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From the Editor's Desk

Our new normal continues as we go in and out of the Levels of management of Covid 19 virus making it difficult to engage in any long term planning. Yes it appears that couple of months seems to be the limit.

Those of us hoping to attend ANZI in Cairns have two concerns, one being that we have had both jabs of virus protection and that Queensland is Covid free. Neither of those applies at this time for me but here's hoping it sorts itself out.

By now most clubs will have had their Change of Officers evenings and will be in the planning stages of the year's projects and trainings. Don't forget to have the occasional event that is not a fundraiser, but one that is purely a social for members and their family. We need to involve our families especially our children in more of our club activities, showing them what we do when we are not with them. Who knows they may want to join in later years or become members of a Leos club. Now there's a club project to be considered.

Wishing you all a very successful year.

Editor Mary Snook

Round the Clubs

Karori



PCC Don Rennie presenting guest speaker Nicola Willis with a Certificate of Appreciation

Twenty-three Lions were present plus our guest speaker, Nicola Willis. Nicola spoke to us about growing up in Wellington, and how family values passed to her from her parents and grandmother helped shape her attitudes and career path: privileged circumstances implied she had a responsibility to help others less privileged; she should always do her best at whatever she set out to do.

While a researcher in the Beehive, Nicola was mentored by Bill English, in particular, and others, including John Key. Bill taught her that being in parliament was not about ego or personal gain, but rather about how much you could do for others. With much pushing by others and strategic selection of a career path, Nicola has ended up as a senior list Member of Parliament for the National Party. Her talk was both eloquent and down to earth, thoroughly enjoyable.

United in Kindness and Diversity with International President, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

Dear Lions,

This is a year that we will never forget because more than any other this is the year that you showed the world the true depth of a Lion's courage. Your conviction to stand for others, to inspire hope and to serve has been the difference for so many people in your community and around the world.

I'm so proud to have been a part of this extraordinary year of kindness, innovation and safe service. As we move forward, we will continue to meet this global challenge together. Because we are Lions. In good times or times of great need - at all time and in all places - where there is need, we will be there.

Thank you for your bravery and commitment to making our world a better place for all people. It has been the greatest honour of my life to serve you.

Regards,

Jung-Yul Choi

Dr Jung-Yul Choi
International President



Simon Says



Welcome to the 2021-2022 Lions Year. When you receive this publication, the MD202 Council of Governors will all be duly installed. My theme for the year is **Dream>Believe>Achieve**. I was hoping that the challenges of

Covid-19 were behind us, but not so as I reside in Paraparaumu under level 2. Hopefully, we can strive forward from here, build on our ideas for the future, have the strength and belief in ourselves to achieve our goals. Our new International President, Douglas X. Alexander's theme of **Service from the Heart**, reinforces what we as Lions are all about. We will be operating under the stewardship of Council Chairman Murray, who also wants us to take time to **Reflect>Review>Reinvigorate**. Within our own district, we recognise and congratulate David Skjellerup as First Vice District Governor and Carol McMillan as Second Vice District Governor.

July is a significant month in the Lions Clubs calendar and the life of all Lions Clubs and their members. The time when we change officers and bring forward further possibilities available to us. As the Danish philosopher Kierkegaard said, 'There is no wine more intoxicating than the wine of possibility.'

Using the metaphor – the rich vintage of heritage for us began as the dream of Chicago businessman Melvin Jones in 1917 founding The International Association of Lions. Lions Clubs was introduced to New Zealand and the South Pacific in 1955. Since that time, the richness of our heritage has been forged and enhanced through the work of many fine people who have been members of and who have led our organisation with pride. Today, our **"We Serve"** motto continues, represented by more volunteers in more places than any other service club organization in the world. We are friends, neighbours and leaders ready to help our communities grow and thrive.

A couple of reminders:

All those with generic email addresses, should be getting those updated and transferred over. If anybody is needing assistance, then contact PDG Alice, our IT Assist on 202m.mylci@lionsclubs.org.nz or phone (021)525924.

