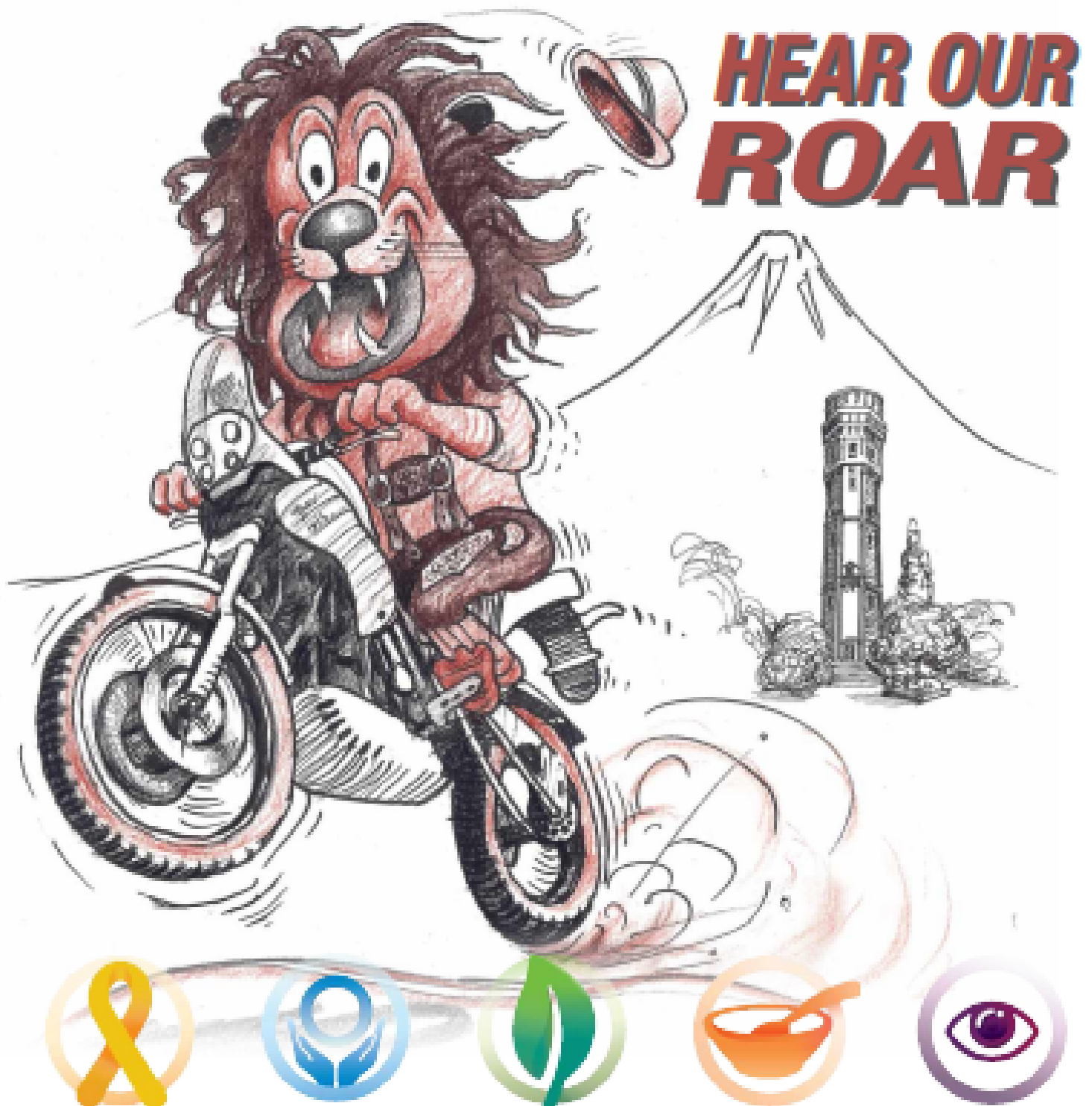


March 2024



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DISTRICT 202D NEWSLETTER





District Governor 202D Tobias (Tobi) Hipp

And just like that February is over and we are in autumn. February had two highlights for me.

