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## Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ

Coastal Rowing Adventure – Along New Zealand’s East Coast  
South Cape Stewart Island to Bluff 2023  
Bluff to Cape Reinga 2024



Raising funds for the following charities:



**SURF LIFE SAVING**  
NEW ZEALAND



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*Lions Serve;  
it's that simple*

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Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 – Oamaru  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
- Ashburton



## DG Garth's Greetings

With 2024 now upon us we have six months of the current Lions year left. One of the key projects launched early in the year is Mission NZ 10,000. This is the aim of Multiple District 202 to increase our Lions membership so that we can serve more people. It is, of course, part of our plan to increase our worldwide membership to 1.5 million Lions. At the moment our District membership remains static with 1155 Lions – one more than what started the year with. Unfortunately, we cannot say the same in respect of our Multiple District 202 with membership now 152 members less than what we started the year at. Membership growth is the responsibility of all of us.

### Rowing for Life Aotearoa 2023 – 2024

This major fundraiser is now underway with the aim of raising \$5 million for distribution equally to Surf Lifesaving NZ, Child Cancer, Starship Foundation and our own Lions Clubs NZ Cancer Trust. Follow progress on the row's website, [www.rowingforlife.nz](http://www.rowingforlife.nz). The first stretch from Stewart Island to Bluff was completed in December and the row from Bluff north commences on 10<sup>th</sup> February.

I commend this project to all clubs and Lions. Fundraising can take place anywhere at any time – not just places where the rowers come ashore. GST Coordinator Gerald Burgess and SVDG Mike Wingfield are currently organising our involvement. Please support them.

### Lions Clubs NZ Cancer Trust

The Trust is now raising funds to get the first mobile screening unit established. As of

December four, of our District's clubs have donated to the Trust. Please consider this worthy national project when looking at causes to support. Once the Trust has raised \$NZ160,000 it will apply to the Lions Clubs International Foundation for a matching grant of \$US100,000.

### District 202J Convention

– “The Diamond on the Plain” Ashburton – 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Keep these dates free and join with Lions from our District and further afield for our annual meeting and celebrations. Registration forms are now available. The Convention committee has put together an interesting programme for Lions and partners.

Convention Cake competition and auction – this has been a tradition for several years at our Conventions. Although support has dwindled a little over recent years your Cabinet has decided to continue with this again this year. Funds raised from auctioning the cakes go into our District 202J Child Mobility Fund. This is the sole source of funds from which we can provide support to young people with mobility issues. I encourage all clubs to provide a cake and convention attendees to support the auction on Saturday night.

From my reading of club bulletins, I can see that most clubs are preparing for some major projects and events that will benefit our communities. The main thing is that in providing service to our communities that we enjoy ourselves at the same time. Keep up the good work.

*Lion Garth*

*“Lions serve; it's that simple”*

## Reminder

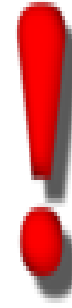
- ◆ Club board nominations are made in March and elections held in April.
- ◆ Board positions must be reported on MyLCI by 15 May.

# Reminder District 202J Convention

## Nominations.....

### ◆ Nomination and seconder for:

- District Governor
- First Vice District Governor
- Second Vice District Governor
- Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust trustee
- International Director



to be received by DG Garth Bateup  
**before Monday 4 March 2024**

**Note:** District Governor candidates must have been a Vice District Governor in this District.

## Eulogies please

- ♣ for recognition of the service of these Lions at our Convention Remembrance Service
- ♣ Send:
  - name & a good quality photo of deceased club members (do not downsize the photo for emailing)
  - accompanied by their eulogies (150 - 200 words)
  - to Cabinet Secretary Graham Edge ASAP  
(at latest by **Monday 4 March 2024**)

**Incoming emails to any club member are incoming correspondence  
- to be taken to your club meetings**

**Record incoming & outgoing correspondence in your minutes**





## DISTRICT 202J ANNUAL CONVENTION

The 2023 – 24 Convention will be held at Ashburton, hosted by the Lions Club of Ashburton, at the Hotel Ashburton, Racecourse Road on the weekend 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2024.

