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Cabinet Meeting Dates:

Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th May 2024
- Ashburton



DG Garth's Greetings

As I write this, rowers from the "Rowing for Life" team have entered the lower part of our District. Thank you to those clubs and Lions that are helping and assisting the team as they row their way up our District's coastline. Thank you to those Lions who are helping the rowers on the journey arranging accommodation, meals and transport. A special thanks to SVDG Mike Wingfield, GST Coordinator Gerald Burgess and Zone Chairmen Klaus Steiner and Teressa May for the huge effort that they have put into organising the project. Clubs not actively involved with the rowers can support the project by raising funds for the four charities: Lions Clubs Cancer Trust, Surf Lifesaving New Zealand, Child Cancer Foundation and Starship Foundation.

Fundraising can continue until July. Funds raised should initially be banked in your club's Charitable Trust Account and then paid through to the

Lions Clubs New Zealand Charitable Trust Project Account. 03-0162-0110296-003.

Account Name: LCNZCT – Row for Life.

Ref: Lions Club Name, Particulars: Lions Club Number.

The Lions Clubs Cancer Trust has made good progress in raising funds to build the first of its two planned mobile screening units and envisages it will be available for deployment in the South Island in the last quarter of the year. Seventy-two clubs across Multiple District 202 have so far contributed to the Trust. Ten clubs in our District 202J have so far donated. I urge the

remaining clubs to consider donating to this worthy national project.

The Trust's bank account details are **LCCT 03-0674-0280918.**

I note that 40% of our clubs have donated to our Lions Clubs International Foundation and 50% to the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust. If your club has not done so please consider a contribution before 30th June.

Our membership remains relatively static, being 1151 (as of 20 February) which is three less than at the start of the Lions year. New members need to be the focus of us all so as we can serve more people in our communities. Multiple District membership is currently 7912 which is 153 lower than at the same time last year.

Have you registered for "The Diamond on the Plain" District 202J Convention? Details along with the registration form are printed in this edition of J-Times. The Convention Committee will be circulating a newsletter in the coming weeks.

Don't forget the Decorated Cake competition and auction at the Convention. The proceeds from the competition go to our District 202J Child Mobility Fund. I look forward to seeing a greater number of cakes entered this year.

Keep up the good work supporting our communities and in doing so have fun.

Lion Garth

"Lions serve; it's that simple"

Reminder

- ◆ Club board nominations are made in March and elections held in April.
- ◆ Board positions must be reported on MyLCI by 15 May.

Reminder District 202J Convention

Nominations.....

◆ Nomination and seconder for:

- District Governor
- First Vice District Governor
- Second Vice District Governor
- Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust trustee
- International Director



to be received by DG Garth Bateup
before Monday 4 March 2024

Note: District Governor candidates must have been a Vice District Governor in this District.

Eulogies please

- ♣ for recognition of the service of these Lions at our Convention Remembrance Service
- ♣ Send:
 - name & a good quality photo of deceased club members (do not downsize the photo for emailing)
 - accompanied by their eulogies (150 - 200 words)
 - to Cabinet Secretary Graham Edge ASAP (at latest by **Monday 4 March 2024**)

**Incoming emails to any club member are incoming correspondence
- to be taken to your club meetings**

Record incoming & outgoing correspondence in your minutes



Convention Voting.....

- ◆ Clubs must be financial to vote - all annual dues must have been paid in full at least 15 days before the start of Convention. Clubs & voting delegates must be in good standing.
- ◆ Voting delegates must be accredited by the close off time on the morning of the Business Session (6 April 2024).
- ◆ The standard club constitution states:
"... club shall be entitled to send its full quota of delegates to all such conventions and have power to pay the necessary expenses of such delegates attending such conventions. This club shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district ... to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in this club, or major fraction thereof, of this club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held... The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members."
- ◆ Therefore as at 1 March 2024 a club (with members at least a year & a day) of 16 will receive two votes as will one of 24 members, those votes being either the club appointed voting delegates or a club appointed substitute (the alternate) for an appointed delegate who has to withdraw.
- ◆ Any members joining after 28 February 2023 are not counted towards the club's eligible voting numbers.
- ◆ 202J Past International Directors have full delegate status independent of their club's delegate quota
- ◆ PDGs may be selected as delegates by their club but don't have a voting right by separate entitlement.
- ◆ The standard club constitution states:
"Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote of his/her choice for each office to be filled by, and one (1) vote of his/her choice on each question submitted to, the respective convention."
 Therefore, voting decisions are the choice of the voting delegates during the Convention business session, not decided by the club.



