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Message from Pam Fiveash

District Governor 202F District

To my fellow Lions in District 202F

Well, we managed it.....and without too many technical glitches. I'm referring of course to the virtual AGM that was held on Saturday 26 March. Huge thanks to our guru, Tommy Nguyen, who's ability to stay calm under pressure was very much appreciated. The facilities at Blue Mountain College, where Tommy is one of the teachers, are first class, which made the task of bringing the meeting into your living rooms relatively easy. Or was it Tommy who did that? Anyway, whichever way it was, our first, and hopefully only, virtual AGM is done and dusted. Thanks to those clubs who registered delegates, and to the delegates for taking ownership of that responsibility. It would have been very difficult to run the meeting without your participation. I'd also like to pay tribute to the team who supported me; Past District Governor/Cabinet Secretary Liz Murray and Past District Governors Lynette Batt and Wendy Goodwin for their expertise leading up to and on the day. And Past District Governor/Cabinet Treasure James Whyte, Global Membership Team Coordinator Juon Schoen, LCIF Coordinator Maree Hayes, Convention Chair Leadman (Ibby) Ibbotson, and Kaye Dobson of the Balclutha Club for travelling to Tapanui to help out.

There may have been one technical glitch I'm quite gutted about. I'm not sure we were able to fully share with you a video of an International Peace Essay competition winner, 13 year old Joseph Critchlow from Liverpool. This Lions-sponsored contest was developed to give visually impaired youngsters the opportunity to express their feelings of peace, as unlike their sighted peers it would be nigh impossible to enter the Peace Poster competition. I'll attach the Youtube link here if you'd like to watch it. Just click on it and you'll be taken to the site: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KPpbO4Qd_lw

What an amazing young man. And how awesome that visually impaired youngsters are able to promote peace in a way that befits their circumstances.

As I've said earlier, I don't believe anything can take the place of actually being together in person for a Convention. I know there's a cost involved, and for some people that may be prohibitive. But the good thing is, we know the convention happens every year around March so we have time to set our budgets accordingly. And if you enjoy the camaraderie that



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goes with being in a room with like-minded people, perhaps learning something you didn't previously know, having some input into decisions that can affect our whole district, then perhaps you'll start thinking now about Convention 2023 in Winton. And let's not forget the fun that is also a natural part of any convention. Well, for the ones I've attended in the last nine years that's certainly been the case.

Congratulations to the winners of our District awards. It was certainly very different not being able to present you with the trophies at the time, but there is some good news on this front.

And that good news is, drum roll please – I invite you to mark the 11 and 12 June in your diaries. Ibby and his convention team from the Owaka Club are already working on the logistics of running a mini-convention that weekend. Further information will follow about what will happen when, but at this stage it's envisioned that we'll start Saturday afternoon. At some point the district awards will be presented, along with some other special presentations that I'd like to make. Our international guest, Past International Director Sheryl Jensen, has a speech she is working on, and she has indicated she'd like a member of every club in our district to be present for it. It involves takeaways, but I can't let too much slip......

Every convention has a programme that the partner's take part in while the meeting is in progress. They always come back raving about the places they've been and the things they've seen. And those of us left at the meeting can often feel quite envious. Well the good thing is that this time we'll all get to go on the programme. Ibby's team are putting something together that I believe will be really special. And as it will also involve food, I'm sure no-one wants to miss out.

Sunday will follow the usual format of a convention, with a Remembrance Service to recognise the service of the 20 Lions who have passed in the last 12 months and whose names were read out at the AGM, followed by a Rededication Service led by PID Sheryl. All in all this should be a weekend worth travelling to the Catlins for, so keep an eye out for further information in the weeks ahead.

If one of the 20 members mentioned is from your club, could you please ensure their eulogy is sent to Cabinet Treasurer Liz as soon as possible.







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And please also make contact with their family to let them know about the Remembrance Service and invite them to attend. We'll be asking for numbers for catering purposes closer to the time.

