



**East Grinstead & District Lions Club**  
**(International Association of Lions Clubs)**  
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# ***News Release***

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## **Shoebox appeal for Chernobyl victims.**

SHOEBOXES packed with a range of items have been arriving at the High Street office of the East Grinstead Courier from people who are supporting the Lions Club's appeal for Belarus.

Gomel in Belarus was one of the radiation hot spots following the 1986 explosion at Chernobyl and the shoebox appeal is to help people still suffering from the effects of fallout.

The East Grinstead Courier has supported previous Lions' appeals and our office is again the drop-off point.

Donors are asked to specify if the contents are for a boy, girl, family or adults and although food must not be included, there is a separate request for bulk items with a minimum of six months to sell-by date.

Lists of suggested items for the boxes are in our office and they include toys, stationery, clothes, toiletries and jewellery.

Pictures of the stricken area are also on the Lions' display.

Shoebboxes must be in by Friday July 16.

*With acknowledgements to the 'East Grinstead Courier'.*