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202E District Bulletin

D.G. Pam Harvey

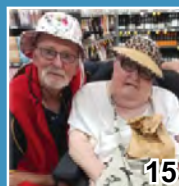
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Club: Amberley District



Ellesmere Lions - Waitātari Hart's creek walkway has re-opened, after hours of hard mahi from these gentlemen.

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Following the Conventions:

I have written and spoken before about how much I enjoy **visiting clubs around the district** to see the variety of ways clubs are responding to the needs of their communities. But just as much, I have been pleased to be invited to **other Districts' Conventions**. I take seriously the opportunity to represent 202e District (that's all of you) in another district and, in the process, learn about even more really **worthwhile activities and projects** being undertaken by Lions throughout our Multiple Districts (New Zealand and the Pacific Islands).

It's a great opportunity, too, to discuss with fellow District Governors the **sort of issues that are arising** in our separate districts and look for common solutions to some of those issues.

One of the biggest issues at the moment, for example, is **finding members to take on roles** at club level (Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries, Marcoms, Membership Chairs, Project Leaders, etc), as this is the time when roles continue on or change. The whole idea in any volunteer organisation is to **change those personnel regularly**, so that the load is shared and does not fall on the same person or people all the time. The ideal is to have each person in the club taking on **at least one area of responsibility**, however small that might be – that way **everyone has an investment** in the running of the club and knows that they are playing a part in making a difference in their community.

The same applies **at District level** – there are still roles to be taken on this coming year (ask District Governor Elect Bernie Walls), including the role of **Second Vice District Governor**, to work as part of the District Governor team and form a "line of succession" in leadership.

So if you can see someone in your club that you think would be good as a leader of some sort, **Just Ask** them to be nominated. And if you yourself are asked or nominated, please think seriously about it – there are **lots of ways we can serve as Lions**, so grab the opportunity when it comes up.

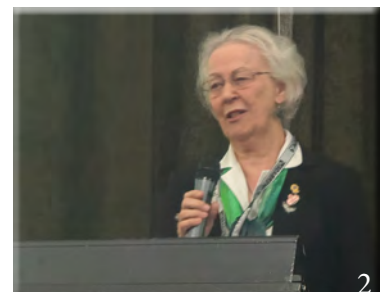
These roles in clubs are **not meant to be onerous**, and you don't need to be an "expert" to take one of them on – no-one comes "ready-made" for their role.

That's why we have **training available for all roles** within Lions. Elsewhere in this Bulletin, you will see the invitation to one of our **Club Leaders' Workshops** being held around the district so that there will one close enough for everyone to get to.

These workshops are **informal and interactive**, and they are a great way to hear shared ideas about the possibilities within each role – (Vice) President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership person, Marketing person, Director, Projects Leader, etc.

So if you are a new, or continuing, club leader in this coming Lions year, come to a Workshop near you and be **energised, inspired, revitalised!!**

Pam



Congratulations
DG Pam, we are all so proud and
will be following your Lions
journey in 2025 - 2026
C.C.E Pam Harvey

Our incoming District Governors for our 2025 - 2026 Lions Year.
DGE Bernie Walls OUR incoming District Governor
with DG Pam Harvey who is Council Chair Elect.
Council Chair Pam Harvey has a great ring to it.
Congratulations Pam.



Lions International

ALERT:PLEASE CHECK YOUR RECORDS

Dear Lion Leo,

We received a donation from New Zealand on 4/3/25 in the amount of \$350 NZD with no specific donor information. Would you mind reaching out to the District or local clubs to see if we could get that missing info? We have no idea who made the donation and want to ensure the proper club or district gets the credit for it.

Warm Regards,
Huma Razvi

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SELWYN LIONS CLUB



We Serve



DG Pam



VDG Bernie



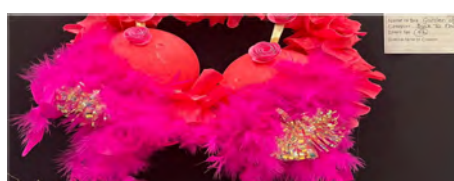
2VDG Alastair



Secretary Ian



Treasurer Ian



Selwyn Lions - an amazingly busy Club in Service - from Toot4Tucker, Poppy Bombs, Cuddle Hearts, Bizarre Bras, Youth Speech Contest, ANZAC and St Johns support, Vests for school pupils, Design & Desserts ... just to name just a few of their Service projects. Fun and Fellowship is the centre of this Club, with camaraderie and shared experiences playing a central role in fostering strong bonds between these members.



Since the Convention in Hanmer, I have been busy concentrating on preparing for the Multiple Districts Convention in New Plymouth. And by the time you have read this, that also would have happened. So, this will be old news.

It is nice to see everything falling into place. I have a checklist of items to complete prior to 30th June and only 8 to go.

Julie and I depart for Orlando on the 2nd of July for a bit of a holiday before the Convention starts on the 13th of July. I have day 4 of my training on the 12th.

Be on the lookout for the Club Officer Workshops coming your way soon. It will be great to see you there and share your ideas.

Thank you again everyone for your support and confidence in electing me as your next District Governor. It is indeed a great honour to lead this district and its hard-working members who really care about making a difference.

In the coming year, my focus will be on strengthening our service impact, fostering leadership development, and enhancing our membership experience. We will do this with unity and respect for each other, resulting in a culture of togetherness.

Bernie



As it has only been two weeks since our convention and I have spent a lot of time reporting recently I have nothing further to report. I am reminded of Cohen's Law on reporting which states:

The more time we spend reporting on what we are doing the less time we have to do anything. Stability is achieved when we spend all our time doing nothing but reporting on the nothing we are doing.

