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Bust out of your shell and Bling a Bra for breast cancer. Kaikoura Seaward Lions held a very special event for Kaikoura Cancer Support group with a Bling the Bra Brunch. Here are just some of the entrants and their entries.

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DG John's News





Hi Team,

Well, how quickly the year goes around, I can hardly believe that 12 months is shot passed so quickly.

Please accept my thanks to all the Lions in the District that have helped us achieved our goals for the year, although some that we may not reach our targets but at least we tried, and we all worked together to do so. Thank you also to the District Team without your support and dedication nothing would have been done.

Membership.

My message her is just keep on doing it and ASK without that how can we increase out impact on service. Think about Club Branches that may increase your impact, I know that this has worked in Nelson, there are groups out there that could do with our help.

New Clubs.

My thanks to John Hobson for his work with the Hornby Club and with Rae Treloar, I am sure this will happen and grow. Also, to John Hobson, Mike Cussons, and the team from Rolleston Club for the work that you are doing West Melton. With out this happening we will not grow as a District and remember "the more Lions we have the more service we can provide"



This is particularly important for the next few years and beyond, so we need everyone to accept this MISSON as I have asked every Club to do, so again I ask the District Team to get behind this and start asking people to join Lions. MISSION 1500 ACCEPTED

Leadership Workshops

At the time of writing this two have happened at Ferrymead a great turnout, and at Waipara, a smaller turnout. Blenheim, Nelson, and the Westcoast to go let's see if we can make an impact and change the way we are thinking. Don't be too afraid to use the 'Learn' on LCI, you will be amazed at the courses that are offered.

Salesforce

Its here at long last, yes it does require a bit of navigation in some areas, but I think overall it is an improvement. Please be patience with what is offered, the work I know is continuing and off course with any new system there will be some bugs and gremlins in the portal.

Please if you have any problem, you can get hold of is Alice McDonald who can answer a lot of the questions.

LCIF

For those clubs that have not given a contribution to this please could you Club consider it even if it's only \$200 then let's make a difference.

Lloyd Morgan

For those clubs that have not given a contribution to this please could you Club consider it even if it's only \$200 then let's make a difference, remember that this is our New Zealand Charitable Trust and does give us a good return.

I am proud to be a Lion and thank all Lions members and partners for what they do in our community. Truly, where there is a need there is a Lion and too often what we do I feel is not recognized by our communities, so be sure to share it through whatever media you can.

Thank you all again, and yes, I will still be around next year and beyond, use my knowledge and skills and let me help you and your Club.

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

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Kind Regards John Bilderbeck DG



DGE Pam Harvey

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Time is hurtling by, on the countdown to the end of this Lions' year and the beginning of the new one. We're all busy carrying on our valuable service in our clubs and also doing those extra jobs that crop up at this time of the year, like getting our incoming leaders registered in LCI records, and preparing for the new year with our training at different levels.

From the DGE perspective, we have launched into our final set of assignments in preparation for our installation as part of the International Convention in Melbourne in late June. This ceremony, and the whole Convention, will be an amazing experience, and it is exciting to see how many Lions will be there from NZ.

Training will also be happening for Cabinet members and Zone Chair-people, as well as for Club leaders and members in any sort of leadership or coordinators' roles. By the time this goes to print, there will have been several Club Leaders' Workshop in Waipara, Ferrymead, Blenheim and Motueka. There have been varying numbers of registrations for these, but it is very pleasing to see how many have put their names down to get together for lots of talking and discussion with their counterparts in other clubs throughout the District. Hopefully everyone has been making the most of the opportunities to share experiences and ideas.

One main focus for this coming year, as it has been for other years, will be membership. Previously there has been quite a bit of focus on new members, and this is undoubtedly very important, but just as important is the retaining of existing members. It would be really great if each club could have a designated Membership Coordinator, who would instigate (or update?) a club membership policy, detailing how the club plans to go about drawing new members into an existing club, or forming a new Club or Branch Club, but also how existing members will be valued and encouraged in their work within the club and the wider community, so that they are more ;likely to remain as members. As our International Director, Patti Hill, tells us – We Serve, and the more people we can have to help us, the more we can serve.

The month of June is Strengthen Membership Month, so there's the challenge: let's see how many members each club can gain and retain over this month. There are plenty of resources in our new Portal have a look or Just Ask!) and hopefully some forms of discussion/training will come on-stream throughout this time to share ways that we can make this happen. I'm looking forward to seeing what we can achieve together! $\mathcal{P}am$





VDGE Bernie Walls

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I was able to attend the Multiple Districts Convention that was held in Hamilton over the weekend of April 19th-21st.

