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Kapiti
Woodville
Waikanae
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Carol's Chat



I cannot believe how fast this Lions year is moving along.

The DG and VDG take turns at writing this piece for the Inform, just seems like I did my last one last week, yet it is 3 months.

Clubs – All clubs should be working through who is going to take office for the 2022/2023 year. If you have not started this process we suggest you get onto it. In April you will be asked to load all the incoming officers onto the system.

I know many clubs do not have the resources to change officers, so do what you can to keep your clubs moving along, this should be an exciting time, change overs are a great time for us to celebrate what has been and what is to come. Make it special.

Visits – These have been great for me, I love getting along to see how you work, no one club has been the same to date. I am sorry to those I have not visited due to Covid lock downs.

I do have to mention one club I visited who bought out all there special stuff for visitors, for me and it was lovely, the trip to Wairoa Lighthouse was definitely enjoyable. Thanks Ladies. I would also like to mention these ladies attended the virtual Convention together in party mode together. When the main bit was over they planned to dance the afternoon away, loved the idea.

MD Convention – this has to be virtual for most. There is a small group who will be there due to the training needing to take place. Please join us. I also have been told to register, it will be done by the secretaries on MyLion if you are a delegate, information will be sent out to club presidents and secretaries in the coming days. Please make sure this happens. Delegates need to be registered by 11.59pm on the 12 April.

A reminder though — clubs must be in good standing, dues all paid to date for clubs to have delegates. You have to 8 April to make this right.

Incoming officers training – Please attend even if you are doing the same role, it is not what we can teach you, it is what can you help us with to teach those coming into new roles.

The dates for this are Saturday May14 in Paraparumu. For the south and if you cannot make the other date. North is Sunday 29 May in Napier, again if you cannot make the South one you would be welcome in Napier.

Please take this opportunity to learn more and get to know those in the same roles as yourself, having a contact you can ring often helps with a problem.

Contact Schools, youth groups to encourage entries for:

Speech makers - This is a great way for us to learn and have more time with Young people get involved. Notice further in Inform.

Peace poster – I believe last year's winner has been included in this copy of Inform, have a look show School/young people, get them interested.

Camp - Again show the young people, your neighbours your grandchildren, we need a minimum of 20 and we have room for up to 80. Let's make this memorable.

Youth are our further, their parents or more so Grandparents are who we need as members, get them involved, let them invite their families and neighbours to events you never know what might happen. Have application forms on hand.

Remembrance service: This will be held in June in Masterton. This is the time we remember those who have fallen. I encourage you to attend in the memory of your fallen. When a group stands when a name is read sends a very powerful message on how much that member was appreciated and how respected by those around them they are.

Environment – This is DG elect's theme for the year, think about what can you do in your area to help with the environment, do not have the man power I hear you say, do a joint venture then with a School, Girl Guide, Scouts, Youth group, Sea Scouts.... The list is endless. Let's help DG elect David make a difference in his year.

In closing I would like to remind you of our International President Douglas Alexanders message "Service from the heart" Have you truly become a Lion or is there still something you are looking for to be able to say this.

Look forward to seeing many of you over the next few months.

Carol McMillan

1st VDG elect.



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



Welcome & Congratulations

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Mike Burns (from Karori)

Tawa
Carterton



It is a pleasure to welcome you all to our Lions family!

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.

Disclaimer: Membership statistics obtained from MyLCI. New members acknowledged as per the MyLCI New Member Report for February 2022. If you have new members who were recently inducted and who do not appear on this list – firstly, my apologies for not acknowledging you; and secondly, please check with your club secretary to ensure all new members are being registered on MyLCI.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Service From the Heart with
International President Douglas X. Alexander



Tell the World Your Story

Dear Lions,

Once upon a time . . . Remember those magic words? They have the power to instantly transport you to another place and time. That's what stories do. They stop time and enable you to imagine other worlds. When I was young I loved to read stories about baseball players and listen to my grandmother tell stories about our family. Today I love the stories I hear about you. Lion stories are the greatest stories on earth. They are stories about kindness and effort and grace. They are stories about bringing people together and giving of ourselves because we know in our hearts that it's the right thing to do and the right way to live.

