

# District 105CW Extraordinary Convention Meeting

## Agenda - 23rd Sept 2018



1. Welcome & Introductions, Agenda Review
2. Background for the Event
3. Declaration of Attendance & Voting Delegates
4. Declaration of EXC Procedures
5. Resolution 1. Presentation of Proposed Constitution
6. Seconding for Adopting Proposed Constitution
7. Resolution 3. DG Team Elections 2019/2020
8. Nominations for DG
9. Candidate – Proposer & Presentation
10. Presentation on LCIF
11. Nominations for 1st VDG
12. Candidate 1 – Proposer & Presentation
13. Candidate 2 – Proposer & Presentation
14. Declaration of Voting Procedures
15. Presentation on Districts 105W & 103NIE Twinning
16. Presentation on North Sea Lions
17. Closing 1st Session Remarks
18. Lunch & Secret Ballot for DG & 1st VDG Positions & Constitution
19. Call to order, Agenda Review
20. Declaration of Constitution & DG Ballot
21. Presentation by DG Elect
22. Declaration of 1st VDG Ballot
23. Presentation by 1st VDG Elect
24. Nomination of Candidates for 2nd VDG 2019/2020
25. Candidate 1 – Proposer & Presentation
26. Candidate 2 – Proposer & Presentation
27. Candidate 3 – Proposer & Presentation
28. Candidate 4 – Proposer & Presentation
29. Declaration of Voting Procedures for Secret Ballot.
30. Presentation - Outline Plans for 105CW for 2019
31. Secret Ballot for 2nd VDG      Tea/Coffee Break
32. Call to Order
33. Resolution 2. on District Dues 2019/2020
34. District Dues Proposal, Presentation & Debate
35. Seconding Dues Resolution
36. Card vote on Dues Resolution
37. Declaration of Result for 2nd VDG
38. Presentation by 2nd VDG Elect
39. Question Answer Session.
40. Summary & Closing Remarks

**LION IAN GOTT**  
**LIONS CLUB OF CHIPPING SODBURY**



**My Life as a Lion**

I joined The Lions Club of Chipping Sodbury (it's between Bristol & Bath) in 1992 and have served in most of the club posts including President (three times), Secretary (twice), Treasurer (twice), Activities, Welfare, PR officer and Membership Director. I'm sometimes seen as a little blunt but I understand that we are all volunteers and "pussy footing" around and playing politics just isn't me. My District posts have been as Zone chairperson and PR officer. Since 2012, I have held multiple district posts initially as MD PR & Marketing Officer and now MD Communications Coordinator (with a portfolio covering The Lion magazine, Information Technology and Public Relations & Marketing).

I am a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and I have been presented with International President's Certificates of Appreciation by Joe Preston & Bob Corlew and The International President's Medal by Dr Jitsuhiro Yamada. I was involved in Europa forum in Birmingham and spent \$20,000 entrusted to me by the PR Manager of LCI on advertising at Birmingham Airport, the huge digital advertising board on the M5, Birmingham Metro & Mail and Saturday's daily Telegraph.

It was a brilliant experience going to the 100<sup>th</sup> International conventions in Chicago and again this year to Las Vegas. In June 2017 & June 2018 I attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG training weekends in Solihull.

**I Also Have Another Life!**

My career started as an engineer and I then moved in to sales and marketing. I moved to my first management role at the age of 28 and later became a senior manager in a £200 million plc. I ran the UK division for a number of years with a staff of 46 and a turnover of £18m and during this time I spent a year at Cranfield School of Management primarily learning how to manage change effectively. After that, I ran my own business working as a consultant helping businesses manage change, develop their business and to find growth. After four years on my own, I missed working with a team, so during the last part of my career, I went back to my roots and joined a brilliant family owned company as Product Manager. I was born in 1950 and have retired at the end of January this year, giving me more time to dedicate to this role.

**Levels of IT Skills**

In 1982 (36 years ago) I worked on the development of telemetry systems using the 'new' IBM PC as the master station. Since then my skills are as a user of a PC and I am proficient in using MS Office (complex spreadsheets, mail merge etc.).

**The Future**

Always focus on the future as you can't change the past. If elected, it will be a challenge to create a new district focusing on a bright future with new people with new ideas and new skills whilst retaining all the knowledge and experience. In the afternoon of the 23<sup>rd</sup> September there will be a session outlining the plans for the future giving all members a chance to comment and give input. If you are not represented DON'T complain afterwards.

