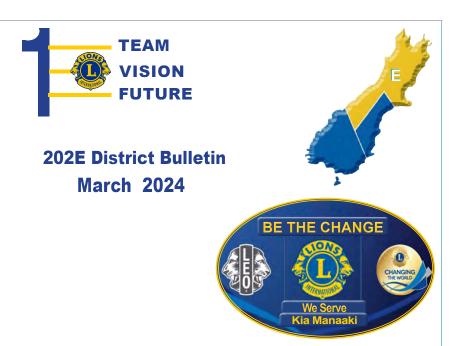


DG John Bilderbeck and Yvonne Club: Nelson Host Phone: 027 547 9136 Email: 202e.dg@lionsclubs.org.nz





The Scottie Scheffler and Rory McIlroy's of the Glenmark Lions Club. left to right - Peter Inkson, Tony Moore, Geoff Symmonds, John Pankhurst. during their amazing Golf Tournament supporting Camp Quality.

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DG John's News





Into another month I can hardly believe that another month is ending. Congratulations to all the clubs that have been doing such magnificent work over the last two months. It is with great admiration that I see what you report in your Bulletins. Yes, I do read them.

Evaluate and Elevate Your Clubs' Strengths.

I have asked Lou to attach this as a bulletin article, please read it. The information has benefit and information in getting Lions in our club, take steps now and stop the departing of Lions. (page 16)

Convention Blenheim 15-17 March

Have you registered yet? Why not? This is the first time in 5 years when it's not being held in the Christchurch area. Make the journey to the great Marlborough area, experience what they have to offer, stay a while maybe a trip out on the Sounds an experience not to be missed! Of course the wineries, and so many that may take a few days to go around them all.

Our guest speaker on Saturday is Lance Burnett, enjoy his talk titled "Catastrophising", even I had to Google that one. Be inspired by Lance, look at steps we can take going forward. Enjoy Friday and Saturday night socializing, fun and enjoy.

Changes to your Club Constitution.

I know that this information still does not seem to be getting to clubs <u>BUT</u> please do nothing, do not review your constitution.

Multiple Districts and the MD legal have been working on this for quite some time, a standard constitution will be realized once it has been signed off. Any queries please get hold of me.

Row for Life NZ

It has started, what a fantastic opportunity to get involved in raising money for the four charities and most importantly for our Lions Cancer Trust. Even if you are not on the coastline, still give a project a go. Have a competition between a surf club and a rugby club or a rowing club and a rugby club, on rowing machines at the local gym. All we need to do is lateral thinking from all of us. Are you following this on Facebook? <u>Rowing for Life NZ</u> add it to your favourites.

New Members

Congratulation to those Lions members who have brought a new member into your Club this year, by asking we will achieve the Misson 1500 for our District. Just remember for all Clubs it is a plus seven by June 2027. Catch line "Plus Seven by 2027."

Children of Courage

Thank you to all the zones that have become involved in this, remember this is not a contest, just a way of honouring those that have provided support and dedication to the family, what a truly remarkable thing we can do for children in our District.

New Clubs and Club Branches.

It is very pleasing to see that work is happening in this area. This is the only way we are going to make an impact as Lions and further enhance the words <u>"the more Lions we have the</u> <u>more community service we can provide."</u>

Thank you to all those Lions involved in this I know the work done will pay off.

Should you need to get hold of me then please do so. Email <u>bildyjohn@gmail.com</u> or 202e.dg@lionsclubs.org.nz Phone 027 5479136



"Marion McWha 202E Leo of the Year Trophy" - winner is Laura Elliot Whale from Marlborough Girls College Leos with DG John. Laura is dedicated to Leo's at MGC, exceptional leadership skills, wide community involvement and vision for the future at MGC Leo's. Well done Laura. 2

Kind Regards John Bilderbeck DG



District 202E Officers 2023 - 2024





Secretary lan



VDG Pam



DG John



2VDG Bernie



Treasurer lan

Picton Lions Club What's in the Shed⁹ brought vehicles and people in droves.



Well we had a great day in the end. We're very happy with the turn out. An incredible mixture, of all sorts of Cars, Trucks, Bikes, race Cars and race Trucks. Thanks to everyone that travelled from away to be here. Big thanks to our sponsors. A big shout out to all our hard working Lions Members and Picton School committee members that helped out. We're already planning for next year and looking forward to doing it all over again. (People from far and wide visited this amazing show - no apologies, I'm into 'Cars'. well done! All proceeds to Picton School Duffy Books project.)











