

# Lions District 201V3 Lions Ride for Sight

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## Newsletter No. 6 – April 2026

Hello Riders and Supporters,

It's been over a month since the 32nd Lion's Ride for Sight and, with this sunny weather, it feels like we should do it all again!

Thanks again to our wonderful Support Crew, Committee Members and Riders for making this year such a resounding success.

Here are a few quick memos from the Committee...

### Survey Response & the Chair Nominations for 2027

Thank you to everyone who completed the Ride for Sight Feedback and EOI Survey.

We had over 50 responses and it has been invaluable for informing future decisions about the ongoing feasibility of the Ride and the Ride format.

The good news is that there's lots of interest in the ride continuing and for people volunteering in the various Committee roles.

But...we must have a Chair as first step or the Ride can't go ahead.

If you would like to nominate yourself (or someone else!) for this crucial role, or would just like some more information about what the role entails, please get in touch with our current Chair, Karl Henderson on [raacom@outlook.com](mailto:raacom@outlook.com).

Please note that the **Chair nominee must be a Lion**.

### Fundraising

This year's looking like it will be as successful as 2025, with donations still coming in.

Riders, **please finalise your fundraising efforts** via your [Ride for Sight Raisely](#) profile.

So far, we are delighted to report that we have raised more than \$55,000 from rider sponsorship, our generous Ride sponsors, auction and raffle.

We need a final push from everyone to meet our ambitious fundraising goal of \$100,000.

**The deadline to get your donations in is 31 May 2026.**

Remember, all proceeds go towards much-needed funding for research into prevention and management of vision loss run by the Centre for Eye Research Australia (CERA).

*Even if you didn't ride this year, you can still make a donation to the Ride here:*

<https://32nd-lions-ride-for-sight-2026.raiselysite.com/lions-ride-for-sight>.

Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

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## **Eye Health Night**

The *Team Sisters Eye Health Night* will be held on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May** at the Esplanade Hotel in Inverloch.

It will be a thought-provoking and fun evening with special guests from CERA and our Sponsor, Apellis, sharing latest updates on research in geographic atrophy and inherited retinal diseases.

More information about how to purchase tickets to this fabulous event can be found at the end of this newsletter.

## **Raffle and Auction**

Team Sisters are running a **Raffle** as part of the fundraising efforts, with almost **\$15,000 in prizes** up for grabs.

Prizes will be drawn at the *Team Sisters Eye Health Night* in Inverloch on Thursday 14th May.

Good luck to those who have already purchased their Raffle tickets!

If you would like to grab some tickets, please get in touch with Sharon asap on [oasiscc@dcsi.net.au](mailto:oasiscc@dcsi.net.au).

## **Merchandise**

We have eight Lion's Ride for Sight jerseys available for purchase for \$45 each.

They are not dated so can be used for the 2027 Ride.

Sizes are: XS = 2, S = 1, M = 3, L = 2

If you would like to grab one, please contact Sharon on [oasiscc@dcsi.net.au](mailto:oasiscc@dcsi.net.au).

## **Lost property**

We have a pair of sunglasses that was found during the Ride – if they are yours, please contact Andrea on [keppel@dcsi.net.au](mailto:keppel@dcsi.net.au) and she will sell them back to you at next year's Ride.

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## Our Sponsors

We would once again like extend our deep appreciation to our fabulous Sponsors of the 2026 Ride for Sight!

Your generosity is much appreciated by the Committee, the Riders, the recipient of the funding (CERA), and anyone who has been touched by vision loss or blindness.

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## Some Ride Highlights



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## Other Resources



Our Facebook and Instagram Page are ready! Please visit and follow to spread the word.

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Click 'Follow' and you'll start seeing real-time Ride updates in your thread.



For general information about the Ride For Sight, [visit our webpage](#) or scan the QR code below:



For more information about Centre for Eye Research Australia (CERA), [visit their website](#) or scan the QR code below:

