

AGM 12 JUNE 2024

ALL REPORTS HAVE BEEN EMAILED OUT TO ALL MEMBERS. PROPOSED BY CLIVE AND SECONDED BY EMMA R AND CARRIED BY THE CLUB. OUR LIONISTIC YEAR GOT OFF TO OUR USUAL QUIET START IN THE SUMMER, BEFORE THE MAJOR EVENTS OF THE AUTUMN AND CHRISTMAS PERIODS. I MUST THANK IPP MATT FOR STEPPING IN AND CHAIRING A NUMBER OF MEETINGS WHILE I WAS AWAY IN FRANCE ON MY RUGBY WORLD CUP ADVENTURES.

I'M NOT GOING TO GO OVER INDIVIDUAL EVENTS, BE THEY COMMUNITY OR FUNDRAISING BASED, AS THESE WILL BE COVERED IN OTHER CLUB OFFICER REPORTS. NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE HAVE HAD A VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR, CONTINUING TO DO WHAT LIONS DO, HELPING OTHERS, AND RAISING MONEY FOR INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS WITHIN OUR LOCAL AND WIDER COMMUNITIES.

OUR YEAR STARTED WITH US LOSING ONE OF THE STALWARTS OF OUR CLUB, LION PHIL SALATHIEL, AS HE MOVED ON TO PASTURES NEW. IT'S GRATIFYING TO SEE THAT HE AND JEN HAVE SETTLED INTO THEIR NEW LIFE, AND WE WISH THEM WELL. WE ALSO HAD ANOTHER SHOCK AS WE ALL HEARD THE NEWS OF LION VERONICA'S ILLNESS. IT'S AMAZING TO SEE THE PROGRESS AND DETERMINATION SHE HAS, AND STILL IS, PUTTING IN TO HER ONGOING RECOVERY, WHILST CONTINUING HER COMMITMENT TO OUR CLUB. WE ALL HOPE THAT THIS CONTINUES SO THAT LION VERONICA CAN GO ON TO PLAY A FULL PART IN CLUB ACTIVITIES.

IT IS MOST GRATIFYING TO SEE THAT SEVERAL OF OUR NEWER MEMBERS HAVE THIS YEAR STEPPED UP INTO LEADERSHIP POSITIONS. I HOPE THAT THIS GIVES THEM THE CONFIDENCE TO TAKE ON EVEN MORE RESPONSIBILITY IN YEARS TO COME.

WE HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN SEVERAL PROJECTS INVOLVING OUR TWO LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS, AND A PROJECT WE DID WITH THE BOTTESFORD PRESCHOOL. THESE TYPES OF ACTIVITIES ARE VERY IMPORTANT FOR OUR CLUB. NOT JUST IN THE POSITIVE IMPACT THAT WE CAN MAKE, BUT ALSO IN RAISING THE PROFILE OF OUR CLUB. AS THE COMMENTS FROM A RECENT VISIT OF OUR DG (ELECT) SHOWED. OUR MEMBERSHIP PROFILE IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM MOST OTHER CLUBS. WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO WORK HARD TO BRING NEW AND YOUNGER MEMBERS INTO OUR CLUB, SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO THRIVE WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. AS DG (ELECT) COLIN TALBOT SAID "WE ARE A VIBRANT CLUB, WELL RESPECTED BY OUR PEERS WITHIN OUR DISTRICT."

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT WE NEED TO CARRY OVER INTO THE NEXT LIONISTIC YEAR. ONE IS TO GET OUR NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE FULLY FUNCTIONAL AND FIT FOR PURPOSE. THIS IS IN HAND, AND I HOPE TO HAVE IT WORKING IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE. I HOPE THAT THIS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WORK THAT LION IAIN IS PUTTING IN ON THE PR FRONT, WILL HELP TO IMPROVE AWARENESS OF THE VOB LIONS (AND THE WORK THAT WE DO), AND HOPEFULLY LEAD TO AN INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP. WE ALSO NEED TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE SEVERAL FULLY TRAINED MEMBERS SO THAT WE CAN SET UP AND RUN OUR FIREWORKS EVENING, IN THE ABSENCE OF OUR LONG-TERM HELPER, GRAHAM PEACE. THE OTHER COUPLE OF THINGS THAT SPRING TO MIND INVOLVE IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR EQUIPMENT. NAMELY INVESTIGATING LONG-TERM

IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR BARBECUE CAPABILITIES AND DAMP PROOFING OUR EQUIPMENT CONTAINER.

