

We Serve Kia Manaaki



### October 2022

From the Upper South Island, West Coast, Marlborough and Canterbury. WE are District 202E

# We Serve



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Aokitika Lions celebrating Wig Wednesday for the Child Cancer Foundation fundraiser, with two new members at their recent meeting.



# DGHugh's Message

Aim High

On receiving the Spring 2022 edition of the "Lion" magazine, there on the front was the Energiser Bunny, also known as International President Brian Sheehan. Having met him personally, both at the International Convention in Montreal in late June and at the District 202J Presidents' Luncheon at Fairlie in early July, what an inspiration he is with his theme of "Together We Can". He packed so much into the three days he was here in this country, providing a great example of what Lionism is all about.

I was delighted to see six articles in the magazine featuring District 202E Lions and Leos (actually seven, if you count me showing up in the article introducing the District Governors). Firstly, there was a full page article about PCC Helen Williams and the Havelock Lions Club who assisted in the wonderful day at Nopera, providing entertainment and relaxation for the Marlborough Sounds people affected by the floods and devastation in the Sounds. Then, over the page was a two page spread about the restoration of the Green Point Shed by the Akaroa and Bays Lions Club. A great show of community spirit.

Then, turning the page, not only the Rangiora Lions Club, but the Rangiora High School Leos Club too have a full page about them painting the fence around Sovereign Palms for Para-Fed Canterbury. Well done! A couple of pages further on more 202E Lions turn up with another full page article in the form of Kaikoura Lions Club. These blokes seem to turn collecting scrap metal into a fun event.

Then we get back to the Leos again. Included in a two page article are the Marlborough Boys College Leos and their tree planting project at the Marshall Place Reserve, the Rai Valley Leos and their tunnel house project at the Rai Valley Area School, and the Rangiora High School Leos and their spinifex planting programme at Tuhaitara Coastal Park. It is so wonderful to see the enthusiasm of the Leos.

Having seen these articles about our 202E District I was really pleased, and then I turned to the second to last page and there was a photo of our First VDG John Bilderbeck carrying furniture to a house to support flood affected residents of Westport. What a marvellous effort! It is these articles that keep our Lions profile out in the public. Give your copy to a non Lion (when you have read it.) That way they may want to join us.

**DG Hugh Curry** *Together We Can* **"Aim High"** 



DG Hugh speaking to Kaikoura Seaward Lions with President Lorraine.



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### VDC John Bilderbeck

Hi Lions. Well, another month, visited Greymouth Club, what a great club I did post the BBQ shelter on Facebook that they completed in Cobden, it was just great to see of

the Lions sign on it, and a newspaper article about the planting of the boxes on the main street, they certainly are a busy club.

As you see my health is great, I am back to my old self, I did not expect Covid to affect me so much, for those who have had it will understand. No more flights to Christchurch Hospital, to have a stent (gallbladder) put in, though I did appreciate my own private plane. The flight home, how total blessed we are to be living in the South Island, snow on the Southern Alps, Lake Rotoiti glistening in the sun, not a cloud in the sky (was my camera on hand - NO).

Positive thoughts I believe are one of the keys to getting better, if my brain is positive then I will be also. Take with you, on the journey in Lions those other Lions have the same drive and commitment to our community and we all will be winners. I have learnt that through illness we need to have positive people in your life that inspire and motivate you.

I love reading, especially autobiographies, one recently by Graeme Ashby. Born and raised in Otara moving to Oamaru in his teens, and the people that influence his life and change his direction. I am wondering what people we have had in our life that have changed us; were they Lions that gave you that inspiration to step up. We must make sure that we show them gratitude, although to see our growth will be thanks enough for them.

"Success is not final; failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts." Winston Churchill.

More learning, and education, I know I have talked about these before, but the zoom meetings that Lynda Halverson puts on, please take advantage of these. Say yes, maybe you will pick up one idea that will be effective to you as a Lion and as a person, would not that be a truly wonder experience. Please look out for them, join in, as a team we all can go forward and improve our skills. If you want to try the Lions Learning Centre then have a look in their 15-to-20-minute courses for example, if you need to upskill on Public Speaking, yes there is one in there for that.

For those how attended the Market and Promoting Lions zoom meeting on Sunday, thank you those seven from 202E attended so well done a total group of 44 Lions. What a great zoom meeting, the use of Facebook and other media outlets, I personally have got a long learning curve, maybe we can get it to decrease our age (wishful thinking). The other item is that I must take a look my own Facebook page and try and improve it.

My own education does continue with the VDG Training, the online learning I have already done some of them but to refresh will be great, innovative ideas.

Looking forward to my training in St Charles Illinois, meeting those VDG that we see on zoom face to face. Please get hold of me should you have any question that I may be able to help with.

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### **2V/DC** Pam Harvey

"On the road again, I just can't wait to get on the road again", blares Willie Nelson from the stereo, and I'm off to another club visit or two, every



where from the West Coast to Selwyn district, to Marlborough and points in between.

As I wrote last month, it is a privilege to represent District Governor Hugh in visiting such a variety of clubs and meeting such a variety of amazing Lions in their "home patch", and I continue to be grateful for their hospitality in enabling this to happen. Keep serving in your communities!