MISSION 1.5 

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/mission-to-grow>

Decorated Cake Competition.....

for District 202 J Child Mobility Fund.

2024 theme: "The Diamond on the Plains" or "Diamonds & Denim"

Who can enter?

- ◆ Any Lion or person with a connection to a Lion (friends and family can assist) through a sponsoring Lions club (clubs can sponsor more than one entry)
- ◆ **This is only open to amateur decorators; any professionally decorated cakes are not eligible to be put in for the best decorated cake trophy**
- professionally decorated cakes need to be declared, to make judging fair for all.

When?

Cakes to be displayed at the 5th – 7th April Convention in Ashburton. Voting is done throughout Saturday right up until the auction by placing a gold coin (or notes) in the container supplied for each cake.

How are donations made?

- ◆ Via gold coin (or notes)
- ◆ Via auction: how about clubs donating many \$\$\$\$ as their contribution instead of individuals bidding small amounts? Get permission from your club beforehand for the donation amount.

Suggested cake size?

Approximately the dimensions of a Lions Christmas cake - approx. 8x8 inches / 20 x20cm (you can use a Lions one if you like as the cake is not judged)

Judging?

- ◆ Done on the decoration only, not the cake

Trophies?

- ◆ The decorated cake that gets the highest bid at the auction
- ◆ The money in the pottle (public vote)
- ◆ The entry that the independent judge & District Governor judge as the best decorated cake.



Who doesn't enjoy seeing a nicely decorated cake?

Diamonds in the Plain or Diamonds and Denim – you choose but whatever the topping we want to see your club cake contribution for the annual District Convention CMF Cake Auction.

CMF's focus has strengthened from not only providing support for the Hart Walker but helping young people with other mobility equipment to enable them to be inclusive with their family, friends and peers. This takes financial support and one easy way for clubs to assist is to have a bit of fun decorating a cake, or finding a willing family member or friend to decorate it for you, putting it on display and be part of the banter while it is auctioned on Saturday evening at the Annual District Convention.



CAKE AUCTION: 202J Convention 2024



“The Diamond on the Plains”
Cake Entry details are available in
J-Times, page 6



All cakes will be auctioned off at the Saturday Night Dinner/Dance
We need the support of District clubs to make this a fun event
Come with a mandate from your club so you can bid for a cake

All proceeds from the Cake Auction will go into
the 202J Charitable Trust Mobility Fund.





202J District Convention
5th – 7th April 2024
 Hosted by Lions Club of Ashburton
 Venue: Hotel Ashburton,
 Racecourse Road, Ashburton
REGISTRATION FORM



Note: An online version of this form is available

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click download to be able to type. • Or Print and hand write your details. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Then print, scan, and send to: 202j.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz
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IMPORTANT: Each PERSON must complete a separate registration form (please print clearly)

Surname		First Name	
Club		District	
Lion	Leo	Office Held	
Partner's Surname		First Name	
Postal Address			Post Code
Email			Phone
REGISTRATION AND FUNCTIONS			
	COST(\$)	LION	PARTNER
Convention Registration: Lion (Compulsory/non-refundable)	25.00		N/A
Convention Registration: Non-Lion Partner (Compulsory/non-refundable)	25.00	N/A	
Friday Night Meet & Greet + Supper	10.00		
Saturday Morning tea and lunch	30.00		
Partner's Tour includes Morning tea and lunch	30.00		
Saturday Evening meal, entertainment and live music Theme: Diamonds and Denim	70.00		
Sunday Rededication/Remembrance Service with light lunch	25.00		
Late registration fee (after 22 nd to 29 th March 2024)	20.00		
TOTAL TO PAY \$			
Dietary Requirements			
Gluten Free		Vegetarian	
		Dairy Free	
		Other	?

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT OPTIONS REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 21st March 2024

Payment is by way of Internet Banking please.

