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*Lions from the North Otago area (Oamaru, Waiareka Valley, North Otago, Waianakarua Lions Clubs) gathered to hear instructions before acting as marshals for the Whitestone Contracting Oamaru Triathlon/Duathlon and SISS / Aoraki SS event on Sunday 2 March.*

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*Proud Lions Proudly Shouting "WE SERVE"*

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**We Serve**



## DG Derek's Discourse

**A**s mentioned last month the DG household is slap bang in the middle of Convention madness. Just two weeks ago we were at Silverstream Retreat, Lower Hutt, for District M's Convention. DG Anne started the weekend off with a Mayoral reception at the same venue as a yearlong Boddies and Bogans exhibition. Simply fascinating, neither DG nor wife will own up to which genre they associate. Their keynote (Saturday night) speaker related his experience of taking part in an experimental T-cell cancer treatment project and the \$\$\$ cost to him as a participant.

Convention is just around the corner April 4-6. I reckon a rush of registrations will alleviate the nerves of the organizing committee.

I have been impressed with the enthusiasm of Lions in many parts of the North Island. However, they do not really match "J"; close yes, but not match. Lions seem to have a number of community services that are common to all Districts. Lions man gates/direct traffic at shows, or race meetings, do BBQs for crowds big and small; Bunnings appear to be one of the most popular sites M10 a close second. In fact, some

clubs are at these venues six times a month. All Districts report their resources are being stretched with demands on time, manpower and financial assistance by struggling communities.

We struggle as well but **Be Proud District "J"**. Proud of the service activities you undertake in our communities, proud of the causes you support and very proud of your membership gains.

Overall, we are on track to meet the 2024-25 net gain of 30 new members.

Some membership targets have moved a bit, the Mosgiel rebuild is now focused on members from the education sector allowing us to consider a specialty club. Like many places, new Leo clubs are not easy to get off the ground but an approach by an Ashburton school has great promise, needless to say a big push is underway. Ashburton Pakeke have offered to be the sponsoring club, thank you.

See all the Proud Lions proudly shouting "We Serve" at Convention.

**DG Derek**

### *A Message from The Oamaru Convention Committee*

*202J Convention 4th - 6th April 2025 hosted by the Lions Club of Oamaru Inc*  
*The Convention Committee has changed the cutoff date for registrations **from 20th March to 25th March**, to enable members who have not yet registered for the Convention a few more days to do so without incurring the late registration fee.*

*Registration form can be downloaded from*  
[202j.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202j.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz)

*Online payment account details:*  
*Lions Club of Oamaru Inc, 06 0941 0035301 02,*  
*Particulars: Name Code: Club Ref: Registration*  
*Your support for the convention would be very much appreciated.*

## Paul's Piece - 2 VDG and GMT Co-ordinator

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I would like to acknowledge all clubs in 202J and the service and hard work they have completed in the past year. Looking at the bulletins it is easy to see that clubs are proactive and continually striving to meet our goals.

I also want to acknowledge and thank the clubs I visited during my year as 2VDG being Palmerston, Waiareka Valley, Otago Peninsula, Waimate and Timaru Suburban, and was received with a very warm reception. At my trip to Waimate I had the pleasure to induct three new members which went a long way to increasing our membership goal.

I am hoping to be successful in my nomination to 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor and also wish the incoming 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor the best for their time in the role. I know that they will be well received by clubs they visit.

Reminder - Membership growth is a key target for us as Lions and to quote our DG the most successful membership gain comes from a simple conversation that has included an invitation to join or at least come to see. With many of our clubs and the ageing demographic within them, there is valid comment regarding the need of younger members. Remember the DG team is available to visit clubs and devise a plan, suggest a club uses one of their regular projects as a membership drive, consider their local area and look for openings and issue personal invitations to specific targets, clubs close to each other, or zones combine for growth purposes.

