



202E District Bulletin January/ February 2024

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Selwyn Lions decorated a tree for the Hope Church Christmas Grotto in Rolleston. The decorations are all constructed of natural materials and feature Cuddle Hearts. (featured in an earlier District Bulletin.)

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Hi Team,

Well, who can believe that it's the start of a new year, it seems like a short time ago since the last one, yes, I can remember that.

What a joy and a blessing to celebrate Christmas. Yvonne and I spent Christmas day with the family at my son's place, to spend time like this is one which we all remember.

I hope all of you had a wonder time as well spending it with family and friends. The weather has even played ball this year, hot summer days like we used to have.

For those Lions that continue to serve your community over that Christmas and New Year time, I thank you your dedication to the motto "We Serve" is great commitment to your time, one Yvonne and I did help with was The New Years Day Fair at the Tahuna playing field, they were certainly busy, and a great fundraiser for the Lions Skin Cancer Screening.

Congratulations to the Lions Club of Richmond on this.

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 Lions 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.

The committee is very busy getting this together, just make their life easier by registering now, it will be a great weekend and the first time it's being held outside the Christchurch area for 5 years.

Challenges for this year.

What new challenges are your club taking on this year will you "Dare to be Different?" Lets make Lions more visible in the District, create opportunities that exist in our communities. I think this is a lot about asking for new members. All we must do is ASK. Thinking of Melvin Jones birthday this week I wonder how he would feel about the Lions Clubs worldwide? I personally think he would be very proud on the causes the Lions have achieved and the work they continually do.

I Challenge all clubs to take on a different project this year do something different, I would love to hear your thoughts.



Congratulations to Rolleston Club for adding 9 new members up to the end of December 2023, well done, come on other clubs lets see if you can get up to that level. Congratulations to Blenheim and Christchurch Host who have added 6 new members well done also.

At the end of December, we are in a positive growth. Thank you all for contributing to this, without the team this would not have happened.

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 - Mission 1500 by June 2027.

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?

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

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We're on a mission to grow.

MISSION 1.5 is the drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide, so we can better meet the growing needs of our communities and serve more people than ever before.



Havelock Lions - Pelorus Cluster Peace Poster contest - 1st & 2nd prize winners receiving a certificate and book voucher with Lion Ian. 2



District 202E Officers 2023 - 2024



Secretary Ian



VDG Pam



DG John



2VDG Bernie



Treasurer Ian



Diabetes - one of Lions main causes! Did your club support **Lap the Map?**

Here's how Blenheim, Hawarden-Waikari and Rangiora Lioness Lions celebrated their walks. Blenheim Lions - 'Thank you to the wonderful walkers who supported our Lap the Map for diabetes.'

Your combined efforts added 200 km to our national goal. Look forward to seeing you all again next year.'

Hawarden-Waikari Lions - held our Lap the Map event on a brilliantly sunny day at the Waikari Village Green. 71 walkers attended and all enjoyed the walk around the 3.7km course which every participant walked, using a portion of the original railway line bed passing through the village. Refreshments and prizes were on offer after the completion of the course. As diabetes awareness was the focus of the nationwide event, we were made aware of the case history of our youngest walker and his journey of living with diabetes. 15000 kilometres was the national goal and we did our best to make this attainable. (well done to all clubs!)



Blenheim Lions



Rangiora Lioness Lions



Hawarden-Waikari Lions



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Quite a bit of my holiday time this Summer has been completing assignments as part of the Vice District Governor training programme. While there has been work around our Lions founding documents, like the various Constitutions, the District e-book, etc., there is some interesting work with modules from the Lions Learning Centre – as 2nd VDG Bernie wrote in last month’s Bulletin, topics not just about Lions life, but other topics relevant to general aspects of our life, like Decision Making, Goal Setting, Effective Listening, Promoting Innovation, to mention just a few. In our studies, we have gone back to the basics with our Lions Purposes and Ethics and our underlying principle, We Serve – not just as Lions members in our communities, but also as leaders in our clubs and our districts. There’s a very fitting module in the Learning Centre for this: Servant Leadership.

So link into lionsclubs.org -> member login -> learn -> content library and explore what might be there for you.

The holiday time hasn’t all been so serious – thanks to some busy clubs, there have been quite a few fun projects carrying on, like the Amberley Club’s Big Dig and Fishing Contest, several clubs with 4WD trips, various Santa Parades, even a Magic Show. I hope we’ve all been able to take a break from our usual routines and activities, and come back refreshed and ready to start in again. Let’s have a great year ahead!!

Have a great month *Pam*

When you look through the Content Library on the Learning Centre, you will find a lot of self educational material that is important to look though, especially if you are considering taking on any position within your Club. Please think about this seriously.