A new International Director replacing Tim Irvine was selected. Of the six candidates standing, Past Council Chair, Graeme Wilson was successful. Congratulations to Graeme and he will do an excellent job.

On that weekend, I was introduced to my training schedule as FVDG. The seven of us had a very good session with PDGs Richard Norris and Wendy Miller, the latter taking over our training from Richard. It is great to have a fantastic group, that not only do we all get on with each other but have the team spirit of togetherness. That is extremely important.

This new Lions year will start when DGE Pam Harvey returns from Melbourne as your District Governor. She will have my total support and I will be able to assist with the club visits as they arise.

Bernie







Blenheim Lions working in their community - more project suggestions that your Club could Adopt? Have you thought about 'adopting' a Lifestyle Village resident?

Blenheim Lions does and takes them on outings with a win/win to both sides.

Joy & I took Jocelyn, our wheelchair lady from Springlands Livestyle Village, out on her weekly outing. This time to the movies - 'Wicked Little Letters', then on to Revival Cafe for lunch and some shopping. We thoroughly enjoy our regular outings with Jocelyn and she really likes getting out & about. Norm (What an amazing project, there must be so many folk in our communities without family to care about them.)



From the Woodsite

Full team of 15 at the firewood this week ... Splitter and chain saws working, bagging chips and clean-up completed. Three loads delivered to the community. The Woodworkers Guild have been on site to select slabs. Marlborough Boys College will be on-site trying their new skills sawing the slabs up for us, as will the Polytech group of forestry trainees. It is great getting involved with these community groups, learning what they are doing and showing them how we can all work together to achieve good results. Jim



Energise Marlborough

For 3 nights Lions, friends of Lions and Leos greeted, smiled, took photos, conversed, joked, assisted, danced and generally had a good time. 37,000 people poured through the Fairy Light tunnel at the start of the Energise Marlborough Light Show in an absolutely stunning Pollard Park. At times our work as ambassadors became rather challenging as we tried to prevent people jams, keep calm and answer myriads of questions but the smiles on people's faces and the wonderment in the kids' eyes made up for any of the stresses we had. Blenheim Lions name got a significant boost.





Thank you John and Yvonne for your devotion to Lions. We all know what being a DG involves a multi juggler with people skills, travel, and a CEO running 42 clubs... and

1150 members - my mind just boggles at the thought.
Without your Uber driver and right hand PA, you would have been unable to be our DG this past year. Thank you Yvonne (do I feel a Jewellery shop visit coming on :) Enjoy your retirement and back to all things Nelson Host Lions for you both.



Nelson Circus Quirkus
- thanks John!

Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill

Every Member Matters - When it comes to MISSION 1.5, every new member is important because every new member means one more Lion serving.

Dr. Patti' Hill - a pictorial memory of her Lions International Presidential year in 202E - in a bid to say farewell to this amazing inspirational leader.























Global Service Team - GST - 2VDG Bernie Walls



As we countdown to the end of our Lions year and look forward to a new beginning - 2024 - 2025.

Currently, 63% of Clubs are reporting service.

When thinking about what to report, your service to your fellow Lions may and should also be included. This applies to your club meetings as well as any service projects you carry out. Everything helps to increase our awareness globally.

June is upon us and the new Lions fiscal year is about to start.

The 1st is "Helen Keller Day" – the reason we support Vision as one of our Global causes.

And the 5th is World Environment / Arbor Day – another Global cause, Environment.

On the 7th, back in 1917, Melvin Jones started something big -Lions International was born.

June also sees the resumption of "Rowing for Life". They will most likely attempt to row what they missed, before heading up from Kaikoura. Then across to the North Island. Details of when and where as it is known. Have a great month Bernie 202e.gst@lionsclubs.org.nz 021 958 122



Global Leadership Team - GLT - Tini Lawry

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When you are reading this, four of the five Officers Workshops will have been completed. If you haven't yet attended one, you can still get yourselves to Greymouth on the 8th of June. Please et me know!

The Waipara Workshop started at 4 in the afternoon with a small group attending, representing three clubs. The depth of conversation was remarkable and valuable ideas were taken home to their clubs. At 6pm we sat around the dinner table like a family enjoying a scrumptious meal and light conversations. The officers went home with renewed enthusiasm and confidence in taking on their roles of leadership in their clubs.