The hotel is holding a number of rooms for attendees but don't leave it till the last minute to register your attendance and book your accommodation. There are also four motels within walking distance of the hotel. Phone 0800 330 880 at Hotel Ashburton for reservations.

A well-balanced programme with “**The Diamond on the Plains**” as the theme as the Club celebrates its 60 year anniversary.

The programme starts on Friday night with a meet and greet and light supper.

Saturday is an early start with flag ceremony, formal opening, and a great guest speaker. Following morning tea, the partners leave for their outing. The Annual Meeting and District Business takes place and continues into the early afternoon.

Once the meeting has concluded, we leave for the Ashburton Aviation Museum for a visit to one of the best collections in New Zealand.

The museum is only four kilometres from the hotel, so we are asking for assistance with car-pooling for this short trip.

Saturday evening will be a night to remember with a Dine and Dance – with a live band, club cake auction, and another auction to follow, keeping in favour with our theme, Saturday evening is a chance to be noticed as we all enter into the fun of **Diamonds and Denim** for the night.

The Sunday Remembrance service will be held at the Ashburton Club & MSA, Havelock Street (centre of town) followed by lunch with delegates and visitors mixing as we say goodbye.

The registration form is now available on the Lions Clubs, New Zealand website so help us by registering early.

We look forward to seeing all Clubs represented in Ashburton for an enjoyable weekend.

**Roger Paterson**  
**Chairman**  
*patersons.ashburton@xtra.co.nz*

## Congratulations

(LCI report provided by PDG Jules Ellis)

2022-2023 Club Excellence Awards		Run Date: 11/26/2023 10:41:55AM	
DISTRICT 202 J	Club # and Name	ShipTo Number and ShipTo Name	
	IDENT 3754		
	23297 GERALDINE	3432905 RICHARD COUTTS	
	53207 NORTH OTAGO	4075246 PATRICIA HINTON	
	23343 OAMARU	2436714 DEREK ATKINSON	
	29888 TEMUKA	4654559 GARY MARTIN	
	53208 TEMUKA DISTRICT	2667385 MARGARET YOUNG	
	23316 TIMARU HOST	160807 RAY JACKSON	
	34296 WAIANAKARUA	1147105 DONALD GREEN	
	40324 WAIAREKA VALLEY	3303038 KEN HINTON	
		<b>DISTRICT 202 J TOTAL:</b>	<b>8</b>

# Decorated Cake Competition.....

for District 202 J Child Mobility Fund.

2024 theme: "The Diamond on the Plains"

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## Who can enter?

Any Lion or person with a connection to a Lion (is a relation of a Lion....wife, husband, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, aunt, uncle, cousin, brother, sister, son, daughter, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent. etc) through a sponsoring Lions club (clubs can sponsor more than one entry)

## When?

Cakes to be displayed at the 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> April Convention in Ashburton. Voting is done during the Saturday business session by placing a gold coin (or notes) in the container supplied for each cake.

## How are donations made?

- ◆ Via gold coin (or notes)
- ◆ Via auction (how about clubs donating many \$\$\$\$ as their contribution instead of individuals bidding small amounts?) There is another trophy for the cake which sells at the highest \$ value

## Suggested cake size?

Approximately the dimensions of a Lions Christmas cake (you can use one if you like)

## Judging?

- ◆ Done on the decoration only, not the cake
- ◆ 50% from voting
- ◆ and 50% by an independent judge

## Trophies?

- ◆ Best decorated cake
- ◆ Highest \$\$\$\$ amount at auction



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## Convention Voting.....