*Paul Black*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> VDG and GMT Co-ordinator*

### **Wanted!**

Club activity action photos for:

- ◆ the front cover of J-Times -Send photos to DG Derek

## Spot the Typos Competition

Those eagled eyed readers who correctly identify the deliberate typo (or any other unintended typos) each month & advise editor Beryl of typo, are all eligible for a chocolate fish **if they are present at the 2025 202J Convention.**

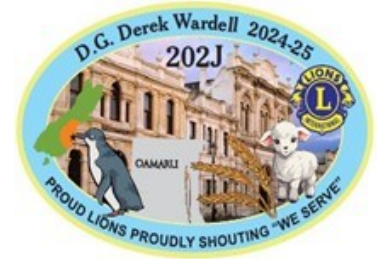






## 202J District Convention

All Lions, partners, and Leos are cordially invited to attend the 202J annual convention in Oamaru from 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025



### Newsletter #3

#### Registrations:

Registration forms can be downloaded from [202j.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202j.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz)

The date for registrations & payments has been extended to **25<sup>th</sup> March 2025**. Registrations after this date will incur the late registration fee. Please note that due to recent changes in banking requirements the account name for payments is **Lions Club of Oamaru Inc.** All other details are as per the registration form.

#### Programme:

Friday: Meet & Greet, a chance to meet up with fellow delegates and complete registration. 6.00pm – 8.00pm Oamaru Club.

Saturday: Registrations 7.30am – 9.00am Oamaru Club.

Opening Ceremony and business session.  
Call to order 8.00am, all seated by 8.20am.

At the conclusion of the business session there will be an opportunity to join a **guided tour of Parkside quarry**, which is the last Oamaru Stone quarry operating in the Otago region. Transport to and from the site will be provided but numbers are limited so register early if you want to visit this site. **There are still places available on this tour.**

Partners Tour. A walking tour of Oamaru's historic precinct and harbour area with opportunity to explore the interesting shops and galleries in the area. Includes morning tea and lunch.

Dine & Dance. Don your glad rags and join us in the heart of the historic precinct for the White Stone dine & dance with live music at the Loan and Mercantile building in Harbour Street. Social from 6.00pm, dinner 6.30pm.

Sunday: Remembrance/Rededication Service. All seated by 10.20am.

This will be followed by the transfer of flags and a light lunch.  
[Please note if family members are staying for lunch, the family or club will need to pay for the lunch.](#)

### **Conference Accommodation:**

Please note that there are other events on in Oamaru at the same time as our convention. We strongly recommend that you book your accommodation in Oamaru now. There are a lot of motels and short-term accommodation (Air BnB) options. Below is just a selection of motel options. Some operators are holding rooms so we recommend that you contact them now by phone to make your booking as some held rooms will not show as available on the internet.

- The Mews 03 434 3437
- AAA Thames Court Motel 03 434 6963
- Asure Ambassador Motor Lodge 03 437 2146
- Bella Vista Motel 03 434 2400
- Colonial Lodge Motel & Apartments 03 437 0999
- Midway Motel 03 434 5388
- Mariner Suites 03 434 7788
- Northstar Motels 03 437 1191 extension 2
- Oamaru Motor Lodge Their preference is for you to email them at [info@oamarumotorlodge.co.nz](mailto:info@oamarumotorlodge.co.nz)

### **Restaurants:**

- Fat Sallys, 84 Thames St.
- Del Mar, 16 Waterfront Rd.
- Cucina, 1 Tees St.
- Star & Garter, 9 Itchen St.
- Last Post, 12 Thames St.
- Brydone Hotel, 115 Thames St.
- North Star Motel, 495A Thames Highway.
- Riverstone Kitchen, 18km north of Oamaru on SH1.
- There are also numerous cafes in the CBD and Historic precinct.

### **Places of interest:**

- Historic Precinct, with its collection of shops, art galleries, and cafes, craft breweries, Steampunk HQ, and the iconic Criterion Hotel.
- Oamaru Harbour, which is home to the largest colony of Otago's only endemic seabird, the Otago Shag/Matapo. It is also home to the Little Blue Penguin colony, and NZ Fur Seals which can normally be seen basking on the rocks below the Blue Penguin viewing platform.
- Thames Street CBD, which has a number of Victorian buildings including the Opera House, Court House, Waitaki Museum, and Forrester Art Gallery which is housed in the old Bank of New South Wales building.
- Sunday farmers market beside Scott's Brewery in Tyne Street.
- Janet Frame's House, 56 Eden Street.
- Riverstone Castle and gift shop, 18km north of Oamaru on SH1.
- Moeraki Boulders, 38km south of Oamaru on SH1.
- Fossil World and Elephant Rocks, 43km west of Oamaru on SH83

If you need any further information, please contact:

*DG Derek Wardell* [dwok47@outlook.com](mailto:dwok47@outlook.com)

**A**t the 202J AGM being held in Oamaru on the 5th of April 2025, there will be a remit and the New District 202j Constitution presented for consideration of the voting delegates.