Cohen was a realist, so he wrote the following antithesis:

It is important that we spend some time reporting on what we are doing in order to know how we are doing. Perfection in knowing how we are doing can only be achieved when we are doing nothing – and then it's not important that we know.

This month is 'elections' month so every club is looking at some changes to their Boards. Now is a good time to possibly be looking a bit higher and identifying suitable and likely candidates for District Cabinet Roles. You'd be surprised just how much fun it is once the hard yakka is done. They are a nice bunch of people to work and socialize with.

That's it from me – ka kite anō au i a koutou

Alastair



GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

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What a Convention - And the Skin Cancer bus launch!

Zone Chair training is on Sunday 18th May, the day after the Cabinet meeting in Christchurch, Redwood Hotel.

Richard Norris will be the facilitator.

Apart from all the Zone Chairs, no matter if they are the chair for the second year, this training is perfect for all who are new to cabinet in the next Lions' year.

Club Officers' Workshops



Where and When?

Blenheim Saturday May 24th - Alzheimer's Room, (10.00am - 2.30pm)
8 Wither Road, Witherlea, Blenheim 7201.

Appleby Sunday May 25th - Appleby School Hall, (10.00am - 2.30pm)
19 Moutere Highway, Appleby 7081 (West of Richmond).

Cheviot Friday June 6th - Cheviot Trust Hotel, (4.00pm - 8.30pm)
43 Hall Street, Cheviot 7310.

Christchurch - Ferrymead Saturday June 7th - Ferrymead Lions Den,
(10.00am - 2.30pm)

Heritage Park, Trustcotts Road, Ferrymead, Christchurch 8022

Greymouth Saturday June 14th - Karoro Bowling Club, (10.00am - 2.30pm)
4 Shelley Street, Greymouth 7802

Each workshop includes a light top-up meal part-way through



Who's coming from your club?

Please RSVP ASAP to wallsfour00@gmail.com and
tinilawry@icloud.com

(copy emailed out to all members 22/4/2025)

Have a great month Tini

GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM

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National Volunteer Week is 15 to 21 June. This is a time to celebrate and promote volunteering throughout New Zealand. Also in June is World Environment Day which is on 5 June - the theme this year is putting an end to plastic pollution. One of our global causes is to find ways to protect the environment.

The District Global Action Team would like to encourage all clubs to think about what environment project they could undertake in June. This could be a clean up of a beach, river, reserve, town centre or any other environment focused project. Please choose a date, start time and finish time that suits your club.

A recent Volunteering New Zealand survey uncovered that 25% of people nationally stated that they did not volunteer with an organisation either because they had not been asked to do so or because they did not know how to get involved. An environment project is a great way to get people involved and potentially find new members for your club.

Think about how you could attract people to volunteer their time to assist with your environment project. The event could be promoted using social media, local newspapers, community radio, community groups such as residents' associations, Conservation Volunteers New Zealand, school newsletters, and community notice boards in libraries, supermarkets etc. You might want to approach large local businesses to see if their staff want to help. Many businesses are community minded and provide their staff with time off for volunteering. It is up to each club to decide how much and what type of marketing they want to undertake.

Marketing should commence 3-4 weeks before the event. I recommend including an RSVP to a person in your club. This will give you an indication of how many people are likely to assist. If your environment project needs to be postponed due to adverse weather, you can contact everyone who sent an RSVP. Obtaining contact details also provides a data base of volunteers. This can be used to advise people of future projects your club would like help with. You could run a free BBQ or provide a coffee at the end of your environment project. This is a great way to thank volunteers, tell them about Lions and invite them to upcoming projects or a club meeting.

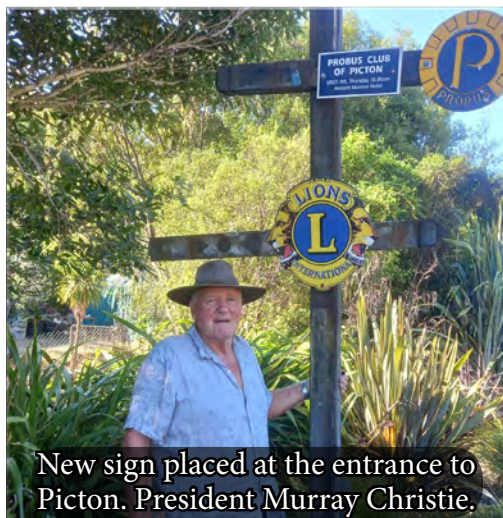
There is likely to be a lot of advertising building up to National Volunteer Week including a national social media campaign run by Lions at Multiple District level. We want Lions to be top of mind as people think about who they want to volunteer for. Please contact me if anyone wants help organising or promoting an environment project.

(copy emailed out to all members 22/4/2025)

Take care Neil

Picton Lions Club - The Masters of Service!

'What started back in January, the Picton Lions Club Car Show - 'Whats in the Shed' has benefited Picton School Duffy Books Reading programme by \$3,000. Joined by the esteemed former Silver Fern Linda Vagana to hand out the books to well deserving pupils. Picton Lions Club members Michael Dolan and Joe Larrington were on hand to help out. This is an acknowledgement to the many businesses and individuals that support us. Thank you from Picton Lions Club.'



New sign placed at the entrance to Picton. President Murray Christie.



Supper meeting with DG Pam and Zone Chair Christine.



Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival

November 4th - 7th 2025

2025 Theme -
Whanau - Friends & Family.



Attention all Clubs in Zones 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

The Lions of 202E have once again been invited to be the Naming Rights sponsors for the 2025 Festival, to be held in the Christchurch Town Hall from 4th to 7th November. To do this, we have to raise \$10,000 in sponsorship fees, for which our District Treasurer has already received an invoice, Most of your local schools will be involved so this is your great opportunity to put your Club name out there through publicity. We also need your financial contribution, which is estimated to be about \$400 - \$500 per Club. As you near the end of our financial year, please consider making your donation as soon as possible, to 202E District Treasurer, remembering to state your Club name, and that the donation is for the Music Festival. I would also appreciate being advised of your donation - at ian.marion@xtra.co.nz - not the address listed in the directory.

PDG Marion McWha - and the Liaison team

Pride of Lions in Bangkok (2008)

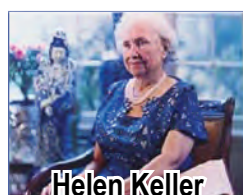
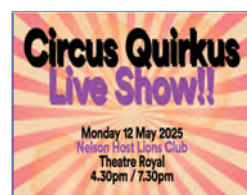


WHEN Marion McWha touched down on foreign soil it was to represent New Zealand at an international Lions convention. The retired schoolteacher travelled to Bangkok with her husband Ian and 37 other representatives from Lions clubs around the country to attend the 91st international convention early this month. Mrs McWha, a member of the Wigram Lions Club, said it was the twelve convention she had attended. Around 30,000 Lions members from around the world met for the annual AGM, where a new international president was elected. Mrs McWha has had a lengthy involvement with the Lions after her husband first joined 35 years ago (52 now). Back then, women could not be Lions so a Lioness club was formed, which she joined. Later she joined the Riccarton Lions club and became a member of the district cabinet, which she governed in 2006 - 2007. Now at her Club, she helps recruit new members through her job as "tail twister". Mrs McWha said the couple's lengthy involvement with Lions had lead them to travel all over the world, including America, Australia and Hong Kong. "We just love it," she said. "It's what you can get out of it, like friends from all over the world and what you can give back."



above Sheila Pollitt, from Nelson and Wigram Lion Marion McWha at the Lions convention in Thailand.

(Since this newspaper article, PDG Marion has again been Club President and is actively involved in the growth of her Club, as well as Lions School Music Festival and many other Christchurch Host Lions projects.)

Our Lions Calendar



May	12	Circus Quirkus - Nelson Host Lions
	15	REPORT Officers to LCI
	16	Pink Shirt Day
	16	General Knowledge Quiz - Cheviot Lions
	16 - 18	Cabinet Meeting - Christchurch
	Month	Strengthen Membership month
	24	Officers Workshop, Blenheim
	25	Officers Workshop, Appleby (Nelson)

June	5	World Environment Day	
	6	Officers Workshop, Cheviot	
	7	Officers Workshop, Ferrymead	
	14	Officers Workshop, Greymouth	
	14	Lions Young Speechmaker Contest 202E	
	15 - 21	National Volunteer Week	
	27	Helen Keller Day (100 years)	

July	1	New Lions Year
	13 - 17	LCI Convention - Orlando, Florida
August	1	Kindness Matters Service opens
	2	MD Young Speechmaker final - N.P.
	12	International Youth Day
September	30	NZ Cancer Daffodil Day
	Month	NZ Childhood Cancer Awareness
	5 - 7	ANZI Pacific Forum - Gold Coast
	19 - 25	Keep NZ Beautiful - Clean Up Week

Lions Clubs International.

To know more about a District arranged event contact your Zone Chair.

To know more about a Club event - contact the Club Secretary.

To have your project in our Calendar contact me L.k592@xtra.co.nz

Where there's a need, there's a Lion – when our membership grows, our communities grow.

Our service strengthens. Our future brightens. The Global Membership Approach provides a process and resources for districts to achieve this growth. By combining the strategies of the Global Membership Approach, MISSION 1.5 and our district goals process, we can take our membership growth to new heights and fortify our clubs, districts and multiple districts.

Renew, Revitalise & Retain.

WE ARE ON A MISSION TO GROW

LCI	1,500,000
202	10,000
202E	1,500

MISSION 1.5 is the drive to reach 1.5 million members worldwide on July 1, 2027, so we can better meet the growing needs of our communities and serve more people than ever before.

Global Membership Approach
The Global Membership Approach equips districts to develop membership through a strategic process focused on rejuvenating districts with new clubs, revitalizing clubs with new members and re-motivating existing members with fellowship and exciting service.

District Goals
District goals provide districts with the opportunity to create goals and action plans that are directly tailored to each district's annual priorities. Action plans to support MISSION 1.5 targets will be submitted through the district goals process.



WELCOME to our NEW LIONS



MEMBER

1. Robyn Elliott
2. Sarah Thompson
3. Helen Riden
4. Adrienne Hill
5. Howard Hill
6. Simranjeet Singh
7. Alan McCorkindale
8. Tom Spooner
9. Ray Grigg

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Glenmark
Malvern

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OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

MEMBER

Kevin Wilkey
Ross Fowler

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SERVICE YEARS

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July 13-17, 2025



A Magical City



Convention Calendar



Program of Events

[MORE INFO. HERE](#)



Starts in 128 days - will you be there?

