



# Interacting with your Zone and the District

# Why Zones?

Zones are groupings of clubs that:

- Interface between District and clubs
- Assist clubs with issues
- Help neighbouring clubs keep in touch
- Encourage idea sharing and assistance between Zone clubs
- Increase fellowship

# Current Zones

- Zones allocated by DG each year
- 7 Zones in 2016/2017, same as last 3 years
- Zone Chairmen appointed by DG

*(Member of a club in the Zone)*

# 2016/2017 Zones

- **Zone 1 – Free State**
  - ZC: Chris Groenewald, Bloemfontein
    - Kimberley
    - Reitz
    - Virginia
    - Bloemfontein
- **Zone 2: Northern KZN**
  - ZC: Ryan Seegers, Vryheid
    - Vryheid
    - Newcastle
    - Ladysmith
    - Estcourt

# 2016/2017 Zones

- **Zone 3 – KZN Midlands**
  - ZC: Al Cardoso, Hilton
    - Howick/Umgeni
    - Hilton
    - Azalea Lioness
- **Zone 4: Highway**
  - ZC: Andrew Palmer, Gillitts
    - Gillitts
    - Kloof
    - Pinetown
    - Westville
    - Cowies Hill

# 2016/2017 Zones

- **Zone 5: North Coast**
  - ZC: Danesh Moodley, East Coast
    - North Durban
    - East Coast
    - Ballito
    - Empangeni
- **Zone 6: South Coast**
  - ZC: Jeff Smith, Port Shepstone
    - Scottburgh
    - Hibberdene
    - Port Shepstone
    - Shelly Beach
    - Ramsgate
    - Kokstad

# 2016/2017 Zones

- **Zone 7 – Durban**
  - ZC: Carol Botha, Amanzimtoti
    - Durban Central
    - Durban Host
    - Amanzimtoti
    - Durban South
    - Kingsburgh

# Role of the Zone Chairman

- Participate in Cabinet meetings
- Report on club achievements and items of interest
- Bring club concerns or suggestions to District
- Report back to clubs in 3 or more Zone meetings
- Visit each club at least once
- Remain informed about club and Zone matters





## Zone Meetings

- Called by ZC close to date of Cabinet meetings
- Open to all Lions in the Zone
- Important for president, secretary and treasurer to attend
- Important for club members to attend
- Reports submitted by LPs before meeting
- Fellowship after meeting
- Hosted by different clubs during the year

# Getting the most from your Zone

- Attend the Zone meetings!
  - Bring as many club members as at all possible
  - Take notes
  - “Borrow” good ideas
    - Share the good ideas from your club as well
  - Suggest a speaker or activity
- Keep your ZC informed about your club’s successes, challenges and news
  - Monthly Activity Report
  - Direct contact – phone/email etc
  - Zone Meetings



# Serving as Zone Chair

- Main criteria: have already served as president
- Very rewarding position
  - Clubs are all different – make an interesting mix
  - Interaction at District level
- Qualifier for DG

# Getting the most from your Zone

- Ask your ZC to discuss issues of relevance to your club at Cabinet meetings
- Suggest and/or participate in a Zone project
- Visit other clubs in the Zone
- When ZC visits, provide enough time for a full address
- Induction of new members
- Club meetings
  - hosted Zone meetings
  - Ask ZC beforehand and give plenty of warning



# Interaction with District

- DG might visit a club meeting during the year
  - Provide enough time at the meeting for a full address
  - If you want the DG to do an induction or present an award, give plenty of warning!
- Ensure your ZC knows about anything you want the District to consider
- Activity reports and minutes are read by DCs and DG (*Cabinet Mailing list*)
- To ensure DCs see the relevant parts of your minutes, consider indicating which sections apply to the various portfolios

# Interaction with District

- Each DC's role is to support clubs in service, membership and fundraising
  - Invite DCs to address your meeting
  - Contact DCs for advice or assistance in specific areas
- Attend District events:
  - Midyear
  - District/MD Conference/Convention
  - Training Weekend
- District and Zone exist largely for clubs' benefit

# Interaction with District

- Please respond to communications from District
- Please pass on messages to all club members
- Provide articles and photos for the District Newsletter

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