The philosophy behind the programme is simple – to break the cycle of 'booklessness'. **DUFFY** Kids who can't read become adults who can't communicate and that's a serious disadvantage in a world that operates on the written word. Creating and enhancing the desire for children to read through book ownership.





VDG Pam Harvey 202e.vdg@lionsclubs.org.nz T: 021 148 7476

This month has been even more so, as I work to complete

my pre-assignments in preparation for the Training Seminar in Oak Brook, Illinois (just outside of Chicago,

where our Lions International base is). I continue to be amazed at this international organisation we are a part of,

and the knowledge and understanding I continue to gain

about the difference we make at all levels of Lions service.

But, although I am getting an expanded view of the big

picture, my heart is still very much with the ways we serve in our individual communities. Whether it is working

directly with people in need, using our labour and time

to meet needs, or whether it is raising funds to enable us

to carry out our service in our communities, districts and

throughout the world, we are united in making a difference

to the people we serve. It is inspiring to read, through club

Bulletins, Facebook pages, etc. how each of our clubs is doing this. I am so much looking forward to getting around

our clubs, from July onwards, to experience this service

first-hand and working with you people who are providing it.

One way many clubs in our District have served recently is by volunteering to help with meals at Camp Quality over at Living Springs. It is a very humbling experience,

and a privilege, to be able to serve (literally!) in this way, helping these special children on the camp to step aside from some traumatic health experiences and just be kids,

doing all sorts of amazing activities provided for them.

me hidden in the background washing the dishes!).

See below the team from Amberley on Dinner Duty (that's

I reported to last month's Bulletin

about the learning journey I had been



2VDG Bernie Walls 202e.2vdg@lionsclubs.org.nz T: 021 958 122



The year so far has been a most enjoyable and rewarding one.

The training that is available has set the scene for a full and comprehensive learning experience. Having our own specific set of topics to cover, as 2VDGs, means we learn more about the workings of the wider Lions world.

Another source of learning has been through carrying out some of the District Governor visits to clubs. It is great to see the different ways that Lions in our District serve their communities. Also, the variety of projects carried out has been truly amazing.

Whatever level you are working at in Lions, I recommend you take the opportunities that arise to attend any training that is available. In May and June, there will be Club Officers workshops near you. This is for new Club Officers and existing Club Officers, whose experience will be of great value.

We are a fantastic organisation making a difference in our communities.

Take Care Bernie



Pam Have a great month





President Linda on behalf of Kaikoura Seaward Lions, gave prizes to Kaikōura Primary School recipients left Kestrel Corbett and Indi-Rose Cassidy for "Showing an excellent attitude and effort at school"

Nominations for DG, 1VDG, 2VDG, 202E C.T. & Remits are:

The Nominating Committee of the 2024 Convention to be held at Blenheim on 16th March 2024 have received and reviewed nominations received and have advised that all prospective candidates have fulfilled procedural and constitutional requirements (Bylaws Article 1, Section 2 of our constitution). The prospective candidates are: <u>District Governor</u>: Pam Harvey (nominated by Amberley District Lions Club, Seconded by Lions Club of Havelock) <u>1st Vice District Governor</u>: Bernie Walls (nominated by Rangiora Lions Club, Seconded by Woodend Pegasus Club) <u>2nd Vice District Governor</u>: There were no nominations received by the close of nominations and nominations may be received from the floor of the District Convention, pursuant to Bylaws Article 2, section 3 (c) of Lions District 202E District Convention.

<u>District 202E Charitable Trust 5th Trustee</u>: John Hobson (nominated by Wigram Club, seconded by Rolleston and Districts Club)

<u>REMITS:</u> PLEASE REFER TO SECRETARY IAN CAMERON'S EMAIL DATED 14 FEBRUARY '24.

Remit one is removed. (does not comply with Lions international rules)

Remit two is changed as attached (in Ian's email.) This has been approved by Alan Knowsley MD legal and Tim Irvine ID.

This remit is to be voted on at Convention.

Have YOU Registered for our March District Convention?

Registrations required before the 29th February

We need the support of all our District.

Please, Ask your club secretary to share our Convention Newsletter number 4 or log on to the <u>MD website</u> 15 - 17 March 2024.





Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill

At present the Worldwide Lions number 1,372,27 By June '27 our Goal is to reach 1,500,000 -OR 127,723 New Lions net. At present 202E Lions number: 1144 By June 2027 our Goal is to reach 1,500 OR 356 New Lions net <u>"Plus 7 by 2027"</u> per club.

