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Nelson Host Lions - Our Charity Golf Tournament 2023. We wish to thank all our wonderful Team (28), Hole (18) & Prize (lots) - sponsors for their contributions to make this a very successful and fun event with the proceeds; \$9,000 going to Life Education Trust. This Trust provides such invaluable support for the youth of our district. Harold from Life Education Trust was the star attraction and entertained us all! We hope to see you all again next year.



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Hi Team,

Thank you to all the Clubs that Yvonne and I have visited, I am truly impressed with your hospitality and the different types of service projects that you all do, just keep up the good work, after all that is what Lions and Leos are good at. Getting the message of Lions doing Service and being visible I feel is the key to what we do, through this we will bring people along on the journey.

Inducting new Lions into the Lions family is one that I have much pride in doing, it really is a great pleasure. Two at Rolleston Club and five at Nelson Host, what a great effort for the start of the month. Five more clubs to go, a challenge to them, three from each Club wouldn't that be a challenge!

### Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival.

What a truly great honour and privilege it was to attend this, the talent of these children is unreal, as a first-time attendee to see the Lions logo on the screen, gave me a great sense of pride.

As a District I think this is an important project to keep on going for the schools and clubs in the greater Christchurch area. Just get hold of Marion McWha for more details, she will have all the answers for you.

### Convention Blenheim 15th to 17th March 2024.

Who has booked? make it a destination weekend for your Club, come and experience the joy of being in the lion's family, have some fun, meet other Lions who share your community involvement.

A keynote speaker for the Saturday morning has been secured, you will be impressed with him and challenged by him, come, and be motivated for the future.

### Peace Poster

The decision has been made at our District level; this is now in the hands of the Council of Governors to pick a NZ Winner.

### Message from President Dr Patti Hill.

#### Connect with Your Fellow Lions

The GAT Facebook Group connects Lions and Leos across the entire world and provides a virtual platform to share ideas, strategies and questions with one another. Join now to be a part of the conversation! **SIGN UP**

#### Watch LCIF and Lions Create Impactful Stories of Kindness

Discover the heartwarming impact of LCIF grants and the remarkable stories of service made possible by the generosity of our donors. **WATCH NOW**



202E is going forward to make this happen by June 2027, I know we can do it, the enthusiasm is there, the opportunities are also there.

Let us all accept the challenge and make it happen. "Challenge Accepted"

The challenge has been accepted - how many people have you taken along to a service project?

### Lions Skin Cancer Bus.

This project is led by PDG Paul O'Connor and is fully endorsed as a National MD 202 project.

The benefits of a FREE skin cancer check will have amazing benefits for Lions in New Zealand. Just imagine when this vehicle is on the road with a large Lions sign on it! What a great way to advertise our involvement in the community.

On behalf of Yvonne and myself, I wish you all a great Christmas day and a wonderful New Year.



Should you need to get hold of me then please do so.

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Kind Regards John Bilderbeck DG





# District 202E Officers 2023 - 2024



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VDG Pam



DG John



2VDG Bernie



Treasurer Ian



## Yet another AMAZING Fun Day for Marlborough Sounds residents

Havelock and Blenheim Lions Clubs held their annual Fun Day for Marlborough Sounds residents still affected by the 2021 flooding and slips. The bouncy castle is being unloaded from the boat. VDG Pam Harvey stepped up to add vocal harmony to Mic-Mac, the band who travelled to Nopera Golf Course with the Lions.



# How to lighten up your Supper Meeting - send in Selwyn & Tineke.

Whether it's a social evening like Blenheim Lions or a more formal Fundraiser like Hawarden-Waikari Lions, it certainly hits the spot. Both clubs will have the information for you.



**Top Tips for It's In The Bag!** The plan for the evening was to have some light-hearted fun, where everyone could take part, if they wanted to or not. Not all like a quiz.

### Important steps:

- 1) Find a "Selwyn too good to be True"
- 2) Find your hostess and visit the second hand shops to get the "dress". Our hostess went by 2 names Tineke Too True, and Hilary the Hilarious.
- 3) Sort out the quiz questions. I had only New Zealand questions, sourced from the internet and from resources at work. (Happy to share the questions).
- 4) Prizes; I got these from a Souvenir shop, and they all had a Kiwi theme. I have listed them below. There were 10 prizes, the dearest was a bottle of wine. All the prizes were in numbered brown paper bags.

### The Format:

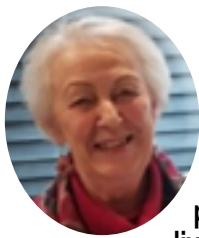
- On arrive the Lions were given a raffle ticket. The other half of the ticket went into a hat and was drawn out at random.
- The participants were all too scared NOT to take part. Once the contestant was dragged up, they were asked 3 very simple questions, E.g. Where is the rugby world going to be held. "By hokey is he right?"
- The contestant was offered the chance to take the "money" or "the bag". In this case the money was either a bar or 2 of gold (Crunchie Bars), or chocolate gold coins. Most took the bag.

### Prizes:

Fridge magnet with NZ on it - Wow the big prize of the evening - You have won an all expenses paid trip around NZ.  
 Bottle of wine - Marlborough in a bottle, 3 packets of Lions Mints - The "Booby prize - this got a lot of laughs.  
 Money (\$20.00 in \$1 coins) - Congrats you have won tonight's cash prize. Lucky Undies - A fashion garment, direct from China.  
 Bag of chocolate Pukuku Poo - A little something to help with bowel motions. (just some of the prizes.)  
 There were lots of laughs, and great comments after the night. I suggest your "hostess" has hairy legs, makes for more fun.  
 Happy to answer any questions. Catherine Donnelly 021 142 1314 - (Catherine is the wife of a Lion and a great Club supporter. She has helped for many years at our Mistletoe Market - A very switched on lady, we are lucky to have her! - Charles.)  
 (Remember this is the Social "It's in the Bag" - touch base with Hawarden-Waikari Lions for the Fundraiser.)



Blenheim Lions - Our junior speech contest took place yesterday at Bohally. Contestants came from Ward, Seddon, Renwick and Fairhall schools. This years standard of presentations was particularly high and the judges had a struggle to separate the place getters. 1st Victoria Hickman Ward, 2nd Emily Mason Fairhall, 3rd Tahlia Bassett Renwick. It was a privilege to listen to the speeches presented and placings aside all contestants were winners on the day by their participation. (Congrats. Victoria great to keep it in the family :)



## VDG Pam Harvey

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I want to focus this month on two events that have been held in the past month, both potentially making a big difference to the lives of young people in our District.