In a world where tragedies feel all too frequent, it's more important than ever to share your stories of service. Share them on social media, share them at city council meetings and share them with members at club and district meetings. Call the local newspapers and tell them about the great projects you're doing. People want and need to hear about the good being done in the world. And we have the honour of doing a lot of good for a lot of people.

In honour of World Storytelling Day on March 20, I plan to sit down with a cup of tea and my favourite stories — stories about Lions—for a few hours of heart-warming tales. I know I will come away inspired. Inspired by you, Lions.

Yours in Service,

Douglas X Alexander

International President

From the Desk of the Editor

As I put this InforM together I'm reminded that we are coming to the end of our summer and daylight saving finishes this weekend. At this time we are also coming to the time when we are electing our club leaders. Have you given some thought to how you would like to serve your community through your club. Electing your club's board members is a good way to **BUILD SUCCESS**, bring in new blood, different thoughts and ways of organising your club projects. Last month there was a page of ideas for projects centred around **HUNGER**. Has your club thought about how you can implement any of those suggestions? We didn't have our Convention as a face to face event again this year so attending the trainings offered by our Global Leadership Team is the best opportunity we are going to get this year to network with members from other clubs in our District. This allows us to swap ideas, projects and club activities so keeping our clubs vibrant and our members interested. I look forward to seeing you at the **Build Success — People Serving People Forum** details on Page 12. Mark your diary — you won't want to miss it.

Editor

Mary Snook





MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Orientation 101 Our Structure – THE DISTRICT (we are District 202M)

The district is your club's connection to the wider world of Lions Clubs International. The world's 45,000 Lions Clubs are grouped into approximately 750 districts, each with 35 or more clubs and at least 1,250 Lions club members.

Each district has a district governor who is elected for a one-year term and is responsible for the overall success of our mission of service within the district. The responsibilities of the district governor are shared with the district governor team, comprising of the district governor and first and second vice district governors. The team works together to supervise overall district operations, develop team strategies and encourage the invitation of new members and formation of new clubs.

Districts are subdivided into regions of 10 to 16 clubs and zones of 4 to 8 clubs. Region and zone chairpersons work closely with Club presidents and secretaries who serve as an informal advisory committee. The zone chairpersons are the usual liaison between clubs and the cabinet, however any member of cabinet may (and does) communicate directly with clubs.

The district governor team, the cabinet secretary and treasurer, region and zone chairpersons, Global Action Team, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), and other various officers and committee chairpersons make up the district cabinet.

Multiple districts are formed by two or more districts within a territory, typically organised along national, state or provincial lines. Here in New Zealand our multiple district (MD202) consists of 7 districts (D, E, F, J, K, L, M). The 7 district governors and their chairperson make up the Council of Governors; they appoint a number of officers and committee chairpersons to manage the multiple district level portfolios and serve the Lions of MD202.

Please consult the multiple district directory to learn which zone your club is in, who your zone chairperson is, to find the contact details for the 202M cabinet members, multiple district officers, cabinet meeting dates, council meeting dates, convention dates (district, multiple district, an international) and much more.

How/where do you access a multiple district directory? Each club is issued a couple of hard copy directories each year and are given the link to the online version of the directory. This link is password protected so please see your club secretary.

Jo Cameron, PCC
202M GMT



NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP TARANAKI NEW ZEALAND.



Hosted by District 202D.

Email: md202.interyouthexc@lionsclubs.org.nz

Come and make friends with young people from around Aotearoa, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands. Experience what Taranaki has to offer youth from Mountain, land, and sea.

Sunday 10th – Saturday 16th July 2022.



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Venue: TSB Topec

Hydro Road off Junction Rd
PO Box 8859
New Plymouth.

Cost: \$500.00

Possible camp outcomes.

