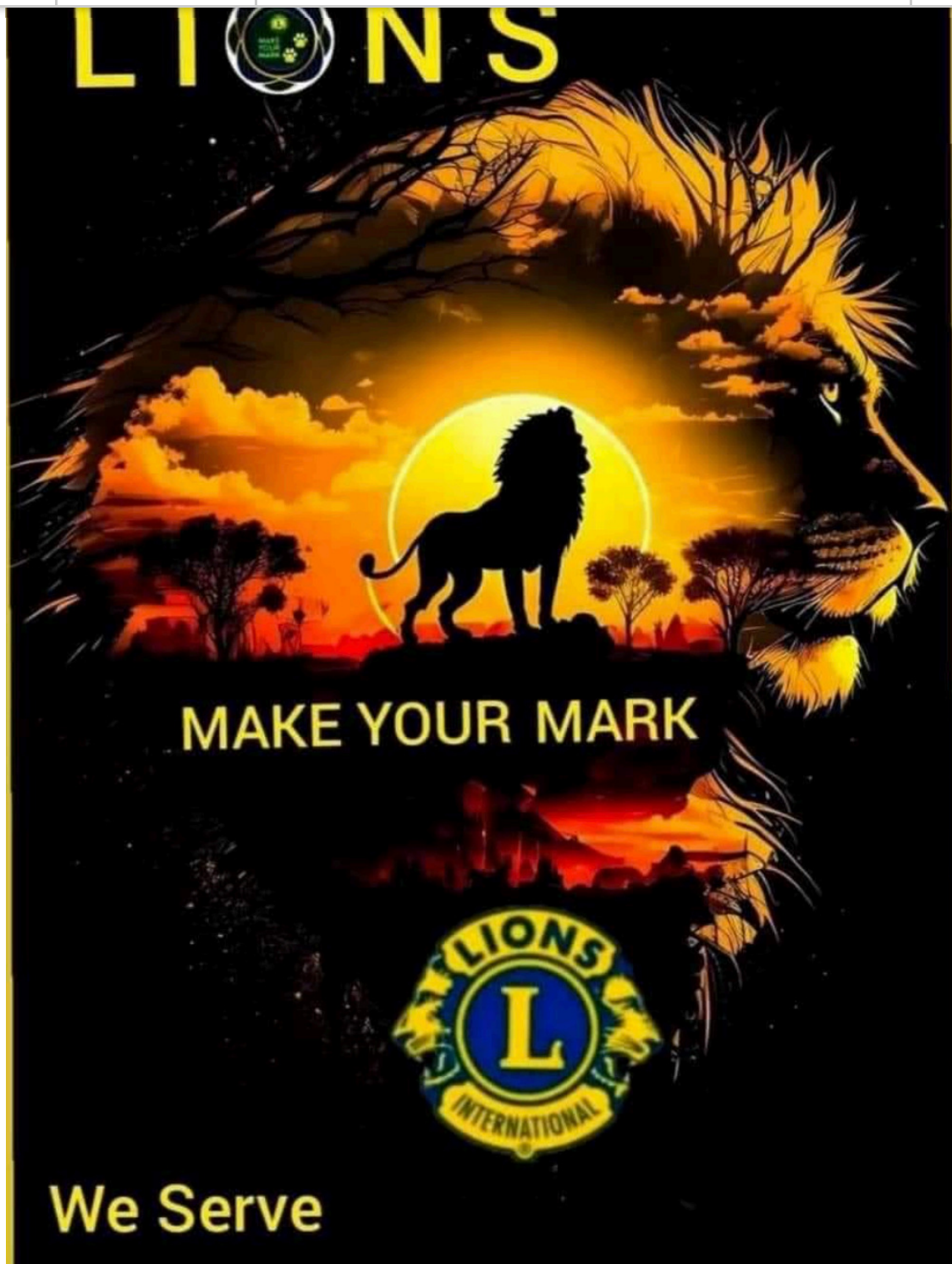




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202D Contact

September 2024



Graphic from FaceBook

Editors Comment:

September already! After the amazing storm of Saturday night, the 'last official day' of winter, with its spectacular lightning, booming thunder along with the torrential rain and gale force winds it was somewhat of a surprise to peer out the curtains the next morning, on the first day of spring, to blue sky, sunshine and a much warmer temperature. Lulled into a false sense of security I'm sure, but it looks to be all downhill to summer from here!

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foster understanding, build trust, and above all, ensure that everyone is on the same page. Please send in any stories, celebrations, photos, new members, acknowledgement of a life well served, jokes ... Next month I would like to publish a list of Christmas Parade dates.