I wrote, too, about the privilege of being able to induct new members into clubs, and to this I want to add the presentation of special awards to members, in recognition of their special service, such as the Melvin Jones Award I presented recently at the Christchurch Pegasus Club meeting. It is important that special service is recognised and given the accolades it deserves. I'm looking forward to seeing an increased number of clubs entering their projects and service in the annual Club Service Awards, when they are presented at our District Convention in March. Your club Secretary and President will have circulated information about these and applications can be made through the Immediate Past District Governor, in this case, Tracy Henderson at 202e.ipdg@lionsclubs.org.nz as awards presented at this next Convention will be from service/projects completed in her year as DG (2021/22).

It has also been rewarding to be involved in Club Officer Training Workshops in Christchurch, North Canterbury, Marlborough and Westland. One of DG Hugh's goals for the District this year is "to develop leadership skills of Club Officers and Cabinet Officers through training and through attendance at the likes of Presidents' dinners and Cabinet meetings. It is important that Club Presidents and Secretaries, etc, know how to carry out their roles effectively." The District Leadership Team has been working to help carry out this goal, in the expectation that clubs will send appropriate members to the training opportunities closest to their area, and it is encouraging to see many clubs represented at these events.

One such opportunity coming up will be the Workshop Days for the launching of the Global Membership Approach initiative, which has been written about more fully in other parts of this Bulletin. I add my encouragement to all clubs to send teams from their area, so that this very valuable programme can be taken up throughout our district. So watch for further details in this Bulletin, and in your emails, Facebook pages, etc, and we look forward to seeing you there!!



Together We Can

- Build better communitiesBuild stronger clubs
- Make the impossible, possible



e Ara Puoro

**Nelson Lioness Lions** - have an amazing camaraderie amongst their members, be it in projects or the many social get-togethers shared amongst them. After this lunch (left), the Club donated \$200 to Alzheimer's Awareness Week Cuppa for a Cause. In August they made 4,500 cheese rolls, an annual project making over \$3,000 (right)



### LIONS CHRISTCHURCH SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL - 2022

Christchurch Town Hall, 1st - 4th November. "Te Ara Puoro" - Sounds of New Zealand

Christchurch Town Hall - 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th November 2022 - tickets available from www.ticketek.com.nz or from the Ticketek Box Office at the Isaac Theatre Royal, Gloucester St, Christchurch, or at the Town Hall on the night of performance, if any are still available - adult price from \$22.

Has your Club made a donation towards the Lions sponsorship for 2022 of \$10,000 agreed to by Cabinet? Any amount up to \$200 would be appreciated, and help meet the cost. Please send this to Cabinet Treasurer, clearly marked "Music Festival"

Does your Club have a promotional leaflet or poster? We would be happy to include them in our Lions display at the venue. This will be available for anyone to see who will be visiting the Town Hall over those 4 days, including parents of children in your school area - possible new members for your Club?

Festival Lions Liaison Team - PDG Marion McWha and 2VDG Pam Harvey

**Zealand** 

# Wow! Wig Wednesday was celebrated in a very special way - by Hokitika Lions

Many thanks to everyone who helped and supported our Wig Wednesday meeting last night. A fun evening and a great fundraiser for The Child Cancer Foundation. Congratulations to our two new members Loren Rigby and Phoebe Wilson thanks for joining our team.





### Leos Benefit from Bunnings Benevolence \$1,000 grants spark a wave of environmental projects across the nation Helen Williams - Lions Magazine New Zealand.

Up and down the country Leo clubs have been busy digging holes, nurturing plants and improving their environments. Marlborough Boys College Leos with the support of Blenheim Lions and the Forest and Bird group, set about planting the 2ha Marshall Place Reserve, which has significant educational, recreational and ecological value. The planting was completed within a morning, with a barbecue celebrating the finish of work. With signage telling the story and the naming of trees planned for the future, local schools will be encouraged to use this native forest as a living classroom.





Bunnings responded to the restrictions imposed by Covid by making a donation to our Lions Clubs New Zealand Charitable Trust, to compensate Lions clubs no longer able to hold their sausage sizzle fundraising events. Rai Valley Leos have erected a tunnel house on the Rai Valley Area School site. to raise locally-sourced native tree seedlings to be planted in the Te Hoiere Catchment area as part of the riparian planting strategy designed to improve water quality. Experience in the tunnel house and educational workshops will be incorporated into the Years 9 and 10 Environmental Science course. Well supported by Havelock Lions.

With a focus on our youth programs, the Trust decided to encourage Leo clubs to apply for a \$1,000 grant to be used for an environmental project. Rangiora High School Leos planting event last September was the highlight of the month. Under the supervision of Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara Trust staff and with the help of Rangiora High school friends, Rangiora Lions and Dune Protection members, the Leos planted 500 spinifex plants in no time. These sand dune-forming indigenous plants will help protect Tuhaitara Coastal Park from the impact of climate change. The Park runs from the mouth of the Waimakariri River to the settlement of Waikuku Beach and includes the culturally significant Tutaepatu Lagoon. The planted area is on the beach fore-dune, with more plantings planned in the coming year.







Lions Clubs Helped More than 495 Million People Worldwide Last Year

From July 1, 2021, through to June 30, 2022, more than 495 million people were helped by Lions worldwide. This is an increase of more than 100 million people served over the previous year, thanks to the unwavering commitment of the 1.4 million Lions around the world.

