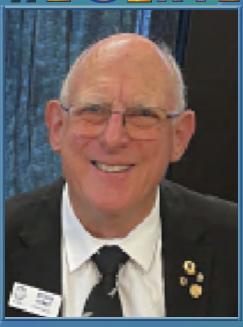




May 2023

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

WE SERVE



202E DG Hugh Curry Christchurch Club: Ferrymead T: (03) 381 1663 027 444 3683 E: 202e.dg@lionsclubs.org.nz



Marlborough Girls College Leo Club 2023 with 33 members. (12 members absent)



De Hugh's Message



What a great Convention we had at the end of March. With an impressive Flag Ceremony involving the Air Cadets, inspirational guest speakers in Adam Whitelock and International Director Tim Irvine, a worthwhile business session, the presentation of awards to worthy Lions, an enjoyable social evening involving most types of flying creatures and a moving Remembrance and Rededication Service. Thank you so much to all involved, especially the team from Wigram Lions Club who ran it. From the feedback I have had, everyone enjoyed it.

By now you will have decided who the incoming officers are for your clubs. In order to function effectively clubs need enthusiastic, competent, well trained officers. Training is being held at Omihi, Ferrymead, Blenheim, Motueka and Greymouth over May and June, so the distance you need to travel is not great. If this is not the first time in your position, please don't think that you don't need to attend. There is always something new that you need to know. In fact it is a good idea to, prior to attending, go into the Learn Centre on MyLion and look at the Club Officer Training module there. I attach an article from the recent Digest about it.

Take the Club Officer Training Course

The Club Officer Training course provides an overview of club officer roles, the responsibilities of each role and an explanation of standard club structure.

To access the course, log into the member portal with your Lion Account login credentials and navigate to the Lions Learning Center.

It is heartening that District 202E is still the District in MD202 with the highest membership increase this Lions year. This results not only from inducting new members, but also from the fact that the number of Lions dropped is fewer than anticipated in our goals.

Well done! It is by running interesting projects and keeping your subscriptions and meal costs down that Lions don't feel the need to leave.

DG Hugh Curry

Together We Can "Aim High"





District 202E Officers 2022 - 2023









VDGE Pam





2VDGE Bernie



Treasurer lan



DGE John



Convention - Friday night Flag Ceremony. MC PDG Paul O'Connor MBE and members of the No. 17 Squadron Cadets.

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DGE John Bilderbeck

A big than you for electing me as DGE, I am \

I know that 202E District Convention & AGM are being written up in other parts of this Bulletin but there were some aspects

of the weekend that were particular highlights for me.

/DGE

Pam Harvey



We have had great challenges as a District, working together is the only way we will achieve this, lets use those Clubs that are doing well as a catalyst for our growth, in terms of membership and service. What great achievements Clubs have done over this Lions year as a District one that we can be very proud of and may this continue which I am sure it will.

Convention at Hornby, for those who did not attend, you all missed an opportunity to meet new Lions and interact with those who you have known for some time. Do we change? Not really most of us just have more white hair or in some cases no hair at all. Lets keep that "Lions Spirit" going and remain positive, that will get us through and become the best District in New Zealand.

Don't forget 2024 it will be in Blenheim 15th to 17th of March, I can promise you that the convention team has already been working hard on this and yes we will have some FUN, will it be different? Expect the unexpected, stay tuned to the newsletters from the convention committee. Come and visit the Blenheim area, stay a while and enjoy what it has to offer, wine tasting, chocolates (what else do you want?) and above all the great people that are in the area.

The upcoming Club Workshops, these have been advertised in Omihi, Christchurch, Blenheim, Motueka and Greymouth, what a tremendous opportunity to discuss how we can work together as a team, share ideas and concerns. Please make sure that members of your club attend, what about some of the newer members, those that show some leadership potential, in fact anyone is welcome. Yes, we will give you lunch. How about a goal of every club bring along six members, that goal if achieved will be something special, the question is why not? The content will be different from what you have experienced in the past, its all about what we can achieve as Lions and Clubs in our District.

I personally just love learning, and learning new ideas, that can improve me as a individual and Lions as a whole, I ask all of you perhaps that you could take a LCI course of attend some of the courses offered. The chance of learning something new I feel is the greatest gift we can have, maybe we can influence someone else to change along the way. Maybe that person would make a great Lion? And become the next leader in the Lions family.

