

# Sydney Chinese Lions Christmas Party 2008

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On 10 December, Sydney Chinese Lions held their Christmas party at Zilver Restaurant. Over 180 members and guests attended the function.

Amongst these, there were Lions leaders from fellow Lions Clubs including President Victor Tsang and Immediate Past President Eugenia Lieu of Sydney Pacific Lions, President Patrick Chok of Sydney Innerwest Lions, President Pearl Lin of Sydney Northwest Lions, Immediate Past President Jane Li of Hornsby Lions and Lion John Lanzky of Redfern-Waterloo Lions who doubled up as Santa Claus.

There were representatives from main stream charity organizations including Mr John Fries - President of Australian Red Cross (NSW), plus Ms Natasha Griffin, Ms Hayley Kooyman and Ms Laura Bennis representing the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

There were community leaders including President Daniel Chau of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Australia) Association; President Rosa Kuo of the Taiwanese Women's Association; President Stella Ku of the Jie Ren Association; Mr Hudson Chen OAM, former President of the Australian Chinese Community Fund and Chinese Catholic Community Inc; leading Cantonese Opera Artist Madam Ka Po Wong and leader of



*Sydney Chinese Lions at Christmas Party 2008*

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Ladies & Gentlemen ...

the Jasmine Chamber Chorus Madam Shu Zhu Wu.

The Club's sponsors also turned up in droves to support. There were Mr William Thompson, Brand Ambassador of Principal Sponsor Remy Martin accompanied by Mrs Sonja Thompson, Mr Henry Tang and Mrs Chillie Tang of Zilver Group, Mr Ray Michael of Triple 8 Hotel; plus club members who doubled up as sponsors - Lions Arthur and Rita Kwan, Lion Mei Cheng and Lion Andy Tse of Liteco Construction, Lion Janet Hung of Synergy Medical, Lion Wendy Lin of Honey Travel, Lion Iao Iok Wong of Clever Beans as well as Lion Milly Yang and Lion Felix Chen of Hang Fai Trading Pty Ltd.

Tail Twister Lion Howard Shi took up the role as Master of Ceremonies. The party commenced with Soloist Michele Wong lead singing the National Anthem, followed by Club President Anthony's Welcome Address. Lion Janet Hung then read Lions Purposes in English while Vice President Jason Zhang read Lions Ethics in Chinese. Mr Will Thompson presented the Remy Martin Christmas Message and Lion Charles Poon auctioned off a bottle of Remy Martin XO to Mr Ray Michael for \$1,400. Subsequent to the Invocation & Loyal Toast delivered by Immediate Past Secretary Rita Kwan, dinner began.

The party came to a crescendo with the brilliant live performance of the Jasmine Chamber Chorus, birthday cake cutting, carol singing and disco dancing. Throughout, the party was radiant with the Christmas and Lions spirits, perhaps with a little help from the free flowing Remy Martin XO's. It is often said a picture speaks a thousand words. For those who are slightly skeptical, just taking a look at the pictures published here will be enough to persuade them otherwise!



*Master of Ceremonies  
Tail Twister Lion Howard Shi*



*Soloist Michele Wong lead singing  
the National Anthem and Carols*

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## The Formalities



*President Anthony Welcomes Guests flanked by Master of Ceremonies Lion Howard Shi*

*Lion Janet Hung reading Lions Purposes in English*



*Vice President Jason Zhang reading Lions Ethics in Chinese*



*Immediate Past Secretary Rita Kwan delivering Invocation & Loyal Toast*

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## Their French (Remy Martin) Connection



*Mr Will Thompson -  
Brand Ambassador  
delivering the  
Remy Martin Christmas Message*



*Wine Connoisseur Lion Charles Poon auctioning  
off a Bottle of Remy Martin XO Cognac*



*Mr Ray Michael of Triple 8  
Hotel, Winning Bidder of the  
Remy Martin XO Cognac*



*Two Elegant Members of  
our Team of  
Remy Martin XO Servers -  
their outfits and the  
Fine Champaign Cognac  
are a perfect match*

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## Memorable Moments ...



*The Jasmine Chamber Chorus in full splendor at the Party*



*Members and Guests proposing toasts to each other*



*No dance floor is ever big enough for this mob - they simply used the whole restaurant instead!*



*United WE SERVE!*

*All are filled with the Christmas spirit ... Amen.*