- To provide opportunities for participants to explore new outdoor activities and challenges in a safe and supportive environment.
- To boost self-esteem, personal motivation and resilience.
- To develop tolerance amongst group decision making
- To encourage an awareness and respect for the outdoor environment. Flora and fauna.
- To enjoy the outdoors and feel positive about self and group achievements.
- For youth to experience what another part of Aotearoa, New Zealand has to offer.

Numbers are limited. So get in quick!! Age range is 12–16-year-olds.

Applications close 7th May 2022.

COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

7 March 2022



Greetings Fellow Lions,

Convention season is now well under way, with three of the Districts having now completed very successful and informative Virtual Conventions. My congratulations go to the District Governors of Districts L, D and M, their Convention Committees and their IT teams, for well-run Conventions under what have been very trying circumstances to say the least. My best wishes go to the District Governors of Districts E, K, F and J as they plan for their forthcoming Virtual Conventions.

Conventions are traditionally a time where we would meet old friends, make new friends, and renew and strengthen existing relationships with your Lions families. As we have not been able to physically meet at Convention, we have not been able to avail ourselves of these networking opportunities. However, I urge you all to contact other Clubs in your Districts, share ideas, and take the opportunity to consider my theme for the year, to "Reflect, Review and Reinvigorate." Sit down with your fellow Club members to discuss new pathways for not only meeting, but also for being able to continue to provide that much needed service to our communities. Now, more than ever, with cases of the Omicron variant infecting our communities in rapidly increasing numbers, there is a need to navigate new pathways for offering service.

As the Omicron variant spreads throughout the country many Clubs are taking the step of deferring their regular face to face Club meetings. It is important that we, as an organisation, take every step that we can to ensure the wellbeing and health and safety of not only our membership but also the communities that we serve. We must also ensure that our Lions Clubs remain viable for the long-term to ensure that as we come out of this pandemic, we remain available to our communities who will more than ever need our assistance, and in ways that we may not have yet even imagined.

For those Clubs that have taken the step of deferring your regular face to face meetings please ensure that you remain in contact with your membership by Lions Clubs New Zealand & Islands of the South Pacific P.O Box 154, Warkworth 0941 Freephone: 0800 546 672 www.lionsclubs.org.nz using alternative means of contact. Replace your regular meetings with zoom meetings, and for those of your members who do not have computer access set up a telephone tree. Set up a social zoom meeting where you can just chat with one another and enjoy a virtual wine or two. Explore ways of continuing some of your regular projects virtually. Lions are a resilient lot and I know that together we can get through this. Now is the time for Clubs to be actively thinking about calling for nominations for Club Officer positions. Despite the times we find ourselves in, the business of Lions Clubs, the Districts and the Multiple District must go on. Good leadership is essential for Clubs to remain viable. You have all demonstrated by virtue of the fact of your membership that you are capable of service. I urge you all to take that commitment to service one step further by standing for nomination for the various Club officer positions that need to be filled to enable the smooth running of your Clubs. Don't be afraid to step up The Lions Clubs International website has valuable resource material at the MyLion Learn Centre, which will provide you with all the tools that you need to hold any of the Club officer positions. Training will also be provided by your District Cabinet teams. The leadership teams of your Clubs are the powerhouse for setting goals for your Clubs and for ensuring the planning for your Lions year. So, help your Club out by putting your names forward now. Clubs that have decided to defer their face-to-face meetings may need to carry out electronic voting for their Club officer elections, just as the Districts have been doing for their Virtual Conventions. If you have concerns as to how you might go about that contact your District GLT Coordinator for advice. I'm sure that they would only be too happy to help.