Here are some of the ways Lions made a difference in their communities during this historic year of service: • Awarded 1,254 LCIF grants totalling over US\$35 million that supported communities and Lions service

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- Mobilized the Refugees and Displaced Persons fund to award nearly US\$1.8 million in grants for Lions to support Ukraine refugees.
- Impacted over 27 million people by reducing the prevalence of diabetes and improving the quality of life for those diagnosed.
- Prevented avoidable blindness and improved the quality of life for over 23 million blind and visually impaired people.
- Ensured over 79 million community members had access to nutritious foods.
- Protected and restored our environment to improve the well-being of 156 million people.
- Provided support for over 11 million children, and their families, affected by childhood cancer.

The Foundation needs your financial support- please discuss this at your next Club meeting with a view to donating towards assisting those many causes be it Refugees and Displaced Persons, Diabetes, Vision, to name just a few.

Don't forget, donations made do create club credits towards recommending a MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP. Malcolm Williams

**LCIF District Co-ordinator** 



### MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION - MARCOM PCC Helen Williams



DIABETES MONTH OF NOVEMBER - Lions Clubs, Lions members and the public are invited to participate in Lap the Map for Diabetes during November.

Find out more on our MD website and provide details of your event for our events calendar through this form.

Clubs if you are running a free event register it on Eventbrite as part of your promotion. Go to 'Between The Lions' September edition to access the direct links above.

A Plea: Send good quality photos of 'Lions in action' and your advertising posters of upcoming events to: mdsocialmedia@lionsclubs.org.nz.

Club face book pages – post regularly – at least once a fortnight is suggested.

**Helen Williams** 

Lead with Compassion - this is the theme for this year's Lions Peace Poster competition. Entrants must be age 11-13. There are over 1,100 Lions members in our District and between us we must know a lot of young people that age - so let's get the young people excited about an International competition involving over 200 countries. (October 1st last day for Kits purchase)

## Scrap Metal - has your Club thought about this for a project? recently featured in our Lions Magazine.

Kaikoura Lions prove that another person's cast-offs can be a Lions bonanza. Kaikoura Lions have become experts on metal – and the heavier it is the better. The club's scrap metal project has become one of its main fundraisers. It regularly puts up notices on Facebook asking for both scrap metal and vehicle batteries.

"The best time to collect vehicle batteries is just before winter as the cold weather seems to finish off older batteries, making them destined for the scrap pile," says project Operations Manager Ian Bradshaw.

"We always check out scrap before collecting it as there are items the scrap buyer from Christchurch doesn't want. "Basically weight equals dollars, so the scrap buyer wants to make sure his truck is carrying as much weight as allowed to maximise his profit." Accordingly, the club is careful not to collect bulky yet light items, such as whiteware, barbecues, fencing netting and corrugated iron.



Collected items are stored in a central point, a club member's farm, until there are enough to fill a truck. Before pick-up they are sorted into metal types, as different metals bring different prices. "We believe this is an especially good project as it comes with several different jobs and tends to bring members together, which is after all one of the reasons we are Lions," says Ian.

# Pulling in the dollars with these very lucrative projects - Motueka Lions.

The kindling project is still going strong. The month of August had 162 bags of kindling wood sold. A second load of dry timber arrived for storing under cover. A good turnout of members stacked the timber in the shed and the timber is now ready for cutting and bagging. When an email for help goes out for this project, please try to turn up and volunteer as the more members on hand makes for light work and the task a lot easier.



After delivering flyers advertising our fertilizer project, the orders started rolling in. Rain was forecast, and the bagging venue was shifted to Heywood Orchards in Riwaka. A good turnout of members managed to bag up a variety of fertiliser including liquid Blood and Bone. A tasty morning tea provided by Ann Heywood was very welcome. Gross sales of \$9000 plus advertising of \$1000 make this a very worthy project. Expenses approx. \$2700. A big thank you to Mike Heywood. 8



October		World Sight Day
	15	Project Vital rollout - Rangiora RSA.
	16	Easy Guide to Computer Work - 1-3pm - Zoom - 202.glt@lionsclubs.org.nz
	16	Garden party for 100 women volunteers - Kaikoura Seaward Lions
	29	Festival of Flowers - Wigram Lions
	30	Christchurch Chinese 25th Anniversary dinner
	30	Deadline for District Awards
	Month	Vision Awareness month
ONIC	Month	LCI Membership Growth month
©MF	Month	Child Mobility Foundation Walktober
November	4	Charity Golf Tournament - Akaroa & Bays Lions
	5	Project Vital rollout - Top of the South - Nelson
	5	Bride of the Year - Beavertown Blenheim Lions
	14	World Diabetes Day - Lap the Map Walk
	15	Peace Poster entries due to our DG Hugh
	21	Nelson Host 60th celebration
	Month	Diabetes Awareness Month
December	3	Mistletoe Market - Blenheim Lions.
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**Motueka Lioness Lions** - the Jam Project - it's organised down to a T. Fred has all the fruit in his freezer, Judy has the jars, sugar and labels and 10 members are making 300+ jars of jam for sale, with New World booked for the 20th October. (*great project and lucky buyers too.*)





Camp Quality Liaison

PDG Julie Syme

Camp is in full swing for 14 - 20 January



At this stage 2023 camp is going ahead, we have been advised that so long as there are no more lockdowns we will proceed with new restrictions in place based on the govt guidelines (e.g. masks worn by visitors). In 2022 we had to do camp in a box as you know, we are looking at opportunities to have something like that in 2023 for Campers who are too sick or don't yet have the confidence to come to camp as a bit of a way to bring fun, hope and happiness to their lives. This will not replace the summer camps which are booked in as usual for 14 - 20 January 2023.

