



District Governor: Paul O'Connor M.B.E. and Lynda O'Connor

202E District Bulletin



We Serve
Kia Manaaki



From the Upper South
Island, West Coast,
Marlborough and
Canterbury.
WE are District 202E



Kaikoura Seaward Pink Ribbon Brunch - happy bunch of women.



DG Paul's Theme: "Lead by Example"



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LCI Officers 2020-2021



Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
LCI President



Gudrun Yngvadottir
I.P.P. President
LCIF Chair



Douglas X. Alexander
1st Vice President

District 202E Officers 2020 - 2021



DG Paul



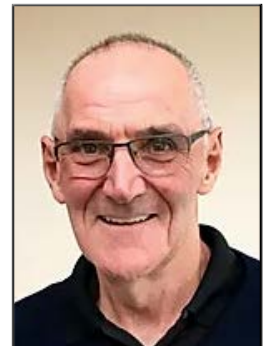
VDG Tracy



IPDG John



Secretary Ian



Treasurer Ian

By uniting our organization's service, around five global causes areas - diabetes, vision, hunger, the environment and childhood cancer - we're making a greater impact, overcoming the challenges we see in our communities and around the world.



DG Paul's Corner

Paul, from us all, a huge thank you for 'Leading us by Example' this past year and a very special mention to Lynda who has been a wonderful hostess and supporter. We will all miss you both at the helm!



Final DG Pauls Parables;

Well with 30 days to go I will be away from home for most of the month. We have two Charter functions to attend. The Lions Club of Nelson Lioness and the Lions Club of Motueka Lioness, a club wind up Nelson North and celebrating a 50th anniversary with the Lions Club of Renwick. Then back south for a Charter of another Leos Club being conducted at my old College St Bede's. My Final fling will be at the Lions Club of Riccarton Waimari, for their wind up.

It has been a blast of a year and I for one must admit I should of stepped up years ago, rather than saying no on several occasions. I do need to thank all those who have supported me. As a team I think we have changed a few attitudes, have been a little more transparent in our dealings, and have made many aware that the rules are the rules by which we all need to comply with, to use our most valuable Brand, Lions Clubs International.

I want to make special thanks to my LO. Record keeper Sam Lilley. Without his amazing help and his daily phone calls to keep me focused and on the ball with what was going on in the background, this appointment as your DG would have been a lot less pleasant. Your friendship and loyalty was greatly appreciated.

So with a final word I wish Tracy all the best for the coming year, and as the IPDG will be there to say "It didn't happen in my day". But seriously we will be there to help where its wanted.

Thanks to all members of the District for a rewarding chapter in my Life.

Regards **Paul**



Kaikoura Lions - what a cracker of a working bee. Filling up the shed with firewood to give to those in our community who will appreciate it. Even our partners helped and, we will have to invite them more often - the afternoon tea was delicious.



DG Elect Tracy's Message



It's hard to believe that we are coming to the end of another Lions year. And what a year it has been. The way that Lions operate has changed dramatically with the introduction of Zoom meetings, Virtual Conventions ... and in some cases NO Conventions.

Who knows what the year ahead is going to look like because things have not settled down and are unlikely to for some time to come. But during the past 12 months Lions have stood up and accepted change like never before.

“It is how we embrace the uncertainty in our lives that leads to the great transformations of our souls” ~ Brandon A. Trean.

I am really looking forward to my year as District Governor and I know that I can rely on not only the Cabinet but all Lions in our District to stand with me, and to help grow our members.

I am not just talking about growing in numbers but also growing within ourselves. I challenge you all to embrace something new this year; be the one to put your hand up to attend one of the many self-development courses offered by Lions.

You will have read in last months bulletin that I am focused on getting members to stand up for positions not just in their Club but on Cabinet too. **WE NEED YOU.** The Clubs and the District can't run themselves and we need you, the members, to take on some of the rolls.

As we travel around the district 1st VDG Hugh, 2nd VDG John, Zone Chairs and I will be looking for people who stand out but we can't do it alone. We need everyone to be part of the journey.

“The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step” ~ Lao Tzu



So as we move forward I will leave you with another quote ... well sort of, as I have changed it to suit the purpose

Don't ask what Lions can do for you (because we already know the answer to that) ~ but more so what you can do for Lions (Share your enthusiasm, knowledge and expertise)

Ka kite anō au i a koutou

Tracy



Beavertown Blenheim Lions - TV Stars !!!

Wow we did it Beavertown lion's

Breakfast TVNZ 1

I feel very proud after many years as the publicity officer to get our club on National TV.

It was very exciting and nervous at the same time.

My phone rang hot wanting the recipe and ordering the cheese rolls from around the North Island.

We have far exceeded our expectations this year with nearly 500 dozen orders to make.

(we were all so proud to see you all on TV!)

1250 30 June '21

1212 31 May '21
 1219 30 Apr '21
 1220 31 Mar '21
 1178 24 Feb '21
 1181 21 Jan '21
 1180 20 Dec '20
 1188 30 Nov '20
 1184 30 Oct '20
 1193 31 Aug '20

1194 1 July '20

Welcome to our New Members May 2021



MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Marty Lane	Amberley & District	Geoffrey Shier
Lyn Marks	Rangiora Lioness Lions	
Trish Morrison	Rangiora Lioness Lions	
Issabel Prosser	Rangiora Lioness Lions	
Kathy Sandrey	Rangiora Lioness Lions	
John Reimink	Amberley & District	Simon Mather
Yvonne McDonald	Wigram	Rae Treloar
Linda Stewart	Chch. Pegasus	Cecelia Whiting
Geraldine Whelan	Chch. Pegasus	Margaret Evans



It is with great sadness, that we record the loss of the following members. Our sincere condolences go out to their family and friends.

MEMBER	CLUB
John Becker	Ahaura Grey Valley
Ian Frizzell	Amuri
Randall Jordan	Blenheim Pakeke
Les McLeay	Riccarton Waimairi
Bryan Seddon	Kaikoura

My Members Statistics Updated 5/31/2021

	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,219	1,194
Added Members	16	146
Dropped Members	23	128
Closing Balance	1,212	1,212
Net Gain/Loss	-7	18
Worldwide	1,405,880	

Update on the Mobile Skin Cancer screening unit - general consensus is that the project proceeds, as planned. The official trust Document will be drawn up after the Council of Governors Meeting on 20 June. We almost have the District Trustees in place and once they are all in we will proceed. We have already a group within District 202E who wish to donate \$30,000 to the Lions Clubs Cancer Trust (LCCT). So we have a good start for the beginning of the Lions year for the LCCT. My aim is to have two Motor Homes Sign written, siting outside the venue for the ANZI in Queenstown in September 2022. (Congratulations DG Paul on your dedication and determination to see this through.)

Disaster Preparedness Grants - Disaster Preparedness Grants support districts interested in partnering with local authorities and other community organizations to plan and prepare for future relief efforts. Lions' district governors may submit proposals for Disaster Preparedness Grants. Grants are awarded for up to US\$10,000.

Emergency Grants - Emergency Grants provide up to US\$10,000 for districts impacted by a natural disaster. Lions' district governors may apply for Emergency Grants to help meet immediate needs such as food, water, clothing, and medical supplies. LCIF awards nearly US\$2 million in emergency grant funding each year.

Community Recovery Grants - Community Recovery Grants aid districts interested in supporting short-term cleanup and repair efforts in situations where other organizations have already addressed immediate needs. Lions' district governors may submit proposals for Community Recovery Grants. Grants awarded provide up to US\$20,000.


Major Catastrophe Grants - Major Catastrophe Grants are awarded for long-term reconstruction projects due to disasters that occur on a much larger scale. Major Catastrophe Grants are awarded at the discretion of the international president and the LCIF chairperson and cannot be applied for by a district. These grants provide significant funds for catastrophes with major international impact, such as the recent earthquakes in Mexico, the 2016 earthquake in Italy, and Hurricane Harvey (USA).



