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To Lions friends and family

My thoughts are with those who have been left with a huge cleanup after the recent heavy rain. Let's hope that's it for now!

I waited almost a complete school term for the opportunity to present our Young Speechmaker winner with his trophy. Liam was placed 4th at the Nationals and gave an amazing impromptu speech about always carrying a safety pin. A message we can all take on board.

I have now attended two Supper Meetings, and I really enjoyed the chat over a cup of tea. This is an awesome way to get to know our fellow lions. After the formality of the meeting, I think we all like to talk about what is important to us as individuals.



Congratulations to combined Lions Clubs of Clyde and Districts and Alexandra for winning the **Best Floral Float** at the Alexandra Blossum Festival. Their entry, Kung Fu Panda, was just amazing! And brings so much pleasure to young people (And the not so young).

This month we have 3 Club Anniversaries to attend. Some of our clubs have been in existence for a very long time, and members are very supportive of their own club. That loyalty is a precious thing.

To all clubs who sell firewood: I can only imagine the work that goes into this. The man hours and the dedication. And of course, the equipment needed to process the wood, storage areas. This is a huge undertaking and the backbone of many clubs. What would we do without you all.

For this month's humanitarian project, I would like to give a shout out to Lawrence Lions Club who donate firewood to the elderly in their town. **Well done!**

At Labour Weekend, 26th October, we have Multiple District Treasurer Steve Bennett in Invercargill. This is a very popular session on how to supplement member fees, the Charitable Trust Account and we will also touch on the Constitution and Lions Portal.

Being able to help with street collections is a great way for Lions to be noticed in the district. Even dressed in Yellow for Daffodil Day or Pink for Pink Ribbon you still represent members of the public in a volunteering role. This is a good opportunity to mention to people that you are a Lion, and a little of what you do. Family quote for this month:

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Family is the most important thing in the world

- Princess Diana

MESSAGE FROM DG ELAINE SCOTT





GLOBAL SERVICE CORNER OCTOBER 2024

REFLECTIONS:

I have been reflecting on Service and Volunteers over recent days. Mahatma Gandhi famously said, “The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.”

Essentially, this is what service or volunteerism is – a powerful force for change, capable of transforming individuals, communities, and societies. Its significance lies in its ability to mobilize collective action, inspire hope, and create a more just, equitable, and sustainable world for all. Here are some key reasons why volunteerism and service are significant:

1. It empowers individuals to take action and make a difference in their communities. By giving their time, skills, and resources, volunteers contribute to shaping the world around them.
2. It fosters social cohesion by bringing people together across diverse backgrounds, beliefs, and experiences. It promotes a sense of belonging and community, bridging divides and building connections between individuals and groups.
3. It contributes to building resilient communities capable of overcoming adversity and bouncing back from challenges. Through their collective efforts, volunteers strengthen social networks, promote cooperation, and enhance community preparedness and response.
4. It transcends borders and promotes global solidarity and cooperation. Volunteers engage in international humanitarian efforts, support global development initiatives, and build bridges between cultures and nations.
5. Volunteers enrich non-profit organizations such as Lions by building capacity, contributing to the skills and diversity of the organization, and assisting with community engagement.

Does the above sound like you? Often we do not take time to self-reflect but I am sure if you all did this, the above is what service in Lions is all about and is the job you are doing on a regular basis. I now want to take a different approach to what I normally write.

Recently the Lions Club of Invercargill Host wound up after 62 years. It was a difficult time for all of us but with support from each other and others in the wider Lions family we have worked through this. So, following on my theme of ‘reflecting’ I would like to share with you all two significant things which will follow on over the page:

(1) PDG Kevin Wall received a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Award

(2) Some of the history of our Club over the past 62 years which was put together by PDG Kevin Wall. I hope that after reading PDG Kevin Wall’s article that you will reflect on the importance of documenting your Club’s History for future use. Our past is just as important as today and our future.

Sue Evans

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GST COORDINATOR SUE EVANS

PROGRESSIVE MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARD – PDG KEVIN WALL QSO



On Friday 4th October 2024, Members of the Lions Club of Invercargill Host met to celebrate PDG Kevin Wall QSO receiving the Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Award for his dedication and valued services to our Community and his ongoing contribution as the NZ Lions Representative for the NZ Liver Transplant Services from 1st Vice District Governor Shona Cook.

Lion Don Moir gave Members Kevin's background. He was one of 6 children and commenced his work as an apprentice electrician and then moved onto being a Locomotive Assistant. In 1969 Kevin entered the NZ Police and was posted to Invercargill where he met Linda and they married in November 1971. In 1975 Kevin was asked to join Lions and over the years he has carried out all functions of Club Governance, some positions numerous times. Kevin became the 202F District Governor 1987/1988 and then went onto become the Council Chairman for the Multiple District 1988/1989.