The Ferrymead workshop's attendance of 33 (13 clubs represented) was at the other end of the scale. Experienced Lions had answered the call to come and support the Lions new in their role. Five facilitators took the breakout groups. They were so engrossed in the responsibilities of their future roles that a 3.1 earthquake (at a depth of 5km just about under us) didn't rattle them, although the good old building shook dramatically. Some said I had jinxed it by telling them at the safety briefing that they had to work out for themselves what to do if an EQ struck, as I wasn't willing to advise 40 people to find safety under 6 tables.

Sufficiently equipped for the task ahead we came up with some great ideas and possibilities re marketing. We learned that Marketing is really just about sharing your passion.

After lunch we threw ourselves in the Project Brainstorming activity. Six Lions, appointed by their table, presented their fantastic project idea (in two minutes each) to the whole group. Notes were taken of brilliant ideas that, with a bit of further development, could be some club's next project. But the important thing was that we'd learned a great process that could be implemented at any club meeting.

Overall, feedback was fantastic and encouraging. I've taken note of a few remarks and suggestions from the participants for even more improvements and will include them in the next three workshops.

Enjoy the winter projects your club is doing and share your passion with people around you! Take care Tini

WELCOME to our New Lions

May 2024

MEMBER CLUB SPONSOR

1. Sourbh Sharma New Brighton Alastair Rankin
2. Amy Pearce Selwyn Beverley Blanche
3. Carol Thomas Selwyn Raeleen Ellis
4. Gay Ford Beavertown Blenheim Carol Taylor
5. Alison Cheer Beavertown Blenheim ?

7. Shirley Hebberd Seddon ?

Seddon

6. Lauren Buick

Our deepest sympathy to family and friends of:

MemberClubService YearsBrian KennedyRangiora26

Ask 1 Keep 1

... to reach our 1,500 members by June '27



David Buick

Beavertown Blenheim Lions recently welcomed Alison Cheer as a new member.

Marketing & Communications Calendar

May	25 Month	Cabinet meeting - Christchurch Strengthen Membership Month
June	21-25 21 29	Lions International Convention Melbourne FVDG/DGE Seminar (Day 4) Young Speechmaker - Christchurch
July	01	New Lions Year begins
August	10 12 30	MD Final Speech contest - Wainuiomata International Youth Day NZ Cancer Society Daffodil day
September	12-14 20-27 21 23-29	NZ Childhood Cancer Awareness Month ANZI Pacific Forum - Bali Clean up week World Alzheimer's Day NZ Mental Health Awareness Week Lions National Youth Camp - Kaiteriteri

Club Workshop remaining
June 8 Greymouth 10-2:30pm

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The Halberg Games Nelson children's Team Sponsored by Nelson Host Lions.

What an honour to experience the achievements of the children who went to the Halberg Games in Auckland last month. Last year they sent 3 children and their families, this year thanks to the fundraising and sponsorship, 15 children and their families went - what a truly remarkable experience for them all! Speaking to some of the parents and a grandmother "Nana Rose" to all the children, all said they had a great time. A great deal of thanks must go to the fundraiser Neisha, her drive and determination to get this across the line, has inspired her and the rest of the parents to get a larger team together for next year - encompassing Top of the South, from Kaikoura to Golden Bay. Now is the chance to get all the Lions Clubs in the area involved in this magnificent event.







Team Captain, Joseph 17 year old boy, (wheelchair) what a remarkable speaker with a great sense of humour, talking about the experiences that they all had at the games. They were not expecting to be met by a team of Nelson Host Lions when they arrived back at Nelson airport, making the trip worthwhile. To compete in something that you loved and can get involved in, does open heaps of opportunities for the future. Rubbing shoulders with sporting coaches and Olympic athletics, gave him and the team, motivation to just keep on trying.

I loved his saying that "we had the best team in Abletas Kids and the best team in Nelson Host Lions," guess we are all winners in this. Joseph asked all the children to speak and they all enjoyed wheelchair basketball and would like to get this started in Nelson - (the challenge - to get this up and going!)

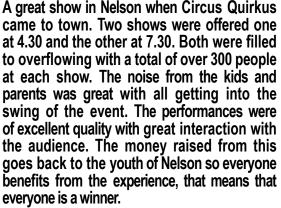
Even the Auckland rain for many of the days, did not stop the enjoyment. Emily Rose, the youngest member of the team, participated in so many events and was awarded the Captain's Award, for her outstanding performance at the Games. She was so proud to show her trophy's to us all.