Dear Lions,

This incredible planet is our home and taking care of this earth starts with each of us. As we celebrate Earth Day on April 22, I encourage you to inspire others to join you in an environmental service project, such as planting trees, reducing waste or cleaning up a beach. There are so many ways that you and your club can make a real impact on our planet, and we have great resources on our website that can help you get started.

Caring for our environment is one of the most important issues that we're facing, so let's all work to ensure the health of our planet and of our communities so we can look forward to a brighter tomorrow.

Yours in service, Dr. Patti Hill

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The Richmond Club President's email address is now president.richmond@lionsclubs.org.nz New Brighton Lions - change of venue Dinner meeting to The Woolston Club, 43 Hargood Street, Woolston.

Global Service Team - GST - 2VDG Bernie Walls



Currently we are at 58% for Clubs reporting Service. Have a think about the following:-Why report Service

By sharing our impact, Lions and Leos inform, inspire and grow our global legacy of Service.

- Strengthen storytelling: Sharing powerful stories of your Club's impact. Reporting Volunteer hours is better than saying your club serves the community.
- This reveals what's working and what's not working. Reviewing past service reports helps Inform Decisions: vour club make better decisions.
- Your Service can be viewed within your District and around the world. **Inspire Service:** -
 - This helps Lions International identify best practices to share globally.
- Grow Partnerships: -Sharing ideas with other Service organisations is a great way to increase the visibility and quality of your service projects.
- Knowledge of your club's service history gives great insight to current and future leaders, Enlighten leaders: providing encouragement to do better.
- Be Proud: -Service data gives us the ability to communicate how "We Serve" around the world. Be proud in what you do.

March 8th – International Women's Day 15th – World Sleep Day

www.lionsclubs.org/service-reporting

20th – Lions Day with United Nations

Rowing for Life has started from Bluff. They are scheduled to arrive in Akaroa on the 2nd March, which is the start of 202e. Coastal Clubs have got in behind this event and most have planned community based events to engage the local residents to be involved. If you are near the coast in any of the planned visits, please come and enjoy the camaraderie of Lions and the local communities.

Have a great month **Bernie**

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Global Leadership Team - GLT - Tini Lawry

March is NOMINATION month in most clubs, and we're all thinking, recommending, and shoulder tapping. In your club, who would be great in an Officer's or Leadership role, or a role in District or Multi District? At MD level the ELLI course happened in January and three from 202E

got their certificate. As usual these Lions are raring to go, and we encourage clubs to offer them leadership roles.

GLT is here to provide training, offer guidance and plan workshops. Please let me know if you need any of these, that haven't been already planned. (Zone Chair workshop 26th of May and Officers workshops will be in May and June).

On the 2nd of September last year we held a very successful Zoom workshop at which MD Treasurer Steve Bennett addressed Burning Money Issues with club 'decision makers'. Would you like a repeat of such a workshop? Let me know.

In July 2022 a Stand and Deliver two-day course was held in Christchurch. (I enjoyed it very much and got a lot out of it). Is there interest in one later in the year, maybe somewhere else? Again, contact me.

March is also the month of our District Convention. I look forward to seeing you there, if you can make it. until next month Tini 202e.glt@lionsclubs.org.nz T: 021 188 1560





February 2024

MEMBER

CLUB

1. Lesley Atkinson

- 2. Jingying Chen
- 3. Yunxiang Chen
- 4. Gale Gough
- 5. Deb Hayes

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David Atkinson Robert Ling Robert Ling Rosemary Lory Alan Hodgson

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Our deepest sympathy to family and friends of:

Member Harold Kiddey Club Havelock Service Years

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Global Membership Team - GMT Latham Martin

As a District our collective goal is to reach 1500 members by 2027. These figures will ensure we grow to be able to serve more people in our communities. An aspirational goal, but one that is only achievable if we maintain and invest in our current members i.e. Retention of Members is CRITICAL for achieving Club growth.

First and foremost, <u>authenticity</u> should be the cornerstone of any effort to retain Lions Club members. Most people value sincerity and honesty in their interactions, and this principle should extend to the functioning of Lions Clubs. The sense of belonging within the club should be palpable, with members feeling not just a part of an organisation but an integral thread in the community fabric. To achieve this, it is essential to create a welcoming atmosphere, where every member is recognised and valued for their unique contributions.