Of note Kevin co-ordinated 37 organ transplant fundraising appeals and these raised over NZ\$200,000 to enable New Zealanders to travel overseas to receive life-saving human tissue organ transplants. Kevin also master-minded, co-ordinated and chaired and was the driving force to establishing the NZ Liver Transplant Service based at Auckland Hospital in the late 1980's. This was a \$3 million dollar project, and was one of the largest projects undertaken by the Lions Clubs in New Zealand.

Kevin was recognised by the Queen of the Commonwealth in 1999 being awarded a Queens Service Order (QSO) for Voluntary Service to the New Zealand Community. He has also received a Melvin Jones Fellow Award from Lions Club International, a Paul Harris Fellow Award from Rotary International along with Awards from the NZ Lions Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust just to name a few. He has been on various Boards and Committees all with a very strong community focus.

Kevin has always been passionate about Lions and has demonstrated his involvement with the Lions Club of Invercargill Host through his commitment and dedication to our Club. In recent years Kevin has been the driver of many of our Projects including the Leo Toy Lions for Hato Hone St John to hand out to traumatised or ill patients. Also the New Zealand Lions World Festival of Magic Show which Kevin has co-ordinated for over the past 35 years, this Project has raised over \$300,000 to support families living in our community.

From your 'Lions Family of Invercargill Host' congratulations Kevin on receiving the Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. You truly deserve this and we wish you well in all your future endeavours.

GST COORDINATOR SUE EVANS



INVERCARGILL HOST LIONS – EULOGY – OUR LAST SUPPER



Jointly Chartered by the Lions Club of Dunedin Host and Christchurch Host in 1962 and known as the Lions Club of Invercargill. We were the first Lions club south of Dunedin. Changed name to Invercargill Host when a second Lions Club was chartered in Invercargill with 49 members (1968?) First Meeting in upstairs Lounge of Grand Hotel on 14 May 1962. First Club Bulletin issued June 1962. Meeting Fee/dinner cost was four pound 10 shillings per double - \$9 double. Over the years, our meetings have been held at various venues but perhaps one of the most memorable is with The Tigers Club at the Invercargill Borstal. Originally, our Club was men only and grew to over 90 members. District Court Judges, Head of Police, Company & Business Owners, Bank & other Managers, Accountants, Doctors, Superintendent of the Borstal etc. – at time of formation it was the club to belong to in Invercargill. The who's who of Invercargill joined our Lions Club back then. Between 1963 and 1992 our Club chartered 17 new Clubs.

THE TIGERS CLUB was a first for NZ – and there never was another one formed – started in the Invercargill Borstal (now an adult prison) in 1963. It went for 20 years until the Prison Service changed from a

Borstal to the Adult Prison. Our Charter President Bill (WAH) Thompson of Thompsons Auction Rooms fame was also Chairman of the Invercargill Borstal Parole Board – it was Bill who initiated the formation of the Tigers Club. The Tigers Club has official sanction from Lions Club International and operated along the same lines as a Lions Club. It has its own Charter, its own Banner, Club Bannerette, Pin. Members from Invercargill Lions Club/Host Lions used to attend Tigers Club meetings in the Borstal and took inmates out on Saturday mornings for community work such as cleaning windows, mowing lawns, tidying gardens etc at Calvary Hospital, IHC Residential Home in Waikiwi, Crippled children, Karitane, etc and other deserving causes.

FEMALE MEMBERS

In February 1988 the glass ceiling was broken when two ladies joined the Lions Club of Invercargill Host.

SOME OF OUR MANY/MEMORABLE PROJECTS

Penny Pile Rickshaw Race Derby - August 1963

10,000 citizens lined our CBD to see celebrities clad in Chinese costumes – such as Peter Snell, Ngawara Bradshaw, Arthur Lydiard, Bill Thompson, Don Clark, Alastair Tait, Len Hodge, Lofty Blomfield, John van Leeuwen, Murray Forgie, Jim Healey compete in a rickshaw race. A penny pile was established during this race and was actioned off for £40. £400 was collected from this penny pile. A bucket collection amongst spectators raised a further £400 = \$800. Pounds (£) was a huge amount back in 1963. Proceeds went towards the about to be built, IHC Residential care facility in Waikiwi.

Talking Parrot Raffle Who would have thought our Public would be interested in owning a talking Parrot? A raffle was created and the parrot raffled. £434/18/00 (\$869.80) raised. Proceeds went to the IHC Residential home.

IHC Residential Home – when it was learnt that the IHC planned to build a hostel and special school in Renfrew Street (Kindhaven it became known as), our Lions Club purchased the freehold land and gifted it to the IHC. For over twenty years our Club run a Charity Golf Tournament held at Winton, in the latter years in conjunction with the Winton Lions Club who eventually took over this project from our Club, raising many thousands of dollars for IHC.

Borland Lodge – Our Club provided funds for a chalet to be built at Borland Lodge. We still continue to support Borland Lodge, often with proceeds from the Magic Show.