[MORE INFO. HERE](#)



Rangiora High School Leos induction of five new members. Another five to be inducted after the holidays, bringing the membership to 26. 'We wish you guys luck on your Leo journey!'
(well done to this Leo Club, to have students wanting to do Service, has something also to do with the facilitator's enthusiasm.)

Interesting Club Bulletin Snippets.

Wigram Lions President Debbie

Toni, Alister S and myself attended a workshop at the Lion's Den in Burnside on Revive, Revitalize your club. A good turnout from many clubs. Some "key" points raised were:

- Do clubs need a "social member" committee
- Snapchat, fb, instagram accounts
- Replacing We Serve with Community Impact through Volunteering
- Be "flexible" with members
- What can your club offer prospective members
- Engaging with other clubs for projects

NZ Lions engaged a marketing company "Homegrown" to investigate ways in which to promote Lions and design promotional material of which their results, advertising campaign strategies will be available soon (no dates were given at this workshop).

We all enjoyed the workshop and I encourage other members when workshops are on offer to attend.

... Convention feedback - President Digby Chch. Host

In summary the venue was good, The attendees enthused aside from a disproportionate number with greying heads., Hanmer Springs was at it's Autumn best and the town was crowded with three events drawing their own crowds. The focus was a great reminder that Lions have a real role in their communities and Lions locally and internationally make a difference.

... and Glenmark Lions Bulletin Editor Trevor

The 202e District Convention was held in the picturesque setting of Hanmer Springs from 28–30 March, bringing together over 170 Lions members from across the district. Themed "The Hills are Alive...", the event was hosted by DG Pam Harvey, with organisation led by the Zone 4 Clubs and Pam's own Amberley Lions. One of the stand out moments was the official launch of the Lions Cancer Screening Bus, which was celebrated with much fanfare. Over 20 screenings were completed on the day, with around a third of participants referred on for further checks—a powerful reminder of the difference this project will make. A special acknowledgement must go to our very own Mandy and Paul Burrows, along with Jack and Jan Chisnall, for representing Glenmark Lions so well at the convention. A heartfelt thank you to Mandy in particular, who took on the role of Convention Secretary—her organisation, commitment, and passion for the Lions cause was evident throughout the weekend. As the saying goes, you only get back what you put in - and we're certain both of these couples have come away richer for the experience.

Overall, it was a memorable and meaningful weekend of fellowship, celebration, and reflection—one that truly captured the heart of Lions service.



The Event Chiefs!

Seddon Lions Club 4x4 trek through stunning hill country around Kekerengu and Clarence.

- Highest peak climbed was just short of 600 metres
- Travelled approx 50 km off road.
- Travelled through 9 different properties.
- Approx 75 4x4 vehicles.

Thank you to the land owners for allowing access through the farms and a special thank you to the Seddon Lions Club for the planning and organising of a wonderful event.

SEDDON LIONS '4WD' 'E-BIKE RIDE TO THE LIGHT'



Seddon Lions Club 'e-bike ride to the light.'
(40'ish km there and return). Biking through private farmland on grass and gravel tracks, grade 2/3 with a few small steeper sections. Lunch stop at Cape Campbell light house before returning to the start on Beach Rd, Ward. (Approx 100 e-bikes)
Special thanks to the land owners, sponsors and Seddon Lions for making the event possible. Awesome meal supplied by the Seddon lions magnificent.
(memories of this brilliant, but challenging ride!)



202E - CELEBRATING WOMEN IN OUR LIONS PRIDE

Women Lions, Walk the Walk - This month we celebrate the achievements of, and contributions by, just two of our women and reactions of others in Lions Clubs International - 202E.



Alison Taylor

A Kaikoura Seaward Lion.

Secretary

Club Bulletin Editor

People ask why I became a Lion. I joined in 2000 to meet new people, thanks to my friend Polly. In the Lions Club of Papaoeia, Palmerston North, I found a group dedicated to helping the community by cutting firewood, picking up pinecones, catering for events, and having fun together. In short, I found a tribe, or should it be a pride, to which I could belong.

When I moved to Kaikoura, I quickly searched for another club and found two Lions clubs, one for men and one for women. The Lions Club of Kaikoura Seaward welcomed me, and it was wonderful to join others committed to community service. Being a Lion has taught me that teamwork can accomplish great things. I've taken on roles I never imagined, organised events successfully, and gained experience and personal growth through leadership positions. I've been club president three times, edited the club's monthly bulletin now and many times over the years, and have recently taken on the role of secretary.

None of my achievements were done alone. In Lions, members always support each other. I've received help from experienced members who encourage everyone to try new roles. That's the essence of a community.



Christine Hoggart

**A Beavertown
Blenheim Lion**

Zone 3 Chair

Leos Advisor

My first contact with Lions was in 2002 when I had my car stolen, and the president of Akaroa Lions asked me for a list of the school's cooking gear that was in my boot so they could replace it. He said that was the kind of thing the club did.

After we moved to Foxton three years later, I was invited to a meeting of the Foxton Te Awahau Lions by a lovely lady at Westpac bank. I felt honoured as I believed Lion's clubs to be something special, and shortly after became a member.

I took on the position of chairperson from 2008 - 2010. Club board members and the chairperson of Foxton Lions (an all-male club) helped me to navigate my way through Zone meetings and other responsibilities that went with the job. Projects included manning the gates at the annual Easter fair and Breakfast with Santa. We often went on social outings as a club, and I formed some lasting friendships. A move to Blenheim in 2016 meant a transfer to Beavertown Lions where I was Chairperson of the club after the first Covid outbreak. The way we did things had to change radically. Since 2021 I have been Zone 3 Chair, and I have recently become a Leos Advisor.

