## ANTHONY "TONY" BENBOW INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Tony Benbow from Vermont South, Australia, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 99<sup>th</sup> International Convention held in Fukuoka, Japan, June 24 through 28, 2016.

Director Benbow is a retired head of operations in banking.

A member of the South Vermont Lions Club since 1985, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, district governor, council chairperson and GMT area leader.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including a Membership Advancement Key, Club President Excellence Award, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation and nine International President's Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Benbow has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including as associate member of Institute of Community Directors, Chairman of StepAhead Australia, Director of OK Foundation and Chairman of Lions House Foundation.

Director Benbow and his wife, Sue, have one son and one daughter.