Important Dates for our District

We would love to see what you have planned - email me.

June

JUNE
 5th World Environment / Arbor Day.
 7th Lions Clubs International birthday.
 12th Nelson Lioness Lions Charter celebration.
 15th Motueka Lioness Lions Charter celebration.
 14th-20th Men's Health Week.
 20th-26th Volunteer Week.
 MonthBowel Cancer Awareness.


July

JULY
>16th Club reports to Zone Chairs.
30th-31st Cabinet.

August

AUGUST
 12thInternational Youth Day.
 19thWorld Humanitarian Day.
 28thRenwick Lions 50th Celebration.
 27thCancer Society Daffodil Day.
 29th Pegasus Town MudRun

September

SEPTEMBER
 1st NZ Random Acts of Kindness Day.
 3rd-5th .. ANZI Pacific Forum - Cairns.
 5thInternational Day of Charity.
 MonthWorld Alzheimers month - Cuppa for a cause.
 Month....Blue September - Prostate cancer.
 Month....Childhood Cancer Awareness month.
 26th Malvern Lions - 50th Celebration.

October

OCTOBER
 8thWorld Sight Day.
 MonthChild Mobility Walktober.
 MonthMembership Growth Month.
 30thFestival of Flowers - Wigram Lions.

November

NOVEMBER
>11thClub reports to Zone Chairs.
26th-27th Cabinet



Best Club Service Project Award 2020 - 2021 MD. Oxford & Districts.

Will now compete with entries in C.7.
 Provide potatoes to people affected by covid lockdown and job loss. The Club made up parcels and then providers like Fonterra came on board. Oxford then hooked into Satisfy Kaiapoi. 6,500 seed potatoes were planted and the all round working together was a great Club bonding project and the morning teas amazing!
 (see David's writeup - page 18.)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
United in Kindness and Diversity
with our International President.

Dear Lion,

You know the value of a job well done. Because whether you're breaking ground in a community garden or on a new addition to a local school, you know that your impact grows far beyond the work of your helping hands.

Our service has always been hands on—and so much more. Our work raises awareness about the issues that matter most and helps build partnerships we need to make an even greater impact. So let's continue to give back and celebrate our service, because what we accomplish today will continue to make a difference for years to come.

Regards,
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
International President

Rangiora High School Leos Club - Wahoo!
Leos on tour in sunny Nelson.

#makingfriends
#makingopportunities
#experiences

Back home and still selling pine cones \$5 a bag, msg us!

Thanks Havelock Lions and Rai Valley Area School for your fabulous hospitality.



District and M. D. Awards

At present District Governor Paul is working on updating these awards, and when completed will be detailed in a future bulletin. Watch out for any changes as your project, member could be a winner! 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021.



INCORPORATION CLUB & REGISTERED CHARITY



To comply with the Lions Clubs International Constitution (which all Lions clubs must comply with under the terms of their charter) a Club should have a separate Charitable Trust entity.

District Governor Paul states: “Lions Clubs International has ruled, and this has been accepted by the Council of Governors through the MD Treasurer Steve Bennett and MD Legal Alan Knowsley, that Clubs must have **TWO SEPARATE ENTITIES**. It is no longer a choice, even though the one entity model was initially accepted by Charity Services. This is no longer the case. Clubs who fail to have their clubs properly structured could face being put into Status Quo until they comply with the rules that govern membership of Lions Clubs International.”

An Incorporated Society is for an organization to register with the Companies Office and gives that society a legal existence rather than just being a group of individuals.

INCORPORATION OF THE CLUB

1. It is recommended that all clubs be incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act.
2. This confers protection to members from liabilities of the club eg contracts, debts, fines (as long as there have been no illegal actions taken).
3. For Tax purposes the society gets an exemption for the first \$1000 of income (for a group that is not an Incorporated Society the tax liability starts at \$1)
4. The Club, as the Incorporated Society, and the administration bank account is managed through the Board. Administration funds come from monies obtained from Lions such as membership dues, fines, raffles at club meetings i.e. within the ‘circle of Lions’. No public monies apart from expenses incurred during a project are in this account – see point 4 below under Charities.
5. 15 members (currently under review by Government) are needed and they must pass a resolution to incorporate.
6. Forms are available from The Registrar of Incorporated Societies.
7. If a club fails to comply with the requirements to file annual returns this can result in the club being struck off and having to re-register.
8. Annual returns should be accompanied by a certificate from a Board member that the accounts have been approved by members at a general meeting.
9. Clubs need to notify changes of registered office, including email addresses (so as to ensure they receive all correspondence)
10. Any changes in the constitution also need to be filed along with copies of the resolutions adopting the new constitution.

CHARITIES

Charities are supervised by the Internal Affairs Department (Charities Services) and must have a Trust Deed registered with Charities Services.

1. Only organisations registered with Charities Services will qualify for income tax exemptions.
2. The Trust can be named after your club eg. “Lions Club of [insert area] Charitable Trust”
3. Your club would need to appoint Trustees to administer the Trust (say four senior members).
4. The Charitable Trust will have a bank account holding the funds raised through projects (public funds). [Legitimate expenses incurred e.g. mileage, ingredients for baking, advertising, or machinery running costs in raising those funds, can be claimed back by the members. If the individual members so wish those individual members can donate these monies back to the club to be put in the club administration account – a written record should be kept]
5. Your Club’s Charitable Trust must keep minutes of meetings and decisions and file annual returns. (continued next page)

CHARITIES - continued

6. You can check out if your charity is still registered and up to date with all of its filing requirements at <https://register.charities.govt.nz/CharitiesRegister/Search>
7. **TO COMPLY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CONSTITUTION A CLUB SHOULD HAVE A SEPARATE CHARITABLE ENTITY AND NOT COMBINE THE CLUB WITH A CHARITY IN A SINGLE ENTITY.**
8. If your club only has a single entity then you need to set up a separate charity.
9. Once that is done you need to amend your club constitution back to that approved by Lions Clubs International and then deregister the club as a charity (keeping the Club as an Incorporated Society and the new Charity set up). A Standard Lions Clubs Constitution with the addition of two clauses required by NZ law is available on the national website.
10. Instructions and guidance on these steps is on the Lions Website.
<https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/resources#legal>

The procedure for dealing with a proposed donation from the club:

1. The club meeting agrees to make a donation from funds held and is minuted accordingly
2. The resolution will be in the form of a recommendation from the Club's Board to the Trustees of the Charitable Trust.
3. The Trustees should then meet (email or phone is sufficient) and discuss the recommendation and approve. A minute should be prepared recording the matter and decision reached, and be filed in the Trust minutes.
4. When the Trust holds an AGM or a physical meeting, all the trust minutes can be approved and signed off.
5. The payment of the donation should always come out of the Trust's bank account.

Compiled by PCC Helen Williams from information supplied by District Treasurer Ian Lennie & legal resources on the MD website.

Cabinet Reports

- **Constitution** - When did your Club last look at your Constitution? When was it last reviewed?
- **All Correspondence** coming into your Club is Club Correspondence for all members.
- **Youth and Schools** - have you let Youth Chair Becca know what schools you support?
- **Kantabs Christchurch** - Carmen Road and 25 Barclay Place. (plastic bags for rain and please sort.)
- **Child Protection Policy** - All clubs working with children e.g. Meals on Wheels with a student helper must be Police vetted.
- **Child Cancer Foundation Gala Dinner - raised over \$100,000.**
- **New Council Chair Murray Pringle is the current 202M District Governor.**
- **Charter Clubs Koha** - it is customary (not mandatory) for clubs to make a Koha to new Charter clubs. We have three new Charter clubs - Rangiora Lioness Lions, Nelson Lioness Lions and Motueka Lioness Lions. I know you would have appreciated this Koha when you were chartered.
- **Lloyd Morgan** Charitable Trust and LCIF donations. Does your club give an annual donation - perhaps \$10 per member? (the need is there now more than ever.)
- **Between the Lions:** Lions Clubs New Zealand - main means of monthly communication between MD and clubs.
- **Club donation summary** - District can gather a summary of the support that the whole District has given. Please send to District Treasurer Ian Lennie. Great to sell District and no club will be identified.
- **Old Coins funds available for club youth projects** - Lions Clubs NZ Charitable Trust - applications through NZ Lions website. Ideally works 1/3 from club, 1/3 recipient and 1/3 Old Coin fund.
- **Creating a Youth liaison** - the focus for Lions is 'what can we do alongside youth rather than for youth.'
- **Media response** - reminder to clubs to discuss with MD legal before responding to any reporters questions regarding sensitive issues (issues may reflect negatively on the reputation of Lions.)
- **Next Lions magazine due in August** send in articles for this now. Send photos separately as a jpeg (not embedded in a word document) editor@lionsclubs.org.nz
- **Position Hand over** - ensure you provide a thorough hand over of your role when someone else in the club is picking it up. (an extensive handy reference A - Z folder 'bible' is a great method and can be added to.)