I am aware there are some people who do not receive the Contact. Please talk to those in your clubs, ask members to check spam (less than 44% of those sent the August Contact actually opened it!) I am always open to new ideas and feedback so feel free to message me as to how I can improve this bulletin to better share our Lions message across the district.

A reminder to please share your club bulletins with me.

Have a great month!

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District Governor Denis Hurcomb

Fellow Lions, another month has passed.

Club visits are getting into full swing and our clubs really are doing an enormous amount of service within their communities. It's a great feeling when we hear of everything that has already been achieved and everything that is currently being organised.

DaffodilDay for the Cancer Society is the theme at the moment. The clubs that participate in this project really get behind the cause and the thousands of dollars raised make a very real difference. The NZ Youth Camp is fast approaching and it's great to hear that we have nine young people attending from our district. A big thanks goes to Stephanie and Robyn for all their work and organisation that goes into this awesome service project. The agenda and events organised for these young people are simply amazing. Thanks also to the clubs that are sponsoring these young people to go on such a life-changing experience.

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and our service record is at 33%. This is a great start to the year. During the month we took our roadshow down to Bulls as this community was identified as one which would benefit from a Lions Club. It was a success; we signed up 7 members who are full of enthusiasm. Their first meeting will be on 11th Sept and by then, I'm sure, they will have more interest. Thanks must go to the Marton club for sponsoring this new Club Branch and also to the Lions who attended the Roadshow to talk to interested people and answer questions. Special mention goes to Karesa and Tobi for the work they put into this project. Another Club Branch has been successfully set up in Hawera. It is a mixed club, sponsored by the Opunake Club and currently has 10 members. There are a further two other Club Branches being investigated as well. The roadshow is available to be used for any club to boost their membership or in a community where a Lions Club might be beneficial to the community.

Keep up the great work that our district is achieving. It really is immensely gratifying to see and hear about the many things Lions members in our District are doing. It makes me, and I am sure all of you, very proud to be members of the world's largest service organisation - LIONS.

Lions Move Mountains.

Denis Hurcomb DG

Council Chair Tobi Hipp



Dear Fellow Lions,

The new Lions year is rapidly gaining momentum, and it's truly inspiring to witness the enthusiasm among our members. Everyone is busy planning events, attending meetings, and engaging in various projects.

We are thrilled to announce that International President Fabrício Oliveira and his wife, Amariles, will be visiting New Zealand from September 26-28. We eagerly look forward to hosting them.

I've reviewed our Multiple District's progress toward our 10K membership goal. Currently, we are net positive with 55 members, which is fantastic. By making an effort to retain members by making them feel included, heard, and valued, and by introducing new faces to our great organization, we will reach our goal.

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this year, let's aim to increase attendance next year. Special thanks to Stephanie Jordan and the team in 202E for their hard work in making this happen. I look forward to hearing all about it.

Exciting developments are happening on our marketing front. There is significant activity on social media, with clubs actively participating. Please continue to create posts regularly. If you see a post from a member or club, like it and leave a comment. This boosts the post's visibility and importance ranking.

I am thrilled to be attending the ANZI Forum in Bali. It's a great opportunity to network and meet other Lions. I hope to see some of you from MD202 there.

I am pleased to inform you that the Directory has finally been printed and has been sent out. It has been a lot of work, and there were a few challenges in getting the latest information.

Susi and I have attended a roadshow held in Havelock North on Clubs, Trusts and Incorporated Societies. Thanks goes to District M for hosting this event and 2VDG Steve Bennett for all your wisdom which you shared.

In friendship and service,
Tobias Hipp
Council Chair MD202

National Young Speechmakers Contest

Held in Wainuiomata
Saturday 10th August

The recent MD202 National Youth Speechmaker contest truly showcased the incredible talent and passion of the 11 contestants. The contributions of MD202 Youth Chair PDG Pam Fiveash, and the Wainuiomata Lions Club in organising the event was very commendable.

It's inspiring to hear how all contestants, representing their respective clubs and districts, brought unique perspective to the speeches while still connecting with one another through their shared experiences. The level of enthusiasm and dedication displayed by each participant made for a captivating day.

202D's participant, sponsored by Palmerston North Middle Districts Lions Club, Leo Mwape's performance left a lasting impression. His topic, "Youth Crime" was both relevant and significant and he brought a powerful message to the forefront with his research and heartfelt delivery.

The topic for the impromptu speech was "the importance of embracing failure as a stepping stone to success"; a difficult topic and indeed a profound theme that resonates with many. Leo's approach of using his knowledge in basketball to illustrate this concept demonstrated both creativity and resilience. It's clear that he exemplified the spirit of the competition by turning challenges into opportunities for growth.