I wish VDG Pam Harvey all the best for her trip to Chicago for her training on District Governorship.

Take Care Bernie

[Click here](#) for more information on accessing the Learning Centre.

[Click here](#) for Club Officer Training.



Christchurch Host celebrates the first New Year meet with a coffee gathering at Mona Vale under the trees..... A great setting and below Celebrated New Year’s Day at the Spencer Park Gala with a Jams, chutneys and Bric-a-brac site.



Amberley & District Lions celebrated the Festive season with their Fishing Contest and a Big (Beach) Dig. (see page 8 for more photos.)



LIONS CLUB OF CHRISTCHURCH HOST

Peace Posters

- what amazing entries from our YOUTH with the support of our clubs!



Dear Lions



Thank you for your patience regarding the outcome of this year's peace poster. It was an extremely difficult task to judge all the wonderful entries this year. There were eight clubs that entered this year which made the judging such a difficult decision.

A big thank you to Woodend Pegasus, Hokitika, Selwyn, New Brighton, Ferrymead, Seaview, Christchurch Host and Rangiora Lions - a marvellous outcome for this year!

The following winners are:

1st \$500 Elena, Heaton Normal Intermediate - New Brighton

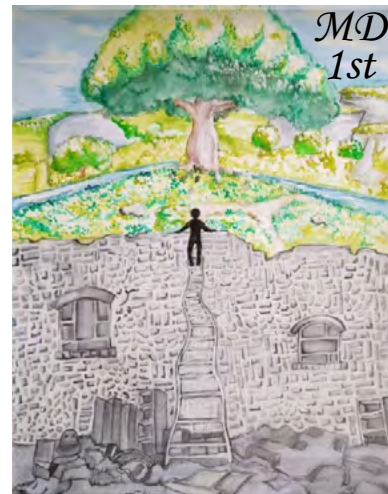
2nd \$300 Calleigh, Chisnallwood Intermediate - Seaview

3rd \$200 Eshan, Pegasus Bay School - Woodend Pegasus

The prize structure changes slightly for next year, as there will be an accommodation for highly commended \$50 prize awards alongside 1st \$300, 2nd \$200 and 3rd \$100. Keep an eye out for all the posters at the upcoming convention in Blenheim, as they will be displayed at the youth stand.

Thank you to all entrants and their sponsoring clubs for the 202e Peace Poster competition for 2023/24.

Rebecca Baynton Youth Chair 202e.youth@lionsclubs.org.nz



2023 MD winner - Sofia Litvinova of Kelburn Normal School, Wellington. Our New Zealand entry into the Worldwide contest.

"If we all act on our dreams together, we can work towards world peace"



THE 2023-2024 Contest Dare to Dream. 'To a young person, a dream isn't just a wish, hope or desire - it's a path, a goal, an ambition. But achieving that dream takes hard work. This year, we're asking young people to show how they'll turn their dream of a peaceful world into reality.'

Selwyn Lions - had 21 entries for the International Peace Poster contest. Alex won a \$50 voucher and a certificate from our Club. All other entrants received participation certificates. With President Jane Forrest and Alison Benefield.



Akaroa and Bays Lions joined the pupils from the Duvauchelle School in the "Lap the Map" day.



Global Service Team - GST - 2VDG Bernie Walls



Lions and Leos make a difference every day, everywhere we serve.

And with the support of our international association and our global foundation, we are changing lives, communities and the world we share. We are serving a world in need, through one act of kindness at a time.

Kindness means being kind to your fellow human being.

We serve our local communities in so many ways through our key global causes; Hunger, Environment, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer, Disaster Relief, Vision, Youth, and Humanitarian. There are also Special Initiatives, all is available on the Lions International website.

February is Childhood Cancer awareness month with the International Childhood Day 15th February.

Have a great month *Bernie*

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Christchurch South Lions
Dementia collection at
Barrington Mall.



THE 2024-2025 PEACE POSTER CONTEST

“Peace Without Limits”

For peace to be anything more than a possibility, we need to make it a priority. This year, we're asking our young students to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits. Peace Poster Kits available now from M.D.



Global Leadership Team - GLT - Tini Lawry

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Happy new year (second half of Lions' year) to you all.

One of my favourite parts of my GLT role is equipping people so they can be even more effective as members of our organisation.

In February our Leo Coordinator Wayne Paulin (202e.leos@lionsclubs.org.nz) has set up two workshops:
Saturday 10 February in the Burnside Den, Christchurch, 9am – 2.30pm
and Saturday 17 February in Havelock, 9am – 2.30pm.