Charter of Lions Club of Rangiora Lioness



History: The original Club was formed in Rangiora in 1986 - a ladies branch of Lions International. Over the years the club served the community both in funding and special projects. Camp Quality, Golf tournaments, Cook-book, Telethon, Food parcels, Fashion parades, Antique and Book fairs, Cheese rolls just to name a few. Between 2007 - 2020 \$106,000 was raised for the local community. In 2019 Lions International invited all Lioness Clubs to join a Worldwide International Join Together Programme, and become part of a full Lions Club or a new Lions Lioness Club. A decision was made to discontinue Rangiora Lioness Club and form in January 2021 Lions Club of Rangiora Lioness and on the 3rd May 2021 this Club was Chartered with 12 members.



D.G. Paul presenting President Anne with an International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation.



D.G. Paul presenting Lion Bev Thomson with a certificate recognizing each new member as Charter members of the new club.



D.G. Paul with new member Isabel Prosser.



President Tini Rangiora Lions exchanges banners with President Anne.

President Anne Thorne's reply: I feel very privileged to be standing here tonight, not just for myself but for all the Ladies in the new Lions Club of Rangiora Lioness. This has been a long and at times difficult and rocky road leading to this Charter evening. Changing from Lioness has been a huge change and I am so thankful to have had such wonderful support both within our club but also the wider Lions Family. From our initial starting group we have been joined by four new Members who I know will be a great asset to the Club. Firstly, I would like to thank all the Lady members of the original Lioness Club, for the dedicated work in the community over the last 30 years. This has given this new Club the standing in the community that it has today. I must also thank President Tini and the Rangiora Lions for their support and friendship and for the sponsorship they have given to the club. To all the other clubs for their offers of help and friendship we say thank you. Two other very important people I must thank are Helen Williams and John Whyte for their strong belief that we could get this club going in the community. Especially to John our Guiding Light for always being there for us over this time. Nothing has ever been a problem, at times there didn't seem too much light at the end of the tunnel but together we have come out into the light to be stronger and more determined than ever that the Lions Club of Rangiora Lioness will again be a strong force in the Rangiora Community. I liken this club to the Phoenix - this mythical bird is a symbol of hope, renewal, rebirth, immortality, solitude, resurrection and grace, so just like the phoenix emerges from its ashes so has this club. The Phoenix of Rangiora has risen. Thank you all.

Fueling the Dreams of Becoming a Paralympic



You feel your heart beating in your chest, you hear it in your ears. A bead of sweat rolls down your face. You hear the whoosh of a ball being hurled in your direction, then come the bells. You cannot see the ball, but you hear it coming. You have a second to react, to block the ball from crossing the goal line you are defending. Your teammates cheer. One step closer to a gold medal. The athletes in USABA's residency program are training for the ultimate goal...to represent Team USA at the Paralympic Games in Tokyo next summer.



Everyone deserves the chance to feel this way, regardless of their ability. Thanks to a partnership between Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) and the Anthem Foundation, athletes who are blind or visually impaired have more opportunity to train for a spot playing goalball in the Paralympics.

Creating More Opportunity Through Community Partnership - Through the Lions-Anthem Foundation Healthy Heroes initiative, Lion- and community-led humanitarian projects improve the health of communities across the United States. The Anthem Foundation provides grant support to LCIF, which in turn, awards grants to Lions clubs and districts with a goal to improve local health and wellness.

Excitement. Strength. Consuming. Challenging. - These are the words goalball athletes use to describe their sport. Goalball, created exclusively for people who are blind or visually impaired, is the first Paralympic sport that hasn't been adapted from another sport. During a game, two teams of three players each compete on a court equivalent to the size of a volleyball court. The basketball-sized ball has bells inside, which help alert the player to its location. Each team tries to roll the ball over the opponent's goal line while the opponents listen for the oncoming ball and attempt to block it with their bodies. All athletes wear eye shades, which completely block out any vision; this creates a level playing field for athletes with varying degrees of visual impairment. The athletes in USABA's residency program are training for the ultimate goal...to represent Team USA at the Paralympic Games in Tokyo next summer. Prior to that, Fort Wayne is gearing up to host the USA International Goalball Classic in March, which will classify athletes for the upcoming Paralympic Games.

LCIF supports Lions as they create more socially inclusive opportunities for people with all levels of ability. As "knights of the blind," Lions have long supported people with low vision or blindness. In addition to championing the health and well-being of these communities, they also work to eliminate preventable and reversible blindness. Sharing their community values is the Anthem Foundation, a perfect partnership for LCIF and Lions.

Thanks to the partnership between LCIF and the Anthem Foundation, there are more athletes with low vision or blindness finding purpose and living their dreams. Given the opportunity to dedicate themselves to training, these athletes are one step closer to competing for gold in the Paralympics.

To learn more about LCIF's partnership with the Anthem Foundation, read the article in [LION Magazine](#).

District 202E LCIF Coordinator PDG John Benefield

The 2022 ANZI Forum will be held in Queenstown on the first weekend of September. Committee appointments at this stage are 202F DG Sue Fleury Committee Chairperson, Dennise Simms Venue Coordinator and Alice McDonald Programs Coordinator. The roles of Treasurer, Registration and PR are still to be filled.

LCI: Charter and entrance fees waiver The International Board of Directors unanimously passed another resolution to help our clubs. They have waived all charter and entrance fees through to June 30, 2021.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS from our YOUTH DIVISION



- Please make direct contact with your local schools regarding the **Peace Poster competition** - make face-to-face contact and take along a big A3 pad of paper to encourage an interest in our International competition! There is still plenty of time to make a positive connection at your local school, hobby groups, Scouts and Girl Guides! The theme for 2021 is **“We are all connected”**. **Entries close mid November.**
- Our very own district wide **Environment competition** is now open to all clubs, play centres, schools, youth groups and all youth actively involved in an environment project. Entries close 31st October. This is an important 202e initiative, so please make contact with the youth in your area.
- At this point, our **National speech Contest** final is still happening on the 12th of June - PLEASE make urgent contact with your local school and learning institution for all senior students, aged 17-21, to enter.

***** YOU ONLY NEED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH ME FOR INFO AND I WILL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO HELP ON 202e.youth@lionsclubs.org.nz or phone me on 021 0242 4179.**

KEY QUESTIONS?

- **What schools and/or groups has your club made contact with?**
- **Who has made those connections within your club?**
- **How has your club shown to have supported the youth in your area?**

Youth Activities Coordinator: Becca Baynton

Message from our Council Chair - David Peart.

Our Lions year is rapidly drawing to a close. Hopefully, all clubs have now elected their boards for the coming year. Congratulations and thanks to all who have accepted positions of responsibility, the health of your club and our organisation is in your hands. I urge all new and continuing officers to take advantage of the training opportunities your Districts are offering. The interchange of ideas and experience at these days is invaluable. I will be going because my club has nominated me for the role of secretary which means I will have to learn new skills, but I am looking forward to the challenge. Please where possible ensure your officers have a generic club email address and advise their details to the Multiple District office as soon as possible to help with the production of the Directory for the year.