Elephant Races – Back in the day, 1970 - circuses came to Invercargill- and with elephants. Fortunately the visiting circus manager – from Australia, was also a Lion and he offered to have a street race to raise funds for our nominated charity.

Washing Machine Derby – In 1965 Club Members and others pushing old washing machines down Don St. Raised \$147 for the local Nurses Association.

Old Grandstand at Rugby Park – Back in August 1967, Club Members were involved in demolition of the old grandstand at Rugby Park.

Sir Edmund Hillary – At our invitation, visited Invercargill in 1966 His address/lecture raised in excess of \$200 which went to Volunteer Service Abroad.

Dr Danie Craven, President South African Rugby Union – Attended and addressed a special function put on by Host Lions. \$540 raised which went to IHC.

Fish Project – September 1971 three tons of donated fresh salmon from the Stewart Island salmon farm) raised over \$400.

Windmill Project – Cottage industry established by our Club in February 1972 – making several hundred windmills for children – which were on sold to local shops for sale. Windmills being the toy of choice for the youngsters back then.

Bathing Caps – October 1966, 120 individually named swimming bathing caps were supplied to Crippled Children and IHC so that swimming instructors could identify swimmers in the Pool – Conon Street back then.

Magna Scanner – August 1971, a 24 hour telephone appeal was created by our Lions Club in conjunction with the then NZ Post Office, which phoned every home in Invercargill/Southland, raising \$26,037.00 for the purchase and installation of the Magna Scanner (a first in Southland), as well as lead lining in the x-ray room walls, and funds to train x-ray staff. By May 1972 a total \$27,750 had been raised.

Pruning Trees in Forestry Block – Not sure who originated this back-backing project, but every fine Saturday for about three months, Club Members travelled to a forestry block and trimmed young trees up to head height – acres and acres of them. Retired or infirm members were required to attend too – boiling the billies, buttering the scones for smoko etc. Hard work but well worth it for the many thousands raised for our charitable causes.

All Weather Athletic Track Surrey Park and Kew Bowling Track - 1980 – Our Club was the first service club involved in fundraising for this new-concept, rubberised, all-weather track running service track at Surrey Park, and raising funds to resurface the cycling track at Kew Bowl. We had our Lion Ken Glass living in a small hut, up a pole, about 30 feet in the air, at Wachner Place. Ken was up there 24/7 for about ten days.

We did champagne breakfasts, a Charity Ball, and all manner of other projects, raising nearly \$50,000. \$10,000 of which was raised by the donation of a lamb project. Net proceeds were split between these two charities

Sheep Manure Project – June 1982 – a number of our Club Members, assisted by Tigers Club members, cleaned out sheep dags from under a shearing shed at Taramoa near the Iron Bridge, filling over 750 bags of sheep manure. A grubby smelly project but raised over \$500 WHICH WAS A LOT IN THOSE DAYS. Donated to Southland Paraplegic Swimming Society.

Mystery Bus Trips – Our very social Lions Club decided to operate monthly Mystery Bus Trips throughout Southland. We would fill the bus (H&H Motors) with Lions and Partners then embark on a cruise around Southland

Superdirt – Starting in 1984, our Lion member Ian Guise created the super-dirt project – a soil conditioner. For many years on Saturday mornings, sometimes with the assistance of the Tigers Club, our Members bagged and sold many thousands of bags of this super-dirt from either Charlie Johnstones Transport Company yard on Inglewood Road, then latterly out of McDowell Transport yard on Mersey Street. This project went on for eight years raising many thousands of dollars for Invercargill/Southland charities.

Organ Transplant Appeals – the Ann Crawford fund was our first – back in 1984. Started with a \$200 donation and in a month we raised a further \$30,000. Three months later with the assistance of a nationwide-wide appeal, and a further \$130,000 had been raised. Ann, from Invercargill, a young lady needed to go the Harefield Hospital in England for a life-saving double transplant – heart and lungs – a procedure not done then in New Zealand. Approximately \$160,000 was raised in a relatively short time then Ann and her mum and dad travelled to England. After quite a wait, Ann received her double transplant – a first for a New Zealander and months later returned to her home in Invercargill. Back in those days, ten liver transplant recipients travelled from NZ to Brisbane (or elsewhere) for life-saving liver transplant procedures – within one year this number had grown to 40 and nowadays annually 58 kiwis or more, receive their life saving liver transplant at our NZ International Standard Liver Transplant Unit.

Magic Show – The International World Festival of Magic, from memory commenced in Invercargill 1988/1989. Our Lions Club was chosen as the Lions Club in Invercargill to host this truly international event. For many years we had third-ranked international magician in the world – Chuck Jones – lading this magic show – which was a childrens’ themed magic show for disabled, handicapped children, their siblings and parents. Many hundreds of thousands of dollars (\$300,000+) were raised by our Lions Club and distributed to many local, regional, national projects etc.