Quote from President Eisenhower the day before his inauguration. "You will find no easy problems ever come to the President of the United States. If they are easy to solve, somebody else has solved them."

I hope to meet most of you over the next few months, so that you can share with me your story and concerns of how I can help? Not always possible, but lets give it a try you never know what positive thing may come out of it, which will benefit Lions, Clubs, Districts and Lions Clubs worldwide.

Should you need to get hold of me to discuss anything, then please do so Phone: 027 547 9136 Email: bildyjohn@gmail.com Kind Regards John Bilderbeck DGE

The most obvious was being able to meet in person, rather than electronically, as was the case last year. Although this was the way it had to happen in 2022 because of Covid, nothing quite replaces the feeling of so many of us coming together face-to-face, with the common purpose of making plans and decisions in the best interests of the clubs in our District. It was a chance to thrash out a few issues and make compromise decisions when we needed to, but also a chance to make new resolutions for the Lions year ahead.

It was stimulating to hear International Director Tim Irvine's inspiring speeches during the Business session on the Saturday of Convention and the Remembrance and rededication Service on the Sunday, as he led us in reflecting on how things had been over this past year and sent us out with new resolve for the year ahead.

ID Tim also presented the District Awards from the 2021/22 year, announced by District Service Team Leader Bernie, on behalf of Past District Governor Tracy. It was very gratifying to see the efforts of clubs being recognised in this wide variety of awards, especially those clubs which I had visited as part of the District Governor's club visiting programme. DG Hugh presented his District Awards for 2022-23, recognising individual effort in the work of the district.

I feel privileged to have been voted in as Vice District Governor Elect, part of the prospective team of District Governor Elect John Bilderbeck and 2nd Vice District Governor Elect Bernie Walls, for the coming Lions year starting in July. I commit myself to working to the best of my ability to support and encourage the clubs within this district in their efforts to serve in their communities.

Just as the Cabinet leaders have been selected for their positions for the year ahead, this will also have been happening in clubs, and the preparation of these leaders will begin. Looking ahead, the Club Leaders' Workshops will be held through May and June (details elsewhere in this Bulletin). These are of a more interactive nature than in past times and as many members from each club as possible are encouraged to come to the workshops, which are being held in a variety of centres around the district to make them more accessible to as many clubs as possible. The workshops will be a great chance to talk with people from other clubs about what their roles involve, and share ideas for club projects and activities.

Another major opportunity for club development and leadership will be the ANZI Forum in September, being held this year on our very doorstep in Christchurch. Details elsewhere in this Bulletin. Looking forward to seeing you at as many of these opportunities as possible!

Have a super month Pam

Welcome to our New Members

April '23

MEMBER		CLUB	SPONSOR
1.	Buffy McKinnon	Hokitika	Miriam Rees
2.	Annie Stinton	Renwick	Graeme Smitheram
3.	Joanne Deely	Selwyn	Jane Forrest
4.	Avril Norris	Selwyn	Alison Benefield
5.	Toni Thompson	Wigram	Rae Treloar
6.	Richard Moyle	WoodendPegasus	Ann Saunders



1250+	June 2023
	31 May '23
1186	25 Apr '23
1185	31 Mar '23
1188	28 Feb '23
1179	31 Jan '23
1184	31 Dec '22
1187	30 Nov'22
1199	31 Oct '22
1189	30 Sep '22
1186	30 Aug'22
1181	31 July '22
1180	1 July '22

Please let me know if your Club has a Transfer District to District. 202E would like to welcome them as New Members into our special District 202E.

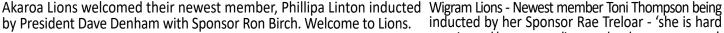
We extend our sympathy to family and friends

Member Club **Lions Service Years**

David Booker 49 Renwick









inducted by her Sponsor Rae Treloar - 'she is hard to miss and her personality matches her appearance.'

We are Lions International

Our two historic brands, Lions Clubs International and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), are uniting under one "umbrella" brand—Lions International—so we can talk to the world about our collective service and impact. Because the world sees us as one. They see us as Lions. And the truth is, we are united in our mission of service.



