

# DG Brian BLOG

THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS  
DISTRICT 202K | NEW ZEALAND



*Invest. Challenge. Encourage.*



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## EDITORIAL

Kia Ora Fellow Lions!

As a valuable platform to develop strong, insightful, and altogether informative content, we are doing our best to push appropriate and meaningful content before our readers.

We Lions as a community, believe in love as we share our love within and beyond the community that has been built together.

Today, while moving forward with the fourth edition of the newsletter, we would really love to hear your feedback as we believe in you and as we wish more power to our inspiring Lions!



# INVEST CHALLENGE ENCOURAGE

## 202K DISTRICT GOVERNOR



### Dear 202K Members,

Kia Ora

Welcome to our April 2021 issue of the District 202K Bulletin.

Hello and welcome to our April Edition of the 202K District Newsletter, since last month a lot has happened. Marilyn and I have attended the 2 remaining Conventions in the South Island and I have also attended the final Council of Governors meeting in Whangārei prior to the Multiple District Convention which was held in Whangārei.

The Convention was a real credit to the Committee who put together a full programme with the notable speakers of Eric Rush, Sir Richard Faull and Professor Stephen Munn. We were entertained and informed by all speakers and were given a real lesson on Brain Health with the advancement of findings of new research, and the advancement in our Liver Transplant Technology, which Lions do proudly support. We did see 202K be recipients of several awards which made me so proud of our wonderful 202K District.

The Lions year is now into the final 2 months of the year and this is a time now that we look towards Next Year. Look at your succession planning and also get your new officers of your clubs loaded into MyLCI. It is very important that we support our new leaders and give them the support required for them to succeed in their roles therefore, I encourage them to get to our District trainings coming up in May and June.

It is a real pleasure that we now have set a date to charter our newest Club, Pokeno and Districts. This is a very auspicious milestone to have charter a new club, and with huge support of the officers and Charter members will be paramount for the club to carry on the excellent support of their community. I am really delighted that we have managed to charter 2 new Clubs in the same year. It is a magnificent achievement, however this does not happen on its own without the support from many in the District, I do thank all who managed to get these Clubs over the line as new clubs in our District. These events have unfortunately been overshadowed by some Clubs deciding to close which is sad and we do hope the door is open for members to join other clubs to continue their excellent community service.

As we enter into the final stages of the Lions Year and we are now getting prepared for the next year, I wish all members to reflect on what efforts you all have achieved this year under very

unpresented times. We need to keep the projects on going to carry on the community support.

Do take care and I will leave you with following message from our International President Dr. Jung Yul Choi:

Being a Lion means so much to each of us. It is about serving our communities, and the joy of seeing lives changed. It is about fellowship, and the lifelong bonds we share. It is about giving and seeing our generosity flourish. But as much as being a Lion means to us, it means even more to the people we serve.

So, take pride in your safe service and the impact you have made. Continue inspiring your community and encouraging others to put their kindness in action as Lions. And keep giving because so many are depending on us. That is what it means to be a Lion.

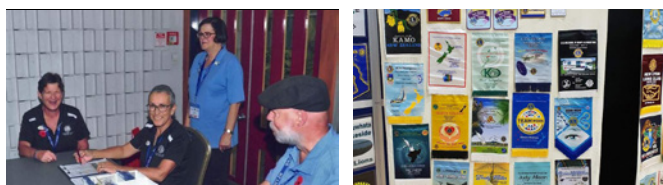
*“The kindness of one Lion can change a life, but the kindness of all Lions will change the world. Great teamwork leads to even greater success, and our leadership is the key to unlocking your greatest potential.”*

*As Lions, we can accomplish so much on our own, but together when we are United in Kindness and Diversity, we can accomplish so much more.”*

Ngā mihi

**Brian McMillan**

202K District Governor  
2020 - 2021



# AUTUMN BOOK FAIR

*Te Awaroa / Helensville Lions Club*

## “The Best Book Fair in the West!”

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May, Helensville War Memorial Hall

**This year the Lions Autumn Book Fair is to be held again on the last weekend of May. The Book Fair will be held on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 4pm and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> 10am to 3pm in the Helensville War Memorial Hall.**

We have once again sorted all the books before the event, as the aim of the Helensville Lions is to make your weekend of browsing as effortless and pleasurable as possible.

