Bradford on Avon Lions Club

Newsletter

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President's Remarks

Hello to Friends and Fellow Lions.

A very brief few words to say hello to existing members and to welcome new members too. We are a very friendly bunch who all have big hearts and lots of energy when it matters. I am very proud to be one of their team. Not a lot to report this end except again to thank you all for your kindnesses and continuing support for myself and my family. Dorothy House carers are in our home most evenings which enables me to rest and sleep.

Bye for now and hope to see you all soon with hugs of course. Lynn

MESSAGES

Raffle prize for October Meeting – Bob Farrimond please.

AGENDA

Introduction of Guests – Lion Mike.
Present
Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 21st September 2026.
For Action or Decision: Trustees
Treasurer
Community Services
Fun Day
Fund Raising
Social
Correspondence
Any Other Relevant Business

MINUTES

1. Minutes of a meeting of the Lions Club of Bradford on Avon, held on Monday 21st September 2026.
2. Attendance. There were 12 members present.
3. Apologies. Lions Lynn, Pete, Hilary, Bob S, Ron, Brian C and Liz.
4. Guests. None.

5. Approval of Minutes of meeting held on 17th August 2026. Approved.

6. Matters Arising from previous meeting.
a) 7a - Voice recording at meetings, ongoing, **Action Brian C.**
b) 7f – Sponsorship for Fun Day, see Fund Raising report.
c) 7g – Feedback from helpers on Fun Day, see Fund Raising report.
d) 9a – Young Peoples Award, see Community Services report.
e) 9a1 – Young Peoples Award, trophies, complete.
f) 9d – Calne Lions, no further information, consider dead.

7. Trustees. Nothing to report.

8. Treasurer.
a) Admin account £768, Charity/Activities account £7755.
b) The treasurer reported that he had received a payment of £71 from Jotcham. It was pointed out that it was from a Trowbridge Lions member as a payment for Charter.
c) Choir Concert profit was £650.
d) The dog Show profit was £2500
e) A new budget spread sheet was displayed and club members agreed that it should be used for future budgeting.

9. Community Services.
a) Grow for Life, £500 donation approved.
b) 2 x Bleed Kits, £240 donation approved.
c) We Hear You charity, will come to speak to us at the November meeting.
d) Young Persons Award, the Presentation Evening will be at the October club meeting.
d1) Prize money for each contestant will be £100.
d2) Members are requested to arrive at the hall at **7-00pm** to mingle with the contestants and their families over a cup of tea and cake.
d3) Mike has agreed to supply the refreshments. **Action Mike.**

10. Fund Raising.
a) **Fun Day**
a1) AI was asked how we could improve the Fun Day. Most of the ideas we could not accommodate.
a2) It was agreed that Sponsorship is the key to improve the event. It was suggested that the Fun Day Committee should be increased to spread the net to improve interest in the event.
a3) It was suggested that we try to increase the number of Lions stalls, again, to create more interest.
a4) Another suggestion that will be considered, was to work with the Town Council, using their expertise to improve the event. A possible music event on Culver Close could be mixed in with our event.
b) **Dog Show**,
b1) Profit was £2500, which was considered a very good profit for a first time event.
b2) Jon was disappointed that the number of dog entrants was down from the Council event last year.
b3) Jon was also disappointed with the On Line Raffle sales.
b4) Club members agreed to hold the Dog Show again in 2027.
b5) The Town Council will be asked if they will be involved in our 2027 event.
c) **Choir Concert**
c1) Phil will organise the event in 2027. **Action Phil.**
c2) It was felt that the Holy Trinity Church was a better venue than St. Margaret's Hall.

11. Social.
a) The next event will be the Charter. The menu can be seen in the September and October Newsletters.

b) Please send your menu choice to Betty.

12. Correspondence.
The secretary has forwarded on all relevant correspondence by email.

13. Any other business.
Judith said that the October Newsletter will be emailed a little later than usual.

14. Raffle.
a) The raffle was won by Brian H.
b) Raffle prize for October meeting, Bob F. please.

Phil, who chaired the meeting in Lynn's absence, closed the meeting at 8-45pm.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report 8th October 2026

The balance on the Admin account is £111.74 (Sept £733.15)
We received payments for the charter lunch from various members.

The balance on the Charity and Activity account is £8,509.54 (Sept £6048.44))

Incomings
Cash and card payments from 'one enchanted evening' and monies from ticket sales from Ticket Source.