Lion Ian Gott

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# Candidate for the posts of First and Second Vice District Governor

## LION BENJAMIN PULA MANLUCTAO LIONS CLUB OF ABERYSWTWYTH



Proposed by: **The Lions Club of Aberystwyth**

### **Background Information**

I am a lion born in Northern Philippines in August, 1949. I migrated to the UK on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April, 1975. I secured Permanent residence in 1979 and acquired British nationality in 1981. My life, I likened to the Lions Logo with the profile of two lion heads facing away from each other. For the last 17 years, I go back to my birthplace twice, three times, sometimes four times in a year; never forgetting where I came from and also always looking forward to a brighter future in this country.

**“Do all the good things you can, to all the people you can, in every way you can.”**

With this as my guiding principle, together with my contemporaries and friends in Northern Philippines, where it all began, we chartered Laoac United Lions Club on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November, 2009. The members of the new organization unanimously elected me as their Charter President, on the understanding that we all do it in turns. I was asked to stay on as President in the next Lions Year of July 2010 – 2011. On my second full year as President of the LULC, with our new found dedication and commitment, we were able to elevate the status of the Laoac United Lions Club as it was accorded a Club Excellence Award by the LCI. Consequently, I was also awarded the Club President Excellence Award.

During the Lion Year 2011-2012, I was invited by Aberystwyth Lions Club to give a presentation of projects we carry out in the Philippines, after which on the spot, I was asked to join as an Associate Member. During the LY 2013-2014, I was asked to become a full member of the Aberystwyth Lions Club. I then became an Associate member of Laoac United Lions Club in Northern Philippines.

During the LY 2014-2015, I was elected by Aberystwyth Lions Club as the clubs 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, assuming the Presidency the following year, 2015-2016. Under my leadership, Aberystwyth Lions Club was awarded the Club Excellence Award for the first time in its forty-years history. I was also given the Club President Excellence Award by the Lions Club International for the second time.

During the LY 2016 - 2017, I was appointed Zone A Chairperson by the then DG Godfrey Morris; was re-appointed Zone A Chairperson in 2017-2018 by PDG Steve Petty; and was asked by DG Sally Marsh to carry on as Zone A Chairperson this Lions Year 2018-2019.

### **DISTRICT, NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATIONS:**

Presentation at the **Synedd, Wales National Assembly, Cardiff** through the invitation of the International Lion Officer, PDG Laurence Pearce.

Participation at the **Palace of Westminster**, London, England upon the invitation of Lion International Officer Jacque Prebble.

Presentation at the **International Convention, Toronto, Canada**, upon the recommendation of then Council Chair Phil Robinson.

Co-Chair and made a presentation at the **Europa Forum**, National Exhibition Center.

### **AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS:**

**Melvin Jones Fellow** – International President Barry Palmer visited Manila.

**Lions Club International President's Leadership Award** from International President Robert 'Bob' Corlew.

**Club President Excellence Award** – LY 2012-2013

**Club President Excellence Award** – LY 2015-2016

**Club President 7 Keys to Success** - Given in March, 2016 by the International President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada, the only medal awarded during the LY 2015- 2016 to the District.

**District Governor's Certificate of Appreciation** from the then DG, Keith Wilding, June, 2016.

**LCI Membership Excellence** - 2009 -2010

**LCI Membership Excellence** 2011-2012

**Golden Membership Advancement** - Lions Club International.

### **FOR THE FUTURE:**

I strongly feel I have so much more to give to Lionism. My dreams and visions for our District can only be achieved by taking on positions of higher office so I now put myself forward for the position of either **Second or First Vice District Governor**.

I do believe, the framework of the LCI FORWARD plan must be vigorously implemented. Clubs must learn to expand their coverage of humanitarian services and support to where there is a need. There must be courage to search and find new frontiers for humanitarian service in Reaching for New Horizons. I have enjoyed thoroughly my club visits as 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG. My being in a remote area of Aberystwyth is not an obstacle in the performance of my responsibilities as a lion. Either you are a lion in mind and at heart or you are not a lion at all.

As to Membership, numbers should not be given precedence over quality. Quality attracts membership of equally good quality members, able to serve in unity and harmony. Membership united in friendship can change the world.

