



Leos & Scouts



Fairlop Lions are proud and delighted to acknowledge the Fairlop Leos 10 years of service to the local community. With an average membership of 25 exceptional young people between the ages 12 -14 they have made a real difference in our community and in the last ten years have raised in excess of £50,000

The Leos Club, have had a very successful and busy year raising funds via raffles, tin shakes, table top sales, cake sales, mufti days, quiz sheets and sponsored events. They organised their two annual pantomime visits for disadvantaged children and the Mencap group, took a table of youngsters to the District Youth Celebration, helped care for a table of senior citizens at the District Party, held an Environment Day and planted trees, sold 'glowies' for Barnardos, helped the Round table, collected tins and fresh produce for the local Food Bank and supported the local Children's Centre Halloween and Christmas Parties plus donated books to seven local schools and Nurseries worth over £1000 and took time out at school to be mentors for reluctant readers. The Club also took a lead role in the Zone Easter Egg Hunt and Duck Race. They celebrated World Sight Day bringing the problems of blindness to the fore resulting in collections of spectacles becoming a regular project. All of our Leos are working on the Young Leaders in Service Awards where they receive recognition for 25 hours, 50 hours and 100 hours of volunteering completed in a year. Already some have reached over 150 hours!

The Club is friendly, strong and vibrant and working together as a team. Their efforts were acknowledged by receiving the District 105A Leo Club of the Year trophy and Leo President Besa was awarded the District Leo of the Year.



Top: Senior Citizens Party

Middle: Leos with children at District Children's Party

Bottom: Peace Poster Entry – Highly recommended



Young Ambassador, Peace Poster & Senior Citizens



Fairlop Lions Club is unique in sponsoring a local Scout Group-the only such sponsorship by Lions in the UK. Our Group - Becontree Scouts have Beaver, Cubs and Scouts sections ensuring that local boys and girls between 6-14 years old have an opportunity to help them improve their key skills, including social skills, teamwork ability, leadership ability and confidence. They are able to collect activity and proficiency badges for their uniform and a number of the group have completed Chief Scout Bronze and Silver Awards and are working towards their Gold Award.

Fairlop Lions provide support for the management committee, help with the annual Environment Day, the Fun Day and other activities for this youth group. We are proud that the Scouts took a lead role in the successful Scout Easter Hunt and Duck Race in April 2013 along with IPP Lion Tajinder Marway

Some of our Scouts were chosen to take part in the City of London's Lord Mayors Parade and the Group collected for the British Legion Poppy Appeal at St Paul's Cathedral raising over £400. They are keen to engage with other Scout Groups and won the Inter Troop Bowling competition.

The Scout Group has a wide range of activities enabling the youngsters to make a huge difference both to their lives and across the wider community. Exciting activities, shared fun and lasting friendships give long term benefits for each child.



This year the local Zone Lions were able to sponsor three exceptional candidates from LB Redbridge into the Lions Young Ambassador Award. The Award is a means of encouraging, recognizing and supporting young people between the ages 15-19 with their volunteering. Cody Lee Smart, a 15 year old student, was sponsored by Fairlop Lions Club and has to date raised over £30,000 for local charities, by using his amazing musical talents. The caliber of the local candidates was extremely high and Cody was a very close runner up to another local boy Greg Wade who went on to come second in the national final. His speech at Convention 2014 was truly inspiring and received a standing ovation from the delegates.

UN/Lions Peace Poster Contest

Each year, Lions Clubs around the world proudly sponsor the UN/Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups. This Contest encourages young people worldwide to artistically express their visions of peace. This year the contestants aged between 11-13 years were given the theme Our World, Our Future. From a total of 230 local entries from Youth Clubs, Schools and Scout Groups Fairlop Lions choose four posters to go forward to the 105A Final, where they were very worthy runners up.

Senior Citizens Party 2014

Once again this year, Fairlop Lions Club sponsored a table of senior citizens to the District Party in Harrow where they joined over 800 other pensioners for an afternoon of entertainment, dancing, afternoon tea and bingo. Many of the attendees have few social outings and often see no visitors from one week to the next. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and on leaving asked can we come again next year?



Top:
Young Ambassador candidate

Bottom:
Tree Planting at Ray Lodge