The first was the Lions Christchurch Schools' Music Festival, for 4 nights from October 31st to November 3rd. Our 202e District continues to be the principal (naming-rights) sponsor for this event, thanks to Marion McWha's association with the Festival over many years, and the donations made by many of the clubs in our district. You only need to be there to see the huge impact that participating in this event has on the children who perform in it, either by singing in the huge choirs, or playing in the Concert Band or Orchestra. They throw themselves into their performance with huge enthusiasm and, as they leave, their eyes are still shining and they are bubbling with excitement. For many of these children, music becomes a life-long interest and some even take up careers in music, like Matthew Harris, the conductor of the Concert Band for this year's Festival. Many thanks to the clubs who have donated to make this possible, to give so many children in our district an unparalleled opportunity. Money well spent!

The second event was a Fun Day held at Nopera Golf Course, away across the far side of Kenepuru Sound, for the children of an area so badly affected by two lots of floods which devastated their whole roading system. Some of the children are still unable to get to school easily, and many are home-schooled for now, so having the opportunity for some social contact is really important for them. The families arrived by boat and hefty 4WD vehicles for a day of bouncy castle antics, Lucky Dip presents, candy floss, face-painting, live music, sizzled sausages and tables groaning with food. All courtesy of Havelock and Blenheim Lions clubs, Rai Valley Leos, Havelock Fire Brigade, Rural Women's support group and Nopera Golf Club. The kids had a ball, not an argument or a fight the whole time. Another example of community groups, led by Lions, combining to give our young people an important opportunity that makes a difference to their lives. Another great investment.



Leos face painting at Nopera Bay



Auction in Progress



Auctioneer Extraordinaire

Have a great month Pam



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Merry Christmas everyone!

Yes, it hasn't taken long to come around. Here's hoping you all have a festive season with family and friends.

The Learning Centre has a lot of good modules that can help you in both Lions and your personal life/work. The scope is enormous; from Time Management, Public Speaking, Meeting Management through to Coaching. Please take the time to look, there just might be a subject that will interest you.

While I did not get many Club Visits, I was very pleased to be invited to Blenheim to see how they operate and to take part in their fire wood project. On this occasion, it was wood splitting time. It was great to see quite a few of their members getting involved. "They were serving!"

Serving our communities is what Lions is about. Being aware of the needs within communities and finding ways of helping to meet these needs. "Where there is a need, there is a Lion".

Have a great Christmas break.



Blenheim Lions Club

Take care Bernie

## Chch South Club Lions Magic Show

Saturday 2nd of December



Haeata Performing Arts Centre



Complimentary tickets are available to distribute.

This is Chch South Lions Club's gift to the community for those who wouldn't normally get the opportunity to attend this type of show.



## Executive Summary

THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE LLOYD MORGAN CHARITABLE TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD IN ST ANDREWS ON THE TERRACE, WELLINGTON, SATURDAY 12 August 2023.

We welcomed Council Chairman Stephen Barr to his first Trust meeting. CC Stephen commented on the Boston International Convention. He highlighted Lions International launch of Mission 1.5 targeting 1.5 million Lions members by July 2027. Our Finance Committee gave us an overview of our investments; if you look back last 3-4 years we are now getting the benefit of improved Interest Rates. To get the best interest several of our investments were changed from being locked in for 5 years to a yearly review. Now we can get 4.6% to 5.5% for 5 years.

A suggestion was made that Trustees should be publicizing grants and loans that are made nationwide to show their clubs what work is being carried out by other Clubs.

The Constitution review is progressing. We need to call a special meeting to coincide with the February Trust meeting to accept the constitution so that it can go to the MD Council of Governors for approval.

Our Promotions Committee is working on a display board for use of Trustees at Conventions and other promotional opportunities. Paul Reid will mock one up, leaving space for local information to be inserted by the Trustee.

With the upcoming District Conventions for 2023-2024 we would like all District Governors to allow a few minutes for our District Trustees to be able to update their members.

We will be holding two more Trustee and Chairman Zoom meetings this Lions Year; they will be held in November and April.

We intend to hold a meeting each quarter.

District Trustee Elections: A reminder that Districts F, J, L & M are due for an election at their District Convention. Secretary will email the District Governors to remind them to have the election on the agenda.

Eric R Carter

Past International Director 2014-2016 Chairman Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust



## WHY SHOULD WE SUPPORT THE TRUST

1. Every dollar donation to the Trust is earning revenue every year and that revenue is available to assist Club Projects.
2. It belongs to you, members of the MD 202 Lions family.
3. It has become the prime resource for Clubs to turn to when they need some extra assistance with funds to complete or make projects better from the extra funds.
4. The ability of the Trust to meet deserving requests will be limited only by the size of the Income Fund at any given time. It follows that the more the Capital Fund can be boosted by continued financial support from Clubs, the more income will be available when needed to help out.
5. The recognition structure developed by the Trust has been adopted and utilised by New Zealand Lions. It is the preferred choice whenever Lions want to give special recognition for outstanding service.
6. Your Lions Trust was established to mark the International Presidency of a very special New Zealand Lion. The more the Trust grows and thrives, the greater is the tribute it demonstrates in honour and recognition of that exemplary period of national and international service.
7. The Trust is known, valued, and respected beyond our shores. A number of sizeable donations have been made, and awards purchased, by Lions from other countries who wish to also acknowledge and pay tribute to Lloyd Morgan, and to the dedicated service of New Zealand Lions.

(source: A Guide to The Lloyd Morgan (Lions Clubs) Charitable Trust - page 9+ shows Trust Recognition Awards in detail.)

## Were you at the Christchurch Chinese Lions Club Gala Fundraising Dinner?

On October 29th, the Lions Club of Christchurch Chinese held a magnificent Gala Dinner to raise funds for the Lions Club Cancer Trust with its Mobile Skin Cancer Screening Service. A sumptuous meal, a vast selection of raffle prizes and, above all, a superb auction, all combined to raise around \$25,000 towards the Cancer Screening bus, thanks to the generosity of all who donated items and made some incredible bids in the auction.

This was an excellent example of a club combining with people from their wider community for the benefit of a very worthwhile cause, as they serve together to make a difference in their community.

Well done to President Brian Kwok and the Lions Club of Christchurch Chinese!!

And congratulations on gaining two new club members following the Gala Dinner night!





## Global Service Team - GST - 2VDG Bernie Walls



Service reporting by clubs stands at 50%. For those clubs that have not done so, I am willing to show you how. Please expect a friendly call to chat about how simple it is.