- ◆ Clubs must be financial to vote - all annual dues must have been paid in full at least 15 days before the start of Convention. Clubs & voting delegates must be in good standing.
- ◆ Voting delegates must be accredited by the close off time on the morning of the Business Session (6 April 2024).
- ◆ The standard club constitution states:  
*"... club shall be entitled to send its full quota of delegates to all such conventions and have power to pay the necessary expenses of such delegates attending such conventions. This club shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district ... to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in this club, or major fraction thereof, of this club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held... The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members."*
- ◆ Therefore as at 1 March 2024 a club (with members at least a year & a day) of 16 will receive two votes as will one of 24 members, those votes being either the club appointed voting delegates or a club appointed substitute (the alternate) for an appointed delegate who has to withdraw.
- ◆ Any members joining after 28 February 2023 are not counted towards the club's eligible voting numbers.
- ◆ 202J Past International Directors have full delegate status independent of their club's delegate quota
- ◆ PDGs may be selected as delegates by their club but don't have a voting right by separate entitlement.
- ◆ The standard club constitution states:  
*"Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote of his/her choice for each office to be filled by, and one (1) vote of his/her choice on each question submitted to, the respective convention."*  
 Therefore, voting decisions are the choice of the voting delegates during the Convention business session, not decided by the club.



**MISSION 1.5** 

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/mission-to-grow>



# Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ

Happy New Year to each and all.

We as Lions here in New Zealand are about to experience something that has never been achieved before.

Twelve - fourteen rowers are going to row the length of the East Coast of NZ.

Each and every Lions club here in our area 202J are encouraged to be active in fundraising for the four charities.

Cruise boats in town. We live miles from the sea. Why us, we are not interested.

Well, if you have cruise boats in town all the more reason to collect monies. You live miles from the sea. Get the schools to follow on the Drone that is to follow them. Sponsor a row for so many hours or Ks. Everyone in NZ will have been or is in the know of recipients for these charities.

My job as Global Services is to help you along the way. Ideas, functions, guest speakers. The rowers are all volunteers and are happy to come along and talk to business and organizations. More chance to fundraise.

We don't have to be committed to the days they are in your vicinity. We have until the end of July. But on saying that some clubs will have to front up while rowers are coming ashore. To help them along by feeding them and providing accommodation. During this time, we as Lions are asked a little more.

I look forward to hearing from each and every club in J what you are willing to do and help.

Regards

**Gerald Burgess GST 202J**  
[giburgess@xtra.co.nz](mailto:giburgess@xtra.co.nz)  
027 4377 629

## Calling All Lions!!!

Lions New Zealand are supporting this great fundraising opportunity. The target is to raise \$1million for each charity.

Follow the progress on:

[www.rowingforlife.nz](http://www.rowingforlife.nz)

View South Island schedule at:  
[Microsoft Word - 2024 Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ - South Island & Stewart Island Daily Schedule \(approx.\) \(2\) \(mcusercontent.com\)](#)





## FVDG Derek Visits Camp Quality



**V**DG Derek and Christine had an enjoyable visit to Camp Quality. The start from Oamaru was a bit dismal but a typical summer journey inland was culminated with a glorious afternoon/evening.

We arrived in time to watch the team at rehearsals for the evening show. Inside this was a bit cramped however the move outside onto the grass area made a difference.

Some 34 children have enjoyed a week of fun, the onsite water slide and the Lake Dunstan water park at Cromwell; excitement with hot laps and go carts at Highlands motorsport track. The range of indoor activities is the envy of many household kids. While their day is structured it is not inflexible with children moving from one activity to another with ease. For me the top activity was "horizontal time".

The theme for the day was cowboy based. So all at camp had the opportunity to get something to wear they went op shopping and the resulting getups reflected the creativeness of kids.

Our evening meal was catered by Oamaru chef "Fat Sally"; three meats, five salads, new spuds, fresh fruit salad, icecream, brownies, macarons to finish.

Not only were we treated to some great line dancing from the rehearsal time but quite a number of individual items from the children. As an organization Lions recognize effort/service but I think we all need to see just how these children react to the efforts of their peers; we are put to shame.

The excitement was electric and the stomping, cheering brought tears. We are looking forward to next year already.