NO, don't switch off! Although this is primarily for Leos and Leo advisors, it is YOU who is reading this. So, could you pass this invitation directly on to the Leo Advisor, Cub leader and Leo Club in your club, and onto anyone who likes to know what is going on in the Leo movement? We've set up an exciting programme with plenty of time to discuss with and hear from the Leos what is driving them, so Lions can assist. Register with Wayne before the 5th of February for Christchurch and before the 12th of February for the Havelock workshop. See you there!

In the December DB I've asked if the 2024 Officers Workshop dates were clashing with major club events. I haven't heard of any. So, we're locking these dates in.

These are the Club Officers Workshops:

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

I hope we've all had a 'rest' from Lions in January, (although our club has a president's breakfast organised), so we are keen to get stuck in the Lions' business in February.

Take care *Tini*



WELCOME to our New Lions

December & January '23

MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
1. Justin Chan	Chch. Chinese	Victor Cheng
2. Michelle Fu	Chch. Chinese	Brian Kwok
3. Tina Kennington	Renwick	Susan Fox
4. Haley Taylor	Blenheim	Luke Roberts
5. Lindsay Gilbert	Ellesmere	?
6. Raewyn McLennan	Hokitika	Brian McLennan
7. Grant O'Brien	Hokitika	Neil Bradley
8. Katie Greer	Richmond	Glenda Buschl
9. Joseph Cairns	Rolleston & Dist.	Margaret Gerken

Our deepest sympathy to family and friends of:

Member	Club	Service Years
Colin Stott	Malvern Lions	45
Geoffrey Rump	New Brighton	45
Roger Alexander	Rangiora	46



New Members - How?

Looking for a great way to attract new members and celebrate them—and have some fun? Then download our MISSION 1.5 social kit with ready-to-use Facebook covers, customizable social media graphics and more so you can show your appreciation for new members and your support of MISSION 1.5 <https://bit.ly/4aPyEVU> Next, be sure to share your posts with our #MissionToGrow hashtag so the world of Lions can celebrate with you! You too, can use any Lions graphics and personalise them to suit your Club as below.



Challenge Accepted!



Join Us

- (email address here)
- (club URL here)

Marketing & Communications Calendar

February	Month	Childhood Cancer Awareness month. (LCI)
	10	Leo Workshop - The Den Christchurch.
	15	International Childhood Cancer Day.
	17	Leo Workshop - The Pavilion Havelock.
March	1	Lions Day with the United Nations.
	3	Children's Day.
	8	International Women's Day.
	9	District Cabinet via Zoom.
	15-17	District 202E Convention. (have you Registered?)
April	12-14	ALLI - Auckland.
	Month	Leo Awareness month.
	Month	Environmental Awareness month.
	19-21	MD Convention - Hamilton.
	27	Lions world-wide Induction Day.
May	25	Cabinet meeting - Christchurch.

Club Workshops

May	3	Omihi Hall	4-8pm
	11	Ferrymead/ Burnside	10-2:30pm
	18	Blenheim	10-2:30pm
	19	Motueka	10-2:30pm
June	8	Greymouth	10-2:30pm

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Christmas Parade for young'uns and old'uns alike.

Oxford & Districts Lions - yet another very successful project, bringing Christmas Cheer to us all.

'The sound of Santa's waka bells were ringing down Main street. People from all across the region lined the street for the parade before following it around to the showgrounds where the festivities continued. It is all said in pictures really.'



All the Fun of the Fair - the Richmond Lions Fair.

and joined by Nelson Host and Nelson Lioness Lions on New Year's Day to make a superb event for locals and visitors. Richmond Lions start the night before with Surf Lifesavers selling a raffle throughout the Tahuna Camp.



Kaikoura Lions Club celebrated 48 years of their annual Family Fishing Day

The Sun and Fish Gods shone on the fisherpersons with 148 seniors, 65 Juniors and 91 fish caught with Senior 1st - 33.70kg Seven Gill Shark and Junior 1st 15.39 School Shark. Proceeds of \$3,000 will be donated to our new Takahanga Sports Complex.



Toot 4 Tucker, Senior Citizens High Tea, Big Dig, Fishing Contest & Amberley & Districts Lions.

Amberley Lions - we also held a very successful High Tea for our elderly citizens entertained by the Amberley Dance group, Ukelele group with a piper kicking off the afternoon. Four very successful summer projects.