My thoughts - the remarkable effect for all those involved, is this not what Lions is all about. What a challenge that we face to give these children and others in our District the opportunity to compete and develop their skills in this sporting and development area! The South Island Regional games, October 1st to 2nd at Rangi Ruru Girls School in Christchurch, with athletes from Tasman, Canterbury, South Canterbury, Otago, Southland and West Coast. What a challenge for Lions in 202E - Lions Clubs in the Christchurch area! How can we become involved in helping - may be someone has to ask? Who is going to accept this challenge? Let us all see the smiles and the medals that these children have brought home the difference that this has made to their lives and their parents - who knows the challenges these children face! D.G. John

Have you heard of Circus Quirkus?

Nelson sure has, thanks to another Nelson Host project!















Immediate Past International President Brian Sheehan

LCIF

Hello Lions, Leos and fellow humanitarians,

As we prepare to close this Lion year, I want to again express my sincere thanks to everyone who supported LCIF so far this year. We set ambitious fundraising goals, and I am proud to say we are making excellent progress! We have some work to do in these last few months, so please continue to make your individual and club donations to our foundation and help us succeed in reaching our goal. We will announce the final number raised during the 106th Lions International Convention in Melbourne, and I am sure we will all be amazed by Lions' and Leos' generosity.

Make a great day,

Brian E. Sheehan Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



Lions celebrating Years of **SERVICE**





Cheviot Lions - (top) - Bruce Gardener 45+ years service presented by President Richard Reed right. Gordon Hewett 40 years service (left) 'Gordon's sponsor was Bruce!' (lan Page 20 years.)



Nelson Lioness Lions enjoy a social get together at Founders Park.



Christchurch Pegasus Lions - 'No Easter bonnets at afternoon tea but our members looked dashing at the last social meeting at Cranford Ale House wearing their Easter creations and generated quite a lot of interest from adjoining tables.



Leo Charlie and Lion Malcolm prepare to lay a wreath at our local ANZAC Day service. 'Lest we forget'.





Donate Now LCCT Westpac 03-0674-0280918-00

Where at we at, Wendy Goodwin and I have just attended a Melnet Summit (11 May)(Melanoma Doctors with the College of GPs attending) Was a great opportunity to talk with the Chair of the RNZCGP's and the Co-chair of Melnet plus other Doctors.

We have also Molemap Australia wanting to team up with us and have a zoom meeting on the 20th May, so we have people wanting to be involved. We are still working with NZ people as well.

Paul Williams, our Bus Consultant, and I met with a large passenger bus business in NZ who also wish to be involved. We had a face-to-face meeting with one of the NZ Directors, with another meeting planned for July. They want to give us a cash donation over three years and provide fuel cards and other assistance.

For the two vehicles we have had two 360-degree cameras for fitting at no cost, the air-conditioning units we will get at near cost, and have an invoice price, a huge saving plus some cash donations from friends and family, of the company. Other suppliers we need to work with are also offering generous prices.

As for the vehicle chassis, it arrives this month and will probably go to a builder in Ashburton, we have had a setback by the original builder GBV in Rolleston, as our contract was not signed we had a gentleman's agreement, but the American owners overruled the Manager who I might add has left the company and knocked us plus some other small players off the production line. We are currently working with another builder but again they have not signed the contract with us yet.

Lions Clubs Mobile Skin Cancer Screening Service

Update May 2024



I don't anticipate our vehicles being ready before the end of the year. It is very difficult to get a finish date from anyone. We did have another North Island builder but they were \$60,000 dearer. So we have to have patience.

The finance to date roughly, Money in our bank \$222,961, LCIF Grant held by 202E \$124,000 giving a total of approximately of \$346,000.

WE will be required to pay for the chassis first and that will come out of the LCIF money at approx \$80,000

The fundraising is hopefully continuous and yes we are planning for two vehicles, and also want to commit the building of them to the one bus builder so that we can buy parts for two vehicles as we go through the build process, this will save in the long run.

Depending on the time frame between funding the second vehicle, we will, where our resources allow, we will if necessary move the bus to the NI for PR and use.

We are collecting the names of doctors and nurses now who are prepared to give us up to two days a month to do screening, so if they can identify suspect lesions we need their names, lan Cameron 202e District Secretary and Trust Secretary is collating the names.

The trust needs to keep the pressure on as vehicle costs are increasing But we can't do this without your help and assistance to encourage clubs to get behind a Lions Project.

Annual returns / Ngā hokinga ā-tau

The Charities Act 2005 requires all charities registered with Charities Services to file an annual return within 6 months of their balance date (financial year end).