On a final note, I ask all Lions to spare a thought for our fellow Lions in Lions Clubs International District 134, Ukraine. Our support for their Clubs, their members, and their communities has never more been needed as they endure an unwanted war inflicted upon them by their neighbour, Russia, and as millions of Ukrainian residents are displaced from their homeland. Let us trust that reason will prevail, that the Russian troops will be withdrawn, and that the Ukrainians may rebuild their lives in the country that they call their own. If Clubs are wishing to provide financial support for Ukraine, please do so through Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Check out pages 6 & 7

Murray Pringle
Council Chair



Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**



The conflict in Ukraine has driven millions of people from their homes, creating a humanitarian crisis that is forcing families to search for safety and security. In this time of great need, Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) is awarding grants to make sure Lions are there to help provide immediate relief to those struggling to meet their most basic needs, and Lions around the world are uniting through kindness to help the people who desperately need it.

An international appeal has been received from the Chairman of LCIF Dr Jung Yu Choi. All Clubs are asked to spare a thought for the people of the Ukraine at this time with the ongoing conflict which is posing substantial challenges to them. Over three million people have been forced to flee their homes to escape the violence of war. It is estimated that more than four million people may have no option but to try and leave their homeland as the crisis continues.

Through LCIF's Humanitarian causes programmes Refugees and Displaced Persons Fund, our global foundation is mobilising funds and awarding grants to enable Lions in neighbouring countries, to help provide for the immediate needs of the Ukrainian refugees.

15 grants worth US\$280,000 are listed on the website so far, benefiting an estimated 73,650 people. Additionally, many clubs across Europe are funding their own projects, opening their homes to refugees, and/or assisting at the borders. Here are a few examples of Lions led relief efforts, but there is still a long way to go.

“Lions District 124 Romania crossed the border to Ukraine in an area that has had serious supply problems because of difficult road and rail connections. They took with them packages containing blankets, non-perishable food, wet towels and napkins for babies, bottled water, winter coats, and women hygienic products.”





“The Lions of Krakow, Poland, are passionately serving relief efforts for their neighbours in Ukraine with LCIF Emergency grants. Lions are providing cartons with medicine and bandages and delivering them to the border of Ukraine and Poland.”



“Lions Clube de Braga (Portugal) is sending a bus to transport 30 children, women and men from Ukraine at the Polish border, who will be accommodated in the city of Braga in Portugal. On the bus will be a medical and nursing team, as well as food and drinks, hygiene products, thermal clothing and medicine.”

Even if you have already made a donation to LCIF this year, I please ask you to seriously consider making a donation to LCIF’s Refugees and Displaced Persons Fund.

Your donation to LCIF’s Refugees and Displaced Persons fund will help ensure that Lions are there to help them find the safety and security they desperately need.

The usual Westpac bank account can also be used for NZD online banking...

International Assoc of Lions

03-0502-0081103-00

Code = club number

Reference = LCIF

Particulars = DR Ukraine (or DR Refugees)

There may be some Lions in your club who would like to make a personal donation to support this work. The easiest way to do this is via the LCI website www.lionsclubs.org A link takes you straight to the Refugees and Displaced Persons fund and accepts donations via credit card or paypal. These are processed in US dollars.

*All donations (Club and/or personal) will earn Melvin Jones Fellowship credits – please contact me if you need help finding your member or club numbers. **100% of your donation will go to the cause.***

*Sadly, this humanitarian crisis is only going to get much worse before it gets better. Please spare a thought for the victims of this conflict. To quote International President Douglas Alexander “Serving is both doing and giving from the heart”, your **KINDNESS** has never been more needed.*

Thank you

to all clubs/members who have already donated to LCIF in support of this crisis.

Jo Cameron, PCC

202M LCIF Coordinator



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

Ukrainian families having left their homeland and, in many cases their partners and fathers of their children, with nothing more than they could carry are being assisted by LIONS in Poland, Romania and Portugal.

Can you help? Can your club help. See page 7 for details.



