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The Rowing For Life NZ crew visited Otago Boys' High School on Monday, 19 February, to talk about their rowing adventure.

Some of the crew pictured with OBHS rowing boys.

Photo: SVDG Mike Wingfield

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Lions Serve; it's that simple



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Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th May 2024

- Ashburton



or my contribution this month I have decided to print the report that I have written for the District Convention.

"It does not take long in any Lions year to come around to the time of our District 202J Convention. This is the time when we gather for our annual meeting and to share what is good about being a Lion or Leo.

Our communities benefit from our service helping groups and individuals in many ways from Toot for Tucker to assist with their daily lives, to assisting young people in their education and activities to become great citizens. Many of our service and fundraising projects are innovative, some are "one off" whilst others are recurring from year to year. Our service extends internationally to assist those throughout the world who are affected by disasters. Through our own Lions Clubs International Foundation, the world's largest humanitarian organisation, we can reach people whose lives are less than our own. Our District has a proud record when it comes to supporting our Foundation. In the 2022/23 Lions year 202J donated \$NZ148,753 or \$NZ128 per Lion to our Foundation. This was by far the highest of any District in MD202. If your club has not donated already this Lions year, please consider doing so.

We cannot continue to serve our communities unless we grow our clubs. Whilst our membership is static this year, we must attract more men and women into our Lions family. At the last Lions Clubs International Convention in Boston Mission 1.5 was launched. The aim is to grow our membership to 1.5 million Lions worldwide by 1st July 2027. For our own Multiple District 202 we have set a goal of 10,000 Lions

by July 2027 – "Mission NZ 10K". In 2013 there were 10,800 Lions in New Zealand, now there are 7757. Our District, in 2013, had 1,300 Lions, now we have 1,153. There are many ways we can work to attract new members, however the personal approach and invitation is still the most effective way.

I had hoped that we could establish two new Leo Clubs during this year, however this is unlikely to happen. With the closing of the Waitaki Boys High School Club this leaves with only the St Kevin's College Club in Oamaru. LEO – Leadership, Experience, Opportunity.

Perhaps, in 2024/25 we can achieve this. PDG Jules and Michele along with Christine and I visited the Club earlier in this Lions year and they planted two trees that we had given them and installed plaques recognizing our years as District Governors.

The Mosgiel District Lions Club closed in June 2023. The Cabinet is of the view that the Mosgiel area should be able to support a Lions Club. With the support of LCI the District has entered the Club rebuilding programme. A small group of Lions led by PDG Ella Butson will commence the process soon.

Between us, VDG Derek, SVDG Mike and I have visited all the 32 Clubs in our District. The visits enable us to meet and interact with members and better understand the excellent work that clubs are doing in their communities.

Thank you to my Cabinet members for the work that you all do to ensure that our District is able to serve the people who live in District 202J."

Garth Bateup District Governor 202J

"Lions Serve; it's that simple·" We are serving a world in need·

FVDG Derek's Musings

he past month has been one of date setting, programme planning and training plans culminating in a high intensity forum style four days in St Charles. Incoming DGs from round the world, their mentors, tutors staff, (about 700) assembled at Q Center St Charles for this event. Q center is a purpose-built conference facility approximately 40 minutes out of Chicago set on 100 acres of parkland, complete with 18 hole golf course, sports fields tennis courts. Accommodation, single compact rooms with own bathrooms and central heating set at 18°C (do not open the windows if temp below

-6°C). The wing I was in, floor five of five, forty-five rooms per floor was one of four accommodation units with a complex total of 1400 rooms. For catering purposes, we were assigned to one of two dining locations. With such a wide range of cultures the food choices were just as varied, all served buffet style, which meant it was so easy to load up a plate with a bit of this and that simply to try from such a variety. Conversing at mealtimes can often be fun in amongst a mouthful of food but add in the fact that your table mate did not speak English nor you their lingo body language becomes a great hilarious alternative.

Dress code was jackets, ties optional (except for the photo shoots), a national uniform, or national dress. The Asian countries certainly have some bright colours, yet white (as a suit or combo) was prominent and many districts certainly have bright polo style outfits.

To organize such a diverse group of Lions we are grouped by our first language. This year NZ was grouped with Australia as an English only group whereas last year Garth's group were a mix of English as either first or second language. Because Lions are in the middle of a three-year membership drive our modules focused on how to develop ideas into new members. There was a big unit on the "how to" set up a new club, or branch.