Annual Returns

This involves three steps:

- 1. Preparing a performance report (Tiers 3 and 4) or financial statements (Tiers 1 and 2) that are in line with the reporting standards
- 2. Completing an annual return form (it's easier and cheaper to do this online, by logging into your charity's online account)
- 3. Submitting the performance report/financial statements AND annual return form to us, and paying the annual return fee (if your charity's gross income is \$10,000 or more)

 annual return fee

If you have any concerns or questions please contact us.

Email info@charities.govt.nz Freephone (within New Zealand) 0508 CHARITIES (0508 242 748)

Yet another Kaikoura Seaward project

'Bust out of your shell and **Bling a Bra** for breast cancer'. Bling the Bra, Raffles and a Brunch for 60 people, all to support our Kaikoura Cancer Support group, while having great fun doing so.

Held over 3 days, there were 15 entries (including one from a bloke) with the winners voted for by gold coin. This all culminated with the Grand Finale - an elaborate Brunch on the Sunday when the winners were announced and the best dressed chosen. They raised \$1,700+







Selwyn Lions

Shine again with their

Designs & Desserts event

'We are looking at a net profit of approx. \$5k.'

What a great night! Ticket sales exceeded expectations and the venue was buzzing. Stage presentations delighted the audience with 3 of the club putting on a fitness display that was not a pretty sight but hilarious, followed up by an unscripted comedy routine from our President Jane when we needed a quick filler quick between presenters about 'Being a Woman'..... she is taking bookings!!!





Have you heard of

Poppy Bombs?

Selwyn Lions have been harvesting poppy seeds and creating 'poppy bombs' to throw in your garden where you would like a splash of colour in the late summer. Each pack contains 2 seed loaded 'bombs' and only cost \$5 a pack.



Our team bagging the bombs last evening.



Youth Update District Speechmaker

We have the date of June 29th for the 202e district speechmaker competition in Christchurch, which requires all applicants' information to be sent, scanned or shared to the youth chair by the 15th of June at the latest. Please support this - Our Youth Our Future! Timk



LIONS NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP 2024

Bethany Park, Kaiteriteri - Hosted by 202E - 29th September to 5th October Youth aged 12-16 years as of 1st September 24.

(Applications opened 1 May) For more information contact Stephanie 022 054 0515 md202intervouthexc@lionsclubs.org.nz

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 Libration 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.

Lions,





Camp Quality

Camp Quality 12-17th January 2025 Camp Quality is an organisation who runs summer camps for Children aged 5-12 with an aim to provide fun, hope and happiness for Children living with Cancer. Camp Quality have a long standing relationship with the Lions groups and through your help, each year they take about 40 -50 children to Living Springs in Governors Bay. Through their programme they allow children to 'just be kids' they can grow their social skills, push their boundaries and have opportunities to do things they have missed out on whilst going through treatment.

Ange Yannakis, Regional Manager, is offering for a representative to speak to Lions Clubs, in particular the Christchurch area and up to Blenheim and Nelson. If you are interested in hearing her please let her know on Email: rm.chch@campquality.org.nz

PDG Julie Syme



As already advised, the Music Festival Association have invited Lions to once again become their "Naming Rights" sponsor for the 2024 Festival, and to do this we need to raise \$10,000 which they would like to receive by July or August. If your Club is in the area that participating schools come from - Greymouth area, Zone 4 apart from Kaikoura, and all Clubs in Zones 5, 6, 7 and 8 - then we hope you will make a donation to this hi-profile Lions project, which will be held at the Christchurch Town Hall from October 22nd to 25th. When you send your donation to District account, don't forget to include your Club name, and advise the Lions Liaison team of when you send it, and the amount. The account number to send it to is 202E Charitable Trust a/c 03-0703-0036114-00 and please mark your donation "Music Festival". 202E Charitable Trust a/c 03-0703-0036114-00 and please mark your donation "Music Festival". PDG Marion McWha (ian.marion@xtra.co.nz) and DG-elect Pam Harvey (pamharvey@xtra.co.nz) 13