Regional Manager Ange Yannakis is happy to go to any Lions groups and speak about Camp. See web site for details https://www.campquality.org.nz/ and click on Christchurch

Heartfelt thanks to all clubs who have been generous with donations. Please make contact with me if you require any information.

THANK YOU TO CLUBS WHO HAVE ALREADY SENT IN DONATIONS, KEEP THE DONATIONS COMING IN

Clubs who help at camp, please send me your preference of meal time, either breakfast, lunch or dinner as soon as you can so the roster can be prepared before December.

Julie Syme QSM 202e.campquality@lionsclubs.org.nz 0210 323438



Global Leadership Team (GLT) **IPDG Tracy Henderson** 

Remember: there is no greater purpose than to help our fellow beings grow and thrive.



That is the purpose of the GLT (Global Leadership Team). The team provides you with the opportunities to not only upskill yourselves but to learn new and interesting ways to make an impact with your Club.

Recently we had a very successful MARCOM (Marketing and Communication) Zoom workshop, which I know will be of great benefit to all those who attended.

Some of the things that are coming up over the next couple of months that may also be of interest ...

October	November				
16thEasy guide to computer work Zoom21-23rdRLLI (Regional Lions Leadership Institute) Wellington.	<ul><li>13th Appealing to younger Lions Zoom.</li><li>4th-6th ALLI (Advanced Lions Leadership Institute) Bali</li></ul>				

Also you can always log into the Lions Learning Centre at any time and do some self-paced learning: https://lionslearningcenter.litmos.com/home/dashboard

"Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere." — Chinese Proverb Cheers Tracy Global Leadership Coordinator Ph: 021 352 754

**IPDG** Greetings ..... As IPDG it is going to be my pleasure to select worthy recipients for our District Awards to be presented at District Governor Hugh's Convention at the end of March next year. It would be wonderful to have nominations for ALL the awards. You have all got projects and events that you can apply for and I would hope that by the time this Bulletin comes out, my Inbox will have been overflowing with applications. Owing to the fact that I have been attending ANZI in Cairns, and visiting my son, his wife and my granddaughters, for the first time in 4.5 years, I am happy to extend the cut off date until October 31st. So if you haven't already submitted your application then please do so. I want to have the dilemma of having to decide .... Cheers IPDG Tracy



Global Membership Team (GMT) Brian Attenborough

Planning for the Future of Lions in NZ Planning for the Future of Lions in 202E



Tied of the Same Old Same Old, Membership Dwindling, Attendance at Projects Down Sounds like you need to Adopt "Project Vital " and Rejuvenate your Club with New Members,

Remotivate your Members with new and exciting projects and Lead the Club into an exciting

and rewarding future, so watch out for your clubs personal invitation from District Governor Hugh Curry and the Project Vital team to attend one of two Workshops in Rangiora on the 15th of October or Nelson on the 5th of November so that we can outline to you how by working together we can achieve these goals and objectives.

District 202E GMT Coordinator & Project Vital Lead Support Brian Attenborough 027 958 8888.

Brian Attenborough 202e.gmt@lionsclubs.org.nz

PROJECT VITAL ROLLOUT - Rangiora & Nelson - Have you organised your 5+++ members to attend?

SOUTH ISLAND MOTORHOME SHOW 2023 - (Ashburton Lions Club.) Ashburton Showgrounds -Sat 11 Feb 9am-4pm – Sun 12 Feb 9am-3pm, 2023 Adults \$5 Under 15 FREE Buy • Sell • Trade Self-Contained Campers Welcome from Friday 11th 9:30am to Monday 14th >10am. \$30 w/end.



SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE TRUST – Proposed voyage on the Sailing Training Ship "Spirit of New Zealand" for young people with physical disabilities – "The Inspiration Voyage 2023" 16 February for up to 30 aged 16 to 20 from all NZ, who are given the opportunity to test themselves and discover hidden strengths and abilities. Our BNZ account number is 02 0524 0035044 006 – please ensure your club's name is in the reference fields and provide your club number OR a cell phone contact number. Spirit of Adventure Trust website https://www.spiritofadventure.org.nz/voyages/inspiration-voyage (from Karori Lions letter sent to all Presidents.)

202E DISTRICT AWARDS - 2021-2022 date extended to 30 October - details in your previous District Bulletins. Picton Lions meeting venue - 1st Wed. of the month - changed to The Barn, 48 High Street, Picton. Lions Club of Christchurch City Breakfast - President Peter.Gamble@lionsclubs.org.nz



To validate the importance of your guest, these are the Guest Speakers at your meeting. If any **Glub Visitations** date does not suit, please contact PDG John Whyte - E: 202e.dgliaison@lionsclubs.org.nz VDG John at 202e.vdg@lionsclubs.org.nz and 2VDG Pam at 202e.2vdg@lionsclubs.org.nz

Reminder that clubs pay for the cost of the meal for the DG, VDG, 2VDG and their partner or driver or anyone representing them

#### DG Hugh

5	Oct.
6	Oct.
12	Oct.
18	Oct.
28	Oct.
3	Nov.
15	Nov.
24	Nov.
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#### **VDG John**

Motueka Lioness 4 Oct. Rolleston 5 Oct. Hanmer Springs 13 Oct. Ellesmere 20 Oct. Nelson Lioness 17 Nov. Nelson Host 21 Nov.