Festival of Flags – Many years ago, Club Members embarked gathering Country Flags from around the World, plus Corporate Flags etc. Our Club ended up with in excess of 200 country flags and a similar number of corporate flags. These flags were often displayed at Invercargill/Southland A&P Society Shows (around the parade ring), also hired out for various functions, often used at Ascot Hotel when visiting dignitaries from overseas were in attendance. Our flags were also used at District 202F Conventions, some MD202 Conventions too. At our Club Closure, our Convention Flag Set plus a further 50-60 brand new international country flags were donated to District 202F along with flag poles, flag stands, etc.

Southland Girls High Leo Club – In July 2018, the Lions Club of Invercargill Host took over the sponsorship of the SGHS Leo Club from the Invercargill South Lions Club. This has been an amazing journey with the girls whose talents and enthusiasm has been outstanding. They have undertaken many projects including environmental – planting trees and installing a seat along the Waihopai river bank, Relay for Life, volunteering their time at Matariki helping children with arts and crafts, manning the phones for Daffodil Day at the Cancer Society ‘Hub’ as well as promoting this cause by planting bulbs in the school grounds and encouraging junior Leos to make paper daffodils which were displayed in vases in strategic places in their school

Lion Soft Toys – For over twenty years our Lions Club has been supplying Invercargill St John Ambulance with various types of Lion soft toys to give out to distressed children – and sometimes adults/elderly, when being triaged by the ambulance crew enroute to Hospital. From what we have been told by the Ambo Crews, these soft toys were a “god-send” calming their patients, taking the patients mind off their injuries, thus allowing the Ambo Crew to do their job. In total I would guess that over 10,000 of these soft toys have been donated since we started this project in 1999.



Numerous other Projects too – These project listed are but a small sample of the myriad of various projects, not always fund-raising projects, our Lions Club has completed over their 62 years. Some are quite unique and could/would not be able to be undertaken these days with OSH, Traffic Management issues, etc. There weren’t too many projects that we didn’t take on. Our adage used to be, one less cigarette or one less spot of whiskey, and that cost saved, could assist a worthy Lions Project.

Kevin Wall, QSO
PDG/PCC | Author | 04 October 2024

Note: This article has been abridged. If anyone is interested in reading this in its entirety please contact me
Sue Evans

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This month we presented John Falconer with Melvin Jones Fellow at our Gore Pakeke Lions tea meeting. Club President Ross Dickie made the presentation(left) and Douglas Dixey read the citation(right) Thanks Douglas Dixey John joined the club in 1999 and is a very active member.



FROM GORE PAKEKE LIONS

Winton Celebrated, its 60th anniversary on Sunday the 13th of October.



The Winton Lions Club's first project was on the 5th of February, in 1965, It was "A Mock Court". They fundraised 220 dollars for the blind foundation.

At, the last board meeting, our club sponsored a Local Girl from Centre Bush. For the boat, "Spirit of the Nation" to gain, her leadership in a different environment.

We Serve and give, our time, talents, and treasures as we work together and create projects to complete, amazing successes, here in our local Winton community, zone 6, 202F district, and around the world.

On the day we acknowledged our only charter member, John Kidd, and also gave Winton Lion Peter Whyte a Lloyd Morgan Honoured Recognition.

60 years ago, exactly on the 14th of October was the first unrecorded meeting, what will be called fourteen days later "Winton Lions Club" on the 21st of October 1964.

Safely chartered and steered by Invercargill members (Invercargill Host) the club found its own feet.

Mistakes were made, as the new club followed the lessons taught by their mentors.



Peter Whyte with Lloyd Morgan

One of those mistakes was that the Lions replaced their families, but family and their jobs were the order of priority, and then Lions.



Erwin Rasos and John Kidd

FROM WINTON LIONS

Welcome!

The new members in our 202F District for September 2024 along with their respective clubs and sponsors:

Name	Club	Sponsor
Victoria Andrews	Roxburgh & District	Peter MacDougall
Lex Miller	Roxburgh & District	John MacDonald
Andrew Nichol	Roxburgh & District	un-named sponsor
Tracey Pringle	Roxburgh & District	Owen Johnston
Phillip Young	Stewart Island	Richard Langdon



2VDG Position 2025-26

I'm married 33 years in April to Glenda. We have 2 sons Kieran, lives in Ashburton, has 5 sons and Regan who lives in Matura who has 3 daughters.

I have been with Winton Lions for 27 years.
I was club President back in the 2004-05 Lions year.
Currently I'm treasurer, having held that position for 5 years.

During these years I have been involved in many club projects and working bees around Winton such as IHC Golf, firewood, cooking at the BBQ raising money for the community just to name a few.

When Borland Lodge was upgraded, I supplied water tanks and sewage tanks at minimal costs to them.

I have been in the concrete water tank business all my life, being in business for 33 years as a manufacturer: Burford Tanks as some of you will know. I sold that business 6 years ago. I still climb in and out of water tanks as I own a water tank cleaning business. Now semi-retired, I have more time for Lions.

