



## Lions Clubs International District 202J

### Zone Meeting Dates

One	30 November
Two	25 November
Three	25 November
Four	26 November
Five	12 November

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District Governor's Newsletter

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## DG Ella's Expressions

What unsettled weather we experienced at the end of September and October!! Typical spring snow showers, followed by warm sunny days – it's difficult to plan projects and activities that rely on warm, dry weather to encourage the people to come out. I always feel for the farmers, having to go around their stock, braving the elements, while most of us can stay warm and cosy inside.

The Oahu fires were something that sparked up our District. The need for an Emergency Grant from LCIF is not required at this time. After some discussion with the Waitaki District Council and Civil Defence it was ascertained that the immediate needs were being met. Our District has arranged for any donations from

clubs are to be made to the District Charitable Trust, where they will be overseen by a committee made up of Waiareka Valley and Lake Tekapo Lions and Zone 2 & 3 Chairmen Judy Phillips and Mary Williamson, to make sure the funds are directed where they are needed. We may have the opportunity to apply to LCIF for a Recovery Grant or Matching Grant, to complete a Lions project in the area.

PDG Kevin, Glenys and I recently had a very enjoyable evening, finally handing over the Charter documents, certificates and pins to the Geraldine District Lioness Lions Club.

Geraldine Lion John Peterson was presented with a Guiding Lion pin for his support and guidance to the club, especially over the past 12 months overseeing their transition as a Lions

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## DG Ella's Expressions (cont'd)

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Club in their own right. Congratulations and thank you for your efforts everyone.

At the time of writing this, Wayne and I are getting ready to head up to Waipu for District K Convention. We are looking forward to getting together with our fellow DGs. It will be an opportunity for us to learn more about what we will need to do for our convention, being organised by the Waimate Whitehorse Lions and taking place in Waimate 26-28 March 2021. We hope to see you there.

Our District Cabinet Meeting will be held in Geraldine on 7-8 November and is being hosted by the Geraldine District Lioness Lions Club. If you have anything you would like to be brought to our attention, please let a member of cabinet or me know.

If you have members of your extended family who would like to be part of Lions, but they spend a lot of time travelling around the country in their motor homes and caravans, so joining a conventional club would be difficult for them, then ask them to consider joining the NZ Motorhomes Lions Club. This club is a Branch Club to the Blenheim club in District E and is looking for members. Being part of this club gives members the opportunity to travel

around and participate in activities organised by clubs around the country – drive in, drive off.

Has your club completed the Club Quality Initiative and/or Club and Community Needs Assessment to find out how your club members are faring in these changing times and if the needs of your community are being taken care of? I encourage you all to look at these programmes available in the Lions Resource Centre.

I trust those who are attending the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI), 13-15 November, will return to your clubs with some renewed energy and enthusiasm, to take your clubs forward. This is a great opportunity to share ideas and learn new strategies with Lions from throughout NZ. A chance to make more new friends. Have a great time.

Remember while you are carrying out your projects to have fun. If people see us enjoying ourselves, while we are helping our communities, it may be enough to encourage them to find out how they can join in.

Stay safe, stay healthy.

**We Serve – Because We Can**

*Ella Butson, District Governor*

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## Ohau Village Fires

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Hi all,

Received this from DG Ella - it has gone out to all clubs in "Between the Lions".

Bruce McNab and Murray Linwood have advised that the Waiareka Valley Lions Club are willing to coordinate this project along with Andy Green from Lake Tekapo Lions, with input as required from Zone Chairmen Judy Phillips and Mary Williamson.

District 202J is accepting donations from clubs to assist the Lake Ohau community following the devastating fires and loss of property that swept through the Lake Ohau village in the early hours of Sunday morning 4th October 2020. These funds will be used to assist with the purchase or replacement of community assets and will be administered by a committee of Lions clubs close to the affected area, yet to be formed due to the recent timing of this event, and overseen by the District 202J Charitable Trust.

Donations can be made to our District 202J Charitable Trust account:  
03-0835-0031841-000. Please use your club name or number and Lake Ohau as reference.

Cheers all

*Your Zone 3 Chairman, Judy Phillips*



## Focus on Zone 1 News

**T**his is my first report as Zone One Chairman and I look forward to the year ahead and working with club officers, to enhance the Lions experience.