These documents have been circulated to all clubs for consideration of the voting delegates prior to Convention.

## Dates to Diary

### 25 March:

New cutoff date for registrations  
202J White Stone Convention

### 4 - 6 April:

202J White Stone Convention, Oamaru

### 17 May:

District 202J Fourum,  
St Kevin's College, Oamaru

### 15<sup>th</sup> June:

Closing date Young Speechmaker entries

### 29 June:

Young Speechmaker Competition, Oamaru

## DID YOU KNOW? NZ MOTORHOMING LIONS CLUB IS BASED IN 202E - WELCOMES MEMBERS FROM ALL OVER NEW ZEALAND.

You don't need a Motorhome /caravan to belong ... want to know more? [nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz)

NZMLC does not only run its own projects but assists other Clubs in making theirs successful.

So if you have a project that you think we might be able to assist with please don't hesitate to contact [secretary.nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:secretary.nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz) or [nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz)

We now have 9 members based from Auckland to Mid-Canterbury and have been involved in a number of projects including:

- Can collection
- Children's Day (assisting Ashburton County Lions)
- Toot for Tucker (assisting various Clubs)
- Teddy Bears Picnic (assisting Rangiora Lioness Lions)
- Volunteer Expo Days (Rangiora/Kaiapoi)
- Cancer Society – service

**Source: District 202E March bulletin**



# 2025 Marketing & Communications Calendar

Month	Date	Event
April	Month	Lions Environmental Awareness Month.
	22	Earth Day: Theme: Our Power, Our Planet
	Month	Leo Club Awareness Month.
	Month	Family & Friends month
	26	Lions World Wide Induction Day (last Saturday in April)



Clubs are responsible for collecting the coins left at Resene shops (and other places where HU4K cans have been left.)  
- Resene is just a drop off point for the public.

Clubs then sort the coins (sorting instructions are on the HU4K website:  
[https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/application/files/3416/8603/8948/Heads\\_Up\\_for\\_Kids\\_Sorting\\_Instructions\\_2304.pdf](https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/application/files/3416/8603/8948/Heads_Up_for_Kids_Sorting_Instructions_2304.pdf))

After sorting send them via the courier Aramex (a no charge mailing label is available on the HU4K website) to the counting house in Lower Hutt.

Contact Malcolm Lill if you need help.  
[202j.hu4k@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202j.hu4k@lionsclubs.org.nz)

## Heads Up For Kids/Kantabs contact/drop off:

- ◆ Malcolm Lill: zones 1, 2, 3. (03) 693 7667 or 021 361 380 (see Wanted below)
- ◆ PDG Kevin Bryson zones, 4, 5, 6 (03) 489 2475 or 027 642 1949

## Wanted!

HU4K Contact / Drop off person for Zones 1,2,3.

Please contact DG Derek Wardell if you can help.

021 0339 123    [dwok47@outlook.com](mailto:dwok47@outlook.com)



## A Warm Welcome to New Members.....



### Ashburton County:

Janet Andrews (John McDonough) *(sponsor Christine Stewart)*

Brenda Fechney *(sponsor Karen Hooper)*

### Strath Taieri:

Pricilla Porter *(sponsor Cynthia Flanagan)*

### Taieri:

John Smart (Lois) *(sponsor Graeme Robertson)*



**Lion Portal**

## 202J Administrator

- ◆ If anyone has trouble with the Lion Portal please let Jan Stonyer know, and she can hopefully help. 027 631 3454
- ◆ Clubs reporting can now add photos to go with their service/project activities; it has just become available on the Lions Portal.

When you go to add a service activity or project there is a tab on the right of the screen to upload photos.