I am involved at 202F District level as Zone Chairman for zone 6. I have been going to zone meetings regularly for the last 5 years. This year I hold the position as the Global Membership Approach.

I have been to several 202F District conventions over the last few years. Being involved in organizing the 2023 Convention in Winton as treasurer and being on the registration desk last year was a great Insite into how Lions operate at district level.

I attended the ANZI (Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia), forum in Christchurch, September last year. Met a lot of fellow lions from all over the world, including Patty Hill the IP also Brian Sheehan the IPIP. Both people would fit into any Lions club. We all share similar problems in our communities all over the world. I attended my 1st International Lions World Convention in Melbourne in June this year along with a large contingent from our District 202F.

I have completed the ALLI (Advanced Lions Leadership Institute) training course that is aimed at Lions wanting to work at district level. This was held in Auckland in April 2024 along with three others from the 202F district. There were over 40 people that attended this training course, where we split up into 8 groups of 5 people. In my group there are 3 people from Australia, 1 from Adelaide, Wangaratta (Victoria), Brisbane city and 1 other from Te Awamutu in the Waikato. The groups have been having zoom meetings discussing assignments: A problem is never too big when you are part of a group in Lions. Following the ALLI training I attended the MD202 convention in Hamilton, representing Winton Lions Club.

Winning or losing this election isn't the end of the world to me. It's NOT about Leigh Burford, it's about Lions and what giftings and life experiences that I can contribute to the clubs and at district level to motivate, encourage Lions to contribute to their communities and grow their clubs.

I believe that I have what it takes to be a 2VDG, and DG going forward and contribute to Lions.
I would like to solicit your vote for this position at the 202F convention being held in Gore from the 21st-23rd March 2025.

LEIGH BURFORD WINTON LIONS



Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust.

Lions Club recognition

In August as your newly elected trustee I sent out a letter of introduction to all Lions clubs, and invited District 202F clubs to support the trust by making a donation. I would like to thank the 16 Lions clubs who have shown their support of the trust to date and made a donation for this Lions year. If your club hasn't done so please consider a donation to the Trust so we can support your club in your community projects.

At present there have been 2 grants made to District Lions clubs to finish some extremely worthwhile projects. And I have received inquiries on several more possible applications in the near future. Remember the Lloyd Morgan Trust is your New Zealand Lions trust and we are a great resource to help get those projects finished and into reality for your community. We cover small and larger applications.

Please contact me to decide if your project would fit the criteria for a grant.

Grants or Loans

We can also help with upgrading Lions clubs assets such as food wagons with a loan to help achieve this. Contact me for a chat and information on the criteria.

Recognition of Lions or community members

Clubs can recognise fellow Lions by presenting a Lloyd Morgan Award

Life membership the highest honor and is available to all Lions and Leos, members of their families and such persons whose contributions to Lions deserve special recognition. Recipients of this most prestigious honour receive a framed certificate and a distinctive red lapel pin. Donation \$750.

Honoured recognition

For Lions and Leos, and any other members of the community to recognise outstanding service to the Lions organization or the community at large. Recipients receive a framed certificate and a distinctive blue lapel pin. Donation \$400

Friend of the Trust

For anyone who wishes to donate to the Trust. A white lapel pin is worn and can be used as a stepping stone towards higher awards once the minimum contribution is reached. donation \$150.

WENDY GOODWIN
LMLCC TRUSTEE
202F DISTRICT

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Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust - continues...

Honor Roll

We also offer an Honor roll which is recognition of the work of recently past Lions from your club for their contribution to Lions service. Their name is entered onto the honor roll in perpetual recognition of their service to your club and community. As well as the name of the recently passed Lion being entered on the Honour Roll to be displayed at all future Lions District 202F and MD 202 conventions, A framed certificate will be issued on request and will be sent to your club for presentation to the Lions family. We ask for a minimum donation of \$100 to cover costs and this will be added to the capital fund to provide continued assistance to Lions Clubs in providing service to their communities.

Disaster Relief Grant

With the heavy rainfall and flooding in the last weeks DG Elaine contacted those clubs who she thought may have been affected and needing help. Fortunately the floods were receding and the weather righted itself.

Lloyd Morgan does have a Disaster Relief Grant of up to \$10,000 if needed and this is instigated by the District Governor who completes the application form with the ability to have funds within 24-48 hours.. This grant is only for

Finalising a project

At the finish of a project Lloyd Morgan requests a "Completion of the project" form be filed. This confirms with the trust that the grant was used for what it was intended for and gives the club an opportunity to return to the Trust any funding left over.

District Diabetes Committee chair PDG Pam Fiveash filed that the \$25000.grant applied by the Gore River Valley Lions on behalf of the District 202F for the Diabetes research into the Pancreatic insulin pumps trial had been completed.