Being present at this competition, especially by supporting our district's contestant was very rewarding. Witnessing Leo's hard work and passion culminate in being awarded the title of **MD202 NATIONAL**

fearlessly.

Once again, Congratulations to all involved and let's celebrate the bright future of these young talented youth.

Contributed by Stephanie Jordan (202D Youth North)



Above: PDG Pam Fiveash with winner, Leo Mwape



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EMERGING LIONS
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
ELLI

Applications are now open for the next ELLI Course.

Location: Christchurch, New Zealand

Dates: January 17-19, 2025

Application Due Date: 30th November, 2024

GET IN QUICK—SPACES ARE LIMITED

Purpose: Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) focus on building the skills of Lions members for Leadership opportunities at the club level, including the position of club president.

If you are interested in this great leadership opportunity contact our 202D GLT Coordinator Stephen Barr, 202d.glt@lionsclubs.org.nz for more details.

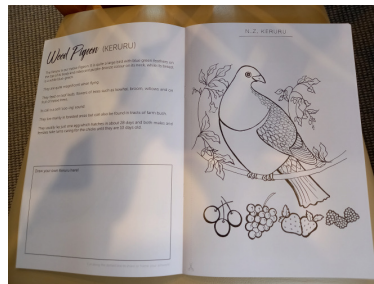
From Around Our District...

Inglewood Club enlisted the help of local marching team, Misfits as well as members of the Inglewood High Soccer 1st XI and their families in their recent Fertiliser Drive. A very worthwhile fundraising effort with \$8000 made to use in the local community.



A few years ago the **Palmerston North Papaioea Rose City Lions Club** decided to publish a colouring-in book of New Zealand Birds. One of their members, Mandy Brown, created all the artwork and the colouring pages in the book. She also did the centrefold of the book which shows the colours required to colour in the birds. There is a write up on each bird and this was compiled and edited by another member, Gloria Evans.

They make excellent Christmas or Birthday presents for children or any other person who likes to colour in. This book is available from our Treasurer (treasurerpnprclc@outlook.com) for \$15.00 plus postage.



Kairanga Lions and The Lloyd Morgan Charitable Trust both have boards recognising their support - both financial and physical in completing the Kairanga Community Turf project.

After the formalities and a ribbon cutting ceremony (Lion Graham Robinson pictured cutting the ribbon) and BBQ it was celebrated with a classic BOT vs Kairanga School netball game. For the record BOT won!



Many clubs in our District host mid winter Christmas dinners. **Feilding Host** are no exception. This year marked the 27th time hosting this festive event with the support of Manchester House Senior Centre. It was certainly an early Christmas treat for the 189 elderly folk from Feilding who were lucky enough to be in attendance.

PALMERSTON NORTH MIDDLE DISTRICT

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Palmerston North Heartland member Anne Russell and husband Pete hosted a 16 year old International exchange student from Italy.

“We picked Angela up in Waverley and brought her back to Palmerston North on a very wet and miserable day. She had just spent 20 days with two other hosts in Taranaki.

We showed her around Palmerston North, visited Wildbase. She was very interested to drive around Massey university and a trip up to the windmills to appreciate carbon free energy generation. And of course shopping in our Plaza! Big thanks to Robyn who took her to the newly formed QE 2 Leos. She really enjoyed meeting some of the other students. Can't forget the biggy to Wellington. Levin farm for eggs. Down to Lyall Bay for lunch. Drove past the airport then up to the top of Mount Vic for the lookout over the city and the Strait and of course, photos. A drive down to Parliament for more photos and a little NZ history.

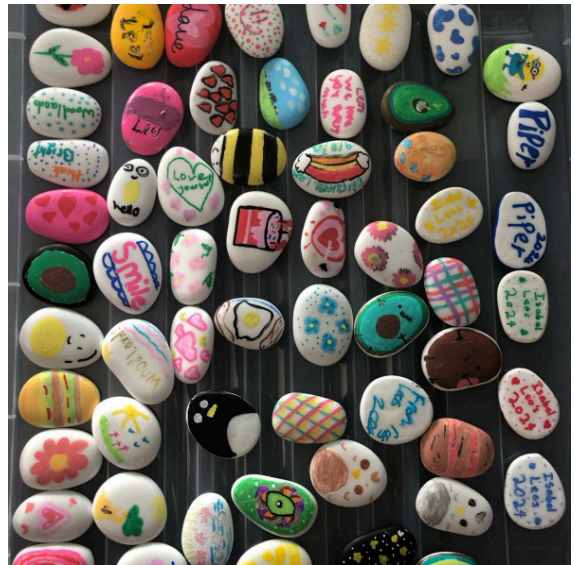
She was a little gem. Always there to help and loved curling up on the couch in front of the fire.