MISSION 1500 - June 2027

with PDG, Club President & Zone Chair



Marion McWha

M N O of RETENTION

for all Club Presidents and Membership Chairmen (and members)

In the November District Bulletin you read the A - L and now the M - Z

- M** is for MEETINGS: Long boring meetings are the main retention challenge. How do your meetings measure up?
- N** is for NEW MEMBERS: A Club can't grow without them!
- O** is for ORIENTATION: A proper Orientation is the best way to turn a new member into a great member, and an enthusiastic Lion.
- P** is for PUBLICITY: Don't be afraid to "blow your own trumpet" Publicity about your Club's worthwhile activities will help ensure it's success - you may gain members.
- Q** is for QUALITY: Strive for quality in everything you do, whether recruiting members or beginning a new Service activity.
- R** is for RECOGNITION: Recognise the outstanding efforts of your members at every opportunity - remember, we are all volunteers.
- S** is for STRATEGIES: Ask Cabinet Chairmen to assist with successful strategies to combat retention and any other challenges you may have.
- T** is for TEAM: Remember - Together Everyone Achieves More.
- U** is for UNITY: Sharing common goals will help unite members.
- V** is for VARIETY: Try something new to keep your members interested and involved.
- W** is for "WE SERVE": The motivating force behind what all Lions do. Be proud of our motto.
- X** is for EXTRA: Anything worth doing is worth doing well. Encourage extra efforts from all your team members - including yourself.
- Y** is for YEAR-ROUND GROWTH: Quality members are available all the time - don't wait for special membership growth months.
- Z** is for ZEST: Can you take care of business and still have fun? You bet! Make your Club enjoyable and productive - as you serve your community.



Kaikōura Lions asked for outside help and they turned up. This is from their Facebook post - 'A hard day at the Crusades but most rewarding! NO we don't sell firewood but ensure that everyone is winter warm. If you have some spare time to give us a hand to share the load please phone Kevin 021 1426882 - great camaraderie.' #Out there doing it for our Community.



Halswell Lions - 'Carols in the Quarry was a great afternoon. Thanks to the Halswell scouts for cooking all the sausages, the Steadfast band, and all the Lions members who were there to help make this such a success. As always Santa was a great hit with the children.' below - lining up for Free sausages at NW.



Oxford & Districts Lions start their Magical Mystery Christmas Bus Tour



Toot for Tucker



a most fulfilling project for clubs!



Emergency Services gather to Assist Toot 4 Tucker in Lincoln.

The Toot 4 Tucker held in Lincoln and Rolleston was a great success. 200 large cartons of food were donated, estimated to be worth over \$10,000+. Selwyn and Rolleston Lions plus other volunteers, turned up to help. Food from the two collections was split between the three Selwyn District Foodbanks.

Toot for Tucker
Food Bank Appeal

We'll be tooting from 6-7pm!
Tuesday 5 December '23
Amberley, Woodend Pegasus and Glenmark Lions and ...



Picton's Toot for Tucker - Picton Lions members and Picton Fire Brigade gather after their Food bank collection.



Rangiora Lioness Lions collected Foodbank donations.



Amberley Lions collected for the North Canterbury Foodbanks.



The Rangiora High School Leos have been very busy in December with community service, by helping out in the collection for Food 4 Tucker in Rangiora. left - young people involved in the event. right - six of them, Ruby, Lisa, Sophia, Natalie, Brooke and Claudia. They have also helped with 'gate duties' at the local Christmas events.



Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival 2024

For eight decades the Christchurch Schools Music Festival has been an icon in the cultural life of many young school students, and for more than two decades, the Lions Clubs of 202E have been naming rights sponsors - making it "The Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival". To achieve this, Lions have paid a minimum of \$10,000 each year in sponsorship fees - these funds coming from Clubs in the area covered by participating schools.

This is the largest annual event in the South Island dedicated to developing young musical talent, inspiring participation at the highest level in musical performance, both vocal and instrumental. Many of you reading this may have participated yourself - I know I have, in choirs as a 10-12 year old, and in later life, as a school choir teacher, with my choirs taking part for several years. As a trainee teacher, I also played the recorder in the years when there used to be a recorder group involved.

On each of the four nights of the festival, a different massed choir from schools as far away as the West Coast, and from Cheviot down to Christchurch and outlying areas, comprising 800 - 1000 singers, joins the Junior and Senior Representative choirs, a Concert Band and Concert Orchestra, comprised of primary and intermediate school instrumentalists and singers, present a high quality concert.

The 2024 Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival will be held from 22nd to 25th October - so if you are planning to attend, mark that in your Club diary now. Where will that \$10,000 we will be offering as a bid to once more be the naming rights sponsors come from? We have about \$500 already in the District Account so we will be asking Clubs in the areas that schools come from to make a contribution - more about that in future 202E Bulletins, but something for you to think about, and hopefully budget for. Lions Music Festival Liaison team - PDG Marion McWha & VDG Pam Harvey (Congratulations Marion & Ian on your first great grandson.)



