



The Lions Pride

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Newsletter of the Lions Club of Moorabbin Inc.

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REVAMP FOR LIONS DEN BOOKSHOP

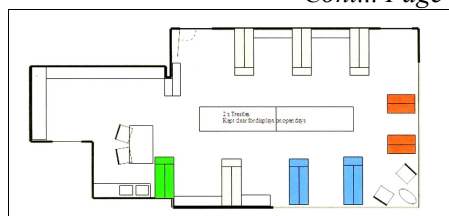


President Cerise de Gelder and fellow Lions John and Marilyn Lissenburg, Di Fensham Robyn Grimshaw, Charlie Smith, Michael and Margaret Greenwood together with Billy and Susie Tomkinson have been working very hard achieving a lot in 'clearing the decks' for the revamping of the book shop space at our Den, but there is still quite a lot to do. We are hoping that all will be finished and we will be ready for business within the next fortnight.

The revamp involves a new floor plan for a renovated Lions Den Book Shop, commercially produced shelving consisting of nine free standing units each with five double sided shelves, and replacement of the curtains with four block-out blinds.

The new layout will improve conditions for our volunteers, and the customer experience.

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FIRST IMPRESSIONS COUNT

It takes less than 20 seconds to make a first impression!! This was the message given to our members, and guests from Sandringham Lions Club at our April dinner meeting by Public Speaker and Author (and Moorabbin Lion,) Kathy Walker (OAM)

In a light-hearted, yet relevant session about the importance of effective communication and how we see ourselves and how others see us, Kathy gave useful tips and information based around the theory of Emotional Intelligence.

“You all know because you've either been in business, worked, you've had families, you're all Lions, you're all in community organisations so you already know that as human beings, we are social and we are always interacting.”

Kathy recalled that as a 20 year old university academic that prior to giving her first lecture, she was assigned a mentor to guide her in engaging 17 and 18 year old students. “I was very nervous, but I thought I know this stuff – I stood at the lectern and I went through the whole lecture and I thought to myself, that would have made a good impression and I turned to Joan my mentor, and said what do you think, wasn't that great! She replied that it was boring, it would not have made a good first impression.”

Kathy, concentrating as she did on the content of her lecture had failed to notice the talking and distraction among the students. Quoting her mentor, Kathy said that when you stand in front of an audience, or working with people or when you are trying to communicate, its less about the content and more about the first impression, and how you come across, and how people relate to you.

Kathy learned from that experience that had she given a quarter of the content and shown more of her personality, smiled and made eye contact, the students would have been more eager hear, and remember the content of her lecture. “I learned a hard lesson that day.”

“The most important thing in communication is to hear what isn't being said – we are always making decisions, some of you are at Board meetings, some of you are working with the community, and we've all had different jobs, and we've all got pretty good at reading body language. It's often not what people say, but what they are conveying.”

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LIONS CLUB OF MOORABBIN

Changeover Dinner

WEDNESDAY 4th July

6.15pm for 6.45pm

Sandbelt Hotel Function Room, Cost: \$25 per person for a two course meal.

Payment can be made at meeting on Wed, June 6th or at latest Dinner Meeting Wed. June 20th

Payment by Cash, Cheque or EFT.

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FIRST IMPRESSIONS COUNT *Cont...*

Kathy said that sometimes the words come out, but the body language doesn't match. "It's particularly important when we are communicating in community organisation like ours that we are really try to be consistent and effective in our communication and the way we relate."

Kathy said that when things go wrong it can be because of a lack of communication, or the lack of a shared goal. She said that as Lions we do many different activities. "But are we actually communicating our shared purpose and our goals?"

"The better I know myself, and the better I manage myself, the better I'll understand others – I can't change anyone else, I can only change myself. I don't have to apologise for my personality, I am who I am, but I actually have a responsibility to make a good fit in with all the different personality's that I come into contact with every day of my life."

Kathy then conducted a short but very entertaining workshop with members trying to guess the personality types on their table, followed by an exercise in making eye contact which seemed to confirm Kathy's view that Aussies feel eye contact to be somewhat awkward!

DIARY DATES

JUNE

- Wed 6th Business Meeting
- Thurs 7th Book Sale at the Den. 12-3pm
- Sat 10th Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings, Moorabbin.
- Wed 20th Dinner Meeting – Graham Cockerell, 'Need for Feed' Project'

JULY

- Wed 4th Changeover Lions Club of Moorabbin 6.15pm for 6.45pm start.

BOOKSHOP REVAMP



UP-DATE: Our hard working Members have finished their renovations in our Lions Den Book Shop. The Book Shop will be open this Thursday, 7th June from 8.45am to 3pm. Following dates will be announced in the near future.

Right: Lions Billy Tomkinson, Robin Grimshaw, Margaret Greenwood, Marilyn Lissenburg, Di Fensham and Cerise de Gelder taking a well earned lunch break.



Lion Kathy Walker with President Cerise de Gelder

BIRTHDAYS
June

- 2nd Michael Greenwood
- 12th Christina Boyle
- 22nd Sam Dalley



MOTHERS DAY VISIT



Continuing a now well established tradition, Moorabbin Lions Robyn Grimshaw and John Lissenburg visited Girrorween home for the aged with gifts for Mother's Day and had a chat with some of the ladies.



Lion Jack Hellyer attended a meeting at the Lions Club of Footscray recently. He was presented with a Footscray Bannerette which he passed on to our President Cerise de Gelder. Congratulations Jack on contributed 40 years as a Lion on Friday, 18th May, 2018.



Graham Cockerell, the Founder of the "Need for Feed" Lions Project will be speaking at our Dinner Meeting on Wednesday 20th June. It should be a very interesting evening – maybe you have family and friends who would also like to come along and spend the evening with us.