#### 2VDG Pam

Motueka 11 Oct. 18 Oct. Richmond 8 Nov. Cheviot **Rai Valley Leos** 

# Lip Sinc - an easy and entertaining fundraiser. Kaikoura Seaward pulls it off yet again!

Lip Sync 2022 was another successful event for the club, raising much needed funds for the projects account (soon to be the trust account!).

It was a great team effort which ensured the evening went smoothly.

Fifteen acts again this year, it was good to see new people performing and the promise of more new acts next year - a good omen for another successful show.

A great compere makes the show and keeps the audience entertained between acts. Also a good range of finger food is served to keep the Bar patrons in good health!

We have a professional Light and Sound system from Blenheim, the icing on the cake for a very special evening. From the well run Bar, the door persons dressed for success, raffles, Stage Managers to



the Dressing room organisers. With the Community prepared to support us yet again, in Acts and buying tables, it is a relatively easy way to make money to be distributed to our community and an excellent night out for the town. (If this sounds like a project your Club would be interested in, please contact Alison Taylor Kaikoura Seaward.)

### New Brighton Wellness, Christchurch NZ, New Brighton Menzshed & Lions Club of New Brighton - a group collaboration, to make beach sandpit toys available on loan.

The Borrow a Bucket Scheme was started 5 years ago by New Brighton Wellness and with toys in the trunk, or "Bucket", donated by Christchurch NZ for kids to borrow when playing in the sand pit at the New Brighton foreshore playground. The old bucket was falling apart so New Brighton Wellness asked for help on Facebook. The Lions Club of New Brighton paid for the materials for the New Brighton Menzshed to build a new one.







### Global Service Team (GST) **Bernie Walls**

1st October is International Day of the Older Person – be nice to someone!



Reporting service helps transfer knowledge and best practices to your club's future leaders. Club officers can review past service activity reports, learn from the successes of the club's previous activities and better plan for their future activities. It becomes a matter of local pride

and puts your club on the map as leaders in your local community, and it's an important way to share success with other clubs in your district and around the world. A high percentage of clubs reporting service is a sign of a healthy district. Currently, 202e is at 36%. Keep it up.

How does reporting service benefit the people we serve?

Service data helps everyone understand the needs of communities around the world and how our Lions and Leos are serving those needs. Because service activities are scalable, one small service project can become the next global initiative of the organization. But Lions Clubs International is not aware of such projects unless they are reported. Service data enables Lions Clubs International to identify best practices that can be shared globally. Measurement leads to insight. Setting higher goals each year mobilizes the organization towards growth. Service reports show how Lions and Leos around the world are using funds from Lions Clubs International Foundation grants to serve their communities. This visibility encourages Lions and Leos to think creatively about their own projects and apply for LCIF grants themselves.

October is Vision Awareness Month. If you, or someone you know, have children who have said:-

"My eyes are itchy," "my eyes are burning," "my eyes feel scratchy," or "I can't see very well". After doing close-up work, your child says, "I feel dizzy," "I have a headache," or "I feel sick/ nauseous", "Everything looks blurry," or "I see double".

Remember, a child may still have an eye problem even if he or she does not complain or has not shown any unusual signs.

8th October is World Sight Day!

Also in October: - 8th is Breast Cancer Pink Ribbon Day, Membership Growth Month, Child Mobility Walktober. Coming soon to a club near you...... "Lap the Map" for Diabetes.

Bernie

### COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING Held 20-21 August 2022.

TRAINING – A variety of local training and zoom training is being provided by the GAT team. Club members are encouraged to participate in this and provide suggestions of other training needs.

LIONS CLUBS CANCER TRUST (Lions Clubs Skin Cancer Screening Service) – The business plan is almost finalised and once this is complete more information will be sent out to clubs. The Trust is publishing a regular newsletter which is distributed to clubs through their District Secretaries and in Between the Lions.

ANZI September 2023 in New Zealand is to be held in Christchurch. The Council of Governors has agreed to underwrite this Forum by up to \$9,000.00 to provide the committee with additional seed money. Our 2023 Forum will be promoted in ANZI Cairns in September. Local members are encouraged to attend the NZ Forum. MELBOURNE JUNE 2024 – The International LCI Convention will be held in Melbourne in 2024. This is a wonderful opportunity for the Lions members of MD202 to attend an International Convention closer to home. You may want to start planning for this event now.

LEGAL – Our MD Legal Counsel Alan Knowsley confirms that with changes to the Incorporated Societies no action is required by clubs at this stage and no re registrations can occur until October 2023. Alan Knowsley will complete the first club re registration and when this is done provide all clubs with the updated constitution wording.





### **New Zealand Lions International Youth Camp - Dec. 27 2022 - Jan. 6 2023**

Ngamuwahine Outdoor Education Lodge – Tauranga. Camp Purpose: To further the first object of Lionism. "To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world" Age Criteria: 17 to 21 years of age. Cost NZ\$750.