Help LCI Help Your Club by Appointing a Club Membership Chairperson

A vibrant membership does not happen by accident. It takes a team, working together, to make it happen. A club Membership Committee can create a vision for the club, build a membership development plan, and build membership success. Start by appointing a club membership chairperson to make sure that your club:

- Receives monthly guidance and best practices to support club growth
- Receives support from the district global membership team coordinator
- Has access to tools to help create a membership development plan
- Applies strategies found in the Club Membership Chairperson's Guide and Just Ask! guide to member recruitment A good membership development plan will grow your club's membership in two ways, first, by bringing in new members and second, by making sure you keep the members you have. The Membership Satisfaction Guide will provide ideas you can incorporate into your club to keep your members happy. There are plenty of resources available at to help you succeed in your membership goals.



Blenheim Lions 'working' parking cars at the Whites Bay Beach Dig.



Wigram Lions - Past President Anita receiving her club excellence award from current President Sandra Wylie.



Havelock Lions lan Cameron
putting out the open
sign for the
Havelock Book Fair.
(lan is not only his
Club's Secretary but
also our
District 202E
Secretary.)

Discover the LCIF Leo Service Grant

Leos everywhere are taking on innovative service projects to improve their local communities and the world. Learn how the support of an LCIF Leo Service Grant and strong collaboration with Lions can make a bigger impact

Learn More

Global Leadership Team (GLT) IPDG Tracy Henderson

We are heading into the busy part of the year with Club Leaders Workshop, Zone Chair and Cabinet Training. A lot of work goes into preparing for this training so please be sure to encourage your members to attend.

The dates for the Club Leaders Workshop have been sent out to all Club Secretaries but in case you have missed them:

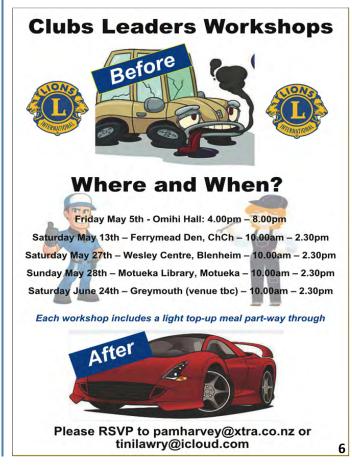
Friday May 5th Omihi Hall 4pm - 8pm Saturday May 13th Ferrymead Den 10am - 2:30pm Saturday May 27th Wesley Hall, Blenheim 10am - 2:30pm Saturday May 28th Motueka Library 10am - 2:30pm Saturday June 24th Greymouth (venue TBA) 10am - 2:30pm

Remember that these workshops are not restricted to those taking on board positions within the Club. They are open to all members.

More details regarding where to send your names and numbers will follow shortly.

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn." – Benjamin Franklin

PDG Tracy Henderson 202E GLT Coordinator



Colour Fun Day with Relleston & Districts Lions Club



Colour Fun Day organised and run by the Rolleston & Districts Lions Club - great weather this year and the participants seemed to really enjoy themselves. Our bulletin editor Margaret Gerken was on the receiving end of some paint too!









99 kids & families attended a recent Youth Diabetes Camp

Imagine 99 kids, parents and siblings having an amazing time at the recent Youth Diabetes Camp at Tea Pot Valley in Brightwater! Workshops for both kids and their parents, this amazing camp was supported by Nelson Host and our District.













202e - PDG Malcolm WilliamsLCIF District Co-ordinator.



BREAKING NEWS:

Announced at today's (14/4) zoom meeting by Past Int'l President Barry Palmer, that District 202 (NZ) had exceeded its 30/6/23 target of USD203156, with contributions being at 117%.

This result exceeded the goal, to date, of the other countries in our Constitutional Area viz. Australia, Indonesia & New Caledonia.

Our District is presently at 68% of our target which is USD25516, with approximately USD8300 required to reach our target. To Clubs who have yet to donate to the LCIF cause, your Contribution before mid June 23 would be much appreciated.

Only 22 of our 44 clubs have supported our requests for this Lions year- but there is still some 8 weeks to consider a donation.

Would you please discuss this request at your next Board/Club meeting- even a donation at \$10 per member would be welcome.