Notes from our Cabinet meeting saturday 25th May 2024

- 1. While we wait for a replacement MD Secretary, any queries to District level District Governor, District Secretary initially.
- 2. Clubs donating money to an individual, should not do it directly to that person but rather to the organisation that they will attend e.g. Outward Bound ... Donating money to an individual may make them liable to Tax and also liability could come back to Club Trustees.
- 3. Donations list to our District Treasurer for 2023 2024 year. When all Club Treasurers send in their donation breakdown e.g. \$500 to Youth, Diabetes \$600, Vision \$700, ... the District Treasurer will combine all these amounts to make the District breakdown figures e.g. Diabetes \$398,000, Youth \$256,000,... and all these figures make amazing reading on Facebook, newspapers etc.
- 4. Young Speechmaker 29 June Shirley Boys High School entries to District Youth Becca by 15 June. Entries needed.
- 5. KanTabs etc will be weighed and figures correlated to 30 June (new date) for District Award.
- 6. District Tail Twister Award will now be called the District Marcom Award with further details to come.
- 7. District Youth \$100 Club Donation essential for our District's on-going ability to support our Youth projects. Prizes and expenses for District Speechmaker, Peace Poster, Environment ... a reminder please.
- 8. Clubs are doing amazing projects supporting their communities and beyond e.g. Helipads for emergencies.
- 9. Seeing more and more young members stepping up and taking on various important positions we all thank you.
- 10.Agrecovery Rural Recycling Programme the recycling of farm plastics e.g. plastic containers, baleage wrap with the added bonus of Environment support. Could work well with some clubs activities. info@agrevery.org.nz
- 11.Lions Christmas Cakes suggested retail be \$25 to keep consistency with all clubs in 202E. You will also be able to order directly from Wigram Lions.
- 12.Story Dogs create a safe, fun, supportive, non judgemental environment for kids needing assistance with Literacy. (I have seen this project in action amazing.) www. Storydogs.org.au
- 13.LCIP (Lions Certified Instructor Programme) we now have 3 Trainers in our District Richard Norris, Helen Williams and John Bilderbeck.
- 14.District Bulletin Hard copy will be discontinued for the District. If members do not have computers, copies can be obtained from their clubs.
- 15.Katie Townsend has accepted the invitation to be a presenter (and a LCI zoom meeting) at the LCI Melbourne Convention next month, speaking on Neurodiversity in Lions. She will also be interviewed by LCI Media on her experiences, membership ... Well done Katie.
- 16.Facebook clubs can use free media like Facebook to advertise your Club projects, to let everyone know what you are achieving. (I also get many of my stories from Facebook when was the last time you posted?
- 17.Roadshow Steve Bennett MD Treasurer 10th August Saturday 10am 2pm Lunch provided at the Lions Den. 11th August Sunday – 10am – 2pm – A&P Showgrounds Richmond with lunch.
- 18. Youth Camp Kaiteriteri (details page 13 & 19) please support this amazing camp.



Out & About with our Lions.





Glenmark Lions breaking down logs for firewood.



Malvern Lions Debrief after their Golf Tournament



Rolleston & District Lions - 202E Convention '24.



C.C. Stephen Barr MD202 (2023-24) (edited update)

Congratulations to PCC Graeme Wilson, our newly endorsed International Director candidate from Invercargill. I'm sure that Graeme will do an awesome job of representing all of the Lions of CA 7 on the international stage.

Congratulations also to CCE DG Tobi Hipp from 202D. Tobi will lead an enthusiastic group of DGs that are rearing to go next year and take on the challenge set with "Mission 10K-NZ".

Sunday's service (Hamilton Convention) provided a poignant moment to remember Lions who've passed on and refocus on the year ahead. Our communities need to know they're not alone. Lions don't just uphold a legacy; we adapt and rise to meet the ever-evolving needs around us. Let these questions ignite a fire within you:

- Which Cause cries out for a champion?
- Where can we offer a unique Lion's perspective?
- How can we innovate, collaborate, and make our roar even louder?

I know you've returned to your communities with the Lion's spirit rekindled, ready to change the world, one act of kindness at a time. Kia kaha, be strong, and remember – the world needs the unwavering roar of Lions now more than ever.

Yours in Lions Stephen Barr Council Chair MD202 (2023-24)

CODE OF ETHICS

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself. TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour, and means.

TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

Some Lions are on a mission to cure childhood cancer and diabetes, others are committed to assisting those impacted by drought and floods and many are simply working together to help people in need in their local community. One thing all Lions have in common is together they are making an incredible difference.

- Membership is open to all people of the community in good standing.
- Clubs may either provide service or raise money for their community.
- 100% of funds donated by the public through fundraising are directed to the project for which they are intended.



Did You Know? NZMLC

NZ Motorhoming
Lions Club

is based in 202E as a Branch Club of Blenheim.