NBS Internet Banking

Account Name: Ashburton Lions Convention AC

Details:

Account Number: 03-1354-0644342-00

Particulars: Member's Name; Code: Club Name; Reference: Registration

Date Internet Banking Completed: ___/___/___

___(D/M/Y)

(Registrations will be confirmed once the internet banking is received)

EMAIL: Attach your scanned form and send to: 202j.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz
POST: Registrations, Lions 202J Convention, C/- Graham Smith, 64 Elizabeth Street, Ashburton, 7700

FVDG Derek's Comment

The quiet Christmas break is well gone; the more casual club meetings have morphed into the reality that we are now into service activity mode again. Clubs are gearing up for A&P Shows, rodeos, community-based BBQs, visits to the elderly, cake stalls, visits to other clubs and of course Rowing for Life. I have been somewhat dismayed that clubs not on the coast can find "no relevance" to us as a response to this. Surely a simple row-a-thon or a similar activity at the local school may be a fair call to support the causes this national project is supporting. You have until July to participate.

For myself the journey along the DG pathway has parallels to school pupil and a curriculum, assignments with both self and outside assessments, "homework" to be done for the forums at St Charles at the end of February. I have learned this rough diamond has plenty of edges still to be polished.

The most fantastic comments coming out of bulletins recently relate to coming new member inductions, or at least the number of prospective members in the wings. These newbies are the result of hard work and commitment supported by Lions high community profile.

This quote from the writer H Jackson Brown Jr caught my eyegive it a go!!
Compliment three people every day.

Derek Wardell
V DG MD 202 "J"
Phone: 021 0339 123

Your Club Activity Photo Needed Now.....



- ◆ Submit an A4 sized photo illustrating your Lions participating in a club activity - one photo per club
- ◆ Enter the type of photo that would be suitable for publishing in newspapers / Lion magazine - **a photo that tells a story**
- ◆ **Send to PDG Jules Ellis before 15 March 2024**
micheleandjulian@gmail.com
- ◆ Winning club will be announced at the 202J Convention in Ashburton

This is the District 202J Photographic Competition

Entries needed!



Focus on Zone 3 News

Almost into the 3rd month of 2024 and all groups have hit the ground running with service and social projects. Well done to all. A challenge to all is for everyone to introduce one prospective member! Filling the year with making a positive change in our community.

♣ **Timaru Host:**

Social events, to the lakes, croquet evening, more Cruise Ship Host duties (13 cruise ships with 10 members on each visit), the Train, the Alexander building project, Bio blend again mid to late March, new projects in the wind plus the usual Park Centre crew on Mondays and Foodbank duties.

♣ **Timaru Suburban:**

The Bike Skills Shelter has now been completed and with the street signs finally going up a long-standing project is now coming to a close. Future activities include catering, support for ARHCIE, 2024 Raffle, Children's Day, Meals on Wheels and ongoing Lion Mint sales.

♣ **Waimate:**

Have Catering activities and more coming up. A review of increased meal costs is underway and encouragement to increase club members with a prize to the first two current members who do. Enjoying social outings while serving their community.

♣ **Waimate Whitehorse:**

Social BBQ event and 'A Spud in a Bucket competition'. Interesting results with one participant having a bag of chips in their bucket as the spuds were 'missing in action'. Looking forward to a Club raffle and are in the process of planning other community events.

♣ **Pleasant Point:**

Have continued with the kindling project, Community BBQs, and Pest control program. The club is also supported the Charity Bike ride that occurred in February.

*Teressa May
Zone 3 Chairman*

Dates to Diary

Monday 4 March 2024:

Nominations & seconder to be received by DG Garth for

- District Governor
- First Vice District Governor
- Second Vice District Governor
- Trustee, Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust

Thursday 21 March:

Registrations close for 202J Convention

Friday 5, Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 April:

District 202J Convention
Hotel Ashburton, ASHBURTON

Sunday 30 June:

Young Speechmaker Competition
Fenwick School hall, Oamaru



ARHCIE Trials Report 2023 -Lions Free Rural Health Check

The ARHCIE project was initiated from the Lions Free Rural Health Check project in District 202J (Zone 3) via The Glob Project in 202D (zone 1). Aiming to provide health screening services to rural communities, began in mid-2023, the project held two initial events in Winchester and the Timaru Tongan church, where a total of 82 individuals were screened, with 33 being referred for further medical care.



Subsequent meetings involving Lion Members, local health professionals, and community members discussed the implementation of The Glob concept in South Canterbury, District J, and the wider South Island, addressing staffing, funding, and resource needs. Funding applications were mixed with successful support from the St John Timaru Area Committee.