Reminder:

By 12th February: All valedictories plus a photo to be sent to 202e.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz

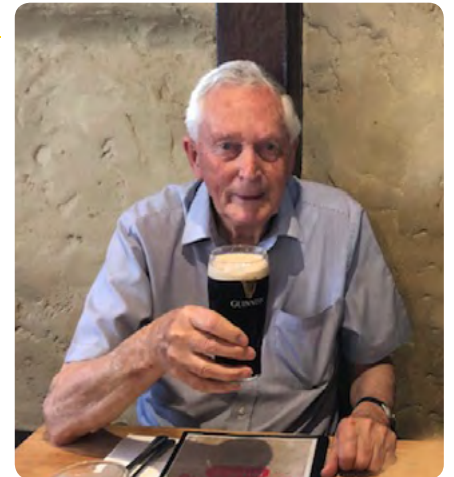
By 12th February: Names of delegates to be sent to 202e.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz

Important

Blenheim Lions Club - Change of meeting dates and Venue: Meeting dates (Feb to Nov): 1st Wednesday at 5.30pm 3rd Wednesday at 6.30pm - Venue: The Alzheimer's Centre, 8 Wither Road, Witherlea, Blenheim.

Christchurch City Breakfast - Change of Venue: L.B EXPRESSO CAFÉ Corner Ilam / Creyke Road Ilam. Meeting held at 7.00 A.M. on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

Happy New Year, ladies. I'm so grateful to have this club in my life. Your support and kindness have been massive these past 2 challenging years 🍷 (from a Selwyn Lion to her Club - how important it is to care about our members.)



Past District Governor Jim Pollitt celebrating his 95th birthday. A Lion for over 50 years, in several countries, PDG Jim is still busy in Nelson Host Lions Club.



Register



MELBOURNE

JUNE 21-25, 2024

Why Attend

Once a year, thousands of Lions and Leos from around the world come together at our LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION. There are a thousand reasons why you should join them.

Registrations - You can modify or cancel your registration online up to May 1, 2024 with a refund less US\$25 processing fee.

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



LCIF District Co-ordinator. PDG Malcolm Williams



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

After a very successful previous year, this year has been slow so far but this is not unusual for this time of the year. Most of our donations are received between February and June and I am confident that MD District will match last year's donations. Our expenditure worldwide has steadily increased for the last 10 years +.

Our major needs at this stage are still Ukraine refugee assistance, the big earthquake in Japan and of course the war in the Middle East. Lions International is a non-political, non-sectarian volunteer service organisation whose members are dedicated to serving a world in need. When a massive earthquake struck western Japan, buildings collapsed, fires ignited and tsunami alerts were issued for surrounding regions. The 7.6 Magnitude earthquake destroyed homes, forced nearly 100,000 residents to evacuate and left tens of thousands of homes without power. Japan is always one of the most generous countries when something happens in our part of the world so it would be nice if we could give back.

Middle East Grants Update: A US\$10,000 grant to District 128 Israel to support the purchase of winter coats for children who have been evacuated from their homes, a US\$10,000 grant to support District 351 Lions Clubs in the West Bank in providing food, water, eating utensils, basic medical supplies, and personal hygiene items for displaced families in Gaza, and a \$35,000 grant to District 128 Israel to assist replacing eyeglasses for people who lost theirs while fleeing the violence.

Melvin Jones: Rhonda and the team in Auckland do a great job of organising and sending out the plaques. There has been a delay with the letters that are supposed to be presented at the same time. America will send these directly to the Clubs. I have received several enquiries about Melvin Jones and why certain things are not done but most of the time we get a steady request for MJFs; if any clubs are considering one please get the application in to me as soon as possible in case there are any delays. At this stage there are still 10 in Auckland that can be delivered as soon as I receive confirmation of credits or payment. This incurs an additional cost of \$50 for engraving and freight.

LCIF are holding for NZ, US \$169,424 (NZ\$310,000.00) for disaster reconstruction and relief. They are ready to consider proposals for projects from either Clubs, Zone or a District application from Districts affected by Cyclone Gabrielle. Projects would need a detailed plan of action, a budget and a committee. So, if you know Lions in the 2 affected areas, please encourage them to put a Project together as the funding is sitting there awaiting an application.

We thank you for those that have donated individually; the contribution pins are available from me. Bronze is \$75, silver is \$150 and gold is \$300. This is a good way of recognising your president, treasurer and secretary at the end of the year for jobs well done.