Lions is an organisation where members are given multiple opportunity to learn, and I have benefited from this. Lions can, and do, great things. We need to let our light shine brightly so others can see!

Why did you become a Lion?

"To join with other women, involved in events and projects while also having fun"

Why did you become a Lion?

"I joined to work with other like minded women to improve the lives of others."

Why did you become a Lion?

"I joined to help make a difference."

Why did you become a Lion?

"I was very aware of the need for volunteers to help those less fortunate, and I saw Lions as fulfilling that need."

Has Lions met your expectations?

"And more! I have been given the opportunities to grow in leadership, meeting like minded women who are making a difference."

Has Lions been what you had hoped?

"Absolutely, I have been able to volunteer doing fun projects with other amazing women, knowing that I am helping make others lives better"

Would you encourage other women to join?

"In a heartbeat, I am already working on bringing in my friends. Being a Lion has helped me grow as a person, while working in our community and beyond, to make an impact on the lives of others."

Has becoming a Lion been a good decision?

"Yes - working with other women with the same expectations, in some great and rewarding projects."



Fabrício Oliveira

International President
Paraíba, Brazil



Our Causes



Youth

“Make Your Mark” is the inspiring theme of Lions International President Fabrício Oliveira this year! It's a powerful reminder that every act of kindness, every hour of service, and every connection we make leaves a lasting impact on our communities and the world.

Dear Lion,

As Lions, the service we bring to others begins at home, right in our own communities. Whether it's running a local food drive or providing clean water, Lions see a need and we meet it.

No one knows your community like you do, so what else does your community need? Can you bring in new Lions to help you do even more?

Remember, your service will not only improve your local communities, it can also inspire others to join you. Be sure to keep inviting new members, initiating new projects and finding new ways to make your mark.

At your service,

Fabrício Oliveira International President

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DISTRICT BULLETIN -

If you have great photos, an amazing story to tell of your Club's achievements, please let us know so that everyone will see and hopefully use these ideas.

Let me know it's coming by the 12th
& to me by the 18th.

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UPCOMING CONVENTION DATES International

Orlando, Florida, USA	13 - 17 July 2025
Hong Kong	3 - 7 July 2026
Washington, DC, USA	2 - 6 July 2027
Singapore	23 - 27 June 2028

OUR LEADERS

(2024 - 2025)

LIONS INTERNATIONAL



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International President



A. P. Singh
India
1st V. President



Mark Lyon
U.S.A.
2nd V. President



Dr. Manoj Shah
Kenya
3rd V. President



Child Cancer



Environment



Hunger



Disaster Relief



Vision



Humanitarian Efforts



Diabetes



LCIF District Co-ordinator. PDG Malcolm Williams



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Firstly and on behalf of LCIF, our Congratulations to PDG Paul O'Connor and his Team on the recent 'unveiling' of the Mobile Skin Cancer Research bus, which was welcomed at the District's Cabinet meeting at Hanmer Springs in March.

LCIF are pleased to have contributed in excess of NZD100,000 towards the cost of this vehicle.

District E have another funding application in the pipeline, that being the supply of 3 water tanks in the Wakefield, Nelson area for emergency and especially for fire fighting use.

Whilst LCIF on going seeks funding from our Clubs- they also continue to provide valuable monies to assist in Lions based community projects.

Clubs are invited to identify where Lions can assist within their communities with support of LCIF funding. In several recent projects, initial monies have been sought from our Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust, with LCIF also contributing.

For the financial year ended 30/6/24, our Constitutional Area received grants of USD543, 848 –albeit the smallest contribution made amongst out 8 Constitutional Areas.

A copy of LCIF's financial reports for the year ended 30/6/24 is available on line to view the balance sheet and Area grants and income donated.

Finally, and with only 3 months before our financial years ends, our District has only donated USD13377 of our Goal of USD30400. This is no doubt reflective in that less than 50% of our Clubs have donated towards our International Humanitarian Trust.

To the Clubs who haven't PLEASE consider a contribution.
thank you.

Malcolm District LCIF Co-ordinator.

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Floods in Congo



Marketing and Communication

MARCOM

PCC Helen Williams

Just a reminder that Marketing chair is a board officer and if not elected can be appointed by the Board. Should also be recorded on the portal.

Helen

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Lions, Leos & Cubs celebrating **SERVICE**



Lions Alison, Daphne and Toni manning the exhibit of Kaikoura Seaward Lions, supporting the Seniors Expo.



MBC Leos begin the year with a BBQ at Bunnings raising \$400 for local charities. Great mahi Leos !



Blenheim Lion Norm Joy & I take Jocelyn on her weekly outing of shopping/lunch & walk. Jocelyn enjoyed her long awaited outing & is looking to next week's adventure. *(Amazing service project - it can be so lonely for those in homes/ villages, with perhaps no families. Thanks Norm and Joy for your kindness, Jocelyn must cherish those outings and your wonderful company.)*



Havelock Lions Club fulfilling its contact in Mussel Festival Corporate tent. Katie Roeske, Rich Morriss and Brian Cameron look happy in their duty behind the bar.



Ellesmere Lions - Waitātari Hart's creek walkway has re-opened. Over summer members of the Ellesmere Lions club who have partnered with local businesses' have cleared away old fencing, and realigned the approximately 1.5km long existing track. 15

Young Speechmaker Contest



The Lions Clubs of New Zealand offer youth from 16 to 21 years of age (as at 15 November in the year of the competition) the opportunity to participate in a national public speaking contest.