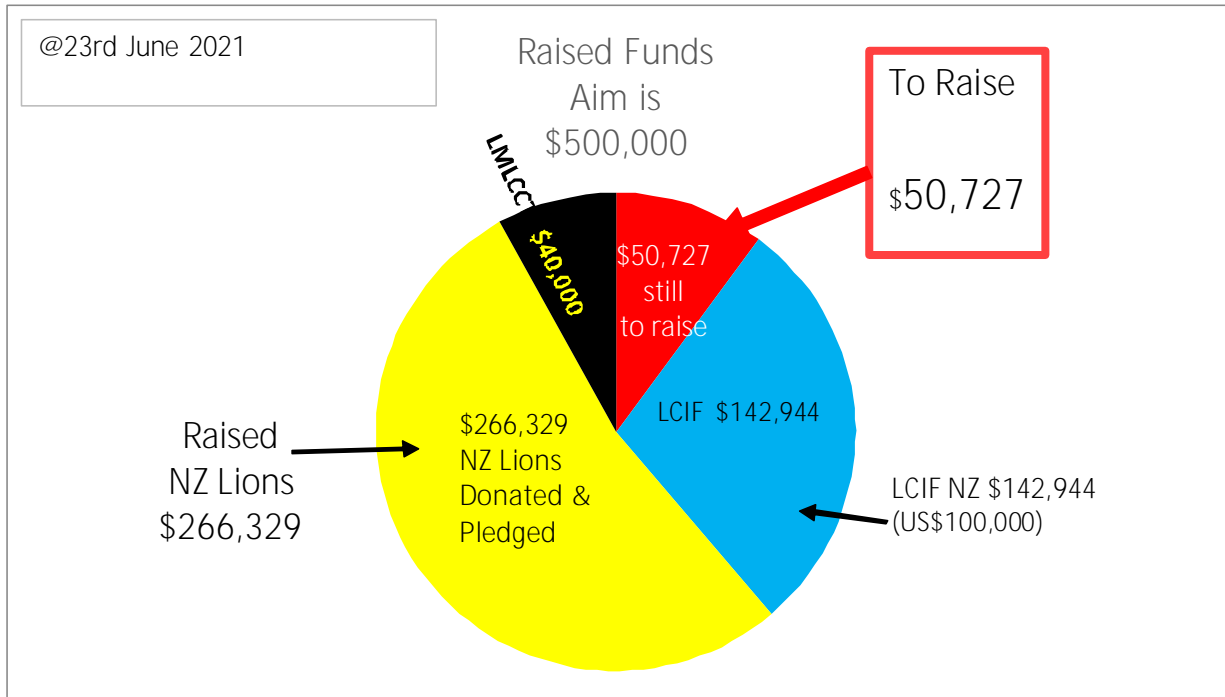
Presidents Weekend will be at The Copthorne, Solway Park Hotel, Masterton, the weekend of 24th and 25th July. Invitations and registration forms will be sent out shortly.

I would like to extend my best wishes to you all for a successful year. My heartfelt thanks to you all for placing your trust in me as your District Governor for the 2021-2022 Lions year.

Simon Williams
District Governor

Te Wao Nui - Wellington Regional Children's Hospital

The donations still come in but we now need a final push to achieve our \$500,000



Thank you all for your kind donations.

We are nearly there – Can you help to finish it off?

Just over \$50,000 to go

THANK YOU

THE DISTRICT 202M REMEMBRANCE SERVICE, IN RECOGNITION OF OUR DECEASED LIONS AND FAMILIES WAS HELD IN MASTERTON.

THANK YOU TO THOSE LIONS WHO ASSISTED WITH BRINGING THE SERVICE TOGETHER.

PCC Robin Nairn: Conducting the Service

Lion Gary Pickering: Supplying the venue

PDG Sandie McIntosh: Collecting the Eulogies

PDG Rex Bullard: Photos and power point presentation

PDG Jack Hayes: Formatting the Eulogies & Reading

PCC Jo Cameron & 2VDG Carol McMillan:

Reading the Eulogies

Lions Club of Masterton Holdsworth:

Catering

The Remembrance Service is a very important programme in our Lions year. Unfortunately, it was not able to be held as part of the Virtual Convention.

Our condolences are extended to the Lions Members and Families.

