

Hopefully, everyone got on a good start to the year 2023. With lots of sunshine, for the holidaymakers.

As I reported just before Christmas last year, we have managed to find a 2nd Vice District Governor for our district 202F. I like to introduce you all to Elaine Scott from Gore Hokonui Lions Club. I hope you give her great support and positive and workable feedback, as I have received over the last three years. Come to the convention in Winton, and introduce yourself to her.



Last Saturday the 7th till Friday the 13th of January. Camp Quality was held in Queenstown at the Lakeland Park Christian Camp on the peninsula of Kelvin Heights. Together with 202J DG Jules Ellis and partner Michele and our

202F VDG Allan Fleury and PDG Sue Fleury, we had the privilege to be invited to the camp. The dinner theme was "sea creatures underwater", we have seen a lot of lobsters and mermaids and different colours of jellyfish.



With a special thanks to all the Lions and clubs that did the lovely baking for the camp. It was lovely to see the children have fun in all different age groups.

Peter, PDG Sue, and Kevin

For our district it will be a busy four months, not only do we have a 202F convention in

Winton from the 17th to the 19th of March with the theme "From the Heart".

But also, we have the 202 Multiple-District in Invercargill from the 28th to the 30th of April with the theme "Great trip South".

The lions who want to meet the Lions International President for next year Patty Hill, have to join and come along to Christchurch. For the ANZI Pacific Forum on the 8-10 September 2023.

To get more information about ANZI Pacific Forum visit the website https://www.lionsanzipacificforum.com/

Enjoy the new year and let's show your community what lions are all about.

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Message from Jeroen Shuurmans

District Governor 202F District

Jeroen Schuurmans
Together we serve as...one
Together We Can

I have now finished all but one club visit.

You may recall me mentioning the words change and adapt in order to find ways to strengthen our club. We need to keep our projects current and move with the times.to get the community on board. Some clubs are doing so by contributing to "relieve some pressure on the cost of living" The TOOT for tucker rally is a great example of this. It has proven to be a great project with a lot of media attention



NAME CLUB SPONSOR

Beverley Hall Gore Hokonui

Vicki Toogood Mataura

Hokonui Ngaire Evans



Happy Birthday
Melvin Jones
(13 January 1879)
FOUNDING FATHER OF
LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

"You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else".

Melvin Jones



CHILD CANCER SCREENING TRUST REPORT

Wendy Goodwin
202F District Trustee

Introduction;

Our New Zealand Lions Clubs Skin Cancer Screening service is modelled on the Australian Lions Clubs Cancer Institute which has been operating for Thirty years. (30). We are not starting omething untried and untested. Five Hundred and four (504) people die each year in New Zealand from Melanoma cancer. If detected early the survival rate is high.

Since our Council of Governors approved this as a National project a lot of work has been undertaken by the trustees who represent each District in NZ. We developed a business plan so that we can show outside organisations that this project has been thoroughly worked through. We established a Trust with Charity Services and opened a Bank account and became GST registered. All this has taken time and it would appear to some that we have stalled. This is not true; we are alive and well and now have a firm foundation for the project.

Stage two of the Plan. Fundraising.

Our initial target is to get sufficient funds to make an application to LCIF for a Matching Grant of \$100,000 USD. That means we need to raise \$160,000 NZD to achieve this. It is also in our target to raise another \$40,000 so as to be in a position to ask for assistance from the Lloyd Morgan Trust, and other external sponsors towards this life saving project.

This will give us approximately \$400,000 to get our first vehicle and support on the road. Our target date is July 2023.

Professional Support.

We placed an advert in the Royal College of General Practices Newsletter and in the first week we had three doctors willing to give us some time, so that was encouraging.

An idea from the Council of Governors

It was discussed at the last Council of Governors Meeting in November that clubs buy a bit of the

project, and pay for that, or part thereof. All donations no matter how small count.

Eg. A Wheel on the vehicle

\$1500

Office furniture \$2500

Sign writing \$2000 An awning for a vehicle \$3200 Specialist White lighting \$4000 Dermascope x 2 \$5000

Wheelchair Ramp/Lift \$3000

(Indicative figures only)

In anticipation of your club support, the Trustees of the Lions Clubs Cancer Trust board.

Thank You.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Together we can with

Brian Sheehan

Lions International President

ear Lion,

When you love what you do with a team that you love, you can make every day a great day. That's what's so awesome about being a Lion. Because no matter how hard the work may be, we always have a great time getting it done.

There's really nothing that compares to the fun and fellowship of being a Lion except for inviting more people to be a part of it. So give your community the opportunity to join our team and discover what we've found. And let's keep working together to make the projects we love even bigger, better and more fun for everyone.