Thanks to Zone 2 of District K for their hard work and the smooth running of our Convention. For those who attended we enjoyed some wonderful speakers. Eric Rush got us aching from laughter on Friday night and then on Saturday we had our International Vice President Douglas Alexander on video followed by two outstanding medical professors, Sir Richard Faull, on his work on the human brain and neurological diseases, and recently retired Stephen Munn, about his work in the Liver Transplant unit.

On the business side we updated various clauses in our constitution and bylaws which allow for the option of reviewing rather than having to fully audit accounts and also clarified our ability to conduct virtual conventions if a state of emergency prevents a face-to-face meeting. We supported the proposal of a Skin Cancer Screening project and agreed to the setting up of a trust to create the legal framework including the needed partnerships and financial arrangements essential for its establishment and ongoing viability.

My congratulations to my successor DG Murray Pringle who has been selected by the District Governors Elect to be Council Chair for the 2021-2022 year.

A CLUB WEBSITE - SHOULD YOU HAVE ONE? Charles Riley



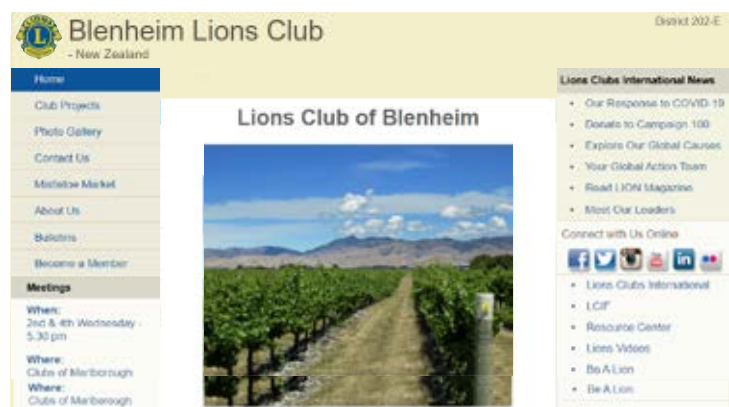
Club websites have been around for some time and were originally hosted on the MD 202 website until MD completely revamped their site content.. This did not include Club Pages so Clubs using this facility were encouraged to migrate to the e-clubhouse platform provided by Lions International, for the most part a copy and paste exercise.

Many Clubs had pages set up for them by MD and were not actually aware of their existence, in fact they were even updated with their new Club Officers each year, not that they knew about it

To be fair there is not a great member interest in using this method of publicising a Club and providing information for anyone out there who may be interested in what you do and who to contact but we really do need to use any method to get our brand out there. It is also an easy way for Club Members to view their Club Bulletin which can be uploaded each month.

Once you have set up a site a Google search will take an interested party directly to your page and the information which you may care to include and let's not forget that internet use is increasing rapidly whatever we might think!

To create a Web Site you need to have a site template set up by e-clubhouse from which to work with. An application can be made by going to Lions-E Clubhouse.org then follow the prompts and select the application form to complete. Within a couple of days you will receive confirmation that a site has been set up for you including a user name and password which you will need to log in to your site to set up and maintain your page.



Meeting Times

Blenheim
5:30 pm - Wednesday, 2nd & 4th
Tynes Road - Clubs of Marlborough, Blenheim

Contacts

Club President
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Club Secretary
Judy Brownlie
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Club Treasurer
Kevin Wilson
Phone: 0357363553
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(Editor's licence)
Man at work!
George Grundt
marshalling the parking
at St Clair half marathon



This is the landing page for a Club Site and includes a photo of your choice and all information for meeting dates and times as well as Club Officer names and contact details.

You are provided with basic pages and a photo Gallery option which are listed upper left but you can also add up to 5 more pages for specific purposes such as About us, Become a member and Bulletins to name a few. All the pages once set up can be updated at will as the need arises.

A helpful user guide is available to download and print to assist with initial setup and later updating.

A help email address is also provided and prompt assistance is available if needed. However the process is quite intuitive and with a little curiosity and expertise all will be well. Have a look at the Blenheim Club site as an example Blenheim Lions Club - Lions e-Clubhouse

Why not give it a go!

(I hope at 83 my brain will be as active as Charles' - look out for his next article 'Starting a Club Facebook page'.)

Out & About with our Clubs - bringing New Members into our Lions Family.

Congratulations! You are now part of our Lions Family - District 202E, MD 202 and International LCI. This means that you've joined a global community of kind-hearted, service-minded people, dedicated to making a positive impact. We couldn't be happier to have you as a Lion!



Picton Lions
Sponsor Grant Wilson.
Inductee Bridget Stewart.
Induction Officer Frank Idiens.

Inducted into Picton Club 7th April 2021.

Oxford and Districts Lions (right) is pleased to welcome Trish Taylor-Ward into Lions and our Club. Trish was inducted at the dinner meeting on 22nd April. Chris Tyson is her sponsor Geoff Rountree conducted the ceremony. Welcome Trish.



New Brighton Lions
President Alastair welcomed new member Rosemund into our Club.



Amberley & District Lions - left to right: Simon Mather (sponsor), John Reimink (new member), Pam Harvey (Club President), Marty Lane (new member), Geoff Shier (sponsor), James Drewery (PP who did the induction ceremony.)

Spirit of Adventure

Christchurch Host Lions Bulletin

Have you ever wondered where your annual donation goes? Will Griffiths (a recipient) writes about his Spirit of Adventure.



Hi Graeme, (and Host Club)

Thank you for sponsoring my trip on Spirit of Adventure over the New Year. My voyage was 811 and we sailed from Auckland up to and past the Bay of Islands. It was the trip of a lifetime, leaving me with many fond memories, friends, and life skills.

We did so much during the ten days. The highlights consisted of swimming with dolphins, making many new friends, visiting remote beaches, and gaining an experience of sailing. New Year's Eve on the boat was pretty awesome as I watched the Bay of Island's fireworks from the top of the boat and sang songs.

There were two main things I really took away from doing this trip.

The first being the friends I made during the trip. It allowed me to meet people from all over New Zealand who I would never otherwise ever had a chance of meeting. I now have a wide group of people from all over New Zealand. I have already met up with some of my closest friends on a trip to the Coromandel, and now we are planning a road trip down south over the winter holidays. It's so cool that I now know people who I can do things like this with, and I hope to be able to keep in contact with them for the rest of my life.

The second thing I really took away from the voyage was what aspects make someone a good leader?

At the start of the voyage, we were split up into 4 groups. We spent a lot of time with these groups doing tasks around the boat like cleaning, dinner prep, fun activities, etc. Each day someone from the group is selected as a leader, and each day the group would have to adapt to this person's style of leading. Some people were laid back, figure it out yourself, while others were full dictators, ignoring what the rest of the group thought.

Eventually, we came to realise that a good leader is someone that is efficient and clear with handing out tasks, and also listens and takes advice from the rest of the group. It was interesting observing how much more efficient we became at doing our group tasks once we had all started to get an idea of what makes a good leader. On one of the days, we had to row in our groups to this beach. The groups who had effective leaders ended up functioning the best and made it to the beach the fastest. Our group did end up winning, mainly because our leader listened to the advice one of our group members gave to him on the speed of the boat we should all row to.

Early this year, I am intending to do a school presentation at Christchurch Boys High about the Spirit of Adventure and why other people should apply to go on the boat. I will talk about the process of funding raising and give examples of some of the organisations that can be approached to assist with costs.

