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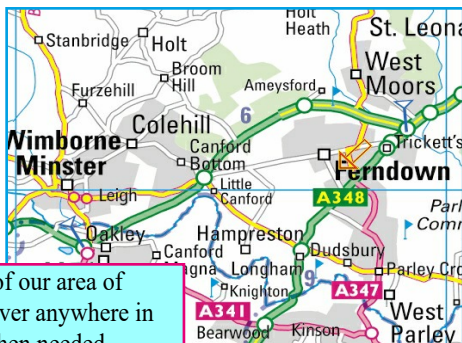
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About our Club

Established 48 years ago, the club exists to serve the community by fund-raising and donating the funds to those in need, whilst enjoying a full social program along the way.

We have about 20 volunteer members, about one third women, and over the past year we donated many thousands of pounds to local good causes.



The map shows most of our area of activity but we also cover anywhere in East Dorset district when needed

Club officers for 2017/18:

President	Michael Zeck
First Vice Presiden	Anne Lippitt
Secretary	Derick Smith
Treasurer	Anne Lippitt

This booklet lists a selection of some of the things we did in 2017. Besides the items here, we enjoyed a social side including Charter dinner, games and quiz evenings together with sharing events with other local Lions Clubs

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About Lions Clubs International

Lions are part of a world wide charitable movement. They have just celebrated their centenary, having been formed originally in Chicago in 1917. Today Lions Clubs International has 1.45 million volunteers in over 208 countries, making it the largest service club organisation in the world. It has 19,000 active volunteers belonging to 900 Lions Clubs located throughout Great Britain and Ireland. Each Club supports a range of projects in its local community, including health and youth initiatives. Lions Clubs undertake thousands of fund-raising activities in cities, towns and villages, with 100% of monies raised going direct to good causes.

Message in a bottle (MIAB)

This simple but vital emergency scheme is designed to encourage vulnerable people to keep their medical and other details in a common location - the fridge.

The emergency services are aware of the scheme and can find the details, in the fridge, quickly.

Over the years we have distributed thousands of these bottles to the local community.



How we spent some of our funds in 2017:



WIMBORNE & FERNDOWN LIONS CLUB

2017 Community Service Donations

DECEMBER 2017	£
Providing 84 Xmas Food Parcels, primarily to elderly persons	1,634
Donation towards a Defibrillator at Lone Pine Park	250
Donation towards the Wateraid "Untyped Winter Appeal"	250
Donation for a Lions Project re "Freedom Kit Bags" for ladies in Nepal	200
NOVEMBER 2017	£
Donation to Lions Clubs International - Sight Savers appeal	1,000
OCTOBER 2017	£
Donation to "Different Strokes" Charity which supports younger Stroke victims.	250
Cost of a carpet for a family with a young child	395
SEPTEMBER 2017	£
Donation to the East Dorset Citizens Advice Bureau	1,500
Donation to the Ferndown St. Marys' Church Welfare Fund	800
Donation to Lions Clubs International Disaster fund re the recent Hurricanes, Earthquakes appeals.	1,000
Donation to <u>Sturts Farm</u>	100
JULY 2017	£
Providing a holiday for a lady and her young Daughter.	239
JUNE 2017	£
Donation towards new Chairs for the Alderholt Village Hall	500
MAY 2017	£
Donation towards a 'Golden Ferns' outing in the Summer	120
Donation for a Youth to assist "Ballooon Venture" in a Voluntary Service Overseas project in Uganda	150
APRIL 2017	£
Donation, via UNICEF, to the East Africa Drought Appeal	500
Donation towards Hall Booking fees, re starting a Majorette Dance Group, for 8 to 16 year olds, in Wimborne	125
MARCH 2017	£
Donation to Oaktree Park Residents Association towards a purchase of a Defibrillator	200
Purchase of an Ipad, to help a Youth with learning difficulties, with his communication skills	379
FEBRUARY 2017	£
Donation to "Pathways for All People"	250
Purchase of a MedicAlert Bracelet for a lady	100
Providing a Fridge for a lady	140
JANUARY 2017	£
Providing a Fridge/Freezer and a Vacuum Cleaner for the Ferndown Scouts	290

Some of our events in 2017



WIMBORNE & FERNDOWN LIONS

in association with the



PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT ORGANISATION



1953
Conquest of
Everest

1969
Conquest of
the Moon

2016
Conquest of
Prostate Cancer?



ATTENTION ALL MEN 40 AND OVER!
FREE PSA TESTING November 26th. 2016

One small step for a man... one giant leap for mankind!

Reef Youth & Community Centre
COLEHILL

Saturday, November 26th 9.40 - 1.00 pm

Colehill Lane, (next to St. Michael's Church) BH21 7AB

We are offering these tests to men aged 40 and over

To save time, please book an appointment.

