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EDITORIAL

Less ME, More WE

Warmly welcome all Lions to the second issue of the K-Courier. We are so impressed with the tremendous feedback we've received for the magazine's first issue. We are grateful for your time being taken in reading the newsletter and making valuable comments.

Going ahead with the motto of Lions Clubs International, "We Serve", Lions will always work collaboratively in achieving a shared goal. Cooperation is only feasible when there is a common goal, shared awareness, mutual understanding, mutual helpfulness, and a selfless mindset. Without the development of sympathy, cooperation is impossible, which is based on an individual's ability to put himself in another's shoes, especially when the other person is in distress.

We are expecting to receive your incredible stories to be shared with other Lions all around the globe.

Stay safe and be cooperative!





WORKING AS A TEAM

DISTRICT GOVERNOR 202K ROGER DAVIS

Some time ago, I read an article on how ants behave when their nest is disturbed. In the colony, all scurry around with an army of them carrying hundreds of eggs to a safe place, while just a few are left to patrol the area.

Now, what does this show us as Lions? Well, it shows us that just one Lions member alone cannot accomplish a great deal, but a Lions Club working together with teamwork and cooperation can.

Remember man was given the world and everything in it by the Creator, and when the man said "But we need help," the reply came back, "That is why I gave you each other."

Roger Davis,
202K District Governor 2021 - 2022

CHANGE IN VENUE

Hi Team,

From our July meeting onwards we have a change in Venue (this has been a sudden change where we have only just confirmed a new venue).

The new venue is “**Carlton Croquet Club, 333 Manukau Road, Epsom**”.

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CABINET MISSION STATEMENT

We will promote active Lionism by positive communication, support, leadership and vision, to the Lions of our District through commitment to the motto of Lions Clubs International, “We Serve”.

LIONS PROFILE

2021 / 2022 YEAR

Please allow me to introduce myself. Peter Henderson, 2nd Vice District Governor from the Lions Club of Warkworth.

I joined Lions in February 2013 and since then have been an active member of the Warkworth Club. My wife, Carol is also a member of the Warkworth Club. My current positions in the Club are 1st VP, Bulletin Editor, Public Relations and Publicity, Tail Twister, Webmaster (and Facebook-Warkworth Club, Zone 4 and Region 2) plus I am heavily involved in the Starship PICU appeal. I also handle the sale and distribution of the Defibrillator signs for the Club.

Past positions in the Club include Lion Tamer, Fundraising Chair, Projects Chair and President for 2 terms. I have also represented the Club on the Kowhai Festival, Mahurangi Winter Festival of Lights and Warkworth Rotary/Lions Food Rescue committees. On behalf of the Club, I was the Coordinator for the Australian Bushfire Appeal which raised \$22,000 in 2021 and was a co-organiser of the Mahurangi Caremongers during the Covid-19 lockdown which provided community support including supermarket shopping and 24-hour phone support.

As a Lion, I have not been afraid to put my name on some interesting ideas which have initially bewildered other club members but have paid dividends for the Club and Community. These include 2 outdoor dinners which raised \$28,000 for the Community and introducing 2 community pianos. My Club recently honoured me with a Lloyd Morgan Lions Charitable Trust Life membership and at last year's Waipu convention I received The International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation.

I have served on the 202K District Cabinet as Zone 4 Chair, Region 2 Chair (2 years) and GMT Coordinator which I have taken on again this year as well as being 2nd VDG. I have found my time in the cabinet very satisfying. As GMT Coordinator; I believe the service projects and old fashioned face to face talking are the way to attract new members. New members and ideas should be welcomed as they have the ability to breathe new life into a club and community. In May, I attended the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute in Nelson and

found it was very rewarding. I look forward to my year as 2nd VDG and have started carrying out my club visits and other duties.

Originally from Taranaki, Carol and I lived for about 40 years on Auckland's North Shore (mainly in Birkenhead) before moving to Warkworth 11 years ago. I work part-time as a Customs Broker in Albany and we have six children with their families in New Zealand and Australia. I am the Chairman of the Warkworth Town Hall Trust and also a member of the Jane Gifford Maritime Heritage Trust Steering Committee.

