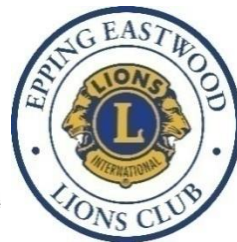




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President's Report - Marilyn Latham

Another Lions year has passed – and this month we meet to celebrate Epping Eastwood's 63rd Annual Changeover. It has been an incredible two years and indeed an honour to serve as Club President through very difficult times. We have had to endure the drought and floods, fires and Covid, but we remained strong and resilient through it all and discovered other ways we could continue to serve our community and beyond!

Congratulations to all members for your great new ideas, your wonderful hearts and giving natures and accepting the invitation to all those on-line meetings and dinners! It kept our Club together and we can now put *all* the plans into action!

Please read and enjoy the Monthly run down in this wonderful publication to see just how busy we have been this year. Thank you to those who support us and partner with us.

It is now time to pass the baton and give the opportunity and honour of Presidency to Lion Rosemary Sheather. I thank the outgoing Board for their tremendous support and wish Rosemary and the incoming Board continued success.

Epping Eastwood can only get bigger and better! Let's invite more people to join us so that they too can experience the joy of serving with our wonderful Club.

"Be the reason someone smiles today"

Yours in Lionism always, Marilyn



Upcoming Events

Our Club Monthly Dinner Meetings

(every 3rd Wednesday of each month)

ERNA Netball BBQ Season
Continues

Meals on Wheels Roster

Please pick up the meals no later than 11 am

June 19	Paul Partington
June 26	Jungsun Kim
July 3	Rosemary Sheather
July 10	Michael Ho
July 17	Lynn Campbell
July 24	Mo Chamanpara
July 31	Jessica Siviz
Aug 7	Marco Sigismondi
Aug 14	Kerry Ferguson
Aug 21	Ian Partington
Aug 28	Mike Bills
Sep 4	Rod Dinnell

**Please swap your day if you cannot do your roster.
Let Charles know who is taking your place.**

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Lions Club of Epping Eastwood Inc.

The Bob Allen Award (Epping-Eastwood Lions Club Award)

Robert (Bob) Bruce Allen served as a Lion in the community for 54 years until his retirement in 2012. Bob held a number of different positions on the Board of the Epping Eastwood Lions Club. This award recognises the contributions Bob made during his long and inspiring service to Lions.

Purpose of the Award:

To recognise the outstanding contribution made by an individual member of the Lions Club of Epping Eastwood in the promotion and advancement of the Purposes of the Lions Organisation.

Last year's (2019-2020) winner of this exceptional award was our Member Lion Ann Paterson.

Review of Epping Eastwood Lions Club 2020 - 2021

July 2020



We started the new Lions Year (2020-2021) with our Changeover Dinner to install the new board by the District Governor Jon Copson. President Marilyn Latham was re-inducted as the Club President for another year and a number of the board members carried on with their positions. We welcomed a new member into our club, Lion Lesley McFarlane. Our very important Club Award, the Bob Allen Award, for Excellence in Lionism was presented to Lion Ann Paterson by Bob's wife, Yvonne Allen. The Harry Hession Bronze Honour Awards for Outstanding service were presented to Lion Mike Bills for his role as Club Treasurer, Lion Edwina Brown for her role as Club Secretary and Lynn Campbell for her role as Club Membership Chair. A Star Award and certificate was presented to our past member, Lion Peter Touzel for outstanding individual fundraising for our club.

August 2020



Unfortunately, the Lions BQQ at ERNA (Eastwood-Ryde Netball Association) was unable to be held due to covid-19 restrictions so a new project came to life in order to raise some money. Project Manager was past member Margaret Wright with Lion Dale Campbell making bird nesting boxes and Lion Mike Barnett busy constructing Rustic Decor Boxes. Food Collections for CCA was still continuing as well as helping them with the Wellbeing checks - weekly phone calls. Lions Lady Diane Webster was busy making library bags and a sewing workshop was held at Lion Marilyn Latham's house - preparing library bags for the 123 Read to Me Project in local schools. A workshop



was held at Lion Lynn Campbell's house where our members enjoyed the process of jam making. Woolworths, West Ryde, donated a \$100 dollar gift voucher to purchase sugar and fruit. Lion Ann Paterson continued to work on getting our website up and running and Lion Mike Bills undertook the task of getting a 'Square' Reader for the Club for people to tap and go with their cards. We welcomed our new member Mohammad (Mo) Chamanpara into our Club but he wanted to wait until our next face-to-face dinner meeting (October) to be inducted.