VIP Fabricio is also keen to reduce the number of drops, his challenge: aim for a 10% reduction in this area. There were some good discussions around retention.

The biggest moment of excitement was the lockdown in response to a tornado warning. The tornado did not come but the 4-hour lightning display was incredible. I slept through the fire alarm in our wing that same night.

My school work is not quite finished as we have yet more online stuff to do and St Charles had a bit as well; by the time I got home and dealt with emails, jet lag, and reports this un-named quote seems very fitting: "Being off-line sometimes gives you peace of mind."

St Charles part two:

With breakfast over the order of the day was an "all-in" morning heads-up to congratulate on the day before and outline the day ahead; for non-English speakers there was a team of translators and headsets.

The classroom sessions that followed this morning jolly-up covered modules designed to give us clues, pathways around personal development/people skills to planning for short and longterm targets, then the actions to achieve them ran until 5pm-ish with smoko and lunch breaks. Module structure was such that our tutors had tutorials of their own so that the training was the same for everybody; no off the tracks teaching. This makes sense. In spite of this prescriptive approach there is plenty of room for districts/zones to be unique in their planning and implementation. Our group certainly showed this at every turn.

To encourage inter-lingual mixing there was a "passport" competition to encourage attendees to gather as many signatures from countries whose first language was not theirs. Of the 13 languages present a person would need 7 to be eligible for entry into a draw. Quite a number of Lions became very competitive to the point

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FVDG Derek's Musings (cont'd)

where conversing groups were hijacked by autograph hunters.

There can be no doubt language is what held groups together and in spite of the passport concept, translation apps for those of us single language our mixing appeared to be "how fast can I pick up a new accent" and boy did the Kiwis have fun with the Aussies!

The most popular, well the only, evening entertainment, karaoke, certainly did not disappoint nor did the appreciation of the assembled crowd. Music is a great medium to aid learning English. The number of second language Lions who sang in English were numerous. A couple of the Europeans sang songs we knew but in their French or German as well as country-specific numbers.

To finish our time in St Charles the NZ team had a 4-hour shopping window. The closest centre was an uber ride of 20 minutes on a "highway". Centre stage was a Wal-Mart, this Kmart/ Warehouse/Briscoes cross was an eye opener not for size nor range but price. Forget trying to convert to NZ\$ just look and say would that item cost that at home (an 84" all mod-con TV US\$899 special at US\$650, NZ\$10,000???)

The flight home was a breeze compared with getting there where border control took more time than the time between connecting flights and I spent 19 hours stuck in San Francisco air terminal. It's a little weird leaving USA 11pm Friday and offloading in Christchurch Sunday 10am. Time in the air 12.5 hours.

For myself the highlights are varied; the learning centre and the members resource centre are invaluable assets; understanding more fully district "J" is not in isolation regarding membership issues; appreciating the prescriptive nature of our eLearning modules do allow individual variations; Zoom is a fantastic tool, but nothing beats the personal/physical interactions of other likeminded souls; I am still the same foot soldier that joined Lions to flip burgers, sell raffles, help kids get to camps, or fund raise for a cause, it's just that I have accepted different challenges.

St Charles was an intensive, full-on few days full of fun, laughter, friendship, but still it was good to get home. The last training component is part of the Melbourne Convention in June.

Cheers,

Derek Wardell FVDG 202,J

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.

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 $5^{th} - 7^{th}$ 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.

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CAKE AUCTION: 202J Convention 2024



"The Diamond on the Plains"
Cake Entry details are available in
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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.





Focus on Global Service Team

202J has been busy this month of March.

Rowing for Life came upon our shores in February and has been a project that some either wanted to commit to or not wanting to know of it. I was very fortunate that Mike Wingfield and the Dunedin clubs jumped on board and helped out in the lower half of J. Klaus in North Otago kept up the momentum also. In the South Canterbury/Mid Canterbury area Teressa May & I kept the rowers busy at three functions. Timaru Suburban and Temuka Lions Clubs I must thank you for your hospitality also.



On another note, Lions and Leos around NZ are encouraged to Participate in EARTH DAY on or around 22nd of April. Each and every club should now know about this. Involve your community in protecting and preserving our planet.

