

BARRY J. PALMER
INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

Barry J. Palmer, of Berowra, NSW, Australia, was elected president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 96th International Convention, held in Hamburg, Germany, July 5-9, 2013.

President Palmer was a real estate company director.

A member of the Hornsby Lions Club since 1976, President Palmer has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer and district governor. He has served on numerous committees and as the Host Committee Chairperson for the 2010 Lions Clubs International Convention in Sydney, Australia.

In recognition of his service to the association, President Palmer has received many awards, including the 100% Club President Award, the 100% District Governor Award, six International President's Medals and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, President Palmer is a recipient of the Australian Medal issued by the Australian Government, the Australian Childhood Cancer Research Award and the Spastic Centre of NSW Award. He was a Pioneer Volunteer at the Sydney Olympics and a member of the New South Wales Paralympic Committee.

President Palmer and his wife Anne, also a Lion and a Melvin Jones Fellow, have three children and eight grandchildren.