Here is why you should report service

**Captivate and connect.** From a single pair of eyeglasses to a brand-new hospital for a large city, reporting shines a light on how—and where—local clubs are making a difference across the world. Clear, relevant service data ensures people in need know exactly where to go for help.

**Increase global awareness.** Service data helps people understand the needs of communities around the world. Global-minded Lions identify opportunities and lead their local communities into action.

**Pave the way to partnership.** Service reports provide tangible evidence to prospective partners of Lions International's global engagement and impact. These relationships strengthen the organization and yield benefits at the local level.

**Uncover the next big idea.** Because service activities are scalable, one small service project can become the next signature initiative of the organization: but only if it is reported and promoted by Lions!

**Enhance our support.** Service data—along with peer-to-peer sharing and feedback from Lions—enables Lions International to identify best practices that can be shared globally.

**Build a brighter future.** Measurement leads to insight, which in turn sharpens our focus. Setting higher—and more reachable—goals each year both unifies and mobilizes the organization toward growth.

**Increase our membership.** People want to participate in real, visible change. Service reporting allows Lions clubs to continually engage their communities, tell their story more effectively, and ultimately grow their member base.

**Leverage our foundation.** Service reports show how Lions and Leos around the world are using funds from Lions Clubs International Foundation grants to serve their communities. This visibility encourages Lions to think creatively about their own projects and apply for LCIF grants themselves.

**Recognize and reward.** When Lions report service, they become eligible for a number of service awards. From Centennial Service Challenge patches to Leo Awards, rewards recognize the hard work of Lions and motivate them to continue striving for excellence.

Events coming up in December:

Dec 5th International Leo Day, Dec 5th World Volunteers Day, Dec 25th Christmas Day, Dec 26th Boxing Day, Jan 1st New Year's Day

SEASONS GREETINGS *Bernie*

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## Global Leadership Team - GLT - Tini Lawry



This month was marred by our Lynda (MD GLT) losing her dear husband. Paul was her right-hand man at many a Lions' event when Lynda was facilitating. The Lions family grieve with you.

Knowing that the clubs are busy helping with all their community events in December and enjoying holidays in January, I'm thinking ahead and pencil-booking some dates for you in May 2024. These are the Club Officers Workshops. Could you present these dates to your club, and get back to me if there are clashes with other events? Thank you so much.

Friday May 3rd – Omihi Hall	4:00pm – 8:00pm	Zones 4 and 5
Saturday May 11th – Ferrymead or Burnside (Chch)	10:00am – 2:30pm	Zones 6, 7 and 8
Saturday May 18th – Blenheim	10:00am – 2:30pm	Zone 3
Sunday May 19th – Motueka	10:00am – 2:30pm	Zone 2
Saturday June 8th – Greymouth	10:00am – 2:30pm	Zone 1

Have a wonderful holiday season and see you next year. Tini.

PS: for (past) presidents: applications for ALLI April 12 - 14 2024 in Auckland are due in by 29 December '23.

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# CONVENTION 2024 Hamilton



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SAVE THE DATE

More information coming soon!

19-21 APRIL 2024

Venue: Distinction Hamilton Hotel & Conference Centre

1 July '24 1260

31 May '24

30 Apr '24

31 Mar '24

29 Feb '24

31 Jan '24

31 Dec '23

26 Nov '23

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# WELCOME to our New Lions

## November '23

MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
1. Katie Townsend	Amberley	Pam Harvey
2. Ursula Paul	Blenheim	Malcolm Williams
3. Gary Watson	Halswell	Paul O'Connor
4. Sarah Bowron	Nelson Host	Nelson Host
5. Brett Kindley	Nelson Host	Nelson Host
6. Louise Hodgson	Nelson Host	Nelson Host
7. Neisha Kindley	Nelson Host	Nelson Host
8. Wayne Morrison	Rangiora	John Whyte
9. Jimmi Anderson	Rolleston	Tony Condon
10. Karen Luff	Rolleston	Jackie Codyre
11. Craig Usmar	Kaikōura	Kevin Smith
12. David Turnbull	Seddon	Martin Hall

My Members	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,147	1,156
Added Members	10	59
Dropped Members	3	61
Closing Balance	1,154	1,154
Net Gain/Loss	7	-2
As @	Worldwide	1,385,576



202E Goal is 1260 members by 1 July 2024.  
That is 106 new members net by June 30th 2024.  
OR better still 3 per Club.  
(imagine what 3 new members in your Club could do.)

## Edited October message from C.C. Stephen Barr

ANZI ... International President Dr Patti Hill captivated us all again with her ability to inspire us to take on new challenges. We were introduced to "Mission 1.5", which is LCI's plan to grow international membership to 1.5 million members by July 2027. However, this goal is not simply about growing our member base, it is about increasing our ability to serve the needs of our communities in the face of a changing world. Her theme of "Changing the world" speaks of changing things one small step at a time. We all need to think about what our communities need and think about how we are going to meet these needs. Your Council of Governors have accepted the challenge of achieving this goal and have set a goal of lifting our membership from 7,800 to 10,000 members. This has been titled "Mission 10k – NZ" with themes to be developed around improving our service impact and developing the capability of our people. This focus will be incorporated in the MD strategic plan which is currently being developed and will be released later this year ...



### Global Membership Team - GMT Latham Martin



Embracing Membership Benefits and Boosting Growth

Greetings Lions members, Let's explore the profound advantages that come with Lions Club membership and how we can collectively enhance our impact.

- 1. Camaraderie and Networking:** Lions Club membership isn't just about service; it's about building lasting connections. Our diverse community spans professions, backgrounds, and ages, fostering strong bonds that extend beyond meetings. The Lions Club provides a platform for meaningful networking, enriching both personal and professional aspects of our lives.
- 2. Community Impact:** Our clubs are a force for positive change, and our members play a crucial role in transforming lives. From health camps to educational support, Lions actively contribute to community betterment. The satisfaction derived from efforts reinforces significance of our shared mission.
- 3. Personal Growth and Development:** Being a Lions Club member goes beyond giving back; it's about personal growth. Leadership roles, service projects, and collaboration opportunities within our clubs are fertile ground for developing skills. Lions nurtures qualities that extend far beyond our meetings, contributing to well-rounded personal development.
- 4. Advocacy and Global Reach:** As part of a global network committed to a better world, Lions Club members contribute to international initiatives. Our actions address health, education, and disaster relief on a global scale. Being a member means participating in something larger than oneself, making a difference both locally and globally.