## Situations Vacant - Your District Needs You!

- ◆ **Heads Up For Kids contact person, Zones 1,2,3** (Malcolm Lill willing to assist)

**Please contact DG Derek if you can help District 202J in this role - or any other - District roles.**

**Incoming emails to any club member are incoming correspondence  
- to be taken to your club meetings**

**Record incoming & outgoing correspondence in your minutes**



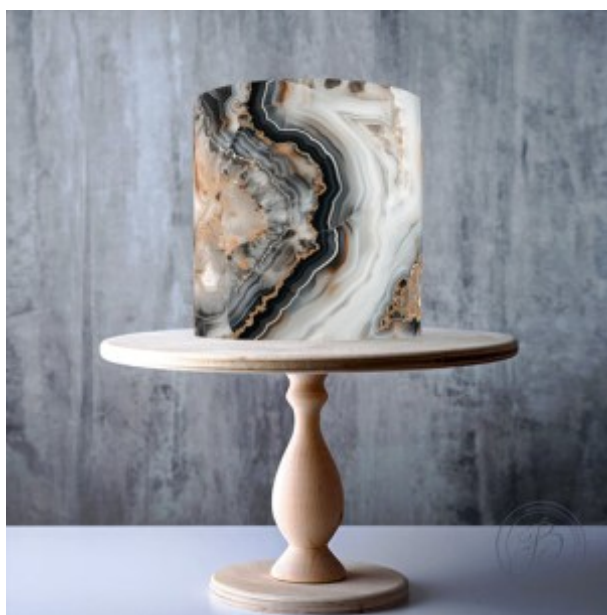


CAKE AUCTION: 202J Convention 2025

*“White Stone”*



*Cake Entry details are available in J-Times*



All cakes will be auctioned off at the Saturday Night Dinner/Dance  
We need the support of District clubs to make this a fun event  
Come with a mandate from your club so you can bid for a cake

All proceeds from the Cake Auction will be donated to  
Camp Quality South



## Decorated Cake Competition.....

### for Camp Quality South

#### 2025 theme: "White Stone"

#### Who can enter?

- ◆ Any Lion or person with a connection to a Lion (friends and family can assist) through a sponsoring Lions club (clubs can sponsor more than one entry)
- ◆ This is only open to amateur decorators; any professionally decorated cakes are not eligible to be put in for the best decorated cake trophy  
- professionally decorated cakes need to be declared, to make judging fair for all.

#### When?

Cakes to be displayed at the 4th – 6th April Convention in Oamaru. Voting is done throughout Saturday right up until the auction by placing a gold coin (or notes) in the container supplied for each cake.

#### How are donations made?

- ◆ Via gold coin (or notes)
- ◆ Via auction: how about clubs donating many \$\$\$\$ as their contribution instead of individuals bidding small amounts? Get permission from your club beforehand for the donation amount.

#### Suggested cake size?

Approximately the dimensions of a Lions Christmas cake - approx. 8x8 inches / 20 x20cm (you can use a Lions one if you like as the cake is not judged)

#### Judging?

- ◆ Done on the decoration only, not the cake

#### Trophies?

- ◆ Best decorated cake (independently judged by someone appointed by the District Governor)  
– Lorna Inch Trophy. Most popular cake by vote
- ◆ – Ella Butson Trophy. Each cake will be voted on by way of coin donations.
- ◆ Highest winning bid at auction – Genny Hanning Trophy. All cakes will be auctioned off at the Saturday night function. The auctioneer will be appointed by the convention committee.



## Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ

All Club fundraising is to be banked in your Club Trust Bank Account then pay it through to the Lions Clubs New Zealand Charitable Trust project account.

03-0162-0110296-003

Account Name: LCNZCT - Row for Life

Ref: Lions Club Name **Particulars:** Lions Club Number



The team is very keen to restart but are frustrated by weather conditions. Ex-cyclone Alfred is still affecting New Zealand's weather. Rowing will resume from Christchurch once a period of settled weather is forecast.

Ian Hamilton has advised it is a personal challenge of his to row the length of NZ & will continue with the programme. If clubs have any funds they wish to donate, they can be paid into the LCNZT bank a/c.

For all updates on the team, check out the 'Rowing for Life' Facebook page  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553836107366>

The target is to raise \$5 million for these charities



**SURF LIFE SAVING**  
NEW ZEALAND



## Photos & Videos

Multiple District 202 is collecting a national resource of still and video images of club service projects. If your club has any please send them directly to your District Marcom using their generic email [202J.marcom@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202J.marcom@lionsclubs.org.nz).



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

## Lions Environmental Awareness Month.

**A**pril marks the beginning of Lions Environmental Awareness Month. As we take in the beauty of the autumn colours of the trees, it's also the perfect time for Lions to organize community clean-up events. While the leaves are undeniably picturesque, they often create a considerable mess in our shared public spaces.

