



202F District Convention

21st – 23rd March 2025

‘Kith and Kin’

Hosted by Gore River Valley Lions

Venue: Gore Town and Country Club

2 Bury Street, Gore 9710



NEWSLETTER # 1

Welcome to the first newsletter for our upcoming district convention. We hope you have the date marked in your 2025 calendar.

Gore River Valley Lions are proud to be hosting this year’s convention for District Governor Elaine and Graham. We invite you to attend what will be an action-packed few days.

The registration form will be available very soon, but we thought we’d give you some information ahead of time.

Venue	Friday night, Saturday business session, Saturday evening function and Sunday Remembrance and Rededication will all be held in the Gore Town & Country Stadium, 2 Bury Street, Gore.
Friday 6:30pm onwards	Check in for club delegates and other attendees. We will have a guest speaker, to be followed with a light supper. Dress: Club tee-shirts or tidy casual.
Saturday	The business session consists of the flag ceremony, the District’s AGM, Meet-the-Candidates and voting, as well as key-note speakers. Dress: Club tee-shirts or tidy casual.
Alternative Programme	Guests on the alternative programme will be taken to places of interest in the Gore area. Morning tea and lunch will be provided for you to ensure you’ll return to the stadium in time to hear the key-note speakers. Dress: Comfortable clothing but be prepared for possible weather changes.
Saturday evening	This is an evening where you can let your hair down. You’ll be treated to a 2-course meal along with music that will tempt you to dance the night away. It’s also gives you the chance to catch-up with old friends while also making new ones. The theme for the night is ‘ A Touch of Scotland ’. Remember, there’s an award for the best-dressed club. Please note: As the T&C Stadium is a non-licenced facility and anyone attending is there as a guest, it’s permissible to have BYO alcohol. Alcohol outlets are the off-licence at the T&C, Super Liquor on Main Street, or Liquorland on Traford Street. Drinks may also be purchased on the night from the T&C bar itself.
Sunday	The Remembrance Service that starts the day is a special time when we remember those of our Lions who have passed since the last convention through until the end of December. Often members of their family come along as our honoured guests. The Re-Dedication Service that follows is the chance for us to remember why we are Lions, what brought us to the organisation in the first place, and to pledge ourselves to continue to serve.

	The convention will conclude with lunch, which is an extra option on the registration form. This is a lovely way to round off the weekend. Dress: Appropriate for the occasion.
Registration Form	This is currently being formatted and will be available within the next few days via your Club Secretary or the district website.
Accommodation	It's strongly recommended that to secure accommodation you book as early as possible. Available motels in Gore are: Charlton Motel, 9 Charlton Road, Phone (03) 208 9733 Croydon Lodge, 100 Waimea Street, Phone (03) 208 9029 Esplanade Motels, 35 Railway Esplanade, Phone 0800 28 50 50 Melody, 71 Hokonui Drive, Phone (027) 320 0732 Oakleigh Motels, 70 Hokonui Drive, Phone 0800 62 55 34 Riverlea Motel, 46-48 Hokonui Drive, Phone 0508 202 780 Caravan/Motor Home sites: Gore A & P Showgrounds, Phone the Caretaker, Dawn Ross on (027) 644 9909 Gore T&C, no booking required – first come, first served There may also be available B&B accommodation if you take the time to search.
Further information	If you require further information, please contact PDG Pam Fiveash, 202F Convention Chairperson, 202f.convchair@lionsclubs.org.nz or Donna Terry, 202F Registration Secretary, 202f.convrego@lionsclubs.org.nz

Where is the Gore T&C?