CC Murray Pringle and DG Simon Williams

ANZI Forum 2021

Cairns

To enrol for the ANZI Forum please access the webpage

<https://www.lionsanzipacificforum.com/registrations> as soon as possible and please notify MD Secretary Rhonda Kaire md202.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz



'Tropical Kindness Reef Rainforest Outback'

After a year we'd all rather forget,
it's time to recharge your batteries,
lift your spirits and relax here in our beautiful
corner of the world.

For more information on our beautiful part of the world,
visit Tourism Tropical North Queensland's website:
<https://tourism.tropicalnorthqueensland.org.au/>

ANZI Forum 2021
Dates 3rd—5th September
**Venue: Pullman Cairns
International Hotel**



ENVIRONMENT

The Environment is one of the five global causes of Lions Clubs International, and our Environmental Strategic Objective is to *“Sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.”*

During the previous Lions’ year I have shared thoughts and information on environmental resources and possibilities for environmental projects. I want to pick up on one theme in particular, i.e. partnering with other community groups to achieve environmental goals. (See the March 2021 issue of InforM).

Working with other groups can enable both Lions and the other group to combine disparate resources and achieve objectives that neither of them could do on their own – perhaps one has money and expertise, and the other has manpower and access. It also gives your club more profile in the community, and may even be a source of new members.

An example of partnering is the Karori Lions’ assistance given to a group in the suburb of Karori, Wellington (Karori Kaitiaki) which has the objective of environmentally protecting and diverse areas of the suburb. One time Lions was able to muster some needed manpower to plant trees and provide some publicity; another time when the group had organised a good number of the local girl guides to participate at a weeding and planting bee, Lions turned up with refreshments, rubbish and recycling bins and signage with an educational message for the youngsters of *“Stop Waste! Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!”*

I would encourage clubs to seek to partner with schools. Find out what they are already doing, or would like to do, and offer help. It would be great to see some permanent signage indicating, for example, that a school was looking after a particular area, supported by the local Lions club.

Nothing will happen unless someone steps up and takes responsibility for planning and organising – find that person in your club!

Once again, I invite club Presidents and members to let me know what environmental projects you are busy with, so that we can share the news and experience around the district.

Please contact me at trevoranders@outlook.com

Thanks for caring about the environment – a legacy for our children and grandchildren.

Trevor Anders

LCI 202M Cabinet Support - Environment

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Please contact me at trevoranders@outlook.com

***** Please share details of your environmental plans and projects*****

Matters That Could Be of Interest to All Treasurers:

Firstly, the External Reporting Board which sets the accounts formats for charitable trusts amongst other structures such as companies, has reviewed the format of accounts to be filed with the Charities Commission. From about 14 pages to 2! Charitable trusts must be Tier 4. The old format can still be used. The following note has been received from the Charities Commission:



This email contains information that is confidential and is intended for the addressee only. If you are not the intended recipient, please respect that confidentiality and not disclose, copy or make use of its contents. If received in error please destroy this email and advise me immediately. Thanks.

We wanted to share with you that we have made reporting easier for smaller charities and other NFPs by developing a new optional template to help them meet their annual reporting requirements to Charities Services.

We'd like you to help us spread the good news by sharing this information with your relevant networks.

The new template includes all the same information as provided for in the current 18-page Tier 4 Reporting Template but has been reduced to 2 pages (by removing the optional information) – click here for the [new template](#). The basic requirements of the Tier 4 standard have not changed

The optional 2-page template can be used by Tier 4 NFPs to help prepare their 2021 performance report, i.e for balance dates on or after 1 January 2021.

NFPs that wish to include additional information in their reports if requested by funders, for example, can still use the full [Tier 4 Reporting Template](#) to report all the required information.

Charities that have an existing reporting format they are happy with can continue using this – the new template is optional only and intended to be a helpful resource for charities rather than an additional requirement.

Sharing this info is easy, you can do one or all of the following: Share the text below as a News Item via email or E-Newsletter, or Post on your FB Page or share our post on LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/external-reporting-board>

Secondly, some clubs use the **IRD mileage rate** for reimbursing members for using their car on Lions business. It should be noted that the rate **has dropped to 79 cents from 82 cents** and this new rate should be used from 1 April 2021

Regards

Keith Kenderdine

District 202M Treasurer

Retirement for New Zealand's 'longest serving Lion'

New Zealand's longest serving Lion, Ian Maxwell of Paraparumu, has retired from 'active service'. Ian's 64 years' service has earned him the unofficial position of being the longest active serving Lion in New Zealand.