202M Remembrance Service & lunch

12th June 2022
11.00am

Gary Pickering Funeral Home
1 Waltons Ave
Kuripuni, Masterton



\$20.00 per person for lunch
Bank= 03 0687 0083840 00.
Ref= "Name & Club"

RSVP
By 4th June
Marie Pickering
marie.graeme@xtra.co.nz

Please advise of any dietary requirements

Vaccine passes and masks may still be required



YOUNG SPEECHMAKER COMPETITION

WIN A
SCHOLARSHIP

1st Prize \$2500

2nd Prize \$1000

3rd Prize \$500

DISTRICT HEATS HELD MAY-JUNE 2022

NATIONAL FINAL | 13 AUGUST 2022 | PALMERSTON NORTH

ENTRY - FULLY SPONSORED BY LIONS CLUBS THROUGHOUT NZ

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL: speechmakers@lionsclubs.org.nz

Application Forms were emailed to club secretaries on 14 March



Almoner request

In 202M we care about the members of our Lions family.

Do you have a member in your Club who is recovering from recent surgery or is unwell, maybe they've been significantly affected by the challenges of covid or just having a down time? Then please let me know.

If your Club is impacted by a bereavement, please would you send me the details including, if possible, the details of the surviving spouse or family members to enable us to offer support.

If your club has been affected by a bereavement in the period from the end of February 2021 until the end of January 2022, would you please send me a separate photo and a eulogy, of about 200 words detailing their Lion's and community service. Often the photo from their Service sheet is suitable. *Any bereavements after the end of January will be recognised next year.*

Multiple District convention will be a virtual event due to covid restrictions and uncertainties All deceased members names will be recognised with a minutes silence.

Stop Press - A remembrance service will be held in Masterton at the Gary Pickering Funeral home on Sunday 12 June. Family, friends, and club members are all welcome to attend. Further details will be circulated nearer the time.

Many thanks

Sandie McIntosh

PDG Sandie McIntosh

District 202M Almoner

Bob_sandie.mcintosh@gmail.com

(Please use this email address rather than the one listed in the directory)

Important Dates For Your Diary

Build Success – People Serving People – Forum Advance Notice for the diary

When?

South

Saturday May 14th 2022 > 9.30am – 3pm Venue TBC

North

Sunday May 29th 2022 > 9.30am – 3pm Venue TBC – Napier
Zone Chair Training will also occur on this date

What?

Round Table discussions – This is YOUR forum

+ The Roles of the President and the Secretary



YOU are all invited

Costs, venue and payment details next [InforM](#)

Questions? Contact 202m.glt@lionsclubs.org.nz



Who?

Presidents

"New" members

Past Officers

Cabinet members

Board members

Secretaries

ALL members

"Old" members

Repeat officers

FOR SALE

Gisborne Wainui Lions have a BBQ trailer for sale. This was designed by one of our members and has served us faithfully for over 10 years. We no longer do BBQ's so it is no longer needed. Can we please place this in the next newsletter? Let me know if there is a cost for this.

It is all based on a trailer. 2 very large steel plates, one each side. We have used this at events with over 5000 people. Ample storage and has a cover.

We would like to offer this to another Lions club first in our district. Our asking price is \$5000. Expressions of interest to khuberts@xtra.co.nz



18th June 2022

Morning Tea 9:30a.m.
Official Start 10.00 a.m



District Speechmaker Competition

Ranfurly House,
Chapel St,
Masterton

RSVP 10th June 2022

To Marie Pickering marie.graeme@xtra.co.nz

Please advise of any dietary requirements

\$15.00 per person for Morning Tea and Lunch

Pay by direct credit to: Lions Club of Masterton Holdsworth

Bank Account: 03 0687 0083840 00

Reference: "Name and Club"

Email entry forms to : 202M.dg@lionsclubs.org.nz

Clubs pay \$75.00 per contestant.

Pay by direct credit to: District 202M Treasurer

Bank Account: 03 0502 0547903 000

Reference: "Speech"

Vaccine passes and masks may still be required at this function.

PEACE POSTER 2022



2021-22 Grand
Prize Winner

Anja Rožen
13 years old
Slovenia



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“What’s for dinner?”

“I’m starving.”

“There’s nothing here to eat.”

These are common phrases often uttered without thinking. The fact is, for many, “What’s for dinner” implies a choice of nutritious food. “I’m starving” translates to “I haven’t eaten in a few hours.”