Entry is free to the contestants and open to the public through your local Lions Club. Generally, there will be at least a district contest with the winner/s coming forward to the National Final held in August each year.

This year, the 202E District Final - 14th June.

MD Final will be held in New Plymouth on August 2nd. (source: Lions NZ Young Speechmaker Contest)

International Youth Day is an awareness day, designated by the United Nations that takes place on August 12. The purpose of the day is to draw attention to youth issues - cultural and legal to the international community and celebrate the potential of youth as partners in today's global society. The first IYD was observed on 12 August 2000 - and celebrated annually.

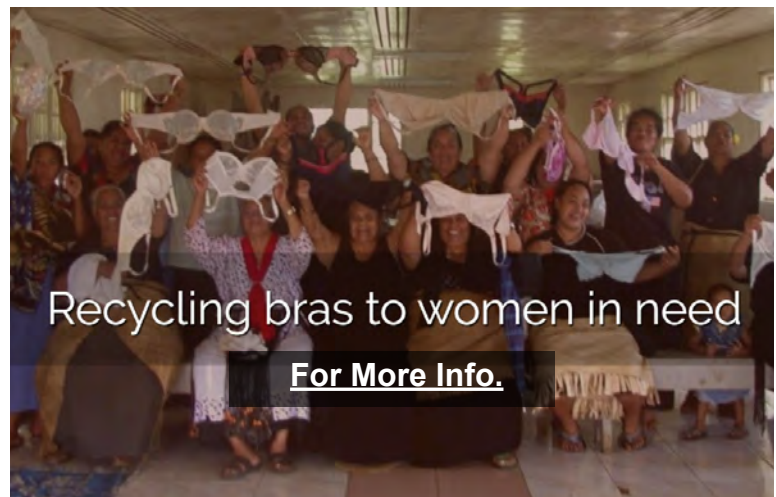
September (Mahuru) is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, a time to raise awareness and support for tamariki (children) and their families facing childhood cancer, with events like Wig Wednesday and the Child Cancer Foundation's Street Appeal. Wear gold or a gold ribbon during September to show your support.

Convention Raffle Results

- 1st Prize: Kaikoura package: Ticket 163 Tony Gibling
- 2nd Prize: Hawarden package: Ticket 533 Tony Flint
- 3rd Prize: Cheviot package: Ticket 395 Woodend Pegasus Club
- 4th Prize: Pizza Oven: Ticket 120 Sheila Pollitt
- 5th Prize: Cube BBQ Ticket 34 M. Satterthwaite

Every community has a different need.

And where there's a need, there's a Lion. What are the needs in your community? Find Lions near you, and make an impact. lionsclubs.org/join



Amberley Lions Club **LEADS THE WAY** in AG RECOVERY.



AG RECOVERY: This is a new project for us and looks like it will be a good fundraiser. President Kevin organised this event as one of the myriad of things he is currently undertaking for Amberley Lions. The project was two days a week over a 4-week period requiring 3 people on shift. Several of our members have been extremely helpful taking on several shifts to make this work. A big thanks to them.

This was a pilot project in North Canterbury collaborating with local partners to collect farm plastic at the designated drop off location at the Waipara Winehouse, previously Waipara Springs. A big thanks to Waipara Winery for hosting this event on their grounds.

We have just had some preliminary tonnages back for the bale wrap collected... just shy of 70 tonnes (69.14T) over the four weeks, in addition to the other plastic that was collected. Keeping this out of the landfill is a great result. It will be shipped overseas, cleaned, then made into pellets to be reused.

As this was a successful trial, it is likely that it will be done again here, and throughout the country.

(as an ex farmer, trying to be environmentally friendly with the huge tonnage of baleage/silage plastic we created - we were playing with environmental fire, burn it and the toxic fumes result, bury it and it was just hidden for another generation to find and deal with - what else could we do other than have starving animals in the winter?! - well done Amberley Lions.)



The Rangiora High School Leos Club are our volunteers who are helping us on the gate tomorrow at the Autumn Market in the Park. They will be collecting your voluntary donations as you come into the event and we are very grateful to have their support! Our mission is to keep this event accessible to all - so if you aren't in a position to make a donation we would prefer that you still came along and enjoyed the day. Thank you so much to the lovely team from the Rangiora High School Leos Club for giving up your day to volunteers for this fantastic non-profit event and giving back to your community.

Celebrating SERVICE



DG Pam's VISIT TO **HAVELOCK SCHOOL CUB GROUP** to learn more about their projects. And of course, they couldn't wait to try on our onesie from Convention social. A case of the Cubs carrying the Lion (right). Over a lunch of chips, they talked about the service projects they were involved in and learnt more about the Lions organisation.



Wigram Lions Up early for briefing for the Christchurch Marathon.



A Pride of Lions ... about to eat! **Motueka Lions** Supper meeting.



Blenheim Lion Lois- Beautiful hand knitted clothing, bound for the babies of Wellington Hospital. Thank you for your kindness and mahi Lois.

Ellesmere Lions Men's Health Night "A ROARING SUCCESS"



Ellesmere Lions hosted a Men's Health Night on 2 April at Ellesmere College, Leeston.

The event attracted an audience of close to 300, with attendees travelling from as far away as Methven and Rangiora. Our guests were treated to a diverse range of presentations spanning prostate health, cardiovascular disease, symptoms and treatment for bowel cancer, sleep and sleep apnoea, skin cancers and getting the most out of your GP. Speakers were delighted with the level of community engagement.