**Derek Wardell**  
**VDG MD 202 "J"**  
**Phone: 021 0339 123**



### Youth Activities: Doake Cup

For the calendar year  
 1 January 2023 - 31 December 2023

**Entries** to be sent to Youth Activities Chairman **Jenni Mattingly**  
 before 29 February 2024. 027 455 8201



## 202J District Convention

5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Hosted by Lions Club of Ashburton

Venue: Hotel Ashburton,

Racecourse Road, Ashburton

### REGISTRATION FORM



Note: An online version of this form is available

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

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

Surname		First Name	
Club		District	
Lion	Leo	Office Held	
Partner's Surname		First Name	
Postal Address		Post Code	
Email		Phone	
<b>REGISTRATION AND FUNCTIONS</b>		<b>COST(\$)</b>	<b>LION</b>
Convention Registration: Lion (Compulsory/non-refundable)		25.00	N/A
Convention Registration: Non-Lion Partner (Compulsory/non-refundable)		25.00	N/A
Friday Night Meet & Greet + Supper		10.00	
Saturday Morning tea and lunch		30.00	
Partner's Tour includes Morning tea and lunch		30.00	
Saturday Evening meal, entertainment and live music Theme: Diamonds and Denim		70.00	
Sunday Rededication/Remembrance Service with light lunch		25.00	
Late registration fee (after 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2024)		20.00	
		<b>TOTAL TO PAY \$</b>	
<b>Dietary Requirements</b>			
Gluten Free	Vegetarian	Dairy Free	Other ?

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT OPTIONS **REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

Payment is by way of Internet Banking please.

**NBS Internet Banking**

Account Name: Ashburton Lions Convention AC

**Details:**

Account Number: 03-1354-0644342-00

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: 202j.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz**  
**POST: Registrations, Lions 202J Convention, C/- Graham Smith, 64 Elizabeth Street, Ashburton, 7700**



Trustees incorporated as a Board  
under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957

Please note below the list of Zone appointees who you can contact for information and who will represent the Trust at your Zone meetings.

#### Current Zone Appointees:

Zone 1: Graham Edge	Zone 4: Judy Phillips
Zone 2: Gerald Burgess	Zone 5: Christine Bone
Zone 3: Terresa May	Zone 6: Jim Pine

Don't forget that any donation made to the Trust can be used towards an award; donations can only be put towards an award during the Lions year they are made. Therefore, it is always best practice to make your club's donation as early as possible so that you can use these funds to award your members for their service.

Also please note at the last Trustee meeting it was decided to increase the dollar amount required for the following:

- ◆ Friend \$150
- ◆ Honoured member \$400
- ◆ Life Membership \$700

This will be from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2023

Let's work towards having 100% of our District's clubs make a donation this Lions year; we achieve it for LCIF so it should be easy to do the same with the LMLCCT.

**REMEMBER, IT IS YOUR TRUST THE LIONS OF NEW ZEALAND**  
It is there to assist New Zealand Lions Clubs to fulfil Humanitarian needs.

*PCC Graham Edge LMLCCT Trustee 202J*

## Dates to Diary

### Monday 4 March 2024:

Nominations & seconder to be received by  
DG Garth for

- District Governor
- First Vice District Governor
- Second Vice District Governor
- Trustee, Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust

### Thursday 29 February 2024:

Doake Cup entries to have been received by  
Jenni Mattingly  
See page 9

### Friday 5, Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 April 2024:

District 202J Convention  
Hotel Ashburton, ASHBURTON



## Focus on Zone 4 News

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**Zone** – As per the last five years, free Diabetes Type2 testing was carried out at the Oamaru Pharmacy on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November by the Lions clubs in the zone. North Otago ladies Judy Phillips and Debbie Grant assisted the Diabetes nurse from the Oamaru Hospital in the testing while Lions club members from Waiareka Valley, Waianakarua, North Otago and Oamaru were outside the front and back of the pharmacy to encourage members of the public to join in the testing.

♣ **Waiareka Valley:**

Have completed the Lake Ohau Village Fire relief project. Together with Lake Tekapo Lions, they built a series of pathways between the village and Lake Middleton over the last weekend of October for the enjoyment of village residents. Will be busy February and early March helping Oamaru Multi-Sports with the Oamaru Triathlon in early March.

♣ **North Otago:**

Had a very successful “Toot For Tucker” with great participation by all the Lions clubs in Oamaru, as well as the Police, Fire brigade, Ambulance, Youth Groups and private companies. A surprise for me when analysing service hours is the top group is a small number of North Otago ladies knitting baby stuff for Plunket.

