

Lions District 133 - 50th District Convention - March 2nd and 3rd 2019 Kinsale, Co Cork.

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How do I register?

To register for the convention please go to Kinsale Lions Club website:

www.kinsalelionsclub.org

Follow the links to the convention registration form and complete the questions as you are prompted to do so. This is your contact information on which we will reply to keep you up to date the the convention so please take your time to ensure accuracy. We need this information to plan the convention and events.

How do I book a Hotel?

Actons hotel is the convention Headquarters and handles all the accommodation reservations. The information you have given on the registration form is available to the reservations team. You need to contact them make your room reservation and convention package. There are a limited number of executive rooms which are available on a first come basis. They also have some twin rooms as an option. There are also rooms allocated to the convention at the Trident Hotel - a sister hotel of Actons- 4 minutes walk from the convention centre. The team at Actons hotel will make the reservations for the Trident when asked or when all the rooms in Actons have been allocated.

Do I need to pay a deposit?

After completing the registration form you will need to contact Actons hotel to make your accommodation booking. You will be asked to pay in full for the package you have booked. All the rates are quoted on a pre-paid basis but there is a very generous cancellation policy should you be unable to attend.

What does it cost?

The basic convention package is €185.00 This includes

Two nights accommodation in a standard room with two person sharing.

Your convention fee of €35.00 per person or

Your partners programme fee of €35.00

Two tickets to the District Governors Ball on Saturday night.

There are further options that you may consider

Upgrade to an executive room at €20.00 per room per night

Select a single occupancy €20.00 per night

Select an additional night at the special convention rate of €45.00 pp per night sharing a standard room

If you are attending the convention just for the day, complete the registration form and then call Actons hotel and pay the convention registration fee of €35.00

You can select not to attend the Governors ball, The standard package then reduces to €135.00 per person sharing.

These rates are based on condition that they are paid on reservation.

These rates will not apply if the reservation is made after February 15th 2019

Can I cancel the hotel reservation if I need to?

Yes you can cancel your Hotel reservation up to 48 hours before your arrival date and receive a full refund.

Can I guarantee that I get the Convention Hotel?

The only way to guarantee that you are in the convention hotel is to make your reservation early. The rooms in Actons hotel are reserved on a first come basis. When Actons is fully booked further rooms are being held in the Trident Hotel - a sister hotel 300m from Actons

Can I make my own hotel or accommodation arrangements?

Yes you can make your own accommodation arrangements. However you are still required to complete the Registration form and to contact Actons hotel to pay the convention registration fee and to pay for the Governors Ball if you are attending

Can I have a single room?

Yes you can. Complete the option on the registration form and make your reservation with Actons hotel. There is a supplement of €20.00 per night for single occupancy.

How do I book an extra Night accommodation?

On the Registration select the option for an additional night. When you call Actons Hotel make your reservation. There is a special reduced rate of €45.00 per person sharing in a standard room on offer to convention delegates.

If I am travelling by Train and Bus?

The nearest train station is Cork. There is an very good bus service from Cork to Kinsale which runs every hour. This is bus Eireann service so that a travel pass is valid.

We ask you on the registration form if you intend to arrive by train. Closer to the convention time we may be able to arrange some group transport from Cork when we get to know the numbers involved.

What is happening on Friday evening?

Previously Conventions had a communal dinner on the Friday. In Kinsale however we have arranged for small group dining in any of the 11 Good Food Circle Restaurants at a special rate for Delegates. There will be tables for 4, 6, or 8 prepared for Delegates who can enjoy the company of fellow Lions. This is particularly beneficial for any delegate attending on his or her own, or for a couple who may not know many from other Lions clubs.

If you would like to take part in this dine around, complete the option on the reservation form. There is a special dinner rate of €40 per person payable on the night . The dinner time will 8.00 pm at all the venues

After the dine around there is a convention club in Acton Hotel from 10 pm to 12.00pm where you will have the opportunity to meet up with your fellow delegates.

What is the Good Food Circle?

The Good Food Circle is a collection of 11 of the top restaurants in Kinsale. Each restaurant has its own character and is individually owned. For the dine around you can nominate your preference and we will try to facilitate you. Complete your registration form early and you will have the best opportunity to secure the restaurant of your choice.

For a list and description of all 11 restaurants see:

<http://www.kinsalerestaurants.com/>

If I have food allergies and or other special needs such as mobility.

Please let us know by way of additional comment section of the registration form of any special requirement you may have.

Can I play golf?

Yes of course. Golf is arranged for the Kinsale Golf Club Farrangalway at approx 12.00 noon on Friday. You will invited to play with some of the Kinsale Lions club members and other delegates. As there is an opening ceremony planned for 5.00pm and the dine Around for later that evening you would need to play golf no later than 12 midday.

For details of the course see:

www.kinsalegolf.ie

Please select option on the Registration Form

Where is the Convention Venue?

The convention is based at Actons hotel Kinsale. All of the rooms in the hotel have been reserved for delegates. The business sessions will all be held in the main function room of the Hotel. The registration desk will be in the main foyer of the hotel.

See:

www.actonshotelkinsale.com

What is the programme of events?

The detail of the programme of events will be published closer to the convention by the District Governors team. The board outline is as follows:

Thursday:

Delegates in Kinsale on Thursday evening will be invited to Meet member of the Kinsale Lions club on an at home basis

Friday:

Registration desk open all day in Actons hotel

Morning meetings for the International guest with members of the Kinsale community

Golf tee time at 12.00 noon

Official opening 5pm - 7pm

8.00pm to 10 pm Dine around the good Food Circle Restaurants

10pm - convention club in Actons Hotel

Saturday

08.00 Registration desk open

08.30 Reception of the convention first timers

09.30 - Plenary session One, Coffee breaks

10.30 Partners programme

12.30 Lunch

13.30 - 16.30 Plenary session two

18.30 - Reception for all Delegates

19.30 Governors Ball

Sunday:

8.30 Breakfast

09.30 Zone meetings

10.30 - 12.00 noon Kinsale events.

When and Where is the Governors Ball?

The Governors Ball is at 19.30 in Actons hotel on the Saturday night.

What is the seating arrangement for the Ball?

The Seating arrangement for the Ball is made by the District Governor and his team. There is a place name for every seat and in general you will be seated with fellow Lions from your own club, and / or from your own Zone.

What is the dress code for the governors Ball?

The Dress code is formal Black tie for men and corresponding appropriate dress for ladies.

Do I have to attend the Governors Ball?

No you do not have to attend but you are strongly encouraged to do so. This is the only formal event of the convention and your attendance will show support for our District Governor and our Guests.

What is the partners Programme?

The partners programme takes place from mid morning to mid afternoon while the plenary business sessions are in progress. In Kinsale the programme will include a special food demonstration by Martin Shanahan of Fishy Fishy Restaurant and TV host followed by Lunch at his famous establishment. The full programme will be published closer to the Convention time.

What do I need to bring when attending the convention?

As the convention is in early March bring suitable clothing so that you can enjoy wandering through the town of Kinsale

Bring a smile and we will provide the welcome!