



## Lions Clubs International District 202J

### Zone Meeting Dates

One	2 December
Two	TBA
Three	12 February
Four	26 February
Five	TBA
Six	28 November

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District Governor's Newsletter



“We Serve by Caring and Sharing”

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## DG Kevin's Commentary

I was saddened when I received the news of the passing of two of our PDGs. The passing of PDG Lorna Inch prior to Christmas was a tragic loss to our Lions District. Lorna was a Lion through and through and would always be there to help no matter what. As long as it involved Lions she would be at the forefront. Deepest sympathies to Stewart and family.

Sadly, PDG Tom MacDonald passed away at the end of December which is another tragic loss to our Lions District. Tom was a dedicated Lion who in his theme “Service before Self” for his year as DG said it all. Deepest sympathies to Margaret and family.

I extend condolences to the families from Multiple District 202. Both were held in high regard by their colleagues and by the Lions community. Thank you to PDG Les Box and PDG Tony Hanning for their eulogies on behalf of District 202J.

Happy New Year; new year, a new decade, a new opportunity to serve and as someone said we look forward with 2020 vision. February 8<sup>th</sup> is the Oamaru Cabinet Meeting and February 22<sup>nd</sup> sees the Multiple District Treasurer's Roadshow being held in Oamaru and I urge as many of you that can to go along and listen to Multiple District Treasurer Steve Bennett as we all know that the rules around organisations like ours are continually changing and now is the time to learn what you can and can't do in respect of Administration and Charitable Accounts. Our District Treasurer Graeme Hathaway has spent lots of time putting together information and presenting on this and the organisation can only benefit as long as we are all doing the right thing.

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## DG Kevin's Commentary (cont'd)

Glenys and I will be visiting the clubs that were not on my official visit schedule as I made a commitment to visit all clubs in our District in my term as your DG. We also have the other DGs' Conventions (5) to visit starting with District L in Waihi in February. Planning for our Convention in Mosgiel is well underway with Convention Chairman, GST Coordinator Brian Tegg working hard to bring it all together. I am hoping it will be well supported.

Conventions are your District's AGM. It is a great way to be involved, learn, have your say and meet and network with other Lions in our District. It is your Convention so you should make an effort to attend.



I received three entries for the Peace Poster competition and the District 202J winner was Sophia Clifford from Ashburton sponsored by Ashburton County Lions Club. Congratulations Sophia for a great poster.

This was forwarded on to Council Chairman Helen Williams for judging. The NZ winner was Chante Gollop, 12 years of age from Otumoetai Intermediate School in District L. Her statement was "We must lead our own paths and come together in the journey of Peace". Congratulations Chante. I am endeavoring to get all the posters back to our contributors.

Thank you to all the clubs who have or are planning to contribute to the Australian bush fires. The devastation and grief this is causing across the Tasman is heartbreaking to see.

We have had a drop in members' numbers but I know lots of clubs have and are making concerted efforts in recruiting and retaining members and I thank you for your continuing work in this direction.

Thank you.

*DG Kevin Bryson*

**Incoming emails are incoming correspondence**

**- to be taken to your club meetings**



### Dates to Diary

#### February 22

- **Treasurers Roadshow**
  - ◆ All members & clubs will benefit
  - ◆ See page 7

#### March 16

- **Applications for ELLI to be received**  
(see page 11)

#### March 27 - 29

- **District 202J Convention**
  - ◆ Your AGM

## New Member Initiative

Cabinet appreciates clubs are working hard inducting new members, but knows: the New Member Fee charged by LCI can be a financial burden.

Cabinet will reimburse clubs the LCI Fee for each new member inducted.

**All clubs have to do to claim a reimbursement is:**

- 1) Pay LCI by due date the NZ\$ amount invoiced
- 2) Scan the invoice and proof of payment and along with the club's administration account bank details email these to Cabinet Treasurer at: [202j.treasurer@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202j.treasurer@lionsclubs.org.nz)

Reimbursements will be paid in February 2020 and May 2020 and there is -  
**NO LIMIT to the number of claims a club can make before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020!**

This Cabinet initiative aims to encourage clubs to continue inducting new members whilst ensuring they are not financially disadvantaged.

