



### Message from Lion Pam Fiveash



District Governor 202F District

To my fellow Lions in District 202F

I must start by congratulating the Cromwell Lions on a very successful Lot 47 Project. In conjunction with their local Rotary club, and working alongside members of their community, tradespeople, and sponsors, they built the most fabulous home on Lot 47, Prospectors Park. On Friday night, the house went under the auctioneer's hammer and sold for a whopping \$1205,000. Yes, you read right; over a million dollars. The proceeds of which will be donated to St John in Cromwell. Isn't this just fabulous, and shows what a community can do when they all pull together. Check out the full story at https://www.lot47.co.nz/ or their Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/lot47homeproject/

And there's more good news. At our recent Council of Governors' meeting, the feasibility study for the Lions Cancer Screening Bus, prepared by Past District Governor Paul O'Connor and his fellow trustees from the seven districts around New Zealand, including our own Past District Governor Wendy Goodwin, was given the green light. Which means the project can now progress to the next level and we can all start to think about how best to support it. And the best news of all is that this Lions project is now one of the five charities set to receive proceeds from the Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ project that we've all been hearing so much about. What better incentive could there be for us to get right behind Ian Hamilton and his team to make sure the goal of raising \$5,000,000 is reached (or even surpassed!). With the rowers starting their journey from Bluff on 12 March we have the privilege of sending them on their way in style. And getting right behind this amazing adventure. I can't wait to hear about the incredible ways Lions of 202F will come up with to raise funds in support of this.

Who saw in last month's edition of the Southern Chronicles that every email received by a club must form part of that month's correspondence and be presented at your club and/or business meetings? I can't emphasise enough the importance of this, as so much information now comes via email and not through the post. Remember the saying "knowledge is power"? It's really important that we keep ourselves up-to-date with information that comes direct to us from inside and outside our organisation as this can only help us be better Lions. And to continue to serve the people in our communities who so desperately need our support.

And don't forget to read 'Between the Lions', the NZ Lions newsletter that is emailed to every Club Secretary. In the latest issue, details of how to purchase face masks proudly showing our Lions logo were given. As face masks are going to be an integral part of our lives for some time to come, I'd love to see each of us promoting our organisation in this way whenever we're out and about.

I'd like to leave you with yet another smile quote:

"If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours".

Take care everyone, stay safe, and until ne time, I remain yours in Lions

Pam Fiveash District Governor Lions District 202F Phone: 027 543 9094 Email: <u>202f.dg@lionsclubs.org.nz</u> 'Service With a Smile'



### Message from Lion Jeroen Shuurmans



Vice District Governor 202F District

Hi everyone

This Month I visited 3 clubs; Te Anau Kepler, Roxburgh district and, Riversdale. I found it very enjoyable as we had some constructive discussions about ways to gain new members.

I also had the privilege to award a Key Pin to Sandra Schroder whose is a member of the Te Anau Kepler District on behalf of Douglas Alexander. This is the second Key Pin I have been able to award to fellow member for their effort in recruiting new members to the club.

Projects that have a meaningful impact on the local community that provide good publicity still play an important role in gaining new members.

### Covid

It is important to have a health and safety policy in your club, but you also have to respect the choices of others in regard to weather or not they are vaccinated.

For the safety and wellbeing of yourself and the community it still pays to be vigilant. Where there is a will there is a way (solution) with out losing our biggest assets, our members. So please be considerate.

On the training front, I have been to Wellington for some district governor orientation and to get a taste for council meetings. Then we also discussed how to set up the GMA for our district (Global Membership Approach).

I had a team zoom meeting with Lesley Lyons group 25 on the 27<sup>th</sup> November, to follow up on emails and preparation for online training in February with VDG's from Australia and America. In the last zoom meeting, I had with PDG Wendy Miller and the other VDG's in training. In this meeting we brainstormed ideas and some goal setting in preparation for next year.



#### **Top Club Service Award**

The criteria and application form is now available on our website under the heading International Awards. The award now aligns to the LCI and LCIF mission pillars, rather than the global causes in keeping with the new Strategic plan.

Closing date for applications is **15 March 2022**.