♣ **Waianakarua:**

Had a great day out for the Buddy Program at their McKerrow’s pond where 16 Junior and their senior buddies had a great day of learning to sail and kayak as well as enjoying a BBQ lunch put on by the Lions club. The Waianakarua club invited the Oamaru Lions club to join and for their Christmas meal meeting and a great night was had by all who attended.

♣ **Oamaru:**

After a busy season with gate control at North Otago Rugby Games, the club has been busy with its signature activity - Noddy Train and Candy Floss - from schools, pre-Christmas functions and child playcentres and the sales of their Oamaru Calendar – a major fundraiser. Oamaru club members are still in awe at the great meal served. The meal was fabulous and top awards should go the Waianakarua member who was the chef for the night.

♣ **Palmerston:**

Will be missing their President , Brendan Meredith, who because of work pressure has to take leave of absence from December to April. However, the club will be in safe hands with past president Ron Sheat standing in until Brendan returns. The club did a great job organising and installing a large Christmas tree in Palmerston with the help of local companies and the Waihemo Community Board.

***Klaus Steiner  
Zone 4 Chairman***

**WORK IN PROGRESS**



**LIONS CLUB RE-REGISTRATION  
UNDER THE NEW INCORPORATED  
SOCIETIES ACT**

Under the new legislation all incorporated societies need to re-register their Club.

Re-registration is open until April 2026.

Our MD Legal Counsel Alan Knowsley is liaising with a club to pass what he considers are the appropriate changes and then file that as a **test case**.

Once that **test case** has gone through the registration process, he will let all clubs know the wording they will need to adopt for their club constitutions going forward.

**Please hold off re-registration** until you receive notification from your Multiple District.



## A Warm Welcome to New Members.....



### **Methven:**

Alistair Mangin (Margaret Noonan) *(sponsor Charles Whitehead)*

### **Milton:**

John Keoghan *(sponsor Hugh Howat)*

### **Waianakarua:**

Hamish Weatherall *(sponsor Dene Thelning)*

## We Honour the Life and Service of.....

Trevor Edmonston Fairlie (41 years service)

## 202J Administrator

- ◆ If anyone has trouble logging in to MyLCI or MyLion please let Jan Stonyer know, and she can hopefully sort it out. 027 631 3454

The New Lion Portal is coming during 2024

- clubs keep reporting using MyLion and keep MyLCI up to date as usual.

- ◆ There is a tutorial on the Lions website for the new Portal if anyone wishes to check it out.

## International President Dr Patti Hill

2023/2024



"We change the world by enriching lives through our service. We change the world by transforming our communities. We change the world by working together."



## Used Hearing Aids & Batteries Collection

Updated details



- ◆ We collect all un-needed fully charged unused batteries (e.g. ones from old hearing aids that don't fit new hearing aids) and old earpieces.



Add un-needed fully charged unused batteries & old hearing aids to your collection of spectacles for delivery to PDG Andy Andrews in Cromwell 57 Horace St, Cromwell (ph: (03) 445 3112 / 021 842 346)



Andy has arranged for a transport company to collect them in Dunedin and if they come to PDG Ella she can arrange for them to get to Cromwell. (Design & Garden Landscapes, 205 St Andrew St, Dunedin).

Oamaru: hearing aids, unused batteries (and spectacles) can also be delivered to SVDG Derek Wardell 7 Girvan St, Oamaru for delivery to Andy.

- ◆ OLD used, flat batteries are safely disposed of through Bay Audiology or Triton Hearing – take your used hearing aid batteries to them.



## Mobile Phone Recycling

- ◆ Drop off at 2 degrees, Spark & Vodafone shops for the RE:MOBILE scheme which is accredited by the Ministry for the Environment. Sustainable Coastlines benefits.



