Lions Club of Sunshine Inc  
Secretary's Report 2005-2006

We inducted three new members during the year, being Les Tarczon, Gail Cholosznecki and Margaret Giudice, who subsequently resigned, giving a net gain of two members for the year. Two more people have been approved for induction in July. Three members attended the District Convention at Casterton. Other visits were made to Werribee, Deer Park and Keilor Clubs.

Again this year sausage sizzles were our major fund raiser bringing in over $15500, and we thank Bunnings Maribyrnong and Sunshine, Sunvale Primary School and Tracey’s Speedway for their support. Other funds came from the sale of Christmas trees $4000, Jumble sale $1067, Christmas cakes, Lion mints, DIY morning at Bunnings $170, Pancake day $80 and gift wrapping $60.

Provision of bicycles for Sudanese students became a major project with over 100 bicycles being provided thanks to the generosity of local residents in donating unwanted bikes to the club.

We had three entrants in our Youth Of The Year Quest with Paul Tivendale from Braybrook College judged to be the winner. Our thanks to the judges Pat Pereira, Sebastian Agricola and Dianne Seiffert for giving of their time. It was also our pleasure to host the Region Final of the Quest. One hundred dollars each was provided to 25 primary schools for Student Encouragement Awards. Children were sponsored to Licola and school camps. In conjunction with Glengala Primary School we have provided $3000 for equipment and assistance to schools in Samoa. Braybrook College received $150 for student awards.

At Christmas, ten hampers each valued at $150 were distributed to needy families, and small gifts were given to residents of the Woornack Aged Care Facility. Alyssa Kotsopoulos received our help by way of fundraising. A garden cleanup was done at the Scope Respite Centre. More than 1400 hours were spent on fund raising and projects.

To President James, thank you for trying to get the members to “have fun and enjoy what you do.”

To President Elect Chris, congratulations on your fourth term, and best wishes for a successful year.

For the 24th and last time,

Bill Benson.

29 May, 2006.
Disbursements 2005-06

Hope project $600
Lions Cord Blood Foundation Inc. $250
Kids With Cancer Appeal $700
Sunshine Model Railway Club $100
Wheelchair for disabled child $1200
ALDAF Inc. $75
Alyssa Kotsopoulos Appeal $3000
Primary Schools Students Awards $2500
Jackson School Camps $500
Senior Citizens Club (4 Christmas cakes) $36
Scope Respite Centre (2 Christmas cakes) $18
Highpoint Industries (2 Christmas cakes) $18
Sunshine Police (1 box Care Bears) $185
Braybrook Secondary College Student Awards $150
Sunshine Hospital (Christmas tree) $100
Sunvale Primary School $100
10 Christmas Hampers $1500
Mercy Hospice Care $2000
Woornack Aged Care Facility (Christmas gifts) $199
Lions Hearing Dogs Inc. $110
Uniting Care $200
Samoan Schools Project $3000
Operation Teddy Bear $77
Sunshine East Primary School Camp $600
Braybrook College School Camp $225

TOTAL $17443