Message from Lion Juon Schoen Global Membership

Coordinator 202F District

I am not really looking forward to this month's statistics on our District membership. Deleting ten members of one Club (in good standing) was not really the highlight of this month. But I think we need to be realistic and instead on focusing too much on the inevitable, lets celebrate the Clubs that add new members instead.

Yesterday Doris and I enjoyed an afternoon bowls and BBQ at the Balfour Club. President David Hewitt organised a new members drive, enticing the local Young Farmers to join his Lions Club.

A great idea as after turning thirty years old, membership of Young Farmers becomes a thing of the past.

And as the old song goes; "Where have all the Young farmers gone" (Peter, Paul and Mary) It will be a good thing to capture these people, either for a Club or for "the Old, Young farmers" to form a Branch Club in their Region.

Anyway, we enjoyed a great afternoon, demonstrated I am hopeless at playing bowls and had a great BBQ.

Thanks for having us Balfour Lions Club.

It's been a busy old time with Lions and that's good. It means things are happening and all the COVID misery is not completely getting us down. The overriding comments are the concerns about decrease in earning capacity of all Clubs. With many Clubs having one or two primary sources of revenue, some of these income streams have been all but completely dried up. Maybe PDG Wendy Goodwin can organise a

competition for the most novel and innovative way to raise money this year. other.

There are no quick solutions, but it has been good to attend a couple of Zone meetings last week and listen to the thoughts and ideas of the different Clubs. Overriding concern was the welfare of the members and how to remain safe, as yet the rules are about to change again. Please read the Guidelines send out by the Council of Governors.





Money makes the world go round and we need it to help others in our community. But Projects is another way of helping our communities. It is also far more attractive to engage new or newer members by participating in projects rather than meetings. Whatever you do, do it safely but enjoy doing it.

GMT Coordinator Zone 6 Chair Juon Shuon



202F District Convention 25-27 March 2022 at Owaka



Catlins – A Little Slice of Heaven Enquiries to Leadman (Ibby) Ibbotson 202f.convchair@lionslcubs.org.nz Facebook: Lions District 202F Further details to follow in the coming months







### International President Douglas X. Alexander

Dear Lion,

Your service has the power to change lives. So do your stories. The more you share about what you and your club are doing, the more opportunities you create for your community to join you. And there are now more ways than ever to promote your club and service activities.

Whether it's marketing or branding, social media or traditional media, we have the tools to help you promote your club, energize your next membership drive and share your life-changing stories. Let's shine a light on Lions.

"I always believe that we have a purpose here in life other than just what we can do for ourselves."

Yours in Service, Douglas X. Alexander International President

### **International Leo Day**

5th of December is the day set aside to celebrate the work of our young people in service to Humanity. Some of our Leos have been busy working on Environmental Projects supported by a grant from Bunnings and Lions Clubs New Zealand Charitable Trust. Many are also now developing Videos for the Lions International and MD202 Video Competition. Check out their projects on their Facebook page

### **Professor CHOI YOUNGSIK**



### Presented with Humanitarian Award

Lions Clubs International Honours Professor Choi Youngsik with Humanitarian Award. Professor Choi Youngsik of Busan, South Korea has dedicated his entire career to education, medical innovation and research, volunteerism and helping others in need.

The Lions Humanitarian Award, the highest honour of the association, is given to an individual or an organization with exemplary humanitarian efforts and comes with a US\$250,000 grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Professor Youngsik joins a distinguished list of prior recipients, including Mother Teresa, former U.S. President Jimmy Carter and Nobel Peace Prize winner Dr. Denis Mukwege. (abridged from LCI website.



### Global Services Team Coordinator Corner

**Message from** 

GST Coordinator Sue Evans

Hi everyone,

My name is Sue Evans and I am the GST Co-ordinator for District 202F. Since taking on this role in July this year I have been sending out to the Zone Chairpersons "My Monthly Update" with a request that this is emailed onto Club Secretaries and Presidents which in turn, I hope is emailed onto all of you or at least tabled at your Meetings. D.G. Pam Fiveash has asked that I put something in to the Southern Chronicle as well.

I would like to start by saying that recently there was a Cabinet Meeting held in Balclutha and what struck me though as I listened to the Zone Chairs was how different each Zone is, and how diverse their activities are in the areas they live in. Our District covers such a wide geographical area and with this comes a variety of interesting projects. I am really in awe at how our Lions family is still being seen out in their communities as Covid is putting a dampener on so many activities. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE BIG EVENT COMING OUR WAY is the Rowing for Life Aotearoa-New Zealand.

