DG Dilip Shah

Pride of Lions

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Remarkable achievement

On 27 October, **Lions Club of London Hendon** were immensely proud to present a cheque of an incredible **£55,555 to Noah's Ark Children's Hospice**, marking a significant achievement in the Club's commitment to supporting children and families facing some of life's most challenging circumstances.

The fundraising initiative was undertaken in support of Noah's Ark's **"From That Moment" campaign**, which highlights the vital care and support the hospice provides to families from the moment a child receives a diagnosis of a life-threatening or life-shortening condition.

A significant part of the Club's fundraising effort was through its participation in Noah's Ark's challenge fundraiser, **'Step-tember'**, with our members taking on the challenge of walking an impressive 90 miles each through September. The initiative not only helped raise vital funds but also encouraged members to improve their fitness, lose weight and embrace a healthier lifestyle while supporting a cause close to their hearts.

The challenge demonstrated the determination, enthusiasm and community spirit of our Club's members, who were united in their commitment to making a meaningful difference.



Cheque for Noah's Ark



Cheque presentation to Noah's Ark

The fundraising campaign was further strengthened by the generous support of the **Freemasons Charity**, whose contribution played an important part in helping us achieve this remarkable total.

The LC of Hendon extends its heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the fundraising campaign and whose generosity and support have made this outstanding achievement possible. We would like to thank Cllr Lachhya Gurung representing the Mayor of Barnet's office and also DG Dilip Shah and Zone Chair Kishore Dattani for coming to the presentation.

The Club is honoured to support Noah's Ark Children's Hospice and its dedicated team. **Together, we are helping Noah's Ark be there for families "From That Moment" and beyond.**

LP Smita Shah

Music to raise funds

A wonderful evening of soulful Qawwali, fellowship and generosity at London Central Host Lions Club, made even more special by the District Governor's visit. With over £8,000 raised to support widows and a small rural hospital in Jhang Pakistan – it was a memorable celebration of community and compassion.

Heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported this special cause!

Lion Sonya Singh



DG Dilip and PDG Karanjeet at Qawalli night

LCI Ethics:

Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

Lions attend the Lady Mayoress' Tea Party at Mansion House

Celebrating Women, Leadership and Community Service

On 19 October 2026, Past Council Chair Kav Dev and Global Leadership Team Lead Rita Tanda attended the prestigious Lady Mayoress' Tea Party, hosted by Dame Susan Langley DBE at the historic Mansion House in the City of London.

The event celebrated the achievements of successful women across the City, bringing together leaders from business, public service, charities and community organisations. Proceeds supported the Lord Mayor's Appeal and the 2027 Lord Mayor's Big Curry Lunch.

Lions from London Covent Garden, London St James, London Metropolitan and London West End clubs also attended, demonstrating our commitment to service, leadership and community partnership.

The gathering provided an opportunity to strengthen relationships including Enfield's Mayoress, celebrate achievement and highlight the positive impact of charitable giving and volunteering. Lions were honoured to participate in this distinguished occasion and support initiatives that promote inclusion and community wellbeing.







Lion Rita Tanda
GLT Team

Race Night in Harrow

Harrow & Pinner Lions hosted another successful Race Night on 2 October at the North Harrow Guards Club to raise funds for two Charities. A total of £1,400 was raised to be split between two charities, The Harrow MS Therapy Centre & Lions International Blood Research Appeal (LIBRA) . Around 70 people, including friends and Lions from other Lions clubs, turned out to support. We thoroughly enjoyed an evening full of laughter, excitement and generosity.

The Harrow MS Centre has existed since 1984 aiming to improve the quality of life for people with Multiple Sclerosis in and around the Harrow area. They provide a range of therapies, support, information and advice. They have an experienced team of Neuro physiotherapists providing individual and group exercise sessions, utilising their specialised equipment. It is a self-funding, self-supported charity which means that all their income comes from their members and supporters.



At the Race Night

LIBRA is The Lions International Blood Research Appeal , founded in 1976 and established as a Charitable Trust in 1978. It is the official charity partner for the haematology department at Kings College Hospital in London raising vital funds to combat cancers in patients with blood cancers and blood disorders.

The Lions appeal supports research, diagnosis and treatment for conditions including Leukaemia, Acute Myeloid Leukaemia, Myeloma, Sickle Cell Disease & Thalassemia. The current campaign is active to raise at least £250,000 to expand and improve facilities like the Ambulatory Bone Marrow Transport Unit at Kings and also their plans to improve care and support the latest advances in treatment. Learn more on the official website to donate.