It's not too late to have a sponsor for Berwick Outdoor Experience. Just remember it is open to anyone over the age of 18 years and there is no stopping in age upwards.

Lap the Map. If you or your club have completed this and want to donate you may want to consider the project for ARHCIE.



Payments can be forwarded to Pleasant Point Charitable Trust Account for the help of this worthy cause.

I have been reading many club bulletins and I see everyone has been busy and certainly back into community volunteering since the Christmas period. Well done to you all. There are some awesome projects out there so make sure you report these into LCI and also for club awards coming up at Convention.

Gerald Burgess GST coordinator

Celebrate Earth Day with Service
2024 theme is "Planet vs Plastics" April 22.

Photos & Videos

Multiple District 202 is collecting a national resource of still and video images of club service projects. If your club has any please send them directly to your District Marcom using their generic email 202J.marcom@lionsclubs.org.nz.

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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.

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

Record incoming & outgoing correspondence in your minutes





e are proud of our achievements earlier this year at the South Island Colgate Games and Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ. I witnessed outstanding teamwork led by PDG Brian Grounds and SVDG Mike, and anticipate more collaborative opportunities in the future to enhance public exposure, thus attracting new members more effectively.

- ♣ Dunedin Balmacewen contributed to the annual BRONZ Toy Run and conducts fundraising BBQs. They hosted a membership recruitment meeting and participated in a Games Night in March. Other activities include firewood sales, Trade Me sales, street appeals, and KanTab collections. The telephone book delivery project and the club's 50th-anniversary celebration are forthcoming.
- ♣ Dunedin Host had a meeting with many guests including a couple of prospective future young Lions in an informal setting; held the very successful Magic Show, with the funds donated to Youth Search and Rescue; assisted

- with the Hospice Street Appeal. They also conduct BBQ fundraisers and offer on-demand electric wheelchair loans to members of the public.
- ♣ Dunedin South engaged in the annual Thieves Alley project and donated significantly to various organisations. They excel in scrap metal and appliance recycling, potentially increasing membership soon.
- Otago Peninsula leads in membership retention and serves the community diligently by responding to its needs, such as creating beach toy libraries.
- ♣ Port Chalmers & District completed projects like Community Christmas Carols and anticipates the phone book delivery in April. They actively promote their activities through various media outlets.

Yoshi Isoyama Zone 5 Chairman

Dates to Diary

Friday 5, Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 April:

District 202J Convention Hotel Ashburton, ASHBURTON

Thursday 11 April:

- Last day that MyLion/MyLCI can be accessed.
- Report your 2024/2025 club officers by 11 April if you know who they are.
- Otherwise report your incoming officers as soon as you receive the invitation to access the New Lion Portal from LCI.

Monday 22 April:

EARTH DAY-. Involve your community in protecting and preserving our planet.

Monday 17 June:

Young Speechmaker Competition entries close

Sunday 30 June:

Young Speechmaker Competition Fenwick School hall, Oamaru

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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."





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



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





Geraldine:

Projects have included parking & security at the Orari Races in November, some gardening at the Fresh Choice Supermarket, the Geraldine Multi Challenge, Temuka/Geraldine & Mayfield A&P Shows, five BBQs during March/early April. Ongoing projects include pea straw and linseed straw deliveries. Service activities were marshalling for the Christmas Parade, some firewood stacking, and a free barbeque at the Geraldine Primary School.

Recent guest speaker was Mojo Mathers and our tea meeting was held at The Green Man at Peel Forest. Mojo was a very interesting speaker being rated 5/5 with several members.

Thirty-two people enjoyed social visits to three different properties in the Rangitata Gorge, plus our monthly 'Noggin and Natter' at the Geraldine Village Inn.

Geraldine District Lioness Lions:

Projects included Crafty Stash and Rumage sale, school reunion catering, Christmas raffle and catering for an Orari wedding.

Holding a Quiz Night in May and involved with Orari Gorge Bull Sale.

Service Activities – involved with Gentle Exercise sessions, catered for three funerals, health check assistance at Geraldine Festival, secret Santa distribution, Christmas Parade, Meals on Wheels, Geraldine Community Bus Appreciation evening, knitting for neo-natal unit, Orari Railway information sign.

Sarah Foley-Smith and Ag students from Geraldine High spoke about helping with Cyclone Gabriel recovery. Jenna Chapman from Brainfit spoke about the importance of brain fitness.