As much as LCIF wish to raise funds, the Foundation also wishes to approve Grants to clubs on a 'matching grant' basis, to support projects in your local community.

For further details on Grants, please either contact me by phone/email, or review the criteria on the LCIF site.

FOR THE RECORD:

Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service officially ended on June 30, 2022, during the 104th Lions International Convention in Montréal. Because of supporters—like you—LCIF raised more than US\$325 million. This was the largest fundraising campaign in our foundation's history

For the period commencing 1 July 2022, LCIF have approved 1250 Grants totalling USD35.3 million

And, should you be interested in viewing the Foundation' annual accounts for Y/e 30/6/22, these can be viewed on the LCIF site- via The District Digest forwarded on 6 April.

Malcolm Williams District LCIF Co-ordinator



MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION - MARCOM PCC Helen Williams

June National Volunteer week: 18th - 24th June. Start preparing now.

- Book a display time at your local library or community centre.
- Check to see if your local community paper is running an article.
- Do you have a local community news slot on the radio?
- Get a facebook post organised to thank your volunteers.
- Showcase what your Lions volunteers do and celebrate.

The National Volunteer Week theme for 2023 is Volunteering Weaves Us Together. This reveals the importance of volunteering to the strength and vibrancy of our communities through the interconnected actions we take to support one another.

Helen



Lions Share Program For more info. Click here

Get more information about Lions Share — an annual program that recognizes individual donors for three levels of support: US\$50, US\$100 and US\$200.

Events Diary

May	15	Last day to report Incoming Officers to LCI.
	Month	Strengthen Membership Month.
June	5	World Environment / Arbour Day.
	7	Lions Clubs International birthday.
	19-25	NZ National Volunteer Week.
July	1	New Lions Year
August	12	International Youth Day
	13	MS Speech Competition Finals.
	26	NZ Cancer Society Daffodil Day.
ptember	Month	NZ Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.
•	6	Wig Wednesday.

Hosting a Peace Poster and Essay Contest in your area is a great opportunity to connect local kids with a global initiative! Purchase your kit today for this year's contest, Dare to Dream, and encourage children in your community to share their dreams for the future.

Click to read Criteria











MARLBOROUGH GIRLS **COLLEGE AND** MARLBOROUGH BOYS **COLLEGE LEOS: RELAY** FOR LIFE FUNDRAISER. **BOTH LEO CLUBS TOOK** PART IN THE RELAY FOR **LIFE 2023 FUNDRAISER FOR THE CANCER SOCIETY.** THE BLENHEIM LEOS **GOAL WAS TO RAISE** \$2,500, THEY MADE A **VALIANT EFFORT WALKING WELL OVER** 1000 LAPS BETWEEN THE WHOLE GROUP AND **RAISED \$4,066. WELL DONE TO BOTH LEO CLUBS FOR AN AMAZING EFFORT.**

CLUB DONATION LIST for Year Ending 2022

Our District Treasurer, requested our clubs furnish him with a list of donations, made in the <u>last Financial year - year ending June 2022.</u> This was solely to correlate our donations into 'labels' for marketing purposes - for us and the general community. So far only 25 of our clubs have responded to our Treasurer's breakdown request.

Why do it? As DG Hugh says 'We can use it for marketing our Brand and to sell membership of this organisation. The District membership is critical to our District's survival, and we should all be working as one not individual Clubs. It is another tool to help us grow.'

The staggering stat that came out was that collectively, these <u>25 Clubs</u> had poured back into our communities and national organisations <u>\$336,619</u>. Imagine what this figure will rise to when all our 44 clubs furnish these records to our District Treasurer? Could it be \$592,449... or \$800,000 or even more? Let's see if we can get 2022 figures completed before launching off into year ending 2023, which is coming up quick. Read the feedback from our communities, when they hear that we, Lions of District 202E, have given out half a million plus \$'s, to our community and beyond. We will also be able to quote how much to who. That's who we are a District - 202E.

For easy reference, you can find these figures when you produced your Club Charity Services return. If you are one of the 19 Clubs who have yet to send your donation figures in, PLEASE our District Treasurer would appreciate these figures ASAP. Remember they are correlated under one umbrella i.e. your Club is not named.

Question Why bother with ethics and purpose? (As posed by Digby Prosser)

Well these may be the most fundamental of Lions documents

underlying as they do the reasons for membership.