**Growing Our Lions Family:** To amplify our impact, let's focus on expanding our Lions family. Encourage friends, colleagues, and acquaintances to join our cause. Diverse perspectives strengthen our ability to address community challenges. Organise membership drives, informational events, and outreach programmes to share the rewarding experience of being a Lions Club member. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you want support to help grow your club!





**Blenheim Lions - Key Membership Awards - Malcolm Williams 'Senior Builder Key and Barrie Abernethy Silver Builder Key with DG John.**



**Oxford & Districts Lions - The sod has been turned, the spuds planted with the plan of a bumper crop of new potatoes expected to be harvested at the end of the year with Pumpkins (corn & Zucchini) will also be planted as we gear up for another season supplying produce to Satisfy Food Rescue.**



**Kaikōura Seaward Lions on a rather dull day, we can smile while tidying up our 2 planter boxes and able to chat with public keen to stop. Well done team!**



**Amberley Lions sold fertiliser at the Amberley A & P show in October. Garden Lime: Nitrophoska: Lawn Fertiliser: General Garden: To order contact Kevin 0212258802 (free local delivery) (not to Kaikōura?)**



**Wigram Lions - Festival Of Flowers 2023 - left Another successful and smooth operating project that is a credit to the Youth Committee and the Co-ordinators for the diligent and expert running of this great project. All our members who helped on the day also thoroughly enjoyed the results and the comradery of working closely together to achieve the successful running of this great project. (a credit to this Club.)**



**Club Crafty Fair**

**Beavertown Blenheim Lions Club**



**Co Havelock President Debby and DG John.**



**Ellesmere Lions - President Neville and DG John.**



The world needs Lions like never before. To make sure we're always there and ready to meet the growing needs in our communities, we are on a mission to grow. MISSION 1.5 is our drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide by July 1, 2027. To reach this goal, it's going to take all of us — every Lion in every club — working together. So, let's get started!

MISSION 1.5 logo

Here are 10 ways to jumpstart your club's recruiting efforts.

**Do a member satisfaction check.** Before going out to recruit, take a look inside. How's your club doing? Are your members happy? Do you have a positive club culture? Happy members who enjoy being a Lion are more likely to successfully recruit friends, family and others to your club. [Membership Satisfaction Guide](#)

Tools for success:

Connect your club membership and marketing chairpersons. Does your club have a membership chairperson? How about a marketing chairperson? If not, you'll want to fill these roles because marketing and membership growth go hand in hand. If you already have these chairpersons in place, make sure they're working together to promote your club and recruit new members.

Tools for success: [Marketing Matters webpage](#), [Club Membership Chairperson webpage](#)

**Get social.**

Social media is one of the most powerful tools you have for recruiting members. The more you promote your club's incredible work, the more visible you'll be and the more opportunities you'll have to connect with people looking to serve. So, use social media to invite people to join your club for a service project or attend one of your events, and be sure everyone in your club is sharing, tagging and reposting stories about your club.

Tools for success: [Social Media Kit](#)

**Don't forget traditional media.**

Social media isn't the only way to get your club noticed. Local newspapers, magazines and newsletters are also great ways to promote your club. Make connections with your local media and other organizations and community groups to discover opportunities to get the word out. Tools for success: Lions Press Centre, [Brand Advance Kit](#)

**Apply for the Lions International Marketing Award.**

Marketing is critical for recruitment, but it's also a fun way to collaborate with your club and be creative. So why not embrace a little friendly competition by taking your shot at global recognition and great prizes? Your club can apply for the Lions International Marketing Award by creating a marketing campaign focused on member recruitment. Gather your team, plan your marketing campaign, and go out and get some new members. Tools for success: [Lions International Marketing Award](#), Marketing Matters webpage

**Recruit while you serve.**

One of the best ways to recruit is by doing what you do best — serving. So invite people to serve with you and see what it's like to be a Lion. Wear Lions-branded clothing to your service projects for visibility and bring promotional materials to hand out to people you meet while out in the community. Tools for success: Brand advance kit. [Lions Shop](#)

**Lions at diabetes service project**

Host a member recruitment event. Service is our focus, but bonding and having a good time is also a big part of the Lion experience — so don't be afraid to show off that side to potential members! Consider hosting a member recruitment event that's more of a social gathering. It could be a happy hour, picnic, ice cream social, game night or whatever works for your club. Promote the event on social media and encourage everyone in your club to invite at least five people. Tools for success: Social Media Kit, Brand Advance Kit

**Lions at information table**

**Write and share your Lion stories.**

Every Lion has a story to tell about their member experience. But is every Lion in your club ready to share theirs? Consider a club activity where everyone writes their story. It doesn't have to be long — it can be as simple as jotting down why you joined or why you love being a Lion. Once your stories are ready, find creative ways to share them on social media or your club's website. Or, simply use them while talking with prospective members. Tools for success: [Lions Get Social](#) webinar, [Lions Blog](#)

**Make connections in your community.**

It's not always what you know, but who you know. Consider ways you can expand your network, like meeting local business owners or getting involved in community events. Participate in a golf outing, volunteer at a hospital or school, or even attend another group's pancake breakfast. The more you're out and about, the more people you'll meet — so think of creative ways to make new connections. These connections just may become new partners, supporters or even new members.

Tools for success: [Developing Local Partnerships](#)

**Just Ask!**

There are lots of different ways to find new members. But at the end of the day, one of the easiest and most effective ways to recruit is to simply ask people to join. Imagine if every Lion brought one new member to your club - think of how many more people you could serve. All it takes is asking one family member, friend or neighbour. Tools for success: [Just Ask Guide](#)

### A fourstep process for recruiting and revitalize clubs with new members

- **Build a Team:** Preparing your club
- **Build a Vision:** Creating your club's vision
- **Build a Plan:** Implementing your club's growth plan
- **Build Success:** Welcoming your new members



# Lions Christchurch Schools' Music Festival



2023 Lions Schools Music Festival at Christchurch Town Hall. PDG Ian McWha, VDG Pam Harvey, PDG Marion McWha, and PDG Jim Pollitt.

The 2023 Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival was once again a great success - proof that our donation of \$10,000 as naming rights sponsors was a good investment. The Lions display that we set up was well patronised - what a pity that local Clubs from the areas schools came from did not send us any material promoting themselves. Please think about it for next year.

Music Festival Liaison team PDG Marion McWha & VDG Pam Harvey

## Membership Matters



Beavertown Blenheim Lions - DG John and Phillip - the newest member of our club.



... and yet another new member joins Blenheim Lions - new & newest couple.



Great night at Nelson Host Lions four new members with President Paul at the end. Lets keep this up we will make the goal of Misson 1500.