AND FINALLY, CHARTER. WE HAD A VERY ENJOYABLE EVENT IN NOVEMBER OF 2023, (THANKS TO LION MATT - AND EMMA), AND I HOPE TO REPEAT THE SUCCESS THIS YEAR AT THE SAME VENUE, COTGRAVE GOLF CLUB, 23RD NOVEMBER. INVITATIONS AND MENUS HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED. PLEASE ASK FRIENDS AND FAMILY ALONG, SO THAT WE CAN MAKE THIS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CELEBRATION OF THE WORK THAT WE DO.

THANK YOU ALL FOR THE COMMITMENT AND HARDWORKING YOU HAVE PUT IN THIS YEAR. WE CAN BE INCREDIBLY PROUD OF WHAT WE HAVE, AND CONTINUE TO DO, IN THESE CHALLENGING ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES. I WISH LION EMMA ROBERTS EVERY SUCCESS, AS SHE TAKES ON THE MANTLE OF PRESIDENT FOR THE FIRST TIME.

VALE OF BELVOIR LIONS CLUB
AGM TREASURERS REPORT JUNE 2024
THE CLUB ENDS THE YEAR IN A HEALTHY FINANCIAL POSITION.

THE CLUB HAS INVESTED IN AN ADDITIONAL 3 SUM UP MACHINES TO MEET CUSTOMER DEMAND FOR CASHLESS PAYMENTS AS MANY PEOPLE NO LONGER CARRY CASH, AND THEY HAVE PROVED A GOOD INVESTMENT. THIS EQUIPMENT HAS MEANT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RESPOND TO THE CHANGING HABITS OF THE PUBLIC AND AUDIENCES AT EVENTS NOW THAT CASH IS NO LONGER THE FIRST CHOICE FOR MANY AS THE PRIMARY MONETARY EXCHANGE PREFERENCE. THE COST REMAINS 1.6% OF THE TRANSACTION.

WE CLAIMED A GIFT AID PAYMENT FROM HMRC FOR OUR SLEIGH DONATIONS USING THE HMRC GIFT AID SMALL DONATIONS SCHEME, THIS RESULTED IN THE CLUB BENEFITING FROM THE MAXIMUM PAYMENT OF 2000.00 ONCE AGAIN UNDER CURRENT REGULATIONS OF HMRC.

THE CLUB HAS ALSO CLAIMED GIFT AID ON MEMBERS SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE LIONISTIC YEAR 2023/2024 AND RECEIVED 430.50 AS A RESULT. THIS HAS ENSURED OUR ADMIN ACCOUNT REMAINS IN A HEALTHY POSITION.

WE HAVE MADE THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS DURING THE LIONS YEAR,

AIR AMBULANCE	4000.00
WATERAID	250.00
SIGHSAVERS	250.00
STATHERN VILLAGE	250.00
MD DOVE COTTAGE	5500.00
RAINBOWS	5000.00
GRANTHAM FBANK	4750.00
BELVOIR ACADEMY	1200.00
MD DISASTER FUND	500.00

CASEY	7500.00
PROSTATE CANCER	1000.00
BREAST CANCER UK	1000.00
BOTTESFORD SCOUTS	1000.00
ROSIE MAY	100.00
UKRAINE HEATERS	400.00
APPEALS	1000.00
YOUNG MINDS	775.00 TO BE PAID 30 JUNE
RAINBOW HORSES	775.00 TO BE PAID 30 JUNE
TOTAL DONATIONS	36850.00

FUND RAISING REPORT

THE CLUB CAN BE RIGHTLY PROUD OF ANOTHER VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR OF FUNDRAISING, AS USUAL BASED AROUND OUR KEY EVENTS BUT WITH A COUPLE OF OTHERS THROWN IN THIS YEAR AS WELL.
BREAKING DOWN HIGHLIGHTS AS FOLLOWS

BONFIRE £7550 - A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT AND YET AGAIN ANOTHER FANTASTICALLY ATTENDED EVENT - THIS YEAR COUNTING THROUGH THE GATE FOR THE FIRST TIME SHOWED 2089 IN THE FIELD AND PLENTY MORE OUTSIDE. INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENT !

SLEIGH £11512 RECORD -13400 INCLUDING GIFT AID. A FANTASTIC NEW NIGHT IN EAST BRIDGFORD WE WILL REPEAT, SEVERAL NEW COLLECTORS AND GREAT SHIFTS BY THE CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND FAMILIES

DUCK RACE £3590 AGAIN A RECORD WITH 3 RACES SOLD OUT. AMAZING EFFORT BY ALL SELLING DUCKS

QUIZ £1453 - SETTLING ON ONE MUSIC QUIZ A YEAR SEEMS TO BE THE WAY FORWARD WITH A VERY WELL ATTENDED EVENING

MOST RECENTLY, THE THATCH CASINO EVENT £220 - A SMALLER FUNDRAISER NEVERTHELESS A LOVELY EVENING FOR ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE EVENT.

HUGE THANKS TO ALL WHO GAVE THEIR TIME SO GENEROUSLY TO SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISING ENDEAVORS.

SECRETARY REPORT 23/24

VALE OF BELVOIR LIONS HAS 21 ACTIVE MEMBERS
WE HAVE HAD 20 MEETINGS AT EITHER THE DURHAM OX AT ORSTON OR THE BULL AT BOTTESFORD.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF MEMBERS PER MEETING – 7
WE HAVE HAD A COUPLE OF SOCIALS OVER JULY/AUGUST 23 WHILE MEMBERS ARE AWAY.

WE HAVE HAD A FEW OTHER PEOPLE COME TO OUR MEETINGS EITHER TO TALK TO US ABOUT THEIR PROJECT OR TO SEE HOW OUR CLUB RUNS.
LCI HAS BEEN FILLED IN WHEN NEEDED.

ZONE REPORTS HAVE BEEN SENT TO ZONE CHAIRS WHEN ASKED FOR.

COMMUNITY CHAIR.

TEA AND CHAT HAVE CONTINUED TO BE WELL USED.
AVERAGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE IS NORMAL 22, BUT WE ARE GLAD WE
HAVE A FEW MORE MEN COME TO IT.
WE HAVE HAD TEA AND CHAT SEPTEMBER, JANUARY AND MAY, AND WE
HAVE ANOTHER BOOKED FOR SEPTEMBER.
THIS YEAR WE HAVE STARTED PLAYING GAMES LIKE BINGO AND HIGHER
AND LOWER CARD GAMES WHICH THEY SEEM TO LOVE.
IN MOST OF THE TEA AND CHATS WE HAVE HAD LOTS OF RAFFLE PRIZES
AND CAKES MADE. AS WELL AS HELP. MAY WAS SLIGHTLY DOWN ON
CAKES AND HELP, HOPEFULLY WE WILL BE BACK TO TOP FORM FOR OUR
SEPTEMBER TEA AND CHAT.
SOME MEMBERS WENT TO THE PRE SCHOOL AND HELPED THEM DO A
FEW ODD JOBS LIKE RE FELT THE SHED AND GETTING RID OF RUBBISH.

**Vale of Belvoir Lions Club
Charity Account
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024**

Income

Transfer from Unity Working account	24,494.08
Interest	242.99

24,737.07

Expenditure

Transfer to Unity Working Account	22,984.25
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Excess of Income over Expenditure	1,752.82
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Opening Balance	5,981.45
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Closing Balance	7,734.27
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Closing Balance split

Unity Account 20396794	-
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Unity Account 20453637	7,734.27
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Vale of Belvoir Lions Club
Cash Account
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Income

Income from events directly transferred to Charity and Working accounts	30,474.91
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Expenditure

Transfers to Charity and Working accounts	30,471.70
	<u>30,471.70</u>

Excess of Income over Expenditure	3.21
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Opening Balance	4.84
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Closing Balance	8.05
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**Vale of Belvoir Lions Club
Charity Donations
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024**

Air Ambulance	4,000.00
Grantham Foodbank	4,750.00
Bottesford Belvoir Academy	1,200.00
Sightsavers	250.00
Wateraid	250.00
Dove Cottage	5,500.00
Casey - Golf Day	7,500.00
Rainbows Hospice	5,000.00
Bottesford Scouts	1,000.00
MD - Disaster Fund	500.00
Prostate Cancer	1,000.00
Cancer Research	1,000.00
Friends of Belvoir	600.00
Rosie May	118.50
East Bridgford Scouts	1,000.00
Ukraine Heater Appeal	400.00
Stathern Village Hall	250.00
MD Donations	1,000.00
Rainbow Horses	995.00
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Vale of Belvoir Lions Club
Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended
30th June 2024

Vale of Belvoir Lions Club

Accountants Report

For The Year Ended

30th June 2024

We have reviewed the income and expenditure accounts for the year ended 30th June 2024 which are in accordance with the accounting records presented to us and the explanations supplied to us by the Treasurer.