## Used Spectacles Collection

- ◆ The **Cromwell** Lions clubs have taken over the Ferrymead equipment for eyeglasses. **Do not send spectacles to the Ferrymead Lions Club.**
- ◆ Spectacles can be sent through directly to Lion Andy Andrews, 57 Horace St, Cromwell (ph: 03 445 3112 / 021 842 346) or they can still be delivered to PDG Ella's office and she will organise delivery to Cromwell.
- ◆ Oamaru: There is now a collection point at the Resource Recovery Park on the counter in "The Get Sorted Shop" in Chelmer Street. The container has the Lions emblem on it & all spectacles collected go to Lions.
- ◆ Also collect them from Specsavers and keep doing what clubs have been doing up to now with collecting eyeglasses. PDG Ella will collect them at her office (Design & Garden Landscapes, 205 St Andrew St, Dunedin).
- ◆ The cases in good condition go to Genny Hanning - see page 14.



## Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids

- ◆ Kidney Kids NZ is a non-profit organisation established in 1990 to support children and their families and whānau with kidney disease and/or urinary tract disorders nationwide.
- ◆ We provide support and information to all children and young adults between the ages of 0-21 who have any type of Kidney or Urinary Tract Disease. Our services include hospital support; home visits; financial assistance; advocacy; youth development; education programmes; community education; events.
- ◆ **Sell your collected aluminium to a recycler:**  
Wine bottle tops - remove any wire. Tear tabs, clean crushed aluminium cans, aluminium trays, aluminium cat food containers, tea light candle holders
  - other metals: e.g. **steel** - use a magnet to identify & remove these
  - some medication packaging is not pure aluminium &/or contains plastic - do not include
- ◆ Bank proceeds into:  
Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids: 12 - 3114 - 0046019 – 001



### Heads Up For Kids/Kantabs contact/drop off:

- ◆ Malcolm Lill: zones 1, 2, 3. (03) 693 7667 or 021 361 380
- ◆ Anne Stratford: zones, 4, 5, 6 021 0247 9803

**Bank Account: Heads Up For Kids: 03 - 0162 - 0110296 - 000**

## Keep Your Eye Out!

Recycle old spectacles (without their cases - cases are not needed for the Pacific Islands) by dropping them off to any Specsavers shop. Then select the cases in good condition from the discarded cases for a new fundraising life.

Get them to Genny Hanning at:  
Green Island Gallery  
194A Main South Road  
Green Island Dunedin 9018.

Genny will get a team together to paint or decorate them for sale as trinket or earring boxes with the funds going to worthy Lions' projects.





**Lions Clubs International**  
**FOUNDATION**

## Child Cancer Month

**W**ith the support of our Foundation LCIF, we are able to provide for the needs of children and families affected by childhood cancers through impactful service activities.

Globally, of the 400,000 thousand children diagnosed with cancer each year, nine out of every 10 of those children live in low-income countries. Sadly only 30% of those children will survive the disease compared to children in the developed countries where the survival rate is 80%.

As Child Cancer is one of our Lions' major areas of focus, we have established partnerships which have enabled Lions to provide greater service for those diagnosed. One such partnership is with Global Hope, a programme at the Texas Children's Hospital, which helps address the huge discrepancies in outcomes from Child Cancer in

developing countries. While much work is still to be done to improve access to drugs, treatments etc, Global Hope is a transformational initiative that is improving the standard of care for children with cancer in Africa.

Since the inception of our partnerships thousands of children have been effectively treated and hundreds of health care professionals trained in the field of Paediatric Oncology.

All Lions and Lions clubs are asked to consider supporting such partnerships and our ongoing work at improving the outcomes for children with cancer worldwide, by donating to our Foundation, LCIF. Our support helps to relieve the pain and suffering of those innocent lives and helps to improve the quality of treatment for these children and provide support for their families.

From July 2022 to June 2023, LCIF awarded 23 childhood cancer related grants totaling US\$1.4 million.

- ◆ This has helped to provide equipment for a Brazilian Childhood cancer hospital.
- ◆ In Mexico a grant provided equipment to make oncology wigs.
- ◆ Chile received a grant to provide equipment for an oncology rehabilitation room.
- ◆ Paraguay constructed a hospital wing for children with cancer.
- ◆ Taiwan provided equipment for a children's brain tumor testing lab.
- ◆ In both India and Nepal funds received help construct a children's cancer support centre.

