

International Convention Committee

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I am sending my report early as I will be in Japan working on next year's Youth Exchange program at the time of our Annual Convention in October.

We will be going "Down Under" in June (June 21-25) and we hope to have many MD19 Lions in attendance in Melbourne. If you have never been there...it is a great city. June will be a little chilly as it is their winter. Average temps will be 12-15 C or 54 to 60 F so pack warm clothing. We are looking at getting an MD19 jacket to go with our green shirts as our parade uniform but that is not confirmed at this time.

Registration is now open and if you book now, you will get the Early Bird deal. Go to the Lions International website and click on LCIcon and it will take you to registration.

You will notice a big change this year...there is no designated MD hotels. You can book your hotel of choice when you register.

For all MD19 Lions....check your passport to ensure it is up to date. You will need a valid passport and an entry visa to get into Australia. You can do the entry visa on line but you will need it prior to landing in Australia...here is a link for some info....
<https://www.australia.com/en-ca/facts-and-planning/visa-and-customs/australia-visa-and-entry-requirements-faqs.html>

As we will not have an MD19 host hotel, we will host an MD19 hospitality event somewhere central on the Sunday afternoon...stay tuned for that info.

Let me know if you want a roommate and we will try and put people together so you can save on the rooming costs.

Also please advise me or the MD19 office when you have registered so that we know who is going to Melbourne. (LCI will not provide that information to us). Please include your cell phone number so that we can add you to the WhatsApp list for communicating and to ensure that we can get the necessary information to you.

We have created a Facebook page "MD19 Down Under" so please search it out and "like" it so you can keep up to date with things to do, places to eat and general information about Melbourne and Australia.