



LIONS Youth Of The Year QUEST

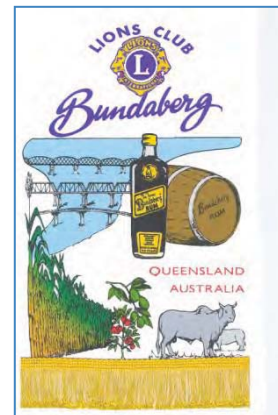


201 Q4 REGION 3 FINAL (Zones 7 and 8)

Saturday, 10 March 2012

Tom Quinn Community Centre,
8 Killer Street, BUNDABERG

Hosted by Bundaberg Lions Club



Program

09:30	Judges arrive, briefing and resolution of impromptu questions
	INTERVIEWS
10:15	Candidate 1 – William Holloway, North Bundaberg State High School
10:45	Candidate 2 – Amy Collins, Kepnock State High School
11:15	Candidate 3 – Jessica Dippel, Maryborough State High School
11:45	Candidate 4 – Laura McMahon, Xavier Catholic College
12:15	Judges' time to deliberate
12:30	Lunch, for candidates and judging panel
01:25	Call to order
01:30	Welcome – Bundaberg Lions Club President, Lion Wayne Evans
01:35	Quest overview, introduction of judges, procedures – Youth of the Year Chairman, Lion George Martin
01:45	IMPROMPTU QUESTIONS
02:15	PREPARED SPEECHES
02:45	Judges retire Afternoon tea served Winners announced Presentations Closing remarks – Lion Wayne Evans



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President's message

It is a great pleasure to welcome Youth of the Year Region 3 finalists, their supporters and fellow Lions to this year's regional final.

As in all participating Clubs, our members relish the chance to promote the development of leadership skills in young people. We salute the efforts of the candidates in their successes to this point and also thank the National Australia Bank, our judging panel and all Clubs for the ongoing support that sustains this celebrated quest.

On behalf of all Lions I wish these young people well in their endeavours today and in the future directions they pursue.

The future is in good hands!

Lion Wayne Evans



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Background

The Lions Youth of the Year quest began in Queensland in 1964. It rapidly gained support from Lions Clubs across Australia and is now a project of Lions Clubs International of Australia and Papua New Guinea.

The quest encourages student interest in leadership and the qualities required to take an active and constructive role in the community. Around May each year an outstanding young person is selected from candidates throughout Australia to travel overseas and act as an ambassador for Lions Clubs International Multiple District 201.

In order to determine a 'national winner' quest judging is run at the following levels:

- Club judging
- Zone judging (in some Districts only)
- Regional judging
- District judging
- State finals
- National final.

At each level of judging candidates submit a written application. This provides the basis for an interview conducted by a panel of either three or five judges. The application and interview account for **80 POINTS**.

A public speaking function follows the interviews. Candidates have two minutes to respond to two impromptu questions, agreed by the judging panel. They then deliver a five minute prepared speech on an individual choice topic. The impromptu question responses and prepared speech account for **30 POINTS**.

At each judging level of the quest two winners are identified:

- A Public Speaking Winner
- An Overall Winner, who progresses to the next round of judging.

The judges for today's event are all prominent members of the Bundaberg community with considerable and varied experiences in youth leadership. We applaud their generous spirit in being involved with the quest.

The judges are:

- **Wayne Bauer**; Solicitor, Finemore, Walters and Storey
- **Leanne Bull**; Co-Principal of the Bull Financial Group
- **Helen Huntly**; Dean of the School of Education, Central Queensland University
- **Grant Hutchings**; Accountant and CPA member
- **Reg Rowe**; retired English Subject Master, Bundaberg State High School.



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Today's candidates and future rounds of Youth of the Year

The candidates for this year's Region 3 Final are:

- **Amy Collins**, Kepnock State High School
- **Jessica Dippel**, Maryborough State High School
- **William Holloway**, North Bundaberg State High School
- **Laura McMahon**, Xavier Catholic College.

Their profiles, based on written application details, follow.

From today's event a winner will be selected to progress to District (Q4) judging. This will be held in Cooroy on 24th March.

The Queensland State Finals will be held in Rockhampton on 14th April and this year's National final will be conducted in Perth on 4th May.

All National finalists are eligible to join an organised Australia-wide group tour and will receive a \$500 scholarship to further their studies. The National Champion has the opportunity to travel overseas as an Australian ambassador at an International Youth Conference or undertake a specific overseas study tour.

Chairman's message

Co-ordinating arrangements for an event such as this is a privilege. The Lions Youth of the Year quest brings together the ideals of Lions Clubs the world over, the enthusiasm of community members such as our judging panellists, the support of a major sponsor, National Australia Bank, and fine young people who will be tomorrow's leaders.

I offer my sincere thanks to the members of the Bundaberg Lions Club for their support in preparing for this event and to Zone 7 and 8 Youth of the Year Co-ordinators—Jackie Scott and Graham Bowden. I also reiterate Lion Wayne Evan's best wishes to our young ambassadors. Congratulations on your successes in the quest to date and every best wish for successful and rewarding futures. I am confident that you will build on your successes and apply your considerable talents to improving our society.