His remarkable service was acknowledged at a Kapiti Club meeting earlier this month where District 202M Governor Murray Pringle, presented Ian with an International President's Certificate.

DG Pringle said that throughout Ian's service, he has had accumulated a vast array of happy memories. "These are too numerous to fully cover tonight, but suffice to say he has certainly had fun along the way and always in the background giving him a hundred percent support has been his wife, Jo."

Past district governor Ian, in late 1957, as a 22-year-old was asked if he would make up the numbers to form the Lions Club of Masterton. He did and the club received its charter in 1958, with Ian's service beginning from the previous year. Since that time, the new club carried out significant projects in the Masterton district and earned a place in the town's culture.

Ian remembers the time he and fellow Masterton Lions Club members brought the Gemini Space Capsule to New Zealand. There was also the occasion when he and fellow club members began pouring concrete at the Masterton skating rink at 3 pm. and finished at 4.30 am. the next morning. Another occasion when visiting a Lioness club in Hawkes Bay, he was introduced as the Governor General!

Over the years Ian continued with his interest, particularly in membership and is credited with being responsible for forming 11 Lions clubs and personally introducing 10 new members into the organisation. Ian can claim a hundred percent attendance at two clubs in the same year, his own club and Palmerston North Lions Club where he was Guiding Lion.

Ian continued with his involvement in club and district administration and passed through the positions of director, 11 years as secretary, vice president and president and becoming zone chairman in 1967. He went on to be deputy district governor in 1968 and again in 1986 and in 1987 becoming governor of District 202B.

In the intervening years he held every position possible within his club administration and even, in 1982, that of Tailtwister.

In 1989 Ian transferred to the Whitianga Lions Club. There he continued his involvement in club administration including Lioness liaison, passing through all positions and becoming president in 1998.

He was awarded Lions highest honour, a Melvin Jones Fellowship in 1984 and in 1998, life membership in Lions Clubs International

Ian transferred to the Lions Club of Kapiti eleven years ago where he involved himself with numerous club activities until health issues intruded. The club awarded him life membership in the Lions Lloyd Morgan Charitable Trust.

Murray Pringle passed on his and Lions International's best wishes for Ian's future and that of his wife Jo. "Your contribution to your clubs and the community has been immense and it is now time to sit back and continue to enjoy your life of leisure in Paraparumu."

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Right - Jo and Ian Maxwell and District Governor Murray Pringle

Child Cancer



This is one of the 5 Global Causes of Lions Clubs International.

As Lions and as Clubs we can all do something to support this cause.

CAMP QUALITY – looking for more male companions

Each child that attends summer camps with Camp Quality has a companion at their side 24/7 for the duration of camp. Some of the children require a higher level of assistance than others and much effort is put in to matching companions and campers for the best fit.

This year we have a very large proportion of young male campers and are in need of more men to step up and be a companion to a young fellow. This is a very rewarding thing to do and can be a life changing experience for the companion.

I am asking all Lions to think about the younger men in their personal community and check in to see if they would be interested in making this contribution to a young child living with cancer. Age limit is 18 years and up. We have had many mature men in their fifties undertake this role, so cast your thoughts widely.

Full training is provided for all volunteers, this year at Nga Manu College in Marton, on 2 and 3 October, with Camp running at the same site Wednesday 12 January to Monday 17 January. All costs, and transport to and from Camp, are covered.

APPLY AT www.campquality.org.nz/volunteer

Michael is one of Camp Quality's young campers –



At just 5 years old, Michael was diagnosed with a brain tumour and rushed from the Doctor's office straight into surgery at Starship. After the surgery, Michael had to relearn how to walk and talk again before he could face the 107 weeks of chemotherapy awaiting him. One of the things that made life a little brighter for Michael during his

cancer journey was our Camp Quality camps 🍷 We make sure that fun and making great memories is at the top of the list when we plan our camps, and the first thing that pops into Michael's head when asked about Camp Quality is "FUN!" - what an awesome way to be remembered!