‘Twas so sad to give her big hugs and bid her farewell on her journey back home.”

Perhaps you could consider hosting in the future? Talk to your club Youth Chair to register your interest in the future.

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Ross Intermediate Leos managed to find time for meeting amongst their busy term schedule and painted pebbles which they will take and give to residents of Woodlands Rest Home. The old folk will be able to take their pebbles back to their rooms or maybe place outside in a special spot.



Clearview Park Lions Club Charitable breakfast raised around \$1400 for the Ryman Leukaemia and Blood Cancer Charity.

Opunake Club along with **Colyton Bunnythorpe Club** are collecting plastics from farms in a trial for a possible partnership with AgRecovery in the future. To date 700+ drums have been collected but the logistics still need refining. With the changes to Government regulations regarding farmers' responsibility for soft plastic disposal, this may well be a great fundraising opportunity for rural Lions Clubs.

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Three new members were inducted into **Opunake Club** this month as sponsors of the recently formed **Hawera Lions Club Branch**.

Pictured with DG Denis doing the honours, Opunake Club President Shane Ardern, Katrina Wellington, Lynette Gous, Rocco Gouse, Susi Hipp & Council Chair, Tobi Hipp.

Lions Global Causes



Quick Start Service Ideas



Are you looking for an impactful service activity that doesn't require a lot of time, volunteers, or funding? Is your club newly chartered, rebuilding, or just ready for something new? Consider trying one of the following project ideas in any of our global causes to quickly grow in humanitarian service.



Provide support for the needs of children and families affected by childhood cancer.

- Fill cards with best wishes and donate them to impacted families or a cancer center.
- Organize a group activity for patients, like reading books or playing games.



Reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those living with diabetes.

- Develop a diabetes resource list by connecting with a local health department or hospital and share with your community.
- Organize a weekly walking club or Strides event to promote healthy living.



Meet immediate needs and provide long-term support for communities devastated by natural disasters.

- Learn how to apply for Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) disaster grants.
- Connect with a local disaster relief organization and ask how your club can volunteer.



Protect the environment to create healthier communities and a more sustainable world.

- Clean a local area, like a park, roadside or beach.
- Hold a recycling drive to repurpose or donate gently used items.



Identify the world's most crucial needs and provide humanitarian aid where it's needed most.

- Visit those who are disabled or elderly living alone or in care homes.
- Collect donations to support an agency helping refugees, LCIF or a local Lions foundation.



Improve food security and access to nutritious food to help alleviate hunger.

- Collect food and donate to a group fighting hunger or organize your own food distribution event.
- Volunteer with a community group that brings people together to share a meal or become that group.



Help prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind or visually impaired.

- Create a fund to provide eyeglasses to those in need.
- Provide transportation for a group that serves those who are visually impaired.



Provide young people with the support they need to make positive choices, lead healthy and productive lives, and become the next great generation of service leaders.

- Host a Lions story hour at a local library or community center.
- Sponsor a Peace Poster and Essay Contest at a local school.

Find additional global cause service ideas and resources at lionsclubs.org/causes.

Why report service



By sharing our impact, Lions and Leos inform, inspire and grow our global legacy of service.

Strengthen storytelling

Details give stories power. Saying you fed 87 families is more powerful than saying you organized a food drive. Saying your club contributed 1,265 volunteer hours last year is more powerful than saying your club serves the community. When your club reports service, you collect the details needed to share powerful stories of your club's impact.



Photo by: Lion Othmar Fetz,
The LEO Book

Inform decisions

Documented club achievements reveal what's working and what's not. For example, what if your diabetes education program is growing in attendance, but your annual club fundraiser is shrinking? Reviewing past service reports helps your club make better decisions, including choosing service activities and setting realistic goals.

Inspire service

Your reported service projects can be viewed within your district and around the world. That means your club's creativity and impact can inspire Lions and Leos to embrace new causes and serve in new ways. Reports also help Lions International staff identify best practices to share globally.



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Grow partnerships

Collaborating with other organizations in your community is a great way to increase the visibility, reach and quality of your service projects. When approaching potential partners, your club's service reports provide tangible evidence of your club's effectiveness to help persuade other organizations to join with you.

Enlighten leaders

High levels of service reporting are a sign of healthy clubs, zones and districts. Knowledge of your club's service history provides invaluable insight to current and future club officers. In addition, district, zone and Global Action Team leaders can best support your club when they understand how clubs in their area serve their communities.



