

District 410C Contests Criteria

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The winners of the various competitions will be awarded banner patches at the Midyear Conference following the Lionistic year in question. Winners of all awards will be listed for posterity on a District Awards page on the District website.

Other than the Lions Club of the Year, Geoff Chettle Club Secretary Award and Arnold Clarke Treasurer Award, Lioness and Leo Clubs may compete for awards as if they were Lions Clubs.

To be eligible for the Lions Club of the Year, Geoff Chettle Club Secretary Award and Arnold Clarke Treasurer Award a Club has to have no unpaid balance of more than R100.00 outstanding over ninety (90) days for monies owing to Lions Clubs International, Multiple district 410 or District 410 C for merchandise, projects or for any other reason, nothing excepted.

If in the opinion of the judges, in consultation with the District Governor, no entries of sufficient merit are received for an award, then no award will be made in that year.

The District Governor, in consultation with the District Cabinet shall, at the first meeting of the Cabinet during every Lionistic Year, appoint judges for the various competitions set out below and inform all clubs accordingly.

The District Cabinet, at its last meeting of the year, shall decide on the rules that will apply to the following years District competitions.

LIONS CLUB OF THE YEAR

Judged by the Cabinet Secretary from returns received - no formal application required.

Judging over the period **1 July to 30 June**

Awarded to the club amassing the most points based on the following:

A	ADMINISTRATION	PER	PTS
	MMR Report submitted on line and to District Secretary	month	100
	Club Minutes submitted to Cabinet Distribution list within 10 days of meeting	month	100
	Submit PU101 by 31st April to District Secretary	event	200
	Club monthly financial statement submitted to District Treasurer	month	100
	Club Activity Report submitted on line and to District Secretary by last day of month	month	100
B	MEETING ATTENDANCE		
	Club Meeting-each % (over 70%) per meeting	month	10
	Zone Meetings: 1st 3 meetings only		
	President, Secretary, Treasurer attend	officer	33.3
	Percentage of other Lions attend (Use membership figure for month)	%	100
	District Midyear Conference		
	Percentage of membership attend (Use membership figure for month)	%	100
	District/ MD Convention:		
	Percentage of membership attend (Use membership figure for month)	%	100
	Training Weekend		
	President, Secretary, Treasurer elect attend	officer	33.3
	Percentage of membership attend (Use membership figure for month)	%	100
C	MEMBERSHIP:		
	New members	member	200
	Reinstated - within six months	member	100
	Dropped (other than death or transfer)	member	-200
	New Club formed/chartered before June 30	club	700
	Branch club formed/chartered before June 30	club	400
	Campus Club - formed/chartered before June 30	club	400
D	Club Growth over the year		
	Each net member gain over previous June figure	member	50
E	DUES AND PAYMENTS: take points once		
	District & MD dues paid by 30 September	event	100
	District & MD dues paid by 31 March	event	100
	International dues paid by 30 September	event	100
	International dues paid by 31 March	event	100
F	CLUB PROJECTS		
	Participate in District Peace Poster Contest	once	50
	Sponsor LEO Club	club	100
	Sponsor Lioness Club	club	100
	Club participated in Operation Brightsight	once	50
	Club participated in Christmas cake sales yearly	once	50
	Club participated in Environment project	once	50
	Club participated in Sight Project	once	50
	Club participated in Hearing Project	once	50
	Club participated in Diabetes awareness Project	once	50
	Club participated in Youth Exchange	once	50
	Club participated in Food Security Project	once	50
	Club participated in Children's Project	once	50

G	INTERNET ACTIVITY		
	Establish + maintain web page linked to District website	event	100
H	PUBLICITY		
	News article sent to the District Newsletter	month	20
	Club newsletter or bulletin sent to Governor & DC Marketing	month	50
	Local newspaper clippings >100 words, mail to DC marketing	month	30
J	HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS:		
	Melvin Jones award presented	event	200
	Contribution to LCIF	event	50
	Louis Halse Corporate Award presented	event	150
	Louis Halse Award presented	event	100
	Louis Halse Award 100% contributing club contribution made	event	50

Note: Should 3 Zone Meetings not be held for good reason the District Governor can approve the above officers being credited with attendance points.