I welcome Geraldine District Lioness Lions and the Geraldine Lions Clubs to Zone One. The Mid Canterbury clubs look forward to working with the two Geraldine clubs and thank Geraldine Lions for offering to host our next Zone meeting on 30 November. The addition of these two clubs has increased Zone One membership to just under five hundred members.

At the end of September Ashburton Pakeke celebrated their fortieth anniversary. It was a great night with speeches remembering the past and acknowledging the present. Ruth Willis spoke of her father, George Roundtree, who as a founding member of the Club was instrumental in getting the Club started. Ruth talked about his drive and enthusiasm for Lions which certainly made me feel proud to be part of the occasion. Well done President Jim, Past President Noel and your organisers.

Clubs are back from Covid and organizing events. Some events have sadly been cancelled such as Rakaia's Jackson Holmes Salmon Run but others have been successfully run or are in the planning stages.

Rakaia and Ashburton have both held Charity Golf matches this month with Ashburton featuring Sir Richard Hadlee as a guest speaker at a breakfast prior to playing and as a player.

The Longbeach Coastal Challenge is on Sunday 29 November. It is a popular, scenic walk or run, which is jointly organized by Hinds and Districts Lions, alongside the Longbeach School. It was started in 2007 and funds raised are evenly divided between the School and Hinds Lions and they also donate to the Maia Health Foundation. I wish them well.

Methven has run the Mud and Steel event at Staveley alongside the local Four Wheel Drive Club. More dust than mud this year!

These examples show that our clubs are getting on with it, regardless of the ever threat of Covid.

On the social front there is an appetite for social functions. Some examples include Ashburton County planning some day trips and Geraldine planning a bike trip between Hawea and Haast at the end of October.

So our Zone One clubs have left Zoom meetings behind, and entered into the spirit of spring with zeal!

***Richard Watson***  
***Zone 1 Chairman***

## Dates to Diary

**14 November**

◆ **World Diabetes Day**



## 1st VDG

I would like to thank all those who attended the Lions Forum held in Oamaru on 26<sup>th</sup> September. It was good to catch up with a few of you. Thank you to Jules for facilitating the day. It would be hoped that most of those attending would have left learning something.

Thank you to the Geraldine club for hosting me for a visit in October. Once again another great night with good food, and great fellowship.

Covid 19 strikes again. All of the VDGs have just been informed that the scheduled seminar/training planned for St Charles, Illinois has been cancelled because of the Covid-19 risk. The seminar was to be held in early February, but has been transitioned to a virtual platform (this will be something quite different).

On the home front for me Lions activities have gone a bit quiet. I have been busy completing training tasks on the Lions Learning Centre, and would encourage all of those members holding office, to log in and complete the modules that are available. They can be very rewarding and informative.

Keep well, keep safe and be kind.

*Christine Stewart  
1st Vice District Governor  
“Lady in Waiting”*

## South Canterbury Bike Park

Thank you to everyone who watched the presentation by Bruce Fraser on the South Canterbury Bike Park at the Oamaru Forum. The project is moving along swiftly, with the contractor, Fulton Hogan, beginning work on stage 1 on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**.

Over the past month we have secured more funding and now need just **\$80 000** to reach our target and get stage 2 completed. The latest funding has been from Alpine Energy - \$20,000, and from the Rotary Club of Timaru - \$20,000. It is wonderful to have Rotary supporting this project so strongly; if we hadn't taken on this project they would've.

Timaru Rotary will have their name included as sponsors, we hope to have some Lions clubs too; if your club is able to assist, please contact myself at [media@bikeparksc.nz](mailto:media@bikeparksc.nz) or Bruce at [ride@bikeparksc.nz](mailto:ride@bikeparksc.nz).

Thank you,

*Vicki Gould, Lions Club of Timaru Suburban*





## Focus on Media

At the Lions Forum on 26<sup>th</sup> September, there was a collection of pamphlets advertising Lions and what we do. It was great to see these being taken back to clubs by those present. These are a great promotional tool. When clubs are doing projects e.g. BBQs or selling raffles, it is an opportunity to display this promotional material. It is a way to approach the public about becoming members. There will be more available at our District Convention in Waimate so keep an eye out.

Now for what has been happening around some of the clubs. It is great to see clubs once again out there doing some great projects.

As the old saying goes, one man's trash is another man's treasure. Well done to the Temuka District Club who had an accessory auction (just among club members) and raised \$266.50 for their admin account.

Another painless way to raise money for your admin account is to run a bring and buy at one of your tea meetings. Ashburton County do this a couple of times a year, and it has proved very successful.