<u>Communication.</u> Open and transparent communication fosters trust and understanding. Lions Clubs can enhance member retention by establishing regular channels for dialogue, whether through meetings, newsletters, or digital platforms. Keeping members informed about the club's activities, achievements, and future plans instils a sense of pride and purpose, making them more likely to stay committed.

<u>Recognition.</u> Creating a culture of appreciation within Lions Clubs, where accomplishments, big or small, are celebrated, strengthens the bond between members and the organisation. This recognition can extend beyond official roles and titles to encompass personal achievements and milestones, reinforcing the idea that each member is an invaluable part of the Lions Club family.

<u>Inclusivity.</u> Embracing diversity and ensuring that every member feels represented and heard contributes to a vibrant and dynamic club environment. Organising events that cater to different interests and backgrounds can help create a sense of inclusiveness, fostering a strong sense of unity and camaraderie.

<u>Community service.</u> Lions Clubs, in retaining members, should continually emphasise the tangible impact their collective efforts have on the community. Demonstrating the positive outcomes of their projects, whether through testimonials, success stories, or community engagement, reinforces the sense of purpose and fulfilment that comes with being a Lions Club member.

<u>Finally, flexibility.</u> Lions Clubs can adapt to the evolving needs and preferences of their members by offering flexible participation options, accommodating different schedules, and embracing innovative approaches to community service. By recognising and accommodating the diverse lifestyles of their members, Lions Clubs can ensure that the commitment remains fulfilling rather than burdensome.

In conclusion, retaining Lions Club members is about embracing the values of authenticity, communication, recognition, inclusivity, community service, and flexibility. By infusing these principles into the fabric of your Club, we can cultivate a genuine sense of belonging and purpose, ensuring that not only will Lions survive, but thrive, on our journey to grow our District to 1500 Members by 2027.

(my special thanks to Latham who responded to my request for a special message on Retention. So many times I list a large number of New Members BUT still see a member reduction - why? ask Latham!)



How Do We Sell Ourselves to the General Public?

Opposite is how Kaikōura Lions Club sold themselves to their community and the world. The photo told what they are achieving in Service, their comradeship and they weren't all seen as age-ed and boring. Maybe /hopefully the local blokes will want to be drawn in by osmosis, to know more about that club of great blokes - Lions.

Logos & Brand

Marketing your club is crucial for growing membership. In doing so, it's important to remain consistent with Lions Clubs International branded materials to maintain the brand equity we've built over the last century. This page features all the tools you need to publicize your club's events, updates, recruitment and more while staying true to the Lions International brand.

Just one area of Resources available on this website. Resources, templates, everything you need to jumpstart your club marketing. From service event promotions to new member engagement, use these tools to elevate your club marketing efforts.

Click here to find the website

How to represent the world's premier service organization - Lions International.

Kaikoura Lions Club Facebook Post (sent worldwide.)

We are on a #MissionToGrow Come Join Us.

Please phone: WIII 0274483133 Kevin 0211426882 for a chat WorkinghOurCommunityForOurCommunity TheMoreWeAreTheMoreWeCanDo



Pea Straw sales - a lucrative Lions project!

Ellesmere Lions know how to use Facebook!

'Hi Gardeners. Last week we started carting this season's pea straw. 30 Lions members brought in 3,600 small bales in 3 hours. Great effort men. This year the bales are \$8 each. Send us a 'messenger' with your address, phone number & number of bales and the Lions will deliver them to you with a smile.'

'Another wonderful afternoon of volunteering by Lions. Carted in 2,500 bales into sheds. This will keep the straw dry and ready for sale. Send us a message if you would like to buy some. \$8 per bale delivered to our local area. Lincoln, Tai Tapu, Rolleston, Leeston, Southbridge. All funds raised are used to support local community activities and International causes.' (and I suspect that @ 6,100 bales, they haven't finished yet.)



Tahuna Holiday Park Facebook Post - Richmond Lions

WE CAN each make a difference!

We just wanted to THANK our holiday makers for their efforts to separate out their cans over the festive break to support Starship Children's Hospital via Richmond Lions Club Tasman NZ. The Lions placed two can cages in our Holiday Park late last year and after just two weeks here's how they both looked (since emptied and filled again).



Thanks everyone - a little effort collectively goes a long way.

Celebrate International Women's Day, 8 March, 2024.

The International theme is, "Gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow", recognizing the contribution of women and girls around the world, who are leading the charge on climate change adaptation, mitigation, and response, to build a more sustainable future for all.