The first was having International 3rd VP Mark Lyon and his lovely wife Lion Lyn visit us. As 3rd VP you have a limited amount of travel mileage and they found it important to come over for our Conventions. I was fortunate to accompany Mark and Lyn for a few days as we went to visit as many sites and members as possible. Thanks for coming out and taking the opportunity to meet then face to face. I was told that they enjoyed meeting with all of you. Thanks to PDG Roger Malthus, who took our guests for a day while we were having our District Cabinet meeting. Thanks to all involved for organizing the "Town Hall" meet and greet in Palmerston North. It was great to use the Mini Golf facility to do this. Talking while putting and getting to know one another. Opunake Lions made us feel welcome and showed us their projects and fed us well. Shane Ardern showed Mark and Lyn how a fast cowshed runs. One our way down to Palmerston North we stopped at Patea for a breakfast, all but two members were there. This was special to see so many from one club. Everyone had something to ask and it was a great morning. We visited our Leos at Ross Intermediate followed by a brief visit to Wildbase. Wednesday we met up with newly chartered Clearview Park to present the charter pins and certificates. As a cabinet we had a Lectern made which we handed to the club. For myself it was great to have discussions about Lions and future plans. Thank you Mark and Lyn for sharing with myself and Susi.

The second highlight was our convention. I cannot thank you all enough for making it a special one for me. Thanks to the convention committee chaired by Joe Clough, you guys did a fabulous job. The committee was made up of members from Normanby & Districts, Hawera Mt View and Patea Lions. DGE Denis from Kaponga was also a great support. A special thanks to all that attended, especially those that travelled. DG Les and Deb, thanks for coming over the ditch to be with us. It was great to see you again. A huge shout out to all the sponsors, your kindness and support is much appreciated.

President Glenn Rogers and partner John Fullerton from South Taranaki Funeral Services, thanks for letting us use the Chapel, it just added to the service on Sunday. I have had so much feedback from families, and they were impressed with the Remembrance Service.

PCC Megan England is now our endorsed candidate for International Director after receiving a majority of votes. It would be great to see many voting delegates at the MD Convention casting their votes. This is your opportunity and responsibility to make sure that the candidate you think will represent us (CA7) best gets voted for Int. Director.

DGE Denis Hurcomb and VDGE Mike Powell have also been voted into their roles for 2024/25. Well done.

On the Friday we had the pleasure of show casing our Glob in the middle of town at the Americarna event. The team were very busy and had 70 people have their health checked. The Glob was in Opunake the day before and it had a good number of public came and had their health checked. Think the count was 42. A well-needed service in our communities.





**HEAR OUR
ROAR**

District Governor 202D

Tobias (Tobi) Hipp

Our clubs are very busy with service activities and projects, which is good to see. Busy clubs with active members are strong clubs. It is so important to engage in various activities so that there is something for every member to get involved with. If you have some members not taking part in your usual activities, it might be good to ask what they would like to do and support them. It is all about inclusion and giving every member the opportunity to feel that they are appreciated and have something that they are passionate about to contribute.

Our focus for the next few months is getting closer to achieving our District Goals. One of the areas that we need to focus on is our reporting. We are inducting members but do not show up on our portal. Please let us know if you have any questions around doing this. We are here to help. Please don't ignore reporting, let us help. The same is applicable to service hours reporting. Please ask for help, we have clubs that have not reported for over 24 months. Reporting is so important to the organization. I challenge you to please report membership and service so that we get as close to 100% as possible. If your membership stayed the same enter "0" new members. This needs to be done monthly, so that our activity report shows that your club is actively updating the system.

Lastly, I wish our Editor Abraham a speedy recovery from his nose operation.

Yours in friendship and service

Tobi

District Governor 202D



International Presidents Message



President's Message Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill

Dear Lions,

This incredible planet is our home and taking care of this earth starts with each of us. As we celebrate Earth Day on April 22, I encourage you to inspire others to join you in an environmental service project, such as planting trees, reducing waste or cleaning up a beach. There are so many ways that you and your club can make a real impact on our planet, and we have great resources on our website that can help you get started.