There are a few golf tournaments being organised and run now that spring has arrived. Some of these tournaments raise large sums of money and always seem very popular



and of course the 19<sup>th</sup> hole is always looked forward to at the conclusion of the game. The Rakaia Club ran theirs on 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

The Waimate Whitehorse ladies ran a cake stall at the Waimate Market recently. What a wonderful array of baking and a good amount of money was raised. Just think what we can look forward to at the convention they are running next year. Yummy, Yummy.



Still great to see a lot of humour and great quotes coming through in the bulletins. Great to see in these trying times.

Please keep the bulletins coming my way:

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*Christine Stewart  
Media*

# Update from GLT Coordinator

## September 26 Forum

202J held our first Lions Forum in September. There were over 50 Lions from around the District who came together at the St John rooms Oamaru.



Our hosts for the day were the North Otago Lions Club and they provided a morning tea and a lovely lunch - many thanks to your team.



The purpose of the day was to hear from Cabinet and Lions about their roles and share ideas about our Lions future.



We heard from Methven Lions about their day entertaining the victims of the Christchurch shooting, a great credit to our Lions values.

Lion Bruce Fraser gave a presentation on the proposed bike park in Timaru which Timaru Suburban are putting together. This will be a great asset to the whole community.



Special mention to our Leo members who opened the forum and gave a lively talk on their Lions journey. Thanks to President Yi Tao Sun and Secretary Carter Andrew. They both have a great future. They both wished they had joined Leos sooner - there is a lesson in there for us all.



*Carter Andrew (left)  
Yi Tao Sun (below)*

My thanks to all the Cabinet who gave an overview of their roles.

The Cabinet will consider holding another forum in the future and members views would be appreciated.

My personal thanks to Zone Chairman Judy Phillips who sorted out the venue and supported me in putting it together.

**Jules Ellis**  
**GLT Coordinator / 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG**  
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## The Treasurer Talks

**A**ny clubs which are not internet banking already are urged to arrange to do so as soon as they can. It will be far easier to become accustomed to this system when there is no immediate pressure to do so rather than leaving it until the only option is no option.

Here are some important points:

- ◆ ANZ Bank has set change dates as follows: no new cheque books after 30 November and no cheque processing after 31 May 2020
- ◆ District will be unable to accept cheques after 30 April 2021 because of possible processing delays – any cheques received after that date will be returned to the sender
- ◆ It is not your bank alone which is the important test; one more major bank setting a different date could put the whole system out of gear
- ◆ Every bank has good training facilities, and they are all dedicated to helping
- ◆ Every club has members who are experienced with internet banking – use their help also
- ◆ It does not have to be the club treasurer who carries out this function so long as the usual control features are in place, such as multiple authorizations and board sanctioned receipts and payments.

The next club payments to District will be the half-yearly dues accounts billed as at the end of December. It would not be unreasonable to expect that almost all of these will be made by internet banking.

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## Focus on Global Membership (GMT)

The end of 2020 is closing in on us and still plenty of uncertainty where the future will take us, especially as there was another community case today of Covid 19. Lots of clubs have been busy with planned events that have been able to go ahead or will over the next month.

Stats show that over the past 12 months a good proportion of members that have resigned have been a member of Lions less than two years. There may be a variety of reasons why there are resignations after a short time: change of personal circumstances, careers, health or is it that they are inducted into Lions and not given the background information to the organisation and that it does require some commitment to be part of a Service organisation. Do they find that it is not what they thought it would be or no-one told me that?

There are very good resources on the Lions website, one is a New Member Orientation Guide, while it may seem overwhelming to a new

member when they first join Lions I am sure it is something they can refer to and help them understand what Lions is all about and the background to the worldwide service club of Lions. The Guide is also a useful resource for your membership director to have in their tool kit and refresh themselves on the reasons they joined Lions.

<https://temp.lionsclubs.org/EN/pdfs/me13a.pdf>

Keep up the good work as clubs go about serving in their communities in many ways, a lot of it goes unnoticed. Make the most of media opportunities. A common theme I have heard is when asking people if they know about Lions, they know about us and the good work we do in the community but have no idea how to become a member. A personal approach is always the best way to invite them as a visitor who may then become a member

*Jan Stonyer*

*202J GMT (Global Membership Team) Coordinator*

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



**Fairlie:**

Bruce Dunbar (Karyn) (sponsor Ian Callaghan)

**Methven:**

Graham Buick (Kay) (sponsor Roger Henderson)

Frank Sandys (sponsor Anthony McElwain)

**North Otago:**

Carolyn Lister (Jack) (sponsor Audrey Hill)

**Palmerston:**

Julie Marr (sponsor Eileen Birtwistle)

**Port Chalmers:**

Peter Corbett (sponsor Mervyn Read)

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Paul Searle (sponsor Malcom Partridge)





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  - 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
- ◆ forward the proceeds to the District Treasurer  
(tag it as **Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids**).