And while we may not have all ingredients to make tonight’s meal, our refrigerators and pantries are, by all accounts, well-stocked. Those are the good facts.

For some, these are the harsh realities: “What’s for dinner?” really means “Will there be any dinner?” And “I’m starving” means exactly that. Someone is starving.

“LCIF’s Hunger grants help communities become stronger and healthier.”

Chronic hunger and under-nutrition affect many in New Zealand, impacting children’s ability to focus in school; workers’ productivity and contributions to economic growth; and senior citizens’ to fight off infection, due to weakened immune systems . Now, with Hunger grants from Lions Clubs International

Foundation (LCIF), Lions can be an even greater part of the solution. “Hunger is pervasive worldwide,” said Eveline Chandra, past council chair in Indonesia. “LCIF’s Hunger grants will support school-based feeding programmes, food banks, feeding centres, and similar facilities. We’re helping communities become stronger and healthier.

“LCIF’s Hunger grants help communities become stronger and healthier.” Extract from lionsclubs.org/hunger



ENVIRONMENT



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

This month we have Earth Day on April 22nd – do you have any plans to mark it?

From the NZ Ministry of Education website: “Earth Day is a global event where people honour the natural environment and raise awareness of environmental issues that trouble the world.”

While the attention of the world has been focused on the Covid-19 pandemic, and now the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the factors leading to the dire situation that climate change will bring about have carried on relentlessly. Probably the best we can do as Lions is to educate and inspire the younger generation to take the steps now and in the future that will lead to meaningful mitigation of the effects of global warming.

By organising simple activities like a clean-up of a local park, playground, river bank etc, together with the right messages (e.g. Reduce, Re-use, Recycle) we can do a lot to inspire others to do more.

Thanks to President Anna Wilson-Farrell of Silverstream Lions for supplying the following information.



“Last year Silverstream Lions Club organised a couple of clean-ups - picking up litter in the community. We intend to continue with this initiative. These clean-ups not only remove litter from parks and waterways, but are visible and fun ways for the community to engage in meaningful work and have some good conversations about the environmental impact. We most recently partnered with Keep Hutt Valley Beautiful who bring along grabber sticks and bags, and take away all the rubbish. We also work together to put on a hot drink and bikkie afterwards and time to chat.”

It’s great to see Silverstream Lions making a difference in many areas. They were a worthy recipient this year of the District Project Award for their County Lane Fair, as well as receiving the award for media/marketing.

Photo supplied by Anna Wilson-Farrell, Silverstream Lions

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

Trevor Anders
LCI 202M Cabinet Support - Environment
Lions Club of Karori

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



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.

PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN LIONS NEW ZEALAND AND CHILD CANCER FOUNDATION

As announced in the recent Between the Lions, an MOU has recently been signed with the Child Cancer Foundation (CCF). This MOU formalises the arrangement with Lions Clubs of NZ acknowledging mutual support between the organisations.

Financial support which has already been provided to CCF by individual Lions Clubs will now be recognised nationally under the CCF partner scheme.

Currently Lions Clubs NZ sit at the Champion Partner level.

I thought it appropriate to share one of the Child Cancer Foundation programmes at this time

Beads of Courage

The Beads of Courage programme provides a physical story of a child's journey, recognising their strength and courage.



Each bead represents the courage shown during a treatment (for example, chemotherapy, injections, scans), an experience (hair loss, isolation, fever) or milestone (completion of treatment).

The first bead each child receives from their Family Support Coordinator is a hand-carved pounamu bead from Ngāi Tahu Pounamu. These beads are unique to the programme in New Zealand and are hand-carved by eight different Ngāi Tahu carvers.

Parents use Beads of Courage to reflect on their child's journey. The physical representation of each procedure and milestone allows them to see how far they've come as a family and can give them the strength to get through any future challenges.