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Be proud

Service data gives us the ability to communicate how **We Serve** around the world. For example, in 2021, Lions and Leos served more than 350 million people! We can take pride in that achievement thanks to the leaders who reported over 1 million service activities. Through service reporting, your club joins in that pride and is eligible for service awards.

Would you like to learn more?

Visit lionsclubs.org/service-reporting

A reminder for all Club Secretaries and Treasurers



CLUB BANKING INSTRUCTIONS FOR LCI AND MD202

To pay for
International Dues – LCIF Donations – Lions Share Pins –
MJF or Life Membership Applications – Supplies bought from America

Please Use
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Please use the below codes & references to identify your payments

International Dues:

PARTICULARS: Club Name
CODE: Club Number
REFERENCE: Dues

Payment for Club Supplies from America:

PARTICULARS: Club Name
CODE: Club Number
REFERENCE: Invoice Number

LCIF Donation from CLUB:

PARTICULARS: Club Name
CODE: Club Number
REFERENCE: LCIF DR (Disaster Relief)
or
LCIF DR (Specific Event i.e. Ukraine) **or**
LCIF ES (Empowering Service)

Payment for Lions Share Pin:

PARTICULARS: Member Name
CODE: Recipient Member Number
REFERENCE: LShare
(This is a personal donation to LCIF,
for which you will receive a pin.)
There are three levels of donation; bronze,
silver and gold, each with a different pin.

LCIF Donation from INDIVIDUAL:

PARTICULARS: Member Name
CODE: Member Number
REFERENCE: LCIF DR (Disaster Relief)
or
LCIF DR (Specific Event i.e. Ukraine) **or**
LCIF ES (Empowering Service)

Payment for MJF or
Life Membership Application:

PARTICULARS: Club Name
CODE: Recipient Member Number
REFERENCE: MJF **or** LIFE MBR

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Club Supplies bought from Head Office in NZ

Please Use
Westpac, New Zealand Lions MD202 I 03-0558-0252696-00

PARTICULARS: Club Name
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Dear Lions and Leos,

At Lions International, we are all on a mission to grow. As we strive to achieve *MISSION 1.5* and encourage community members to join us in our humanitarian service, remember to share how Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) enhances our impact. Every service project empowered by an LCIF grant enables us to better meet growing needs and expands our global reach. This month's newsletter highlights just a few examples, and I hope you will tell others about them.

These life-changing grants are only made possible through the generosity of Lions and Leos like you. Your [gifts to LCIF](#) enable the foundation to continue awarding grants and implementing programs that help us serve even more people when they need us most. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours in service,

Dr. Patti Hill, LCIF Chairperson

Christmas Cakes

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Deliveries from the 9th September.

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Planning Ahead - Save the Dates

District 202D Convention

Join DG Denis and Lions from around the district in Stratford **Feb 28 - March 2nd** for our annual Convention.

Accommodation will be tight so you will need to register your interest early. Watch for more information, coming to your clubs very soon.

MD 202 Convention



Lions Clubs New Zealand Kia Manaaki - We Serve
Multiple District 202 65th Annual Convention
New Plymouth Friday 25th - Sunday 27th April 2025



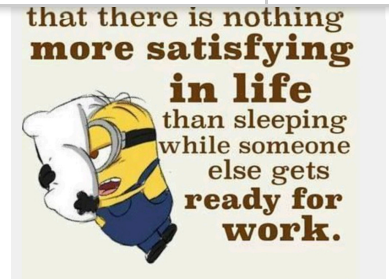
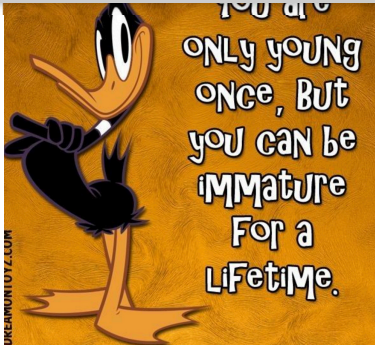
A Few Final Words... (‘Dad Jokes’ - in honour of Father’s Day this month)

- If your house is cold, just stand in the corner. It’s always 90 degrees there.
- Dad, when he puts the car in reverse: “Ahhh, this takes me back.”
- Did you know corduroy pillows are in style? They’re making headlines.
- Taking steps to overcome my hiking addiction - I’m not out of the woods yet.
- Great hide and seek players are hard to find
- When you dream in colour it’s a pigment of your imagination
- I’d never realised that cottage cheese really isn’t cheese. It’s just a curd to me

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