## Focus on Zone 5 News

### ♣ **Green Island:**

Very pleased to report one new member, club membership now 33. Just completed a huge project started by former President Marj Latter - The Big Rock School painting of their pool. Working on the club's 50th Anniversary, 17 April 2021, to be held at The Village Green, Sunnyvale. Coming speaker; Mr Dougal McGowan, CEO Otago Chamber of Commerce, to speak on the effects of Covid-19 and its effects on local businesses.

### ♣ **Mosgiel District:**

One 'pending' new member. Good positive vibes within the club. Started their BBQs at The Warehouse Mosgiel; a long absence because of Covid-19. Working on Christmas raffle. Coming speaker from the Buddy Program. Guest speaker Mr Laurence Simpson [financial reviewer] spoke on the legal requirements for charities to register as incorporated societies, and the Charitable Trust, also a summary of what funds raised and where they are distributed. Most informative - many questions; Club members now feel better informed. Social: Melbourne Cup evening - always a fun interactive evening.

### ♣ **Strath Taieri:**

A good positive atmosphere, membership stable. No catering at present, but able to rent equipment out as required to bring in funding. Mainly selling firewood but this also slowing because of season. Loss of Taieri Train excursion affecting the club's ability to bring in finance.

### ♣ **Taieri:**

Had a transfer from Milton. Hosted a community information evening with Neighbourhood Support, Civil Defence & NZ Police. Garden Market Day, Wingatui car parking, Guy Faulks evening assistance. Social: DG Ella and husband Wayne invited to attend Christmas social evening.

### ♣ **Milton:**

Membership stable. Coming projects: A&P Show, & Tokomairiro High School Trail Bike ride parking and assistance. Early 2021 are catering for local wedding. Firewood, slowing now. Manure stall selling well as community prepare for gardening season. Social: Enjoyed a night at Forbury Trots, partners night. Hoping their Secretary, currently fishing on West Coast, will return with whitebait.

*Rita Cartwright,  
Zone 5 Chairman*

## Let's Make Time for World Diabetes Day



Lions and Leos are raising awareness for diabetes, a disease that affects 463 million people worldwide, by completing a variety of short, convenient online activities during October - November.


**We're out to log 100,000 total minutes by World Diabetes Day, November 14.** Every World Diabetes Day activity you complete helps us reach our goal of 100,000 minutes. Find activities at: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/diabetes/world-diabetes-day>.

The link lists many simple activities that Lions can do to raise awareness for Diabetes, ranging from 3-minute to 9-minute tasks. If you click on a task, it will give you further information and record the minutes listed. Every week the counter will be updated with how many minutes Lions spend on Diabetes Awareness through these activities.

*Source: LCI*



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

What	Date	Details
Ashburton County Timaru Suburban	Monday 16 November	◆ <b>Toot for Tucker</b> (separate events)
North Otago	Monday 7 December	◆ <b>Toot for Tucker</b>
Milton   <b>facebook</b> @Miltongutbuster Timaru <a href="https://sites.google.com/view/miltongutbusterfamilytrailride">https://sites.google.com/view/miltongutbusterfamilytrailride</a>	Sunday March 28	<b>Milton Gutbuster &amp; Family Trail Ride</b> ◆ Suitable for all abilities ◆ 3 tracks + advanced sections ◆ Bikes & ATVs ◆ Side-by-sides - 2 tracks ◆ Register on the day ◆ FREE LUNCH ◆ No Eftpos ◆ 137 Cullen Road, Clarendon, Milton ◆ Adults: \$50; Juniors: \$30; Pewees: \$10 ◆ 027 571 7313
Green Island	Saturday April 17 2021	<b>50th Anniversary dinner</b> ◆ Village Green Restaurant (Sunnyvale Sports Complex), Green Island. ◆ <i>Enquiries to Anniversary Secretary PDG Terry Clarkson phone 03 489 7129 or email <a href="mailto:pamandterryc@xtra.co.nz">pamandterryc@xtra.co.nz</a></i>

**Deadline for December 2020 issue is 15 November 2020.**

**Please send details to Editor Beryl well in advance.**





Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**



**O**ur International President Choi's theme is "We Serve through Diversity" saying "We Serve all people in all places. Lions are a shining example to the world of the good that can be accomplished by uniting in harmony. We're known for our strength and ability to help others – and this can only be accomplished through Diversity".