Michael's mum, Kalairé, who was by his side throughout his journey says that the Camp Quality camps have been so amazing for Michael. "The camps have just helped him so much because everyone has been through the same thing, they just get it. He can be a kid with other kids for a week - and that's absolutely priceless to us." ❤️

Michael has been lucky enough to go on a few of our camps - and his brother and sister even went too and got to create some incredible memories of their own! 🍷

Being able to support families like Michael's during some of the hardest times of their lives is something that we are honoured to be able to do - and will continue to do with your support.

Beth Anders
Child Cancer

DISTRICT CALENDAR

4/7/21	Rimutaka Lions Club Changeover
7/7/21	Parawai Lions Club Final meeting
21/7/21 -25/7/21	Dannevirke Lions Club annual book sale
24/7/21	Cabinet Meeting morning only, Masterton.
24/7/21 – 25/7/21	Presidents Weekend, Masterton
7/8/21 – 8/8/21	LMLCCT meeting, Wellington
14/8/21	MD Annual Speechmakers competition, Wellington
14/8/21 – 15/8/21	COG Meeting, Wellington
15/9/21	Napier Spirit Club, Young Achievers Awards Function
18/9/21	Hastings Host & Napier Host combined 60 th Anniversary Celebrations
9/10/21	Cabinet meeting, Dannevirke.
20/11/21- 21/11/21	COG Meeting Wellington
29/1/22	Cabinet meeting, Kapiti
4/3/21-6/3/21	202M Convention, Gisborne
20/4/22-22/4/22	COG Meeting Lower Hutt
22/4/22-24/4/22	MD Convention, Silverstream
14/5/22-15/5/22	Cabinet meeting, Hawkes Bay

This page is available for clubs , or anybody to include upcoming events.

The idea is :

1. A quick reference for members to check what is on

If any club / member is planning an event, can check to make sure that there aren't any double ups.

You will see from the above, that already there is one date in August with two important events diared. (This means CC Murray , DG Simon or 1VDG David are unable to attend the Young Speechmaker Competition).

Presidents Weekend

Save the Date

24th & 25th July

**Copthorne Solway Park
High Street
Masterton**

Phone 06 370 0500

On-Site accommodation has been reserved. Mention Lions when booking.

A great weekend of “Sharing Ideas, Getting to Know others and Learning”.

Costs to be advised – More details to be sent to Presidents directly.



GLT – Global Leadership Team - Update

Online Training: You are not alone

The Lions Learning Centre offers a wide range of On-line courses for ALL lions. I encourage everyone to create a Member Login on the Lions International Website if you have not already done so and explore the free courses that are available. Many of these courses are applicable to your everyday life as well as to your Lions Club.

If you have difficulty creating a logon contact PDG Alice McDonald who is very happy to assist you.

Lions Institute Training:

Covid-19 has impacted on the delivery of a number of Institute Courses. While some dates are yet to be finalized I can advise the following:

LCIP – Christchurch 11-14 February 2022

ALLI – Cairns 7-9 September 2021

FDI – TBA

ELLI – TBA

If you are interested or know of a Lion in your club who could benefit from these excellent courses, do not hesitate to contact me directly:

PDG Alice McDonald GLT Leader 202M.GLT@lionsclubs.org.nz

Round the Clubs

Wellington Host

A recent speaker at a Wellington Host Club meeting was Doctor Ben Gray from the Wellington Welfare Guardianship Trust. He spent time explaining the Trust to us...its makeup, work, volunteers, training and funding.

This is a charitable trust established to provide recruit, approve and train suitable volunteers to apply to be Court-appointed Welfare Guardians for people who are unable to make, or communicate, decisions for themselves. Once appointed the Trust provides on-going support for the volunteers.

The Trust Co-ordinator receives requests for volunteers from a range of people including lawyers, rest home managers and family members who live outside the local area or are unable/unwilling to act as a Welfare Guardian themselves.

The Coordinator matches the needs of the subject person to a suitable volunteer and supports the volunteer to apply to the Court for an Order appointing them the Welfare Guardian.

The Trust has no avenue of funding apart from private donations. It uses any money donated to provide koha as reimbursement for transport, background work etc for its volunteers. They are not paid for their services.