Our month started with members attending the 202J Convention in Ashburton, a great opportunity to again talk to others and tell them what we are all about and learn more about what their Clubs do and how we can assist them from time to time. Seeing our banner alongside others is also encouraging and is giving us that visibility. Over the last couple of months I have been approached by a few people who have shown

interest in wanting to be members of our little Club. With this ever increasing interest we are hoping that it won't be too long before we can set out on our own. With the new Lions year fast approaching I have encouraged all our members to attend a Club Officer Training event in a location near them. This will open up opportunities for other members to take on roles within the Club going forward. Members of our Club attended the Multiple District Convention in Hamilton. NZMLC does not run its own projects but assists other Clubs, so if you have a project that you think we might be able to assist contact nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz PDG Tracy Henderson President (edited)

Leos at the Lions MD Convention in Hamilton.

At our recent MD Convention there were many highlights involving Leos. The discussion went exceedingly well on Friday afternoon with ID Tim Irvine, CC Steve Barr & two South Island DG's (District E & J). Tim was outstanding and the Leos present enjoyed his input. All mixed with one another and I'm sure the Clubs will start to mix in projects & socialising outside of school hours. They were all impressed that Leos doesn't just finish at High School, and it looks increasingly likely that an Omega Leo Club will follow in time.

The flag ceremony literally burst into life with the two Leo Presidents from local High Schools explaining each flag as Leos brought them in. With each flag Leos presented they had recorded its own music and boy, did that get everyone in the room singing along, such a buzz. Everyone present really were impressed with the way the Leos



ran the flag ceremony & ID Tim Irvine congratulated them in saying it was one of the best he had ever seen. The Saturday environmental project still went ahead in spite of the light rain. Once back at the convention all Leos had the opportunity to speak about their day and all thanked the audience in turn. Each Leo was presented with a certificate through the Council Chair and International Director. The Leos present will remember this occasion for a very long time. I had the privilege to meet Eliza Paras from Pago Pago Lions & Leos Club in America Samoa who attended, I'm sure Eliza will also remember this for a long time, she took many & I mean many photos. There were other Leo Advisors from across the country who attended. There are a number of photos posted on the NZ Leo Facebook page, feel free to view them. Wayne Paulin MD & 202E Leo Coordinator.

Could this be a lightbulb idea for your next Supper Meeting?

Nelson Lioness Lions - Each member was the guest speaker - these are just a few of their treasures.

Here are some of the things we learnt about each other:

- Gift of a kitten cellphone holder from grand-daughter.
- Adorable yet truly old opera glasses.
- Original Te Rangi Private Hospital receipt from 1939 for mother's stay due to birth of our member cost of 12 pd.
- Coronation book and trophy cup for 1st born at hospital.
- Beautiful red coral necklace.
- A tale of woe and embarrassment involving false teeth.
- Competition among family members with word games.
- A child's memory of fear of cattle.
- A photo with US President Jimmy Carter.
- Invitation to Commonwealth Heads of Mission in Singapore with the Queen, Duke of Edinburgh and Princess Anne in 1972.

- -Renovation 1963 Bedford truck passed from grandfather to father to great uncle and the original ownership papers.
- Adored string of pearls received for 21st birthday gift
- Much treasured bracelet for 21st birthday from loved Dad
- Made up surname as sailor (Father?) jumped ship and called himself by different last name.
- Treasured plate from Mother of St Helen's Church 1897.
- Much treasured small brass and beaded container given by sisters in 1943 who said that they (the elder sisters) would know where she was and what she was doing at any given time.
- Land deeds for 1st home/cottage in North of England 3 bedroom stone house costing 200 pounds. Deeds were dated 1835.

(I'm a natural born hoarder of beautiful hand-me-downs.)

REAL? as posed by Chch. Pegasus Bulletin editor Judith Prosser

Now with Artificial Intelligence and images being photoshopped, how do we work out what is real? Real is the appreciation expressed by those who receive food from the Central Mission and the way they look forward to what we transfer to them from Kidds each week.

Real is the way we work together to try to make things better for people as "We Serve." (I REAL-ly appreciated these words - short and to the point for us to ponder.)



Roadmap to success

2023-2024 Awards mailed to: 2024-2025 District Governor

The Club Excellence Award is the ideal way to set your club on the path to continued success while gaining prestige for excelling in the areas of membership, service, leadership and organizational excellence, and marketing.

Award qualifications: clubs must meet specific requirements in four categories: Membership, Service, Leadership & Organizational Excellence, and Marketing.