The world is facing many challenges, natural disasters, Famine and disease. While the problems may seem insurmountable when faced alone, we can all take comfort through the strength of our nearly 1.5 million Lions, and our ability to provide immediate needs when this is required.

LCIF Campaign 100 – Lions empowering service. The goal from LCIF of raising \$300 million has now been extended to June 2022 because of COVID-19. We need to keep momentum going by encouraging all clubs and individual Lions to give what they can. Together, we can bring long-term change and lasting hope to the communities that need us most.

Recently on Facebook the following was posted:  
*"Work in vision has been an integral part of Lions' history since the founding in 1917. The LCIF SightFirst program, in collaboration with Lions, health care providers, and partner organisations, has led the charge in Lions' vision efforts over the last three decades, as one of LCIF's most impactful grant programs. So much has been accomplished over the years. So much more can be accomplished in the future with your continued support."*

Lions World Sight Day is commemorated every year on the second Thursday of October. It was first initiated by the Lions Clubs International Foundation under the Sight First Campaign in the year 2000. This day is celebrated to create awareness about vision impairment, blindness and other sight related problems. This is something that you might like to note and plan for a special day in your calendar for next year.

A date to remember is November 14<sup>th</sup> which is World Diabetes Day, check out "Lions fight diabetes" on the International Lions website and view the information posted there.

Please continue to support LCIF and the work they are doing throughout the world in these challenging times especially with the deadly coronavirus.

**Footnote:** Yes, we have recently had a disaster in our area with the fires in the Lake Ohau area. As indicated in communications from DG Ella, we had discussions with the Civil Defense Coordinator for the area Lion Murray Linwood and others, who advised that at the time of the fires an Emergency Grant from LCIF was not needed. Once things have settled a little it may be that we could be eligible for alternative LCIF funding pending the needs.

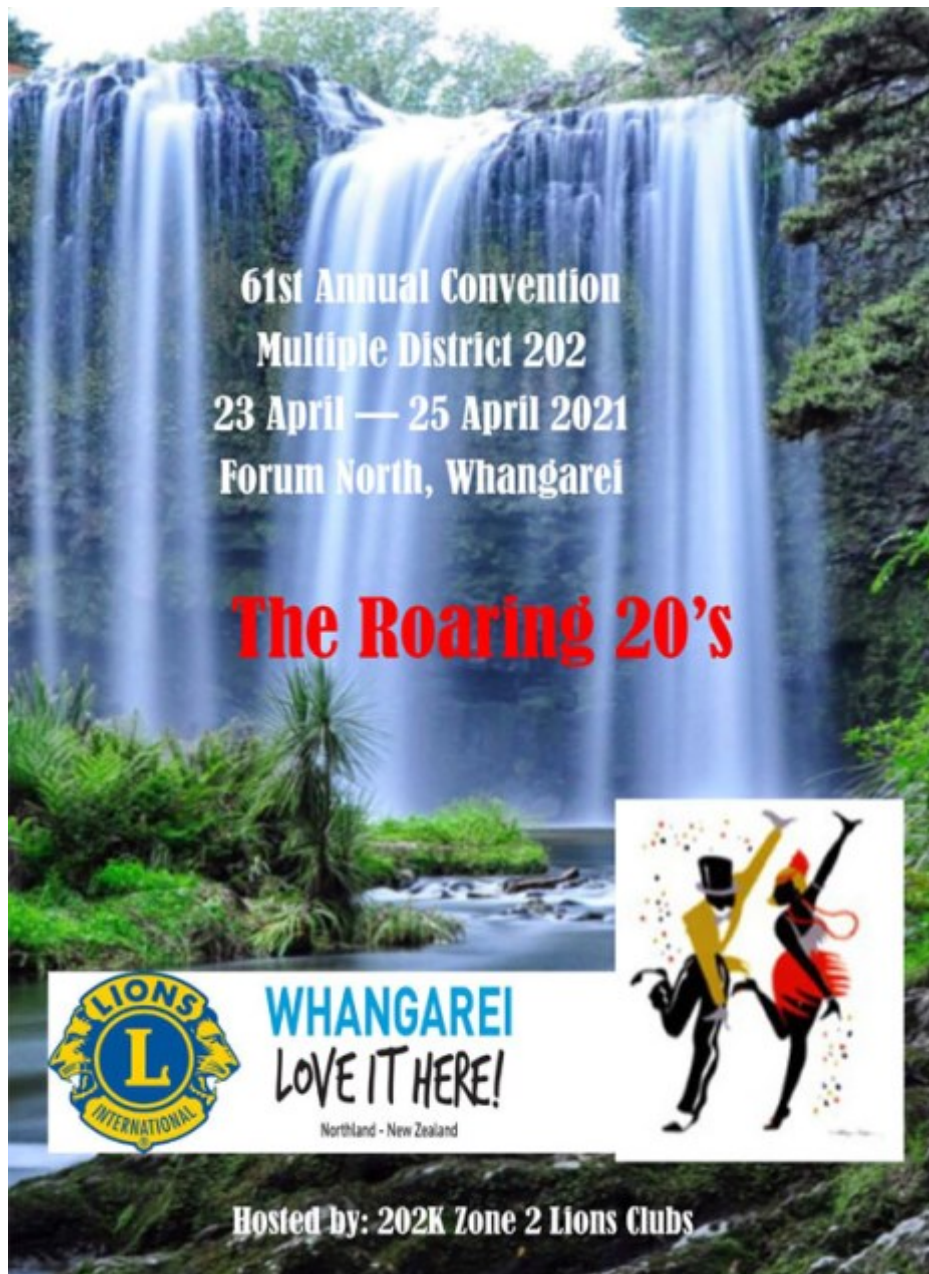
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## Part 2: The Operation of the Trust