## MELBOURNE JUNE 21-25, 2024

Registrations - Early Bird Special through to January 12, 2024 - US\$190. You can modify or cancel your registration online up to May 1, 2024 with a refund less US\$25 processing fee.

Hotels - No longer allocated to a country - LCI partner hotels are listed [here](#)  
Do your own research.

Register with MD202 [here](#) if you are interested in or are attending the Melbourne Convention.

# 202E LEO Round-up. (July - October) edited

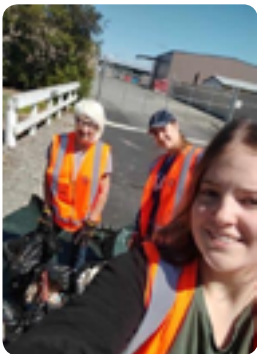
*As Lions, we should be so proud of what these Leos are achieving! (& their advisors)*



**QE11 Leo Club** - Financially, \$200 out to Shirley Boys Breakfast Scheme. \$300 in from New Brighton Lions Club re: Pea Straw. Watering Leo Plants weekly at Burnside Park Lions Club Rooms, invited two Rest Home residents to help us - great for Leos and 'helpers'. Fairlie Pies fund raiser - Pea Straw Project with New Brighton Lions Club. Selling Lions Christmas Cakes... Currently we have two girls to be inducted at the end of November. We have two very keen brothers interested and hoping the Fairlie Pies project will draw in more. Looking ahead Camp Quality Serving Breakfast Sunday 19th January 2024, Hearing dog feeding, recording Leo working hours ... (Jan Ruardy QE11 Leo Advisor)

**Marlborough Boys College** - ANZI 5 attended with World President, Flag ceremony, so many highlights. Foxton Youth Camp 2 attended this 5 day camp - thoroughly enjoyed by all. Have run 2 BBQs at Bunnings - both financially successful, and Bunnings have also donated a wheelbarrow together with gardening items value \$400 for raffling. The boys have agreed that these proceeds will be donated towards our Skin Cancer Research Project. We anticipate a growth through interest of 6 through to 28 Feb 2024.

DG John joined our Leos at John's Kitchen. (Malcolm Williams advisor)



**Rangiora High School Leos Club** - This week they've had their last meeting for the year, all seven girls are year 11 and will start their end of year exams in another week. They have voted in the executive team for next year. One Leo represented the Club at the ANZI Pacific Forum talking on their subject "SERVICE". Projects include: picking up 4 bags of rubbish near the High School, bagged 35 bags of pine cones and sold on their own business plan and financial report. They have a planned membership drive with information going in School notices for the start of the new school year. The group has decided to focus next year on a Quiz night for the second term. They have planned an end of year social including ice skating at the Christchurch ice Skating Rink. (Tini Lawry Leo Advisor)

**Marlborough Girls College Leo Club** Members: 34 - Ahakoa he iti he pounamu (Although it may be small, it is a treasure) MGC Leos have taken on many small projects. The club's focus was to make small positive contributions to their community. Completed Projects 2023 Fundraiser-BBQ \$259.87 Donated to Relay for Life, Donation- Learning Tool to Learning centre at MGC Fundraiser- Relay For Life fundraiser. Combined colleges \$4066 Donation- Christchurch Trip to the Lions ANZI Forum in early September. Upcoming projects Games Evening for Leos (Social) Christmas Presents wrapping ... Membership Plans '24 MGC Leos will be doing their annual stall at the school Expo day, this is usually very successful in finding new members. Ideas have also been put out about buddying senior Leos with junior Leos. Our club is also on a mission to raise the profile of Leos Club in Blenheim.

(Jacinda Mckenzie MGC Leos Club Advisor Sponsored by Beavertown)



**Rai Valley Community Leo Club** Meeting: Rai Leos have met every two weeks (holidays exempted). The final meeting of the year was on 3rd November when a new Leo was inducted into the Club. Projects completed since last report: The annual quiz raising over \$2000. Of this, \$500 was donated to Rai Valley Area School towards the School camps and the remainder used to build a book depository for the community. The Rai Kai pantry continues to fill a need in the community and is organised and maintained by the Leos. A food drive will be held in Rai this year and they are organising that. Six Leos took part in the ANZI Den project and the Forum in September Three Leos attended the National Youth Camp at Foxton. Assisted with the recent Graeme Dingle fundraising dinner in Blenheim where \$130,000 was raised and we received excellent reports on their level of maturity and performance... Planting of 150 shrubs at the Rai war Memorial and Cemetery, organised aluminium collection in their community for Kan Tabs and, in addition to the Head Up 4 Kids tin at their school, have approached another business in Rai to promote HU4K - with many projects planned for the future. Membership in 2024: making a slide show highlighting fun and community service aspects. This to be shown at Senior School assembly in February (Years 8 -13). Emphasis initially on the fun and social aspect of belonging to a Leo Club. (Ian Cameron, Leo Club Advisor)

# Lions Skin Cancer Trust Stuck for a gift for Christmas?



## Make a donation to the Bank Account below in their Name

'Below the type of vehicle we are getting. We have booked a slot on the production line so need as much money in the bank soonest, The Chinese Dinner and Auction went off well with about \$25,000 being raised. Kaikōura Lions Club donation of the Dolphin Watch sold at auction which helped make it a great night. We have had some great negotiations this week with Go Bus and we will have a place to park the vehicle up and down the country in one of their secure parks. There are other exciting things they have talked about and will formalise their support in a letter of intent in the near future.



Our revised application to LCIF has gone back answering some of their questions. The Treasurer is working on the Lloyd Morgan grant application as well. At the moment we have about \$110,000 in the bank. WE also have had a pledge from Malvern Lions for another \$5000. We are thankful to the Ellesmere Lions for their \$15,000. WE have recently also received \$10,000 from the Cambridge Club up north. Please dig deep so that we can reach our goal. WE need to donate now. Our Bank account number is Westpac 03-0674-0280918-00. Please include Club NAME and NUMBER' (202E Trustee PDG Paul O'Connor)

**Private Donation** - Join Me - Deposit the donation then send an email with name, address and phone number and details to District Treasurer Ian at [202e.treasurer@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202e.treasurer@lionsclubs.org.nz)



## Brochures, Flyers, Lions emblazoned Vests, Flags, Bill-boards ... let the world know who we are - We Are Lions!

Just some of the resources we have in our arsenal, to attract New Members. Let the community, the whole country ... Let everyone know what we do. Remember this photo left - well not quite this photo... So many of us, go out in a hurry to do a Lions Service (yes, I'm guilty - last month I posted this pic, going out to do Meals on Wheels AND not wearing Lions Vests. Who knew who we were - NO ONE. Now they Do! :) (Lou)

## Marketing & communications calendar



December 5 International Leo Day.  
5 World Volunteers Day.  
25 World Family Day.  
February 17 Leos & Leo Advisors Training Day, Havelock.