On April 22nd, we celebrate International Earth Day, presenting a wonderful opportunity for Clubs to engage in community beautification projects. One suggestion is to tidy up around your local War Memorial in preparation for Anzac Day. Alternatively, consider organizing a clean-up along a local beach or lakefront - tailor the initiative to the areas in your community that could benefit most from a little extra care. These efforts not only honour Earth's natural beauty but also raising awareness about protecting our Environment.

LCIF is committed to empowering Lions to undertake large-scale projects that pave the way for a sustainable and healthy future for generations to come. These initiatives include efforts such as recycling programs and ensuring access to clean drinking water worldwide. Environmental month is an excellent time to organize an Environmental Service Project, welcoming non-Lions to participate. Their involvement can provide valuable support and may even inspire future members to join!

Lions and Leos worldwide have accomplished numerous significant environmental projects with the support of LCIF matching grants. For Leo Clubs, a US\$2,500 LCIF Leos Service Grant is available to help fund youth-led humanitarian initiatives.

### Frightening facts:

- Each year, 12 million hectares of forests are lost.
- Air pollution is responsible for six to seven million premature deaths annually.
- More than a third of global waste remains improperly managed.
- In 2021 alone, an estimated 17 million tonnes of plastic polluted our oceans—a figure that could more than double by 2040 unless we take immediate action.

**The BIG QUESTION IS** – what is your club planning to do to “**Make its Mark**” in your local community for Environmental month?

*LCIF your International Foundation  
established in 1968 by Lions for Lions*

**PDG Les Box, QSM**  
**202J LCIF District Coordinator**





**P**lease donate to LCIF so they can respond to worldwide need.  
New Zealand has received more funds from LCIF after natural disasters & in times of crisis than New Zealand contributes to LCIF.



## LCIF Presidential Supporter Pins

**I**nternational President's Pins are still available to all Lions members by making a personal donation of NZ\$75, \$150 or \$300 to one of LCIF's causes of your choice, in return you will receive an appropriate Bronze, Silver or Gold 2024/25 Presidential Supporters pin and also dollar credits in your name towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/explore-our-foundation/recognition-programs/presidential-lcif-recognition>

Contact PDG Les Box: [landjbox@outlook.com](mailto:landjbox@outlook.com)



*Bronze \$NZ75*



*Silver \$NZ\$150*



*Gold \$NZ300*

## MJF or Life Membership Applications

Deposit to:

Westpac, International Assoc of Lions | 03-0502-0081103-00

Code: Recipient's Membership number

Reference: MJF MBR / LIFE MBR

- ◆ Lions Clubs International Foundation: 03 0502 0081103 00
- ◆ Please email Les Box at [landjbox@outlook.com](mailto:landjbox@outlook.com) with the detail of every LCIF banking

# **Berwick Outdoor Experience** 9<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025

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Mental and Physical Challenges | Limited to 40 Participants**

***Anyone over the age of 18 years with reasonable standard of fitness can apply, previous participants have ranged in age from 18 through to 79 years.***

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION**



## Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids



- ◆ Kidney Kids NZ is a non-profit organisation established in 1990 to support children and their families and whānau with kidney disease and/or urinary tract disorders nationwide.
- ◆ We provide support and information to all children and young adults between the ages of 0-21 who have any type of Kidney or Urinary Tract Disease. Our services include hospital support; home visits; financial assistance; advocacy; youth development; education programmes; community education; events.
- ◆ **Sell your collected aluminium to a recycler:**  
Wine bottle tops - remove any wire. Tear tabs, clean crushed aluminium cans, aluminium trays, aluminium cat food containers, tea light candle holders  
- other metals: e.g. **steel** - use a magnet to identify & remove these  
- some medication packaging is not pure aluminium &/or contains plastic - do not include
- ◆ Bank proceeds into:  
Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids: 12 - 3114 - 0046019 – 001

## Keep Your Eye Out!

Recycle old spectacles (without their cases - cases are not needed for the Pacific Islands) by dropping spectacles off at: *see page 17*

Then select the cases in good condition from the discarded cases for a new fundraising life.

Get cases to Genny Hanning at:  
Green Island Gallery  
194A Main South Road  
Green Island Dunedin 9018.

Genny will get a team together to paint or decorate them for sale as trinket or earring boxes with the funds going to worthy Lions' projects.