***Let's get our member numbers growing!***

Yours in Lionism

***District Governor Kevin Bryson***  
***“We Serve by Caring and Sharing”***



***We Served***

*PDG Tom MacDonald QGM  
& PDG Lorna Inch*





## **Obituary: PDG Tom MacDonald QGM**

**ex Parachute Regiment, 22 SAS,  
Sultanate of Oman Special Forces.**

**1/10/1948 - 30/12/2019**

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### **Excerpts from the eulogy delivered by PID Tony Hanning at Tom's funeral**

Tony acknowledged the presence of many leaders, members and partners who wished to pay their respects.

A distinguished military career was followed by equally distinguished community service. Tom focussed on youth activities and paediatric cancer.

Tom joined the Lions Club of Waiareka Valley in 2005 and his leadership qualities were quickly recognized. Tom became Club President 2010/2011, Zone Chairman 2011/2012, Region Chairman 2012/2013, and Second Vice District Governor 2014/2015.

Tom and Margaret prepared well for his District Governor year which commenced July 2016 in Fukuoka, Japan. At the time of his death he was Club Service Chairperson.

It was Tom's service as a Lion and his interest in youth that led him to undertake work with children

living with cancer. Tom became Regional Manager of Camp Quality South in 2008 and managed several successful camps in Oamaru and Queenstown. Detail, decision and action – that was Tom.

Tom was Regional Trustee on the Camp Quality New Zealand Board for several years. His intelligent views, straight-talking, and grudge-free approach to differences of opinion were appreciated. He was a person of integrity. Life Membership bestowed on him in 2018 was richly deserved.

Tony acknowledged the support and involvement alongside Tom of Margaret and family.

“That influence of Tom and yourselves will last beyond living memory. You really did bring fun, hope and happiness into people's lives. That love bridges life and death.”

***PID Tony Hanning***

### **Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids**

- ◆ **Sell your collected aluminium** (wine bottle tops, crushed aluminium cans, aluminium trays, cat food dishes, from medicines, tea light candle holders) to a recycler & forward the proceeds to the District Treasurer (*tag it as Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids*).



## Obituary: PDG Lorna Inch

27/9/1949 - 9/12/2019



PDG Lorna sadly passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> December after four years of health issues. Lorna was born in Geraldine attending primary school at Eiffleton and secondary school in Ashburton. On completing her schooling Lorna's first job was in the registry office at the University of Canterbury while also undertaking part time studies. This was followed by a stint working for the Ministry of Transport as a road traffic instructor, specialising in educating school children. On moving to Tekapo Lorna trained as an early childhood teacher before becoming a real estate agent.

In 2000 Lorna joined the Lake Tekapo Lions Club holding various positions within the club. In 2008 she became a Zone Chairman for the District and this began her 10 years of service in leadership roles on 202J District Cabinet. In 2017 she was sworn in as 202J District Governor in Chicago.

Lorna was a very dedicated DG always encouraging others to follow her theme of "Caring for our Communities". PDG Lorna was a Lion to the very end. Just 24 hours before she passed, Lorna had a special presentation at her bedside. She was acknowledged for her outstanding service to Lions and her community and was made a Melvin Jones Fellow.

PDG Lorna was an outgoing, loyal, trustworthy and special lady which was evident by the number in attendance at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Tekapo for her funeral service.

PDG Lorna lived her life true to the Lions Motto "We Serve"; she was a valued member of our organisation and her community, giving of her best. She will certainly be missed.

Our thoughts and sympathy are extended to Stewart and the family.

Rest in peace Lorna.