We do well to revisit them occasionally as core business of our organisation.

Our Code of Ethics

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour and means.

TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

Our Purpose

TO ORGANIZE, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.

TO Coordinate the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

TO PROMOTE the principles of good government and good citizenship.

TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

TO UNITE the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

TO PROVIDE a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

TO ENCOURAGE service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavours. 10

He's back!

Marlborough Girls College Leo Club - making a difference in their Community, Nationally & Internationally.



A large club - Marlborough Girls College Leos has **33** members supervised by Jacinda McKenzie. Our Leos have taken part in BBQ fundraisers, Relay for Life, Served at John's Kitchen and donated funds to Cyclone Gabrielle Flood Funds. "We are at Bunnings today! Sausages \$2.50 Drinks \$2 for Relay for Life 2023" (above) and again (right) Serving at John's Kitchen (top right)

Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival - 31st October to 3rd November 2023

If you were at our recent District Convention, this item won't be news to you, but for those members who were unable to attend, we are pleased to advise that the Lions of 202E have once again been awarded naming rights sponsorship for this amazing musical event, which involves about 4,000 primary school children from the West Coast, North Canterbury, the greater Christchurch area, as well as south of Christchurch.



Gaining the sponsorship for about the 25th time was the easy part for the Lions liaison team - now the hard part begins, and that is raising the \$10,000 that Cabinet agreed we could offer in sponsorship. If your Club is one of the 27 or so in the area covered by the schools involved, can we ask you to consider making a generous donation towards this great opportunity for Lions publicity? This will include the Lions symbol on everything that goes out to schools - letters, music, posters etc. It will also include the large space we are given at the Christchurch Town Hall for a comprehensive display that the team will set up and look after for the four nights, as well as a full back page advertisement on the programme and frequent mention of Lions during the concerts.

Watch this space for more news in the months ahead, but remember that we will need to find that \$10,000 by September can your Club help?

Music Festival Liaison team - PDG Marion McWha and VDG-elect Pam Harvey





All net proceeds go to Breast Cancer

\$20 includes

AFTERNOON TEA

5 VOTING SLIPS

DOOR SALES ON THE DAY

Glenmark Lions working hard in their community - The Firewood masters!

· GIFT STALLS

SOME ENTRIES

CAKE AUCTION

· PRIZE GIVING

· MODELLING DISPLAYS OF

Firewood a good team bonding exercise with members, four splitters and three people to a machine making light work with a happy hour to look forward to. Logs are purchased by the 28tonne unit load or donated from the remains of a members own logging. There was also an exercise where we received half of a locals wood for spitting the other half.





\$CRAP spells dollars in Kaikoura Lions eyes.

Our Club has been busy with five jobs over March; two of them were for scrap metal which took several days and 95 hours. Our total hours served for the month was 119 hours. The Scrap Truck came and we completely filled a truck and trailer plus a pallet of batteries on a smaller truck. A great turnout with 10 members helping with the loading, taking another 30hours.

A huge income earner with still more scrap left after full trucks.

What an achievement!! Over \$5000 worth and no scrap in the landfill.









Akaroa & Bays Lions annual Paddy's Market runs like clockwork

After a few days of unsettled weather, a team of Lions erected our Marquee in preparation for our annual Paddy's Market on Easter Saturday 2023. Fortunately, the weather was fine, cold, but no rain during the day. People were on duty around 6am to load the donated goods onto trucks for delivery to the Paddy's Market site. There were people waiting when the first loaded vehicles arrived at the Recreation ground and each one was progressively unloaded. Goods were sorted suitable for the "white elephant" tables in the Marquee and large items were placed in rows ready to be auctioned. 450 items all unloaded with the help of Secondary School kids (5 boys and 1 girl) were on hand to unload the trucks and they did a great job doing so. Big thanks to them. Raffle for a trailer load of firewood, and 500 sausages went down a treat. When the auction had finished and the unsold "white elephant" items had been removed from the Marquee, it was taken down and packed onto the trailer. Once the Recreation Ground had been tidied up. it was time for the volunteers and Lions to have a bite to eat and something to quench the thirst after a hard day's work.













her Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award from Rai Valley Youth coordinator Antonia O'Donnell.



