



The Bexhill ROAR

The Newsletter of Bexhill-on-Sea Lions Club

December 2015



Life with the Lions - A weekly December diary

December is the busiest month of the year for Club members in terms of both FUNdraising and having fun themselves.

The annual Christmas Appeal started on Tuesday 1st with the traditional house to house collections with Santa, his sleigh and 6 collectors. During December we will be out on 12 nights. The collections are eagerly looked forward to, not only by the children, but also by the elderly, who take the opportunity to have a brief chat while making a donation.



This year we sponsored the Bexhill Primary Schools' Christmas concert which was held at the DLWP on Wednesday 2nd. Members and Friends of Bexhill Lions who were not out collecting, provided stewards for the schools during the rehearsals and performances. The concerts were great and the children really rose to the occasion. A really worthwhile venture.

We also worked with the "Heart of Sidley" team to provide gifts from Santa and supported the Heart of Sidley Lantern workshop.



In addition, we donated a prize for the best painted Lion in the "Find the Lion" competition. 26 small lions were placed inside retail outlets in Sidley for the children to find.



President Paul with Lions Sue and Nick and the winning entry

We were also at the parade and celebrations on Thursday 3rd with our sleigh and music.



President Paul announces the competition winner



We had a PR stall at the Western Road Christmas market on Friday 4th and attracted a lot of attention with our Santa and Lion President Paul wearing our new Lions outfit. We sold our Christmas cake lucky draw tickets and also received generous donations.



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The family fun charity Santa Dash took place on Saturday 5th and around 140 Santas enjoyed a "bracing" 2K or 5K route before receiving their medals and enjoying a well earned hot drink, courtesy of the DLWP.



Entrants were able to collect their Santa suits at our stall at the Farmers' Market on the previous 2 Fridays.

We also had members collecting in Western Rd, Sainsbury's and Little Common

In addition to these activities, Lion Val Potter has organised a Christmas cake lucky draw to take place in a range of twelve cafes, restaurants, hairdressers and retail outlets in town. For just £1 you can win a decorated Christmas cake.

Have you bought your ticket yet?

After a hectic start to the month long appeal, members wanted to re-charge their batteries and have a "bit of a social" A group of 14-members and family had dinner at Picasso Express, before meeting up with others to enjoy "The Magic of the Musicals" at DLWP. A most enjoyable evening.

We have also been given permission to collect outside Tesco on Saturday 12th, Sunday 13th and Thursday 24th. We will also be at Sainsbury's on Christmas eve.



We have a busy week ahead with our Business meeting, street and house to house collections, Bexhill fm Christmas Party and St Mary's Pantomime.

Do please let me know what you think of our newsletter. We would love to hear from you.

If you would like to know more about Bexhill Lions or what being a member involves, just call Lion Rick on 0845 833 9591

More news next week from Richard -
your Lions Roar editor

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