The Lions New Voices Initiative, promotes gender parity and diversity and seeks to increase the number of women, young adults and under-represented populations within our association. (LCI resources)

Lions Cancer Shuttle update - Canterbury-West Coast

Hi fellow Lions,

What a tremendous effort you have all achieved in donating to this very worthy cause. Your combined contribution

total of Fifteen Thousand Four hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$15,450.00) is a record amount and has been forwarded to the Cancer Society. As mentioned previously, your club will be given recognition on a poster within the communal Lounge and Laundry at Daffodil House and Daffodil Lodge. There is also a poster inside the shuttle bus.

I look forward to continuing with this worthy fundraiser this year and hope once again your club will consider donating.

On behalf of the Cancer Society many thanks for your generosity

Kind regards Colin Brown (Motueka Lions Club Cancer shuttle bus coordinator)

The Cancer Society's volunteer drivers provide a very important service transporting those with cancer to their hospital appointments and back home again.

"It is a very stressful time for clients, and having a driver helps remove a lot of stress for them. Everyone tries their best to help – the staff at Daffodil House and Daffodil Lodge are always really positive, as are the shuttle drivers and the staff at the hospital. The clients are very good too – they are

always happy to see you and appreciate what you do. It is all about the people," Ernie (one of the drivers.)



Specific Always be specific on what you want to achieve.



Measurable Attach numbers and timeline to that Goal.



Attainable Based on recent research and figures is it achievable?



Relevant Make a timeline that is measurable and challenging.



TimeBound Your Goal has a Deadline.



Across all our Global Causes, we remain committed to serving children and youth. Practically, we improve existing programs through the development of new initiatives that increase impact.

Come and join us at Ngamuwahine Outdoor Education Lodge in Tauranga. Dec.'24 - Jan.'25



Five Weeks in Another Country Together Lions all over the world have created an Exchange programme for young people aged between 17 to 21. This is a cultural exchange where you are home hosted, do not attend school while in your host country. The period of the exchange is four to five weeks during December and January.

LEO Clubs provide young people (12 - 18 years) and young adults (18 - 30 years) with an opportunity for development and contribution individually and collectively – as responsible members of their local, national and international communities.

The contest is for 11- to 13-year-old students – Intermediate & High Schools students, and others, including home schooled students, can enter. Must enter with the support of your local Lions Club. (see also page 15.)

The Lions Clubs of New Zealand offer youth from 16 to 21 years of age (as at 1 December in the year of the competition), the opportunity to participate in first District then National public speaking contest.

For youth aged between 12 and 16years as at 1 September 2024. This year the camp will be in Bethany Park in Kaiteriteri hosted by 202E - 29th September to 5th October 2024. Applications open 1 May close 17 August 2023 For more information contact Morag 202e.vouthexchange@lionsclubs.org.nz

ALL youth can enter this, from kindergartens to community youth groups. Entries close 31st October. Start now, to find a special group of children who have been doing unique activities in their school or community. Further info. Becca 202e.youth@lionsclubs.org.nz

Has your club made your \$100 payment toward the youth activities fund for 2023/2024?

We are a big district in 202e, so with each club contributing \$100 each year toward our youth projects we can keep moving forward. So please help boost these numbers upward to 42 Clubs contributing their \$100 for Lions youth.



Christchurch South Lions - at Camp Quality. Peter, Bronwyn, Tony and Ross helping out at Camp Quality.

(Well done Beavertown Blenheim Lions for supporting this great initiative with your generous donation. I very much enjoy buying there for our garden.)



We are a Garden Centre and Nursery that provides inclusive employment and training opportunities to people with disabilities in Marlborough.



LIONS CLUBS

Leo Clubs

Youth Exchange

International Youth Camp

International Peace Poster

Young Speechmaker Contest

National Youth Camp still awaiting final details for this camp.

202e Environment Contest

Wheels & Wings - yet another Oxford & District Lions Event

"Wheel with Wings" is on today. Come out and enjoy a relaxing day in the country. You can wander around the cars and aircraft or spend time under the trees having lunch and enjoying the easy listening music of our local musicians. Look forward to seeing y'all.'





Hokitika Lions looks back at 2023 - a year to celebrate!

'Our Lions club of Hokitika spent some time reflecting on all the events and projects we were involved in 2023. There were too many to list but we wanted to share some photos of the highlights with our community. We are proud of all that we have accomplished and grateful for the support we have received from our members and community. We hope that these snapshots inspire others to join us and be part of something truly special. More projects and events are already in the planning!!'





