhood Cancer Chair

In January 2022, I introduced myself to all the clubs in District A-15 through an email to all the District secretaries. In the email I asked each club to send me information about what they were doing to support families or organizations working to improve outcomes for children with cancer. Each club was also offered resources on how they could support Childhood Cancer.

Six clubs acknowledged receipt of the email. Four clubs reported back in some way.

- Ingersoll Lions sent information about a woman they were involved with that was riding in the Great Cycle Challenge, a fundraising initiative of Sick Kids Hospital.
- Guelph Lions had a speaker from Ronald McDonald House at a meeting, which I was fortunate to attend via Zoom. Meaghan Moore from RMHC – South Central Ontario spoke. The club made a \$1000.00 donation to her that night.
- Rockton Lions replied outlining a number of ways they have supported this cause. Two years ago a significant donation was made to the family of a 3 year old boy from Rockton who was fighting cancer. Their donation helped alleviate the huge financial strain the family was under as a result of his illness. In addition to this donation, the club donated \$2000.00 from a bottle drive to support McMaster Children's Hospital. This was also in support of a young Waterdown lad who, diagnosed with a brain tumour, was raising money through his own bottle drive for the hospital. And if this wasn't enough, Rockton Lions donated \$2000.00 to Hamilton's Cancer Assistance Program. CAP provides free services for people of all ages dealing with cancer. Support has also been given to Campfire Circle (formally Camp Trillium). So over the last two years Rockton has contributed in the neighbourhood of \$10,000 toward Childhood Cancer causes.
- St. George Lions donates \$1000.00 annually to the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. This donation is made in memory of Evan Leversage a young boy from St. George who lived with but lost his fight with a brain tumour in 2015.

I participated in Zoom meeting organized for all the Districts by Jamie Jones our MDA Childhood Cancer Chair. The purpose of the meeting was to inform about Campfire Circle and POGO. - Camp Trillium and Camp Ooch have now been renamed Campfire Circle and these are two camps for children living with a cancer diagnosis. Information about Open Houses being held at these two camps was sent out to each club on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

- A power point presentation was made by Lynn Wilson about POGO – Pediatric Oncology Group of Ontario. This is an organization which we are fortunate to have in

Ontario. It does not exist in any other province and is modeled on a program in Australia. POGO ensures equitable access to the best care and support available for any child in Ontario with a cancer diagnosis, no matter where they live. PDG Jamie Jones is interested in forming a partnership between Lions and POGO called “Linked for Life” similar to the one that exists between Lions and the Dog Guides.

### Ways to Support Children with a Cancer Diagnosis

The aim of the Childhood Cancer focus is: Improving the quality of life for children receiving treatment and their families.

There are a number of organizations that work towards improving the lives of children and their families as they journey through their battle with cancer. A financial donation, of course would be most appreciated by any of these organizations. There are also other, more hands on projects, clubs could undertake. These include gifting new items to the Children’s Hospitals or Ronald McDonald Houses. I have compiled a list of organizations below and contact information or websites you can explore for ideas of projects. Please also, consider inviting a speaker to attend your meeting.

**McMaster Children’s Hospital** – These websites outline many ways to help the Hospital and Hamilton’s Ronald McDonald House. They vary from financial donations to craft and game supplies to providing meals.

<https://www.hamiltonhealthsciences.ca/about-us/ways-to-give/child-life/>

### **Ronald McDonald House South Central Ontario**

**(Hamilton)** <https://www.gifthero.com/list/b9efead7-b4a9-45ba-834b-6d6fabd282f0?page=1&orderBy=sequence&sortDirection=desc>

**London Children’s Hospital** – Contact: Jennifer Baxter – 519-671-6512 I spoke to Jennifer on the phone. The following are a list of things they could use. Please note food is not being accepted. The donations must be new items and will be quarantined for a time.

- Needs: - Materials to decorate doors - Construction paper (in holiday colours: eg. red, white (for all holidays) and pink for Valentines, greens for St. Patrick’s Day) - Glue
- Tape
  - Paint
  - Sparkles
  - Pipe cleaners

- Scissors
- Pom poms

- Craft kits – beads, drawing, etc.
- Comfort kits – bean bags that can be warmed or cooled for the patients (must be scent free), kids non slip/skid socks, cozy blanket, small stuffed toy

The McMaster list has lots of good ideas as well. It is attached in a separate PDF

document. **Ronald McDonald House South Western Ontario (London**

**Area):** [https://www.rmhc-swo.ca/how-you-can-help/ways-you-can-help/donate-](https://www.rmhc-swo.ca/how-you-can-help/ways-you-can-help/donate-wishlist-items)

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**Campfire Circle** – This is the new name for the combined camps of Camp Trillium and Camp Ooch, two organizations who provide a myriad of services to children living with cancer and their families. They operate in the hospitals, online and at the camps. The camps are located in Muskoka and Waterford. Check them out.

<https://campfirecircle.org/>

[1-888-464-6624](tel:1-888-464-6624)

[info@campfirecircle.org](mailto:info@campfirecircle.org)

**POGO – Pediatric Oncology Group of Ontario** : This might be a good source to explore a speaker for a meeting to bring awareness to your club about the impact childhood cancer has on families.

<https://www.pogo.ca/about-us/>

**Great Cycle Challenge –**

<https://greatcyclechallenge.ca/>

**Brain Tumour Research** - Evan Leversage was a young boy from St. George Ontario who lived with, yet lost his fight with his brain tumour in 2015. St. George Lions contributes financially, every year in his memory, to the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada.