Make a great day,

Brian E. Sheehan

International President



do hope you had a lovely Christmas break. We certainly had some wonderful weather. There are just a few things I

want to mention as we head into another year.

Global
Service Team
Corner

Sue Evans

LIONS DISTRICT 202F YOUTH LEADERSHIP COURSE TO BE HELD AT BORLAND LODGE 16th to 21st April 2023. Age: 16 to 19 years



The process is slightly different this year as Adventure Southland is wanting to streamline this by asking the Lions Clubs to liaise directly with their community to select who they consider are the most deserving participants. Schools will be asked to contact your Club directly and any Expressions of Interest that might come to Adventure Southland will be passed onto the appropriate Club. There are a 3 dates Clubs need to be aware of:

- Adventure Southland would appreciate Expressions of Interest by 31st January 2023.
- Adventure Southland will be encouraging students to have their forms returned to their local Lions Club by 17 February 2023 to allow time for you to consider applications. Once you have selected your student(s), please ensure they complete the Full Registration Form.

Your Club will also need to complete a small section at the top of the form confirming the sponsorship information. This form must be sent to Adventure Southland before Friday 31st March. Participants returning forms after this date may not be able to attend the course. Adventure Southland will send the course confirmation and information direct to the student using the contact details they have provided.

 The Lions 202F District will be invoiced for your Club's sponsorship contribution and the participant will be invoiced directly for the remaining fee. If your Club intends to pay the sponsorship direct to the participant please let Kristin Fenton know at Adventure Southland so she can ensure they are invoiced for the

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correct amount.

Information regarding the Course has been sent out to schools in December 2022.

Is your Club is in a position to sponsor or partially sponsor a young person to attend this Course?

Just a reminder that student may meet the criteria for a grant from Heads Up For Kids. We know that students who have attended in previous years have really benefitted learning new skills, being part of a team and expanding their own knowledge. The course gives young people aged 16-19 from your community an opportunity to be pushed out of their comfort zone, try new activities, and build relationships.

If you have any queries about the process please contact Kirstin Fenton, Administrator for Adventure Southland. Ph: 03 235 7191 | Email: admin@adventuresouthland.co.nz)

DIABETES MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2022 – LAP THE MAP

Thank you to all the Clubs in District 202F who participated in this Event. One Club donated \$5,000 towards Diabetes which was a tremendous effort. This is going to be an annual event so please keep this keep in mind when you are planning your yearly calendar.

TOP CLUB SERVICE PROJECT – (The project must either be completed in this current Lions year or be an ongoing Project). Entry forms are in the 'Between the Lions' or get in contact with DG Wendy Goodwin or myself for a form.

Just a reminder that I need any Projects by 15th March 2023 as this gives the Judges time to select a Project entry from our District 202F. Covid has not stopped Clubs from being actively involved in their Communities so let us take this to another level and promote your work by entering your Project for the Top Club Service Project Award. It is not too late so please speak to your Club Members and if you need a hand, get back to me.

Every Club in our Constitutional Area 7 covering, Multiple Districts 201 (Australia & Papua New Guinea), 202 (New Zealand, Islands of the South Pacific), 307 (Indonesia), and Region 203 (New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Tahiti) has an opportunity to be recognized by entering their Top Club Service Project.

"Service" is our key focus so why don't we tell everyone about what we are doing!

Note: - this must be a Project by an individual Lions Club, not of combined Clubs or a Zone Project and must have been entered into MyLion (Service Reporting) for reference.

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Remember your Project must align with one of the following Lions International cause areas (below)



Diabetes



















Childhood Cancer

Youth

Humanitarian

Disaster

WHAT IS COMING UP?



CHILD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH is happening in February. Also the International

Childhood Cancer Day is being held on 15th February 2023. More information about this will be coming to you from Lion Shona Cook who is our Child Cancer Liaison Person.

A Reminder:

NZ Lions Magazine. If you have a story that you want to share please send this to: Editor@lionsclubs.org.nz

SERVICE REPORTING: ATTENTION ALL SECRETARIES!!

The latest Club Health Assessment Report is showing that only 50% of our Clubs in District 202F have put in entries for Service Reporting as at November 2022. Five months ago we were hitting close to the 75% mark. I know that Clubs tend to close down over the December/January period but I would really appreciate if everyone can make an effort to get Service Reporting done. It is a New Year so let's try and aim for higher statistics. Service Reporting includes Projects, Events, Club Meetings and Board Meetings and this is our way getting the great work that Lions do and achieve in our communities known.