Gold \$300



Silver \$150



Bronze \$75

As at 30 December contributions for our District (for 6 months) totalled US\$11043, which is 40% of our annual goal of US\$27716. We are on target, so for the Clubs yet to donate to LCIF, would you please consider a donation to our humanitarian cause. Thank you.

Malcolm District LCIF Co-ordinator.



Kaikōura Lions Club know how to entertain their 'older' citizens in style for their 50th year. and just love the pleasure of feeding, waiting on and entertaining 85 very special people. Here, our Kaikōura Children's Choir keeps them enthralled with Christmas carols. At days end, 35 Helpers sit down to the same 4 course meal. A satisfying days work well done!



'Cabinet attachments on tour' - 'Thanks go to Sue & Nan for their time in taking us around Oxford. Much appreciated. Made very welcome where we went. It was a fun day.'



'Proudly supporting our local Kaikōura Lions Club with the gift of a generic cheque to use with their amazing donations into our community. Thank you Harcourts.' Will Parsons and Janice Dreaver.



It takes a Team! Selwyn Lions helped with a fundraiser for the Canterbury Cancer Centre wrapping Christmas parcels at Northland's Mall 3 teams of members covered shifts from 9.45am to 8 pm. right - some of our ladies got together and bagged up Christmas Treats for the Woodcote Resthome and Greenpark Foodbank - here delivering to the Woodcote Resthome.

Rowing For Life NZ

sails into District 202E
2nd March (approx.) Akaroa.

Rowing For Life



Raising funds for



Coastal Rowing fundraiser. The first part of the adventure from South Cape Stewart Island to Bluff completed December 2023, and then the second part from Bluff to Cape Reinga starts on 10 February 2024, averaging 40km per day, finishing at Cape Reinga in July 2024. 'After rowing from South Cape to Pegasus, we spent two days there waiting for weather to clear. It was 5:30am Tuesday 5th December, we were able to start rowing again. After 9 hours rowing we arrived at Oban with 6 boat loads of school kids yelling out support and then greeted by a haka on the beach, so awesome and passionate.'

What has your Club planned? How will your town greet the Rowers?



A Family Fun Day? Sausage sizzle? Gym Rowing marathon? Please let our GST Bernie know what you have planned. 202e.gst@lionsclubs.org.nz We need fundraising for these Four Charities: The Lions Cancer Trust, Child Cancer Foundation, Starship and Surf Life Saving.)

The Rowers Require: Bed and Meals for up to 14 persons.

'3,000 kms, 111 legs, 5 months an epic journey dedicated to charity.'

202E Lions - were you at ELLI?



District 202E ELLI candidates who graduated from our recent 3 day course. Proud they look and proud they should be. Left to right ELLI MD GLT Lynda Halverston, Kimberley Tonkin (Rangiora), Susan Fox (Renwick), Katie Roeske (Havelock).

What is ELLI - Emerging Lions Leadership Institute - Lions and Leos who wish to pursue Leadership roles within their club will benefit from ELLI, where they will learn the history and goals of Lions International, develop strategies for being an effective leader and collaborate with a diverse group of fellow Lions. ELLI is an interactive, 3-day institute that provides valuable leadership skills and the necessary knowledge to be an effective club president or leader within your club.

Our Lions Clubs
Future is
BRIGHT!

(an edited version from "Cool Lions Graphics")

Project of the Ashburton Lions Club

South Island Motorhome Show

Web: www.southislandmotorhomeshow.co.nz
Email: ashburtonmotorhomeshow@gmail.com
facebook.com/southislandmotorhomeshow/

Ashburton Showgrounds
Sat 10 Feb 9am-4pm - Sun 11 Feb 9am-3pm, 2024

Buy • Sell • Trade
Self-Contained Campers Welcome

Under 15 FREE
Adults \$5
EFTPOS Available

One of the organisers is our PDG Phil Lynch.



What is Camp Quality? Christchurch 2024

Camp Quality New Zealand is a volunteer charitable trust dedicated to running camps where fun, friendship and a can-do culture inspire children living with cancer to overcome the challenges cancer brings. Camp Quality inspires them to get on with being kids again.

Camp Quality Christchurch caters for children living on the West Coast and north of the Rakaia River to the top of the South Island. Each summer 50 to 60 campers enjoy a week-long camp at Living Springs in Governors Bay.

Set in the tranquil and beautiful environment of the Port Hills this is an amazing venue from which we base ourselves for the week of fun filled activities at the camp and around the region.



A cancer diagnosis can negatively impact a child's health, mental wellbeing, and important life and social skills for years – leaving its mark long after treatment is finished.

That's why Camp Quality provides endlessly fun camp experiences that help children on their cancer journey realise their own strength, recharge their emotional and physical batteries, create incredible friendships, and most importantly, get back to being kids.

