



**Louise Knapman  
District Governor 2020-2021**



**Louise Knapman  
talks with International  
1st VP Doug Alexander**

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## [A word from the editor](#)

*Dear Readers,*

*October has turned into November and the Spring weather is as changeable as ever. The ‘Refresh’ day went well and was a worthwhile event. The Youth Exchange program looks to be an exciting prospect as well. This month we also hear from Andrew Gibson who has presented a CMF, KAN TAB, HU4KIDS & VISION report.*

*Regards, Llew.*

*Editor*



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**Serving our community is what Lions is about**

***Congratulations to Normanby & District Lions and Eltham Lions clubs on each receiving South Taranaki District Council Community Awards.***

DG's Message

Hello fellow Lions,

What a busy month this last one has been, with all the club visits and other events.



Firstly, I would like to thank those clubs who have hosted us over the last Month. I can honestly say that Lions certainly know how to have fun and it was lovely to hear all of the laughter.

I was privileged to attend the 50<sup>th</sup> charter celebrations of Eltham club. There were 4 Charter members in attendance, including Alan Beck who is still an active member. The club put on a wonderful evening, there were many stories told and many awards given out. Congratulations Eltham.

We also recently had a stall at the Women's Expo where Lions were showcased, getting our brand out there. A huge thank you to Sue Huckstep and Rachel Norgate and their willing band of volunteers for putting this together and manning (womaning) the stall. It was great to chat to such a wide variety of people about Lions.

Last week we had the Refresh day, attended by about 20 Lions. A great deal of fun and laughter was had but also opportunities to learn, share and solve common problems. If I can quote Ron Rowe "I've been looking for practical, real, current thinking and I found that on Saturday". A big thank you to the GAT team (Megan England, Steve Barr and Daphne Sinclair-Holley) for their efforts in making this such a successful day.

Keep up the great work everyone, you are making a difference.

Regards,  
Louise Knapman



*From 1st Vice District Governor*

DG Louise reminded us all at our 'Refresh' day that she is into the second third of her year as District Governor. That reminded me that I am also that much closer to taking over from her in July 2021!

Although I have met my fellow VDGs in our monthly 'zoom' meetings I am looking forward to working with them 'face to face' in Wellington later in November. I received news a few weeks ago that training in Chicago, scheduled for February is definitely cancelled. This has been revised to 3 days of Virtual Training seminars and workshops. I have been placed in a team of 26 English speaking VDGs for all over the world (with one other from NZ) led by a Lion from the Caribbean. Further training will take place for the NZ VDGs at MD convention in Whangarei next year. At this stage plans are still underway for International Convention in Montreal in late June. All in all, a very busy few months ahead!

What a pleasure it has been to visit clubs around the district over the past few months. Between the three of us, DG Louise, myself and 2nd VDG Steve Barr, all clubs should receive a visit. Thank you so much to everyone at the clubs I have visited, for making me feel so welcome and not asking too many curly questions! I am always amazed at the number of projects - service and fundraising, that clubs are involved in. Please make sure others know about them too.

Let's get the message out there... We are Lions. We serve.

Stay well.



*Megan England*

**Vice District Governor  
GLT Coordinator 2020/2021**

*The Refresh Day by Daphne Holley*

The Refresh Day held in Patea on the 24<sup>th</sup> of October was a very enjoyable and thought-provoking experience. A range of topics were covered by the Global Action Team (GAT) led by Louise, Megan and Steve.



I presented my collated project ideas list and gave a copy to each club present. This is a living document that is to be added to the information shared amongst the Lions clubs. There are eight categories with an estimated time that it would take for each project and as best as possible a club and a contact person that you can contact to discuss the finer details of anything you may be interested in doing.

I also spoke about reporting. How important the statistics are for head office; how it relates to funding (thank you Leo), and why we need to do this each month. If you have problems with reporting service in any way, we have Lynette Stewart and Mike Short, computer whiz kids who will help you, so please use them and get that reporting done every month.