Dr Ben's talk, accompanied by a powerpoint presentation, was most enlightening and he fielded our many questions superbly. If you would be interested in inviting him to your Club he may be reached on the Trust's email wwgtrust@gmail.com

Stephanie Kitching
Wellington Host

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



*W*elcome... to our new members
inducted during May

Peter Horn – joined the Lions Club of Lower Hutt Host

Charlie Ives – joined the Lions Club of Waikanae

Conon Kynoch – joined the Lions Club of Takapau

Anne Robinson – joined the Lions Club of Waipawa District

You are now a part of the world's largest humanitarian service organisation. You have joined a global community of kind-hearted, service-minded people, dedicated to making a positive impact on the lives of others and the environment we live in. We look forward to meeting you – it is great to have you as a Lion!



Congratulations and welcome!

Disclaimer: new members acknowledged as per the MyLCI New Member Report for April 2021. If you have new members who were inducted during April who do not appear on this list – firstly, my apologies for not acknowledging you yet – hopefully you'll appear on next month's list; and secondly, check with your club secretary to ensure your new members are being registered on MyLCI.



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

How Clubs Can Empower Lions Service



Club support of Campaign 100 and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) – *your* foundation – increases our ability to change the world. How will your club help?

Encourage 100% Member Participation

Participation is key to our success! Inviting fellow members to make personal donations is one of the simplest and quickest ways you can raise significant funds for LCIF and Campaign 100.

Become a 100|100 Club – 100% Member Participation of at Least US\$100

Clubs in which 100% of members donate US\$100 per year or more receive special recognition as 100|100 Clubs.

Host a Fundraising Event

Fundraising events are a great way to bring many members of a club together – and have some fun! In addition, they're a wonderful opportunity to invite non-Lion members of the community to learn more about the great work of Lions and join clubs in supporting LCIF and Campaign 100.

Make a Gift from the Club Treasury

Many clubs reserve funds in their treasuries for charitable donations and contribute from those funds to LCIF. These contributions are a great way for club leadership to support LCIF on behalf of their members.

Invite Support from Local Businesses and Non-Lions

Many clubs already have good relationships with businesses and non-Lion individuals in their local communities. Inviting support from community members and groups outside of your club through an event or direct request is important to achieving our goals.

Become a Model Club – Raise the Equivalent of US\$500 per Member

Model Clubs are leading the way for Campaign 100. Encourage clubs in your area to set their sights higher and become examples for others. All funds raised from all sources between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2023, count toward Model Club status. Access more information on Model Clubs by visiting the Resource Center on lionsclubs.org and then clicking on Campaign 100.

Be
Recognized!

Donations to Campaign 100 are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellow (MJF), Progressive MJF (PMJF), and Lions Share credits. Donations also count toward limited-edition Campaign 100 recognition and ongoing LCIF recognition such as 100% MJF, 100% PMJF, 100% Lions Share Participation, and per-member-average banner patches.

Thank You!

Many say the needs of the world are too great. More than 1.4 million Lions worldwide say, "We Serve." To each Lions club going boldly into a new era of service – an era where serving 100% is accomplished only when clubs both do *and* donate – thank you! The success of our campaign, association, foundation, and future starts at the club level, *today*. Together, we can.



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Members are the life blood of our organisation. This year we have (sadly) lost 5 Lions Clubs. Clubs need to actively recruit members to survive. We depend on a vibrant membership to achieve Lion's goals of providing community and international service.

Another 25 Recruitment Ideas:

- ◆ Make it FUN
- ◆ Give every member a Lions decal for their car
- ◆ Give testimonials about your club
- ◆ Repeatedly invite prospective members
- ◆ Practice selling your club at Club meetings
- ◆ Have a one-minute elevator speech ready
- ◆ Conduct a Membership Satisfaction Survey
- ◆ The club president asks everyone to invite one new prospect
- ◆ Bring your boss to a club meeting
- ◆ Make direct contact with women's business associations
- ◆ Bring your co-workers to a club meeting
- ◆ Bring your subordinates to a club meeting
- ◆ Have new member kits
- ◆ Use books, brochures, videos and posters from LCI
- ◆ Hand out invitation cards which include a "Free" meal
- ◆ Have members constantly promote and rave about your club
- ◆ Meet at a good location
- ◆ Develop a strategic membership plan
- ◆ Have incentives for recruitment
- ◆ Select a missing classification and work on filling it
- ◆ Display a thermometer showing progress towards club goal
- ◆ Develop a welcome letter for all new members
- ◆ Contact all members who have resigned in the past 3 years
- ◆ Use billboards at bus stops and road sides
- ◆ Recognize new members in newsletters

**GOOD LUCK!
PCC Jo Cameron
GMT support**

Hart Walkers — Ho Hum?