ALL applications opened 1 July 2022. Please contact our Youth Chairman for further details. Sponsorship: Participants must be sponsored by a Lions Club or District. NZ Lions website.





Greymouth Lions members Peter Robertson, left, Les Lindbom, Don Monk, Graham Schaef with Greymouth Business Promotion Association chair Justine Donaldson. Four garden boxes set to beautify a spare section in upper Mawhera Quay. The boxes can be moved and more boxes put along the other spare section nearby. A pohutukawa tree will be planted in each box, with other plantings to match the gardens around the central business district.

"West Coast Development came up with the idea as they are responsible for the town upgrade, the Business Promotion Assoc. paid the Polytec to make the boxes, Greymouth Lions paid for the soil and plants to go into the boxes and filled and planted them" -President Ada Frew.



### **Blast from the Pastl**

Surprising what one finds when trawling Facebook!

'What Lions do when not carting pea straw. Attending the Hokitika Lions conference. Thanks to the Lions ladies for the idea & Costumes. Theme was Wear ur Wild. Ellesmere Lions won. yee ha'

Is your Club working on your Saturday night costume for our March Convention?

# Canterbury/West Coast Shuttle Bus service running costs.

Our collective contribution helps to cover the annual fuel cost of running the shuttle bus from Daffodil House and Daffodil Lodge to Christchurch Hospital. The shuttle service is almost entirely used by people requiring help in our 202E & 202J districts. Last year 18 Lions & Lioness Clubs from 202E and 202J generously donated \$9830.00, from \$250 to \$1000 donations. Cancer Society's accommodation services recorded a total of 12391 bed nights 21/22 from the following regions: Blenheim 1399, Chrstchurch 25, Mid Canterbury 216, Nelson 2599, North Canterbury 615, Otago & Southland 1116, Other 230, South Canterbury 3696, West Coast 2486, (Blank) 9 = Total stays of 12391 generated by 777 individuals, some staying multiple times. The shuttle bus runs between 7.30am and 9.00pm Monday to Friday. It carries out 18 trips a day and costs in excess of \$65,000.00 to run the service. Once again, can clubs please direct credit their contributions through to: Motueka Lions Trust Account Nelson Building Society Account No: 03 1354 0222094 00 Record 'shuttle' and your Club name as reference. All funds will be collated and forwarded to the Canterbury West Coast Cancer Society in one payment, with a list of the contributing Lions Clubs and contact details. The Cancer Society will then issue an individual receipt to your club with our cut off date 30 November 2022 Thank you for considering this request. Colin Brown Motueka Lions Club Shuttle Bus Coordinator 13

**Greetings Lions and Leos** 

Message from Megan England Council Chair

It was with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of HRH Queen Elizabeth II.

Queen Elizabeth II devoted her whole life to the service of her people, a promise she kept throughout her reign, showing her commitment to duty and public service with dignity, warmth and a considerable sense of humour.



She will be remembered by many as a kind-hearted woman; kind and generous with her time, hardworking and respectful in her dealings with other people. Although always impartial in political matters, she was known to take up causes that were important to her and remained steadfast in her Christian faith.

As Lions we pledge 'To Serve'. We aim to make the world, our own communities better places for everyone. We aim to help those who cannot help themselves. We do so without political or religious bias. We do it with kindness, generosity, steadfastness in our commitment to making a difference.

Share your stories of service. Share the impact your commitment has on the lives of others.

"Each Lion and every club is changing lives in ways both great and small. Service is a personal journey that impacts the people serving and the people we serve.

Lions serve. It's that simple, and it has been since we first began in 1917. Our clubs are places where individuals join together to give their valuable time and effort to improving their communities, and the world." (Lions Clubs NZ website)

According to the Miriam Webster Dictionary a 'life of service' involves doing our best to make a difference through the service we give to others.

In a more modern version, service refers to kindness, helping others and making a difference.

Over the coming days, weeks or months, as we mourn the passing of an amazing woman, Queen Elizabeth II, take the time to think about and reflect on your own 'life in service'.

The term, 'a life well lived' is what I would like to be known for.

In the words spoken by His Majesty, King Charles III, "Queen Elizabeth's was a life well lived; a promise with destiny kept and she is mourned most deeply in her passing".

Rest in Peace Your Majesty, Your Service is Complete.

Kia kaha Megan England Council Chair





Wellington Hospitals Foundation has been working alongside Lions Clubs International throughout our region and is thrilled to announce that Lions Clubs members have raised an extraordinary \$500,000, to fund the new Wellington Regional Children's Hospital outdoor rehabilitative Playscape.

# **Our Causes**















# **CAMP QUALITY CHRISTCHURCH WINTER CAMP IN HANMER SPRINGS**

Camp Quality Christchurch had a wonderful weekend in Hanmer at their Winter Camp to celebrate their camp leavers. What a magic wintery weekend.

Saturday was a bit of a relaxing afternoon. After arrival, checking in and spending a nice afternoon at the hot pools followed by dinner at the Abilities Lodge, Forest Camp. Sunday was a busy schedule so after checking out early, they were off doing fun activities around Hanmer.

Here's an excerpt from Camp Quality Christchurch Facebook post: "thanks again to the LIONS HANMER SPRINGS for a huge breakfast and awesome picnic lunch. Your energy and support in making sure we had so much fun today and yesterday is so appreciated."