For any further information please email **enquiries@harrowandpinnerlions.org.uk** or call **0203 004 4459**.

Lion Vivien Raggett

Every Lion has a story. Let's share it.

Across District 105A, Lions are making a difference every day, but too many of those stories go unseen. That's why we're launching a renewed drive to strengthen social media across the District, and we'd love every club to be part of it.

When you're fundraising, volunteering or supporting your community, simply film a few short vertical videos on your phone (5-10 seconds is ideal) and upload them using our quick submission form: https://form.jotform.com/262676096958073. No editing, captions or social media expertise required. Just tell us who, what and where, and we'll do the rest.

A key part of this initiative is the Collaborate feature on Facebook and Instagram. Wherever possible, we'll publish content as a collaborative post between the District and your club. The same reel will appear on both accounts, helping your club benefit from District-wide engagement while significantly increasing reach and visibility. If your club receives a collaboration invitation from the District, please remember to accept it so the post can appear on both accounts and achieve maximum impact.

No social media yet? Start today!

Facebook Page: ☰ Menu → Pages → Create → Club Name → Add Photos → Publish

Instagram Account: Sign Up → Create New Account → Club Name → Add Profile Photo → Create Bio → Post

Every club has a story worth telling. Let's make sure more people hear it.

Aurora Ghita,
District Social Media Officer





DG Dilip's Dialogue

Dear Lions & Leos,

It has now been four months since my appointment as District Governor for District 105A. During these four months we had two cabinet meetings, one on 9 August and the second on 18 October. I am now looking forward to the third one on 7 February 2027.

I am glad to say that the attendance at the first two cabinet meetings have taught me a lot about my fellow Lions and their purpose for joining world's largest service organisation to uphold the motto of Lions Clubs International "WE SERVE" and also respect for my motto "WE SERVE IN HARMONY & GROW TOGETHER."

Meena and I would like to thank all the clubs for their love and respect given to us during our visit to their clubs and for their generous donation for Meena's chosen charity Haven House Children's Hospice.

Since the publication of Issue 3 of Pride of Lions I have attended the following events:

1. Lions Club of London Finchley business meeting on Wednesday 7 October.
2. MD 105 Council of Governors meeting on Thursday 8 & Saturday 31 October.
3. LC of Heston (CIO) 5th Charter anniversary celebration on Friday 9 October.
4. LC of London Hendon business meeting on Monday 12 October and the presentation ceremony for £55,555 cheque to Noah's Ark Children's Hospice, Barnet on Tuesday 27 October .
5. LC of Watford CIO 56th Charter anniversary celebration on Wednesday 14 October.
6. LC of Enfield Navaratri Garba celebration on Saturday 17 October .
7. District 105A cabinet meeting on Sunday 18 October.
8. LC of Hatch End Centennial CIO Diwali celebration on Thursday 22 October.
9. LC of London Central Host fund raising Qawwali night on Friday 30 October.
10. LCl of Bletchley MK (CIO) 57th Charter anniversary celebration on Saturday 31 October.

Thank you to all my fellow Lions for your continued whole hearted support, much appreciated.

Happy Diwali wishes.

Yours in Lionism,
DG Lion Dilip Shah



New Lions



Induction of New Lions at L C of Edgware

This is a fantastic and truly historic milestone for the **Lions Club of Edgware**. Transitioning after 39 years to welcome 10 ladies and embrace a family-unit model is a beautiful step forward that will undoubtedly bring fresh energy, diverse perspectives, and a stronger hands-on presence to the local community.

Having the District Governor and his good lady Meena, present to witness the induction underscores just how significant this moment is for District 105A.

It is an incredible way to honour the club's long legacy of community work while building a more inclusive and vibrant path for the future.

Lion Ashwin Vora



Banners exchanged with LP Anil Rajani at Edgware Club



DG presenting 55 year service Chevron to Lion Raghuvir at LC of Watford



MJF Recipients Lions Viji and Anand at L C of Watford, with LP Mehul Popat

My diary

Dates for November:

Zone E Diwali celebration on Sunday 1 November.

LC of Edgware business meeting on Tuesday 3 November.

LC of Watford CIO business meeting on 4 November.

LC of Tring 54th Charter anniversary celebration on Wednesday 18 November .

District Youth party on Sunday 22 November.

Peace Poster final evening on Wednesday 25 November.

LCl of London Next Generation Charter anniversary celebration on Sunday 29 November.

MD 105 Council of Governors meeting on Monday 30 November.

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