Don't forget to get your entries in to me for the Top Club Award by the end of November. The awards are presented at 202D Convention March next year. We will send out the Top Club form again shortly. Also, it will soon be time to enroll for the Convention, this is going to be SO GOOD, don't miss it, partners will have a neat day, and the food will be extraordinary not to mention what else Louise and her team are organising. Get in quick for attendance and accommodation.

Yours in Lions, Daphne Holley  
GST Coordinator



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### The 2021 Trial Internal Youth Exchange Program.



The Multiple District Governors have given permission for 202D and 202M to trial in 2021 a new internal youth exchange program. The dates of the exchange are Saturday 17th April to Sunday 25th April 2021 (8 Days). 202D/M have already organised Clubs and Zones to work together and are keen to start. If it works well, it is hoped to run it on a national basis across New Zealand from 2022. The goal is to reach out to **Young Adults aged 15-18** who would not normally have the opportunity to travel away from home. It may be their first solo trip away from the family. It could be for a youngster who has never lived on a farm or in a country town, or in the city. It can also be viewed as a first step towards a trip as an International Youth Exchange Student in the future.

We will run this trial so that it meets all the safety requirements of the International Youth Exchange process, so we ensure the safety of the youths and the host families. We also want this to be a fun project both for the Youth Exchange students and the Clubs involved.

**How will we do it?** Step One: Find Clubs and hosts willing to host a youth from 202M in your area for 8 nights in April 2021.

Step Two: Nominate your Youth Exchange students to Phil Lightbourne for Zones 1, 2 and 3 and to Stephanie Jordan for Zones 4, 5 and 6 by 30 November 2020. You can find youth by approaching Schools, Youth groups, and organisations St John and Scouting/Guides movements. This will allow us time for briefings, matching students with hosts and arranging the security clearances.

Step Three: Advise all students selected by 15th December 2020 where they are going and the names and contact details of their hosts and the host Lions Club. We will raise an invoice for each sponsoring club for \$120.00. We will then provide the students with a hoodie top and baseball cap, and give them the final information needed.

Step Four: Confirm all arrangements by 31st March 2021 with all parties involved.

Step Five: On Saturday 17th April 2021 - volunteer Lions drive the 202D students to Palmerston North to meet the 202M Lions at lunchtime and swap car loads so the Youth Exchange students can be delivered directly to their host families that afternoon.

Step Six: The host family are supported by their local Lions club for the week of the exchange, and on Sunday 25th April the reverse travel arrangements are done - again meeting in Palmerston North for an exchange. The Hosting Clubs who send a student do not have to take a student in exchange, but many will. Ideally there will be young adults of a similar age in the host family home, or readily available. There is no issue with hosts having two students as having company will help them enjoy the experience.

Step Seven: There will be a meeting held in late January/February to finalise a day program for the Exchange and a representative from each club will be required to attend if possible.

**The Cost?** Only \$120 for the provision of a smart hoodie and cap suitably embroidered that the Youth Exchange student retains, paid for by the host club as a project cost.

**Interested?** Register your interest by email to: [202d.youthnorth@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:202d.youthnorth@lionsclubs.org.nz)

Stephanie Jordan  
MD202D Internal Youth Exchange Coordinator

## *Middle Districts Lions in Action*

Dhiva Dijaj was a three-year-old girl with mobility issues. Both she and her family were in need of help. After a request by Child Mobility Foundation through Zone 2, PN Middle Districts Lions club got involved.



**Dhivas mum helping her take her first few peddles**



**Club President Antony Minell with Dhiva**



**Club Welfare Director Adrian Larkin supervising a very happy and now mobile Dhiva**

Dhiva has Arthrogyrosis which causes her to have very limited knee and hip movement. The club managed to have a trike designed especially for her, enabling her to have improved mobility and offers her the opportunity to have the right amount of flex to her joints and build new confidence in interaction with her siblings and peers. The trike was supplied by Trikes NZ and funding was supported by Lloyd Morgan Charitable Trust.

“One of the most rewarding aspects of LIONS is the opportunity to assist those less fortunate than ourselves” says Club President Antony Minell. “Having been involved in this Welfare project, it makes me proud to be a LION, the smile on young Dhiva’s face was amazing, knowing we have made a positive impact on her young life is rewarding for us all”.