Thank you so much – 2021 has started very well for me! **Yours sincerely, Will Griffiths**

When did you last look up LCIF on the Lions Clubs International Website – you will be astounded at the contribution LCIF has made in the form of International aid trauma response and resources for disease eradication – It will make you proud to be Lion. (Host bulletin)

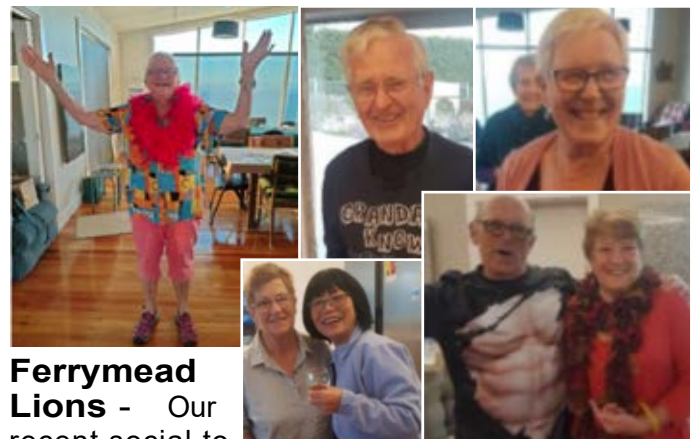


Remembrance Patches for Lions funerals are available from PDG Ash Hazlitt, the Rongotea & Districts Lions Club. The cost is \$25.00 plus p&p (usually another \$3.50).

Phone: 06 329 7834 Or 027 246 6559 Email: a.p.hazlitt@xtra.co.nz



Christchurch South Lions - Birthday party for one of their members Gordon Scandrett. A lovely afternoon tea was had at the Old Stone house at Cracroft. The DG presented a certificate of appreciation and International Presidents Pin. Gordon over the years has received Life Membership to Lions Clubs International, a Melvin Jones Fellow. Life membership of the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable trust, and many other recognition in his 63 years in Lions. A Past President of our Club (2002-3)



Ferrymead Lions - Our recent social to watch the sunset. It was a great turnout. Great food and company.



Canterbury Omega Leos - President Leitesha Pentelow who was presented with the District Leadership trophy 'a Leo of real leadership qualities' and Katie Townsend.



Seaward Lions - Pink Ribbon brunch - Dr Andrea.

Club supplies including brochures and membership packs can now be ordered through our website shop supplies at <https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/shop>.

Christchurch Pegasus Lions - E hara taku toa i te toa takitahi he toa takitini. My strength is not as an individual but as a collective.



Kidney Kids is a not-for-profit organisation that supports children, their families and whānau with kidney disease.



We provide families with resources, information, family support events, personal development, hospital visits, home visits and other assistance.

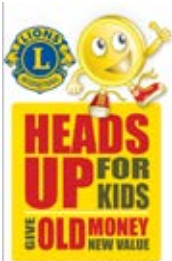
Through this, we support parents' needs and support kidney kids to have the best possible experiences.

Our mission is to support kidney kids and their families/whānau throughout New Zealand on their journey with kidney disease.

Blenheim Lions - Malcolm Williams ... we were invited to submit a formal request for Lions to receive and then to uplift approximately 800kgs of wine tops from a local winery, on the understanding that the proceeds are donated to a worthy recipient, in this case Kidney Kids in Christchurch. Such collections are a nationwide project from Lions for Kidney Kids and Blenheim Lions have for many years collected all types of aluminium products which have been sold through local scrap metal dealers ...



Our 202e District Contact: PDG Raewyn Clearwater 202e.kantabs@lionsclubs.org.nz



Lions Clubs New Zealand Heads Up for Kids project provides a helping hand for young people to engage in an experience or activity that will enable them to live their dream, establish life goals and reach their full potential within their chosen field.

Donate old New Zealand & foreign currency and support Kiwi kids Copper trails, brass razors and gold sovereigns are all part of the Lions Clubs of New Zealand's unusual campaign Heads Up for Kids.

Launched in July 2010, Heads Up for Kids is a unique collection which asks New Zealanders to dig out and donate old decimal and pre-decimal New Zealand currency, and all foreign money.

The obsolete cash is then redeemed for New Zealand dollars and used to fund education programmes for young New Zealanders who would otherwise not get the opportunity.

Many young people have already benefited from Heads Up for Kids, receiving scholarships to organisations such as Spirit of Adventure and Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centres.

To date Lions have collected over 28.8 tonnes of coins and thousands of bank notes (that's the equivalent weight of 4 elephants, 460 cattle or 6450 cats!) bringing the total raised close to \$612,000. The Reserve Bank of New Zealand estimates that there is \$80 million in old decimal and pre-decimal NZ coins and \$20 million in old banknotes unaccounted for.



Old Coins funds available for club youth projects from Lions Clubs NZ Charitable Trust. Application forms available through the NZ Lions website. Ideally works when 1/3 from club, 1/3 from recipient, 1/3 from Old Coin fund.

Our 202e District Contact: Barry Scott 202e.hu4k@lionsclubs.org.nz

Top Service Project Oxford & Districts Lions Global Cause: Hunger

David Hall -
"Application Form"
(Photo page 6)



The project came into being late May 2020 because of Covid-19 Lockdown. The lockdown stopped the club's regular projects from happening.

The Original idea being to give people who were struggling because of the lockdown a food parcel, including new potatoes, for Christmas. The project manager made 0.3 of an acre available to plant seed potatoes, sweet corn and courgettes. With 540 kg of seed potatoes planted by hand the question was how to distribute the crop at harvest time. The club linked up with an organisation called Satisfy who recover food that maybe out of date but still useable, produce that is, for whatever reason not suitable for supermarkets but very useable. Satisfy act as a hub who then distribute to 27 different trusts and groups in North Canterbury on a weekly basis. These can be delivering to families or providing a weekly community meal. In linking with Satisfy we were the first organisation to supply them with very fresh produce. Both parties met on Neville's land with the Satisfy group amazed at what was happening. As well as those listed beetroot, rhubarb and beans have been donated.

Actual club involvement has been the manual planting of the potatoes and pumpkins, weeding of the courgette plants, daily picking of courgettes and weekly lifting of potatoes. This equates to approx. 600 to 700kgs of potatoes and 40 kgs of courgettes done by 10 -16 lions, not necessarily the same Lions each week. To date we have donated just on 5500 kgs of potatoes and 400kgs of the other produce. All produce collected by Satisfy is weighed and recorded with results being forwarded to the lion's club. When the potatoes finish pumpkins will be supplied for a few weeks.

Impact wise, the club was flat coming out of Covid lockdown and were wanting to do some service. For the club, the weekly gatherings are good for morale and comradery. This project has brought them back to what they are used to doing, supporting a larger community not with cash but with goods and time. Support with service. It is envisaged that with support from Food Secure North Canterbury this project will be ongoing. Probably quieter in the winter with progress starting in the spring after revaluation of the community needs and our ability to produce.

People directly served is measured by converting produce given into meals. To date we have given enough produce to serve the equivalent of 15,413 people based on a figure that was given as the measure, 350gms equals a meal.

As yet not recorded in My Lion.

- The project has been in Print media – Northern Outlook page 8 February 17th 2021
- Oxford Observer February 2021
- also on Issuu.com
- Photos on Power Point

Footnote: As of March12th 2021 we have received a grant from Food Secure North Canterbury to assist us in continuing the project for 2021 – 2022.

As of May10th 2021 we have supplied 10,138.07kgs of produce = 28,966 meals.

Wigram Lions - Membership - The membership committee are planning another membership drive when the weather gets a little warmer so we will keep you up to date with when that will actually take place. In the mean time do you tell friends and family what you and the club do for the community, I hope so. Don't be afraid to ask them if they would like to attend one of our meetings because in the past someone asked you and now you are a member. Very few people ask us if they can become part of our great organisation so it is up to us to do the asking and as we see with groups like the Student Army there are people out there that do want to help the community. Remember "JUST ASK"

Lions Christchurch Schools 2021 Music Festival

- "Tomorrow's World"



This email sent to all Clubs in catchment area, via Zone Chairmen. Those Lion members who attended our 202E Convention in March will be aware from our presentation that the 2021 Festival is definitely going ahead – unless of course Covid springs an unexpected surprise on us. This will be the 81st Festival, which many of you will have been involved in over the years – your Festival Liaison Team have certainly had considerable experience in a variety of ways, in particular as school choir teachers.

