Lions Club of Sunshine Inc
Secretary's Report 2004-2005

In submitting this report I am pleased to report that we will have a net membership gain for the year of 3 members when Lin Molnar and Chris Evans are inducted, which is an increase of 19%. New members welcomed during the year were Jeff O'Donnell, Robert and Rosie Mammarella and the return from Brunswick of John Boles. Regretably we had to terminate the membership of Kelly Eberle, while Frank MacInnes and Theresa Grech resigned for personal reasons.

Members attended the District Convention at Ballarat and the Multiple District Convention at Adelaide, made visits to Deer Park and Footscray Clubs and the Charter of the Little River Club. Two social evenings were held at the Golden Capital Restaurant in Deer Park.

Sausage sizzles have been the major fund raiser, over $17000, and we acknowledge the cooperation of Bunnings Maribyrnong and Sunshine, Glengala Hotel, Dick Smiths, Speedway and Sunvale Primary School. Other fund raisers were Christmas trees ($3150), Jumble sale ($1300), Christmas cakes, Lion mints and Pancake day.

There were 2 entrants in the club's Youth of the Year Quest with Krystal Spiteri from Sunshine College winning the Merv. Pentreath Shield and Timothy Smit from Braybrook College being the public speaking winner. Our thanks to the judges Dan Wallace, Pamela Green and Wayne Lyons.

Sunshine Hospital was given $3000 for a maternity bed. Thirteen primary schools received $100 each to provide awards for students. Financial assistance was also provided so that students could attend school camps. With assistance of Westvale Community Centre, 3 computers were obtained for Sudanese students. We have also provided 3 printers, 1 calculator, 2 bicycles and helmets. More than 20 bicycles were donated to the club from appeal in local papers.

We contributed $3910 to the Tsunami appeal through LCIF and Care Australia. Five disadvantaged children were sponsored to a Licola camp. Toys were given to children in Sunshine Hospital at Christmas. A baby cry alarm was bought for a deaf mother. Knitted blankets were donated to the Woornack Aged Care
Facility. Trees were donated to Kings Park Primary School for tree planting program. The sLion Assist project was involved in lawn mowing and garden clean-ups. Time spent on projects amounted to 1386 hours.

We thank President Jean for her effort throughout the year, and extend to President Elect James our best wishes for a successful year.

Bill Benson.
1 June, 2005.

**MAJOR DISBURSEMENTS 2004-2005**

- Lions Paralympic Appeal $100
- Albion North Primary School Awards $100
- Kings Park Primary School (trees for schools' tree day) $182
- Sunshine Hospital (maternity bed) $3000
- Contribution to wheelchair purchase $850

**MAJOR DISBURSEMENTS (cont)**

- St. Albans Secondary College Girls Soccer team to National Titles $250
- Baby cry alarm $821
- Highpoint Industries Account donation $300
- Variety, The Children's Charity $400
- Australian Lions Drug Awareness Foundation Inc $75
- Norwood Association (12 1kg Christmas cakes) $98
- Norwood Association (Christmas presents) $240
- VLF Eye Bank Fund $200
- Braybrook College Awards $150
- Senior Citizens Club (4 Christmas cakes) $44
- Sunvale Primary School (Fete sausage sizzle) $300
- Primary Schools Students Awards ($100 per school) $1300
- Kids with cancer (walk around Australia) $306
- Care Australia (tsunami) $1370
- Murray to Moyne Relay $100
- Welfare $184
- Sunshine Hospital Toys at Christmas $500
- MD201 LCIF Disaster Fund (tsunami) $2450
- Sudanese student (calculator) $180
- Southern Region Migrant Resource Centre $200
- Licola camp (5 children) $690
- Leo Development $100
- Hearing dogs $100
- Sunshine East Primary School (3 children to camp) $500
- Scope Respite Centre (equipment) $200
- Sudanese students (3 computer printers) $315
- Sudanese students (2 bicycles and helmets) $202
- Lions Spinal Cord Fellowship $160

Little River Lions Club (contribution to charter expenses) $500

TOTAL: $16557