Lions International is a wonderful organisation and it is up to all of us to ensure that the legacy continues. I will do my best to serve all members and the organisation to the best of my ability.



YOUNG AMBASSADORS

Lions Club of Ruawai

The Lions Young Ambassador program is part of the "Lions Opportunities for Youth" initiative. The mission statement of Lions Opportunities for Youth is:

TO PROVIDE THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE WORLD WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACHIEVEMENT, LEARNING, CONTRIBUTION AND SERVICE, INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY, THROUGH SPONSORSHIP OF ACTIVITIES IDENTIFIED AS BEST PRACTICES IN THE FIELD OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.

The Young Ambassador program encourages youth to see community service as an integral part of leadership skills. By celebrating achievement alongside community service, youth start to understand the importance of clubs such as Lions and the motto "We Serve".

This program is looking **FOR LEADERS OF THE FUTURE WITH AN EMPHASIS ON COMMUNITY SERVICE BEING PART OF THAT LEADERSHIP**. This is done by way of a written CV and interview and a presentation of a speech.

THE CRITERIA FOR THIS COMPETITION IS:

The participant must be aged between 15 and 19 years old as of 1st June.

The winner will go on to compete in the District Final later in the year.

The participant will partake in all three stages of the competition.

We invite you and your staff to nominate two students to be considered for the Zone award. For co-educational high schools we would prefer a mix of boys and girls, but not necessarily, to be your candidates. On receiving their names and addresses, we will make contact with them and explain what the competition is about. From that point onwards, it will be over to the student to decide if they wish to enter.

The prize at the local area is a payment of up to \$1,000 towards ongoing education, nominated by the winner.

The prize at the District areas, for the winners of the 10 local competitions, is a payment of up to \$1,500 towards ongoing education, nominated by the winner.

This competition takes place in District 202K (Upper North Island – Whitianga to Kaitaia).





HEALTH and SAFETY



Te Awaroa / Helensville Lions Club

Looking back in a 2016 Lions Magazine, I found the following advice on Health and Safety, that I felt still can be applied. It has been slightly edited to apply to our situation as a Club.

What does reasonably practicable mean with regards to Health and Safety?

It DOESN'T mean you have to :


- Do everything humanly possible to prevent accidents,
- Buy the most expensive equipment on the market,
- Spend the bulk of your week on Health and Safety training, compliance and documentation.

It DOES mean you need to :

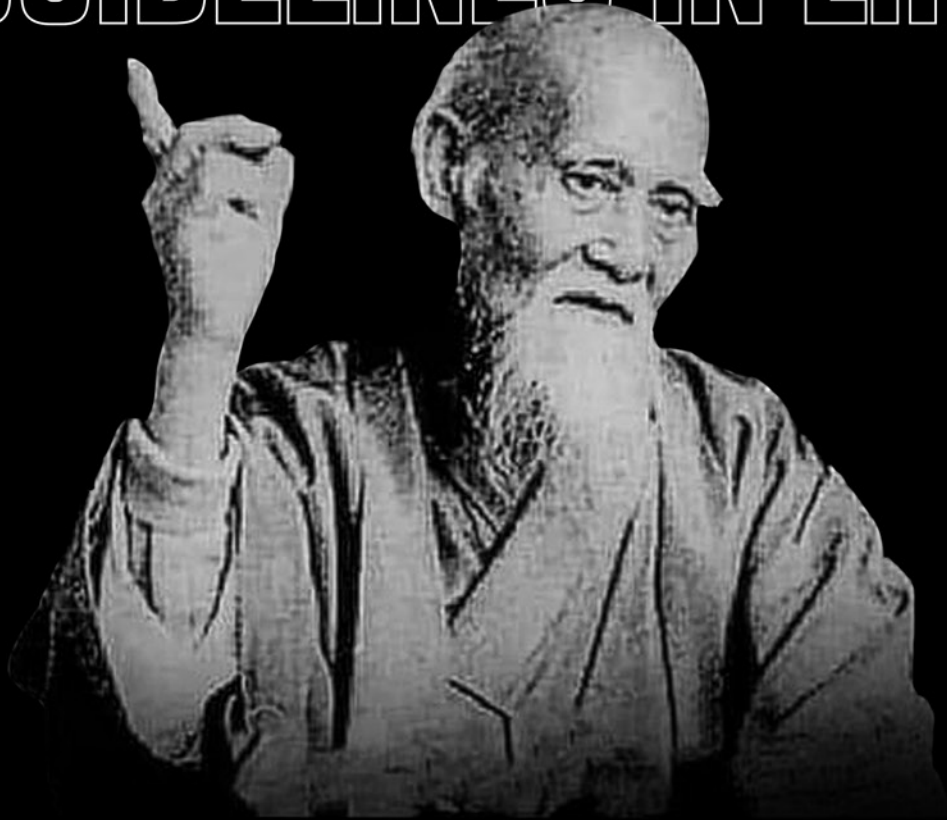
- Determine what kinds of risks are caused by your activity,
- Consider how likely those risks are,
- Take appropriate action that is proportionate to the injury or illness that could occur,
- Implement well-known and effective practices,
- Involve members in identifying and controlling risks.