*"Where there is a need, there is a Lion"*

**PDG Les Box QSM**  
**LCIF District Coordinator**

**P**lease donate to LCIF so they can respond to worldwide need.

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### Update Your Club Bulletin Distribution

- ◆ Update Lions generic email addresses for each Cabinet member so they match their role. Note: some Cabinet members do not use their generic Lions address.
- ◆ **Update your email distribution groups to the current Cabinet members & their current roles.**

# Berwick Outdoor Experience



## January 2024 Newsletter.

**T**he New Year celebrations have come and gone and now with only five months to go it is time to focus on BOE 2024, our 31<sup>st</sup> annual course.

A question? What possible relevance could a retirement/lifestyle village have to an outdoor experience course? Having recently moved into a lifestyle village in Cromwell I feel qualified to answer that question.

On the bowling green there were eight of us. Some of us may have needed to be lined up with a couple of marker pegs to confirm we were actually moving. However, my guess was there were over 650 years' worth of wisdom sauntering up and down that green.

Not one grizzle was heard, only positive vibes from this diverse group, the oldest being 97 years young 'out there doing it'.

Similarly, the village biking group does several rides each week. At 76 I am among the youngest, the oldest being 87, he is barely able to walk. Awaiting a new hip, but on a bike what an inspiration he is!

On Wednesdays, we go for a longer ride of up to 60km. Sometimes off-road. Again, never a grizzle (I do occasionally ask them to slow down and smell the roses) the only question posed is where to next week.

You may well ask why does any of the above matter?

At BOE we aim to set people off on a better pathway in life, show participants that they have untapped potential, and give them the confidence to step up and out, to use their creativity and to approach life with positivity.

The last words we send them back to the outside world with is "Surround yourself with positive people and limit your contact with those who will drag you down!"

A short time in our lifestyle village has confirmed to me that what we at BOE seek to impart is exactly the attitude needed to succeed and live a long, enjoyable and productive life. Caring, supportive and positive.

So once again we ask that you, your business, your club or your organisation support us. This will ensure we can continue to carry out our volunteer work that has been so successful over the past 30 years.

You can do this by sponsoring participants or forwarding names of those who are keen to participate. Perhaps they need a helping hand with the fees? By promoting the course in your community or workplace or making a donation to this non-profit cause.

Consideration should be given to those who are 18yrs of age (the minimum age limit) or older.

- ◆ Keen to avail themselves of this opportunity.
- ◆ Have the ability to benefit from it, and can use those benefits learned in their Community, Workplace, or Family.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you need brochures, we are happy to provide them for you or you can download them from our website (details below).

## Berwick Outdoor Experience (cont'd)

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Application forms can be filled in online from our webpage, we prefer this method, but hard copies are acceptable.

Check out our Facebook page also and please share it.

Yours Sincerely

**Kevin Moore**

**For the BOE committee - Lions Club of Taieri**

P.S. Could those that have booked positions in the course please confirm them by March 31st or make contact with me.

We cannot guarantee to hold places after this date.

Next Course: **10<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Course Fees: \$700.00**

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### EMPLOYER'S ENDORSEMENT

"I have been sending staff members to the annual Berwick Outdoor Experience for over 12 years now. This outdoor adventure and physical

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pursuits course is run by a group of dedicated volunteers who bring to the course a wide range of skills and a raft of experience, from which they challenge participants and get the best out of them in an outdoor adventure environment.

I've found employees, who've completed this course, come back to work with renewed energy, enthusiasm, self-awareness and confidence.

The course gives them hands-on experience with team dynamics, team leadership, performing under pressure and working cohesively to achieve goals.

For a very small investment this course has helped develop staff members who've completed it, and on more than one occasion been a stepping stone for them to move into positions of responsibility which they may have previously shied away from.

I highly recommend this course to any employer and know that your business will benefit from the personal development your employee will experience and bring back to your company."

**Phil Herriott**

**- Harraways, Dunedin**

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## International Youth Camp

During the summer holidays, I was lucky enough to attend the NZ Lions International Youth Camp 23-24. The camp took place in Ngamuwahine Lodge in Tauranga from the 27th of December 2023 until the 6th of January 2024. I had never been to Tauranga before or flown on my own, which made the 10-day camp even more exciting.