Social activities included a monthly coffee morning, Christmas function combined with Geraldine Lions, a picnic in January plus a produce night.

♣ Lake Tekapo:

Involved with woodcutting, food market, tree removal, catering, Christmas cake distribution, and the set-up of the new food caravan. Have the food caravan at the weekly food market Service activities include fence staining at local school, Daffodil Day, trails created at Lake Ohau, will be marshalling and providing general assistance for the April Mackenzie Bike Race & also have the food caravan there.

Guest speakers included Pete Saywell (Simons Pass Dairy Farm), Grant Munro (ultra marathon running), Odette Tocker (Berwick experience), Mackenzie College students talking on the Spirit of Adventure experience, Annie O'Sullivan (Tekapo trails/bespoke bikes) and Richard Stubbs talking on his Tekapo experiences.

Christmas social function held.

♣ Fairlie:

Have been firewood ringing and splitting, planting and caring for plants along walkways.

Ongoing Opihi Gorge track repair and re-opening, walkway maintenance, completed one charity golf tournament with another one in April, carparking at Mackenzie A & P Show, assistance setting up ANZAC Day.

Service activities included a minivan outing for the elderly, New Year's Day parade marshalling, funeral catering & liaison with Otago medical students re rural health needs.

Guest speakers have been Don Pelvin (Military collector and exhibitor) & Vicki Walker talking about her career as a Police Inspector.

Social activities included the Club's 50th Anniversary Dinner, monthly coffee catch-up and Christmas function with Lake Tekapo Club.

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Focus on Zone 2 News (cont'd)

♣ Temuka:

Updated and refurbished of Lions' signs, logos and information about the town. Annual fertiliser drive, pea straw distribution, animal sawdust, started Taumatakaku Stream clean up and beautification. Assisted with Child Cancer Street Appeal.

Service activities – firewood, fertiliser sales, kindling, pinecone picking, and annual Fertiliser Drive. Guest speakers – DG Garth Bateup and Sally Mulvihill talking about her career as a librarian. Social activities – 'Pea, Pie & Pud' at the local Lions' Den.

♣ Temuka District:

held a Christmas Raffle, assisted with Child Cancer & Big Heart street appeals. Reading with children at Temuka Primary School and

St Joseph's School underway,

Projects planned – Preen Winter Fashion Parade in April, the Mothers' Day raffle, and in June a Pink Breakfast.

Service activities include Civil Defence assistance and held a Christmas afternoon tea for the elderly. Social activities included an outing to Frenally Craft and Giftshop, Christmas decoration making at Flowers Inc, Temuka Domain potluck finger food tea, & coming up in April, line dancing.

Richard Coutts Zone 2 Chairman

Multiple District 202 Mission Statement

To empower Lions Clubs in New Zealand and the Islands of the South Pacific, volunteers, and partners to improve health and wellbeing, strengthen communities and support those in need through humanitarian service and grants that impact lives globally and encourage peace and international understanding.



Lions Clubs International Mission Statement

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.

A Warm Welcome to New Members.....

Geraldine:

Neville Carter (Robyn) (sponsor Kjell Madsen)

Milton:

Stewart Quintrell

Timaru Host:

Bryan Radley (Caci) (sponsor Russell Cowles)





LCI will email existing Lion Account users (who must have a unique unshared address) between 15 April - 13 May 2024 inviting users to access the new Lion Portal

- clubs keep reporting using MyLion & keep MyLCI up to date until 11 April
- April 12 and beyond: MyLion, MyLCI and Insights no longer available.
- There are tutorials on the LCI website for the new Portal at Lion Portal - YouTube

Source: LCI email "Lion Portal: Get ready for launch" 21 March 2024

202J Administrator

 If anyone has trouble logging in to MyLCI or MyLion before 11 April please let Jan Stonyer know, and she can hopefully sort it out. 027 631 3454

MyLCI Updating

lub secretaries please ensure that all your club information is up to date, true and correct on MyLCI by 11 April.

To edit members details, go into MyLCI, & select the Edit link to the right of a member's name. Each Lion must have a unique unshared address.

Also update club information such as meeting times/days, venues etc.