Memorable moments from the evening included a real time video demonstration of a heart valve replacement by Dr James Blake; upfront advice from Prof Frank Frizelle regarding symptoms of

bowel cancer – "Check your shit!" (for blood and consistency); and advice from Dr Sue Fowlie on how NOT to treat skin lesions (with an angle grinder). Ellesmere Lion, Geoff McClennan, provided an entertaining cameo with his real-life story of "How attending a Men's Health Night saved my life". Many attendees took the opportunity to try out the automated blood pressure monitor brought along by Dr Andrew Rawstron from the Leeston Medical Centre; and to explore the Lions skin cancer screening bus which was on display at the start of the evening. Key take home messages repeated through the evening included: Don't ignore/dismiss symptoms when they appear; Early recognition and treatment of disease has a much better outcome; A good relationship with your GP is the best first line of defence.

(Ellesmere Lions an amazing project with A - Z plan for any Club to follow - be it for Men or Women or both. If anyone would like to talk to the organisers I'm sure that they would be only too happy to help.

John Horwood and Tom Groundwater via Secretary Murray Doak sec.ellesmerelc@lionsclubs.org.nz)



Motueka Lions welcomed Sarah Thompson into their Club, becoming the third female of 25 members and rising. President Mike Brown (left) was her sponsor and Jim Fry inducted Sarah. Jim is a Charter member, life member, and multiple award winner. A SMALL STEP BACK IN HISTORY. (Abridged - Jim Fry)
The Motueka Lions Club was chartered in 1964.
Nelson Host Lions Club was the sponsoring Club.
All new Clubs had to have (by the Lions Clubs' Constitution) a minimum of 20 signed members.
The MOTUEKA LIONS CLUB chartered with 31 members (ALL MEN).



Hawarden Waikari Lions held the McDonald Downs to Birch Hill 4WD tour in support of the Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue Trust initiated by Bill Paterson of McDonald Downs Station. Together with the tour, a presentation of the history of McDonald Downs and ownership of the area originating from the Horsley Down tenure of the region was given. The spectacular weather and scenery, together with the historical information of the region was enjoyed by all who contributed over \$5000 to the Westpac Rescue Helicopter. Many thanks to our speakers, the Paterson family, and those who came on the tour for making the event a memorable one. 19

LIONS SKIN CANCER TRUST NEW BRIGHTON LIONS FUNDRAISER

Lions Clubs NZ supporting skin cancer screening

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Selwyn Lions Club presents

BRAS & UNDIES

Decorating Competition

Recognising breast and prostate cancer with guest speaker

Up Top
Down Under

Cancelled

Saturday 3 May 2pm - 5pm
Lincoln Centre

The Competition
Open to EVERYONE. Choose a category to showcase your creativity. Your fee includes admission into the event.
Adult - \$20 Under 18 - \$10

The Event
Admission - \$20 (includes afternoon tea and 5 voting slips)
Stalls & Raffles

Come along and have a fun afternoon!

Event details, tickets and entry form
secretary.selwynlc@lionsclubs.org.nz or 021 257-9201

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TRASH FASHION Show 2025

Friday 13th & Saturday 14th June

Entry forms available August 2024 at the Library & Innovative Waste

Tickets available from Middlehurst Station Store & Mayfair Theatre, Monday 19th May 2025

Supreme prize \$2,500
1st runner up \$1,500
2nd runner up \$1,000
Each of the 6 categories have \$350 for prizes

2025 Categories

1. Kids Art: Book character - to be named
2. Teens: 2050 ... I dream of ...
3. Novice: Magic of the night (Night Sky)
4. Colour: Paint the town RED
5. Evening: Putting on the Ritz
6. Top Half: Heading in the right direction
7. Adventure: On the farm, natural fibres
8. Open: Comedic Couture "Good for a laugh"

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Presented by
The Lions Club of Seaward Kaikoura Inc in association with Innovative Waste Kaikoura

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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

Cheviot Lions Club

Friday 16 May
Cheviot Hotel

Entries 7:15pm

\$40 Team of 4
\$10 each extra.

For more information Contact: Giles
giles.pinfold@gmail.com

Circus Quirkus Live Show!!

Monday 12 May 2025
Nelson Host Lions Club
Theatre Royal
4.30pm / 7.30pm

Lions Clubs New Zealand
Kila Manawaki / Wai Sane

LIONS SPEECH COMP

14TH JUNE, 2025

IF YOU WIN THE DISTRICT 202E COMPETITION, YOU QUALIFY FOR THE NATIONAL COMPETITION WORTH \$2500!

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AND SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS.

DISTRICT 202E SPEECH COMPETITION FOR 16-21 YEAR OLDS.

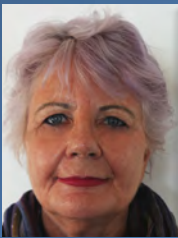
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- × 2ND = \$300
- × 3RD = \$200



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Occasionally, I feel a little guilty. Guilty because I'm an admirer of foreign lands that keep drawing me back more and more often. These "laptop holidays," as I've come to call them, sometimes put pressure on District Bulletin deadlines and take time away from enjoying Family company. Maybe this dedication needs a trifle reigning in, - perhaps there's something to learn from those who put Family first, as Lions so often advocate, something that Kevin thinks that I should learn ... pronto.