*PDG Les Box, QSM*

## Directory Updates

### District 202J & Multiple District 202 Directories

#### ♣ 2nd VDG Christine Stewart

New address is:

18 Trellech Place, Allenton, Ashburton 7700

Phone numbers & email unchanged

*Clubs, please advise any directory corrections so that these can be published.*



## 2nd VDG

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What a sad time we have had to close off the 2019 year with the passing of Past District Governors Lorna Inch and Tom MacDonald.

It was indeed a privilege and a pleasure to have served both of these District Governors as their Cabinet Secretary, and I thank both of them for the opportunity.

Also at an International level we learned of the unexpected death of our International First Vice President Judge Haynes Townsend, on 17<sup>th</sup> December. He would have become our International President at the Singapore Convention in 2020.

So all in all, December was a bad month for our

family of Lions.

Now on a brighter note, congratulations to the Rakaia Lions Club for running your membership drive, hosting a prospective new members night, and signing up seven new members in November/December – Well done.

As December/January is a quiet time for Lions (time to spend with families and friends), there is little else to report, but I would just like to wish all Lions in our District a great New Year, and hope to catch up with many of you as the year progresses.

*Christine Stewart*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor*

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## Media

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A quieter time of the year – November was a busy time in our District with December and January time to relax a little, - although there are a few clubs like the Timaru Host club who carry on over the holiday period (giving enjoyment to big and little kids alike).

Well done to the Dunedin Host Club for another well run and successful Magic Show on 26<sup>th</sup> November. A lot of work goes into the organisation of this and it was great to see it well supported once again.



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## Media (cont'd)

I would like to congratulate the Port Chalmers & District Lions Club in qualifying for a Club Excellence Award for the 2018/2019 year. Well done.

I would love to see more clubs making application for this award. It proves that your club is strong. Google: **Lions club excellence awards**, and it will lead you to the right area. All you have to do is download the form, fill it in and get the District Governor to sign it off. The 2019/2020 form is already up.

There are four areas – Service, Membership (the club has to have had a net growth), Organizational Excellence and Marketing & Communication – Secretaries, if you think you qualify, give it a go and get your club justly recognised.

Lastly thank you to all the clubs who supported the Cancer Society shuttle.



### *Thank You*

To the Lions Clubs in our community who have generously donated \$11,400 towards the running of this shuttle service.  
You are truly amazing, thank you!

Ashburton, Ashburton County Lions Club, Beavertown Blenheim Lions, Blenheim, Fairlie, Geraldine Lions Club, Golden Bay Lions, Greymouth, Havelock, Hokitika, Mayfield and District, Motueka Lioness, Motueka, Murchison, Nelson Host, Nelson Haven Lioness, Nelson North, Picton Lions, Richmond, Seddon and Timaru Host.



*Christine Stewart  
Media*



# A Visit to Camp Quality

Wayne and I were invited to visit the camp in Queenstown on Thursday 9 January to be entertained at the camp concert and participate in the Grand Parade, encouraged to dress for the occasion. Before the parade, banquet and concert PID Tony and Genny Hanning escorted us, along with our DG Kevin and Glenys, and 202F VDG Sue and Alan Fleury to view the camp and some of the activities they do while they are there.

The storage container has been decorated by colourful handprints of participants who have been on the camp over the past few years and stays on site through the year, making it much more convenient for the organisers.



The grand parade had a theme of Enchanted Forest and one of the companions was very talented at face painting, as you can see by the very detailed Lion face featured on DG Kevin.



During the concert PID Tony entertained the audience playing a harmonica and was accompanied on stage by two little dancing fairies.



The children are kept very busy during the week with a number of sponsored activities, eg the Luge, helicopter rides, Highland Park speed car rides, a massive water slide, flying fox, water fights, and many others.

During the short time we were there we had a very enjoyable time and the participants and companions (and the many helpers to make it all happen) appeared to be having a wonderful time. Thank you to all the clubs in our District for your support to make this very worthwhile event take place. It was a very humbling experience for both Wayne and me.