Non-fiction is split into 20 separate categories, from Animals and Pets to Winemaking, including one dedicated to New Zealand subjects and a large General Non-fiction section to browse through.

Fiction is arranged alphabetically by authors from Atwood to Zusak with 6 special interest groups, the largest of which is the Fantasy/Science Fiction section. We also have a tremendous number of children's books for all ages.

**Books are priced to sell with paperbacks and hardbacks at \$2.00, and all children's books being 50c each.**

Vinyl LPs will be there and also a good selection of jigsaw puzzles, board games, DVDs, CDs and quality magazines available.

All funds raised go into The Lions Club of Helensville Charitable Trust, and this year we are partnering with the Coastguard.

Small donations of books can be left at Burmester Realty, Helensville or larger lots, call Chris on 09 420 8527.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LAST DATE WE ARE ACCEPTING BOOKS FOR THIS BOOK FAIR IS FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY.**



# EAT FOOD FOR THOUGHT!

**EAT WHATEVER YOU LIKE BECAUSE YOU WILL STILL DIE. DON'T ALLOW MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKERS DECEIVE YOU.**

- The inventor of the treadmill died at the age of 54
- The inventor of gymnastics died at the age of 57
- The world bodybuilding champion died at the age of 41
- The best footballer in the world Maradona, died at the age of 60

**BUT**

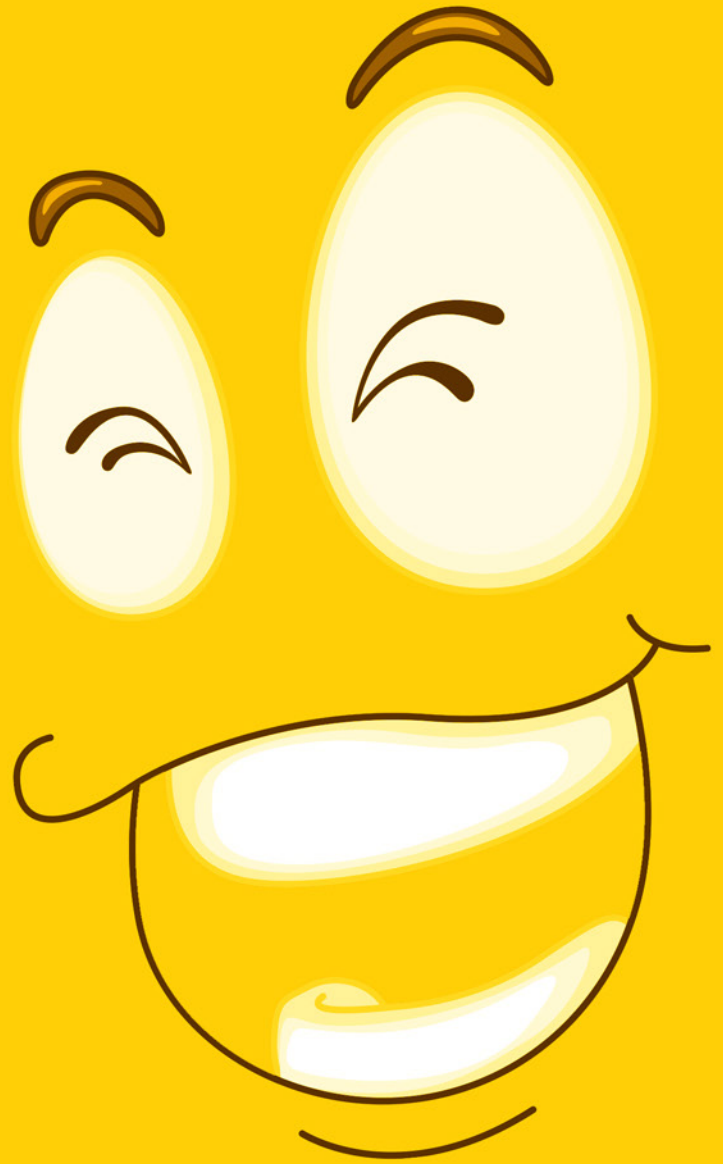
- The KFC inventor died at 94
- Inventor of Nutella brand died at the age of 88
- Imagine, cigarette maker Winston died at the age of 102
- The inventor of opium died at the age of 116 in an earthquake
- Hennessey inventor died at 98