Beth Anders
LCI 202M Cabinet Support
Child Cancer

DISTRICT CALENDAR

MONTH	DATE	DAY
April 	Month	Leo Club Awareness Month Environmental Month Family and Friends Month
	22 nd	Earth Day
	25 th	Lions Worldwide Induction Day
May	Month	Strengthen Membership Month
	14 th	Club Development Workshop - Incoming Officers [Zones 4,5,6 & 7] in Paraparaumu
	28 th	Morning - Current and Incoming Cabinet Meeting – Hawkes Bay Afternoon – Incoming Cabinet Meeting - Hawkes Bay Evening Cabinet Dinner - Hawkes Bay
	29 th	Club Development Workshop – Incoming Officers [Zone 1,2,3 & 4] Hawkes Bay; Zone Chair Training – Hawkes Bay
June	1 st	Helen Keller Day
	5 th	World Environment / Arbour Day
	7 th 12 th 18 th 20 th	Lions Clubs International (LCI) Birthday Remembrance Service, Masterton District Speechmakers – Masterton World Refugee Day

Round the Clubs

Kapiti Pakeke Lions

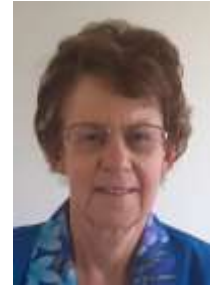
Copied from Life Flight Trust Newsletter



Our friends over at the Kāpiti Pakeke Lions Club have done yet another amazing raffle of a playhouse, raising \$4000 for Life Flight. This is a yearly raffle, and an awesome prize for any kid!



VISION



[This is one of the 5 Global Causes of Lions Clubs International.](#)

Spectacles (Glasses)

In February, I sent off a consignment of glasses and non-prescription sunglasses to Auckland. There were 1770 pairs of glasses and 550 pairs of sunglasses. A total of 2320. These are now on their way to two villages in Tonga. I hope, in due course, we may receive some photos and stories from the recipients

Please keep collecting good quality glasses. Unfortunately we cannot use frames that are broken, with only one lens or no lenses. We can not use bifocals and single lenses without frames are of no use to us either. We would appreciate not receiving what we cannot use.

The best glasses are readers in good condition.

Jennie Vowles
Cabinet Support - Vision

International Convention - Montreal Canada 24 - 28 June 2022



Tours and Attractions - Lions Clubs International is excited to offer Lions, Leos and their guests some incredible tour options — both small excursions around Montréal during the convention, and full day trips around the region before and after LCICon including local LCICon tours, bus tours, morning, afternoon and evening walking tours and full day

At this stage International Convention is going ahead

Registration forms can be found on the website [LCICon 2022 Montréal Registration and Housing Terms and Conditions](#)

Please notify Rhonda Kaire md202.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz so you will be on the mailing list for important notices.

The Zone 4 Container Project

Several years ago, Lion Geoff Walker started a campaign to support the albino children in Uganda. He now lives there and has achieved much in both normalising their place in Uganda society as well as the provision of medical care. As part of this campaign, he started to collect goods to send to Uganda in a container. He was donated a 40-foot container and Lions and businesses across the 202m and 202D Districts gifted a wide range of goods.

The reality of sending a 40 ft container to Gulu in Northern Uganda proved to be insurmountable, and so the container sat in Carterton. (Thanks Chris). Geoff Walker agreed the container could be used for the benefit of South Pacific people through Lions. Last year Zone 4 Chair Gillian Reid decided to get some action moving to clear it. Carterton Central Lions stepped up and offered to be the banker with all proceeds through their Trust account. After discussion at a Zone Meeting, all Clubs agreed the proceeds should go through the Lions in Fiji for rural youth projects.

The outcome has been different to what was expected. The Zone 4 Lion Clubs all rallied to help, and the container was moved to the A&P Showgrounds in Solway and opened. We discovered there had been a small roof leak and so there was some mouldy clothing and stock dumped. (Thanks to Ian for your help with that).

