



LIONS OPERATION BRIGHTSIGHT

Multiple District 410 • Southern Africa

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Dear Lions of Multiple District 410,

At the bottom of the page you will see listed the new Operation Brightsight Management Committee members elected to serve for the period 2017/18.

At the recent Council Meeting held in Amanzimtoti on August 19th my report to council showed a marked improvement in the performance of Lions Operation Brightsight in the fiscal year 2016/7 compared with the previous year. Profit for 2016/7 was R28,299 compared with R8,799 for 2015/6. We are truly grateful for the contribution from Christmas Cake sales where every cake sold provides a one rand boost to our income. I therefore encourage all Lions to participate in the Lions Christmas cake project.

I would also like to comment on the script submission performance showing the comparison of the districts for the years 2015/6 and 2016/7

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>2015/6</u>	<u>2016/7</u>
410A	29	51
410B	831	778
410C	228	289
410D	271	379
CLINIC	450	422
TOTAL	1,809	1,919 (An improvement of 6%)

The submission of scripts is the lifeblood of this MD project and we depend upon reaching a figure of 2,400 annually as a target.

The turn-around performance of receipt of script to the despatch of spectacles has improved to the point where we can offer a one week service in most cases dependent on script requirements.

Support from the clubs in all districts is essential to keep the project viable.

I thank all clubs that are participating in the project and hope you will continue to do so and encourage all your zone clubs that are not involved to join the Brightsight family.

Please consider sight related projects in the coming months and don't forget to promote Lions Operation Brightsight when you are holding these projects. We have promotional material available should you require and also fold away banners which present the project in an eye catching way to the public.

The members of the committee are also prepared to make themselves available to address Mid-Year Conferences, Zone meetings and even individual club meetings should they be convenient, to give Lions of the multiple district an insight as to the running of the Lions Operation Brightsight project.



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It is also hoped to have “Brightsight Champions” in each District available to assist clubs to become involved with the project.

For those clubs that are participating in the project, I would request that a club member accept the responsibility of being the liaison person for communication between their club and the Lions Operation Brightsight office in Benoni.

For script submission and queries contact the Manager George MacDonald at telephone number 011 422 5577 or Email brightsight@telkomsa.net

For accounts queries contact Janice on phone number 011 422 2891 or Email lobaccdept@gmail.com

It is very important to settle your club accounts timeously as this makes Janis’s job a lot less stressful and our telephone account more manageable as there is less need to follow up on overdue payments. I must add that due to the attention given by Janis, the overdue schedule has improved in the latter months.

In ending I would like to thank George and his staff of Janis and Angie for the work they do to help in your community work to make it possible for the less fortunate amongst us have an improved quality of life through better vision.

Derek Edwards
Chairman