You will have seen in My Monthly Updates in September, October and November and also in the recent Between the Lions – November Issue, information about this Event.

So how did this idea eventuate? A gentleman by the name of Ian Hamilton from Invercargill came up with the idea of rowing with his friends from Bluff to Cape Regina. Their journey will take 4 months to complete and along the way they want to fund raise for 5 charities who all work with saving lives – The Child Cancer Foundation, the Surf Life Saving, Starship Hospital, Lions Skin Cancer Trust – Skin Cancer Screening Vehicle and Chalky Carr Trust (for people having treatment for example, cancer where their medication is not funded through the Ministry of Health). Their plan is to raise money as they row the distance of New Zealand and then this is divided between the five organisations. Their aim is to raise \$5,000,000.

The Starting Point - Rowing for Life Aotearoa – Southland area

Daily Schedule (approx) Day 1 Estimated Date	Place	Distance Total km
12 March 2022 12 March (Saturday) 12 March (Saturday)	Bluff Fortrose Waipapa	Starting Point 40 km 8 km
Day 2 13 March (Sunday)	Curio Bay	22 km
Day 3 14 March (Monday) Purakaunui Bay		41 km
Day 4 15 March (Tuesday)Nugget Point 15 March (Tuesday)Kaka Point		20 km 10 km
Day 5 16 March (Wednesday)Measly Beach 25 km		

#### Day 6

17 March (Thursday)Taieri Mouth Beach25 km

Now this is where WE all come in as I see this as twofold. While the starting point is at Bluff with yachts, canoes, tug boats joining the rowers as they leave the Port on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00am the other part of this Event is a Challenge to All Clubs in District 202F to come on board with a fundraising project of your own. Whether you do this as an individual Club or get together as a Zone it is entirely up to you all. I am sure you all know someone who has been affected by a life threatening illness and every dollar we can raise can only help make the lives of those dealing with illness more bearable.

On 25<sup>th</sup> November, Zone 7 members listened to

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Newest Members from October 2021				
Name	Club	Sponsor		
Gerry McCarthy	Alexandra Lions	Barry McCall		
Clare McIntosh	Omakau Lions	Kate Groundwater		
Leon Vanboxtel	Omakau Lions Stanley Clouston			
<b>Richard Langdon</b>	Stewart Island Lions Anita Geeson			
Heather Malzard	Wanaka Upper Clutha	Barbara Eaden		
Nicola Scurr	Wanaka Upper Clutha Marianne Roulsto			
Sue Sewell	Wanaka Upper Clutha	Noeline Dickey		

### **LIONS - RECYCLE FOR SIGHT PROJECT**





Several clubs Papakura, Karori and the Cromwell Lions Club provide processing and recycling of glasses for use in the Pacific Islands.

If you have used eyeglasses you no longer need, you can donate them now. Lions accept prescription and reading glasses, sunglasses and plastic and metal frames. Children's glasses are especially needed. You can also help by collecting glasses within the community. Please give the spectacles o your respective Zone chairs who can organise to send it to Cromwell.

December	3 <sup>rd</sup>	International Day of Disabled Persons
	5 <sup>th</sup>	International Leo Day
	5 <sup>th</sup>	World Volunteers Day
	15 <sup>th</sup>	MD Peace Poster poster to LCI

Dear Fellow Lions,

Please continue to sent me your articles, photos, stories or anything which you find interesting to go to our Chronicles by 12<sup>th</sup> of December in order to be included in the next edition which will be published before the 20<sup>th</sup> of December.

Zone Chairs, could you please send your 'WORD' version of your articles. When you email your articles, could you please also put something in the subject line like "For the Chronicles", so that it is not missed out. And please do not forget to include photos in your articles.

Thanks again for all your efforts and contribution. Yours in Lionism Sajitha Ferry 202F Bulletin Editor

## District 202F Convention and AGM

I give notice that District 202F Lions Clubs International Convention and Annual General Meeting will be held in Owaka from Friday 25 March to Sunday 27 March 2022.