### **Lion BENJAMIN PULA MANLUCTAO**

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Lion Richard Williams- Curriculum Vitae

Candidate for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor



I am a member of Kidderminster & District Lions club, having previously been a member of Leominster Lions Club in District W. I have been a Lion for 25 years now, having started life as a Leo in Hereford Leo club.

I was Leo Club President twice and also District Leo President. I have previously been Club President three times; twice with Leominster Lions Club and once for Kidderminster & District Lions Club.

I am currently Zone Chairman in Zone E. I have also served as a MD Officer for Youth Exchange for eight years, firstly as MD105 Youth Exchange Outwards from 2005 to 2008 when Lions Youth Exchange Inwards & Outwards MD Posts were combined. I held the post for next three years. I was very proud during this time to receive two International Presidents leadership Medals, one in 2009-2010 presented by Lion International President Lion Eberhard J Wirfs, & by Lion International President Lion Wing- Tim Tam in 2011-2012.

It was a great pleasure to receive these Leadership Medals, but that is not why I am a Lion. One of the greatest pleasures during my time in Lions is the friends I have made, to be Chairman of International Youth Centre in Hereford 2006 and serving as staff at Youth Centre in Worcester in 2017.

We as Lions must support our Youth & we have some Excellent Youth Projects. But what I must thank Lions for most is through Leo's meeting the love of my life Lion Jackie Williams, who after 22years of Marriage I still love, - not sure if she says the same.

I live in North Herefordshire, which if common sense wins through will be roughly the middle of the new District. I have served on Cabinet in Districts W & M. Our future as Lions is great, but we must stay positive & proud of what we do & not always what we could have done. Because if we stay positive it is only a matter of time before we achieve what we aimed at.

I am a Breeding Advisor for a Bovine Genetics company for 24yrs, having been brought up on a dairy farm, I call on Dairy farms in the area of the Midlands & All of Wales. Interests outside Lions is singing, having sung with Hereford Police Choir, once singing with Dame Shirley Bassey. I also have a small herd Of Brown Swiss cattle kept on a friend's farm in Wales. I am presently serving on the Brown Swiss Cattle Society Council.

I feel the time has come to run for Vice District Governor, with my Son Harry having recently turned 18 years old.

## **Lion David McKirdy**



I was inducted as a Lion at Hereford Lions Club in November 2000 transferring to Leominster Lions Club in 2003 on the occasion of my wife, Jenny, being inducted a Lion. Unfortunately, we could not keep the Leominster Club going and transferred to Black Mountains Lions Club in 2013 on the closure of the Leominster Club, I was President for the last 4 years. At the very end I was surprised but honoured to receive a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award from the Club.

2004 saw me being invited to become District 105W Cabinet Treasurer, a post which I held for 4 Lionistic Years. I was also GLT Co-Ordinator in 2013 and am currently the W CIO Mentor. At the Black Mountains Club I am the Treasurer and LCIF Co-Ordinator.

In 2017 I successfully applied for the post of Deputy Council Treasurer and have specific responsibility for the financial management of the newly formed Message in a Bottle Ltd. 2016 saw me able to combine my interest in Philately with Lions when I became International Secretary for Lions International Stamp Club, from this year the Secretarial role has been combined with Treasurer responsibilities. As a result of this International role I have been fortunate enough to attend a number of International Conventions.

Whilst, due to being an Accountant, my roles have primarily been financial I have a strong interest in the International work undergone by Lions. My first real introduction to this was in 2003 whilst working in Bosnia, this gave me the opportunity to see at first hand the excellent MD105 Gift for Living project in Sarajevo and was honoured to represent MD105 at the launch of the Bihac facility alongside the UK Ambassador who was representing DFID and its part in the project. This excellent work enabled by Lions of MD105 continues to be very emotional for me. It was this experience that resulted in a Canadian Lion friend inviting me to relate my personal experiences to the USA/Canada forum in Saskatoon, Canada.

I served 22 years in the Army completing my service in 1993 at Hereford which remains our home. Having qualified as a Management Account whilst serving I continued working as an Accountant in the Ministry of Defence until my retirement from work in 2017. Jenny and I were married in Deal, Kent, in 1985.



My name is Jaap de Jonge, I am standing for the Office of Second Vice District Governor

I joined Shirley Lions in Solihull in June 2012. It is a very dynamic club and soon I was swept up, joining a variety of committees. 2015-2016 I was Fundraising Chair, 2016-2017 Club President and currently for the Second year, Membership Officer.