The project gathered enthusiasm for its community-focused approach, aiming to improve health literacy and provide basic health assessments including heart rate, blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol levels, SpO2, temperature, and mental health screening. Trial events were conducted in Pleasant Point, Geraldine, Timaru, and Milton, screening a total of 238 individuals and identifying various health concerns such as mental health issues, hypertension, diabetes, and others.

Post-trial events review highlighted areas ie; refining roles, enhancing support for measurements & mental health screening, exploring opportunities for collaboration with other health agencies and trainee professionals.

Ongoing plans to support rural screening include expanding health literacy initiatives, establishing an ARHCIE Lions Trust, developing of the website & Facebook page, securing ongoing support from local partners like MTech, Glob Team, Lions Clubs, SmithBio Med, collaborating with the Ministry of Health and Te Whatu Ora, and engaging Lions Clubs across the South Island to replicate the initiative in their communities and a calendar of events that can be attended.

Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ



Follow the rowing & fundraising progress at [Rowing For Life](http://www.rowingforlife.nz) (www.rowingforlife.nz)

Involve the public with your fundraising events. As of 27 February, \$8,780 has been raised of the \$5 million goal



LIONS CLUBS CANCER TRUST (LCCT)

Lions National Mobile Skin Cancer Screening Service

This national Lions project has received a US\$76,000 grant from LCIF. Together with grants and donations already received and a 25% share of fundraising by Rowing for Life the Trust is well placed to proceed with the acquisition and fit out of the first of two planned mobile screening vehicles. Hopefully one clinic can be in operation in late 2024.

Thanks to those clubs and Lions who have already donated and to Rowing for Life. The Trust is still seeking assistance from clubs and Lions in raising further funds to acquire and fit out a second mobile clinic and cover operating costs for both units. It also would like your finding volunteers to help operate and support clinics to be operated by the Service.

*Ken Whitcombe
District 202J LCCT Trustee*

District Opportunities

- ◆ **Cabinet Treasurer – this is an appointed position. The current Treasurer, Meredith Lowe, is stepping down on 30th June. Any Lion interested in this role is asked to contact DG Garth to discuss.**
- ◆ **Second Vice District Governor – no nominations have been received for this position. Any Lion interested in standing for this position at our District Convention is invited to discuss the position with DG Garth.**

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WORK IN PROGRESS**LIONS CLUB RE-REGISTRATION
UNDER THE NEW INCORPORATED
SOCIETIES ACT**

Under the new legislation all incorporated societies need to re-register their Club.

Re-registration is open until April 2026.

Our MD Legal Counsel Alan Knowsley is liaising with a club to pass what he considers are the appropriate changes and then file that as a **test case**.

Once that **test case** has gone through the registration process, he will let all clubs know the wording they will need to adopt for their club constitutions going forward.

Please hold off re-registration until you receive notification from your Multiple District.

A Warm Welcome to New Members.....



Ashburton Pakeke:

Tracey Crawford (sponsor James Martin)

Pleasant Point:

Garth Hurst (Sue Dennis) (sponsor Michael Brosnahan)

202J Administrator

- ◆ If anyone has trouble logging in to MyLCI or MyLion please let Jan Stonyer know, and she can hopefully sort it out. 027 631 3454
- ◆ The New Lion Portal is coming during 2024
 - clubs keep reporting using MyLion and keep MyLCI up to date as usual.
- ◆ There is a tutorial on the Lions website for the new Portal if anyone wishes to check it out.

International President Dr Patti Hill

2023/2024



"We change the world by enriching lives through our service.
We change the world by transforming our communities.
We change the world by working together."



Members Matter Newsletter #2

This is attached to the emailed J-Times.

*A married man's honest confession:
"I always read my wife's horoscope
to see what sort of day I'm going to
have!"*

Zone Meeting Dates

One	TBA	Four	27 May
Two	TBA	Five	29 February
Three	TBA	Six	27 February

Used Hearing Aids & Batteries Collection

Updated details



- ◆ We collect all un-needed fully charged unused batteries (e.g. ones from old hearing aids that don't fit new hearing aids) and old earpieces.



Add un-needed fully charged unused batteries & old hearing aids to your collection of spectacles for delivery to PDG Andy Andrews in Cromwell 57 Horace St, Cromwell (ph: (03) 445 3112 / 021 842 346)



Andy has arranged for a transport company to collect them in Dunedin and if they come to PDG Ella she can arrange for them to get to Cromwell. (Design & Garden Landscapes, 205 St Andrew St, Dunedin).