Gore Host Lions have filed that the St James Theatre restoration project which they had a big part in is now finalized and have filed the return.

I am available if your club has any questions on how we can please contact me.

Wendy Goodwin PDG

Lloyd Morgan Lions clubs Charitable Trust 202F District Trustee

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CORRECTION NOTICE

In the September 2024 edition of *Southern Chronicles*, I managed to perform a rather impressive feat of mistaken identity—once again. Instead of featuring a photo of Leigh Burford, the author of the insightful article on the Global Membership Approach, I somehow included a picture of Ben Wheeler. I have checked, double-checked and confirmed that Ben did not, in fact, secretly swap places with Leigh in an elaborate plot to confuse readers.

Apologies to Leigh Burford for the unintended makeover and to Ben Wheeler for the unexpected spotlight —both entirely my doing. Rest assured, I'll get it right next time (probably).



Borland Lodge Adventure and Education Trust

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the Lodge

On

Sunday 3rd November 2024

At 2.30 pm

Lions and all interested people are welcome to attend.

Apologies to Secretary Anne McCracken

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A cuppa will be served after the meeting.

Why not come and stay on Saturday night before the meeting?

For bed bookings contact the Manager at the Lodge.

Lions Skin Cancer Trust

The 1st Skin Cancer screening service vehicle build is progressing well.

BT Coach Builders of Ashburton have been amazing. Sourcing donations and great trade prices on our behalf.

They are thinking ahead and futureproofing it with state-of-the-art equipment. Bluetooth door locks to the inspection rooms as an example, which can be operated from a cell phone. The vehicle will operate on its own without



power for a couple of days, even if the generator is not operated. It has its own batteries and inverter (3000W) and enough solar panel power to keep the batteries up. The TV built into the side of the vehicle is now 55 inch.

Bunnings Timaru has been amazing with a big box of goodies – of note the state-of-the-art door locking system.

Napa Hornby have generously dropped off two swivel chairs for the examiners.

Vulcan Ullrich Aluminium Timaru, have incredibly donated all the aluminium, extrusion & light channel for this build. Phenomenal support. This has enabled the upgrade of the TV, upgrade the solar system, increase the inverter capacity, increase battery storage, upgrade the water heater and upgrade the high rear exterior vehicle lights. Their generosity has enabled this build to be futureproofed so well.

It has now been confirmed that the 1st Skin Cancer Vehicle will be unveiled at the District E Convention at Hanmer Springs 28-30th March.

We are in the process of securing the second vehicle chassis so we can continue and where we can, we are purchasing components for the second vehicle while fitting the first vehicle.



Roof is on. Domestic A/C units installed



10/10/21 - near side has areas cut for sliding clerks window and the TV. By end of business will be fully enclosed. Door frames have been custom made, hinges installed. Pull out steps have been custom made and fitted. All piping installed for the wiring, all light and power switch article mounts fitted

WENDY GOODWIN NZLCC TRUSTEE 202F DISTRICT

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All flooring has been pre fitted and drilled

We are liaising with Melnet(NZ Skin Cancer) on the protocols and are advertising for retired doctors and nurses who would like to help with screening when the vehicle is in our area.

If you know anyone may be interested in being one of our screeners please contact me as we are compiling a list, and will contact you when we have training available. We do need drivers and Lions clubs to help do the admin and support the screeners with meals on screening days in your area.

Melanoma is a silent killer, as Lions please support this NZ wide project so we can get into our rural towns and areas to make a difference to those who either cannot afford full body screening or dont have the time to visit their doctor to check that spot.

I recently completed my annual visit for skin screening and was extremely surprised to have one identified on my leg. A small pink spot I would have not thought to get screened. It took 3 returns for a check up and 3 sessions of the chemotherapy cream to deal with it. Thankfully I did not need any surgical intervention. I

encourage you to get any worrying skin problems checked.

Thanks to all Lions clubs who have made a donation to the Lions Skin Cancer Trust. Your help is much appreciated.

Wendy Goodwin PDG

202F District Trustee
New Zealand Lions Clubs Cancer Trust
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Support this worthwhile NZ Lions Project now!

Here's how...

Bank account Details

Lions Clubs Cancer Trust

03-0674-0280918-00

Ref:Your Lions Club name

Particulars:Lions Club Number

All donations will be acknowledged

Personal donations will be accepted and are eligible for tax refunds.

Hello Everyone

Let's have some fun! While Lap the Map is not a Lions National Event this year, let's turn this into a DISTRICT CHALLENGE. Are you up to the Challenge?

All you need to do individually or as a Club is to get active and go walking during the month of November and collect those km's that you do. Then add them up for your Club and email the number of km's to me by 30th November 2024.

Sue Evans

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So the challenge I am putting out to all of you is to get those feet walking and let's see which Club can get the most km's for the month of November. It doesn't matter how far you walk or run, it's about being involved, getting active and moving together.

OR HOW ABOUT THIS?