Phone Jim on 01202 580436 or Allan on 01202 691710



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LIONS



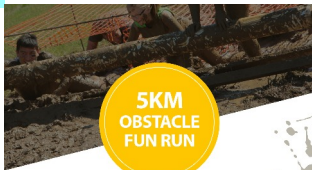
SPRING '17
QUIZ

at 7.30

Saturday

1st April

Allendale
Centre
Wimborne



5KM
OBSTACLE
FUN RUN

Raising Money for...

WIMBORNE & FERNDOWN LIONS
WESSEX CANCER TRUST
JTYAF



LOCATION: HOMELAND FARM THREE LEGGED CROSS DATE: 21ST MAY TIME: 10AM ONWARDS

Search for Wimborne & Ferndown Charity 5K Muddy Fun Run on Facebook

Wimborne and Ferndown Lions Club
Giant Easter Egg Draw

£1

TO ENTER



Family Fun Run 20th May 2017



Around 170 runners, some young and some not so young, took part in the second annual Wimborne and Ferndown Lions' Muddy Fun Run which was run over a 5K obstacle course held at Homelands Farm,

Three Legged Cross on the 20th of May. The event was deemed to be a great success with nearly four times as many entrants as there were for the inaugural event in 2016, raising some £1500 for the designated charities. At this rate there will be around a 1000 runners next year! So make a note of the date

now – Saturday 26th May 2018.

The varied set of 28 obstacles generally survived the onslaught with the exception of the aerial walkway which snapped early on. Organiser Lion Peter Burnett said “we are learning how to improve the course all the time, and a stronger rope is certainly one item for next year.” One of the tougher obstacles is the tyre tunnel (see photo) but fortunately nobody got stuck although sometimes it was a pretty close thing.

The event was held to raise funds for the Lions, the Prostate Cancer Support Organisation and the Fletcher Foundation for Breast Cancer Support.

Christmas Food Parcels

The annual delivery of Christmas food parcels to local people has been made again by Wimborne and Ferndown Lions club.

Club members fill bags with about 25 food items from bulk supplies purchased from Morrisons of Verwood. In a well established process, stacks comprising units of each food item are assembled on tables. Club members then circulate, filling the bags with one from each stack. The bags are then delivered to people who have been notified to the Lions by local Social Services, CABs and GPs etc.



We would like to thank the Verwood Hub for the use of their room for the parcels assembly. Many thanks also to the Mayor of Verwood, Councillor Lindsey Dedden, for supporting the event and getting stuck in with the parcel filling process. Pictured are the Mayor with Lions Frank Fortey, Michael Zeck and Godwin Micallef.



Race Night in Ferndown

Wimborne and Ferndown Lions club's latest fund raising event was a Race Night, held at the Royal British Legion, Ferndown. Some 50 or so eager punters enjoyed a noisy fun evening watching 8 video races and either "buying a horse" or betting on the tote. Every race was also sponsored by local businesses or organisations and the club would like to thank all sponsors for their support.

The evening was beautifully managed and controlled by Nigel Hodder from Blandford Lions Club. The event could not have been run without him.

The evening resulted in a profit of £585 to go to Lions' charities.

Donations to international disasters

We also contribute to calls for emergency help for victims of disasters overseas. These donations are made through Lions Clubs International or other recognised relief agencies such as UNICEF.

Last year we donated £3000 in this way .

Lions Quizzes

We traditionally hold a general knowledge quiz for teams of up to six players in Spring (Wimborne) and Autumn (Ferndown).

The Allendale Centre in Wimborne was comfortably full on April Fools day when some 18 teams competed in the Wimborne and Ferndown Lions' annual Spring Quiz. The usual format of six rounds interspersed with a little Card Bingo and an interval for refreshments (a cold platter and a bottle of wine for each table) was noisily enjoyed by all. Quizmaster Ken Taylor controlled proceedings more or less. Thanks again to all those who supported the Lions and helped to raise over £400 for local good causes. Our annual October Quiz attracted some 21 teams to the Barrington Theatre Ferndown for a similar evening. Thanks to all those who supported the Lions, helped us to raise approximately £600 for local good causes and enjoyed the usual format, this time of seven rounds with a cold platter and rolls on each table.



Prostate testing (PSA)

Wimborne and Ferndown Lions have collaborated with the Dorset branch of the PCaSO (Prostate Cancer Support Organisation) to provide a free screening session for PSA testing in Colehill and Wimborne.

According to Jim Davis, Chair of the PCaSO Dorset branch, the facts are: 1) Without screening, around 42,000 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer in the UK each year. 2) Almost 11,000 men die of prostate cancer annually. 3) Caught in the early stages, cure rates are dramatically improved with well over 80% success.

PCaSO is offering and conducting PSA tests this Autumn/Winter at Dorchester, Kinson, Ringwood, Colehill, Bridport, Christchurch and Parley. The testing is conducted by trained phlebotomists. All blood samples are sent to the Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester for analysis and the results are then issued a few days later to the men by the urologist.

