



# 202D CONTACT

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*“Lions Move Mountains”*

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### **2nd Vice District Governor**

This is currently vacant

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### **Editorial Comment**

Welcome to my second attempt at our monthly CONTACT Bulletin. I am using the MailChimp platform which should make it easier for members to open the newsletter on their mobile devices. As always, please feel free to offer suggestions or feedback.

I am proud to spotlight the mahi done by our members and clubs across our district through our monthly newsletter and celebrate our collective efforts. In each issue I hope to include inspiring stories of service, updates on coming projects, and insights into how you can get involved in our district's activities. Whether you are a long term member, a new Lion or in a leadership role, there is always a place for you to contribute and make a difference.

Please forward any photos, stories or articles to me before the 28th of the month before the bulletin is due. The Contact will be sent to all who are on our 'subscribed list' on the first Monday of each month. If you are not receiving the bulletin and you wish to, please let me know.

A reminder also, to please send me your club bulletins.

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## From our District Governor Denis Hurcomb

**Wow, things have taken off in full force!**

Thanks to all those who attended the president's dinner/luncheon at Hawera. The day went really well. Thanks also to the speakers, who were all outstanding. It was great to hear an update from Megan on the Lions Skin Cancer bus. It's now nearly ready to go and is exciting to hear the progress. Graham Robinson reported on behalf of Kairanga Lions Club with regards to the extraordinary project which is helping a little girl realise her dreams of being able to walk like her friends. To top it off we had the pleasure of hearing from 2IVP Mark Lyon, who spoke about how he has been in touch with clubs in South Carolina who were able to provide help for the family. The support provided by Lions over there was awesome. It certainly shows how Lions around the world can work together with outstanding results. It makes all of us proud to be Lions and to serve our fellow humans.

The last speaker, well, what more can you say, Erini Fruean is an outstanding young person, full of enthusiasm and knows where her life is heading. Her speech was inspirational and left everyone spellbound. Our communities, and indeed our country are in great hands with young leaders like her. We wish Erini well in her endeavours to study in the USA and look forward to hearing of her achievements. Erini's family and forbears will be so proud of her.

Thanks again to all those that helped make the day the success it was, it certainly made my day a lot easier.

On the 20th of July we had our first cabinet meeting at Waverley. This was another successful occasion. The cabinet is made up of outstanding Lions members, who all have great ideas to help push our district ahead and build on the multitude of achievements from Lions leaders before us. The district is now ready to take our roadshow to members of the public in areas where we think we can add members and branch clubs in order to strengthen service in those places (if we don't try, we don't know).

I am beginning my DG club visits and am really looking forward to meeting you all. VDG Mike Powell is going to share our visits because of travel distances and will do most of the Taranaki ones.

not just restricted to club Presidents and Secretaries.

Lastly, on behalf of us all in 202D, I wish to offer deepest sympathies to our clubs and families who have had members pass away. We thank these members for the great service they have contributed over many years.

***Lions move Mountains!***

***DG Denis Hurcomb***

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## From our International President



Dear Lion

Growing up in Brazil as part of an entrepreneurial family, I learned how important it was to have a vision and a plan to achieve it. And I also learned how important community is to each of us who call it “home”.

That’s the spark that led me to Lions. I saw something special in Lions - an opportunity to give back to the community that had been so good to me. As Lions, we have the opportunity to leave a lasting mark every time, and every where, we serve. That’s why “Make Your Mark” is my message to Lions and the world.

So let’s make our mark by inviting others to join our clubs. Let’s make our mark by serving more people than ever before. And let’s make our mark together.

It is my honour to serve as your International President.

At your service,  
Fabrício Oliviera

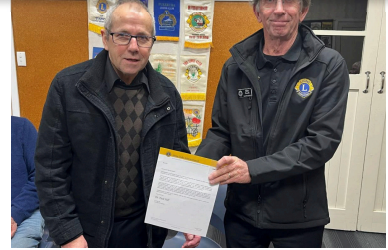
**CONGRATULATIONS!**



MJFs presented to Heartland  
Lions Lynette Templeton and  
Robyn Pedersen



Normanby Lion Mat Wellington  
received a Lloyd Morgan  
Honoured Recognition Award



45 years in Lions for Okato  
member Bernard



**New  
Members!**

### **New Members registered for July 2024**

#### **Kaponga**

Ian Stuart (*Sponsor Jack Stuart*)

#### **New Plymouth Central**

David Hewer (*Sponsor Brian Cottam*)

Donna Hewer (*Sponsor Pat Cottam*)

#### **Palmerston North Heartland**

Raewyn Greenlees (*Sponsor Marilyn Holdaway*)

Sharon Jervis (*Sponsor Marie Start*)

#### **Clearview Park (Palmerston North)**

Margaret Day (*Transferred from 202L*)

#### **Toko and Districts**

Sian Wisnewski (*Sponsor Nicky Macdonald-Wells*)

## **From Around the District...**





**Rongotea and Districts Lions Club** got a huge shout out from the Child Cancer Foundation for the INCREDIBLE support shown over the years, including their winning MD 202 'Kindness Matters Award' entry for the Cancer Kids Christmas Party. (source Facebook)

**Okato Lions** for the generous donations of food, clothing and household goods collected from within their community which were then delivered to Wairoa for distribution to those affected by the recent floods.