GEOFF CHETTLE CLUB SECRETARY AWARD

Judged by the Cabinet Secretary from returns received - no formal application required.

Judging over the period 1 July to 30 June

		PER	PTS
a)	Monthly Membership Report submitted online and to District Secretary by end of month in which the Club's General Meeting is held	month	50
b)	Minutes of Club's general meeting forwarded to distribution list within ten days of the meeting	month	50
c)	Attendance of Secretary at Zone Meeting (per meeting)	meeting	25
d)	Attendance of Incoming Secretary at Incoming Officers School	once	25
e)	Submission of PU 101 Club Officers reporting form prior to 15 April	once	50
f)	Submission of Club Activities report on line and to District Secretary by end of month in which the Club's General Meeting is held	month	50
g)	Responsiveness to requests for information from district	event	0-50

ARNOLD CLARKE TREASURER AWARD

Judged by the Cabinet Treasurer from returns received - no formal application required.

Judging over the period 1 July to 30 June

		PER	PTS
a)	Copy of Monthly Financial report presented to the Club's Business meeting to be forwarded within 10 days to Cabinet treasurer	month	50
b)	Attendance at Incoming Officers Workshop	once	25
c)	Attendance at Zone meetings	meeting	25
d)	Payment of International Dues by 30 September	once	50
e)	Payment of District Dues by 30 September	once	50
f)	Payment of International Dues by 31 March	once	50
g)	Payment of District Dues by 31 March	once	50

DENNIS HAMILTON RAIDING AWARD

Administered by the District Secretary

The Raiding Program is intended to promote fellowship and provide an opportunity to meet and socialize with fellow Lions, Lionesses and Leo's.

Visitation is intended to facilitate an exchange of ideas at the club level and to foster support and friendship between clubs. The criteria have been designed so as to provide equal opportunity to both rural and urban clubs.

Raiding Reports

A Raiding Report for each raid or Zone Meeting is to be submitted to the District Secretary by 15 September, on the official forms provided. All visits made by club members during the period from 1 July till 30 June qualify. The President/Secretary of the club raided or the Zone Chairman must sign the form.

If no MMR for the month of the raid is submitted to District then the highest membership total for the year will be used to calculate the 20% requirement.

Points Criteria

The club with the highest points at the close of the competition will be presented with a banner patch signifying their achievement and the two runners up will receive an honourable mention.

Members accompanying a Cabinet Officer on an official visit can qualify as a raid but the officer will not count for the 20% requirement. Only raids to an official Club Business meeting qualify. Social events and projects do not. Only the first 3 Zone Meetings qualify for points and distance points do not apply to Zone meetings.

a) Points are awarded on the basis of 50 points per raid.

To qualify as a raid at least 20% of the club membership reported on the MMR for that month must participate, with a minimum of 2 members.

b) For each member above the 20% membership an additional 25 points will be awarded.

c) A bonus for distance travelled will be calculated as follows:

Any raid with 50 km one way of a club's regular meeting place will not receive a bonus. Each additional km above 50km will earn 1 point, e.g. 60 km will earn an additional 10 points.

In addition

d) For a President attending a Zone meeting 25 points

e) For a Secretary attending a Zone meeting 25 points

f) For a Treasurer attending a Zone meeting 25 points

g) For each observer at a Zone Meeting (per observer) 10 points.

SCRAPBOOK COMPETITION

To be awarded to the club that provides the best records of its activities in all respects of Lionism in the form of a scrapbook.

The competition runs from **1 July to 30 June**.

Points will be awarded as follows:

Besides for item a) there are no specific requirements as to what must be included and any examples are given for guidance only. The layout of the scrapbook is at the clubs discretion, bearing in mind that it is a record of the clubs activities for the year; it does not need to follow the order given for the judging.

a. 5 points for the following:

Entries must be clearly identified on cover with:

- The Club's name
- The fiscal year the scrapbook was completed
- The name of the Lion/Lioness/Leo who compiled the scrapbook.