**Ella Butson**  
**VDG/Mobility/Community Health**





**Lions New Zealand 2019 Treasurer Roadshow**

**22 February 2020 at Oamaru**  
**Please save the date**

Navigating the road ahead: → **What You Will Learn On The Day**

Overview and Key Outcomes:

- Treasurer Functions
- Changes to Banking Environment
- Changes to Accounts Presentation
- Software Solutions
- Charitable Trust Activities
- Clubs / District / MD Relationship
- And Lots More...



**Your Trainer:**  
**Steve Bennett** MD Treasurer

Check with the Global Leadership Team for the Venue and Training Day in your District

*Your Service Drives Our Success*

*Cabinet are keen for as many members as possible to attend this, particularly board, Charitable Trust trustees and new members. There will be transport from around the District to support members getting to the Roadshow. More details to follow.*

*Any questions to Jules Ellis: [julian.ellis@ot.govt.nz](mailto:julian.ellis@ot.govt.nz)*



## Focus on Zone 2 News

### Temuka District:

November tea meeting coincided with Cup Week so had a Best Hat Competition. Held a produce stall with proceeds going to Diabetes Society. Day of the Dames was great success with great feedback. Vintage Car Club catering a great success. Civil Defence practice put in to action when the Rangitata bridges were washed out. December Christmas party held at The Brewery Café, Geraldine.

### Geraldine:

Geraldine Fete and Orari Races a great success. Christmas social at the Woodbury hall; a great night had by all. Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids bins placed in the camping ground. Four day mountain bike trip to Hurunui Heartland Cycle Trail with Hinds & District Lions enjoyed by all; a few tumbles here and there.

### Temuka:

Catered at Christmas Parade with float entered as well. Wayne Sidaway received a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Sad passing of Colin Jackson, a founding member of the club and member for 45 years. Betty Smart gave a talk on Neighbourhood Support.

### Geraldine Lioness:

Catered and sold raffles at the Orari races. Christmas social held at Barkers. Catered for the RSA lunch in December. Coordinated the Secret Santa in Geraldine where 40 families in need received gifts and food from the community. Ongoing knitting for the Christchurch Women's Hospital Neonatal Unit.

### Fairlie:

Tekapo Lions hosted our club for the Christmas function. Firewood deliveries continue. Provided traffic management for the Christmas parade and New Year's Day. Ongoing work on the Opihi track. Good entries coming in for the half marathon coming up in Easter.

### Lake Tekapo:

Sad passing of Lorna Inch; a great send off. Lorna was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship shortly before she died. Hosted Fairlie Lions for Christmas social dinner; great night had by all. Water reticulation installed at the Church of the Good Shepherd gardens. BBQ at the fundraising golf tournament for the school and kindergarten. Three days of wood splitting done so far.

*Blair Murray, Zone 2 Chairman*

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## Focus on Zone 4 News

### ♣ North Otago:

Catered for the Heritage ball during Victorian Week, made truffles. One new member has been inducted. Organised the annual "Toot for Tucker". Helped Oamaru Pakeke with their Combined Churches Christmas Appeal raffle, as well as helped them to cater for Port Chalmers bus trip for Senior Citizens. At the end of January an outing to Rockvale Gardens and then onto Fort Enfield for afternoon tea.

### ♣ Oamaru Pakeke:

It was with sadness that the Club held its last meeting at Riverstone in December. To President Debbie's surprise DG Kevin presented her with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Well deserved Debbie.



They had a raffle for the Combined Churches Christmas Appeal and catered for the Port Chambers bus trip for Senior Citizens. Two members are going to transfer to North Otago.

### ♣ Oamaru:

Have been busy flying the Lions flag with the Noddy Train in the Christmas Parade as well as it and the Candy Floss Caravan at the Oamaru Club's Children's Christmas Party. A member is looking into putting a container down at the Resource Centre for phones.

### ♣ Palmerston:

Members had a busy time with Kelly's Canter even without power for a while; just as well for generators. President Ron is extra fit after walking up the hill several times all in the name of Cystic Fibrosis; well done Ron. Like most clubs that sell manure the sales are going well.