District Bulletin [202e.editor@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202e.editor@lionsclubs.org.nz)  
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MD Facebook [mdsocialmedia@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:mdsocialmedia@lionsclubs.org.nz)



## Remembrance Patches

Remembrance patches for Lions funerals are available from PDG Ash Hazlitt - the Rongotea & Districts Lions Club.

The cost is \$25.00 for 50. (updated quote) plus p&p (Usually approx. \$3.50 please check)

Phone: 06 329 7834 or 027 246 6559

Email: [a.p.hazlitt@xtra.co.nz](mailto:a.p.hazlitt@xtra.co.nz)



## LCIF District Co-ordinator. PDG Malcolm Williams



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

Following is an exert from our National LCIF Co-ordinator Leo Danz' newsletter.

“Ukraine and Turkey Update according to the latest figures I (Leo) have received, shows the assistance for refugees and displaced persons (which include Ukraine and Turkey) is \$US 5,362,773.00 from LCIF, and on top of this our partners have contributed a further \$US 1,229,676.00.

Melvin Jones Presentation Distribution out of Auckland has been successful; thanks to the help from Rhonda and team for doing a great job. A hurdle of this process is that Leo needs to approve all applications. These can only be approved when clubs have 1000 points in their donation statements. An exception can be made if the remaining balance is paid by credit card and I (Leo) receive proof of receipt from clubs. If donations are made directly online through LCIF, a screenshot showing that this transaction is received and the amount paid is required. Before you make any payments please give Leo Danz a ring 027 458 9633.”

In reference to the section of MJF's this is an ideal offer when there is urgency in obtaining a MJF plaque. Recent experience shows these can generally be obtained within a couple a weeks – there is also an additional cost of approx. \$50 for engraving and couriering of the plaque from Auckland.

### DID YOU KNOW ? LCIF GENERAL FAQ.

\*Is it true that LCIF has no administration expenses?

A. LCIF, like all organisations, does have administrative expenses. All expenses of LCIF are allocated into 3 functional allocations: administration, fundraising and programs.  
Through prudent and responsible management of funds, LCIF is able to cover the cost of the Admin and fundraising expenses through its investment income.

\*Does that mean 100% of my donation supports LCIF service?

A. Yes. Each donation supports LCIF programs for the short term and long term. The largest program expenditure is grants. As mentioned above, the foundation's investment income is sufficient to cover administrative and fundraising expenses.

As included in my November column, I do hold a supply of bronze, silver and gold LCIF Presidential Supporters Pin in the name of Dr Patti Hill, for sale. Priced at \$75, \$150 and \$300 these can be purchased by either club members personally, or by the Club and presented to a member in recognition of a well deserved project of activity. Credits are awarded for each purchase and are added to the Club's MJF credit total.



As at 30 October our District has donated USD7428 which is 27% of our LCIF goal of USD 27716.

Please continue to consider donating to our international humanitarian cause.

Kind regards

Malcolm Williams  
LCIF District Co-ordinator.



**SPAM** - Members are again experiencing a high level of spam which appears to come from a District Governor. If the email address does not look correct or the email content asks you for money or assistance don't respond.  
Check your level of personal security using the [CertNZ security quiz.](#)



# 202E Youth Message

WOW! What a cue for Kaikōura Lions Club - well done Team!

## Becca Baynton - Youth Chair 202e

A huge congratulations to the clubs who entered a school, or early learning centre, into our district's 2023 environment competition. I am always encouraged and warmed by the response of our young people to the needs of our natural world. The effort the staff go to, to ensure the knowledge and awareness of our environmental needs are kept, is to be highly commended.

I would like to congratulate the following clubs, their members and their sponsored entrants for their wonderful entries Thank you so much for supporting the success and survival of our youth competitions!

1st Place - Kaikōura Suburban School (Kaikōura Lions Club) \$500 cash prize and the District 202E Environment Shield.

2nd Place - Little Oaks by the Sea (Kaikōura Lions Club) \$300 cash prize

3rd Place - Sydenham Community Preschool (Lions Club of New Brighton) \$200 cash prize

The entrant's photo compilations will be displayed at the upcoming Blenheim convention in 2024, so keep an eye out for our excellent submissions.

Becca Baynton Youth Chair 202e

PS Peace poster winners will be in the next bulletin, as I am currently working in the Chatham Islands enjoying lots of blue cod and crayfish!



- a sneak preview of Suburban Primary School entry 'Community Impact'

This has been huge for a small rural school with just on 60 students. During Phase 2, we organised a massive community planting. When we put the call out, people responded immediately, then more people came and then more people came. It gave mana to this environmental project.'

## Valedictories, Remits and Nominations closing dates

A reminder that closing date for:

Remits and Nominations close on 14th January.

Valedictories for those who died after the 2023 Convention until 31st January 2024 is 12th February.

Would you please send a photo in with the valedictories, so they can be displayed on the screen?

Ian Cameron [202e.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202e.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz)

## Wow the 2024 National Youth Camp will be in 202E - Kaiteiteri



## Row For Life

Rowing commences in December as the boat heads towards Stewart Island. Clubs are encouraged to support this fundraising effort of which the Lions Skin Cancer Screening Vehicles are one of the four charities being supported. For more information contact your District GST Coordinator.

[South Island Schedule](#)

## PHOTOS & VIDEOS

We are collecting a national resource of still and video images of club service projects. If your club has any please send them directly to your District Marcom using their generic email.

[202E.marcom@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202E.marcom@lionsclubs.org.nz)

## CLUB SUPPLIES MEMBERSHIP PACKS

Order club supplies, brochures and membership packs on our webstore

[Here](#)

We have some fantastic items that can be provided as raffle prizes or as gifts to your members. Check out our club supplies store.