Sneaker Friday



Diabetes

Wear your sneakers or do something BLUE on Friday 15 November to support Kiwis living with diabetes. You can take part either individually or as a team by wearing your sneakers to work, to school or to play on Friday 15 November - or any date that suits you in November. If you need help planning your event, email: fundraising@diabetes.org.nz

Check the Diabetes NZ website list of events as we get closer to November. Sneaker Friday is a fundraising event that happens during Diabetes Action Month, and encourages New Zealanders to support young people living with diabetes. As well as getting your sneakers on, you can also 'do something blue' to raise money, as BLUE is the global colour for diabetes awareness. It's easy to get involved! Simply wear your sneakers on Sneaker Friday or organise a 'blue' event.

Kind regards

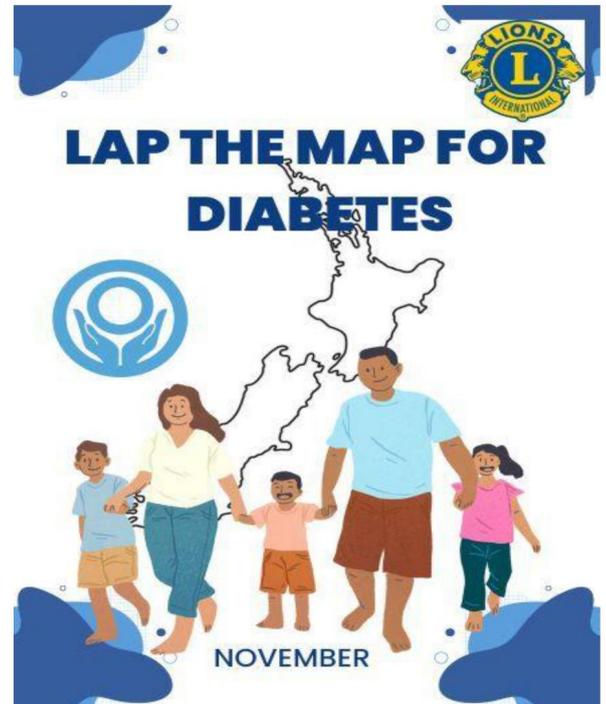
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DISTRICT 202F IS YOUR CLUB UP TO THE CHALLENGE?





BALFOUR LIONS
PRESENTING

FIREWORKS 2024



Friday November 8th
BALFOUR RACECOURSE

GATES OPEN 6.30PM NO POSTPONEMENT	Coffee Cart Glow Sticks Live Music Food Stalls Fun for Kids	\$10 ENTRY EVERYONE OVER 15YRS OLD
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No personal fireworks

Bring a torch

All Enquires to 027 860 9850



Calling All Members: Share Your Stories, Photos and Profiles!

The Southern Chronicles thrives on the stories, achievements, and moments of inspiration from our Lions members, and we're excited to feature your contributions! Whether it's an article, a memorable photo, a profile, or a personal story, sharing helps us celebrate our collective impact and showcases the incredible work we're doing across the district.

This is your chance to highlight the projects you're passionate about, to acknowledge dedicated Lions, and to bring our community even closer together. Each contribution adds a unique voice to our bulletin, making it more meaningful and reflective of who we are.

Please submit your articles, photos, profiles, or stories by 10th November to be featured in the next issue. Let's fill our bulletin with inspiring and memorable moments from each corner of our district!

Let's continue to connect, inspire, and uplift each other—one story at a time.

SAJITHA FERRY BULLETIN EDITOR

MEALS ON WHEELS

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OPPORTUNITY.....to all you community minded individuals that potentially feel for what ever reason slightly unfull filled as Lions we've the answer. What about a weekly, fortnightly or other stint delivering meals to those less fortunate than ourselves. It's generally less than an hour 11am - 12pm, weekdays only. You could do it as a individual or perhaps on a share basis through your club as I'm aware other Community service clubs do and we know who they're don't we, yep them. Go on, accept the challenge, the gratification is literally endless. I do it as a member of a country Lions club incorporating it as my weekly sojourn to the big smoke as you could to.

In the event you, your club or other are so inclined feel free to contact your local LION rep @ mcfaulbw@gmail.com / 032395797 or Jackie Coster [MOW convenor] @ 0272716992 for a guiding light towards your welcome contribution.

This will be a one on one personal contact that will absolutely full fill everything you wanted about individual service, generally we work as a team eh? These daily visits are often the highlight / only contact for these folk so that lingering smile goes a long way and little things like that become so empowering personally.

We're challenged at the moment to continue providing this service, desperate for weekly, fortnightly, etc or and on call relief drivers.