Lions Club members sorted, washed and folded clothing; sorted and repacked stationery and books; cleaned bikes, tools, furniture and a wide range of household goods. We contacted all of the organisations that had donated sport and work uniforms and returned them. We contacted local charities, social workers and Schools to gift large volumes of stationery, books, clothing and other items for recycling through their networks.

The Warehouse in Masterton came to our support and provided us with a carton of red shopping bags (they have been invaluable!), and we then had a giant Sale at Solway in association with the great team at the Wairarapa A&P Showgrounds.

We have some great stories of how much impact this Sale had for some families – they could fill a Warehouse bag for \$5 or a banana box for \$10!! That truly changed lives for many families that desperately needed help.

Others have also benefitted – Te Kura O Huiarau at Ruatahuna received a pile of clothing and stationery with a very positive response from the staff and students. Tracksuits were renovated and donated in the Hawkes Bay; boxes of children's books were sold through the Hastings Book Shop; eight banana boxes of winter clothing were donated to The Sisters of Compassion Soup Kitchen in Wellington for their homeless clients. Eleven cartons of children's white blouses were donated for free distribution through the Catholic Primary Schools in Wellington (Thanks to Wellington Host).

The container has been sold (with the support of the original donor) and the funds raised have been provided through the District 202K Lions in Fiji for use with rural youth projects. Well done to Zone Chair Gillian Reid, who was well supported by all Lion Clubs and members across the Wairarapa – we have done it and received positive comments across our communities for the good work we have delivered.

Compiled by PDG Jack Hayes

District Convention

Voting Results

At 12.07pm today (6 March 2022) the Scrutineers informed the District Governor the outcome of the Voting as follows:

Elections

Zone Chairman Anne Richardson received in excess of 50% + 1 of the votes required and was therefore declared elected as 2nd VDG Elect.

2nd VDG Carol McMillan received in excess of 50% +1 of the votes required and was therefore declared elected as 1st VDG Elect.

1st VDG David Skjellerup received in excess of 50% + 1 of the votes required and was therefore declared elected as DG Elect.

PCC Jo Cameron received in excess of 50% + 1 of the votes required and was therefore declared elected as LMLCCT District Trustee for 202M for the next two years.

Minutes

A majority of the votes cast were in approval of the Minutes being approved and adopted.

Financial Reports

A majority of the votes cast were in approval of the Accounts being approved and adopted.

Reports

A majority of votes cast were in approval of the reports being received .

Thank you to those individuals who, representing their Clubs, took the time to both attend the Virtual AGM and vote for the candidates and business motions. Including those Lions who joined together just like a real Convention (thinking particularly of you Wairoa Lighthouse complete with the usual inappropriate Convention costumes) there were over 110 participants viewed the proceedings.

Congratulations to the successful candidates.

Round the Clubs **Wairoa Lighthouse**



Wairoa Lighthouse celebrating 30 years of Lions in Wairoa and the virtual convention. What a great way of covering two things in the club's calendar in one day. After the convention closed the members carried on celebrating all afternoon. Way to go!!



Pics of our champagne breakfast held on Sun 20 March. Guys doing the BBQ are past president Mick Smith and 1st VP Leon Downes.

Our Club over the past several years has started off the new year after our Summer break with a Champagne BBQ Breakfast

The last three have been held at my wife Lynare's family Holiday park. Unfortunately because of Covid and terrible weather we had to cancel last year. This year was a perfect Autumn day here in Waikanae.

We started at 8.30 am doing final set up and food preparation, by 9.00 am guests started to arrive, handed a glass of Bubbly or fruit juice,

by 9.30 we started our Breakfast of Bacon, Sausages Scramble eggs, Hash Browns, Grilled Tomatoes, cooked by our hard working chiefs and of course another glass of Bubbly, there was toast as well.

The Breakfast has been held for several reasons.

- 1) To start the new year with a buzz
- 2) a great way to socialize with members & partners
- 3) to thank all for the previous year
- 4) Back to the Grindstone Party

This was very popular with 52 persons attending.

All looking forward to next year

James Lower