Kaikōura Lions - (left) Kevin Smith brought in 5+ new members. 2023 Rai Vallev Leo President Ella Jenner receives For Lions Service - Chris Guthrie 25 years, Zone Chair Lou, Melville Syme 55 years Service in one Club and John Trewin 15 years. (absent Digby Parkin 15 years.)



So my Laptop is on holiday yet again, and here life is so hard - swimming, reading and sunbaking. Where Internet coverage is not so great, very expensive and when I can get it, so many great emails come bouncing in - thank you all for your articles.

I have just read for the first time, my Mother's amazing Eulogy as given by our son, while we were stuck in Tibet. I think the well read line of "It is not the years in your life but the life in your years that is important" and something we try to live by everyday.

Take care, stay safe and Kia Kaha Lou 😷

Some excellent information for Incoming Officers

Dear Lions Club Officer.

As your club prepares for annual elections and to welcome a new leadership team, use these helpful resources to get your incoming officers ready to take the lead.

- Standard Club Constitution & By-Laws This document outlines the election process and describes key positions within the club structure as outlined in the Standard Club Structure. Immediately after your club completes its elections (and no later than May 15), your club secretary should report the incoming officers and directors. Help us keep them in the loop by providing email addresses for future communications.
- Help your Nominating Committee know what positions are available in the new Standard Club Structure Standard Club Structure. The sample structure includes the officers, board of directors and standing committees. It also provides an overview of a club's layout.
- Club Quality Initiative (CQ1) (pdf) is a strategic planning tool that helps clubs identify opportunities for improvement. The program features several steps to help club operations become more efficient and find new directions. By identifying areas that can be improved, your incoming officers can take measured steps to accomplish goals and, by involving the whole club in this exciting process, your club can be even better!

Does your club have a club marketing chairperson? Appointing a club marketing chairperson is an excellent way to lead and energize your club marketing efforts—and increase awareness of Lions International in your community and around the world. Be sure you fill this important position and start the year out strong. To learn more about this role, review the Standard Club Constitution & By-Laws.

As we prepare for the launch of the new Lion Portal, Lions can prepare for this new digital experience by making sure their information is correct in MyLCI. As a club officer, you may need to help them update their information to ensure they have a unique, unshared email. Get news and updates about the transition on the Lions Portal Page.

Finally, Lions Clubs International has designed webpages, e-Books and resources to assist your club officers in their positions. Visit the Managing a Club (Club Officer Team webpage to learn more about each of these key roles.

Please contact us if you have any questions by phone at +1 (630) 468-7084 or by email at clubofficers@lionsclubs.org. Thank you for your service and your leadership!

Sincerely, Your District & Club Administration Division Support Team

Global Service Team (GST) 2VDGE Bernie Walls



May is about Strengthening Membership in all clubs. Strange that this should come from the service team, but I believe that without service to the community, membership suffers.

To successfully create good service you need the passion, purpose and a desire to develop strategies that promote member "buy-in".

Think of it as your Service Challenge Goal -

"As a Lion, I am a member of a team. My team is **my club**. My club will accomplish and report one service project before June 30th 2023. As team members, we will help each other win, recognizing that each win adds to the overall win and success of our team".

The total of clubs currently reporting their service stands at 68%. I would like that total extended out to 75% before 30th June 2023.

Happy reporting!

Bernie





Service Launchpad

Start the countdown to service! Welcome to the Launchpad, an interactive tool built to connect you with ready-to-go planning resources that help you serve the causes you care about. Get started by answering a few simple questions below. Your next project is just a few clicks away! More Info. Here

Service Reporting More Info. Here

To effectively tell our story, measure our impact and grow membership, it's critical that all clubs report service

Service Programmes More Info. Here

Learn more about Lions Clubs International service programs and get resources to help plan service projects.

Multiple District 202 Awards - What Are They?

Ron Usmar Community Service Award
 Encourages full club member participation in a community service project.



- Pat Ryan Youth Award
 - Awarded to the best Youth oriented service project in New Zealand.
- Ron Rowe Public Relations and Communication Award
 Recognising excellence, innovation and effectiveness in communications and Public Relations using a range of mediums (club social media, club website, club bulletin, communication within the club, other forms of communication & publicity e.g. tear drop flags, posters, newspaper articles)
- <u>Keith Mitchell Membership Growth, Extension & Retention Award</u>
 Awarded to the club with the greatest growth in membership.