Nominations are now called for the positions of District Governor 2022 – 2023 1st Vice District Governor 2022 – 2023 2nd Vice District Governor 2022 – 2023

#### Nominations close 24 January 2022

As provided in the Constitution an election will be held during the Business Session of the District Convention on Saturday 26 March 2022. Each nominee must be moved by a Club/s and seconded by another Club/s, and nomination letters sent to:

Cabinet Secretary PDG Liz Murray 25 Whisky Gully Road RD 2 TAPANUI 9587

Or e-mailed to: 202f.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz

#### REMITS

Any Club wishing to submit a remit for consideration at the Business Session should note the following requirements

• Prior to submission, Remits, in draft form, should first be checked with the District Legal Advisor PDG Lynette Batt to ensure they comply with the Constitution.

• Remits must be in the hands of the Cabinet Secretary – PDG Liz Murray no later than 24 January 2022

Pam Fiveash District Governor

'Service With a Smile'





### **Training and Leadership**

#### ELLI

The new course date is 14-16 January 2022 in Christchurch. For more information contact Lynda Halverson on 202 clt@lionsclubs.org.nz

#### ALLI

Training date is 4-6 February 2022 in Brisbane closing date was 6 November but again this has also been extended. Register as soon as possible.

#### LCIP

Training date is 11-14 February 2022 in Christchurch closing date for applications is 13 November (date has been extended but get in quick). More information and the application form is available on the International website.

#### **My Lion**

**Learn** - Did you know that there is great online training available for all Lions members through My Lion.

Two courses we are highlighting this month are:

#### Intro to Live Virtual Training -

This course is for Lions trainers who want to transition from in person training to online training.

#### Invite for Impact -

Two modules that comprehensively cover the four steps of inviting new members to join clubs.

## **Notices from MD202**



### **OFFICE MOVE**

The MD202 Office will be moving to our new location at 20 Baxter Street, Warkworth (near New World) on Friday 12th of November. Our postal address will remain the same at this stage, with mail being redirected. We invite any Lions that may be passing through to call in and meet with us.

#### NEW MEMBER REMINDER

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic Lions Clubs International has extended the waiver of new members fees from July 1st through to December 31 2021. Get new members recorded on MyLCI before that date to obtain the waiver.

#### LCI DIRECT DEBIT

We encourage clubs to continue to sign up for the next Direct Debit of international dues - next deduction is February 2022. Final date we will accept these forms to be lodged for the February direct debit will be Friday 17 December.

What you need to do is:

1) download both pages of the\_direct debit form

2) complete it with your details and have it signed by your bank account signatories and

3) post it to us at MD202 Lions Clubs New Zealand, PO Box 691, Orewa, 0946.



### SERVICE

### Rowing for Life Aotearoa - New Zealand -

From 12th of March to 24th of July 2022 a crew of rowers is intending to row from Bluff to Cape Reinga. This is a huge venture and Lions Clubs NZ has been asked to be a part of it.

# Need Face masks while out and about?

Lions Clubs of NZ branded face masks will be available from MD202 Club Supplies from early November at \$7.50 each including GST plus delivery.

Masks include 3 fabric layers, adjustable ear straps, a squeeze tight secure nose clip and a pocket for insertion of a filter. Clubs could order for members to reduce shipping costs. Order from our club supplies shop online.

**Your Club Your Way -** Many of us are doing meetings very differently due to COVID-19. You have always been able to change your meetings to suit your club and your members and now is probably the time to review how you run these. Check out the resource "Your Club, Your Way" for more ideas.

#### MEMBERSHIP

**Global Membership Approach -** District 202L is currently piloting this program in New Zealand and have named their programme Project Vital. The First Vice District Governors from the other 6 Districts are currently building teams (for their year as District Governor) to work on the Districts Global Membership Approach. If you want to learn more check out the resources on the International website. If you would like to be involved contact your First Vice District Governor



## **MD FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR**

## MD YOUTH EXCHANGE CHIEF COORDINATOR

COUNCIL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

## **MD ALERT COORDINATOR**

## **MD HEADS UP 4 KIDS PROJECT MANAGER**

All roles are for a three year term commencing 1 July 2022. For more information and to apply please go to our <u>website</u>.