District Governor Paul has received a letter from the Festival Association confirming our naming rights sponsorship, which we have had now for well over 20 years. Sponsorships cost, and although we haven't been asked for a specific amount, it has been suggested that Lions offer in the vicinity of \$15,000 this year, but this will only be possible if the 30 or so Clubs in the areas that more than 90 participating schools are in, donate to this fund. Thank you to the Clubs that have already done that. The amount is up to individual Clubs – one has made two donations, making a total of \$800 from them, some have donated \$500 or \$600, but even smaller amounts all add up. By the way, total festival costs for the Association are over \$200,000, with less than half of this coming from the sale of tickets.

Payment details are as follows –

District 202E Charitable Trust Bank Account, a/c No. 03-0703-0036114-000. Please include your Club name with your payment, and the words "Schools Music Festival" Please also advise us via email of your payment date and amount to ian.marion@xtra.co.nz The website "Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival" will have details nearer the time of the nights your local schools are performing, but it would be great Lions public relations if you checked personally with the schools – remembering to identify yourself as Lions, the Festival sponsors.

It was great to receive interested comments from many of you after our Convention presentation, so we are hoping to see many more Lions attending this year's Festival, to be held in the Christchurch Town Hall on the nights of 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th November. Why not arrange a Club outing with a meal before or supper afterwards, so that you can all really be involved in YOUR festival with the very appropriate theme of "Tomorrow's World"

Lions Music Festival Liaison Team - **PDG Marion McWha and Lion Pam Harvey**



Even Cabinet members must do training.

The knowledge and discussion generates new ideas that most of us have never thought of before. The training was taken by Linda Halverson GLT trainer from 202 'Global Leadership Team Coordinator' with other District 202e Cabinet members taking modules. Yes, even our DG Paul got involved. Great training.



LCIF - Recognizing the Kindness of Lions

Without the generous donations of our worldwide donors, our foundation would be unable to provide the incredible levels of support that are empowering the service of Lions everywhere. To honour and recognize our donors, we have created a comprehensive recognition structure.



The Melvin Jones Fellowship Program was established in 1973 in honour of Melvin Jones. Did you know ...the founder of Lions Clubs International. The MJF program recognizes donations of US\$1,000 to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). New MJFs receive a pin, commemorative plaque and a letter from the LCIF Chairperson. If the donor so chooses, he/she may use their donation credit to recognize another individual with a MJF. *****

About Lions Share

Lions Share is an annual program that recognizes individual donors for three levels of support: US\$50, US\$100 and US\$200. Lions Share donations are MJF-eligible and used to support LCIF humanitarian grant programs. Clubs are awarded a 100% Member Support banner patch and chevron when every member makes a minimum contribution of US\$100. For each subsequent year of 100% Member Support, clubs receive a chevron.

Level-Up Your Support



US\$50

Donors contributing US\$50 annually receive a one star gold Lions Share Supporter lapel pin.



US\$100

Donors contributing US\$100 annually receive a two star gold Lions Share Supporter lapel pin.



US\$200

Donors contributing US\$200 annually receive a three star gold Lions Share Supporter lapel pin.

Melvin Jones Fellowship

Contributions for the MJF can be made by individuals (including non-Lions), clubs or districts. ... ***** **If the donor so chooses, he/she may use their donation credit to recognize another individual with a MJF.** ***** 100% of donations made to LCIF are used to support grant programs, allowing Lions to help the world on a larger scale and do more than they could on their own. The Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) is the backbone of our foundation. Presented to those who donate US\$1,000 to LCIF or to people for whom a donation was made by others, it's a tremendous contribution to humanity and to the legacy of our founder, Melvin Jones.

***** *(as above individuals can make a donation specifying either The Empowering Service Fund or The General Disaster Fund. After many conversations both Nationally and Internationally; to ensure it was 'correct', I made a donation to the LCIF Disaster Fund in the name of Kevin to celebrate our Golden Wedding anniversary (yep, now that makes me feel old...er) Apart from his devotion to Lionism, Church, Community and ME, it was considered "a great amazing gift" - for someone always giving to others - I didn't give it to myself but to someone else.)*

From the LCI Board Policy Manual - Zone 5 Chair David Halls

We all know of the Code of Ethics. How many are told of what sits behind the Code of Ethics?

Core Values of the Ethical Standards of Lions Clubs International

For Club officers and above

Club Officer

Ours is an association of service, and the manner in which the service is rendered is fully as important as the service itself. Our members, your fellow club officers, your District Governor, the International Board of Directors, the Executive Officers, the Administrative Officers, the International Office staff and our communities expect honest and ethical conduct from each of you every day. No act or request on the part of Lions clubs and their members, officers, board of directors or staff within our association with whom, or the community for whom, we render services can justify the breach of this guideline. Honest and ethical conduct is defined by our core values that serve as the foundation for our Ethical Standards:

Commitment to SERVICE

We are responsive to the needs of Lions. We seek to understand their priorities, values and needs, and to empower their service. We are committed to our shared goal of community and humanitarian service.

Dedication to EXCELLENCE

We are passionate about the causes Lions serve and the quality of our work. We go beyond what is expected, striving for excellence and continuous improvement in all we do.

Appreciation for DIVERSITY

We create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world, knowing that diversity is our strength. We appreciate individual and cultural differences, and we embrace the experiences and talents of others because together we are more.

Dynamic COLLABORATION We work as a team to improve the quality and relevance of our programs and initiatives. We welcome and encourage the participation of Lions, partners and colleagues, solving problems and meeting challenges together.

Personal and Professional INTEGRITY

We promote and live by the principles of good citizenship. We are dependable, honest and trustworthy professionals who are accountable for our actions and their results.

Spirit of INNOVATION

We evolve to meet the changing needs of those we serve, embracing an environment of growth and creativity. We rigorously test and optimize new ideas, and encourage the adoption of best practices globally.

Your responsibilities begin with understanding of the core values and Ethical Standards of Lions Clubs International. Your role in the association demands an ongoing vigilance to maintain these standards of honest and ethical conduct. Lions Clubs International has adopted several policy statements that concern the association's Ethical Standards, such as our Mission Statement, Code of Ethics, Anti-Discrimination Guidelines for Service Activities and Membership, Obligations of a Chartered Club, Use of Publicly Raised Funds, Rules of Audit, Conflict of Interest, Solicitation, and Privacy. The International Constitution and By-Laws, the Club Officer Manual and the International Board Policy Manual provide information about these policy statements and additional guidance in the areas of ethical standards and conduct. In many instances, ethical standards intersect legal requirements. If an ethical or legal compliance issue arises that raises a question in your mind, you have a responsibility to bring that issue to the attention of the appropriate International Board committee or International Office division (for example, the Finance and Headquarters Operation Committee reviews Conflict of Interest issues; the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and/or Legal Division review Legal issues). You may also bring ethical or legal concerns to the attention of your District Governor, the International Board of Directors, the Executive Officers, or the Administrative Officers of the association.

The core values of the Ethical Standards of Lions Clubs International, along with the policies of the International Board of Directors, provide a guide and framework to help you understand what is expected from you and to help you make good decisions. As they are not all inclusive, your good and best judgment is essential in doing the "right" and ethical thing. Please join us in continuing Lions Clubs' tradition of honest and ethical practices in serving millions of people in need.