However, we receive no government funding and rely entirely on organisations to keep our work going. We are so appreciative to all who support to help us send kids to these life-changing camps!



Here's how one of our Kaikōura Seaward Lions reported her visit - 'Doreen, Rhonda and Alison went down to Camp Quality at Living Springs on Sunday 14 January to serve up the lunch for the camp participants. As the children had not arrived there were only the helpers to be catered for, so the three of us were able to do the whole job very easily. We began serving at just on midday and had everything cleared up by 12.45! The carers had to be on the buses by 12.30 to pick up the children, so they ate and ran. We left Living Springs at 1.00 pm. What a super day we had. A lovely day, delicious food prepared by the chefs, very friendly and grateful people to look after, and even some time for some retail therapy on our way home, after a tiki tour home over Gebbes Pass. I will be keen to go again next year, and I know the others are keen to repeat the experience as well.' (thanks Alison Taylor, great report.)

(I didn't forget all our other clubs who helped served meals. I trawled Camp Quality Christchurch Facebook for the Camp duration as I had been assured our Lions helpers photos would come. Hopefully they still will and be added to our March bulletin.

Imagine your next Holiday - Bali, Norway, Melbourne OR Blenheim! Have YOU Registered for our March District Convention?

Registrations required before the 29th February and are very slow to arrive. We absolutely need the support of all our District.

Please, Ask your club secretary to share our Convention Newsletter number 3 or log on to the MD website. **15 - 17 March 2024.**

<https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/about/districts/upper-south-island-west-coast/202e-district-convention> or [Click here](#)



For more information, please refer to pages 17 & 18 in this D.B.



Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill

Changing the world is a journey. There is no middle and no end. There is only a beginning - and it starts with us.



What does Mission 1.5 mean? At present the Worldwide Lions number 1,364,335. By June '27 our Goal is to reach 1,500,000 - OR 135,665 New Lions.



MISSION 1.5

Hokitika Lions - welcomed two new members into their Club - Stephanie Knighton and Grant O'Brien. Welcome to our Lions family.

Kaikōura Lions welcomed Craig Usmar (middle) into their Club with President Kevin and DG John.



Global Membership Approach Plan for your club's success

Ready to move your club in a dynamic new direction using the Global Membership Approach? Then start planning for your success with the Global Membership Approach. This process can help you attract new members, overcome challenges, and develop new goals and strategies.



Woodend Pegasus Lions Ian Lennie & Cliff Hurley, left, presented the Santa Claus Workshop - wooden toys to the Salvation Army for distribution to local families in need before Christmas.

right - Brian and Anne Attenborough selling Lions Christmas cakes.



The Treasurer

An update on club donations for the 2022/2023 year

29 clubs have donated \$706,698. Impressive! Wonder what the total would be from all 42 clubs!! (202E Treasurer Ian Lennie.)

Is your Club one of the 29? Our Treasurer has just 13 to go. well done Team!

(after Ian receives the full complement he will breakdown the figure to Camp Quality, LCIF etc. and it will be in this bulletin. Imagine what \$1,000,000 will look like!)

Our Global Causes



Diabetes



Child Cancer



Disaster Relief



Environment



Hunger



Vision



Humanitarian Efforts



Youth



202E District Convention

15th – 17th March 2024
 Hosted by Marlborough Lions Clubs
 Venue: Rangitane Conference Centre
 Fell Street, Grovetown, Blenheim

REGISTRATION FORM



Note: An online version of this form is available [here](#)

- Click download to be able to type.
- Or Print and hand write your details.
- Then print, scan, and send to:
202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz

IMPORTANT: Each PERSON must complete a separate registration form (please print clearly)

<i>Surname</i>		<i>First Name</i>			
<i>Club</i>		<i>District</i>			
<i>Lion</i>	<i>Leo</i>	<i>Office Held</i>			
<i>Partner's Surname</i>		<i>First Name</i>			
<i>Postal Address</i>		<i>Post Code</i>			
<i>Email</i>		<i>Phone</i>			
REGISTRATION AND FUNCTIONS		COST(\$)	LION	PARTNER	TOTAL(\$)
Convention Registration: Lion (Compulsory/non-refundable)		25.00		N/A	
Convention Registration: Non-Lion Partner (Compulsory/non-refundable)		25.00	N/A		
Friday Night Opening Ceremony + supper		25.00			
Saturday Morning tea and lunch		35.00			
Partner's Tour includes Morning tea and lunch		40.00			
Saturday Evening meal, entertainment and live music		60.00			
Sunday Rededication/Remembrance Service with light lunch		25.00			
Late registration fee (after 1 st to 8 th March 2024)		20.00			
TOTAL TO PAY \$					
<i>Dietary Requirements</i>					
Gluten Free		Vegetarian		Dairy Free	Other ?