Kind regards Sue Evans

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E D U C A T E M E An article on cultural differences



SAJITHA FERRY



Better be unborn than untaught, for ignorance is the root of misfortune

~~Plato~~

This time I would like to share another interesting experience I had about six years back, the result of which I learned that it is culturally inappropriate for certain cultures to lean/sit on tables.

I am a tertiary teacher back in my country where I used to give lectures to classes of 50 to 70 students. Lectures are normally 50 minutes to an hour long. In a day I used to give four to five lectures and it is obvious to have a bit of discomfort on legs. So I tend to lean my back on the table for a support. This is normal in our culture.

On my second year of arrival in New Zealand, after a meeting where people from diverse cultures attended, I was talking to one of the attendees. While talking I leaned my back on the table behind me. In a couple of seconds, another attendee came and politely told me of

the cultural inappropriateness of my action though she failed to explain why. I was more embarrassed of my action than being intrigued of the new information I received. I sincerely apologies for my action.

It took a few months for me to understand that it is culturally inappropriate to lean/sit on a tables particularly tables with food on them or those likely to have food on them at any point. Why? Putting your bottom or carry bag on the table is perceived to be unhygienic. Not sitting on tables

is also linked to Māori beliefs about the tapu nature of bodily wastes and the need to keep them separate from food.

Do you have similar experience to share on cultural differences? Please share your experience as experience is the best teacher

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Cultural differences that manifest in communication refer to the variations observed between people engaging in a conversation due to differences in their values, beliefs, norms, and behaviors. One can address these differences and communicate effectively by being more culturally sensitive.

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Did You Know?



In some cultures, touching another person's head, unless invited is inappropriate.

In my culture, we express parental love and affection by touching head.

In Indian (Hindu) wedding, the elders in the family bless (Ashirwad) the newly wedded couple at the end of the ceremony by touching their head.





MD202 CONVENTION Invercargill 28th - 30th April 2023

Newsletter #3



Hosted by WAIHOPAI CITY LIONS CLUB and supporting clubs. Fellow Lions and Leos

3 months to go we are getting ready for you for an exciting weekend!

HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET? Time to get that done, why come to Invercargill? WHY NOT?

INVERCARGILL or INVERRRCARRRGILL to some people. Not an Auckland or even Wellington, just Invercargill. (Now famous as the "Shit" capital of NZ). With parks, motor museums, golf courses, walks, and our brand-new city centre with our super new mall.





Invercargill is flat, has plenty of car parks, and is easy to navigate. We recently hosted 23 national and international artist who spruced up the CBD

All functions will be held at Ascot Park Hotel Complex, Tay Street, Invercargill.

Accommodation

The Convention venue, Ascot Park Hotel has several different options of accommodation on site, apartments, hotel rooms and motel units, plus tons of free car parking on site.

There is also plenty of other accommodation near the venue.

Balmoral Lodge - 265 Tay Street - Ph 03 2199050

Langlands Hotel - 59 Dee Street - Ph 0800848 688

Homestead Villa Motel - 329 Dee Street - Pho3 21 40408

554 Moana Court Motel - 554 Tay Street - Ph 032178443

295 On Tay - 295 Tay Street - Ph 0800295295

Admiral Court Motel - 327 Tay Street - Ph 03 2171117

Monarch Motel - 633 Tay Street - Ph 0800287666

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Along state highway 1 (Tay Street) there is plenty of other suitable motels and downtown is the new "Langlands" hotel which is top notch.



Registrations - Convention Registration

Apologies - Apologies

Stall Request - Request for stall

Voting Delegates

There will be a separate desk for delegates to collect their voting sticks. Please ensure your club has paid all dues to International, Multiple District and District. These should be paid 2 weeks prior to convention.

Partners Programme

We have secured an exciting day out at Bluff where the partners will be taken by vans to visit the Te Rau Aroha Marae, which is the world's most southern marae, located in the small town of Bluff, South Island, New Zealand. It was originally established in the late 19th century as a hostel for local Māori who lived on islands off the Southland coast.

The marae proper was developed in 1985, but the tupuna whare, Tahu-pōtiki,

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pōtiki, which takes its name from the ancestor (tupuna) of the local tribe, Ngāi Tahu, was opened in February 2003. You will be treated to stunning views whilst enjoying some delicious food.



Saturday evening — Goodbye Pork Pie — Enjoy the meal, dance the night away with a great band. Dress—up in the theme of Goodbye Pork Pie let your imagination go wild. We will be on the look—out for the person or persons who show they have really dressed in the theme. It maybe you who secures the prize.