### Zone Meeting Dates

One	TBA	Four	22nd May
Two	11th June	Five	26th June
Three	TBA	Six	24th June

## Used Hearing Aids & Unused (New) Batteries Collection

Updated details



- ◆ We collect all un-needed fully charged unused (new) hearing aid batteries (e.g. ones from old hearing aids that don't fit new hearing aids) and also collect old earpieces.



Add un-needed fully charged unused (new) batteries & old hearing aids to your collection of spectacles for delivery to PDG Andy Andrews in Cromwell - 57 Horace St, Cromwell (ph: (03) 445 3112 / 021 842 346)



Andy has arranged for a transport company to collect them in Dunedin and if they come to PDG Ella she can arrange for them to get to Cromwell. (Design & Garden Landscapes, 205 St Andrew St, Dunedin).

Oamaru: old hearing aids, unused (new) hearing aid batteries, (and spectacles) can also be delivered to DG Derek Wardell 7 Girvan St, Oamaru for delivery to Andy.

- ◆ OLD used, flat batteries are safely disposed of through Bay Audiology or Triton Hearing – take your used (flat) hearing aid batteries to them.



## Mobile Phone Recycling

- ◆ Drop off at 2 degrees, Spark & Vodafone shops for the RE:MOBILE scheme which is accredited by the Ministry for the Environment. Sustainable Coastlines benefits.



## Used Spectacles Collection

- ◆ The **Cromwell** Lions clubs have taken over the Ferrymead equipment for eyeglasses. **Do not** send spectacles to the Ferrymead Lions Club.
- ◆ Spectacles can be sent through directly to Lion Andy Andrews, 57 Horace St, Cromwell (ph: 03 445 3112 / 021 842 346) or they can still be delivered to PDG Ella's office and she will organise delivery to Cromwell.
- ◆ Oamaru: There is now a collection point at the Resource Recovery Park on the counter in "The Get Sorted Shop" in Chelmer Street. The container has the Lions emblem on it & all spectacles collected go to Lions.
- ◆ Also collect them from Specsavers and keep doing what clubs have been doing up to now with collecting eyeglasses. PDG Ella will collect them at her office (Design & Garden Landscapes, 205 St Andrew St, Dunedin).
- ◆ Zones 4,5 & 6: drop off to Anne Stratford, 021 0247 9803, who delivers spectacles to Andy.
- ◆ The cases in good condition go to Genny Hanning - see "Keep Your Eye Out" page 16.





## 2025-2026 Peace Poster Contest

The theme is “Together As One”

- ◆ Info at: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-poster#contest>
- ◆ Kits available from 15 January - Every club competition requires a Peace Poster pack. There is now an option via the LCI website to order a digital kit (which doesn't incur postage)
- ◆ Physical kits are still available - Multiple District 202 has ordered a limited number.
- ◆ To order yours from Multiple District 202 contact [orders@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:orders@lionsclubs.org.nz).
- ◆ one kit per Lions club
- ◆ Contact schools directly to give schools plenty of time to include it in their activities.



**DESIGN + GARDEN LANDSCAPES**

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03 477 7819 - [designandgarden.co.nz](http://designandgarden.co.nz)

The advertisement for Design + Garden Landscapes features a collage of four images showing various outdoor landscaping projects, including a modern stone fireplace, a wooden pergola, a large stone wall, and a well-furnished outdoor seating area. The text is presented in a clean, modern font, with the company name in large, bold letters at the top and the contact information at the bottom.



## District 202J Forum

When: Saturday 17 May

Where: St Kevin's College, Oamaru

Time: 9.30am for meet & greet, morning tea

10 - 11am: general information, DG goals etc & a speaker for 20 minutes

11am - 12 noon: Specific sessions for Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries & Administrators, Zone Chairmen

12noon - lunch

12.45pm - Specific sessions resume

2.45pm - a short recap

3pm - Finish and depart for home



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### **Update Your Club Bulletin Distribution**

- ◆ **Update your email distribution groups to the 2024/2025 Cabinet members & their current roles.**
- ◆ Update Lions generic email addresses for each Cabinet member so they match their role.
- ◆ Note: some Cabinet members do not use their generic Lions address. Use email addresses listed above.