Hokitika Lions - It was a privilege to host Zone Chair Ada Frew at our Dinner Meeting last evening. Ada made a number of special awards to our club including the District 202E Syme Family Trophy for 2021-2022 for "Best Club Project". This year the award has gone to a Club that is a great example to their community of what Lions can do. They are very visible within their area and continue to excel. It was difficult to identify just one project as this Club has so many on the go at any one time - anything from venue hire to community store to equipment hire. This award goes to The Lions Club of Hokitika.



Brian Sheehan - International President

Dear Lion.

Leos and young Lions are so much more than just young members of the Lion family.

Their hard work and innovation are carrying our service into the future. So be sure to get them involved and give them the opportunities to learn, lead and grow so we can work together to find tomorrow's solutions today.



We're also looking to the future with the new Lions International brand. The Lions International brand gives us a new way to talk to the world about the service and impact of our association and foundation, together. And together, with Lions around the world, we are focused on serving a world in need and strengthening Lions today, and for generations to come.

And thanks to you, the future of service is bright.

Make a great day, Brian Sheehan International President





















Relief



Diabetes Environment

Cancer

Hunger

Humanitarian Disaster Vision **Efforts**

Malvern Lions - out there doing it - with so many projects and social times!



Over 6,000 small bales of Pea Straw in the shed ready for sale. Coast to Coast - Some 800-900 kayaks came down the river to this transition area. The marshalling and parking of the cars with our 22 members, went with military precision. Camp quality saw members cooking up a storm up at Kowai bush.

Members along with 6 of the Owaka Lions club had an exceptional day visiting a 9500 Hectare farming consortium at the head of Lake Coleridge.









CLUB OFFICERS 2023-2024 YEAR - Your club officer information will need to be in by 15 May. Remember the New system commences in July and your records need to be correct. Also be sure that you appoint and load a Club Administrator as well to have a back up for accessing the system.





Leos wanting to up skill can use their Lions Account login to access the Lions Learning Centre. Explore the Leo learning path which includes goal setting, public speaking and conflict resolution along with Leo Club Officer training.



The ANZI Pacific Forum is such a great way to share ideas, get inspired, and meet Lions from all over our CA7 area. The committee is working hard putting together a program of workshops that will include something for everyone.

Click here for the LINK

Look at the Newsletters, Last years workshops ...

Did You Know? As Lions, we hold ourselves to the absolute highest standards in everything we do. Our members and clubs are dedicated to serving others, and it shows. We champion kindness in our communities and actively work to improve the lives of all people.

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#Out there doing it - Kaikōura Seaward Lions



New membership packs (free) can be ordered from NZ Lions supplies store

Tim Irvine - International Director CA7 - 2022 - 2024 (Australia)

Lions Clubs International organises the world into seven 'Constitutional Areas'. Our Constitutional Area serves Australia PNG, New Zealand, the Pacific and Indonesia and is known as CA7 – Constitutional Area 7.

We were privileged to have International Director Tim (our CA7 Director) as one of our VIP I.D. Tim Irvine guests at our 53rd Convention 24 - 26 March 2023. Below is part of his speech.

Today I am excited to be able to come to District 202E and be amongst a great group of people I truly call good friends. I am excited about the leadership and direction of our Association world wide under the leadership and International President Brian Sheehan. Brian is a very dynamic and energetic International President who is introducing a number of new initiatives to build and strengthen our Association.



I know that International President Brian and Lori were here last year and many of you got to meet him and experience his energy and enthusiasm for life and for Lions. It's contagious, it rubs off onto others. It is exciting to be in the same room as him. This year he is focusing on four key areas which he has called our Global Priorities. His first priority is - Sharing the joy of being a Lion. A healthy membership is the key to great service. I know that each of you enjoys being a Lion. You get great satisfaction from what you do, for improving the lives of others and building more resilient communities. Why not share that with others. Invite them to join so they can get exited about the ride also. It isn't just about membership for membership sake. It is about being able to do more and have others experience that joy also. Form a new club. Its actually not that hard. Find new or under-represented areas, Consider specialty clubs. Cyber clubs offer an opportunity to attract those younger people with families who cannot get to meetings. Look at existing clubs that are aging - or dying - can they support a new club with younger members. In the near future you will be hearing about a new goal from Lions International to have 1.5 million members by June 2027.