Caring for our environment is one of the most important issues that we're facing, so let's all work to ensure the health of our planet and of our communities so we can look forward to a brighter tomorrow.

Yours in service,

Dr. Patti Hill
International President



Lions Clubs New Zealand
Kia te āwhiriaki | We Serve

February 2024

Fellow Lions

How many times have you heard a community leader talk about the need to build stronger communities? It is a call that I have heard many times recently. Strong, vibrant Lions Clubs can play a crucial role in building stronger, resilient communities.

As we gather for the convention season, let's celebrate what we have achieved this year. Every club should be proud of the impact you have made in your own communities and the contribution you have made collectively to our larger projects. You are all changing the world, one step at a time!

But let's also put our heads together to talk about the year ahead and the challenges that we face. These are a few things that I have been thinking about:

- How do we find out what new things our communities need?
- How do we engage with new people?
- What is changing? Change creates opportunities.
- Can we work together with other organisations?
- How can young people serve with busy lives?
- Are there other ways of running clubs?

I'm sure that if we work together and talk about these things we will come up with ideas and solutions. Conventions are a great place to do this.

We can now also celebrate the reality that our first Skin Cancer Screening Bus is going ahead. Clubs everywhere have responded to the challenge with donations now over \$200,000. LCIF have now also approved our matching grant. The first vehicle is booked to start being built in May to be on the road later this year. Well done Paul and the Cancer Trust team! Now we need to keep going for bus 2!

Rowing for Life has now restarted. They are making good progress with an amazing run of good weather. Plans for fundraising events and meeting the rowers each day are organised for the trip up the South Island. North Island plans are coming together. The boat is on its way, so look for a way to get involved! You can follow progress and get updates on the website at <https://www.rowingforlife.nz>. The Facebook page also has regular video posts.

I look forward to meeting many of you at your conventions.

Yours in Lions

Stephen Barr

Council Chair (2023-24)



Lions Club New Zealand
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Multiple District 202 | MD 202

2024 Annual Convention

19th-21st April 2024

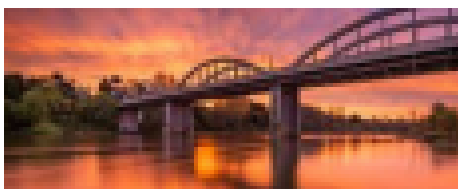
Distinction Hotel & Conference Centre, Hamilton



Saving Our Future

Haere mai, Haere mai,
Nau mai Haere mai ki Waikato kaha,
Welcome, Welcome,
Welcome to the mighty Waikato.

Welcome to Our Great Lions gathering, the Multiple District Convention Hamilton being held at the Distinction Hotel and Conference centre 100 Garnett Road, 19th to 21st April.



If you have not already put these dates into your diary, do it now

Your hosts, The Lions clubs of Hamilton and Waikato are putting on a Convention not to be missed. The convention committee are now in the final of planning the detail.

Friday 19 April

Registrations & Convention opening ceremony

Flag Ceremony

Leos are taking us on a journey. Their journey acknowledges Lions influence around the Goldy Locks Planet we call Mother Earth. We have an entertaining keynote speaker followed by a lite supper and time to catch up with old acquaintances and make new friends.

Saturday 20 April

Welcome Lions of the Four Corners of our land and international guests.

Giving an explanation of our convention around the theme of "Saving Our Future".

Overview of the theme "Saving our future"

Dignitaries including representatives from Lions Clubs International and Area 7 International Director, Tim Irvine, will provide insights into the theme "Saving Our Future."

To align with the theme, around 100 Leos, representing enlightened youth, will be in attendance. Leos are our future. Best we ensure they are equipped to take our organisation into the future of Lions serving communities. Leos have their own conservation project, saving our natural world.

Come and collect your best Multiple District Club awards.

Email: mdconvention2024@lionsclubs.org.nz

www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/conventions/md-202-convention

My Belief as a Lion...