Oamaru: hearing aids, unused batteries (and spectacles) can also be delivered to SVDG Derek Wardell 7 Girvan St, Oamaru for delivery to Andy.

- ◆ OLD used, flat batteries are safely disposed of through Bay Audiology or Triton Hearing – take your used hearing aid batteries to them.



Mobile Phone Recycling

- ◆ Drop off at 2 degrees, Spark & Vodafone shops for the RE:MOBILE scheme which is accredited by the Ministry for the Environment. Sustainable Coastlines benefits.



Used Spectacles Collection

- ◆ The **Cromwell** Lions clubs have taken over the Ferrymead equipment for eyeglasses. **Do not send spectacles to the Ferrymead Lions Club.**
- ◆ Spectacles can be sent through directly to Lion Andy Andrews, 57 Horace St, Cromwell (ph: 03 445 3112 / 021 842 346) or they can still be delivered to PDG Ella's office and she will organise delivery to Cromwell.
- ◆ Oamaru: There is now a collection point at the Resource Recovery Park on the counter in "The Get Sorted Shop" in Chelmer Street. The container has the Lions emblem on it & all spectacles collected go to Lions.
- ◆ Also collect them from Specsavers and keep doing what clubs have been doing up to now with collecting eyeglasses. PDG Ella will collect them at her office (Design & Garden Landscapes, 205 St Andrew St, Dunedin).
- ◆ The cases in good condition go to Genny Hanning - see page 16



Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids

- ◆ Kidney Kids NZ is a non-profit organisation established in 1990 to support children and their families and whānau with kidney disease and/or urinary tract disorders nationwide.
- ◆ We provide support and information to all children and young adults between the ages of 0-21 who have any type of Kidney or Urinary Tract Disease. Our services include hospital support; home visits; financial assistance; advocacy; youth development; education programmes; community education; events.
- ◆ **Sell your collected aluminium to a recycler:**
Wine bottle tops - remove any wire. Tear tabs, clean crushed aluminium cans, aluminium trays, aluminium cat food containers, tea light candle holders
 - other metals: e.g. **steel** - use a magnet to identify & remove these
 - some medication packaging is not pure aluminium &/or contains plastic - do not include
- ◆ Bank proceeds into:
Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids: 12 - 3114 - 0046019 – 001



Heads Up For Kids/Kantabs contact/drop off:

- ◆ Malcolm Lill: zones 1, 2, 3. (03) 693 7667 or 021 361 380
- ◆ Anne Stratford: zones, 4, 5, 6 021 0247 9803

Keep Your Eye Out!

Recycle old spectacles (without their cases - cases are not needed for the Pacific Islands) by dropping them off to any Specsavers shop. Then select the cases in good condition from the discarded cases for a new fundraising life.

Get them to Genny Hanning at:
Green Island Gallery
194A Main South Road
Green Island Dunedin 9018.

Genny will get a team together to paint or decorate them for sale as trinket or earring boxes with the funds going to worthy Lions' projects.





**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

Next month in April we celebrate Environmental Awareness month, and all Lions worldwide are encouraged to come together and take part in an environmental service project. Such projects could involve planting trees, reducing waste or a clean-up of your local beach or lakefront. Check out the Lions website for other resources to get you started.

Start planning now, involve your local community and don't overlook the possibility of those community helpers who could well become future Lions members. With plenty of publicity for the event on social media, it should help to raise your Club's profile.

Lions Clubs International Foundation offers a wide variety of grant programmes to empower Lions Environmental projects. Check online for various grant options and resources available in the "Grants Tool Kit". Between July 2023 and January 2024 LCIF awarded 15 environmental related grants totaling US\$124,000.

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, combined with the World Bank and UNEP report that:

- ◆ There are 12 million hectares of forests destroyed every year.
- ◆ There are six to seven million premature deaths caused by air pollution annually.
- ◆ There is over a third of all generated waste in the world not safely managed.
- ◆ In 2021, it was estimated 17 million tons of plastic enters our oceans, this projected to double by 2040!

To enable Lions to continue helping to enhance our environment for future generations, we ask that Clubs support our Foundation (LCIF) by donating to our "Empowering Service" causes.