As many of you will have gathered from our Newsletters, I'm a big fan of introducing 'Younger People to Lions - for the continuation of our Lions clubs into the Future - when I'm dead and gone. Don't get me wrong - so are bringing in new members of our generation. We all go into the potpourri that makes Lions the great Service organisation it is. I have never voiced, nor would I ever canvas, an age restriction on Membership - young'uns bring in fresh ideas and energy ... while we bring in the wisdom of experience, time and ... - and of course bring in the young ones too. It's this mix that keeps Lions vibrant and forward-thinking. Speaking of the younger generation - one standout example is Lion Hamish Price. Hopefully most of you have been following Hamish's journey. At just 27 years old, he's already a Zone Chair in District 202D. I encourage you to read more about Hamish's story. His enthusiasm is infectious. He's passionate about recruiting peers his own age and making sure (*all new members, regardless of age*) they feel welcomed, included, and entrusted with real responsibilities - responsibilities that align with the reasons they joined this amazing organisation: LIONS. Hamish features in the "Last Word".

And speaking of Editorials, and all they stand for - it's a great way to share views, whether mine or yours, to advocate for a cause, and especially for me, to raise awareness of an issue. If it sparks discussion and or inspires action, then the Editorial has succeeded! You may not always agree - but hey you read it! And that's a win in itself.

Our last thought for the month "I always cook with wine. Sometimes, I even add it to the food."

Have a super month Lou 🧡

Do You Have Friends & Family With Diabetes?

New Zealand has a diabetes problem,
fuelled in part by one of the highest rates of obesity in the world.

- Ministry of Health's Virtual Diabetes Register show the prevalence of type 2 diabetes* in people aged 30 – 39 years has nearly doubled between 2006 and 2018.
- In New Zealand, it is estimated that the number of people diagnosed with diabetes is over 300,000 people (predominantly type 2 diabetes).
- Within the New Zealand population, the prevalence of diabetes in Māori and Pacific populations is around three times higher than among other New Zealanders.
- A rising tide of type 2 diabetes in younger people.

Just a few statistics available.

Are you aware of Diabetes Christchurch Inc?

MORE Info. here

Please encourage whanau to join.

Available: Support group meetings, Armchair exercise sessions or access to their magazine "Viewpoint"

What is your club's membership challenge?

Chris Pepper GMT 202D

Some clubs may say it's too difficult. Others may say it's a distraction from serving.

The truth is that we need to continually bring in new members to survive and thrive.

Here are some ideas to get on with finding new members:

1. Lead by example. Lions don't follow what you say. They follow what you do. So please identify and engage with potential new members for your club.
2. Get everyone involved. Many clubs rely solely on the club membership chairperson to do all the recruiting. But it's everyone's job. Challenge each member to invite someone to a club event in the next 3 months.
3. Make it fun. Winners are grinners so let's have a club prize to see who can recruit the most new Lions in the 3 months.
4. Tell a story. What does your club future look like? How many of their members will still be in your club in 5 years?

What service won't be done if the clubs don't grow with their communities?

Just ask.



Hamish Price
Zone 2 Chair 202D

LAST WORD

Attracting Younger Members to Lions: Breaking Barriers & Building the Future.

My name is Hamish, and I have just completed **five years in Lions at only 27 years old**. Last year, I had the honour of serving as **Club President of Fitzherbert Lions Club PN**, and this year, I've stepped into the role of **Zone Chair for 202D**, a position I'll also hold next year. Lions has given me incredible opportunities for growth, leadership, and community impact, and it has now opened the doors to the world for me.

In April, I will be heading on my **first-ever international trip**, traveling to Brisbane to complete the **Faculty Development Institute (FDI) Course**. It's an exciting step in my Lions journey, and I hope to connect with more of you along the way. Some of you may have already seen me on Facebook as **Lion Hamish NZ**, and if you haven't yet, it's worth looking me up!

Lions has given me so much—but one thing is clear: If we want our clubs to **grow and thrive for years to come**, we must bring in younger members and create an environment where they feel welcome, valued, and empowered.

Barriers for Younger Members

- Time Commitments** – Expecting perfect attendance **excludes busy people**. Flexibility is key.
- High Fees** – Cost can be a **barrier for young families**. Clubs should consider **payment options**.
- Too Much Tradition** – Outdated customs can push younger members away. Balance tradition with new ideas.
- Lack of Impact** – Younger people want to **see real results**. Show **measurable outcomes** to keep them engaged.
- Resistance to Change** – Clubs must be **open to new ideas** or risk **losing future members**.
- Not Family-Friendly** – Many young members have kids. **Include family-oriented activities**.

How to Attract & Retain Younger Members

- Make Meetings Flexible** – Fewer meetings, more **service-based involvement**.
- Give Them a Role** – Small **leadership tasks** help new members feel **included**.
- Highlight Impact** – **Show results** so members see **the difference they're making**.
- Encourage Open-Mindedness** – Say "**Let's try it**" instead of "**We've never done that**".
- Meet Them Where They Are** – Ask: What do you care about? How can Lions help?
- Create a Welcoming Culture** – New members should feel valued, not like outsiders.
- Face Reality** – Without younger members, clubs will fold. Growth is essential.

Building a Stronger Future

Lions must **evolve** while staying true to our mission. Clubs that **embrace change**, **empower new voices**, and **focus** on impact will thrive. The best way to **preserve our legacy** isn't holding onto the past—it's building for the future. ❤️ 🐾

#FutureOfLions #EvolveToThrive #StrongerTogether

Hamish

*(Thank you, Hamish. Your words serve as a powerful reminder for us all. Written by one of the Young'uns who will carry the spirit of Lions into the future. Let us reflect and take these words on our Lions journey.
Hamish, I truly appreciate you answering my call - Lou)*