The upshot is, you're expected to do what reasonable people would do in the situation. It's about taking responsibility for what you can control.

By Verna Healy
Health and Safety Officer



SIX IMPORTANT GUIDELINES IN LIFE



WHEN YOU ARE ALONE, MIND YOUR THOUGHTS.

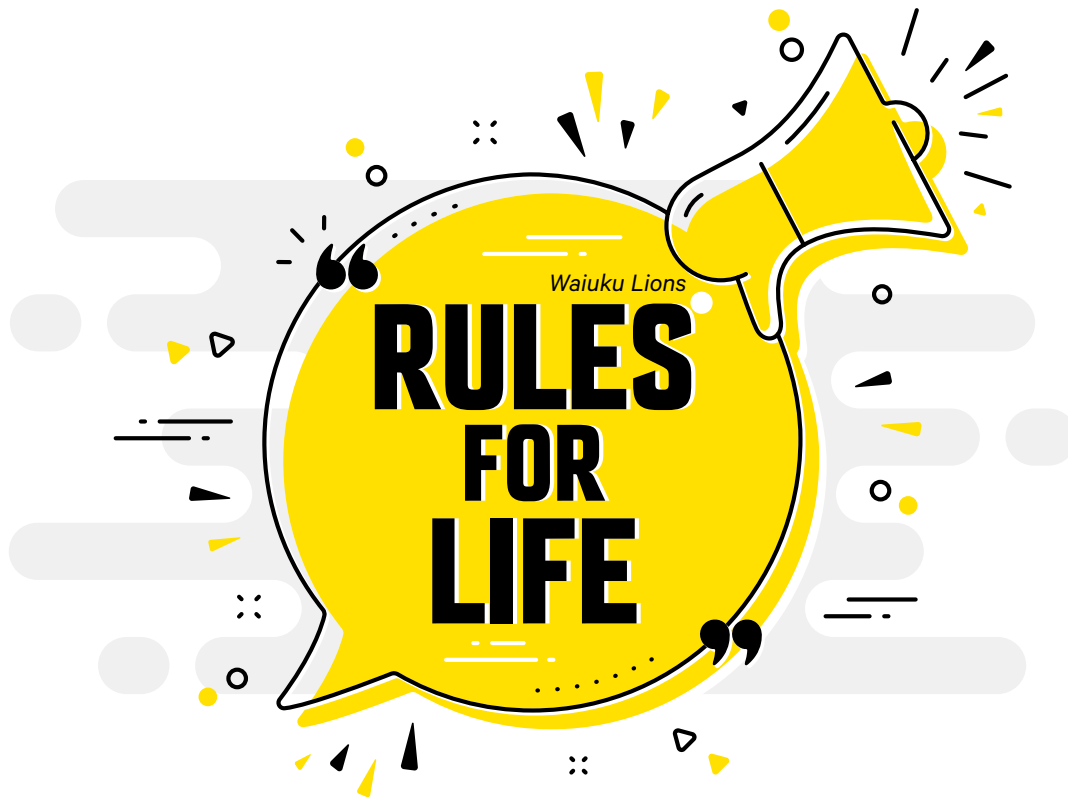
WHEN YOU ARE WITH FRIENDS, MIND YOUR TONGUE.