Register

mdconvention2024@lionsclu Arvind Raman

19-21 APRIL 2024

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Register

The Hotel where ANZI will be held is: "Prime Plaza Hotel, Sanur, Bali The Promo Code is: ANZI24





Registrations - You can modify or cancel your registration online up to May 1, 2024 with a refund less US\$25 processing fee.



"E Tu" - Hand in Hand This is the theme of the 2024 Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival. The Lions Liaison team attended the Festival AGM - along with the Committee and many local teachers. We were told that this festival is the last primary schools Music Festival of this nature still operating in New Zealand. The Executive team are committed to see it flourish for many more years. We will be putting in our offer of \$10,000 to remain naming rights sponsors. This is YOUR festival, so we are hoping that all Clubs in the area the schools come from will contribute generously so please start thinking of how much your Club can put towards this fantastic project - ideally we would need \$400 or \$500 from each of the relevant Clubs but invite other Clubs to also consider donating. We'll be in touch - Lions Music Festival Liaison team - PDG Marion McWha & VDG Pam Harvey



Glasses Collection - prescription glasses, reading glasses, sunglasses with plastic or metal frames. Children's glasses are especially needed. If you have used eyeglasses that you no longer need, you can donate them now. Our District collection point is: Wigram Lions President Dave Smith, 151 Roydvale Avenue, Christchurch, Dave will organise to get them to Cromwell.



LCIF District Co-ordinator. PDG Malcolm Williams



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

LCIF, just doesn't donate to global disasters, it endeavours to support our 8 Global Causes. When Clubs donate to LCIF, you are requested to enter a code as to the preferred Cause that you wish to support. In the past most have entered DR (Disaster Relief) covering earthquakes,

fire, refugees etc. However as suggested in my previous columns, by placing DCG, LCIF will endeavour to place funding where they consider the most immediate need is. Upon using this code, LCIF will also provide a 15% credit to the District for a recognised project.

The following is a list of our LIONS Global Causes which LCIF supports:

<u>VISION</u>

LCIF helps Lions prevent avoidable blindness and care for the visually impaired.

<u>YOUTH</u>

LCIF improves access to quality education, and positive youth development for young people around the world ie LEOS.

DISASTER RELIEF

Whenever and wherever disaster strikes, Lions are often among the first to offer aid. LCIF empowers those crucial relief efforts.

HUMANATARIAN

Lions identify the world's most crucial needs, and LCIF supports them in their efforts to provide humanitarian aid around the globe.

DIABETES

LCIF is fighting to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for people diagnosed with this disease.

HUNGER

LCIF is on a mission to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.

ENVIRONMENT

LCIF is dedicated to helping Lions take on large-scale projects that will create a sustainable and healthy future for generations to come.

CHILDHOOD CANCER

LCIF is committed to helping cancer patients and their families, and we're constantly exploring new ways to improve quality of life for these children.

Please contact me should you wish further detail.

Malcolm LCIF District Co-ordinator.







Gold \$300

Silver \$150

Bronze \$75



Lions: Be the beacon of hope.