***PDG Les Box QSM
LCIF District Coordinator***

LCIF Presidential Supporter Pins

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/explore-our-foundation/recognition-programs/presidential-lcif-recognition>



Bronze \$NZ75

Silver \$NZ\$150

Gold \$NZ300

- ◆ **Lions Clubs International Foundation: 03 0502 0081103 00**
- ◆ **Please email Les Box at landjbox@outlook.com with the detail of every LCIF banking**



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

MJF or Life Membership Applications

Deposit to:

Westpac, International Assoc of Lions | 03-0502-0081103-00

Code: Recipient's Membership number

Reference: MJF MBR / LIFE MBR

Please donate to LCIF so they can respond to worldwide need.

New Zealand has received more funds from LCIF after natural disasters & in times of crisis than New Zealand contributes to LCIF.

Directories Update (202J & Multiple District)

Change of Address:

Cabinet Secretary Graham Edge

71/25 Charlesworth Drive, Ashburton 7700

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- ◆ Your Zone Chairman:
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 - Zone 2: Richard Coutts (rcoutts5@xtra.co.nz)
 - Zone 3: Teresa May (202j.zone3@lionsclubs.org.nz)
 - Zone 4: Klaus Steiner (klaus.steiner@xtra.co.nz)
 - Zone 5: Yoshi Isoyama (transla@xtra.co.nz)
 - Zone 6: Andrew Lawrence (seeque@hotmail.co.nz)
- ◆ all the other clubs in your zone
- ◆ DG Garth Bateup (garthfb@xtra.co.nz or 202j.dg@lionsclubs.org.nz)
- ◆ 1st VDG Derek Wardell (dwok47@outlook.com)
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- ◆ Lion magazine editor Tony Fawcett (editor@lionsclubs.org.nz)

Update Your Club Bulletin Distribution

- ◆ Update Lions generic email addresses for each Cabinet member so they match their role. Note: some Cabinet members do not use their generic Lions address.
- ◆ **Update your email distribution groups to the current Cabinet members & their current roles.**



Young Speechmaker Competition

This activity is designed to determine the best young speechmaker in New Zealand. The project is co-educational, with contestants 16 to 21 years of age (as at 1 December in the year of the competition).

All applicants must be sponsored by a Lions, Lioness or Leos club and the official entry form must be completed in full.

Entries close for District 202J competition Monday 17th June.

The regional heats will be held in Oamaru Sunday 30th June.

The National Final will be held Saturday 10th August in Wainuiomata.

All Entrance Fees are covered by Sponsoring Lions/Lioness or Leos Clubs, \$125 per entrant.

The first prize is \$2,500 Second \$1,000 Third \$500

- ◆ Contestants will be required to deliver a Prepared Speech of not less than five minutes nor more than six minutes. The topic is at the discretion of the contestant. Penalty points apply for under and over time.
- ◆ An additional Impromptu Speech of not less than 1 minute & not more than two minutes on a topic determined by the judges will also be delivered by each contestant who have one minute to prepare their impromptu speech. Penalty points apply for going over time.

The personal approach to schools is the best method of contact. It's too easy for an email to go to the wrong person, or for someone who does receive it to just ignore/delete it.

Therefore, could you please visit your local schools and speak to the appropriate person, whether that be Head of the English Dept or even the school secretary so the details can be published in the school newsletters; just whatever it takes to get the information to students. And if you can think of any other groups with students in the relevant age group, make contact with them as well. The more widely we spread the word, the better our competition will be, whether that be at District or National level.

For further information on Young Speechmaker please contact:

Jenni Mattingly,

202J Youth Coordinator

mattinglys@outlook.co.nz (03) 455 8201

2024-2025 Peace Poster Contest

The theme is "Peace without Limits"

- ◆ Info at: <https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/services/youth/international-peace-poster-contest>
- ◆ Kits available from 15 January - Every club competition requires a Peace Poster pack. To order yours contact orders@lionsclubs.org.nz.
- ◆ one kit per Lions club
- ◆ Contact schools directly to give schools plenty of time to include it in their activities.

Vote Graham Edge
"Proud to be a Lion"
 202J Candidate for
 International Director



Hi, my name is Graham Edge, and I am seeking Endorsement from the Lions of District 202J For the position of International Director.

I was born and educated in England, coming to NZ with my wife Linda and family 40 years ago. We have two sons and a daughter, plus eight grandchildren who live in Hamilton, Wellington, and Stockport in England. My work life has revolved around the Manufacturing Sector, after serving an apprenticeship, I moved into various management roles including, production, purchasing and administration and the last 15 years at PlaceMakers as a Building Supplies Estimator, I am currently looking to retire next year which would mean I can give all my time to the Role of International Director

Lions Service Club History

I have been a member of the Ashburton Lions Club since August 2002, and have held many positions within the club including, Projects Director, Administration Director, 2nd, and 1st Vice President becoming president in 2007/2008 and have been Club Secretary for the last 7 years.