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**Administration of the Trust** is the responsibility of the Trust Board who are responsible to the Multiple District Council.

### **The Trust consists of the following:**

- Chairman - elected by the Board and appointed by Multiple District Council.
- District Trustees (7) elected by their respective Districts.
- Advisory Trustees (no more than 5) - recommended by the Board and appointed by Multiple District Council.
- Multiple District Council Chairman.
- International Director (current or immediate past).
- Trust Officers. The board appoints non-voting officers to oversee the operation of the Trust. These being:
  - a. Treasurer
  - b. Legal Counsel
  - c. Administration Officer

The Trust operates within the parameters of the Trust Policy Code.

### **The principle is quite simple:**

- ◆ Donations to the Trust are deposited in the Capital Fund, which is invested to provide an income for the Trust.
- ◆ Donations to the Capital Fund are recorded under the Club's name and will remain untouched for the life of the Trust.

- ◆ Income generated from investments goes into the Income Fund, and it is this money that is available to the Trustees to disburse to Clubs according to set guidelines.
- ◆ Clubs can apply to the Trust for a grant or loan, to assist them with completion of projects that qualify as being of a charitable nature.
- ◆ Every application is treated on its merits, clubs must have adopted the project, be committed to its completion, and be directing enough of their resources, (cash, labour) towards the project to provide a major proportion of the necessary funds.
- ◆ The Trust does not make grants so that clubs can simply pass them on as donations and is not there to substitute for a club's own fundraising effort.
- ◆ Contact your District Trustee if you require any further information on making a grant application.

**Club Donations:** Each Lions year clubs are asked to renew their support of their Trust by making a donation of \$10 per member. Clubs that donate to their Trust receive a banner patch after their first donation, then year tabs for subsequent years if they wish to.

**Trust Recognition Awards:** These are available to recognise individuals, (Lion or non-Lion), and other organisations or companies in a uniquely New Zealand fashion.

*PCC Graham Edge  
LMCT Trustee 202J*

## 202J Convention 2021

**DG Ella & Wayne and the Waimate Whitehorse Lions Club Welcome You To Our 202J Convention “Country Bumpkins” 26th - 28th March 2021**



**Venue: A&P Shears Pavillion 26 Hakataramea Hwy Waimate**

**Convenor: Jackie O'Neill Email: jackieon@xtra.co.nz ph: 036898977**

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## LCIF Lions Share Programme

LCIF Lions Share programme is an annual programme that allows individual Lions to make a personal donation to LCIF by way of purchasing a Lions Share pin.

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Three Star \$300

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# Stop Press

14 November  
World Diabetes Day



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United in Kindness and Diversity

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