

Minutes of the Lions Club of Torquay Planning Session Held at the Lions Village on 13/02/2025

Open and Welcome:

President Colin Bellis opened the meeting at 7:30 pm and welcomed the 16 other members (and 1 guest) present.

| First Name | Surname | Feb. PS | First Name | Surname | Feb. PS |
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| John | Bell | Present | Barry | Mackie | Privileged |
| Colin | Bellis | Present | Alan | Murphy | Present |
| Tricia | Blane | Present | Phillip | Newson | Privileged |
| Robert | Brownlee | Present | Allen | Osman | Present |
| Gordon | Clarence | Apology | Harvey | Price | Privileged |
| Daryl | Collings | Privileged | Neil | Roche | Present |
| Ken | Farrow | Present | Esther | Rosewall | Present |
| Bill | Ferguson | Present | Catherine | Rowe | Present |
| Charles | Forer | Privileged | Alan | Roy | Apology |
| Robert | Grubb | Present | Tony | Smith | Apology |
| Colin | Hacking | Present | Anne | Sullivan | Present |
| Tom | Harding | Absent | Bob | Tyler | Apology |
| Murray | Heard | Absent | Helen | Wilton | Absent |
| Brian | Keane | Present | Ross | Yapp | Present |
| Deborah | Law | Present | | | |

Apologies and Attendees:

Quorum: 17 members present. (12 members required.)

Minutes of last Meetings:

Minutes of the January Planning Session as circulated prior to the Planning Session.

Business Arising:

- 1 The FoodTrader Certificate of Registration has been granted.
- 2 Faye Clarence has offered to replace Peter McMahon as FMSC coordinator.

Minutes of the January Planning Session Meeting, as circulated, were approved by the meeting.

Key Reports:

President's Report:

Refer report as circulated prior to the Planning Session.
Colin Bellis presented the President's Report.

Extra Notes:

- 1 The leadership team for 2025-2026 needs to be finalised by 31 March.
- 2 The Club now has its own mobile phone The number is 0448 153 782

The President's Report was approved by the meeting.

Correspondence:

Inward correspondence as circulated prior to the Planning Session.
Outward Correspondence as circulated prior to the Planning Session.

Extra Notes:

None

The Inward and Outward Correspondence as circulated were approved by the meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Financial statements for December were circulated prior to the Planning Session.
Treasurer provided account balances as of 31 December 2024.

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| Activities: | \$26,161.66 |
| Admin: | \$18,649.80 |
| Term Deposit: | \$100,000.00 |
| Term Deposit 2: | \$25,000.00 |
| BBQ Float: | \$600.00 |
| Pub Raffle Float: | \$50.00 |
| Business Debit Card: | \$160.59 |
| Petty Cash: | \$753.95 |
| Total: | \$171,376.00 |

Extra Notes:

Highlights:

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| Caravan Park Raffles | \$1466. |
| December Pub Raffles | \$1117. |
| January Pub Raffles | \$1696. |

Invoices yet to be paid –

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| GORGAPA – New Years Day Clean UP | \$1000.00 |
| Just invoiced O2Events for Cadel Evans | \$2780. |
| Picadilly Market for Train | |
| – rec'd remittance but not in bank yet | 500. |

Payments to be approved:

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| RCH for Bunnings BBQ | \$1250.59 |
| District Dues | \$1387.65 |
| District dues ask for additional voluntary donation for | |
| ALF | \$29.00 |
| Multiple Districts Projects & Activities | \$29.00 |
| Papua New Guinea Assist Fund | \$14.50 |

Discussed and agreed to pay voluntary contributions now.

Forward notice that term deposits will mature at end of March

\$100,000.00 27 March 25

\$ 25,000.00 26 March 25

Discussion ensued on breaking the deposits to two \$50,000.00. and then

staggering term deposits to receive better interest rates.

Treasurer to bring paperwork/information on interest rates at Bendigo Bank to next meeting'

No action decided on the term deposits

Interest to be rolled over to Admin Account

The Treasurer's Report and payments, as circulated, were approved by the meeting.

Vice President's Report:

Ross Yapp presented the Leadership Report.

Royal Childrens Hospital – Good Friday Appeal.

Last month I reported I had yet to organise the dual branded promotional material for the Torquay Lions / Good Friday Appeal. Whilst I've made progress the matter is not yet complete. I obtained a quotation for four tear drop banners which came in over \$1,000 but they are happy to supply them at \$1,00 as I informed them that was all we had. Now I'm attempting to obtain a style guide from the Good Friday Appeal Foundation to ensure the banners meet their marketing requirements. Stay tuned.

Bunnings

Our Good Friday Appeal as well as our usual Bunnings BBQs continued throughout the month and as always a big thank you to all those who help by taking on roles at Bunnings BBQs.