<https://www.braintumour.ca/>

**Contact a hospice in your area and enquire about programs they run for children and their siblings and any supplies they might need.**



## District A-15 Lions Clubs Trust Accounts - Balance Sheet

### ASSETS

May 31 22

#### Chequing/Savings

Trust Sight Investment

5,523.38

Youth Exchange Imprest

33,718.41

Total - Youth

33,718.41

Kindred-Trust Account

9,729.53

#### Total Cash

48,971.32

Trf fm Admin for Interest Income on GIC & Acct

(120.30)

#### Total Cash and Receivable

48,851.02

Total Current Assets

48,851.02

#### TOTAL ASSETS

48,851.02

### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

#### Liabilities

##### Current Liabilities

Camp Huronda

-

Camp Dorset

-

Camp Joe

-

Centennial Project

1,820.20

Cultural Festival

217.11

Effective Speaking Contra Acct

2,986.13

Hearing Equipment

803.07

Hearing Conservation

1,000.00

LFC Dog Guides

-

LCIF- Disaster Relief( Gov Choice)

-

LCIF- Campagne 100

-

Diabetes Canada

-

##### Lions Foundation of Canada

Leash Free Park

1,604.86

Total Lions Foundation of Canada

1,604.86

LIONS Quest Contra Account

1,350.00

LIONS Quest Canada

-

Peace Poster

749.82

Peace Poster MDA

-

Reading Action

6.12

Vision Screening

3,845.30

Youth Camp / Y. Ex. Contra Acct

26,202.37

#### Total Current Liabilities

40,584.98

##### Long Term Liabilities

Youth Camp Capital

8,266.04

#### Total Long Term Liabilities

8,266.04

#### Total Liabilities

48,851.02

#### TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

48,851.02



# District A-15 Lions Clubs

## Administration Account - Balance Sheet

As at May 31, 2022

### ASSETS

#### CIBC

CIBC - Investments -

#### Kindred

Kindred Emergency Fund Cash 24,886.49

Kindred Cash 43,959.40

Total Cash in Kindred 68,845.89

Shares in Kindred 25.00

Total Cash 68,870.89

District Dues Receivable -

Total Chequing/Savings 68,870.89

Total Current Assets 68,870.89

**TOTAL ASSETS 68,870.89**

### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

#### Liabilities

##### Current Liabilities

MDA Dues Payable

Other Current Liabilities Accrual

Centennial Project Fund 1,000.00

Convention Fund 1,941.01

DGE Partner Travel 4,040.87

Total Other Current Liabilities 6,981.88

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##### Long Term Liabilities

International Director - Contra 7,799.50

New Club Assessment - Contra 1,870.56

Total Long Term Liabilities 9,670.06

**Total Liabilities 16,651.94**

#### Equity

Emergency Reserve Fund 23,000.00

Dues Rebate 2020 (4,556.40)

Retained Earnings 22,463.79

Net Income 11,311.56

**Total Equity 52,218.95**

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 68,870.89**



# District A-15 Lions Clubs

Profit & Loss - Budget vs. Actual

Administration Account - July 2021 - May 31 2022

	Actual	Budget	Over/(Under Budget)
<b>Income</b>			
Advertising	0.00	300.00	-300.00
District Directory	0.00	200.00	-200.00
		0.00	0.00
Dues -	11199.97	11254.00	-54.03
<b>Total District Dues</b>	<b>11199.97</b>	<b>11254.00</b>	<b>-54.03</b>
Interest Earned	70.39	120.00	-49.61
Leadership Seminar Income	1082.10	1375.00	-292.90
GAT Grants from MDA & LCI	1954.14		1954.14
Convention Levy	1853.60	1853.60	0.00
New Club Assessment Fund	1986.00	1986.00	0.00
International Director Fund	331.00	331.00	0.00
Membership Assessment	1986.00	1986.00	0.00
Pin Sales	225.00	500.00	-275.00
Pin Sales Patti Hill	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Return Cheque Charges	0.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>20688.20</b>	<b>20005.60</b>	<b>682.60</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>20688.20</b>	<b>20005.60</b>	<b>682.60</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>Awards</b>			
Awards - Cabinet	0.00	400.00	-400.00
Awards - Other Accrual	0.00	600.00	-600.00
<b>Total Awards</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1000.00</b>	<b>-1000.00</b>
Badges & Patches	382.68	1000.00	-617.32
Bank Charges	12.07	200.00	-187.93
Cabinet Expense	39.01	1120.00	-1080.99
Convention Expense	2353.64	1853.60	500.04
District Chair Expense	50.00		50.00
Comm Chair	1550.00	1750.00	-200.00
District Chair - Other	73.07	300.00	-226.93
<b>Total District Chair Expense</b>	<b>1623.07</b>	<b>2050.00</b>	<b>-426.93</b>
District Directories	1550.04	3500.00	-1949.96
Global Action Team	422.61	1986.00	-1563.39
Internet	319.97	175.00	144.97
Leadership Seminar	0.00	1375.00	-1375.00
Leadership Institutes	0.00	150.00	-150.00
Pins Purchased + Patti Hill Pins	1281.42	1630.00	-348.58
Postage & Telephone	122.65	200.00	-77.35
Printing & Stationery	345.11	300.00	45.11
New Club Assessment Fund	448.36	1986.00	-1537.64
Trf of International Director fund	0.00	331.00	-331.00
Zoom Licence fee	426.01	349.00	77.01
USA / Canada Forum	0.00	800.00	-800.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>9376.64</b>	<b>20005.60</b>	<b>-10678.96</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>11311.56</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>11361.56</b>
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