### ♣ Waiakarua:

Members were kept busy with managing the gates and cleaning up after the Weston fireworks. A busy time ahead for those involved with McKerrow's pond with schools and groups booked in. Compost sales have been steady. Members helped with Toot for Tucker.

### ♣ Waiareka Valley:

It was with saddened hearts that members farewelled a much respected member of the club in PDG Tom MacDonald; Tom will be greatly missed. Members helped with Toot for Tucker, took senior citizens out and helped at the Kurow races. A new stall for the compost has been placed at the Resource Centre. Having a BBQ at the end of January.

### ♣ Zone

As a Zone we have placed over 30 containers around our Zone for public to donate towards the water tanks for Australia.

**Judy Phillips**  
**Zone 4 Chairman**



## **The Treasurer Talks**

### **Start of 2<sup>nd</sup> Half-Year for Lions Clubs**

**T**rust all Club Treasurers enjoyed a relaxing time over Christmas and the New Year.

Unfortunately, January and early February will bring the 2<sup>nd</sup> Instalments of Dues Invoices from LCI, Multiple District 202 & District 202J – pay as below:

#### **LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL (LCI)**

- ◆ Received direct from LCI by email (or post in some cases)
- ◆ Pay via the LCI Westpac Account at Wellington (03-0502-0081103-00)
- ◆ Pay the NZ Dollar amount quoted by months end otherwise the exchange rate may change resulting in further charges
- ◆ Remember to include your Club Number and Invoice Number
- ◆ NOTE – LCI Dues DO NOT require Board approval before being paid

#### **MULTIPLE DISTRICT 202 & DISTRICT 202J**

- ◆ Incorporated into one invoice and sent via email by 202J Cabinet Treasurer
- ◆ Pay into the 202J Administration Account (03-1718-0034650-00)
- ◆ Remember to include your Club name and Invoice Number
- ◆ If applicable, deduct any Family Member Discounts at \$4.125 per member
- ◆ Pay by 20<sup>th</sup> of the month following receipt of the invoice if possible
- ◆ Clubs can request a Deferred Payment Plan if under financial hardship

Club Treasurers should contact District 202J Cabinet Treasurer if they have any questions or concerns regarding payment of dues

***District 202J Cabinet Treasurer Graeme Hathaway***

***027 457 2063***

***E: 202j.treasurer@lionsclubs.org.nz***



**T**o ensure all deposits to LCI and LCIF go through correctly, could Treasurers please email 202J Cabinet Treasurer Graeme Hathaway once they have made a deposit.

Just email the date, amount and reason and 202J Cabinet Treasurer will double-check that your deposit has been received and reconciled correctly.

*“The first step towards getting somewhere is to decide you’re not going to stay where you are.”*

***J.P. Morgan (1837–1913, American financier & banker)***





## Focus on Global Leadership Team (GLT)

### 2020 Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) Christchurch, New Zealand



The next Emerging Lions Leadership Institute for the Lions of MD202 - New Zealand and the Islands of the South Pacific - will be offered in Christchurch from 17 – 19 April 2020. Now is the time to assist Lions in your area by recruiting qualified participants for the Institute.

This institute teaches valuable leadership skills at the club level and is targeted to Lions who have not yet been club president.

The institute will be conducted in English we will be accepting 50 Lions, total.

We actively encourage qualified candidates to apply.

Completed forms must be received by **Monday 16 March 2020**

Any Lion who has not yet served as President is eligible to apply. This course is excellent preparation for those who are about to take on Board roles, particularly those of President or Vice President.

The cost to participants is NZ\$100.

It would be great to have 15 names for this so please think about it. Please get in contact with Jules Ellis to discuss your attendance.