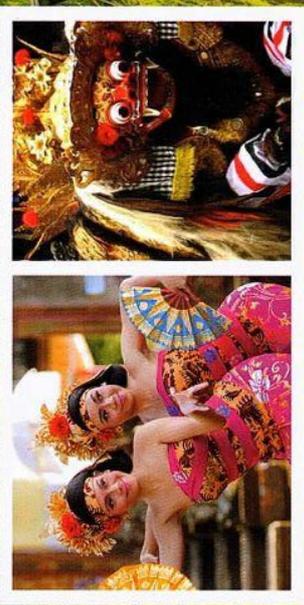
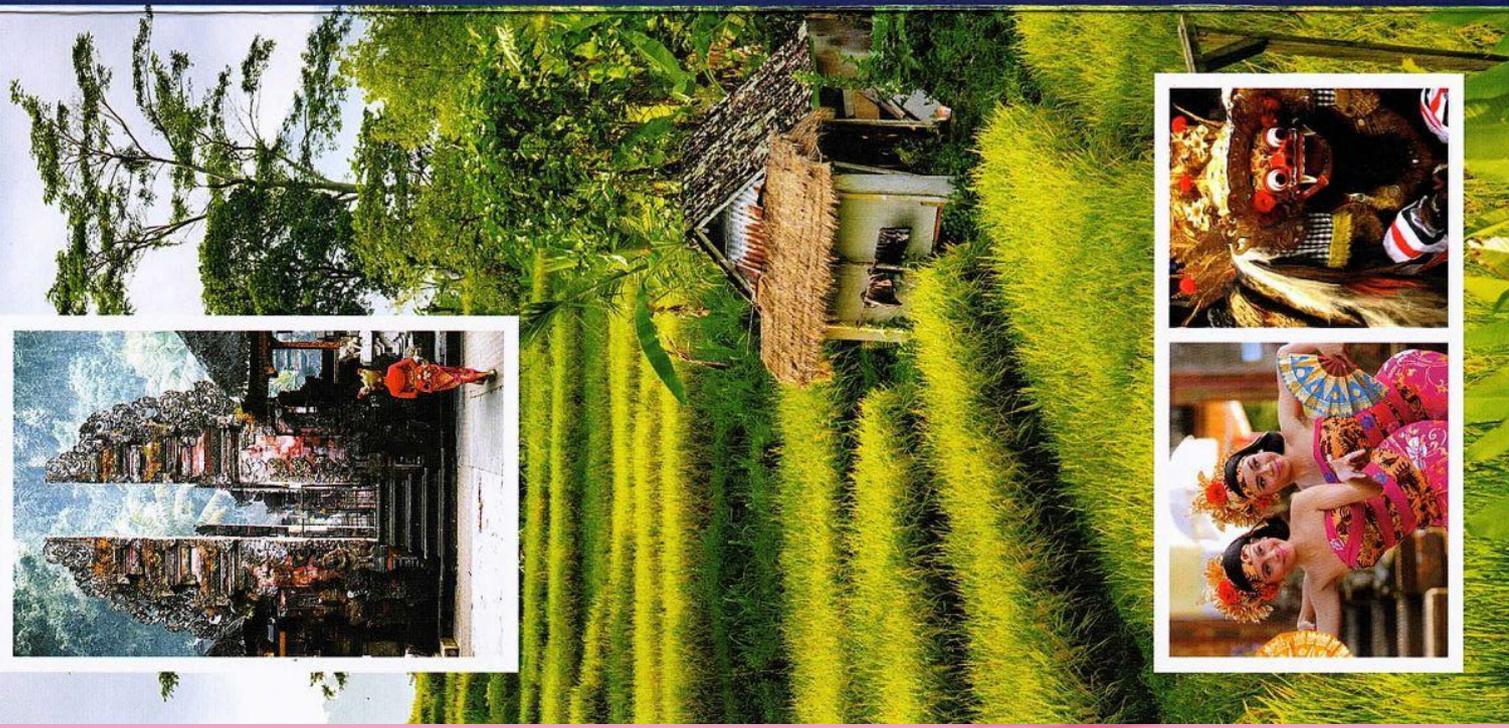
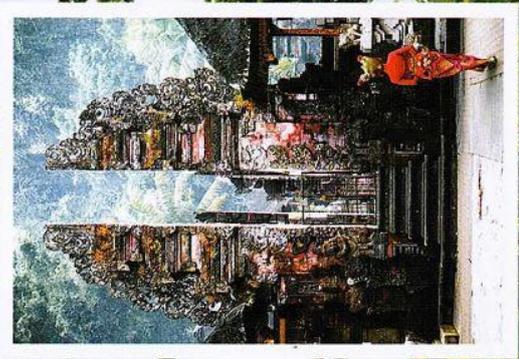
Hey you lot, you're probably in that age bracket that are recipients, there's KARMA right, doesn't this sound like you?

One day.....cheers for considering. Away to serve.

HONOURING LIVES OF SERVICE AND DEDICATION

We remember
with great
respect and
appreciation
the Life and
Services of
Alan Beaton
of Cromwell
(a member
since 2013)
&
Everill Cocker
of Winton (a
member since
1978)





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