### **GST Coordinator Corner**

**Update from** 

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#### Peace Poster

It would appear that at this stage only three schools have participated in the Peace Poster Competition this year, unless some more entries arrive tomorrow. It also seems that only one school was notified of the change of closing date for the competition. In discussion with Mike Robinson we wonder if perhaps the schools were notified earlier of the theme for the year, so the teachers can put it in their diaries and have a time line for the students - could we interest more schools. Will try next year and see if it makes any difference. Still we do have about 60 entries.

#### Leo's

The Leo Clubs are winding up for the year. Again, it is frustrating trying to get information from them. I have asked both Invercargill Clubs for end of year reports and am still waiting.

The Wanaka Leo Club is still running, with the Wanaka men coming to the party and helping to support the Club. But again, I have not been able to get the phone number of the parent helper to see if I can offer her any support she may require.

I have had talks with the Winton Lions Club with regard to starting a Leo Club at Winton, as so far things are looking tentatively promising. I first approached the Club in March of this year, so things are moving very slowly but they are moving. Fingers crossed. Ian Hamilton and Colin McDonald from the Toi Tois Tokanui Lions Club who gave the background to this Event and both had personally had family members affected by Cancer. Their stories were empowering and as a Zone, it was decided that we could look at doing a fundraising breakfast at Bluff for the onlookers on the 12<sup>th</sup> March.

I hope every Club in our District is going take up the Challenge to raise funds for this fantastic Event and I would love to hear what your Club or Zone is doing. March 2022 is the month but there is certainly no reason why you cannot hold an Event in April etc. I know Covid is causing a lot of uncertainty for all of us but I also know that Lions can see outside the square and coming up with some innovative ways to fundraise. Details are just starting to be confirmed and as this

information comes to hand I will certainly get it out to you all. As the Rowers row up the country other Lions Clubs are planning Events to help with fundraising. A Reminder in Brief:

Top Service Award. The close off date is 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022. You can do a Diabetes Project or a Service Project. If you need any information please get in touch with me.

Borland Lodge Leadership Course 26<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022 and Heads up for Kids Just a reminder that Clubs can apply to the Heads Up for Kids to assist students with the cost of attending Borland Lodge. The cost per student is \$800.00.

Your Feedback Would be appreciated Do we need the Kindness Matters Award and the Top Service Award? Are they similar? What is your opinion about these Awards? Your feed-back would be appreciated.

Christmas is just a few weeks away and I hope you all have the opportunity to be with family and friends, to be able to enjoy their company and make some happy memories that you can look back on in years ahead.

Kind regards Sue Evans Sue Evans Global Services Team Coordinator Email: <u>202f.gst@lionsclubs.org.nz</u> Home: 03 213 0329 Cell phone: 027 7382 962



#### **Message From**



**Greetings Fellow Lions** 

This has certainly been a year fraught with many difficulties and challenges for Clubs and members alike, as we all continue to grapple with the Delta variant of the Covid-19 pandemic. The ease with which this variant can seemingly travel means that we all need to be vigilant at all times. We particularly feel for our Clubs, members and their communities in Auckland and Western Waikato who have been at Alert Level 3 for what, now, must feel like a lifetime. A glimmer of hope has now been extended to these communities, and as the restrictions are gradually lifted, we trust that members will soon be able to reconnect with their Clubs, and Clubs with their communities.

As we slowly progress to a sense of normality we must do so with caution. Over the last couple of weeks, and as a consequence of Government having mandated compulsory vaccinations for a

number of sectors, your Council has fielded a number of enquiries from Clubs as to whether we, too, should be introducing policy in this area. Given the complexity of this issue, and the competing interests of individual members' rights to preserve their private information, and the need for Clubs to ensure that they meet their health and safety obligations, all balanced against the freedoms given to individuals under the Human Rights Act, it was determined that the matter should be referred to the Multiple District Legal Advisor for an opinion.

Whilst Council cannot dictate policy that must be adhered to by all Clubs it can offer guidance to

Clubs to assist them in their decision making with regard to members' participation in meetings or service projects based on members' vaccination status. MD Legal Advisor Alan Knowsley has drafted a Guidance Statement and this will be made available to all Clubs shortly.