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



### **Ashburton:**

Christopher Barham (Petrina) *(sponsor Murray Bonnington)*

David Groves (Wendy) *(sponsor Philip Kerr)*

### **Ashburton County:**

Trish Burrowes (Dalvyn) *(sponsor Sue Green)*

### **Ashburton Pakeke:**

Ron Bush (Audrey) *(sponsor Noel Lowe)*

### **Geraldine:**

Kevin Moginie (Robbie) *(sponsor William Moore)*

### **Rakaia:**

Biz (Elizabeth) Bell (Chris) *(sponsor Mark Malcolm)*

Gordon Biggs (Lexi) *(sponsor Mark Malcolm)*

Gail Schat (Harry) *(sponsor Selwyn Mundt)*

Jo Whittingham *(sponsor Teresa Agnew)*

### **Waimate:**

Mark King (Kim) *(sponsor Ronald Lundy)*

Tony Smith (Katrina) *(sponsor David Owen)*

## **We Honour the Life and Service of.....**

PDG Lorna Inch                  Lake Tekapo                  (19 years' service)

PDG Tom MacDonald          Waiareka Valley          (14.5years' service)

John Millward                  Hinds & District          (19 years' service)

David Priddle                  Temuka                      (27 years' service)

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January 2020

Dear Supporters and Sponsors

As we approach our 29th annual BOE course it is hard not to reflect on those past years and the 1100 plus participants that have passed through our program.

Recently while riding the Central Otago Rail Trail as we checked into our accommodation I was enveloped in a big hug. I had been recognised by a past participant. She had been a very reluctant participant who had had to be persuaded and cajoled and it had taken much convincing over many weeks to get her not only sign up but to then front up. It had been a very tentative start to the course for her but by the end of the week she was buzzing, and that hug had some real meaning to both of us I am sure of that!

We appreciate that it is not always easy to persuade participants to join up and it does take some persistence. The personal touch always works the best, but we know this takes up valuable time, so we thank you for your efforts.

I have mentioned in previous correspondence that offering a sponsorship fee is only part of the story. Keeping in contact both before and following the event can pay big dividends in terms of spreading the word about your organisation and gaining new members or even future employees.

Of course, we can only continue offering this opportunity because of the fantastic support we get from our sponsors whether they are businesses, private citizens, service clubs or a multitude of other organizations and individuals that have supported our endeavours throughout this time. Your continuing support allows our fantastic volunteers to continue the job they love to do.

We trust that we can rely on your continuing support for our next course as we believe the results speak for themselves!

**The dates for this course will be held from the 8th – 16th May 2020. -Total Cost \$580 for 8 days.**

(To those who have already responded we thank you for your early applications. This is much appreciated as it makes our planning so much easier).

Lest we forget, all our instructors are volunteers, and without their contribution, none of what we achieve would be possible.

We urge clubs and organisations wishing to participate by sponsoring someone from their local community to give early consideration to finding suitable applicants.

This is not only to be sure of obtaining a placement but also to give the participant time to physically prepare for the course.

What type of people benefits from this course? --- In short people from all walks of life.

- We need a cross-section of NZ society to make it work.
- We believe learning from each other plays a huge part in the success of the course.

Consideration should be given to those who are 18yrs of age (the minimum age limit) or older:

- ◆ Keen to avail themselves of this opportunity.
- ◆ Have the ability to benefit from it.
- ◆ Can use the benefits learned, in the community, workplace, family and to better their self.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Berwick Outdoor Experience (cont'd)

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If you need more brochures, we are happy to provide them for you or can download from our website.

Extra application forms can be downloaded from our website. Check out our Facebook page also.

Yours sincerely

*Kevin Moore  
for the BOE committee  
- Lions Club of Taieri*



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## LCIF Campaign 100: Empowering Lions in Service.

I trust you have all had a good summer holiday and ready for the second half of our Lions year?