April is traditionally the month when nominations are taken for office bearers for the incoming Lions' year. If you're one of those people who are thinking about putting their hand up, or you've already done so, congratulations. You won't regret this decision. As someone special once said to me, the more you put into something the more you get back. And I can attest to that. And don't be afraid about what you may be getting yourself in to. There is so much help out there for you, whether it's in our Lions' website (which has so much information about our organisation and the roles within it), from your fellow club members and mentors, or from members of the District Cabinet. Never be afraid to ask for help; it's definitely not a sign of weakness. But remember, if you don't ask, you can't expect others to know you need a helping hand.

I'd like to thank those clubs who have sponsored students to attend the Youth Leadership Course at Borland Lodge that will be running from 26 April through to 1 May. The last news I had was that they've had thirty applications, which is simply awesome. That's thirty young people with the opportunity to have their lives changed for the better. Well done 202F; this is just one more example of us giving service from the heart. Just before I go, I'd like to say that I hope you're doing okay out there. Our friend Mr Covid has certainly made his presence felt in Southland and Otago these past few weeks. I hope you've managed to avoid him altogether, but if this wasn't possible, that you're now on the road to recovery without any lasting side effects.

As always, I'd like to leave you with a smile quote: "A journey of a thousand miles begins with a smile".

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

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





Message from Jeroen Shuurmans

Vice District Governor 202F District



Hello Lions members, family and friends

Wasn't it a wonderful virtual AGM convention, DG Pam Fiveash and her team, have pulled out of the "bag? For technical reasons is been held in Tapanui. Also, a big thank thank you, for your support for DG Pam and Club, Gore River Valley to mark that special day for her. A really nice gesture from her club to celebrate together with her on this occasion. Also like to thank everyone who supported me as well in my own Club Ohai-Nightcaps club. Also, I want congratulated all the Clubs and lions' members that are going to receive a district award being announced during the Virtual convention.

A Lot of our Lion's member are staying indoors or in their own (bubble) environment. Omicron is on the way out. But we still have to be patient a little bit longer. Some clubs have suspended the T meetings and others have been enjoying each other's company in a happy medium. I hope club members will meet up again soon it is essential we communicate. And do what clubs do best "Service with a smile "again with new office bearers lined up and refreshed with new ideas.

All virtual training is finished for me, still two long days in Wellington 20,21 April and Montreal to go on the 24-25 June. Hopefully everything is going ahead and as planned.

On the end of this month, school holiday the future young leaders are going to Borland, for there lions' leadership course. All students form the year 16 till 21 participate in wide range of outdoor adventure activities, including caving, canyoning, zip lining a rock climbing. These adrenalin high activities are combined with team building a problemsolving skill development. I wish all the future leaders a great week.

Yours VDG Jeroen Schuurmans









Global Service Team Coordinator's Corner

Sue Evans

Hello everyone

The exciting news for all of us is we are now in Orange which means this certainly makes it a lot easier for organising fund raising events. I know some of you will still be feeling quite apprehensive about being out in your communities and that is understandable as Covid and Omicron has been amongst us now for several months and here in Southland and Otago we are probably still being impacted by the tail of Omicron. On top of this we are heading into flu season and with the borders opening this means that flu will be spreading amongst as all as well. We have not have flu to contend with over the past couple of years due to lockdowns etc. So I do hope many of you will consider getting your flu vaccine.To catch the flu as well as Omicron would be detrimental for some folk.

Election of Officers 2022/23

It's that time of year again where Clubs are looking at who will be holding these positions. Just a reminder that your Secretary needs to be entering your office bearers into MyLCI by mid-May. If anyone needs a hand to do this, please let me know as I am only too happy to help out.

AND I am back on my hobby horse again about Service Reporting. It is so important that Clubs have someone to enter Service Reporting on a monthly basis. You all do some fantastic projects/events along with Kindness Matters and sharing this with not only Lions but others who access our website not only promotes the work Lions does, but can attract new members.