**Focus on.....**  
**Coming Lions Club Events**  
 where your support would be appreciated

Club	Date	Details
All 202J clubs	Ongoing	<b>Rowing for Life Aotearoa:</b> Fundraising needed: ♦ public events ♦ Personal / club donations
All 202J clubs	Friday 4 April - Sunday 6 April	<b>202J Convention, Oamaru</b> Plan to be there – it’s your District’s AGM with opportunities for fun & fellowship
Taieri	9 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Berwick Outdoor Experience:</b> ♦ <b>Participants needed – recruit now</b>
All 202J clubs	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 9.30am - 3pm	<b>202J Forum</b> ♦ St Kevin’s College, Oamaru Morning tea & lunch provided
<b>Specific sessions morning &amp; afternoon for Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries &amp; Administrators, &amp; Zone Chairmen</b>		

**Deadline for the May 2025 issue is 15 April 2025.**  
**Please send details to Editor Beryl well in advance.**



**Young Speechmaker Competition:**



- ♦ Regional competition to be held in Oamaru Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June.
- ♦ National final to be held in Palmerston North, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August.
- ♦ Please try to get entries and please clubs come along and support these amazing young people.
- ♦ Unfortunately, this looks like the last ever Young Speechmaker competition.
- ♦ Closing date of entries is Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Any enquiries please contact Jenni Mattingly @ [mattinglys@outlook.co.nz](mailto:mattinglys@outlook.co.nz) or 027 4558 201

**Thanks, Jenni, Youth Chairman**

## Convention Voting.....

- ◆ Clubs must be financial to vote - all annual dues must have been paid in full at least 15 days before the start of Convention. Clubs & voting delegates must be in good standing.
- ◆ Voting delegates must be accredited by the close off time on the morning of the Business Session (5 April 2025).

- ◆ The standard club constitution states:

*“Inasmuch as all district matters are presented and adopted at the district (single, sub- and multiple) conventions, this club shall be entitled to send its full quota of delegates to all such conventions and have power to pay the necessary expenses of such delegates attending such conventions. This club shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district (single or sub- and multiple) to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in this club, or major fraction thereof, of this club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held, provided, however, that this club shall be entitled to at least one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members.”*

- ◆ Therefore as at 1 March 2025 a club (with members at least a year & a day) of 16 will receive two votes as will one of 24 members, those votes being either the club appointed voting delegates or a club appointed substitute (the alternate) for an appointed delegate who has to withdraw.
- ◆ Any members joining after 28 February 2024 are not counted towards the club's eligible voting numbers.
- ◆ 202J Past International Directors have full delegate status independent of their club's delegate quota
- ◆ PDGs may be selected as delegates by their club but don't have a voting right by separate entitlement.
- ◆ The standard club constitution states:  
*“Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote of his/her choice for each office to be filled by, and one (1) vote of his/her choice on each question submitted to, the respective convention.”*  
Therefore, voting decisions are the choice of the voting delegates during the Convention business session, not decided by the club.

## Reminder

- ◆ **Club board nominations are made in March and elections held in April.**
- ◆ **Board positions must be reported on the Lion Portal by 15 May.**

## Build a Great Team

"Great things in business are never done by one person; they're done by a team of people."  
– Steve Jobs

"My model for business is The Beatles. They were four guys who kept each other's kind of negative tendencies in check. They balanced each other, and the total was greater than the sum of the parts."  
– Steve Jobs, Co-founder, and former CEO of Apple Inc.

### Importance of unity:

- ◆ Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is a progress. Working together is success.  
– Henry Ford (emphasizes the need for a cohesive team dynamic.)

### Emphasis on collaboration:

- ◆ "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" (Helen Keller)
- ◆ "If you can laugh together, you can work together" (Robert Orben). Encourages a positive and supportive team environment.
- ◆ "Strategy is not a solo sport, even if you're the CEO." – Max McKeown (an English writer, consultant, and researcher specialising in innovation strategy, leadership and culture)
- ◆ Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results."  
– Andrew Carnegie
- ◆ "WE is better than ME."
- ◆ "Collaboration has no hierarchy. The Sun collaborates with soil to bring flowers on the earth."  
– Dr Amit Ray Indian author)
- ◆ "Collaboration begins with mutual understanding and respect." – Mori Taheripour (author)

Have a good, enthusiastic attitude. Use a positive outlook to build people up and communicate openly. Make sure your vision for the team is simple, direct, and clearly expressed among all members.