Leos

Please encourage our Leos to attend. You can meet with the largest Leo Club in the Southern Hemisphere.

Start planning your trip now - - you will not be disappointed

Maree Hayes

Convention Chair MD202.convention2023@lionsclubs.org.nz

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District Governor Jeroen Schuurmans

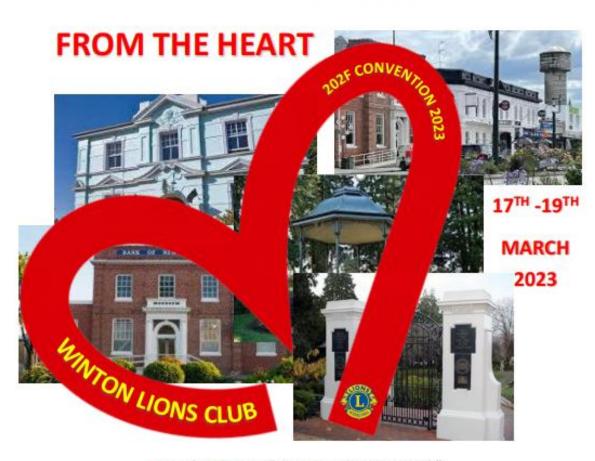
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Winton Lions Club

are proud to invite you to the

202F District Convention

17th -19th of March 2023 Winton



Saturday theme- "Orange is the new Black"

Venue: Winton Memorial Hall

Convention Chair: John McHugh E: mchugh.winton@gmail.com

To register for our District 202F 2023 Convention in Winton Follow this link:

https://form.jotform.com/lynettebatt/district-202f-convention-2023winton Convention Registrar: Juon Schoen I juonschoen@gmail.com

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Explore what Southland and Fiordland has to offer during your Great Trip South. There's something for everyone!



Bill Richardson Transport World With over 300 vehicle displays and more, there's something to captivate everyone.



Stewart Island The pefect base for both the adventurous and those looking to robo.



Seriously Good Chocolate Company Southern-made chocolate, seriously good



Te Anau Home to lakes carved by ancient glacier, majestic fiords and spectacular high-sided valleys.



E Hayes & Sons Stand in the presence of a legend, view over 100 pieces of memorabile from Burt Munro's legacy.



Famous for its country music, illicit whisky making and brown trout fishing.



Stirling Point Located at the beginning (or end) of New Zealand's State Highway 1, Bluff,



The Catlins Rugged beauty with wild beaches, roaring waterfalls and home to the amazing Cathedral Caves.

Convention Chair Maree Hayes 021 644 293

Waihopai City Lions PO Box 1283 Invercargill

Convention Secretary Rodger Millar 021135 0626

For more information contact MD202 convention 2023@lionsclubs.org.nz

202F NOTICE



CO-OPTED TRUSTEE VACANCY

The Lions Clubs New Zealand Child Mobility Foundation was established in 2011 to operate, protect, manage and promote the MD 202 Hart Walker Project and since then the Trustees have expanded their horizons to investigate and advise NZ Lions on other suitable equipment for disabled children.

The Foundation's purposes are wholly charitable and include benefiting the community by being sensitive to the physical, mental and emotional needs of children within New Zealand with a disability that limits mobility. The Trust Deed offers Trustees the widest powers to undertake their duties and to offer guidance and assistance. Trustees receive total indemnity from the Trust Fund with the term of office being 3 years, with reappointment permissible.

A Co-Opted Trustee vacancy has arisen and therefore the Foundation invites applicants from our Lions family to provide their reasons for seeking the position, along with a concise CV outlining the attributes that they would bring to the Foundation.

Applications (electronic), marked confidential, should be emailed to the CMF Secretary, Alan Gray by **28th February 2023** and the successful applicant will be advised by 10th March 2023

The successful applicant would be expected to attend the CMF meetings in Invercargill on Friday 28th April 2023.

A copy of our Trust Deed is available on request or is available on-line.

Send applications to:

The Lions Clubs NZ Child Mobility Foundation, Secretary Alan Gray mail@graynz.com

PDG Rodger Millar (Chairman) 321 Crinan Street, Invercargill 9812. Email jollyrodger@outlook.co.nz



PR & Communications Calendar

January Hunger Awareness Month

11th - 18th LCIF Week

13th Melvin Jones' birthday

February LCI Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

15th International Childhood Cancer Day

March First Sunday Children's Day

8th International Women's Day

11th Lions Day with the United Nations

April Leo Club Awareness Month

Environmental Awareness Month

Family and Friends Month

30th Lions worldwide Induction Day