Tonga

Now that we are able to look at fundraising events, please consider doing an Event to raise funds for the people of Tonga. One of the Projects that is being worked on at the moment is building a shelter plus having tanks to supply fresh water to the people of Tonga if they are faced with another disaster. Any money raised can be passed onto our District Treasurer James Whyte who will ensure this goes into the Tonga Disaster Account

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" cNo act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted . " ~ Aesop

	Month	Leo Club Awareness month
LEO	Month	Environmental Awareness month
	Month	Family & Friends month
	22 nd	Earth Day
	25 th	Lions Worldwide Induction Day
May	Month	Strengthen Membership Month
June	1 st	Helen Keller Day
	5 th	World Environment / Arbor Day
	7 th	Lions Clubs International birthday
	20 th	World Refugee Day

Project Ideas

A few months ago now, I sent out to Clubs (via Liz Murray) the Project Ideas that had been collated by Wendy Goodwin from the information gathered New Zealand wide. Now that we are in Orange please look at this as there were some fantastic ideas that we could try in our own District. If anyone wants this information again please let me know.

What's Coming Up?

Kindness Matters

Hopefully by now, Clubs will have heard from their Zone Chair and you will be sharing some of your stories around how you kept in touch particularly over recent months with Omicron in our communities. This has been a stressful time for many and not being able to continue with face to face meetings has been very difficult. While projects has always been an important part of the work we do in Lions, Kindness Matters have been just as important and I look forward to hearing your stories and sharing these with others in our District.

Our Stories

Rhona Kaire Secretary for Lions New Zealand is wanting Our Stories. So when you are hold an event, doing a project or doing an Act of Kindness please think about sending the informationplus action photos to Rhonda. She can then use this as a way of promoting Lions through the Lions Magazine.

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Global Service Team Coordinator's Corner

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Global Action Team News

Lions are ordinary people from all walks of life who enjoy getting together and doing good things. We are kind and generous people who want to help. That's why we work on projects to improve our communities and protect the environment. We get enormous satisfaction from the knowledge that what we do DOES make a difference. And we enjoy friendship and fun while doing so.

Whenever Lions club members get together, problems get smaller. And communities get better. Because we help where help is needed – in our own communities and around the world – with unmatched integrity and energy. Lions Clubs New Zealand is part of a global organisation with 1.4 million members in 208 countries and geographic regions. With this much manpower, it's no wonder that Lions Club members can achieve extraordinary things, every day.

Well that is it from me for another month. Take care of each other and be safe.

Kind regards Sue Evans Global Services Team Coordinator Email: <u>202f.gst@lionsclubs.org.nz</u> Cell phone: 027 738 2962 / Home: 03 213 0329

SERVICE

Service Stories - District GAT teams are looking for good service stories to submit to LCI. If your club has had a good story to share get in touch with one of your GAT team.

TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP

Details of upcoming workshop are below. We would however love to hear what other things you would like training on as we put together the training calendar for the new Lions year.

UPCOMING TRAINING

• Club Officers. May/June are the months districts run the workshop and forums for the club officers and zone chair training. If you have not heard when yours is ask your cabinet members to let you now.

New Club Consultants zoom workshop 10 July.



District 202F



202f Lions Out and About

Zone 6 Juon Schoen Fellow Lions,

Just when I thought I was all organised, suitcase packed and brain in neutral, ready to turnoff my laptop and a holiday beckoning, a text from DG Pam reminded me there was still an article for the Southern Chronicles to be written.

So, once again one stares at the screen wondering what amazingly positive and uplifting messages I can come up with this time around which leads to the big question also, who is reading this? While we all sit down once a month to write lofty articles and Sajitha spend hours putting it all together, but does anyone read it at all?

This is one of the issues one of our four Revive Teams, "**Member Satisfaction**" will be looking at. How well are our members engaged as Lions? Not just as Club Members, but as Lions belonging to a Zone and a District and ultimately as members of Lions International. There is evidence that members who don't feel engaged, who don't feel part of the Team, will leave. It is vital we stop this from happening.