WHEN YOU ARE ANGRY, MIND YOUR TEMPER.

WHEN YOU ARE WITH A GROUP, MIND YOUR BEHAVIOUR.

WHEN YOU ARE IN TROUBLE, MIND YOUR EMOTIONS.

WHEN GOD STARTS BLESSING YOU, MIND YOUR EGO.



Received this from Lion Merlyn in 2012, which was taken from the commencement speech made by Bill Gates to High School Children in the USA. It's still relevant today.

- Rule 1** : Life is not fair - get used to it!
- Rule 2** : The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.
- Rule 3** : You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.
- Rule 4** : If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.
- Rule 5** : Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping — they called it opportunity.
- Rule 6** : If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.
- Rule 7** : Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you are. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.
- Rule 8** : Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.
- Rule 9** : Life is not divided into semesters [holidays]. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time.
- Rule 10** : Television [and Netflix] are NOT real life. In real life, people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.
- Rule 11** : Finally, BE NICE TO NERDS. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

A LITTLE LOOK AT SOME HISTORY

Orewa Lions Club

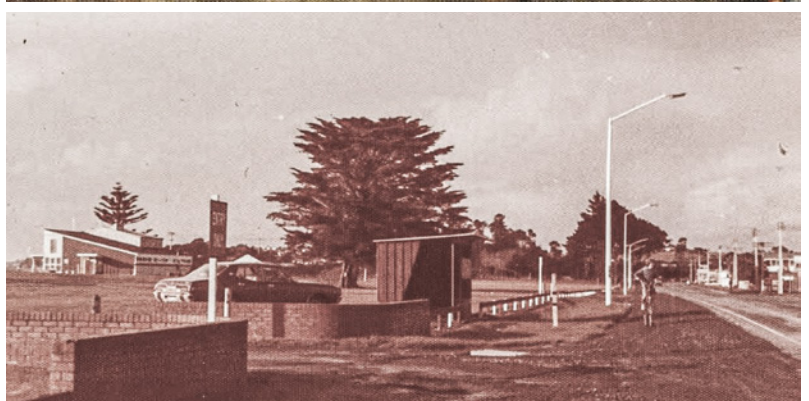
Back around 1977, which to some may seem like it was many moons ago, to others, just like it was yesterday, Orewa was "open" to people being able to just drive off the road and onto the grass reserve on the foreshore.

The Orewa Lions Club was strong and healthy, as it is today, and was involved in many community projects. Some of these projects were huge, others not so huge, but nonetheless, they were all welcomed by the wider community, as enhancements for Orewa, and I have to say that the project that is shown by photos here, is one of those that has lasted the test of time.

As I said above, this was approx. 1977, which if my mathematics is correct, was 43 years ago.

Orewa Lions Club set about putting a 'half round' barrier all along the roadside of the Hibiscus Coast Highway, to stop cars from being able to drive onto the grass reserve. All it took was a member with a tractor, as well as a post thumper, some timber, some paint and paint brushes, and many many many hands.

This was no small feat, and the job must have been completed very professionally, because if you wander down on the foreshore today, you will be able to see that this barrier is still there, and still looks great. Take a look at the last photo, you can see the Surf Club in the background.





SKILLS TRAINING DAY AT BUCKLANDS BEACH INTERMEDIATE



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This week our Club supported the Skills training day at the Bucklands Beach Intermediate, which has had our Lions Quest Skills Programme running for many years, and from time to time arranged for their more recent teachers to train up on the program. 10 teachers participated. Our Club provided the morning tea and lunch. This is seen by the School as being a very valuable resource for their teachers. The following are photos taken during the day.
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The training was undertaken by Nicky Knight and funding support has been provided by the Crossnet Community Trust – Dale Bradley who heads that Trust joined the group.



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