The Lions' motto, "We Serve," is not just a phrase; it's a way of life. It's a commitment to improving the lives of those less fortunate, a dedication to supporting our communities, and a pledge to make this world a better place for all.

My Lions Service

- Lion since 2006
- Club President
- Zone Chair
- Cabinet Secretary
- District 202D Cabinet (GLT / GMT)
- District Governor 202D 2021-22
- Trustee Lions Cancer Trust (Skin Screening)
- Council Chair 2022-23
- Council Advisory Board -current
- CA7 GAT Leader - current

My Personal Life

- Married to Robert and have 4 adult children & one grandchild
- Primary School Principal
- Trustee for E-Town Youth Development Trust



VOTE
PCC MEGAN ENGLAND
CANDIDATE
FOR INTERNATIONAL
DIRECTOR
CA7 2024-2026



We Serve

The Glob Update

The Glob was stationed in Opunake and seen 48 patients between 10am to 2pm





LIONS INTERNATIONAL

PEACE

POSTER

THE 2024-2025 CONTEST

Peace Without Limits

(Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest).

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.



2023-2024 District 202D. **Dare to Dream Winner**
Bella Galloway – Kaponga
Aged 12 years

Welcome New Members of District 202D

BELL BLOCK AND DISTRICTS (023245) - LIONS CLUB

FIONA PETERS (6287807)
NEW PLYMOUTH
Joined: 09/07/2023
Sponsor: MARGARET RANGITONGA (5952685)

GINA URLICH (6287803)
NEW PLYMOUTH
Joined: 10/12/2023
Sponsor: MARGARET RANGITONGA (5952685)



MICHAEL JOHN WELLS (6287801)
NEW PLYMOUTH
Joined: 11/23/2023
Sponsor: MARKUS HOJDELEWICZ (6135043)

Total New Members in BELL BLOCK AND DISTRICTS: 3

ELTHAM (023247) - LIONS CLUB

BRIAN JONES (6323754)
ELTHAM
TARANAKI 4322
Joined: 12/12/2023
Sponsor: CLARE BRAMLEY (3041644)

JOSHUA WAKELING (6283398)
ELTHAM 4322
Joined: 11/14/2023
Sponsor: LOUISE CORSTON (1972537)

Total New Members in ELTHAM: 2

FEILDING MANCHESTER (034474) - LIONS CLUB

IAN PHILLIPS (6289855)
FEILDING 4702
Joined: 11/10/2023
Sponsor: KERRY REMNANT (5817216)

Total New Members in FEILDING MANCHESTER: 1

KAIRANGA (023253) - LIONS CLUB

ANDREW THOMAS (6296857)
PALMERSTON NORTH 4414
Joined: 12/09/2023
Sponsor: JAMES HALE (773440)

Total New Members in KAIRANGA: 1

MARTON (023259) - LIONS CLUB

Welcome New Members of District 202D



ELTHAM (023247) - LIONS CLUB

BRIAN JONES (6323754)
105 HIGH STREET
ELTHAM
TARANAKI 4322
Joined: 12/12/2023
Sponsor: CLARE BRAMLEY (3041644)

Total New Members in ELTHAM: 1

PALMERSTON NORTH FITZHERBERT (031171) - LIONS CLUB

RICHARD PETER HART (6357119)
21 MANUKA STREET
HOKOWHITU
PALMERSTON NORTH 4410
Joined: 02/07/2024
Sponsor: HAMISH PRICE (5333970)

Total New Members in PALMERSTON NORTH FITZHERBERT: 1

RUAPEHU LIONS CLUB (023274) - LIONS CLUB

CHRISTINE ELIZABETH WADDELL
(6372811)
2/46 SHANNON ST4625
OHAKUNE 4625
Joined: 02/14/2024
Sponsor: LYNN MCMILLAN (4569983)

KEITH GORDON WADDELL (6372814)
2/46 SHANNON ST
OHAKUNE 4625
Joined: 02/14/2024
Sponsor: LYNN MCMILLAN (4569983)

Total New Members in RUAPEHU LIONS CLUB: 2

Total New Members - 4

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