"Club Info" is in the pull-down menu within "My Lions Club" on the dark blue strip below the Lions emblem beside MyLCI at the top left of the page. It is essential all this information is up to date as Multiple District 202 & District 202J get all the information for the 2024/2025 directories off MyLCI (Lion Portal once it is accessible) and if it is incorrect there it will be incorrect in the directories!

Updating is ongoing whenever members personal details change (email, address, phone numbers etc) & is essential to be done before you file your club officers for 2024/2025.

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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 FVDG 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

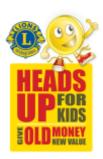
- ◆ The Cromwell Lions clubs have taken over the Ferrymead equipment for eyeglasses. Do not send spectacles to the Ferrymead Lions Club.
- Spectacles can be sent through directly to Lion Andy Andrews, 57 Horace St, Cromwell (ph: 03 445 3112 / 021 842 346) or they can still be delivered to PDG Ella's 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.



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ince 1968 LCIF has funded clubs and Districts throughout the world to help provide humanitarian service. Through LCIF's Matching Grant Programme Lions can provide support for humanitarian initiatives.

One such area of LCIF's humanitarian service, was in partnership with GAVI the vaccine alliance which enabled Lions to procure more than a million doses of measles and rubella vaccines.

LCIF's diverse grant programmes empower Lions to address at risk and vulnerable populations and communities worldwide and carry out humanitarian service addressing unmet health and human needs. Another area is to aid people with disabilities to lead a more independent productive and fulfilling life, by providing facilities and equipment to address specific educational and vocational training needs.

Matching grants also help provide access to improving the provision of medical care to communities which also includes providing equipment for charitable and not for profit medical facilities.

We Serve Humanity

Matching grants can also support projects that address the needs of the at-risk vulnerable populations in communities, such as expanding nursing homes, hospices, facilities for the elderly, food banks, clean water and sanitation installation in developing countries.

As you can see there is a lot of humanitarian work under the umbrella of Lions taking place all around the world. Your club's support is needed for this work to continue. Individual Lions can personally support this work as well by making a donation or purchasing a Presidential Supporters Pin.

To those who have already donated, on behalf of LCIF I thank you for supporting our Foundation.

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 landibox@outlook.com with the detail of every LCIF banking



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



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2024 Marketing & Communications Calendar

Month	Date	Event
April	Month	Leo Club Awareness Month
400	Month	Environmental Awareness Month
	Month	Family & Friends Month
20	29	Lions Worldwide Induction Day

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Club bulletins - Please send your club bulletin to:

- Your Zone Chairman:
 - Zone 1: Rab McDowell (rab.mcdowell@outlook.co.nz)
 - Zone 2: Richard Coutts (rcoutts5@xtra.co.nz)
 - Zone 3: Teressa 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)
- 2nd VDG Mike Wingfield (mblwingfield@gmail.com)
- Cabinet Secretary Graham Edge (202j.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz)
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- Marketing, Communications & Media PDG Christine Stewart (chrisstewart196@gmail.com)
- Youth Activities & Mobility Jenni Mattingly (mattinglys@outlook.co.nz)
- J-Times editor Beryl Naismith (202j.editor@lionsclubs.org.nz)
- 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.

INCORPORATED SOCIETIES RE-REGISTRATION UPDATE

The test case for re-registration has been accepted by the Incorporated Societies.

On March 7th Graham Edge forwarded to clubs an email from Multiple District which had two attachments:

- Club Constitution template for registration of Clubs at Incorporated Societies
- Instructions from MD Legal Counsel Alan Knowsley

Those attachments are also available on the Multiple District website under Members/Resources/Legal.

The main changes to clubs are:

- How members agree to be members.
- The minimum and max number of board members.
- The board being the club's committee.
- The amending procedure.
- The secretary's duties regarding the membership records and being the contact person.
- Information at meetings.
- Annual meeting process.
- Voting procedures.
- Dispute resolution.
- · Conflicts of interest.

Source: Rhonda Kaire, MD202 Secretary



Thank You

I would like to express my appreciation for the love and support the Lions family have shown to me and my family on the very sudden and sad loss of Kevin.

The flowers, messages, cards, baking and attendance at his funeral were of great comfort to us.