District Roles

Zone chairman 2009-2010
 Membership 2010-2012
 District Governor 2014-2015
 Cabinet secretary – From 2021

Multiple District Roles

Council Chair 2015-2016
 202J LMLCCT District Trustee – From 2018

Awards & Recognitions

Melvin Jones Fellowship
 LMLCCT Life Membership
 International Presidents Appreciation Certificates
 International Presidents Pride of Excellence Award
 LMLCCT Honoured Membership
 International Presidents Leadership Medal
 District Governor Appreciation Certificates

During my time as Council Chair, I was lucky enough to visit Australia and Indonesia, which gives me a great insight into how the other areas of our constitutional area operate.

I am pleased to have the full support of my wife Linda, and family to fulfil this role. It would be a great honour to be able to be your International Director. I would like to give a big thank you to my wife for all the support she gives me, and I look forward to meeting you all at the Ashburton convention **5th – 7th April** and to working with you all in the future.

PCC Graham Edge
 Cabinet Secretary 202J

Multiple District 202 Vacancies



WE'RE HIRING

Multiple District Vacancies

Applications close on MARCH 20th, 2024.

Open Positions:

- ✓ Council Advisory Board Committee Member
- ✓ MD202 Convention Liaison Officer
- ✓ MD202 Global Service Team Coordinator
- ✓ MD202 Global Membership Team Coordinator
- ✓ MD202 Global Leadership Team Coordinator
- ✓ MD202 Youth Chair
- ✓ MD202 Social Media
- ✓ MD202 Web Administrator

For more information and to apply for the roles, please
visit the below website:



<https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/multiple-district-vacant-positions>



Focus on.....
Coming Lions Club Events
 where your support would be appreciated

Club	Date	Details
All 202J clubs	Ongoing	Rowing for Life Aotearoa: Support needed as the rowers reach your location & travel to locations further north. Fundraising needed: ♦ public events ♦ Personal / club donations
Taieri	Wednesday 8th May	50th Anniversary: An invitation to past members to a celebration during the normal tea meeting - if you know their contact details please pass on this invitation. Those wishing to attend please contact Secretary Ken Spittle. 021 510 8863 balcairn@xtra.co.nz
All 202J clubs	Sunday 30 June start time to be advised	Young Speechmaker Competition: Fenwick School hall, Hull Street, Oamaru

Deadline for the April 2024 issue is 15 March 2024
Please send details to Editor Beryl well in advance.



2024 Marketing & Communications Calendar

Month	Date	Event
March	1st Sunday	Children's Day
	3rd	Lions Day with United Nations (New York)
	8th	International Women's Day

Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ

Thursday 22nd February the rowers arrived in Oamaru after having rowed from Moeraki to Hilderthorpe. The coastal rowing boat was then towed back to Oamaru arriving just around 3pm to a welcome by Lions from the Oamaru area & some of the public.

A mid-afternoon lunch/dinner at Friendly Bay followed, after which the rowers went to their billets for a night's rest.

Friday the 23rd was a very early start to arrive at the harbour by 6am with the departure around 7am. The coastal boat & accompanying IRB were towed back to Hilderthorpe for an 11¹/₂ hour day rowing to get to Timaru as there was no landing access between Oamaru & Timaru, & previous supporting fishing boats with berths were unavailable. The Rowing for Life Facebook page has photos of their departure from Oamaru & arrival at Timaru, plus a video of Hector's dolphins cavorting near the boat. Plus many posts from previous locations. The two boat trailers were driven to Timaru by Waiareka Valley Lions.



*Thursday 22nd February
Arrival in the Oamaru
harbour after being
towed back from
Hilderthorpe.*



Friday 23 February

*Departing Oamaru harbour
- coastal boat & IRB being
towed back to Hilderthorpe
where they finished rowing
the day before.*

MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA



Melbourne 2024

106TH LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



Event Details

Host City . Melbourne Australia

Date Friday 21st June 2024 - Tuesday 25th June 2024

Venue Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre

Registration Link

<https://lionscon.lionsclubs.org/registration-information/individual-registration/>

Registration QRCode



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