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT OPTIONS REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 1st March 2024

Payment is by way of Internet Banking please.

Westpac Internet Banking Account Name: Top of the South Convention 2024
Details: Account Number: 03 0599 0529858 01

Particulars: Member's Name; Code: Club Name; Reference: Registration

Date Internet Banking Completed: ___/___/___ (D/M/Y)

(Registrations will be confirmed once the internet banking is received)

EMAIL: Attach your scanned form and send to: 202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz

POST: Registrations, Lions 202E Convention, C/- Ian Cameron, 5 Inglis Street, Havelock 7100

Info. available either on our MD website [Click here](#) OR our District website "2024 Convention" [Click here](#)



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 15th – 17th 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. https://202e-lionsclub.nz A copy will also be emailed to all club secretaries.
 MOTELS	IMPORTANT: 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, 202e.convchair@lionsclubs.org.nz or convention secretary Ian Cameron, 202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz



Kaikoura Seaward Lions drew the young'uns in hoards with their own stalls at the Communities Christmas celebrations.

Alison Taylor,

a Kaikōura Seaward Lion.

There was an amazing response to the Children's Christmas Craft Market held during the town Christmas Festival on 16 December. I had no expectations of how many stalls we might have and was stunned when there were eight stalls all selling amazing crafts and baking done by the young people in our community. The feedback from the young people and their parents and caregivers was so positive and they would all love this to be an annual event.

At the debrief meeting of the committee involved, we discussed the date for another Christmas Festival for 2024 and where all the market stalls would be at another festival. We had hoped that the shopkeepers would be more involved in the whole festival, with stalls outside their shops with 'FESTIVAL BARGAINS', but there were few of them unfortunately. Maybe they will be more involved in 2024? This year's Festival has been tentatively set down for Saturday 4 December, which gives us an opportunity for a postponement date of 11 December. It was also decided to have all the stalls down in the car park area, which will mean that more people will be able to see the youth stalls.

It was an excellent opportunity to sell our club to the parents and caregivers of the youngsters involved. We must take every opportunity to show our brand.

I am looking forward to this year's Festival and hope we can repeat the sponsorship we began last year.

(Brilliant idea Alison and well received by the Kaikōura community.)



Editor's musings - Digby Prosser Christchurch Host - no I'm not picking on Digby, just very much enjoy his well thought out 'musings'.

Daily I check my inwards mailbox. These days the number of messages is overwhelming as every organization I belong to seems to have gone into overdrive on sharing information in the belief it better informs. Well in my view is that it is rapidly becoming a myth. Unless you have mastered the settings on your computer or your cell phone the repeat over fill of the email mail-box becomes a burden to read and discard. As a veteran of club newsletter's preparation I look at potential copy but then note that many of the likely contents have already seen shared by circulations from other members. "As a new bee" newsletter editor thirty-five years ago it was my task to update from the club Board advice of projects and write a couple of jokes. Ten years later the District J turned newsletter circulated into a competition and the standard expectation became a document of eight or so pages. Latterly my efforts have been a mix of stimulus and updates of commitments. District Newsletter has a short update of Cabinet meetings. As well it is a festival of photos. Technology has changed all of this – now we see photographs, we copy material from Web sites and we expect more written up- dates from our club officers. Being a bulletin editor requires an element of the secretary's knowledge to be effective. It also requires a good computer. And like the club Treasurer role it is harder to fill each year. All this is fine except most of us are members of several organizations so the cumulative effect is a mass of material with the usual commercial supplements derived from family networking and general contacts. And, of course the mail you cannot afford to miss as it comes with the attachments for invoices. One cannot afford to miss the mail. I feel like the owner of a letter box with the message " no junk mail" – a plea that is usually ignored. Covid accelerated this trend. My Church community started a newsletter to stay in touch each week – two pages initially – now it is well established but would printout at twelve pages. Sure, it is interesting but its more than a fit for purpose as a short letter may have been. I admire those club bulletins that are several pages drawing on the district material as well as illustrating club life but in the context of my morning routines it takes a lot of time to digest – am I better informed? – well I could be – but do I read it all? – I suspect like most of us I skim the sections that fit my activity in the club.? Along with being a Lion all our other activities seem inevitably to accumulate inward emails – I love spam because I can dump it without being conscientious to read it all. But that's only the half of it? And as for the LCI Web pages –well I will get round to that when time permits. (Digby Prosser - Christchurch Host Bulletin editor.)

2023 A Lions Year of Celebration.