September 2020

About 270 individual items were sold (Bird Nesting boxes, Rustic Decor boxes and Jams & Preserves) and raised about \$3, 616. By the 14th of September we sold 112 jars of preserves and jams. Lion Sandy and Past Lion Margaret eventually worked out the most effective way to make homemade soap to sell. Our members were banding together to help our Recycling Project Chair Lion Kerry with the large number of stamps that needed to be trimmed and sorted. Bras, toiletries and spectacles were coming in by the boxload as well. The Youth of the Year Committee started preparations for the event held in February 2021. Members were signing up to be involved in the Lap the Map fundraiser to raise awareness of Type 2 Diabetes. Another library bag workshop was held at Lion Marilyn Latham's house.

October 2020

At the October Dinner Meeting, we inducted three new members into our Club: Lion Mo Chamanpara, Lion Jungsun Kim and Lion Marco Sigismondi who were all eager to become active members and join in with our many projects. Member PCC Warren and Lion Marilyn Latham attended the District Convention which was held at the end of the month. With limited numbers allowed to attend in person, many of our members attended online. A children's workshop was conducted at the Campbell's house to teach different skills such as building plant boxes and knot tying. Our Lions Lady Diane Webster was working hard to making lots of face masks to be sold to raise money. Jams & Preserves and Garden Decor Boxes were continued to be sold.



November 2020



Our Club contributed over 1415.8km for Lap the Map Australia. Our Members Mo, Marco, Jungsun, Lynn, Warren and Marilyn attended the New Member Orientation Forum. A number of our members put up their hand to help out at our Macquarie Centre stall selling jams &



preserves, Garden Decor boxes and Christmas Cakes. Due to Covid-19 our yearly Melbourne Cup function was held in two venues - Lion Dale & Lion Lynn Campbell's and Lion John and Lion Rosemary Sheather's homes. Our very own member Lion Mo won the Calcutta while proudly wearing his Lions Cap. He purchased a surfboard with his winnings and is learning to surf. Our Lions Members were buying food, store vouchers and gifts from the Wish List to contribute to the CCA Christmas Hampers.

December 2020 - January 2021



Saturday 5th December 2020 was our Club Christmas Party which was held at Lion Rod and Lions Lady Roselea Dinnell's home. The stall at Macquarie Centre continued.

Our fundraising efforts continued with the Jams & Preserves & the Décor boxes, especially as Christmas gifts as well as Lap the Map for Diabetes.

Service projects continued with the addition of our club being

recognised by many in the District for the distribution of Wash, Wipes and Dressings. Thank you to all members collecting stamps, other recyclables; and the food and books (Reading Action Project) we regularly deliver to CCA. The New Meals on Wheels Roster for 2021 started this month.

February 2021

The Youth of the Year Club Final was held on Wednesday 17 February 2021 at the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club. Six students from local school took part in the program. Sofia Guastini was the winner of the evening and went on to compete in the Area Final next month. Our first book stall was held at Past Lions Members Shane and Margaret Wright's house to sell books for a gold coin donation. A Club social was held by Lion John and Lion Rosemary Sheather to farewell two of our long serving members, Shane and Margaret Wright. Our First Bunnings BBQ raised \$1000 for the Australian Lions Children's Cancer Research Foundation. We received a thankyou letter from the CaringKids Charity for our generous donation. We were continuing to sell jams & preserves and Garden Decor Boxes.

March 2021



Our Club organised the Area Final this year which was held on Friday 12th March at the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club. Four students represented by our club and three others spoke about their chosen topics and answered impromptu questions. Lion Marilyn, Lion Edwina and Lion Jessica attended the District 201N5 Final Youth of



the Year at Wentley Leagues Club. Lion Mike Bills attended the Clean Up Australia Day at the Terry Creek Location. Our Club received a letter and patch from the International President Jung-Yul Choi for earning the Membership Satisfaction Award. This month we did our first Food Collection Project collecting groceries for CCA Eastwood, at the New IGA store at Midway Shops, Denistone. There was approximately a value of \$700.00 of goods.

April 2021

Our Club welcomed back one of our major fundraising projects, the ERNA BBQ Season. (YAY!!!) This was also the first test with the 'Square' Reader which was a fantastic success as many people didn't have cash. A lot of customers said that they missed us last year. Two of our members, Lion Mike Bills and Lion Paul Partington assisted the NSW Parliamentary Lions Club to raise funds for Women's Health Centres across NSW. A number of our Members went to the ANZAC Day Dawn Service at this year at Forest Park Epping. It was Environmental Awareness Month.



May 2021



ERNA BBQ Season continued this month with all hands-on deck and being as popular as ever. Member Lion Jacob Masina returned to Sydney to help us out at the BBQ. We have all missed him since he was successful in securing a position in the PM's Office in Canberra. Macquarie Centre provided all of the materials we needed to do a Gift-Wrapping Stall for Mother's Day. We raised about \$1500.00. The National Convention in Canberra was held this month. We received a letter from Canada. It was full of Canadian stamps to add to our stamp recycling project.



2020-2021 Photo Gallery





What a wonderful year
we have had. Great
work to all Club
Members.

Can't wait to see what
we achieve next year!