Lion George Martin

Youth of the Year Chairman, Bundaberg Lions Club



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Candidate profiles

Name: Amy Collins	Sponsoring Club: Bargara Lions Club
School: Keppnock State High School	Age: 17 years

ACADEMIC

Year 11 & 12: English; Mathematics B; Mathematics C; Chemistry; Biology; Ancient History

Awards: Top of History, Top of Ancient History, Top of English, Gold Academic Award

LEADERSHIP

2010-2011: Community Committee member

2012: School Captain

SPORTING and/or CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Cultural: Vilon leader (school orchestra and ensemble), Rostrum Voice of Youth, Bush poetry

Sporting: Taekwon-do, Inter-school Cross Country, Athletics and Swimming Carnivals

Awards: Black Belt in Taekwon-do; completed 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade AMEB violin examinations; 1st place – Bundy Bush Poets under-18 competition; 2nd place – Queensland Rostrum, senior level

CITIZENSHIP and COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2011: Anzac Dawn Service and Citizens’ Service; fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day, White Balloon Day and Orange Thumb Day

HOBBIES

Reading novels, cooking and going to the beach



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Name: <i>Jessica Dippel</i>	Sponsoring Club: <i>Maryborough Granville Lions Club</i>
School: <i>Maryborough State High School</i>	Age: <i>17 years</i>

ACADEMIC

Year 11: Mathematics B – SA; Mathematics C – SA; English – VHA; Chemistry – HA; Biology – HA; Drama – HA

Year 12: Mathematics B; Mathematics C; English; Chemistry; Biology; Drama

Awards: National Youth Science Forum 2011; Meritorious Certificate 2011; National Geography Competition 2010 – High Distinction; Principal’s Encouragement Award 2010; Consistent Academic Achievement 2010; International mathematics competition 2010 – Credit; Crest Bronze awards, CSIRO 2010

LEADERSHIP

2010: Junior House Sporting Captain,

2011: Senior House Sporting Vice-captain, Peer Mentor Maryborough State High School, Girls Leadership Camp

SPORTING and/or CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

2010: Representative Netball and Rugby League, Netball fundraising

2011: Fraser District Netball Representative

Awards: 2011 Fraser District Netball selection

CITIZENSHIP and COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2011: Anzac Dawn Service, Girls’ Leadership Camp, Primary school reading assistance program, University trip

HOBBIES

Gym (fitness), Netball, Social activities



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Name: <i>William Holloway</i>	Sponsoring Club: <i>Bundaberg North Lions Club</i>
School: <i>North Bundaberg State High School</i>	Age: <i>16 years</i>

ACADEMIC

Year 11 & 12: English; Mathematics B; Mathematics C; Physics, Chemistry; Physical Education

Awards: Top 10%, Top of Year 12 Mathematics C, Accelerated Learning Certificate, Year 11 Australian Defence Force Academy award

LEADERSHIP

2011: Student Council

SPORTING and/or CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

2010-2011: Cricket – club, Bundaberg and Wide Bay level including Bundaberg Under 15 and Under 16 Cricket Captain, Wide Bay Cricket Vice-captain; Netball – member of Bundaberg Netball Association, National C-badged Netball Umpire; Ten Pin Bowling and Lawn Bowls – school sport level

Awards: 2010 – most valuable player, Wide Bay Cricket; 2010-2011 – most wickets and best bowling average

CITIZENSHIP and COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2011 -2011: Bundaberg Flying School

HOBBIES

Cricket, Solving puzzles (Rubik’s Cube), Flying a Jabiru aircraft



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Name: <i>Laura McMahon</i>	Sponsoring Club: <i>Fraser Lions Club</i>
School: <i>Xavier Catholic College</i>	Age: <i>16 years</i>

ACADEMIC

Year 11: English – A; Mathematics B – A; Chemistry – A⁺; Biology – A⁺; Marine Studies – A; Study of Religion – A; Legal Studies – A; French – A

Year 12: English – A; Mathematics B – A; Chemistry – A⁺; Biology – A⁺; Marine Studies – A; Study of Religion – A; French – A

Awards: Xavier Catholic College Gold Academic Award, University of NSW English Competition – Distinction

LEADERSHIP

2010: Fraser Coast regional Council Junior Council – Councillor and Communications Officer

2011-2012: Xavier Catholic College Vice-captain, University of Queensland Science Ambassador, Co-captain of debating team

SPORTING and/or CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Sporting: Hervey Bay Junior Hockey Association (HBJHA) – Junior Coach; HBJHA State Championship Committee – Member; Hockey (club); Swimming training; Skiing; Cross-country training (school); Xavier College Rep. Hockey Team member; Under-15 State Hockey Championships

Cultural: Xavier College Senior Choir; Annual music tours; Vocal lessons; Regional Apex debating; National Jesuit debating carnival; Parish Youth Ministry Team; Qld Catholic Music Festival performances; Maryborough Eisteddfod; National Chemical Analysis Competition – Regional; Rostrum Voice of Youth competition

Awards: Xavier Catholic College Gold Cultural Award, Long Tan Leadership Award – ADF; Xavier Catholic College Community Service Award; Xavier Catholic College Spiritual Award; University of Southern Queensland Community Award; Level 1 Instructor’s Certificate – Canadian Ski Instructors’ Alliance

CITIZENSHIP and COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Annual Xavier Day community activities; *X-cite* (Xavier Catholic College Exhibition); local Parish activities; nursing home volunteering; Fraser Coast Junior Council

HOBBIES

Reading, making lists, singing, travel