PDG Christine Stewart

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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

Multiple District Roles

Zone chairman 2009-2010 Membership 2010-2012 District Governor 2014-2015 Cabinet secretary – From 2021 Council Chair 2015-2016 202J LMLCCT District Trustee – From 2018

Awards & Recognitions

Melvin Jones Fellowship

LMLCCT Honoured Membership

LMLCCT Life Membership

International Presidents Leadership Medal

International Presidents Appreciation Certificates

International Presidents Pride of Excellence Award

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

Berwick Outdoor Experience March 2024 Update



With only two months until we enter camp for the 31st annual BOE course.

- Firstly, many thanks to those who have already registered or offered sponsorship. It sure makes my job easier and less stressful to have this support.
- It is time to give those who are still considering either participating or sponsoring a participant a gentle reminder that time is marching on.
- Participants do need some lead-in time to get themselves sorted to take eight days out of their schedule.

Helen's take on her time at BOE:

This story below was posted by Helen who did BOE in 2016 and is now a member of our admin team.

At the end of my 2016 BOE course, I set a goal to do my first marathon. It was something I always admired others for doing but wondered if I could get myself there. BOE taught me that I can push myself to do things that seem out of my reach if I put in the work and believe in myself. In 2017 I completed my first, and on Saturday my fourth, Motatapu marathon. Not the easiest marathon, but certainly beautiful. As I was running, and walking, on Saturday I thought about the power of our incredible outdoor environments to challenge and invigorate us and to bring out a can-do attitude.

This is just one of the reasons why BOE has enjoyed such success, the use of the outdoors to provide change and teamwork experiences. So don't hesitate to join this year's course, you won't regret it.

It is so cool to hear the stories of past participants of the Berwick Outdoor Experience course. Of course, after 30 years these stories are nothing new, we have heard it so many times in the past.

So, we know that what we offer at BOE works. The aim is not necessarily to turn out athletes or make people elite in any field of endeavor.

Rather it is to give participants a chance to see what they are capable of and the confidence to reach their potential.

As always, the first step on any journey is the hardest one.

We ask you to please encourage someone to take that first step.

Course dates 10th - 18th May 2024

Total cost: \$700.00 including meals, accommodation, and course fees:

Open to anyone 18 years of age and older.

Kevin Moore Coordinator for the BOE committee

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns.



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Youth Exchange

e are on the hunt for some Hosting families throughout New Zealand. The Youth shall be in New Zealand for up to a month so we are looking at being able to host them in a few different areas over the time they are here. Please make contact as soon as possible if anyone is interested in hosting the following four Youth:

- ◆ Louise Trupin from Wavrans Sur L AA, Pas De Calais in France. She is 18 years old. Would like to be in New Zealand from about the 4th July to the end of July.
- ◆ Alberto Masciandaro from Matera, Italy. He is 17 years old. Would like to visit New Zealand between 28th July and 31st August.
- ◆ Angela (nickname Angie)Bambace, is 16 nearly 17 years old from Russi, Ravenna, Italy. Would like to visit New Zealand between July and September.
- ◆ Lorenzo Panozzo is 18 years old and from Villaverla, Italy. Would like to visit New Zealand between 22nd July and 10th September.

We are also aware that we will have a few Japanese Youth coming to New Zealand around August.

Stephanie Jordan MD202 Youth Exchange Chief Coordinator

MD202 New Zealand National Youth Camp

s being held in Kaiteriteri from 29th September to 5th October 2024. Ages 12 - 18 years, \$500. Applications open 1st May 2024.

For more info contact: Stephanie Jordan

MD202 Youth Exchange Chief Coordinator md202.yechiefco@lionsclubs.org.nz

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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 <u>orders@lionsclubs.org.nz</u>.
- one kit per Lions club
- Contact schools directly to give schools plenty of time to include it in their activities.



Rowing for Life Aotearoa NZ



The target is to raise \$5 million for these charities







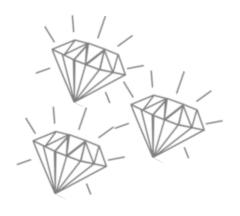




Decorated Cake Competition....

Theme: "The Diamond on the Plains" or "Diamonds & Denim"

Please let PDG Ella Butson know ASAP if you or your club are entering a sparkly decorated cake. Email: ella@designandgarden.co.nz





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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 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 May 2024 issue is 15 April 2024 Please send details to Editor Beryl well in advance.



Zone Meeting Dates

One	TBA	Four	27 May
Two	TBA	Five	27 June
Three	TBA	Six	TBA