Second priority is **Think big when we serve.** Service is what we do and what we are all about. Encourage innovation and new service in your club. Work together to take on more ambitious, more impactful projects. Are we still doing the same projects that we have always done? Are they still relevant? We need to be constantly asking these questions.

Third Priority is Supporting our global foundation LCIF - Our Foundation is there to support us. We have just concluded a very successful Campaign 100 with a target of raising \$100 million per year for three years. We did it. \$324.6 million. Thank you Lions of 202E for your contribution. That's a wonderful achievement which we all should be very proud of. We still need to continue supporting our Foundation more than ever. Just think of the recent events in your country and mine. Devastating floods. Earthquakes, and other natural disasters. When these events occur - and they will be more frequent as the impact of global warming changes our climatic conditions, Our Foundation will be there. So the funds are there. LCIF grants to help your clubs accomplish more - remember that think big. Lets encourage all Lions to give to LCIF, which empowers the service of Lions. But in supporting Lions Clubs International Foundation you should not neglect your own Lloyd Morgan Lions Charitable Trust.

Final Global Priority is **Advocating for local and global causes.** As Lions we are community leaders, so let's be local advocates. You are a powerful voice in your community. Create awareness and publicise what we are doing. Tell your community, tell your great stories. Get our stories out in the local press, radio and social media. These are the four key priorities from President Sheehan. If we think outside the box and we need to make changes, because if we keep doing what we have always done, then we will continue to get what we have now. Be creative **WE NEED TO CHANGE**.

REAL and MEANINGFUL CHANGE- it's all very well to talk about change. But what are we doing about this. Let's say you identify an aspect of your club that really believe needs to be changed. You have done your research, You have the facts, You know what outcomes you want to achieve. One of the traditions that always crops up when we talk about change is that in Lions we have **traditions**. Traditions and protocols are important because that is what defines us as Lions and sets us apart from other organisations.

Look for people with vision - support and encourage them, follow them **be a leader by being that first follower**. Don't be a blocker, support change to drive our association forward. President Brian, He is out there, He does some crazy things at times But I am proud to call myself one of his first followers AND Together we can.

Sell the benefits, we now have a focus on the relevance to others not just you. They must be able to see, touch, feel or value the benefits. Most importantly get others to support you. Recruit allies. Sell your ideas to a small group of trusted others before you take your ideas back to the whole group or the club. No significant change has ever been effective without the creation of a movement to push forward new ideas and break down barriers. How do you create a movement? Watch the 'shirtless dancing guy' video. Lets see how he goes about creating a movement at an outdoor concert and lessons we can learn from his crazy antics. A great example of persistence is Abraham Lincoln. Against adversity, he never gave up his dream, in spite of all that was thrown at him. Develop strategies to overcome the personal barriers and be ready for the ones others will throw up. We need to know what potential objections that others are likely to have - why they are against change - be prepared to support your stance with facts. American Author Neil Strauss wrote: Great things never came from within comfort zones. How do you break that circle of security? Both your own personal fears and those imposed by others. Your own personal barriers - Decide what success means to you - the benefits of making a change. Then remove the emotion, we are often very emotionally attached to certain projects or customs - tradition versus habits. You WILL come across barriers such as - Older (long standing) members, we have always done it this way - It's my pet project - I don't want to change - I don't have a computer - We tried that before it didn't work. Persistence - don't give up at the first rejection, every chance the first, second or even the third option for change may not work. Be prepared to be flexible and try alternative options.

Lions is just as important now as it has ever been. Both New Zealand and Australia have experienced some of the worse flood conditions ever. Lions are often the first to respond and we have the ability to provide assistance and emergency relief to those who otherwise might **fall through the cracks of bureaucracy**. Support given by the local Lions clubs to their own towns is the most valuable contribution that our Lions Clubs organisation can provide in such times. If your club is struggling, if you feel you can't continue, remember you are a very important part of your local community and they need its Lions club now more than ever. Be proud of your achievements, Tell the community, Be visible in everything you do.