## ELLI

going to print is not yet full. Emerging Lions Leadership Institute: For Lions that have not yet been Club President. 12-14th Jan 2024 Sports and Rugby Institute Palmerston North

## Key Points – Cabinet 25 November 2023

1. Kan tabs – if delivering please put in waterproof container and text coordinator when delivering.
2. Orientation – clubs to approach GLT Tini if wish to use her advice and skills. Tini is willing to visit.
3. All clubs please ensure that your club's contact details are on your facebook/social media pages.
4. Row for life – please consider what / how clubs can help. Expectation is that clubs will help with accommodation, food, fundraising and promotion. GST Bernie Walls will be ringing clubs to determine which clubs are covering each landing points. Fundraising can be done prior to the event. Information to be collected at zone meetings.
5. Reminder for clubs to send a list of their annual donations – recipients and \$\$\$ amounts to District Treasurer so that we can use collated \$\$\$ figures for publicity purposes and celebrate your successes. This is public money and the information should be made available. This is information required from the Club's Charitable Trust.
6. Ensure your End of Year reports for Charities Register and the Incorporated Societies is lodged by 31 December.
7. The first model club constitution has been lodged with Incorporated societies and once accepted by Incorporated Societies this will be shared for all clubs to use.
8. GLT training days for club officer's workshops have been shared with clubs. Please inform GLT Tini if dates clash with anything major in the zones.
9. LCIF – supporter badges – can be used as gifts / recognition for Lions individual efforts. Contact LCIF coordinator Malcolm Williams.
10. LCIF - \$\$\$ credits. Contact Malcolm Williams if you wish to know what your club credits are.
11. Neuro diversity – Katie Townsend has been researching this topic and is preparing a paper on how we can support these members in our clubs. Katie is a Leo-Lion. Leo-Lion is a recognized category of membership. Contact Katie if you want any information.
12. A Harassment and Anti- bullying policy, mirroring the Multiple District policy was adopted. This is lodged on our District website. <https://2023-lionsclubs.org.nz>
13. District Marcom Award mirrors the MD Ron Rowe Award.
14. District constitution is being made available on our District website.
15. Two remits will be circulated to clubs, in time to vote, and have this presented at our District convention. They relate to the MD convention being available to all members via internet conferencing systems and also the ability for registered delegates to vote on line.
16. Personal development – there are still 2 or 3 vacancies and time to register on the ELLI and ALLI courses.
17. Remit regarding National Projects. Clubs must adhere by the rules.
18. Voting at World conferences – Discounted members (e.g. family members, Leo-Lions, student member or young adult member) must be members for 1 year and 1 day to be entitled to vote.
19. GLT, GST, GMT and LCIF who have served on a District Cabinet will be eligible to stand for the Second Vice District Governor position once this is ratified at World Convention in Melbourne.
20. National Youth camp is to be held at Kaiteriteri, 29 Sept to 5 October 2024. 12 – 16 year olds. \$500 per youth.
21. All Leos must be registered on the LCI site. This gives them a registration which allows them to later register as a Leo Lion.
22. Partnership being developed with plastic recycler.
23. Partnership being developed with Volunteer NZ. You can register with your local group.
24. Large stock of facemasks available through MD at a heavily discounted price. See Between The Lions.
25. Registration for World Convention in Melbourne - early discount cuts off before 12 January 2024.
26. MD has received a media grant from LCI. Yet to be decided how this is to be used.
27. Re-registering of constitution – hold off until advised otherwise.
28. MD convention 2025 to be held 25 to 27th April Devon Hotel, New Plymouth
29. Sales Force / Lions Portal – clubs please check details for each of their members on MyLCI for accuracy. Ensure that family units (husband & wife) or partners have separate email addresses.
20. MD Speechmaker will be 10th August 2024 to be held in Wainuiomata, Wellington.
21. Lions Quest programme is definitely cancelled in NZ.
22. Life Flight Trust fundraising support through District 202M (Waikanae Club). This is not being taken on by District but clubs are able to participate if they wish. Donate direct to 202M District Charitable Trust.
23. Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust – funds are available for clubs to apply for to help them get a project across the line if they are short of funds. Contact LMLCCT District Trustee Ian Lennie.
24. LMLCCT Trustee is to be accorded a cabinet position (not cabinet support) as it is an elected position.
25. Children of Courage idea is put on the table for further investigation and consideration.
26. 202E Peace poster winner - Heaton Normal Intermediate school pupil sponsored by New Brighton Lions Club.



Cabinet meeting was hosted by Oxford & District Lions Club who showed us round their Food truck.



Digby Prosser one of the Lions Earthquake Trustees presented this plaque to Lions on behalf of A.C.T.I.S.



27. 202E Convention 15 - 17th March 2024 in Blenheim - latest Newsletter on 202E website. [Here](#)
28. Schools Music Festival '23 - excellent BUT no club displays. Already we are looking towards 2024 festival and funding.
29. Lloyd Morgan - received donations received from 15 clubs only.





# Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill



Dear Lion

You and your fellow Lions serve your community at the local level, but never forget that you are part of an incredible global network of dedicated volunteers who are united in our mission of service. Together, you are changing peoples' lives for the better, every day, all around the world.

From helping to prevent blindness to supporting children and families affected by childhood cancer to protecting our environment, you are delivering care and kindness and bringing hope where it's needed most.

There is no greater calling on earth than to join together to give of our time and our talents to help those in need. That's what Lions do—that's what you do. Thank you for your commitment to creating the change that empowers others to achieve their potential.

Yours in service, Dr. Patti Hill International President



Halswell Lions - new member Gary Watson with DG John. Sponsor Paul O'Connor.



Blenheim Lions working to reach Mission 1500, welcomed Ursula Paul as a new member.



## Our Causes



Environment



Diabetes



Hunger



Vision



Humanitarian Efforts



Youth



Child Cancer



Disaster Relief

## Our Leaders

\* LIONS INTERNATIONAL \*  
(2023 - 2024)



Dr. Patti Hill  
Canada  
International President



Fabricio Oliveira  
Brazil  
1st Vice President



A. P. Singh  
India  
2nd Vice President



Mark Lyon  
U.S.A.  
3rd Vice President



The Lions Clubs of zone 3 Marlborough cordially invite all Lions and Leos to attend the annual convention March 15th - 17th 2024 in Blenheim. The first newsletter is attached. Registrations are now open. The registration form is available in the November District Bulletin, with further information on our 202E website under “2024 Convention” [Click here](#) or the MD website. [Click here](#)