*How did these doctors come to the conclusion that exercise prolongs life?  
The rabbit is always jumping up and down, but it lives for only 2 years and the  
turtle that doesn't exercise at all, lives 400 years.*

*So, Take some rest, Chill, Stay cool, Eat, Drink and Enjoy your life. You will still  
die. I'm sending my Nike trainers back for a refund.*

# ANOTHER IRISH JOKE

Mangonui Lions Club



O'Malley is leaving his favourite bar when he is run over by a bus. He gets to the gates of heaven and St Peter tells him he cannot enter unless he passes a test. O'Malley agrees to try as he never was the brightest bulb in the box.

St Peter decides to go easy on him. "What has five fingers and is made of black leather?" he asks.

O'Malley scratches his head, thinks hard and finally gives up.

"It's a glove," says St Peter. "Let's try again. What has 10 fingers and is made of black leather?"

O'Malley is clearly stumped. After a few minutes of pacing in a circle and scratching his head, he gives up.

"Why it's TWO gloves – don't you see? Ten fingers, black leather?" says St. Peter, amazed.

Being in a generous mood, St Peter decides to give O'Malley one final chance and thinks of an even easier question.

"Okay. Who is the patron saint of Ireland?" he asks, thinking surely O'Malley can't miss this.

"It wouldn't be three gloves, would it?" says O'Malley.

# KIDZ FIRST CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL HEALING GARDEN

*Lions Club of Bucklands Beach*



The club members did an amazing job replacing the seats in the Healing Garden

# SAND TO MUD

On 18<sup>th</sup> April Sunday, the Waiuku Lions ran their 44<sup>th</sup> Sand to Mud Fun Run from the Kariotahi Beach to The Lions Station at Massey Park. Funds raised from this project are proposed to go to the building of the new Kariotahi Surf Lifesaving Club House.

This club has the task of raising about \$1,000,000 themselves before other grants promised are paid out, in what is to be an expensive undertaking.

On the day we had 336 recorded entries and there were fun times to be held with children's games and activities and the tug of war competitions.

A very successful day was had, in spite of the cool south west wind that cooled the competitors and the workers on the drink/water stations.

## WINNERS

King of the Hill and First Male Home - Carl Read  
Queen of the Hill and First Female Home - Chloe Vincent  
Secondary School Pupil First Home - Quinn Gardiner- Hall  
Primary School Pupil First Home - Cooper Holmes  
Primary School Team Winners - First with 6 Pupils Home - Sandspit Road School

The Tug of War Competition Winners

- \* School - Waiuku Primary School
- \* Adult - RX Fitness 235 (They presented their winnings of \$500 to the Kariotahi Surf Lifesaving Club.)

The Lions club would like to pass on their thanks to the members, family members, and the public who assisted in giving their time to the success of the event.

Thanks also to those business units who assisted in supplying food, drinks and donations to the cause.

We would also recognise the Waiuku Camera Club, the Paerata Lions Officers who assisted with the children's activities.

*Waiuku Lions Club*







# LIONS CODE OF ETHICS

*Lions Club of Kowhai Coast*

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To Show my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

To Seek success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

To Remember that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

To Hold friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

Always to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour and means.

To Aid others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

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