Our recent event at Wimborne saw 125 men being tested at the Allendale Centre. The results showed 114 to be in the clear, classed as “green” with 5 “amber” and 6 “reds” who needed a referral to a urologist for further investigation.

Work with East Dorset CAB

We work closely with the East Dorset Citizens' Advice Bureau who let us know of deserving cases from time to time. This year we donated £1500 to support their work.

Social activities...

Whilst the club's main aim is to help people in need we do find time for a bit of self-indulgence too. The club maintained an active social program in 2017 including the Annual Charter Anniversary Dinner. This was held at the Remedy Oak Golf Club, Woodlands, for members and guests. Guests included Lions from several neighbouring clubs. Thanks to all the guests who found their way to this well hidden venue.

The evening was marked by a presentation of the Melvin Jones Fellowship awards to Lion Derick Smith (left in picture) and to Peter and Linda Thornton for their work with the John Thornton Young Achievers Foundation.



Centenary gift to Avon Heath Country Park

Lions International was founded in 1917 in the USA and now has 1.45 million members worldwide. To mark the centenary, Wimborne and Ferndown Lions Club have given £3720 to Avon Heath to help improve facilities at the park, particularly for local children.



The money will be used to provide a new rope bridge together with oak picnic tables and benches, two of the benches being carved with children's art.

The picture shows the formal handover at the North Park visitor centre.

In red are, from left, Lions Brenda, Godwin, Teresa, Frank, Joan and Anne, together with Katy and Ben from Avon Heath in green.

Lions triple handover night

At the Wimborne and Ferndown Lions club dinner at the Kings Head Hotel in Wimborne on the 27th of June there were three handover events.

Proceeds from recent fund raising activities, notably the Easter Egg Draws in April and the Obstacle Fun Run In May were handed over to the designated charities. Presentation of cheques were made by President Teresa North of £1000 to Jim Davis of the PCaSO and £1500 to Phil Fletcher of the Fletcher Foundation

Thirdly the occasion was the time for the incumbent President to handover to the new President at the end of their year in office. Pictured are Teresa with new President Michael Zech, showing that harmony is still alive and well at W and F.



SPECTREK – recycling your specs

Wimborne and Ferndown Lions, along with other Lions clubs, have been collecting unwanted pairs of specs which are then refurbished, cleaned and graded and prepared for distribution in third world countries where eye care is often unavailable and lens making facilities are non-existent. Over the years Lions in the UK Southern Region have collected nearly 3 million pairs.

This year Wimborne and Ferndown Lions themselves have collected 5,900 pairs and the total assembled from our area was 22,482 pairs. Bournemouth, Southbourne and Boscombe, Christchurch, Lymington and Brockenhurst, Poole and Ringwood & Fordingbridge Lions Clubs all contributed. The club would like to thank the local opticians and doctor's surgeries who have contributed to the collecting process.

Pictured are some Lions members with some of the collection boxes assembled outside Ferndown Upper School



Great Daffodil Appeal

Since 2013 Lions clubs throughout the UK have teamed up with the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Ap-

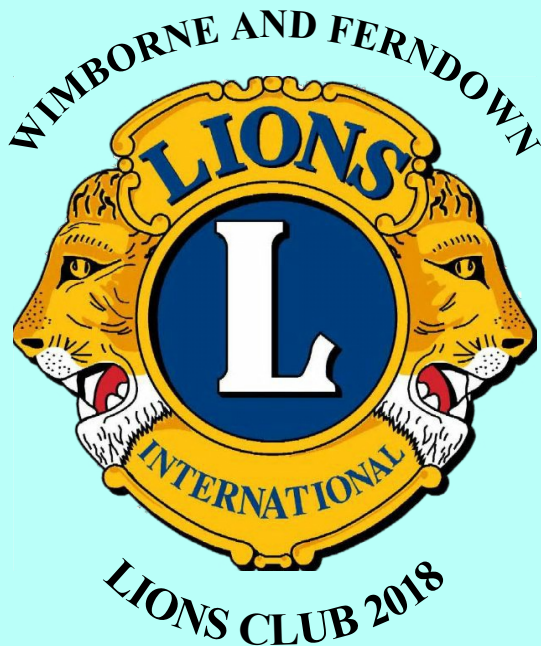
peal to raise funds to support people with terminal illness, and their families.

Members of Wimborne and Ferndown club have again recently helped in the fund raising, contributing £308 to the appeal. Picture shows Lions Godwin Micallef and Barry Duxbury showing that fund raising can indeed make you smile.



Dates for your 2018 diary

17 th Feb	Craft Fair at Royal British Legion Ferndown
10 th March	Romsey Male Voice Choir Wimborne Minster
7th April	Spring Quiz at the Allendale, Wimborne
26th May	Fun Run at Homelands Farm, Three Cross
4th October	Autumn Quiz at the Barrington, Ferndown



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