Besides a title page, index or introductory page the first activity depicted in the scrapbook must be the Induction of Incoming Officers.

b. 10 points for Inter- Lion Activities:

A record of all activities that involve any Lion to Lion interaction both at club, Zone or District level.

It can include such things as club bulletins and newsletters and articles submitted to the District newsletter or International Lions magazine, inter club visits (raids) or combined activities with other clubs.

c. 30 points for Service Activities:

A record of all activities that provided a benefit to the community in any way.

This could be displayed by means of newspaper or magazine coverage supported by clippings, a record of any TV and radio time obtained, any photographs and memorabilia of service activities, thank-you letters to speakers, city officials, programs, and brochures etc.

d. 20 points for Fundraising Activities:

A record of the clubs efforts to raise funds (or goods) from the public

This could be displayed by means of newspaper or magazine coverage supported by clippings, a record of any TV and radio time obtained, any photographs and memorabilia of fundraising activities, thank-you letters to speakers, city officials, programs, and brochures etc.

e. 20 points for Social Activities

A record of social activities enjoyed by the club during the year.

f. 5 points for Zone and District Activities.

A record of participation of the club members in Zone, District and MD activities.

g. 10 points for overall appearance

As this book is a year's history of the club, it shall be prepared in such a manner as to be interesting, informative, and be a book the president will be proud to receive as tribute to his/her leadership for that year.

TOTAL 100 POINTS.

SUBMITTING AND PICKING UP OF ENTRIES:

- a. **District Chairman Marketing** to be advised by **15 September** if the club is submitting a scrapbook for judging. Scrapbooks are to be submitted at the Midyear Conference. Exact details to be supplied to entrants.
- b. A club delegate is responsible for picking them up from the Midyear Conference venue at the completion of the conference. The District will NOT be responsible for entries not claimed by the final session of the conference.

TIME FRAME FOR SCRAPBOOK.

This is to be a scrapbook of the CURRENT YEAR'S ACTIVITIES, not a club history book. Previous year's material can be added to a club history book, but shall not be submitted with the current year's scrapbook for the contest. As previously stated the scrapbook shall start with the Presidential Induction or **1 July** or whichever occurs first.

NOTE:

The District Chairman will appoint THREE COMPETENT JUDGES who have no connection to any of the scrapbook entries. *At the time of judging, a checklist based on the requirements listed above will be provided to each judge for each entry.*

CLUB BULLETIN AWARD

To encourage clubs to communicate with their members and the community they are encouraged to produce a bulletin on a regular basis.

Awards will be made in two categories:

- a) **Single page Bulletin:** any bulletin on one sheet of paper of A4 size or smaller shall be considered a Single Page Bulletin.
- b) **Multiple page Bulletin:** any bulletin printed on more than one sheet of paper shall be considered a Multiple Page Bulletin.

To qualify bulletins must be produced at least **bi-monthly** and at least **4 editions** submitted for judging. (Clubs that produce monthly bulletins can nominate the 4 to be judged)

Clubs are to submit copies to the **District Secretary** and **District Chairman Marketing** either electronically or as hardcopy.

The contest runs from **1 July to 30 June**

JUDGING

Each edition will be judged on the following:

a. 5 points for the following:

Name of club, date of issue clearly identified on front page. Are contact details available in the newsletter and articles clearly identifiable?

b. 5 points for Promotion of Lionism

Does the bulletin promote Lionism to both members and non-members?

c. 35 points for Reporting on Club Activities

- 1) Message from the President (4)
- 2) Time and place of Forthcoming events (4)
- 3) News about Activities/Projects of the Club (9)
- 4) Editorial (4)
- 5) Are articles encouraging and inspirational and are the contributions of members recognized. (4)

d. 5 points for Membership Reporting

Are members kept informed about their fellow members? E.g. Birthdays, wedding anniversaries etc.

e. 5 points for Social Activities Reports.

Does the newsletter report on social activities of the club?

f. 7 points for Zone and District Activities.