District Bulletins RoundUp

Christchurch Pegasus - Editor Margaret - ANZAC weekend, I had my Air Force reunion. It also celebrated 80 years, 16 January 1941.. the Women's Auxiliary Air Force (WAAF) was formed to enable the RNZAF to release more men for the service. It began with an initial draft of 200 women, reaching a peak of about 3,800, with a total of about 4,750 women passing through its ranks, of whom more than 100 achieved commissioned officer rank. In 1955 they became WRNZAF and in 1977 it was disbanded and all ranks were admitted into the RNZAF. When I joined you signed on for 3 years, the men 5. You had to leave the Force if you got married, men didn't. Women were not allowed to be pilots or be flying crew. In 1977 the RNZAF you were given the same rank as the men and the same jobs, and pay. My, how it has changed!! In the weekend I met some incredible women, one teaches pilots and also fly, in fact she is married with two children, she was still flying up to her 2nd trimester. I met the Armed Forces Warrant Officer, the first female in that position and a RNZAF WO. She has 2 grown up children 1 in the Army and the other in the Air Force. I am so proud of the women, the RNZAF and New Zealand that they allowed our women to soar into the skies. RNZAF motto- *per ardua ad astra* - 'through adversity to the stars' (***what a wonderful story.***)



The Defence Force Warrant Officer Toni Tate, Ann joined 1955 and Toni joined 1952.

Nelson Lioness Lions - President Jillian - Work on our charter celebrations has been a bit hectic however things are really coming together. Invitations have been sent and we are now down to the organisational points. I am so looking forward to this special celebration and sharing everything our club has achieved over the last 38 years.... My mission for this coming month is to get our club's history in order which means looking at a lot of old photos and trying not to laugh at the fashions of the day or the high jinks that our members got up to. (*we all wish your Club best wishes for your Charter.*)

Blenheim Lions Membership team - The club has chosen 12th May as an evening for you to bring friends and colleagues along to a tea meeting. Hopefully some of them may decide to come again and even consider joining as new members. There will be information available about our projects and activities but most of all we will have an evening of fellowship and enjoyment so that our visitors understand that having a good time together is as important as completing projects. We will try to have the dining room looking like a Lions' 'den' with displays and information. There will also be a guest speaker. Can you bring someone? Of course you can! The club will pay for visitors' meals. All you need to do book them in.

Amberley & District Lions - President Pam - ANZAC Day 25th April: We were grateful that this year Covid allowed us to gather and commemorate ANZAC day. Amberley Lions, together with the Amberley RSA organised and co-ordinated this service, which was held in the Amberley Domain Pavilion and was well attended by the local community. A short parade, led by members of the armed forces, was followed by a Flypast of replica spitfires and mustang (always a highlight and impressive). The throaty roar of their engines raised a few goosebumps!

Malvern Lions - President Gavin - Jeremy Nurse, our guest speaker, who was one of the instigators of the **180 Degrees Trust** which tries to help teenagers keep on the straight and narrow, was outstanding. They have some successes and some failures, but certainly an organisation worthy of support. (*Google 180 Degrees Trust - working with Canterbury Youth.*)

Who does a profile of a new member in their Club Bulletin?

It's a great way to get to know them and who you are using the hammer with at a working bee.



PRESIDENT Elect DOUGLAS X. ALEXANDER from Brooklyn, New York, USA, was appointed to the office of first vice president by the Lions Clubs International Board of Directors on January 9, 2020. *(and is our in-coming International President.)*

I. President Alexander is a retired vice president for J.P. Morgan Chase Bank. A member of the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club since 1984, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, region chair, vice district governor, district governor, cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer, DGE group leader and international director. He also served as a Lions Eye Bank transporter, a member of the District and Multiple District PDG Association, a trustee of the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, and was appointed as the Lions representative to UNICEF-New York from 2012-2014. He has served on the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Planning and Host Committees and has been a presenter at several USA/Canada Forums.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the club Lion of the Year, Club President’s Award, the Robert J. Uplinger Service Award, several District Governor Appreciation Awards, and the Multiple District Membership Growth Award.

He is also the recipient of numerous International President’s Certificates of Appreciation, seven International President’s Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honour the association bestows upon its members. He is a Dr. Franklin G. Mason Fellow, a W. P. Woods Fellow and a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Alexander is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as chairperson of the advisory board for the New York Urban League and as a board member of the St. Francis DeSales School for the Deaf. He is also a recipient of the Congressional Record Award. President Alexander has two daughters, and his partner in service, Shabiki Cazabon, is a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Our Causes

Whenever Lions club members get together, problems get smaller. And communities get better. Because we help where help is needed - in our own communities and around the world - with unmatched integrity and energy.



Diabetes



Child Cancer



Environment



Hunger



Vision

Wellington Children's Hospital / Lions Playscape Project - update

Thank you very much to all clubs who have donated to "the Playscape Project" and continuing to do so.

WOW - we are nearly there! Our target is \$500,000 and only \$60,000 (round figures) to go. It would be fantastic if we could reach our target by June 30th, then this fantastic project will be finalised in this Lions Year.

Construction of the Children's Hospital is running to schedule. The base for the Playscape construction is in place. It is anticipated that the official opening of the hospital will take place in November. There is a time frame of 3 months for final training and scheduling of staff, finishing touches, and be operational by February 2022.

The Playscape has a budget of \$500,000. Whilst this is a large sum of money, it is only a small cost of the overall project. The new hospital is the only one in NZ, whereby the doctors and medical staff have had input into the outstanding design, to make it practical, and provide all the medical equipment required. Patient care and comfort has been a high priority, with the aim of providing a much quicker post-operative recovery. This is where the Lions Playscape plays an integral role for the overall health of the children, who require the care and specialist services.

I have attached some pages from a booklet 1912 - 2021 (From King Edward VII memorial Hospital for Children to Te Wao Nui Child Health Service and Hospital) which briefly summarises the journey of the hospital build, starting in 2017.

Thank you Lions for being part of this wonderful legacy. With a large catchment area, the hospital will provide exceptional high level health care to families in the wider Wellington, Nelson, Marlborough, Taranaki, Hawkes Bay and Wairapa. All started with a personal donation of 50 million dollars from Mark Dunajtschik and Dorothy Spotswood.

To quote "My philosophy is people that are born with a healthy body and mind can look after themselves, and those unfortunate to be born with or suffering ill health need our help"

For any Lions Clubs, or members who would like to make any further donations, the bank account number is 02 0528 0038410 00. Clubs depositing funds should enter their club number in the reference field. The club should send Trust Chair PDG Keith Kenderdine an email confirming the amount banked for the project to lmclct.admin@lionsclubs.org.nz.

DGE Simon Williams (202M)

The journey to a new children's hospital

2017

- Following an initial approach by Wellington Hospitals Foundation Chair Bill Day in 2016, Wellington property developer Mark Dunajtschik announces an extraordinary gift of \$50 million to build and donate a new world class children's hospital to our region.
- The CCDHB and Government announce a contribution of \$45 million, which includes \$21 million for preparatory work on the site beside the main hospital campus.
- The Wellington Hospitals Foundation launches a public campaign to raise \$6 million which increased to \$10 million to outfit and equip the interior of the new children's hospital, which brings the total cost of the building works to \$105 million.



Mark Dunajtschik and Bill Day celebrate on the day the new hospital is announced.

2018

- Mauri stones from Rangiatea, Whakarongotai, Taranaki Maunga and Porirua are laid by iwi representatives to mark the beginning of the new build.

2019

- **The Riddiford Building, the last of three original onsite nurses homes on the hospital campus, is demolished to allow for construction of the new children's hospital.**



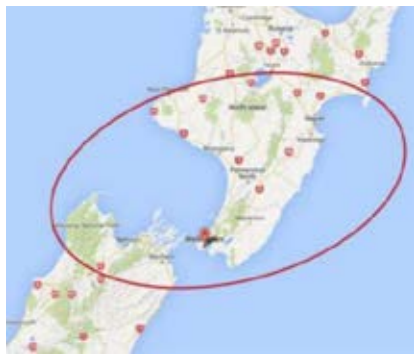
"Most benefactors write out a cheque, but in this case, that wouldn't get nearly as much done for the money. I can use my skill as a builder and developer to get the maximum value out of the \$50 million I'm donating for our children." explains Mark Dunajtschik of the unique Philanthropic Model

Wellington Children's Hospital / Lions Playscape Project



A Closer look

- Around 7,200m² spread over three floors
- 151 beds - in bedrooms, consult rooms and clinical rooms
- 50 inpatient hospital beds with ensuite bathrooms
- 2 dedicated whānau spaces
- Outdoor Playscape therapeutic retreat
- Multilevel Tree of Life and Café
- Therapeutic Gym
- Paediatric Audiology services and Audiometry suite
- Child Development Services
- Child Protection Unit
- Link Bridge to the main hospital complex



“I’m looking forward to a better experience for children and their whānau at a time when they are often worried and anxious - more private rooms with toilets, better climate (ventilation/temperature control, better play areas, and clean bright rooms. Children recovering from major surgery need these facilities which will help them sleep and recover quicker.”