**Okato Lions** spread loads of mulch around the Okato Community Orchard.

**Kaponga Lions** recently took 530kgs of crushed cans to new Plymouth and in return had \$552.40 for Kidney Kids.

**Patea Lions** are into their eighth year delivering hot soup to those who need it every Friday from Kings Birthday Weekend until Labour Weekend.



...valley zone businesses, supporting a local farmer in his target to plant 500,000 trees. The farmer and his family have very strong positive environmental policies for the farm with a sustainable focus and it is an exciting environmental project for the local Lions Club to be involved with.

**Zone 5 clubs** (Stratford, Eltham, Kaponga, Opunake Lakeside) and Hawera Mount View delivered around 100 food parcels (including milk, eggs, cereal, bread, yoghurt, bacon plus more) to unsuspecting elderly folk in each of their communities. The response was overwhelmingly positive from both the Fonterra staff and the Lions involved as well as those who received the packs. Thank you to Fonterra's Anne Tippett who initiated the project to help those in need and to Kaponga's Dean Kane who became the liaison for pick up on the day. A community partnership in the truest sense helped along by 2023-24 Zone 5 Chair Andrew Gibson.





International organisation recently. They have a young girl in their community with *arthrogryposis*, a condition which affects all or some of the limbs. In 5 year old Hayley’s case, all her limbs are affected which means she has limited mobility. Her family raised a significant amount of money to take Hayley to Shriners Hospital in Greenville, USA to perform a life changing operation. (Hayley was one of a small number of international patients for this surgery). Enter the Kairanga Lions and a conversation was had between club member and GST Coordinator Graeme Robinson and then International 3rd VP Mark Lyon over a game of mini golf and the rest, as they say, is history! 3VP Mark made contact with Lions in South Carolina and they took over, confirming support for the family while they were in Greenville. This support took the form of personal contact, four month rental of a car paid for by Lions, \$5000US for fuel, groceries and sundry expenses. The family were blown away by the support and personal touches they received and especially, the reach of their local Lions Club. Where is Hayley now? She is an incredible young lady who is determined to stand and walk tall.

Our clubs all play a role in serving our communities but it is also great to remember that we are part of a worldwide organisation.

In the words of DG Denis, Lions move mountains!



Bell Block & Districts  
President Karen Leckie  
promoting her theme of  
'Club Fun'



Inglewood Lions looking  
good at International  
Convention in Melbourne



Look who these Lions from  
NP Central ran into at the  
'Meet & Greet' in  
Melbourne



## Lions Clubs International Foundation

**LCIF** is our foundation. From July 2023 to May 2024, LCIF has awarded 765 humanitarian-related grants totalling over US\$15.5 million.



### Consider a club or personal donation

Contact 202D LCIF Coordinator Andrew Gibson, [202d.lcif@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202d.lcif@lionsclubs.org.nz) for more information



*Bronze \$NZ75*



*Silver \$NZ\$150*



*Gold \$NZ300*

#### Presidential LCIF Supporter Programme

An initiative to recognise and celebrate individuals who have contributed to LCIF has been introduced.

Donate to receive a Bronze, Silver or Gold recognition pin.

To make your donation: International Assoc of Lions  
(Westpac) 03-0502-0081103-00

Include Club or Member name, Club or member number,  
Ref: LCIF DR (for disaster relief) or ES (empowering  
service)



**Lions International** is a recognised global leader in humanitarian and community service. It is a resolute and dynamic organisation with the means to enable corporations, foundations and governments to create considerable change around the world.

By reporting and sharing our service we can highlight our impact, not only in our own communities but also across the world. This reporting provides tangible evidence of the organisation's effectiveness for the many global corporate partnerships that our Lions organisation enjoys.

**Service reporting provides the data that persuades donors and partners to continue to give to our Foundation.**

(Learn more about **Corporate Social Responsibility** on the Lions International website)

## Our Partners

Organizations that provided LCIF with funding.



## Our Affiliates

Executing partners that utilized funds provided by LCIF.



## Our Technical Partners

Organizations with which LCIF convened to ensure sustainable, impactful projects.



### From Surviving to Thriving

He rau ringa e oti ai

Many hands make light work.

(Let's work together for the benefit of everyone)



# MISSION 10K NZ

Service is our impact People make it happen

members to our clubs and build new, vibrant clubs, it does more to make our communities stronger. It makes the world a kinder, healthier and better place to be.