Pretty sure all campers and companions went away with wonderful memories.

Thanks to all the major sponsors include Four Square, Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa, Animal Park, Hanmer Bakery, Hanmer Attractions, Alpine Crazy Putt & Village Cruisers and The Lollypot.

Lions Hanmer Springs are very grateful to the kindness and generosity of all our sponsors! Last, but not the least, to our amazing volunteers, thank you so much for your time and help!













## Predators beware - Blenheim Lions are on the warpath.

As members are aware we have 33 predator traps along the Kaituna Trail walking track on the lower Opaoa River. We continue to check these every two weeks even though it has become 'gumboot weather'. And, on most days we have some animal in a trap. On the last run it was a weasel! It is interesting to compare our first six months of 2022 to 2021. While there has been a total reduction in numbers caught from 30 (2021) to 18 this year there has been an increase in rat kills. From 4 to 10. Also we clearly have more success with our larger DOC 250 traps compared to the smaller Victor rat traps. At this time we have 10 DOC traps and 23 Victor. Food for thought! It will soon be Spring and a little more enjoyable being on the trail. We are always looking to have new members in our teams. No special skills are required. The traps are not hard to bait and set. This is not a job for everyone. You can be a recorder and even a photographer. There are many birds living on the river and in the trees nearby. We need photographs for our record book, for Tania's Bulletin and for Helen's Marketing and Publicity. Talk to Lindsay or a member of a trapping team if you would like to join us. Lindsay Moir





Rolleston & Districts Lions - our top table looking gorgeous. \$10 to Child Cancer for each member attending. Brian, John and Jackie.



Christchurch Host continues its gardening projects around Christchurch. Rose pruning has been the lead area for 2 months. The team taking a well earned tea break.



Kaikoura Lions Club - we will see the finished project in our November? District Bulletin - this is just a taste of a \$90,000+ Lions instigated and managed project.



Hawarden-Waikari Lions - President Peter Crouchley with the senior winners of the Lions schools speech contest.



Hokitika Lions - Come on down and get a mid winter dose of Christmas cheer at Lazar Park Hokitika Koha at the door and voting rights on your favourite tree kindly sponsored by the wonderful organisation's in our community. All proceeds Go to Lions club youth camp.



Christchurch Host Lions President Ian - 'Man and Tractor leading the way' or is it Boys with their Toys?! (*love it*) 16



202E District Convention 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Hosted by The Lions Club of Wigram Venue: Hornby Club Carmen Road Christchurch

**REGISTRATION FORM** 



#### IMPORTANT: Each PERSON must complete a separate registration form (please print clearly)

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Saturday Evening meal, entertainment and live music									
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#### REGISTRATION & PAYMENT OPTIONS REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 13th March 2023

#### Payment is by way of Internet Banking please.

	Fill in this form Online:	do not forget to hit SUBMIT				
OR	EMAIL: Attach your scanned re	egistration form and send to: norm.james@xtra.co.nz				
OR	Post: Registrations, Li	Lions 202E Convention, P.O. Box 11-111, Sockburn 8042				
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Part	iculars: Registration	Code: Your Club name Reference: Your name				
Date	Date on which Bank transfer made: / / 2023 (Must be made within 7 days of registration)					
Early	Early Bird Registration: All Registrations received prior to 10 February 2023 go into prize draw. 17					

#### DISTRICT 202E CONVENTION

24th TO 26th MARCH 2023



#### "FLYING HIGH"

The Convention Committee has been working hard behind the scenes, making final arrangements and decisions for the District 202E Convention to be one of fun, fellowship and enjoyment.

The venue for Convention is the Hornby Club, Carmen Road, Hornby. All aspects of the Convention will be held at this venue in the Sports Hall which is located upstairs.

At the recent Cabinet Meeting the Convention Budget was presented and this was approved.

The Hornby Club is very central to accommodation with 30 Motels within a 6km redius. There is also a Motor Camp-Alpine View which is 3km from the venue. It would be advisable to make your accommodation bookings early to avoid disappointment.

The Partner's Tour has been organised, which is sure not to disappoint also Sponsorship for the Convention is progressing well.

Come along and help The Lions Club of Wigram celebrate their 50th year. Dress up for the Saturday night theme "Come Fly with Me"

Please address any queries to: sec.convention2023@gmail.com

# **Lions Help Nelson flood damage**

If you wish to assist the communities at the top of the South Island recently impacted by flooding and slips send your donation to the 202E District Trust Account.

**Details below:** 

03 0703 0036114 000
Club name
Club number
Floods



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### **Post Covid Zoom Meeting:**

I thought I would share with you all some of the content of the Post Covid Zoom Meeting held on 28th September with our National Training Team. The first question we were asked was – "Who Are We"? The largest Service Organisation in the World. We Serve our Communities by Responding to Change. There was a discussion around the Club and Community Needs Assessment and you can find this on the Lions NZ Website. It is about brainstorming either with all your Club Members or a select few with the emphasis on getting new Club Members to participate. The Worse Action is NO Action. We looked at thinking outside the square. For example, Donations to a Community Food Bank. Why not expand this idea into a Project? What about the art of cooking? Put a recipe for "Sweet Corn Fritters" with the ingredients into a bag with a note that this is from your Lions Club. Just an example of promoting Lions and remember that advertising via your Community Notice Boards and Facebook pages are all ways of promoting Lions and encouraging new Members. (Sue Evans GST - 202F District Bulletin.)