ions Clubs International

Give today and see what we can do. **lionsclubs.org/Donate**



202E – Sea to Shore Convention





REGISTRATION FORMS	Bookings close 29th February. BOOK TODAY !!! https://202e-lionsclubs.nz (to complete an online form) or via the MD website https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/conventions
Venue location Rangitane Cultural Centre	<u>Fell Street, Grovetown</u> . Follow SH1 over the Grove Road bridge, heading towards Picton. After 2 km, opposite the Grovetown Hotel, turn right over the railway line. 40 car park spaces are available. Extra cars can be parked in the empty section beside the venue carpark but this has a slightly uneven surface so proceed with care.
Registration in venue foyer	Friday – open from 4.30 pm – 7 pm. Saturday – open from 7.30 am to 9.30 am
Friday programme Seated by 6pm	<u>Getting to Know You</u> – an informal get together. Bar available from 5pm (cash and eftpos), minimal speeches, a light meal at 6.45pm followed by entertainment and a good old fashion sing - a – long. Bar will be selling wine, beer and non alcoholic drinks. Dress Code: Smart casual
Saturday programme Seated by 8.15am	Official opening, flag ceremony, as well as our AGM. Our key note speaker for the mid morning session is Lance Burdett. Get up to date information on our Skin cancer screening programme and check out the displays of programmes. If you have registered morning tea and lunch are provided. Dress Code: Club T Shirt / Smart casual
Saturday Partners programme 10.15 – 3pm	Leaves from and returns to the venue. Tour activities include a visit to Historic Ugbrooke Country Estate, visit to private vineyard and gardens for lunch, a wine tasting and drive around the Blind River/Saltworks area. Includes morning tea, lunch and all costs.
Saturday evening dinner / dance event 5.30 – 11pm	<u>"Come dine at the Captain's table."</u> Dust off your 'glad rags' from the wardrobe (whatever the era) and glam up for a fun night. Best dressed couple and the best dressed club trophies up for grabs. Cash bar with eftpos available. You may like to use the local taxis / shuttle services. There is no Uber service in Blenheim Dress code: Dress to the theme – any era
Sunday programme	Seated by 9.15 am, the <u>Remembrance and Rededication service</u> and the transfer of flags will precede a brunch at 11 am. A collection will be taken for our District Membership Welfare Fund Dress code: Club T shirts or tidy casual
Raffles	A range of prizes will be available to the lucky winners. Multiple draws. \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5. There is a silent auction also.
Photographs	Taken by local Lions with photographic experience - photos will be uploaded onto the Blenheim Lions facebook page for you to download free of charge.
FURTHER INFORMATION	If you require further information please contact the convention secretary, lan Cameron, <u>202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz</u> or convention chair, Helen Williams, <u>202e.conchair@lionsclubs.org.nz</u> 14

Rowing For Life NZ

Starship

Raising funds for

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Aotearoa N 2023 - 2024

Rowing For Life

sails into District 202E 2nd March (approx.) Akaroa.

'The second stage left Bluff early February 2024, and finishing at Cape Reinga in July 2024. Rowers throughout New Zealand are coming together to participate in this event and ... being supported by two fishing boats for the whole journey. Lions Clubs NZ are arranging meet and greets at beach landings, food, and accommodation where possible fundraising activities in selected areas along the way.

'3,000 kms, 111 legs, 5 months an epic journey dedicated to charity.'

> www.rowingforlifenz Join the Row **Rowing Calendar**



LIONS NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP 2024

Bethany Park, Kaiteriteri - Hosted by 202E - 29th September to 5th October Youth aged 12-16 years as of 1st September 24. (Applications open 1 May close 17 August 2024 - to be determined.)

For more information contact Morag 202e.youthexchange@lionsclubs.org.nz

THE 2024-2025 PEACE POSTER CONTEST "Peace Without Limits"

For peace to be anything more than a possibility, we need to make it a priority.

This year, we're asking our young students to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits.

Peace Poster Kits available now from M.D.

Roadmap to success

2023-2024 Awards mailed to: 2024-2025 District Governor



The Club Excellence Award is the ideal way to set

your club on the path to continued success while gaining prestige for excelling in the areas of membership, service, leadership and organizational excellence, and marketing.

Award qualifications: clubs must meet specific requirements in four categories: Membership, Service, Leadership & Organizational Excellence, and Marketing.

For more information

Glenmark Lions Golf Tournament 2024 and a Camp Qu

and a big Thank you from Camp Quality - the recipients.

What a fantastic day at Scargill for the Glenmark Lions Charity Golf Tournament. A full field with wonderful sponsors supporting our Camp Quality cause.



Motueka Lions have Mini Golf down to a "T" . celebrating at Kaiteriteri.

What a great effort all the volunteers did in running the mini golf kiosk at Kaiteriteri. This being our biggest fund raiser of the year was again successful with your contributing time to this worthy project.



Evaluate and Elevate Your Clubs' Strengths: Click here to start your journey

This tool provided in the <u>Exceeding Expectations resource</u> helps assess your clubs' strengths and identify areas for improvement. This comprehensive tool ensures that your members feel heard and steers your club toward success. By energizing and engaging your members, you can cultivate a vibrant atmosphere ready to convey the club's message to potential recruits.

Exceeding Expectations A club guide to providing positive membership experiences. A Lion's membership experience determines their participation in club meetings and activities. It guides decisions to remain a member from year to year or not. Clubs that regularly assess their meetings, activities, and club culture to determine if the club is meeting the current needs of their members and communities are more likely to provide a positive member experience. This guide has been developed to support the club membership chairperson and/or club officer team. It has been designed to take clubs through an easy assessment process to identify club membership strengths and challenges. **Exceeding Expectations**

(above are just two web pages that I have found - explore - so worthwhile.)



Out & About with our Lions.