The first few days felt quite long, with early starts, and late nights and because we were all strangers and trying to settle into the camp as well as getting to know everyone. This soon changed to the days flying by way too quickly and being too short!

Over the camp, we did so much! We participated in various teambuilding activities, and team sports, hiked Mount Maunganui, went on great road trips, went black water rafting, hiked the Ngamuwahine Track, found some eels, had guest speakers and much more.



On day two, we were split into three groups, green, orange and blue and did some team-building activities. I was in the green group and we had a competition of who can decorate their flag the best and with the best meaning behind it. Team Green won! And we got bragging rights for the day.







My favourite day was day three, the day trip to Rotorua. We explored the 3D Art Gallery, went bowling in an arcade, visited the Polynesian hot spa pools and I had my first hangi held at the Mitai Maori Village.

Before every meal at camp, we had the beautiful tradition of having one youth member say grace or a prayer of thanks for the food. I found this to be a lovely opportunity to learn about other people's religions and gods.

At the camp, we had 16 youth, including myself, aged 17-21. Even though I was one of the younger ones I personally never felt that age hindered any of the connections that I created on camp. Although it was a small group of us, it was lovely as we tried to get the time to get to know and understand each other.

Naturally going into camp I knew that I would connect faster with the other youths from New Zealand. This is why I made a conscious effort to get to know the international youth more. Getting to learn about different cultures from around the world was a definite camp highlight for me.

We had international youth from Brazil, Japan, Australia, Italy, and Germany. One of the international youth members, from Italy showed us how to make homemade Italian linguine pasta; it was stunning. The Japanese youth taught us how to make origami hearts and cranes and on New Year's I wore a white top and blue pants but for a reason. My new Brazilian friend taught me that in Brazilian culture if you wear certain colours on New Year's it will determine how your year will go. Wearing white meant that you would experience peace in the new year and blue would bring harmony.

Camp taught me so much about the world and also about myself. Alongside other youth on this camp, I learned to push myself to my limits, like by getting to the highest level of the flying fox. I am still so proud of myself for stepping out of my comfort zone and trying all of the opportunities given to us on camp. I was surprised at the amount of random things that I could relate to with the international youth. Little things like in the girls' bathroom on New Year's, two of the international girls, one from Brazil and the other from Japan and I were swapping and sharing each other's makeup.

\*A special thank you to District 202L for hosting the camp, and also to my sponsors Balmacewen Lions and Heads up for Kids, and Jenni Mattingly from Dunedin Host Lions. Their support enabled me to experience amazing opportunities here in Aotearoa, be embraced in a range of cultures and make lifelong friendships with international youth from all over the world.

I also want to thank Jonno Davy, the camp coordinator, and the other leaders for volunteering their time to be with us; there wouldn't be a camp without their help. Thank you also to all of the other Lions members that we met during our camp activities.

I highly recommend the Lions International Youth Camp for anyone aged 17-21. I had an immense amount of fun creating lifelong friendships from all over the world, stepping out of my comfort zone, experiencing different cultures and a chance to become a better me.

Thank you.

*Alice Johnston*



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**Coming Lions Club Events**  
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Club	Date	Details
Ashburton	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> , 9am - 4pm & Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb 9am - 3pm	<b>Motor Home Show</b> Ashburton Showgrounds ASHBURTON

**Deadline for the March 2024 issue is 15 February 20234**  
**Please send details to Editor Beryl well in advance.**



**2024 Marketing & Communications Calendar**

Month	Date	Event
January	Month	Hunger Awareness Month
February	Month	LCIF Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
	15 <sup>th</sup>	International Childhood Cancer Day

**Zone Meeting Dates**

One	TBA	Four	7 February 2024
Two	TBA	Five	29 February 2024
Three	13 February 2024	Six	27 February 2024





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## Melbourne 2024

106TH LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



### Event Details

**Host City . Melbourne Australia**

**Date** Friday 21st June 2024 - Tuesday 25th June 2024

**Venue** Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre

#### Registration Link

<https://lionscon.lionsclubs.org/registration-information/individual-registration/>


#### Registration QRCode




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