I joined the 105M Cabinet in 2014 when I became editor of the District Newsletter. I developed the newsletter with new ideas and it became essential reading. I was editor for 3 years running. In 2015 I also became North Sea Lions (NSL) Officer for the District. NSL is a cooperation between 11 Districts from the UK, Netherlands, Germany and Denmark. I am currently the International NSL Chair. In 2017 I became Chair of 105M Zone C, also a function I currently fulfil. I supported the organisation of the 2015 MD convention when it was in Birmingham.

I have attended almost all District and MD conventions since I joined Lions and the 2 last International Conventions. I also started a personal fundraising tradition, by cycling home from MD Conventions, with the first from Manchester in 2014.

I was born in The Netherlands and after finishing my studies in the early 80's lived in a number of countries before settling in the UK in 1996. Since 2000 I run my own business which supplies ingredients and equipment to Artisan Cheese makers. I also run a few on-line shops where similar items are supplied to hobbyists. District W being an area full with cheese makers, it is well known to me.

I am married to Lion Claire, who supports whole heartedly my application for this position. We have 3 children and 2 grandchildren.

Lions is a great organisation that does a lot of excellent work for the community but also gives an added dimension to the enjoyment of life, because there is fun, we are almost 1.5 million Lions. Claire and I enjoy the multiple range of activities there are to take part in, whether it is a Charter, a litter pick or the Young Ambassador final. Never a dull moment. As NSL Officer and Zone Chair, but also on business trips abroad, I have visited many clubs. Whatever the differences, Service unites us all. You always feel at home straight away. My aim is to enthuse clubs. Membership is always an issue, but people love winners. Successful clubs will attract new people. More successful clubs translate in new members.

The New District is a great new opportunity to reenergise and I believe I have the energy and ideas to support the new DG and his team on this unchartered road. Members will not be disappointed if they choose me.

## Lion Ravinder Singh Sandhu



Following my tenure as President of Coventry Mercia Lions Club for two consecutive years (2016/17 and 2017/18) and Zone F Chairman (2017/18), I was honoured to have been appointed as Region 2 Chairman by the 105M District Governor, Lion Stewart Sherman-Kahn.

I moved to Coventry in 1968 at the age of 11 from India. After my GCE O levels, I completed the 4-year technical apprenticeship with a Ministry of Defense Company who also sponsored my higher education at Coventry University. In 1978, I became a Freeman of the City of Coventry and, after graduating with a degree in Mechanical Engineering, I married my wife Jas, Nurse Practitioner, and together we have raised three wonderful children. Two of them are professionally qualified and the third is studying at an Independent School. I am also the Director of a highly successful estate agency business which I founded in 1988 and I have strong connections within the local community and further afield. Regarding my personal interests, I have trained in body building and competed at a national level.

Prior to joining the Lions, I helped finance and build a village hospital in India. To this day, I remain an avid supporter of several charitable organisations including YFC Rurka Kalan Sports Academy (India), funding sport and education for 5,000 disadvantaged children. During my two years in office as Club President, I was invited to 10 Downing Street and Buckingham Palace, visited Chicago for the International Convention celebrating 100 years of Lionism. I also travelled to India to set up an eye camp in a remote village where over 300 under-privileged people were screened for eyesight problems, of which 52 required cataract operations.

The Coventry Mercia Lions Club also grew from strength to strength during my period in office, raising over £22,000 to help local, national and international charities which included donations to a special school for partially sighted and blind children in Zambia, Coundon Care at Allesley Park in Coventry, the Lady Godiva Trust and the Lord Mayors' local charities. I was awarded the MJF in 2017 and recently revived the Nuneaton Lions Club which, despite a fifty-year history, was facing imminent closure having no members. I was presented with a District Governors' Certificate of Appreciation at the District 105M handover ceremony on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018.

My primary goal is to promote Lionism and increase membership throughout the District. In June 2018, I recruited and sponsored six members for Coventry Mercia Lions Club and a further eight members for Nuneaton Lions Club. During the first two months of the current Lionistic year, I have recruited and sponsored twelve members. Furthermore, with the help and guidance of senior District Officers, I am in consultation with a group of 25 potential members with the view of forming a new Club in the Coventry area.