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Pacific Forum 2024 **Registration Now Open** Bali. Indonesia

Register

The Hotel where ANZI will be held is: "Prime Plaza Hotel, Sanur, Bali The Promo Code is: ANZI24

Hotel Information



Kaikoura Convention rededication service

- several offertory bags were made to be handed onto future conventions to use at the Remembrance Rededication service. If you know where they are please let PDG Julie Syme know 0210323438 majp@xtra.co.nz



Wigram Lions Club

Morning Tea for the Team at VIP Coatings Rolleston for the work they did on the Noddy Train trailer which is part of the refurbishment project the club is doing for the Greater Hornby Residents Association on their Noddy Train.

Without help from businesses, these types of projects would not be possible. President Dave Smith presenting a Certificate to the VIP Coatings Team.

Malvern Lions annual Golf Tourname

Forget The Masters in Augusta, Georgia - it's Greenfield, Canterbury where these Lions raised \$24,000!

This year our annual Golf Match raised \$24,000 to support the **Malvern Health and Welfare Trust** to help finance a replacement vehicle.

The day was a great success, good weather, sponsors, players. supporters, and Lions helping. A record number of players 144 and \$24000 to the Trust. A big thank you to all the lions who helped on the day but more importantly Hamish and Lynda Milner, whose super-efficient organising skills made the day run so smoothly.















Kaikoura Lions Club

WE STAND AGAINST BULLYING!
By taking part in Pink Shirt Day '24,
you will be doing your part to
eliminate bullying by
celebrating diversity and
promoting kindness and
inclusion.
Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri
Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up,
Stand Together, Stop Bullying!
Kua rite koe? Are you in?







YOUNG SPEECHMAKER Omn COMPETITION

2024



District 202E Speechmaker contest will be held on Saturday 29 June at Shirley Boys High School - 10am

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Resonating RETENTION

Editorial - Lou Smith

When I joined Lions in 2002, I was drawn to a Club that was fully engaged in our community and beyond, both in Service and social 'bonding'. Nothing has changed!

We are actively encouraged to be part of all projects and social events, initiated via 'think tanks'-these involve the whole Club. Everyone is made to feel that their ideas are important and members are listened to, to ensure we are all involved and our reason for joining Lions accomplished. Many of our Lions take ownership of their ideas and lead them to fruition as a great project - what amazing satisfaction for them. Social soirées have always been important in our bonding and



old and new events are constantly mixed into the pot-pourii. We have a super and very active Social committee. Each year, members are asked what committees they would like to be on and those committees meet regularly using the fresh new ideas from the

'Think tank' and those that are already successful. The Projects committee may start with the projects that the Club has decided they will do for the year or even two years out. (The SMART plan is one of my favourite tools.) What I am sharing, is that every member is INVOLVED - a part of a caring Team, knowing that she is doing exactly WHY she joined Lions - to Serve and be part of a group of caring women.

Even at my young age, I could feel that some ideas are too radical and 'bothersome' - am I one of the one's who is heard to mutter 'We have always done it this way!' (I so hope not) OR do I support and praise the New members, New ideas and New energy and New passion?! Like our Youth - they are also our Future, especially if they are younger than me:)

Maybe the secrets of Retention are Orientation - a thorough introduction to ALL things Lions, involvement, be heard and listened to, encouragement, inclusion from Day 1, a Fun knowledgeable and caring Mentor - I know you can think of many more. Do we actually ensure that we are checking in on all members or perhaps just those that make the loudest noise?

Lions and Leos - women, men and mixed clubs are all working for the same goal - SERVICE.

A little thought to finish - Imagine if Your Club had 18 New Members by 2027 and a 100% Retention (excluding deceased members) - Now there's also an Award for that. Will they run with it or throw their hands in the air and put it in the too hard basket?



What an amazing year we have all experienced - so many projects and Service, all achieved by us as Lions, all making our Communities, Nationally and Internationally a better place for all. Exciting to think what we will achieve next year and beyond. As one grows older, there tends to be more and more downs than ups, the fact of life! It makes me personally aware just how precious life really is and to make everyday count. With that in mind, I have an enormous Bucket List to fulfil before I reach 111 and part of that Bucket means that my Laptop is also included. I very much hope that you are reading and enjoying what I am churning out, making it all worth it for me, when I could be out full-time

pleasure seeking. From me, a very special thanks to all Lions who I have met and have been privileged to learn from this past year, and to all who are so amazingly constant at keeping us informed of all things from their clubs. If you feel left out, please email me your Club news - photos and a short description - we don't read Novels! To DG John a special thank you Ngā mihi nui as we welcome in new DG Pam a very warm welcome Nau mai haere mai. Take care and stay safe Lou:) 20