Feed Me Surf Coast

It is possible we may have a successor to Peter McMahon in the role of manager of the delivery driver roster. I've updated the spreadsheet and had it checked by Peter for accuracy and can confirm it is ready to go. We now need to arm the prospective successor with the spreadsheet and get her together with Peter to discuss the role.

Funding appeals

We have received a number of requests for funds but these will be considered by the Board prior to being referred to the membership if approved.

The Leadership Report was approved by the meeting.

Service Report:

Refer report as circulated prior to the Planning Session.

Catherine Rowe presented the Service Report.

Extra Notes:

- 1 We could invite the Torquay Rotary President to the YOTY State Final.
- 2 We could consider providing drivers for transporting children to the Licola Lions Camp.

The Service Report was approved by the meeting.

Membership Report:

Refer report as circulated prior to the Planning Session.

Brian Keane presented the Membership Report.

- 1 Anne Sullivan has donated an iPhone for the club to use.
- 2 Brian will try to get a Lions group together to see the play "Come From Away".

- 3 As the YOTY Final is two days after the March Dinner Meeting it was decided to attend the YOTY Final at Kithbrook Park instead of holding a usual dinner meeting.

The Membership Report was approved by the meeting.

Motion to Donate Funds to Friends of Taylor Park.

"That the Lions Club of Torquay donate up to \$600 to the Friends of Taylor Park to purchase 20 Hi Vis Safety Vests and to have the FOTP and Lions logos printed on the back."

Proposed: Ken Farrow Seconded: Tricia Blane Carried.

District Convention 2026

Information, as to whether Torquay Lions Club could host the District Convention in 2026, is being gathered at present. A full discussion to be held at the March Planning Session.

Other Reports:

Marketing and Media Report:

Refer report as circulated prior to the Planning Session.

Bill Ferguson presented the Marketing Report.

Extra Notes:

- 1 Bill, today, has added a post re the Good Friday Appeal to our Facebook Page

IT (Website, Databases, LCI Portal) Report:

Ken Farrow presented the IT Report.

Nothing new to report.

Safety Report:

Nothing new to report.

Welfare Report:

Refer report as circulated prior to the Planning Session.

Ken Farrow presented the Welfare Report as Allen was called away during the meeting.

- 1 Marge Forer has enquired as to whether Lions Members could help get Charles to medical appointments. Brian Keane to follow up.

Asset Management Report:

Nothing new to report.

Train Report:

Refer report as circulated prior to the Planning Session.

Bob Brownlee presented the Train Report

- 1 The Australia Day Breakfast at Anglesea went well.
2 We really need a train crew of 3 not 2 in future.
3 We agreed to charge Anglesea PS \$350 to hire the Train for their Fete.
4 We agreed not to support the Inverleigh request for the train. Secretary to reply.

Lions Village Report:

Bill Ferguson presented the Lions Village Report.

Notes:

- 1 Craig (the caretaker) is now back at work but on light duties.
2 Three units are ready for sale. There is an expression of interest one.

The subsidiary reports listed above were approved by the meeting.

Other Business:

- 1 Catherine R: Understanding.your Digital Legacy
When: Tuesday 25 February, 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Bookings: www.torquaycommunityhouse.org.au/whatson
- 2 Anne S: Lifestyle Mt. Duneed, an over-55 independent living facility. Anne spoke to the Lifestyle Manager, Jill Gregory and explained the Torquay Lions were looking for new members and trying to expand into the area. Anne and Ross are to prepare a Flyer with the aim of attracting members to our Lions club. Ken F has updated our current Flyer and emailed it to Ross.
- 3 Colin H: There is a need to have a training session on how to use our Square Readers.
- 4 Ken F: We have had a request to post a stamp collection to the Lions Stamps Coordinator in Sydney. Allen Oman has the details and will follow up.
- 5 Allen O: FMSC has been supplying the food for the Torquay Lions Village Friday Happy Hour.
- 6 Allen O: Suggested that there be no Good Friday Pub Meat Raffle. The Meeting agreed.
- 7 Allen O: Suggested that FOL Bub Burton should be offered a free meal at a future Dinner Meeting for services rendered.
- 8 Allen O: Suggested that we sell remains Lions Cakes and Puddings in Gilbert Street for Christmas in July.
- 9 Brian K: There are 3 x 1.5 Kg Cakes, 13 x 1.0 Kg Cakes and 11 Puddings to sell.
- 10 Colin B: That we write a letter to the Cowrie Market organisers suggesting that we be allowed to sell bottled water.

President Colin Bellis closed the Meeting at 8:54 pm.

Next Business Meeting:

Business Meeting Thursday 13 March 2025 at 7:30pm.