Dr Mark Stringer, Paediatric Surgeon, CCDHB

“This new hospital is of course a fabulous new asset to Wellington, but it will also provide a warm, secure and fit for purpose facility for children and their whānau travelling from Nelson. I am confident this new hospital, with its modern and bright facilities will offer a positive experience for both the children and their parents at a time when they deserve the very best support. Children will now be able to recuperate from surgery in a calm and more private environment, which in turn will hopefully expediate recovery and a speedy return home.”

Rachel Reese, Mayor of Nelson

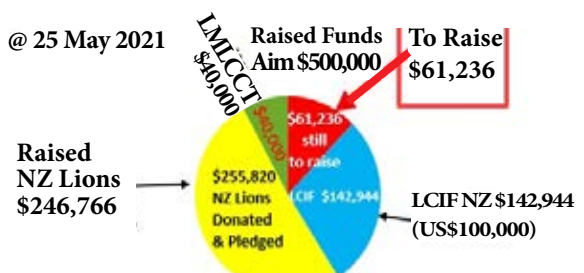
Playscape - Conceptual Design



“The New Wellington Regional Children’s Hospital will provide outstanding medical care for sick children across the Wellington region. The new hospital centralises a range of specialist treatments under one roof, and I’d encourage Wellingtonians to dig deep and donate to the foundation if they can, every dollar raised will help support sick kids and their families during a worrying and anxious time.”

Andy Foster, Mayor of Wellington

@ 25 May 2021



Rangiora Leos visit to Rai Valley Leos

The long-awaited visit of Rangiora Leos to Rai Valley Leo Club (deferred last year because of the Pandemic) finally took place 15th and 16th May.

The 6 Rangiora Leos arrived Friday night armed with blankets and sleeping bags for a sleep over in the Rai Area School library. A meal of pasta and mince, apple pie and ice-cream was followed by games and movie watching.



Weston and Kea



Leaping Leos

Saturday both Leo Clubs travelled to Nelson to see the Kaka breeding programme which the Rai Leos sponsor, then enjoyed a beautiful day in Nelson visiting tourist spots.

A challenge had been issued to Marlborough Boys College and Girls College to come to the Havelock Domain on Sunday morning to compete for the Leo Challenge trophy, however

the heavy rain put an end to that, and all four Leo Clubs met at Rai School for a morning of games and singing, with Havelock Lions providing a lunch before the Rangiora Leos left for home.

Both Siobhan Skinner and Kirstyn Barnett and the Leos thanked those who had assisted over the weekend and the Leos all agreed that the interchange should become an annual event, especially as the Rangiora Leos left with the trophy.



Mini Golf



Weston and Kayden

Have you registered for our LCIcon2021?

our first-ever virtual convention, begins Friday June 25, 2021!

- [The LCI Convention Site](#)
- [LCIcon Voting and Frequently Asked Questions](#) - It's not too late! Travel virtually.

Zone 1:

Ahaura Grey Valley **BBBBBABA**
 Greymouth **BBA**
 Hokitika **ABAAA**
 S. Westland **BBBBBB AABBBB**

Zone 2:

Golden Bay **BBBAB**
 Motueka **AABBAB**
 Motueka Lioness Lions
 Murchison
 Nelson Host **BBBBBAAABBBB**
 Nelson Lioness Lions **BBABB BBBBBB**
 Nelson North **BBBBBB BAABBB**
 Richmond **AA**

Zone 3:

Beavertown Blenheim **AABBBBBBBBBB**
 Blenheim **AABBBBBBBBAABB**
 Blenheim Pakeke **A**
 Havelock **ABBBBBA AABBBB**
 Marl. Boys College Leos
 Marl. Girls College Leos
 Picton **BBBABAABBABB**
 Rai Valley Area Leos
 Renwick **BBBBBBBBBB**
 Seddon **ABBBBBBBBABB**

Zone 4:

Amuri **A**
 Cheviot **BBBBA AABBBBBB**
 Glenmark **BBBBBBABAABB**
 Hanmer Springs **AA**
 Hawarden Waikari **AAAAAA**
 Kaikoura **BABB ABBABBBB**
 Kaikoura Seaward **BBBBBAAAABBABB**

Zone 5:

Amberley **BBBBABAABABBBB**
 Oxford & Districts **BABBBAAABBBB**
 Pegasus Town **BBBBAAABBABAA**
 Rangiora **BBBBABAABBBB**
 Rangiora Lioness Lions **AAA**
 Rangiora High School Leos **AAAAA**
 Canterbury Leos Omega Club **AAAAA**
 Woodend **AAAAAAA**

Zone 6:

Ch. City Breakfast **B AABBA AABBBBBBB**
 Ch. Host **BBBAABB AABBBABB**
 Ricc. Waimari **BBBBBAAB**
 Wigram Skies **BABBBBAA**
 Ch. Chinese

Zone 7:

Ch. Ferrymead **A BBBABABBABBBBBBBBBB** 2 Bulletins month
 Ch. Pegasus **BB AA BBABBBBB**
 Ch. South
 Ch. Seaview
 New Brighton **BA BB AABABBBABB**

Zone 8:

Akaroa & Bays **BBBBAABBAABABB**
 Ellesmere **AABB BB BABB**
 Halswell & Districts **BABBBAB AAA BBB**
 Malvern **B ABBBBBBABB**
 Rolleston & Districts **AB ABBBBBBABB**
 Selwyn **AA B ABBBBBBAA B ABB**
 Wigram **AB ABBBBBBABAABB**

A = Article received **B** = Bulletin received



Renwick Lions

mourn the loss of Alan Simpson.

Alan joined Renwick Lions on 1 May 1978 and he has provided service to our community ever since - nigh on 43 years. We are grateful for all that he has done for Lions and our community.

Here he is seen receiving his Life Membership in 2019, from PDG Malcolm Williams.

A life of service is something to be proud of.

It is DG Paul's last month as our District Governor and my final bulletin under his 'leadership'. Not once has he judged any of my Editorial, leaving the D.B. completely to me. I have often asked him for clarification; sometimes in the form of an article, and the reply has been immediate. He has been extremely uplifting in my ability to produce this Bulletin. I have especially enjoyed his professionalism, knowledge and his wit. Thank you Lynda from us all, for your input, organisation and your 'grace'. To you both, happy vaning, biking and having time to smell the roses. To the many, many members who have contributed to make this bulletin more readable and sometimes 'thought provoking', we all thank you - this is your bulletin!

To PCC Helen Williams, who has also been my go to, for her knowledge of all things Lions. If Helen didn't know, she always went to those who did - my grateful appreciation and respect.

We all look forward to another Lions year under our new District Governor Tracy, (who has also - probably under duress :) left the editorial content to me.) Tracy, we all wish you well and look forward to a new year under your leadership.

Have a great month yours in Lionism Lou

You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending.



Seddon Lions - The month got off to a great start with our 4X4 trek. Some 75 vehicles signed up and spent the day traversing the farm tracks over some very impressive country.



Lions Club of Nelson Lioness - Pink Ribbon event at Saxton oval.

"At the end of the day, it's not about what you have or even what you've accomplished. It's about what you've done with those accomplishments. Its about who you've lifted up, who you've made better. It about what you've given back" Denzel Washington