Outgoings
Final dog show and choir evening expenses

Donations this month
No Donations this month.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

The Community Services Committee have not met during this last month so nothing to report except for the reminder of the Presentation Evening for the Young Persons Award that will take place at the October meeting.
Could Members please try to arrive by 7.00pm to make our guests welcome.

FUND RAISING

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Social Report for October 2026

FINAL REMINDER ..... CHARTER MENU CHOICES .....RAFFLE PRIZES!

Our Charter Lunch will be at Cumberwell, 12 for 1230 on Sunday 1st November.
Menu attached.

Lots of raffle prizes please to any of the Social Committee – Hilary, Judy, Keith, Betty.

Menu choices and payment by **16th October** to Betty Rogers: rogerser@hotmail.co.uk
Preferred payment by Bacs: Bradford on Avon Lions Club
SC: 30-98-75 Acct: 01612856 (Reference Charter)

Sunday Lunch 1st November 2026

Starters

Sweet Potato and Red Pepper Soup with Croutons
Chicken Liver Pate with Caramelised Onion Marmalade and Toast
Classic Prawn Cocktail served with Wholemeal Bread
Creamy Garlic Mushrooms with Toasted Ciabatta

Mains

Traditional Roast Beef served with all the Trimmings
Roast Loin of Pork with Apple Sauce, Crackling, Roast Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables
Salmon en Croute topped with Spinach and served with a White Wine Cream Sauce, Gratin Potato Seasonal Vegetables
Sweet Potato, Carrot and Chickpea Wellington served with Roast Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables

Desserts

Warm Apple & Blackberry Crumble with Custard
Chocolate Mousse served with Chantilly Cream & Mixed Berries
St. Clements Posset topped with a Strawberry Compote
Selection of Cheese and Biscuits
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Tea, Coffee and Homemade Chocolates

2 Courses £33.00 **3 Courses £38.00**

Bradford on Avon Lions Club Charities Account 2026/27

Payments from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027

Date	Amount	Recipient
7/26	£500.00	Dementia Support
7/26	£500.00	Dorothy House
7/26	£500.00	Julia's House
7/26	£500.00	LCIF
7/26	£168.00	Holt Scout Storage
9/26	£200.00	Skip Hire
9/26	£500.00	B on A Dementia
Total	**£** 2868.00	

Club Diary October and November 2026

October	19	Club Meeting	1930hrs	Holt
	21	Social Meeting	1430hrs	Hilary's
November	1	Charter Lunch	1200hrs	Cumberwell
	16	Club Meeting	1930hrs	Holt

Dates to Remember

Magazine Deadlines

Could you please ensure that all information for the monthly Newsletter reaches Judith by the next deadline: Monday 9th November

Black is budget	**BUDGET FORECAST 2026/2027**											
Red is Actual												
Event	**Jul**	**Jul**	**Aug**	**Aug**	**Sep**	**Sept**	**Oct**	**Oct**	**Nov**	**Nov**	**Dec**	**Dec**
Young Peoples Award L	100											
Christmas Tree L									800			
Christmas Parcels L											800	
Dementia Support L	500			500							500	
Sight Savers I									500			
British Legion L									100			
Julia's House L												
Lions Youth Projects N			120									
Water Aid I												
LCIF I												
Medic Alert I												
SPLASH L												
Easter Egg Hunt L												
Brain Tumour Research N					500							
Dorothy House												
Other Causes	350		350		350		350		350		350	
Amy Louise Ford				200								
Budget	£950.00		£470.00		£850.00		£350.00		£1,750.00		£1,650.00	
Actual		£0.00		£700.00		£0.00		£0.00		£0.00		
Running Total Budget	£950.00	£0.00	£1,420.00		£2,270.00		£2,620.00		£4,370.00		£6,020.00	
Running Total Actual		£0.00		£700.00		£700.00		£700.00		£700.00		
Difference		**£950.00**		**£720.00**		**£1,570.00**		**£1,920.00**		**£3,670.00**		
Bank Balance						£7,078.00		£8,509.54				
Projected Income						£1,600.00		£0.00				
Projected Expenses						£500.00		£350.00				
Balance						£8,178.00		£8,159.54				
Retained Balance Floor						**£2,000.00**		**£2,000.00**				
Budgetted disbursments						**£850.00**		**£350.00**				
Available for Disbursement						£5,328.00		£5,809.54				