**Uppermost** in our thoughts over the summer holiday was I am sure the Australian bush fires as they raged across some Australian states. As at 9<sup>th</sup> January when I wrote this report, these were some of the statistics:

- ◆ About **2,700 firefighters** were battling the blazes. Three have been killed.
- ◆ The Australia Defence Force called 3,000 army reserve forces and others with specialist capabilities to help fight the flames.
- ◆ There were about **136 fires burning** across NSW
- ◆ **24 people** have died nationwide.
- ◆ About **480 million animals** have died across NSW
- ◆ In total, more than **14.7 million acres** have been burned across the country's six states. That's larger than the countries of Belgium and Haiti combined.
- ◆ Just in NSW, there have been more than 1,300 houses destroyed and 8.9 million acres scorched.

As well as the Australian fires, Puerto Rico have had multiple destructive earthquakes. The latest quake (on 7<sup>th</sup> January) was the strongest and likely the most damaging of hundreds of temblors that have struck Puerto Rico since December 28 2019.

Our Lions Club International Foundation has provided to the Lions of Australia and Puerto Rico, grants for immediate needs and disaster relief efforts. So far Australia has received \$US343,000 in various grants and Puerto Rico \$US60,000.

A “**\$2 DROP**” initiative has been launched for Lions in NZ as being a way that Clubs and individuals can support the work of LCIF. Lions are encouraged to make weekly deposits of \$2; here's how:

LCIF have a “bank book” that will be given to clubs and individuals who would like to support LCIF. These are available from me, just send me an email on [landjbox@outlook.com](mailto:landjbox@outlook.com) and I will send them to you.

You then:

- ◆ Tape a \$2 coin to your “bank book” each week. Some months you will have four \$2 coins, some five.
- ◆ Take your “bank book” to your club LCIF coordinator, president or treasurer each month. The treasurer will keep a record of your donations made and at the end of the Lions year the Treasurer will send the donations in your club or individual names to LCIF.
- ◆ Once you finish one book, get a new one and start again. (You can of course remove the \$2 coins and recycle).
- ◆ Your \$2 weekly gift and annual compounded savings will make life-altering impacts in Lions global cause areas.

Natural disasters are increasing. Will you take on the challenge to raise extra funds for LCIF in 2020?

Many thanks to those clubs in 202J who have already answered the call for donations towards the Australian bush fires. Your ongoing support of LCIF is very much appreciated.

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

# Bronz Christmas Toy Run Sunday 8 December

– toys & non-perishable food items given by bikers to Balmacewen Lions Club.



Left: biker VDG Ella Butson delivering toys to DG Kevin, Balmacewen Lions Club







**60th Annual Convention**  
**Multiple District 202**  
**1 May - 3 May 2020**  
**Forum North,**  
**Whangarei**

**The Roaring 20's**



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## Dunedin Host Lions Club Presents a Life Membership

**A**t the December Christmas tea meeting, held at Weavers Restaurant in Mosgiel, our special guest was District Governor Kevin Bryson who presented a Life Membership Certificate to Barbara Gillies. Barbara (97) was the first woman to join our club in February 1998 and went on to become our first woman President in 2002/2003. She was the Membership Chairman for many years and also organized the guest speakers for our meeting.

*Source: Dunedin Host Lions Club*



**Lions Clubs International**

## Newly Appointed International First Vice President

**W**e are pleased to announce the appointment of Past International Director Douglas X. Alexander to the office of International First Vice President.

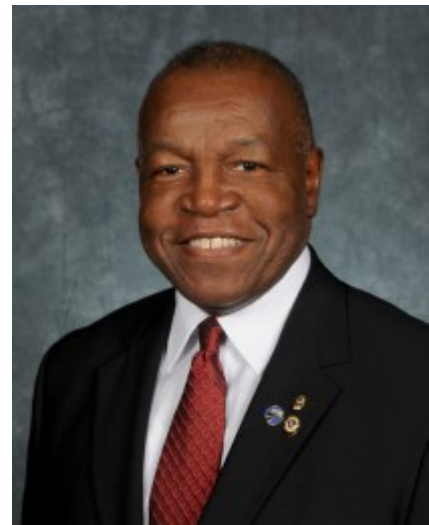
The International Board of Directors appointed Past Director Alexander to fulfil the responsibilities of the office due to the passing of our beloved friend, Vice President Judge Haynes H. Townsend.