**“ Proud to be a Lion, serving in our community”**



**We Serve**



## *Leadership*

*“Leadership is mobilising the efforts and actions of others to achieve common goals.”  
(Lions Clubs International)*

Lions offers many opportunities to develop leadership skills while learning more about Lions. A lot of people find themselves in positions of responsibility within a few years of joining a club. Sometimes we are not ready.

Leadership is not about personality - it's about behaviour - an observable set of skills and abilities. When leaders are at their personal best there are five core practices common to all. (Kouzes & Posner 1987)

### Five Practices of Effective Leadership

#### **1. Challenge the process**

- Take initiative to look for and accept new challenges and opportunities
- Take risks on new and innovative ideas
- Establish challenging but attainable goals to lead others to success

#### **2. Inspire a shared vision**

- Imagine future possibilities and inspire others with your compelling vision
- Believe you can make your vision a reality
- Understand and consider the needs and dreams of others

#### **3. Enable others to act**

- Work as a team, it's not about an individual effort
- Establish trust and relationships to empower others
- Build future leaders

#### **4. Model the Way**

- Set the example by consistently modelling values and beliefs
- Strengthen commitment to create progress and momentum

#### **5. Encourage the heart**

- Recognise the efforts of others
- Celebrate successes and milestones
- Show genuine appreciation and caring toward team members

Attending one of the training institutes is a great way to build your knowledge and understanding of Lions before you become a Club President.

This year we have five Lions attending the Emerging Lions Learning Institute (ELLI) in Silverstream, Wellington.

Coming up next year, (COVID willing) is ALLI (Advanced Lions Leadership Institute) in Brisbane 15-17 April 2021. This is open for anyone who wishes to serve at district or cabinet level. Application forms will be available shortly.

Megan England

GLT Coordinator



***CMF & Kan tabs Update***

Hi Fellow Lions,

I'd like to give you all a brief update for the following portfolios.

**Child mobility foundation.**

We had 2 children head down to Dunedin for their latest fitting of HART walkers. There was a lot of work behind the scenes done by the CMF staff which was terrific in these trying times. Thanks to the clubs/zones that raised the money and are supporting these kids.

There are also 2 more potential candidates for HART walkers/ Mobility trikes. I will be hopefully be approaching clubs /zones once I find out to see if we can help these kids out. Watch this space....

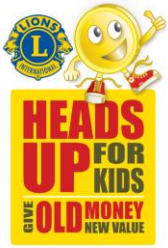
**Kan Tabs.**

Aluminium prices are still low (approx. 60-70 cents/kg.) but that has not stopped this very worthy cause and the clubs that support it.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all the people/clubs that are helping with this project.

The profile of Kidney kids has been lifted with Facebook, so I have been getting many queries from all around the district as to where people can drop off the can tabs or bottle tops, they have collected.

I am asking clubs to become collection points for people to drop off their aluminium. Once we have established these, we will then organise a way to get to the clubs that do the sorting. Please email me with your club name and the address that the tabs can be delivered to.

*Heads up for Kids & Vision Update***Heads up for kids.**

Thanks to the clubs that are still supporting this project. Many clubs have a tin in a local bank and people drop in their old or overseas money, which is sorted and sent to the “heads up for kids” head office.

**Vision.**

Another worthy cause sending used prescription glasses to the pacific islands and helping out people who are less fortunate than ourselves with vision impairments. The project is still going strong with 4000 pairs of glasses just being sent to the islands in the last few weeks. Please keep collecting the glasses and either give them to your zone chair who will get them to me, or drop off to your local SPEC savers store.

Thank you all once again for all that you do in helping the above very worthy causes, you are helping a great deal of people with the work you do.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the above projects

Yours in Lions

Andrew Gibson

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### Diabetes Training

Diabetes training is happening at the Hawera Hospital meeting room on the 24<sup>th</sup> of November from 1 pm till 3.30pm. Jenny Kissick is a Nurse Practitioner and she is providing information on Diabetes - Signs, Symptoms, Health effects, Testing, and what we can do about it. We have lots of interesting material to share. There are quite a few people coming to this day and if there is more interest, we can organise another day in the new year.