## 202E SEA TO SHORE CONVENTION



Blenheim 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024

VENUE	All events are at the one venue: <u>Rangitane Cultural Centre</u> , Fell Street, Grovetown which is approximately 3km from the Blenheim Railway Station. The venue has ample parking space for cars.
 OPENING CEREMONY	An opening Ceremony will be held on Friday evening which will include the traditional flag ceremony. There will also be a key note speaker and entertainment. The evening will conclude with a light supper.
SATURDAY BREAKFAST	There is NO Saturday morning breakfast provided. Attendees will need to make their own arrangements.
SATURDAY BUSINESS MEETING	As well as the business session there will be a key note speaker. Partners will be invited to the first part of the meeting to hear the speaker.
PARTNERS PROGRAMME	A partners’ programme is being arranged which will provide a variety of experiences. More details in the next newsletter.
SATURDAY EVENING THEME	This is our social event and the evening is designed for fun and fellowship. The theme is ‘Come Dine at the Captain’s Table’. A chance for you to ‘dress up’ or ‘glam up’ in all your finery from whatever era you choose. There will be live music.
SUNDAY LUNCH	At the conclusion of the Remembrance and Rededication Service, Sunday lunch will be available. Attendees for lunch must ensure they book this in on the registration form. Clubs must cover the cost of lunch for any Family members of
REGISTRATION FORMS	The registration forms are currently being finalised. They will be available to download from our District website by 1 October. <a href="https://202e-lionsclub.nz">https://202e-lionsclub.nz</a> A copy will also be emailed to all club secretaries.
 MOTELS	<b>IMPORTANT:</b> It is strongly suggested that to secure accommodation you book as early as possible. Blenheim is a popular venue for events and tourists at this time of the year. There are a range of motels, B & B, or <u>motorhoming</u> options.
FURTHER INFORMATION	If you require further information please contact the convention chair, Helen Williams, <a href="mailto:202e.convchair@lionsclubs.org.nz">202e.convchair@lionsclubs.org.nz</a> or convention secretary Ian Cameron, <a href="mailto:202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz">202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz</a>





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Lions is more than just service, it's camaraderie!  
 It's that feel good feeling!



Antalya Lions  
 Leithfield Beach  
**BIG DIG**  
 Entry fee per child per dig \$5  
**DEC 27th**  
 Digging starts at 1.30 pm  
 Activities / Car boot sale / Coffee / Food / Drinks / Entertainment starts from 10 am

## Kaikōura Lions Club

Over 70's Living Alone Christmas Dinner  
 Wednesday 6th December 2023  
 11:30am Kaikōura Golf Club

To reserve a seat at our table phone:  
 Kevin 3195403  
 Tony 3197538  
 seats are filling fast AND it's FREE.



50th

50th



## Training day - Havelock

all Leos and Leo Advisors  
 on February 17, 2024, -  
 Pavilion 9am.

(Christchurch Leos & Advisors  
 to discuss date in Chch.)  
 Theme will be to give Leos  
 training in their various roles.

This will be interspersed  
 with Leo Advisor training.  
 Both will be workshops.  
 (Wayne Paulin  
 District Leos Coordinator)



## Kaikōura Lions Club



### Family Fishing Contest

Sunday 6th January 2024 7am

Registration outside Kaikōura Hunting & Fishing

Come join us for a great  
 day of Fishing, with  
 Grandad, Mum, Dad,  
 Auntie Lou and your  
 many many cousins.

So many  
 PRIZES,  
 So many  
 FISH



## Havelock School Lion Cubs



Havelock School Lion-Cubs recently undertook a makeover of the Havelock Medical Centre garden, planting natives and a Lime Tree as well as laying down coconut matting. The project was sponsored by Bunnings Warehouse and they were assisted by Havelock Lions, the Bunnings Activity Officer and a parent-help. #LionsClubsHavelock School Havelock Lion's Club Well done Havelock School Lion-Leos

THE PICTON LIONS  
 Presents  
**What's IN THE SHED**  
 AT PICTON SCHOOL GROUNDS

**20TH JANUARY 2024**  
 10:00AM-12:00PM

MASSIVE CAR DISPLAY  
 COFFEE & FOOD ON SITE  
 PICNIC AREA

**\$5**  
 FOR SHOW VEHICLES  
 GOLD COIN ADMISSION TO THE PUBLIC

OPEN TO ALL  
 CARS  
 TRUCKS  
 BIKES

Parade through Picton Inn

All proceeds to Picton School Duffly Books Project

Oxford  
**Christmas Parade 2023** Like you have never seen before!

**Sunday 17th December**  
**12.30PM**

Starts at the Town Hall & finishes at the AMP Showground

Float theme "Anything goes"

Those with floats arrive at 12pm and assemble on Burnett Street for a 12.30pm start.

Float judging • Kids Fancy Dress judging • Float judging  
 • Santa's Grotto • Bands • Fire Dancers • Brass Band  
 • Bunting Lights • Santa Head Parade

CONTACT: 0457 5099999 • 03 535 1177

**BLENHEM LIONS MISTLETOE MARKET**

**SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER**  
 9am to 2pm in the CBD

WITH OUR VERY OWN

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT BRASS BAND

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 It's time to get creative and sell your work at the

**CHRISTMAS CRAFT MARKET**  
 SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER

Jazzy Jewellery  
 Wonderful Woodwork  
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 Tossed out Toys

Classy Cakes & Cookies  
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 Sensational Sewing

Supported by Kaikōura Seaward Lions  
 Contact: Alison Taylor on 027 519 759  
 For more information



What a great day yesterday morning helping the Rai Valley Leo's at the War memorial at Rai Valley with over 150 plants planted. Thanks also to the Downer staff who helped. A big thank you to Hazel from the Havelock Lions Club who provided the lunch for them. "Boy, it was a steep slope" just as well the country kids are used to it.

## On a lighter note: thinking to those of us who never use Facebook ...



### A Senior Perspective of Facebook

For those of my generation who do not, and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists:

- I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles.
- Therefore every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, and what I will do later with whom.
- I give them photos of my family, my dog, and me gardening, taking things apart in my garage, watering the lawns, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch with friends and what I am eating, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day.
- I also listen to their conversations and give them the "thumbs up" to tell them I like them.

And it works just like Facebook.

I already have four people following me: two policemen, a private investigator and a psychiatrist. (the above just may give those without Facebook, a glimpse of what they are missing :)



Memo - remind Kevin that Shops are not open on Christmas Day - shhh I would love a .....

Wow Christmas looms already, as I write this it's 28 days to go. Where will you all be on 25th December - with family? We will this year, have an extra special Christmas with our son flying in from Melbourne - BUT unlike his sister he won't be camping ...



I hope to catch up with the 3 Nelson clubs at Richmond Lions Fun day 1st January, an amazing well organised day.

Like me, your District Bulletin will be on holiday until the February edition, where hopefully I will have gleaned your December happenings and even November that I have not had room for.

From Kevin and I, have a super family filled Christmas and New Year ready for a busy 2024. cheers Lou