Are Zone, District and MD activities covered? (5)
International News (2)

g. 5 points for Information from District Chairmen/ Multiple District

h. 13 points for overall appearance:

- 1) Layout and Design (5)
- 2) Readability (2)
- 3) Originality (2)
- 4) Humour (2)
- 5) Use of Logos / photographs (2)

TOTAL 70 POINTS.

The club with the highest score from 4 newsletters will be declared the winner, with recognition being given to the second and third placed newsletter.

PIERRE THERON SERVICE PROJECT AWARD

Administered by the District Secretary

Service Projects undertaken during the period from 1 July to 30 June will be eligible.

To be awarded to the club, who in the opinion of the District Governor, reports in writing the most outstanding project of service to the community during the period 1 July to 30 June irrespective of monetary value.

The format of the report to include the planning stage, the execution of the project and the benefit derived there from.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from minutes received and Activity Reports submitted.

CHARLES SKEEN ECOLOGY PROJECT AWARD

Administered by DC Environment

Projects undertaken during the period from 1 July to 30 June will be eligible.

To be awarded to the club, who in the opinion of the judges, reports in writing the most outstanding project of ecological value to the community during the period 1 July to 30 June irrespective of monetary value.

The format of the report to include the planning stage, the execution of the project and the benefit derived there from.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from minutes received and Activity Reports submitted.

DISTRICT 410C ENVIRONMENT AWARD

Administered by DC Environment

Projects undertaken during the period from 1 July to 30 June will be eligible.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from minutes received and Activity Reports submitted.

To be awarded to the club who in the opinion of the judges has been the most active in the environmental field and made the greatest difference to their environment.

DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTO CONTEST

Administered by: DC Environment

As part of the **International Lions Environmental Photo Contest**, Lions from Clubs in good standing are invited to enter one original, unaltered, black-and-white or colour, 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm) printed photo of the environment in each of the following categories:

- Animal Life
 - Landscape (Urban or natural)
 - Plant Life
 - Weather Phenomenon
- Photos in the above categories are to contain no humans
- The special annual theme category for Year: (As advised by LCI)

Judging will take place at The Midyear Conference

One 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm) printed photo per category is to be submitted to the **DC Environment** at or before the start of the Conference.

Judging will take place by independent judges organized by the DC Environment.

The winning entries will be submitted into the Multiple District Competition and subsequently submitted to the International competition.

Cabinet has allocated cash prizes per category as follows:

- 1st Prize – R400
- 2nd Prize – R200
- 3rd Prize – R100

PADDY MCMENEMY HEARING AWARD

Administered by DC Hearing

Projects undertaken during the period from 1 July to 30 June will be eligible.

To be awarded to the club, who in the opinion of the judges, reports in writing the most outstanding project in hearing conservation or work with the deaf during the period 1 July to 30 June irrespective of monetary value.

The format of the report to include the planning stage, the execution of the project and the benefit derived there from.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from minutes received and Activity Reports submitted.

LESLIE SIMON SIGHT AWARD

Administered by DC Sight

Projects undertaken during the period from **1 July to 30 June** will be eligible.

To be awarded to the club, who in the opinion of the judges, reports in writing the project of greatest value in the field of sight conservation, sight restoration or work with the blind, during the period 1 July to 30 June irrespective of monetary value.

The format of the report to include the planning stage, the execution of the project and the benefit derived there from.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from minutes received and Activity Reports submitted.

OVERALL PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD

Administered by DC Marketing

Coverage obtained during the period from **1 July to 30 June** will be eligible.

To be awarded to the club that achieves the highest coverage in the local media, International Lion Magazine, national press, radio and TV on all aspects of its activities during the year under review.

Entries to be presented in the form of a portfolio of clippings etc.

District Chairman Marketing to be advised by **15 September** if the club is submitting an entry. Judging to take place at Midyear Conference.

IAN MURRY PROJECT PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD

Administered by DC Marketing

Projects undertaken during the period from **1 July to 30 June** will be eligible.

To be awarded to the club which in the opinion of the judges has received the most PR coverage on one project whether fundraising, service or on Lionism in general.

Entries to be presented in the form of a portfolio of clippings etc.