A confession. At 202M's Incoming Officer Training session I was caught on the hop when I was asked to give an outline of what happens at a Hart Walker clinic. I fumbled through a couple of sentences, inadequately outlining the essentials. Later I reflected that perhaps I've become a little blasé to the transformational impact that I've been witness to, over the ensuing 16 years I've been associated with this programme.

In essence a Hart Walker is a thousand bit mechanical contraption made up of metal rods, buckles and straps, bungy cords, springs and wheels. It forms an external bolt-on "skeleton" to help children who are unable to stand and move around on their own. Recipient children benefit immensely as they are then able to exercise (thus improving heart rate and lung capacity), and to socialise eye-to-eye with other children. The only problem is that children grow, and thus the rods, cords, and straps have to be expertly adjusted every six months to ensure maximum benefit.



Stuart Kerr (our orthotist) from Sydney adjusts Miro's Hart Walker

Today's clinic in the Johnsonville Scout hall is the first one held here for some 18 months as the professional staff required to make the painstaking and precision adjustments have to fly in from Sydney. As a consequence of this Covid-19 imposed delay the quantum of adjustments was necessarily massive.



Today we "serviced" Daemon from Wellington, Miro from Nelson, Duan from Wanganui, and Cullen from Te Puke. It was an unusually long and intense session, noisy but happy.



We appreciate the very positive support from members of the 202M leadership team Simon Williams (DG Elect), David Skjellerup (Vice DG Elect), Bill McKeich (Trustee Child Mobility Foundation), seen here with Angela Ambler (President Johnsonville Lions) and District Trainer Stephen Cook.

So Ho-Hum? Naa! Definitely not.

Ralph Gracie, J'ville Lions

Round the Clubs

Wairoa Lighthouse

Gosh, how the days fly by when you are busy. We all seem to be in the same boat these days and I think it's a good indication that we are all well and blessed to be living Covid safe. With our Lions hats on we have been busy as well. Another successful and delicious Cactus Dinner No 28 is behind us. We have completed more knitting for the midwives at the hospital to give out to the newborns in our community. Lots of PJ's and ugg boots have been distributed for Jammies in June appeal, pet food donations given to vet nurse Abbey, a Mothers' Day raffle done and dusted with a whopping \$1,396.00 raised. Hope no one thought they were winning toilet paper and kindling ..lol. An awesome effort by all, thank you. AND...a new member inducted, welcome Rebecca. As we count down to Changeover we still have a lot on the agenda, so stay well ladies we need your help.

President Robyn



Above - Our newest member of the club, Rebecca Eversen with her sponsor Chris Ramsey and President Robin.

Below - An awesome collection of pyjamas and ugg boots ready to keep the little ones warm.



Thankyou Janice and Heather for doing your bit for the cause. Mother's Day Raffle sellers had the coldest spot in the country.



Mana

Club visit from Karori Lions:

At our Business Meeting last month we enjoyed the company of 14 or so members of Karori Lions, who shared our meal and participated in a lively Quiz show, managed by Bruce Collins. Club visits, whether us to another Club, or other Clubs to us, is always worthwhile according to members feedback afterwards. There is no better way of getting to know what is happening in the world of Lionism outside of our own Club!

DIABETES - one of the five global causes of Lions Clubs International



Welcome to the new Lions year.

I am your new District 202M Diabetes co-ordinator, and I have type 2 Diabetes.

This year I began a journey to attempt to reverse my Diabetes. Each month I will provide you a glimpse into that journey, provide updates on my progress and tell you about the things I have discovered along the way.

So far, I have cut my medication by half, but find out more in the coming months.

I will also be passing on any news and updates from the Multi District, and elsewhere. There will also be a project that we can all get involved in.

If you have any thoughts and ideas about what else you would like to see from me in coming issues of InforM – please drop me a line at 202m.diabetes@lionsclubs.org.nz

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