Daphne Holley.

### Manawatu Junior Speech Contest report



#### Report on Lions Rural Speech Contest held at Te Kawau Recreation Centre Rongotea on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

I would like to record my appreciation to all the following in creating and delivering this community centred Lions project for the young people in Zone One and to assist in building their confidence and abilities.

A good attendance of 59 people had their attention gained by the energetic and well researched speech topics that were presented with animation. Well done to all the contestants for their inputs. A big thankyou to all the schools represented, the teachers, parents, grandparents and coaches as the guidance had been taken on board by the students.

The Top 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Y8 students are sponsored to enter the Lions 202D contest in Hawera in November 2020.

Topics and final results listed below.

Manawatu Lions Rural Speech Contestants for 18th October 2020					
Years 7-8 Group					
Contestants	YR	School	Cluster	Speech topic	Results
Logan Clare	8	Waituna West	Oroua	Why you should buy an electric car?	2nd + voucher
Anika Moleta	8	Opiki School	Fitzherbert	A moment of truth	1st + Cup+ voucher
Bailey Greening	8	Kopane	Te Kawau	Learning at school V distance learning.	3rd +voucher
Olivia McKinnon	8	Kiwitea	Oroua	Euthanasia. It should be our choice	Highly Commended+ voucher
Jade Strawbridge	8	Oroua Downs	Rongotea	Learning at school V distance learning.	voucher

Holly McIntyre	8	Kimbolton	Oroua	NZ fire Fighters should be paid more	voucher
Years 5-6 Group					
Izzy Tregoweth	6	Turitea School	Fitzherbert	The moment of truth, will my teacher accept my homework excuse?	voucher
Claudia Shaw	6	St. Joseph's	Feilding	What if I was Prime Minister?	3rd +voucher
Abby McKinnon	6	Kiwitea	Oroua	No -One should have to suffer bullying.	1st+ Cup + voucher
Grace Jochem	6	Kiwitea	Oroua	All schools should have a pet day.	abs
Lucy Conger	6	Kairanga	Te Kawau	How to be the best parent for me	voucher
Thomas Churton	5	North Street	Feilding	What if we could use magic?	Highly Commended+ voucher
Emily Williams	5	Lytton Street	Feilding	What if there was no art?	2nd + voucher
Ava Oatway	5	Oroua Downs	Te Kawau	Parents. Do they annoy you?	Voucher.



Year 7 & 8 Winner Anika



Year 5 & 6 Winner Abby

### Thanks also goes to:

- Rongotea and District Lions for hosting the venue,
- Kowhai Lions for the afternoon tea refreshments,
- Judges; Sam Nickolls from Ross Intermediate and Candis Foster-Heke from Freyberg HS,
- PDG Roy Price - MC and presentation of the new Wellington Children's Hospital Playscape project.
- PDG Ash Hazlitt for presenting the Winning trophies.
- All the Zone One Lions clubs for supporting this Zone project and to all members of the Speech Planning Team that have met monthly (except for lock downs): Percy Bydder - Ashhurst Pohangina Lions, Bruce McMillan - Colyton Bunnythorpe Lions, Adrian Bulford - Feilding Host Lions, Warren Nicholls - Manchester Lions and Zone Chair, Elizabeth Heath - Kowhai Lions, Phil Lightbourne - Rongotea Lions and Youth South Director, Carolyn Burr - Te Awahou, Bob Lammass - Foxton Lions.

Well done Lions for supporting our future through Youth activities.

**Robert Heath**

**Zone 1 Rural Speech Coordinator.**



Calendar Dates...