I do urge all Clubs to exercise due diligence, and to proceed with the utmost caution in formulating policy for their own Clubs in this area as your members are likely to have widely differing views on the subject, and as such there is a potential for division. Whatever Clubs decide to do, do so with compassion for your fellow members and do so with kindness for one another.

Nga mihi Murray Pringle



Volunteering



5 DEC 2020 #IVD2020







Email: md202.interyouthexc@lionsclubs.org.nz

Come and make friends with young people from around Aotearoa, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands. Experience what Taranaki has to offer youth from Mountain, land, and sea.

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022.



### TSB Topec

Hydro Road off Junction Road PO Box 8859 New Plymouth.

### Cost: \$500.00

(Sponsored by Local Lions Clubs)

Numbers are limited. Get in quick. Age range is 12–16-year-olds. Applications open 1<sup>e</sup> February and close 7<sup>n</sup> May 2022.



### Zone 3

Most significant projects Clubs have completed in quarter and/or have planned for the future:

Roxburgh club are currently working on the new Teviot valley phone book.

Balclutha have helped run a covid vax day and organized the cabinet meeting venue at the scout club near balclutha.

West otago club have been building and instaling seating around Tapanui.

Owaka have been flat out ringing next years firewood and organizing next years conference.

Clutha valley club got in behind the Chat bus with good donations ,this is a mental health service aimed at young kids and having a great effect.They have also been tailing.

Lawrence club have been building a rescue chopper landing pad at Simpson park ,quite a large project and looking very good. Clinton is flat out tailing with a firewood chopping session coming up.

Have sent thru some photos of the new heli pad from the Lawrence club and some tailing photos from the Clinton club.

Yours in Lionism Ben Zone 3 Chair



Clinton Tailing



Lawrence Lions screening the concrete for the new heli pad.



First real use of the pad (not finished)

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

The Council of Governors have put out a guidance statement to assist with managing the issues of COVID-19 and vaccination in the November Between the Lions. Please continue to check the guidance updates on the Ministry of Health NZ COVID 19 website if your club is undertaking or planning any club activities. This will be your most up to date source of information for alert level guidance when creating your event health and safety plans. If you need assistance with these plans please contact your District Coordinator.



### Zone 6

Tuatapere, a small rural town in Western Southland, gateway to the Hump Ridge Track and self-declared sausage capital of New Zealand. I am driving out there on a typical Southland Day, pouring down with rain, making the grass grow on what is no doubt some of the finest farming country anywhere. Off to meet up with Jay Brownlee, President of the Tuatapere Club to talk about the relationship between his Club and the local Ambulance Service.

Go back to the 60's and the local community decided being rather isolated, an ambulance was needed for their community. Local folklore has it that two locals set off for Christchurch, to return with an ambulance whilst fortifying themselves at all the pubs on the way back down. Volunteers were found to man the ambulance and the local GP trained them in First Aid. The Tuatapere Ambulance Service was born.

Jay has made time to meet me in between his calls as a local electrician. He immediately gives credit for their latest Club Project, a magnificent Ambulance Shed to his Club Members and the Project Team of Charlie Copland, Alistair Sandford, Syd McClelland and Nigel Fowle.

The local ambulance volunteers two years ago moved into part of what was the Tuatapere Maternity Centre. Their ambulance however was still housed at the Fire Station up the road.

The situation with shared facilities at the Fire Station, cramped storage was far from ideal, so the Lions Club embarked on not just building a garage, but a proper shed. And what a facility it is.

As part of the project, they installed emergency lighting in the adjacent building as well and the project has neared completion. It was budgeted at \$145.000 and came in on budget.



From L-R: Jay Brownlee and Tony McDonald

How does a Club in a small rural community raise that sort of money? Jay mentions Hay Day, a local fund raiser that now is so popular people are asking to be part of it. Jay is reticent about the amount of money raised this way but is proud to say they support Charities with five figure cheques.

We have also been joined by Tony McDonald, local ambulance legend and Jane Norman who is Station Manager for St John Ambulance in Tuatapere. Their enthusiasm for their Ambulance Shed and relationship with Tuatapere Lions is palpable. They are quick to point out that it is not only this project but other support from this Club makes their ambulance volunteering such a different experience.