Talking about the Zone. I got asked the other night what was involved with being a Zone Chair? Yes, I have done my two years as the Zone Chair and would love to hear of anyone wanting to take over the job. (Zone 6)

Being a Zone Chair is basically being the conduit between Cabinet and the Clubs in the Zone. Each Cabinet meeting (four in a year) is followed by a Zone meeting, held around the various Clubs. Zone meetings are a casual forum to encourage flow of information between the Clubs themselves, as well as information to and from Cabinet.

For me the best part as Zone Chair are the Club visits. There is no better way to meet fellow Lions, enjoy a meal and listen. Listen how the Club moves and shakes, i.e., do their business and provide service to their community.

Highlight last month in Riverton were two excellent guest speakers, a couple, telling us about their five year-round the world trip in a small sailing boat. Very entertaining and stunning photos with it.

Call DG elect Jerry or me, if you like to have a go being a Zone Chair. I find hugely rewarding and have learned so much more about Lions along the way. Stay safe, be safe, Juon



202f Lions Out and About

Zone 5 Elaine Scott



AN ARROW CAN ONLY BE SHOT BY PULLING IT BACKWARD. WHEN LIFE IS DRAGGING YOU BACK WITH DIFFICULTIES, IT MEANS IT'S GOING TO LAUNCH YOU INTO SOMETHING GREAT. SO JUST FOCUS. AND KEEP AIMING.

Lion Liz

Wyndham Pioneer

Meet at Menzies College (Administration Entrance for a tour of the Technical Block followed by a demonstration by Simon Pierce on the latest developments in 3D printing. If anybody is still knitting Teddy bears. could you bring them to the next meeting? We will give these to the

John's Ambulance service

I would like to thank Lion Dorothy for knitting some lovely teddy Bears. She even gave them all a name.

This is Cindy



Toi Toi's Lions

The Lumsden Lions 4wheel drive trip was cancelled. I have booked in for another 4wheel drive trip through Wyndham & District Museum Society for a trip around 3 farms in the Kuriwao area including The Wisp which is going into trees. This is on March 26th and is advertised in the Ensign March 9th. To register email: <u>wdhsevents@gmail.com</u>. I went on their last one around Venlaw. It was a very interesting day and well organized.

I am looking forward to my next big trip to Hauroko early next month for 10 days for the roar. With the lake low we will be able to shoot them from the boat. Yeah right!

Wyndham Lions

We are joining with Pioneer Lions at the Menzies College Hall at 7.30pm to hear "Nurse Jenny from Invercargill" – Jenny McGee lived, with her family, along the Seaward Downs road some years ago and since then her nursing career has taken her 'round the world.

David Humphries has been awarded the Lions Club Tertiary Scholarship and there was pleasure awarding him the \$2500 value of the Scholarship.

- President George reported that Balfour Lions are holding a 4 wheel drive on Sunday 27 April – leaving Tokonui Tavern at 10am
- The last of the firewood has been split and carted to the shed at Clark McLeods

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Zone 5 Elaine Scott

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Pakeke Lions

GOLDEN WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS LION HERBIE AND HELEN CLEMENTS

We are getting good prices for our product at the moment, all though paper has dropped to minus dollars, but we are hopeful it will rise again.

The cardboard factory has put adds in the paper for volunteers to help at the factory this year. We have had a good response getting four new recruits and they are a big help. At the factory we work in two bubbles and that works well.

It was good to see Gore Main School was given \$2500 to assist with the purchase of I Pads at the last board meeting

DIAMOND WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS LION TOM AND MARGARET OSBORNE

Gore Hokonui Lions

Our guest speaker in March was Paul McPhail from St James theatre. We all agreed he was great! And imagine making and selling 10.000 Ice Creams per year! (I like mine dipped in chocolate)

Here we are attending the Virtual Convention at Elaine's place, 26th March.

From left to right:



Arlene Duffy & Virginia Carter from Gore River Valley Lions, Margaret Hughes, Elaine Scott & Linda Best from Gore Hokonui Lions.