District Chairman Marketing to be advised by **15 September** if the club is submitting an entry. Judging to take place at Midyear Conference.

DENIS MEYER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AWARD

Administered by DC Information Technology

Judged over the period **1 July to 30 June**

To qualify, a Club must conform to the following requirements:

- a) Submit all monthly membership reports / officer reporting forms / activities reports online via the International web site and forward copies thereof to the Cabinet Secretary and District Chairman Information Technology.
- b) Develop and regularly maintain and update a Club web site with direct links to the relevant District, Multiple District and International web sites as well as Lionnet South Africa (reflected on the home page)

CHRISTMAS CAKE PROJECT AWARD

Administered by DC Christmas Cakes

Judged from information received. No formal entry required.

To qualify, a Club must have

- a) Placed its initial order by the due date.
- b) Paid its account in full before the specified deadline each year.

Three patches are awarded:

- a) To the club with the highest number of cakes sold.
- b) To the club with the highest percentage increase over the previous year's cakes sold.
- c) To the club who achieves the highest per capita sales.

Unless the December MMR Report is forwarded to the **DC Christmas Cakes** by **31 January** the highest membership total for the year will be utilized to do calculations.

SHIRLEY COX COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Administered by District Governor

Judged over the period **1 July to 30 June**

No formal application required, judged from information gained from minutes received and Activity Reports submitted.

To be awarded to the club who in the opinion of the District Governor has had the most humanitarian impact in their community or provided the most outstanding service to their community.

FOOD SECURITY AWARD

Administered by DC Food Security

Projects undertaken during the period from 1 July to 30 June will be eligible.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from Activity Reports submitted.

To be awarded to the club:

(a) Which donated the largest amount of food (in monetary value) during the period under consideration, as per their Activity Reports

OR

(b) Whose members put the most hours into food security related projects during the period under consideration, as per their Activity Reports

OR

(c) Which held the most significant food security related project or a series of major projects during the period under consideration in the consideration of the judges, as recorded in their Activity Reports, even if the club does not meet the criteria of (a) or (b).

HILARY MOOLMAN DIABETES AWARD

Administered by DC Diabetes

Projects undertaken during the period from 1 July to 30 June will be eligible.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from Activity Reports submitted.

To be awarded to the club:

(a) Which served the largest number of people during the period under consideration via diabetes related projects, as per their Activity Reports

OR

(b) Whose members put the most hours into diabetes related projects during the period under consideration, as per their Activity Reports

OR

(c) Which held the most significant diabetes related project or a series of major projects during the period under consideration in the consideration of the judges, as recorded in their Activity Reports, even if the club does not meet the criteria of (a) or (b).

ROY HARDMAN AWARD FOR SERVICE TO THE PHYSICALLY AND INTELLECTUALLY DISABLED

Administered by the DC for Physical and Intellectual Disabilities

Projects undertaken during the period from 1 July to 30 June will be eligible.

No formal application required, judged by information gained from Activity Reports submitted.

To be awarded to the club:

(a) Which served the largest number of people during the period under consideration via projects related to physical and/or intellectual disabilities, as per their Activity Reports

OR

(b) Whose members put the most hours into such projects during the period under consideration, as per their Activity Reports

OR

(c) Which held the most significant such project or series of major projects during the period under consideration in the consideration of the judges, as recorded in their Activity Reports, even if the club does not meet the criteria of (a) or (b).

APPENDIX A: RECORD OF CHANGES

Date	Revision	Author	Changes
2013	001		Revision most recently uploaded to the District website on 24/01/2015
24/01/2015	002	DC (Constitutions) Kim van Wyk	Addition of Hilary Moolman Diabetes award, as approved by the 2013 District Convention Altered due payment deadlines in Club of the Year award criteria to match those of the Club Treasurer award Altered Christmas cake award to specify that payment must be made by the yearly payment deadline rather than 31 December Corrected grammar and spelling
09/05/2015	003	DC (Constitutions) Kim van Wyk	Addition of Roy Hardman Award for Service to the Physically and Intellectually Disabled, as approved by the 2015 District Convention