Wigram Lions Rae Treloar, Anita Campbell and Alister Scott presented the President of Christchurch Riding for the Disabled with a donation of \$1,099. C.R.D.A. will use this to buy a saddle and tack for their new horse George.



Motueka Lions Club donated \$400 to the community Christmas event. The organisers gave out 120 pantry boxes presented in collected shoe boxes, covered in Christmas wrap with a handwritten card. Frozen veges, butter, cheese and cold ham etc were added on the day.



'Lions Woodend Pegasus members were presented with their milestone chevrons from Zone 5 Chairperson Anne Thorne. Pam Macfarlane (35 years) and John Canton (25 years) received their accolades for a collective 60 years of service to the Lions organisation at the February dinner meeting.'



Ellesmere Lions Two 'Wise' Men - Lions Float in the Leeston Christmas Parade with 2 wise men Neville and Nigel entertaining the crowd.



Rolleston& Districts Lions working at Camp Quality.



Oxford & District Lions and Partners enjoyed a Progressive Dinner to celebrate January.



Picton Lions welcomed Penny as a new member - inducted by DG John.

How Well Does Your Club Use Facebook?



Yet another Amazing International Youth Camp - with Amber Fissenden, sponsored by Kaikōura and Kaikōura Seaward Lions Clubs.

At the end of last year and the beginning of this year I was fortunate enough to attend the Lions international youth camp in Tauranga. The camp went for ten days from the 27th of December to the 6th of January.

The camp was highly engaging and very interesting. We did a number of activities from rafting the Waitomo caves, visiting the Māori village in Rotorua, swimming at Papamoa beach and paint-balling. Unfortunately I had injured myself on the third day at camp by fracturing my foot so I had to miss out on a number of activities. Still while injured I had an amazing time as they never let me get bored and had things for me to do while keeping off my feet.





There were people attending the camp from all over the world and we had a total of 9 countries which included New Zealand, Italy, Brazil, Japan, Germany, India and Australia. There were only 16 campers which made for a small but tight knit group with all of us having a chance to engage and learn about each other's cultures and experiences.

The camp was a lot of fun and very interesting and opened my mind to a lot of different possibilities. I enjoyed playing the games they had lined up for us and enjoyed our welcome ceremony in which we got to see a small part of each others countries. I have gained some life long friends through this camp and connections I would never make anywhere else and I am so grateful to have gone.



Marketing & Communications Calendar

March	1	Lions Day with the United Nations.
	3	Children's Day.
	8	International Women's Day.
	9	District Cabinet via Zoom.
	15-17	District 202E Convention. (have you Registered?)
April	12-14	ALLI - Auckland.
- 1	Month	Leo Awareness month.
	Month	Environmental Awareness month.
	19-21	MD Convention - Hamilton.
	27	Lions world-wide Induction Day.
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Club Workshops

- 3 Omihi Hall 4-8pm May
 - 11 Ferrymead/ Burnside 10-2:30pm
 - 18 Blenheim 10-2:30pm
 - 19 Motueka 10-2:30pm
- June 8 Greymouth 10-2:30pm

Cheviot Lions Very Scenic 4x4 Tour

- has cars lining up to get their name in the vehicle limit.

Cheviot Lions Annual Very Scenic 4x4 Tour 2024.

After a cancellation due to rain and wet tracks to the following Sunday got the Tour away to an ideal day, slightly overcast and not to hot!!!

The numbers were ideal of around 33 vehicles which meant the leading vehicle still in sight of our tail end charlie which is important to keep contact with all participants to ensure all parties are safe!!!

We are indeed very privileged to have access to the four following properties Inverness, Medina, Claverley and Glenstrae, starting just north of Cheviot and ending on the Coast with a magnificent view towards Kaikōura.

Over all we raised around \$2000 which goes towards the main project we have got going at the moment the new Cheviot Helipad.

Marty Black - Cheviot Lion.





Newspaper Stars - Wigram Skies Lions Club have been unsung heroes at Ngā Puna Wai Sports Hub, crucial to the running of many successful events over the years. Giving up their time, this group come together to manage and organise parking logistics for numerous sporting events, including international, national and local sports and community events. Working in collaboration with the Wigram Skies Lions,

Working in collaboration with the Wigram Skies Lions, Wigram Lions and Halswell Lions, Graeme Halliwell has a solid team to ensure a seamless flow of vehicles for those attending each event. In addition to enabling parking for all attending as easy as possible, the funds generated for their service are donated back to the community across various charitable organisations through the Lions club. (edited - well done all.)