We all enjoyed the zoom/webinar and even had time for a lovely morning tea.





202f Lions

Out and About

Clyde and Districts

"This is what our Lions Club's generosity looks like - a pallet of rice which is going straight to the people in Tonga who need it the most. When we sell bins - or do any other type of fund raiser - THIS is what it means to people - help until their gardens are reestablished and some type or normalcy is regained. Thanks to all Club members who also donated goods - they also have gone up to be put in the container. And a big thanks to Kate Whyte who has done all the liaison with the Tongan group in Cromwell"

Sue Noble-Adams Chairperson Clyde & Districts

THANK YOU NOTE FROM TONGAN COMMUNITY

Pellet of rice arrived, please find photo attached.



Helen

Keller

Day

Thank you all so much for your donations.Please pass on our appreciation to all member of Clyde Lions Club.

27 June

Kind Regards Lucy and all Tongan Community



"Life is either a daring adventure or nothing at all."



Happy Easter!

Mindle March





New Member

Advis

Club

Daryl and Ruth McRae Margaret Hughes Lawrence Te Anau Sponsor

Allan Bain (sponsor) Trevor Lyall

LIONS DISTRICT 202F PRESENTS COMPUTER CAPERS

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"What can I do to help my environment?"

This competition has 2 sections Junior: Years 4, 5 & 6 Senior: Years 7 & 8 \$200 prize money in each section 1st: \$50 2nd \$30 3rd \$20 Plus \$100 to the winning students school Sponsered by PDG Wendy Goodwin

Rules and condiitions apply SERVICE WITH A SMILE

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July 4th



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Lions 202F Computer Capers Contest Rules and Conditions

Entries not meeting the rules and conditions below will be disqualified. There are two sections - Junior and Senior for entrants aged schools years 4/5/6/7/ and 8.

The topic is "What can I do to help my environment"

- Base your computer presentation on this theme
- Only one entry per student No combined presentations from two or more students
- All work must be accompanied by a signature or disclaimer from the students' teacher or parent stating all work is original and has been completed by the student
- Computer presentation may contain original photos, sound, 10 seconds of movie or any creation imported into the presentation
- Computer presentation must not exceed 6 slides
- No clipart to be used in any entry
- Computer presentation must run automatically from start to finish
- All entries to be emailed to <u>sir.tazzie@yahoo.com</u>
- Closing date July 4th 2022
- By entering this competition you are agreeable for the Lions 292F District to use your presentation for promotional purposes
- Prize money of \$200.00 for each section \$50 to 1st place, \$30 for second place and \$20 for third place and \$100.00 to the winning students school
- For technical help email <u>sir.tazzie@yahoo.com</u>

Judges are looking for

All spelling and grammar is correct

Titles, text is clear and concise. All read at the correct play speed (if this is used in the students presentation)

Logic thought process is shown in the students work

If sound or special effects are used in the presentation, they enhance the presentation and do not distract from it.

Julie Brown Computer Capers 2022





YOUNG SPEECHMAKER CONTEST

DISTRICT 202F CONTEST

<u>DATE</u>: <u>VENUE</u>: GORE <u>TIME</u>: SUNDAY 11 JUNE 2017 SENIOR CITIZEN ROOMS 10B ARDWICK STREET,

10.30am (contestants must report by 10.10am sharp)

Family and friends of contestants are welcome to attend to offer support.

The Lions Clubs of New Zealand offer youth 16-21 years of age the opportunity to participate in a public speaking competition. Youth must have attained seventeen years of age and not have had their 21st birthday by 1 December 2021.

Youth will be required to deliver a prepared speech of not less than five minutes or more than six minutes. The topic is at the discretion of the contestant. Penalty points apply for under and over time.

An additional impromptu speech of not more than two minutes on a topic determined by the judges will also be delivered by each contestant. Penalty points apply for over time.