A Lions sponsored Mid-Winter and Christmas dinner for all volunteers and their families. A cash card to purchase food when on late, long call outs another great bonus. As well as all that, Tuatapere Lions pay all part charges for locals because of medical ambulance callouts.

At the same time, many other community groups other than the Ambulance Service benefit from the Tuatapere Lions Club. Whilst the build of this Ambulance Shed has been a major project, they have not lost sight of other needs in their community.

I finish our chat with what seems to be a daft question: "Why so much Lions involvement with the Ambulance Service?" Jay looks at me rather dumbstruck before answering: "The community needs an ambulance; Lions are here for the community".

Driving home again, it still rains. I cannot only but marvel what difference Lions can make to our communities.

Tuatapere Lions, take a bow. Juon Zone 6 Chair



### Zone 5

### **Gore River Valley**

What a fun/colourful meeting we had with Balfour Club and the money raised from the amazing bottle auction for Child Cancer was \$400 just wonderful. Judy G and a selection of helpers are gearing up to cater and serve at Lesley N and Rodgers wedding in early January. Toot for Tucker which is our big project is coming up. We will need all hands-on deck.

#### ⊺oi Tois Tokonui

Last weekend I went on our annual boy's trip to Blue Cliffs. whitebait, flounders, mussels and 1 deer. Very relaxing. Tailing @ Todd's Friday 22nd, Menzies Youth may front up, 8.30am start, lunch, water bottle & sunblock. 2 pens working. Health & Safety: Tailing please wear helmet if on bikes.

Coming up: Jan 30/31 Crank Up. Field Days & Bert Munro cancelled.

#### **Tree Planting**

Trees to the value of \$1000 have been planted on the bank behind the MCT Building - 67 altogether. Plants were supplied by the Gore District Council. Don't forget the BBQ on Friday 3rd of December at 5.30 for refreshments see you all there.

#### Gore Hokonui Lions

Everyone enjoyed Ngaire's power point on her trip to Ireland with "Operatunity" A trip full of music and wonderful scenery. We were thrilled to have 5 members of Gore Pakeke join us for the evening. Host a Roast at Nola's was a runaway success again. A wonderful meal and a great day out. For those who are unvaccinated, we are planning outside events. Afternoon tea in the garden? Idea's welcome.

Elaine Scott



#### Gore Pakeke

We have had a very successful year with good returns on cardboard/paper/plastics. We did manage to have a Book Sale in October. We set up our protections and the public were very supportive. It was not such a social event but we kept to our limits and raised over \$21000 for local causes.

Books, puzzles, CDs and DVDs kept coming in all year and I am sure a lot of spring cleaning took place during lockdown. We have even started on next years sale set down for October 13 -15. We have supported The Charity Hospital, Life Education, set aside \$5000 for the Melanoma Bus that Lions are setting up for the south of the South Island and purchased two defibrillators for police cars that go out as first responders in Eastern Southland. We thank those nonmembers who helped with setting up and the cleanup.

Club members have been an essential business as they have kept up with recycling.

Regards Douglas Dixey Secretary







The Waihopai City Lions' Southland Christmas Tree Festival at ILT Stadium Southland

- > Come and experience the beautifully decorated trees
- > Gold coin on entry to vote for your favourite tree
- > Letters to write to Santa

### **OPENING HOURS**

Monday - Friday 4:00pm - 8:00pm Saturday & Sunday 10:00am - 4:00pm \*By appointment | 03 219 9310 Please note, all guests 12 years and over will require a My Vaccine Pass to enter the venue and see the display.



Invercargill Host Lions Club Christmas Tree at The Waihopai City Lions' Southland Christmas Tree Festival at ILT Stadium Southland

# DG Pam presenting Presidential Award to PDG Sue

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Dr. Jung-Yul Chol INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

June 2021

Dear Lion Fleury,

It is my honor, as your President, to present to you my Presidential Award for your outstanding service to Lions Clubs International.

This Presidential Award is an expression of our appreciation for your dedicated service to those in need. Your hard work and compassion serve as an example to the Lions, your community and the world around you. Together we can serve United in Kindness and Diversity.

Along with this award, I would like to express my personal gratitude for your efforts and accomplishments. I know you will continue to enrich the lives of your fellow club members and others and to provide even greater humanitarian service, as we begin our next century of service.

Regards,

Jung-Yul Choi

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