We're on a mission to grow! Social media is one of the best tools we have for spreading our message, sharing success stories and inspiring fellow Lions to join the drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide. (lionsclubs.org)

**To make sure we are always there and ready to make an impact in our communities, we need to grow. With our aging Lions population, it's really time to think about who will do the job when we are gone?**

## MD 202 NZ National Youth Camp

Kaiteriteri 29th Sept - 5 October 2024

Ages 12-16 years. Cost \$500. Limited to 40 youth

Applications open 1 May

For more information contact Stephanie Jordan

MD 202 Youth Exchange Coordinator

email: md202interyouthexc@lionsclubs.org.nz

Ph: 022 054 0515



## Zones in our District

### Zone 1

**Zone Chair:** Bryan Barber (*Rongotea and District*)

**Secretary:** Robert Heath

**Email:** 202d.zone1@lionsclubs.org.nz

**Meeting Dates:** Thursday 15 August 7pm at Rongotea Rec Centre

Following meetings to be advised

### Zone 2

**Zone Chair:** Hamish Price (*PN Fitzherbert*)

**Secretary:** Robyn Pedersen

**Email:** 202d.zone2@lionsclubs.org.nz

**Meeting Dates:** Held at Addis House, cnr Featherston & Ruahine Sts, 6.30pm for 7pm start

Monday 5 August, Monday 4 November, Monday 3 February, Monday 5 May

### Zone 3

**Zone Chair:** Pattie Furniss (*Marton*)

**Secretary:**

### Zone 4

**Zone Chair:** Hugh Cameron (*Normanby & Districts*)



Taranaki Parents Centre, 34 Fairfield Rd,  
 Hawera  
 Tuesday 12 November, Tuesday 11  
 March, Tuesday 27 May

**Zone 5**

**Zone Chair:** Eric Ardern (*Opunake*)  
**Secretary:** Sasanka Gunatunga  
**Email:** 202d.zone5@lionsclubs.org.nz  
**Meeting Dates:** Monday 12 August (TBC)  
 Opunake  
 Following meetings to be advised

**Zone 6**

**Zone Chair:** Wendy Otene (*Inglewood*)  
**Secretary:** Vanda Robinson  
**Email:** 202d.zone6@lionsclubs.org.nz  
**Meeting Dates:** Wednesday 21 August,  
 Inglewood  
 Wednesday 20 November, Wednesday 19  
 February, Wednesday 21 May (*Venues to  
 be confirmed*)



**Rest in Peace**  
**Your Service is complete**

NB. Please be sure to advise our District Almoners, Ash Hazlitt (a.p.hazlitt@xtra.co) or Kay Wallace (jeffnellsx52@gmail.com) of the passing of members from your club.

(Apologies in advance for any omissions to this post)

Information available <https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/services/youth/international-peace-poster-contest>

One Kit per club available from MD202 Head Office. (orders@lionsclubs.org.nz)

## Awards

### **Kindness Matters Award - entries due to District GST 15th August**

For clubs to be eligible, they must be in active status, have completed a service project that meets the needs of a cause area and have reported it.

Use the following criteria to determine if a service project could be considered for this award.

- Addresses needs within Lions International global causes: diabetes, environment, vision, childhood cancer, hunger, disaster relief, youth, humanitarian
- Demonstrates creativity and innovation
- Achieves impact of scale and long-term sustainability
- Elevates the Lions brand

Get your entry to District GST Coordinator, Graham Robinson at 202d.gst@lionsclubs.org.nz

For nomination form visit Lions International website

### **Club Excellence - entries due to District Governor before 31 August**

**Criteria:** Membership - to show a growth of 2 members or 10% growth.

Service - to have started a new project (linked to global causes), list 3 projects / service activities that were reported to Lions International.

LCIF - contributed, at minimum, equivalent of US\$10 per member.

Leadership - club in 'good standing', club officers listed on portal and have participated in officer training.

Marketing - club has shared / published service activities through social or print media.

Entry forms available on Lions International website

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**It is getting closer to 'that' time of year again!**

**It is time for you to consider the very popular Lions Christmas Cakes as a fundraiser for your club.**

More information will be sent to club secretaries over the coming months as it becomes available.

Consider canvassing your local business community and suggesting they choose our Lions

Christmas cakes as their 'gifts for clients'. **Sell the Lions brand along with the cake!**



TRIED AND TESTED  
**CHRISTMAS  
CAKES MAKE  
MONEY FOR  
LIONS CLUBS**

COST – DELIVERED TO CLUBS THIS YEAR - \$16.50 SELL PRICE - \$25

**PROFIT - \$8.50**

**NOW** IS THE TIME FOR EVERY CLUB TO  
PLAN YOUR SALES CAMPAIGN

Christmas cakes posters, flyers & guides available online:  
[lionschristmascakes.org.nz/pages/lions-clubs-members-page](https://lionschristmascakes.org.nz/pages/lions-clubs-members-page)

### Dates for Marketing & Communication

Aug 10	Young Speech Makers, Wainuiomata
12	International Youth Day
30	Daffodil Day
31	Club Excellence Deadline
September	Child Cancer Awareness Month
Sept 12-14	ANZI Pacific Forum, Bali

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