District Finals will be held throughout NZ during May and June 2022 to determine the winners per district. These winners will travel to the National Finals to be held in Wellington. All travel to the finals is at the expense of New Zealand Lions Clubs. The National Finalists will be required to deliver the two speeches as aforementioned.

If you are interested in this contest, please contact Lions District 202F Young Speechmaker Co-ordinator

Julie King Phone: 027 232 1095 email: g.j.king26@gmail.com

Please Note: Lions District 202F closing date for entries is Friday 27 May 2022







Congratulations to those who were awarded the following.

Ian Mathieson Bulletin Award

Daphne Russell Memorial Shield Howard Justice Membership Trophy Millar Leadership award Project of the year award Keelty Youth Award Stewart Top Tail Twister Award PDG Barbara Sharpe Lions Environmental Photo Contest Award Plant Life

Landscape Valley Lions Animal Life Category Lions Weather Phenomenon Category

Overall winner

Ward

Cockburn Quiet Achiever award Grass Roots IT award

Highly commended certificates

John Lister Gary Moreton Tony Smid : Cromwell Lions : Cromwell Lions : Cromwell Lions

Regards Wendy Goodwin PDG 4 Arawa st Gore 9710 email: 202f.media@lionsclubs.org.nz Mobile: 0272811803 Lions --Making a Difference in our Communities

- : Riversdale Lions Heather Fowler editor
- : James Hargest Leos
- : Invercargill Host Lions
- : Waikiwi Lions
- : Cromwell Lions
- : Invercargill Host Lions
- : Maniototo Pakeke Lions

: Virginia Carter Gore River Valley Lions

- : Virginia Carter Gore River
- : Heather Kerr West Otago
- : Pam McCall West Otago Lions
- : Virginia Carter Gore River Valley Lions
- : Doug Ramsey Te Anau Lions
- : Wanaka and Districts Lions.





Thank you letter from VDGE

Jerry Schuurmans

Hello members of the Lions family.

It was all new for district 202F to have a Virtual convention. I like to thank District Governor Pam Fiveash and her team for a smooth running of the convention.

Thank you, all the clubs that have voted and have put their trust in me, to lead our district 202F in 2022-2023. I am now your official District Governor Elect.

I like to thank my club Ohai-Nightcaps for nominating me and the Winton Club for seconding the nomination. District 202F has a new District Governor for next Lions' year. It will be a challenging year where we have to remotivate and engage with all the members.

My key focus for my year will be: Bringing Lions together To do what Lions do best "we serve" in own community And most of all "have fun".

We hope that this omicron will pass over soon so we can still celebrate with our District Governor Pam Fiveash year, as what has been announced at the Virtual convention. To celebrate and remember old friends and meet new friends on the 11th and 12th of June 2022 in Owaka.

I also like to congratulate 1st VGD Allan Fleury and Graeme Wilson LMLCCT with their elected positions. I look forward to working with you two gentlemen.

Congratulations to all the clubs who have entered the district club awards, there can only be one winner. But this will, with no doubt give a buzz regardless of whether you have won or not.

Thank you all and see you soon.

Yours in Lions <u>VDGE Jerry</u> Schuurmans





Thank you letter from LMLCCT 202F District Trustee

Graeme Wilson

Dear Lions members of District 202F

I would like to take this opportunity to thank club delegates for voting me in as your Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust Trustee for the next two years.

I feel honoured to be entrusted to continue on in the role. Thanks also to my club, Waihopai City for nominating me and for Invercargill Host for seconding my nomination.

The LMLCCT is your trust. It's mission statement is "To assist Lions Clubs to fulfil humanitarian needs". Remember the trust if you would like to recognise a member with an award. There are a number of different awards that you can choose from. The trust may also be able to assist your club if you require more funds to complete a project. You may be eligible for a grant or a loan.

If you would like to find out more about the trust, I am only a phone call or email away.

Thanks once again and I look froward to being of assistance to you in the future.

Yours in lionism Graeme Wilson



Pictures taken by st johns ambulance staff at the handover of **IHLC new** stock of Leo lions