November Club visits

Wednesday 4th	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Steve Barr	Opunake Lakeside
Monday 9th	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Steve Barr	Kairanga
Tuesday 10th	DG Louise	Marion
Tuesday 10th	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Steve Barr	PN Heartland
Wednesday 11th	DG Louise	PN Papaioea Rose City
Tuesday 17th	1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Megan	Wanganui
Tuesday 24th	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Steve Barr	Waitara
<u>December</u>		
Wednesday 2nd	2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Steve Barr	Rongotea & District

Zone Meeting Dates

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Zone 5	Sue Huckstep	Wednesday, 18 November 2020	Toko Fire Station
Zone 5	Sue Huckstep	Wednesday, 17 February 2021	716 Watino Rd, Opunake
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Host</u>
Zone 6	AlanCudmore	Thursday, 11 February 2021	NP Pakeke
Zone 6	AlanCudmore	Thursday, 20 May 2021	Urenui & District

Junior Speechmaker Final: Sunday, 1st November 2020

District Calendar available at:

[www.lionsclubs.org.nz/about/districts/taranaki-region-manawatu](http://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/about/districts/taranaki-region-manawatu)

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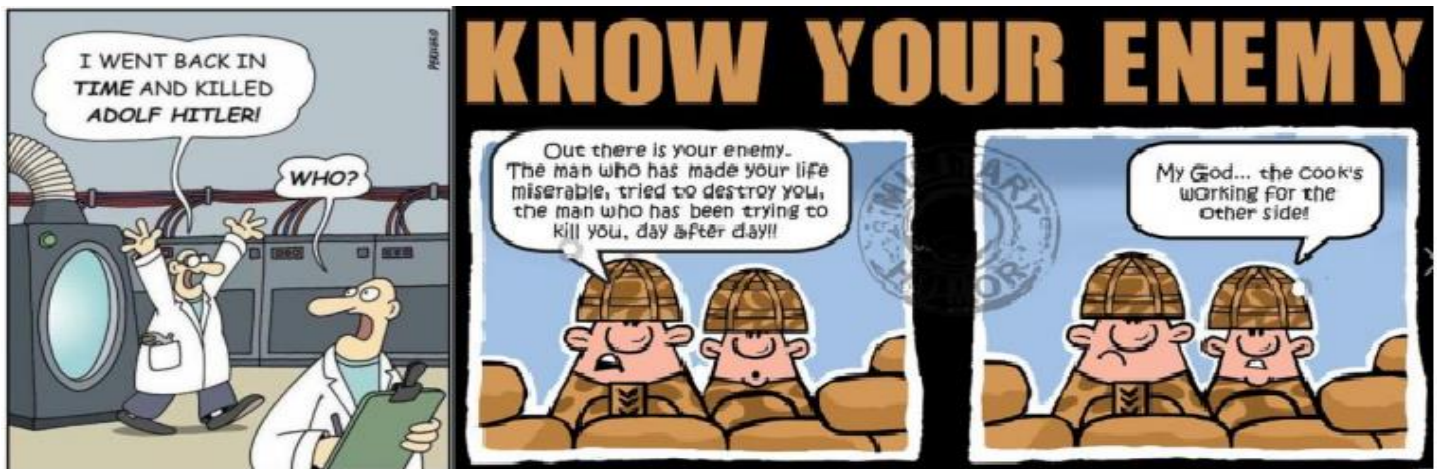
*Club Presidents and Secretaries should remember to check their emails on a regular basis for important information from District cabinet and Lions International*

## Online Links

202D Webpage: [www.lionsclubs.org.nz/about/districts/taranaki-region-manawatu](http://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/about/districts/taranaki-region-manawatu)

202D e-Clubhouse: <http://e-district.org/sites/202d>

Covid-19: <https://lionsclubs.org/en/coronavirus>



### The Lion, the Dog and the Monkey

A lost dog strays into a jungle. A lion sees this from a distance and says with caution "this guy looks edible, never seen his kind before". So, the lion starts rushing towards the dog with menace. The dog notices and starts to panic but as he's about to run he sees some bones next to him and gets an idea and says loudly "mmm... that was some good lion meat!". The lion abruptly stops and says "woah! This guy seems tougher than he looks, I better leave while I can". Over by the tree top, a monkey witnessed everything. Evidently, the monkey realizes the he can benefit from this situation by telling the lion and getting something in return. So, the monkey proceeds to tell the lion what really happened and the lion says angrily "get on my back, we'll get him together". So, they start rushing back to the dog. The dog sees them and realized what happened and starts to panic even more. He then gets another idea and shouts "where the hell is that monkey! I told him to bring me another lion an hour ago..."



## ***202D CABINET MEMBERS***

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