Vice President Alexander served as international director from 2010-2012, and he is a former vice president for J.P. Morgan Chase Bank. He has been an active member of the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club since 1984. In recognition of his service to the Association, he has received numerous awards including the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. Vice President Alexander is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Please join us in congratulating Vice President Douglas X. Alexander!

Regards,

**Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**  
**International President**



In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Alexander is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as chairperson of the advisory board for the New York Urban League and as a board member of the St. Francis DeSales School for the Deaf. He is also a recipient of the Congressional Record Award. Vice President Alexander has two daughters, and his partner in service, Shabiki Cazabon, is a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

*Source: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-clubs/our-leaders>*



# Decorated Cake Competition..... for Camp Quality South



**2020 theme: "The Lighthouse"**

## Who can enter?

Any Lion or person with a connection to a Lion (is a relation of a Lion....wife, husband, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, aunt, uncle, cousin, brother, sister, son, daughter, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grand parent. etc) through a sponsoring Lions club (clubs can sponsor more than one entry)

## When?

Cakes to be displayed at the 27- 29 March Convention in Mosgiel. Voting is done during the Saturday business session 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?) There is another trophy for the cake which sells at the highest \$ value

## Suggested cake size?

Approximately the dimensions of a Lions Christmas cake (you can use one if you like)

## Judging?

Done on the decoration only, not the cake.  
50% from voting  
and 50% by an independent judge

## Trophies?

- ◆ Best decorated cake
- ◆ Highest \$\$\$\$ amount at auction



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## Lions New Zealand Facebook page

Photos of projects needed from clubs.

Please send photos & relevant info to **Karen McGinness**  
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### Focus on..... Coming Lions Club Events where your support would be appreciated

What	Date	Details
<b>Dunedin Child Mobility Clinic</b>	Saturday 7 March  Appointments from 10:30am. - 12:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ St Peter Chanel Church Hall Green Island.</li> <li>◆ Interested Lions welcomed.</li> <li>◆ Children using Hart Walkers in Districts J &amp; F will have adjustments made.</li> <li>◆ This is an opportunity for interested families to also visit and an assessment appointment with the medical team can be made.</li> <li>◆ Contacts: Genny Hanning 027 2000 510 text please <a href="mailto:gennyhann@gmail.com">gennyhann@gmail.com</a> Ella Butson 027 4053 159    <a href="mailto:ella@designandgarden.co.nz">ella@designandgarden.co.nz</a></li> </ul>

**Please send J-Times editor Beryl details of your coming Lions club events well in advance.**

**Deadline for March 2020 issue is 15 February 2020.**



# Reminders

**Note:** District Governor candidates must have been a Vice District Governor in this District.

## Nominations.....

- ◆ **Nomination and seconder for:**
  - District Governor, 1st and 2nd Vice District Governors, to be received by Cabinet Secretary Jim Pine **before Wednesday 26 February 2020**
  - Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust trustee to be received by Cabinet Secretary Jim Pine **before Monday 27 January 2020**



### Remits for District 202J Convention (the Annual General Meeting)

➤ Please send remits for our AGM to Cabinet Secretary Jim Pine **before Wednesday 26 February 2020**



## Eulogies please

- ♣ for recognition of the service of these Lions at our Convention Remembrance Service
- ♣ Send:
  - name & a good high resolution photo of deceased club members
  - accompanied by their eulogies (150 - 200 words)
  - to Cabinet Secretary Jim Pine **by Saturday 29 February 2020**

## District 202J Convention 2020



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# Stop Press

## Treasurers Roadshow

- ◆ Oamaru
- ◆ 22 February 2020

## District 202J Convention

- ◆ Mosgiel
- ◆ 27-29 March 2020

## ELLI

- ◆ Christchurch, 17-19 April
- ◆ Register before 16 March
- ◆ Details page 13

## International President

### Dr Jung-Yul Choi

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