"The nice thing about teamwork is that you always have others on your side."  
– Margaret Carty (author)

Great communication begins with connection." – Oprah Winfrey

***All Lions are all volunteers & all Lions need to be treated with respect at all times.***  
***FVDG Mike Wingfield***

Words are, of course, the most powerful drug used by mankind." – Rudyard Kipling

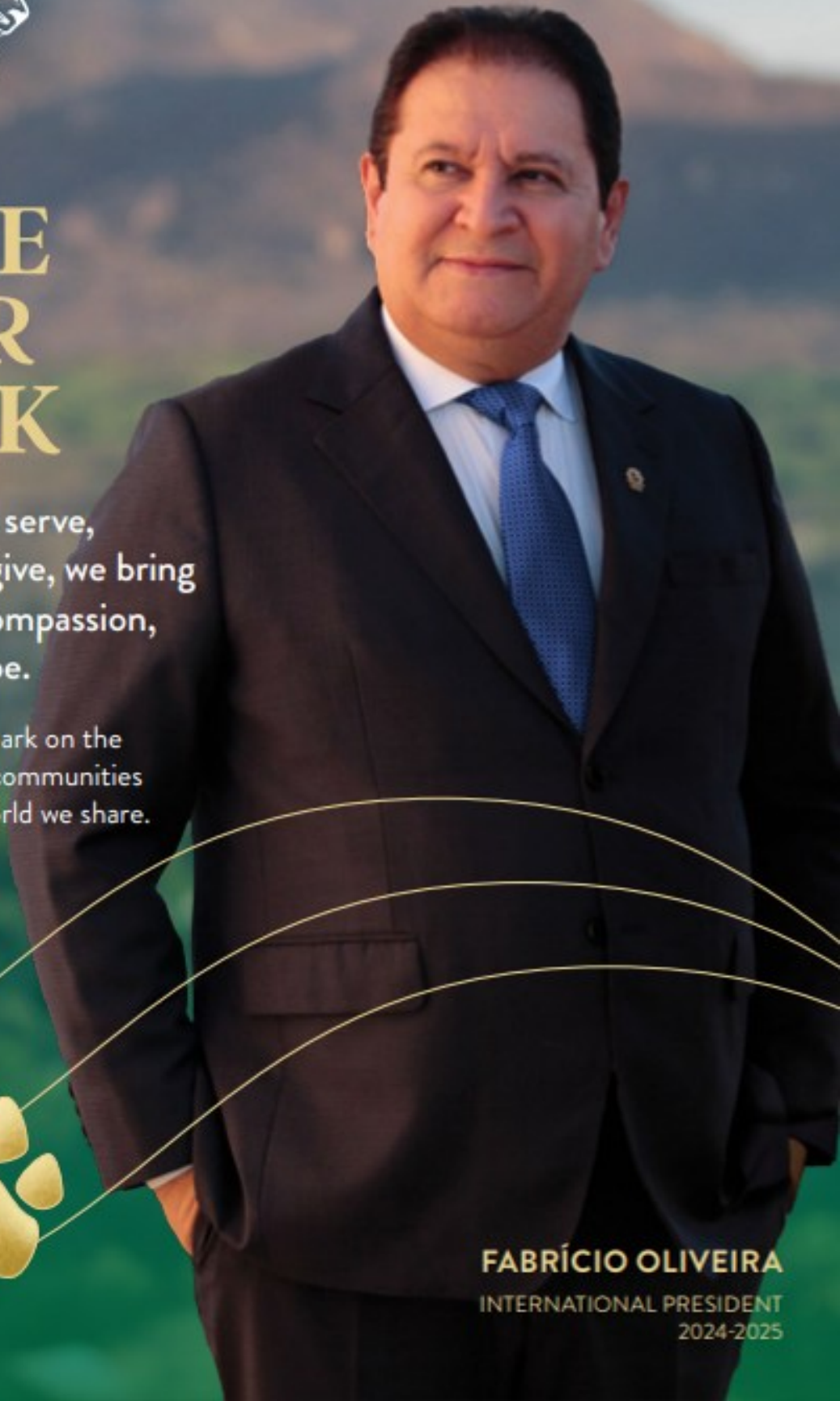




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every time we give, we bring  
kindness and compassion,  
change and hope.

And we make our mark on the  
lives we touch, the communities  
we serve and the world we share.



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