An AED is a lightweight, portable device that analyses the heart's rhythm and if necessary, delivers an electric shock, known as defibrillation, to help restore the heart's natural rhythm. Add the AED Location App to you phone and search the closest location of a defibrillator. This can be found in the Play store for android or in the iPhone App Store.

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### **Bulletins received by District Bulletin Editor 1/7/22 - 30/6/23**

Zone 1: Ahaura Grey Valley Greymouth FA Hokitika WFA S. Westland F BBBB Zone 2: Golden Bay Motueka F BBBB Motueka Lioness Lions BB Murchison Nelson Host **FBBBB** Nelson Lioness Lions **BBBB** Richmond **FBA** Zone 3: Beavertown Blenheim FBBBB Blenheim WFBBBB Havelock **FBBBB** Picton WFBA Renwick F FBBBB Seddon Marlb. Boys College Leos AA

Marlb. Girls College Leos AA Rai Valley Area Leos A Zone 4:

Amuri WFAA Cheviot FBBBB Glenmark WFBBBB Hanmer Springs FAA Hawarden Waikari AA Kaikoura WF BBBB Kaikoura Seaward WF BBBB

#### Zone 5:

Amberley WFBBBB Oxford & Districts WFBBBB **WFBBBB** Rangiora **WFBBBB** Rangiora Lioness Lions A Woodend Pegasus - A A Rangiora High School Leos AA Canterbury Leos Omega Club A Ch. City Breakfast FBB BBBB Christchurch Host Wigram Skies Area A Ch. Chinese A Zone 7: Ch. Ferrymead FBB Ch. Pegasus FBBB Ch.South FBB **Ch. Seaview** New Brighton WFBBBB Zone 8: Akaroa & Bays FBB Ellesmere FBBBB Halswell & Districts FBBBB Malvern FBBBB Rolleston & Districts FBBBB FBBBB Selwyn FBBBB Wigram A = Article received (from those clubs who don't have a bulletin) B = Club Bulletin received = Website - if I have missed yours let me know. F = Facebook

### **Great Collaboration between two volunteer organisations** Selwyn Lions Club and the Rolleston Men's shed

Selwyn Lions - Reindeer Project – getting ready for Christmas early!

Members and friends have been painting reindeer, which were cut out for us by the Rolleston Mens' Shed workers.

These have now been sold ready for Christmas. Some painted & decorated, some plain where people wanted to decorate them themselves.







With a group of Norwegian Lions doing the Relay for Life - bands, dogs, families and many volunteer groups. Also spent time at dinner with the local District Cabinet and the Council Chair. Norway has also had one of IP Sheehan's whirlwind visits.

Thank you all for your District Bulletin input, apologies if I can not fit them all in. The more colourful, clear and action packed your photos are, the better and more interesting they are for other Lions. Reminder 15th of the month for articles, 15th because your Bulletin is filling/ filled by then. (Today, yet again we saw a pride of Lions kill - YUK - I know it's nature ... but!)

Take care and stay warm - it's 360 here in Africa today. Lou



Some thoughts from Lynda Halverson MD Global Leadership Team Coordinator.





### What do volunteers want from joining us?

LCI data shows us that it is not new members that are our issue but the retention of the ones we have. The answer to this could be a long complex one but let's start getting less complex and start looking at some basic steps on what we could to do to attract and keep Lions.

So often we are so busy thinking about we need we don't think about what our volunteers need. So here's a list to think about.

I struggle so much when I hear about the requirements so many clubs put on members, when they come entirely from the club point of view not the volunteer point of view.

### Volunteers want to be connected

Research has shown that what people want is an opportunity to connect with others. What do we do as a club to ensure that our members feel connected to our club, to have a sense of belonging? It is not about a place we belong to, but a group that we feel we belong to.

### Volunteers want less formality, less hierarchy

Do we spend so much time focussed on what we have always done, following traditions, doing things the right way that we have forgotten to be responsive? What are we doing to create a less formal, user friendly atmosphere? Are we keeping politics and managing disagreements, and keeping them out of our meetings? Are we so busy establishing who is the boss, and using top down speak, that we have forgotten that we are all here for the same reason?

Do we really need top tables, all the formality that has been our tradition?

### Volunteers want something that is family friendly

Does your club actively create a family friendly atmosphere? This could be your children, your grandchildren, or any other child. How else do you think younger Lions members can attend? How else do our young ones see community service in action? Do you plan service projects that could include the children?

### Volunteers want to make a difference, a sense of purpose

It's not 'Come do what we do', it's 'What do you want to do? It is not about what we can do in the future, but what we can do now. Are we organised enough to be able to offer that experience now, are we prepared for our volunteers, so that they feel that sense of purpose immediately, so that they will feel valued? It is that sense that makes them a real Lions member not the piece of paper they signed and the induction they agreed to. It is also about recognising our volunteers whenever we can.

For all of this to happen, volunteers, our members, need to feel connected, not be caught up in hierarchy and formal meetings, feel they can include families, and make a difference right from the beginning. To continue making a difference they need to know their role and be able to see personal growth which comes not only from the doing, but by attending workshops to learn and network.

So let's be the awesome Lions service clubs we have always been, ensure we are aware of current trends and needs and march out there and make a difference.