



DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DAVID THOMPSON

Hello fellow 202K Lions.

It is with a touch of sadness that I am writing my last report for the bulletin as your District Governor.

With what I have seen and heard our District is making progress with membership holding its own, one new Club chartered and one new Club Branch and a number of Clubs bringing in new members as well as Clubs retaining members, which realistically is the key to a healthy enjoyable environment in the Club.

This is also the time of year to say thank you for your support and the faith you showed to elect me as your District Governor for the 2024 - 2025 Lions year.

Thank you to all the Clubs that invited Diane and I to come and share time with you, learn how your Club operated and listen to the challenge I presented to you.

Thank you to all those that took the time to attend our District Convention in Paihia, I hope you all had a wonderful time catching up with old friends and making new ones.

A big thank you to my District team for their energy, drive and enthusiasm throughout this year.

Finally a big thank you to my wife Diane for all her support.

BE PROUD TO BE PART OF THE PRIDE.

THANK YOU 202K

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DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY.....

ANZI PACIFIC FORUM GOLD COAST AUSTRALIA 5-7 SEPTEMBER 2025



Gold Coast



Surfers Paradise



Mantra on View

We are getting ready to welcome Lions, Leos and partners to the
ANZI Pacific Forum 5th-7th September 2025

It is being held in the superb surroundings of Mantra on View Hotel at
Surfers Paradise on the Gold Coast. It is a great venue with
everything in one place

Accommodation is readily available and we have struck special rates
with the Mantra on View Hotel to enable you all to stay at the venue
(No need for cars)

SEE YOU ON THE GOLD COAST IN 2025

Registration will open in
October 2024. To register
your interest email
anzi2025gc@gmail.com with
your Name, District and Club
Name. We will send
registration details once
available.



**Register & Pay by
31 Dec 24 for your
chance to win
One Registration**

www.lionsanzipacificforum.com



202K CLUB NEWS

Ruawai Lions went to NEST Helicopter base in Whangarei to give them a donation – proceeds of which were from their Fun Run



Hillcrest Lions Diane and Heather S did a big plant out at de Paul House gardens yesterday thanks to Bunnings in Wairau. They donated a large number of plants and bags of compost/garden mix which more than filled the gardens. So in time the gardens will be providing good fresh veges for the residents at de Paul House.

Avondale Lions BINGO night fundraiser, great way to spend a rainy night!





CLUB NEWS



202K Region 2 Speechmakers

Winner Nicola Lao from Westlake

Girls sponsored by Hillcrest Lions Club.



Whitianga Lion Muriel Pedersen happily serving supper at the Friday launch. Sales supporting local artists and the Cancer Society Lions Lodge Hamilton, accommodating patients under treatment at Waikato Hospital.



Bucklands Beach Lions getting their Club name and the Lions logo on one of the Elliott Yachts they helped sponsor and support.





CLUB NEWS



Warkworth Lions have honoured local identity Alistair Mason by recognising him as a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Al Mason has made a massive impact to the fabric of the Warkworth and Mahurangi District- check out the Mason Containers webpages to see the organisations he supports.

Warkworth Lions have pride in presenting this Lions Clubs International Foundation fellowship.



Mercury Bay Lions making a PINK splash at the local Volunteers Day.



Remuera Lions member John Hartley stopped by One Tree Hill College, where the NZ Foundation for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is carrying out two days of hearing tests – proudly supported by our Remuera Lions Club."





CLUB NEWS



Mangawhai Lions & Mangawhai Zonta were delighted to raise \$6,000 at their Pink Ribbon High Tea fundraiser.



Pakuranga Panmure Lions donated lovely new pajamas to the Jamies in June appeal



Kowhai Coast Lions also donated 20 pairs of pajamas to the Women's Centre in Warkworth.

Papakura Lions sporting their new team t-shirts as the caterers at the recent Lions Learn! training day in Papakura.



CLUB NEWS



Paparoa Lions annual Speech Contest for pupils in years 5-8 from the local 6 schools. The 9 pupils from years 5&6 convinced us all that 'growing up in a Rural community is definitely much better'. Third prize went to a pupil from Tinopai School, 2nd was from Paparoa Primary School and the winner was from Matakohe School.

The 5 pupils from years 7&8 talked about 'AI and it's place in our world'. Third prize winner was a pupil from Matakohe School, 2nd was from Otamatea Christian School and the winner was from Otamatea High School.



Cara Thomas and the team from [#diabetesnz](#) and Raj Paramanathan, from the **Remuera Lions Club** - join forces and spread the word about Diabetes at the Field Days held at Mystery Creek in Hamilton



Diabetes Awareness





CLUB NEWS



Waipu Lions won the Keith Mitchell Membership Award – for most new members nationally in 2024-2025. Zone Chair Mandy presenting certificate & award to President Graeme.



Thanks to the growing addition of the Mangawhai Lions Club and Zone Chairperson Mandy Hebden – who also won an International Award for sponsoring 10 new members.



Hikurangi Mountain Lions Club – celebrating Matariki with their BBQ sausages

Mangawhai Lions Club – celebrating receiving their International Marketing Award trophy!





CLUB NEWS



Above: Warwick, Helen S, & Anne



Morell, Audrey, Cherie, Debs, & David



Martin, Brian S, Nigel, & Jackie
Not pictured but present Laurie.



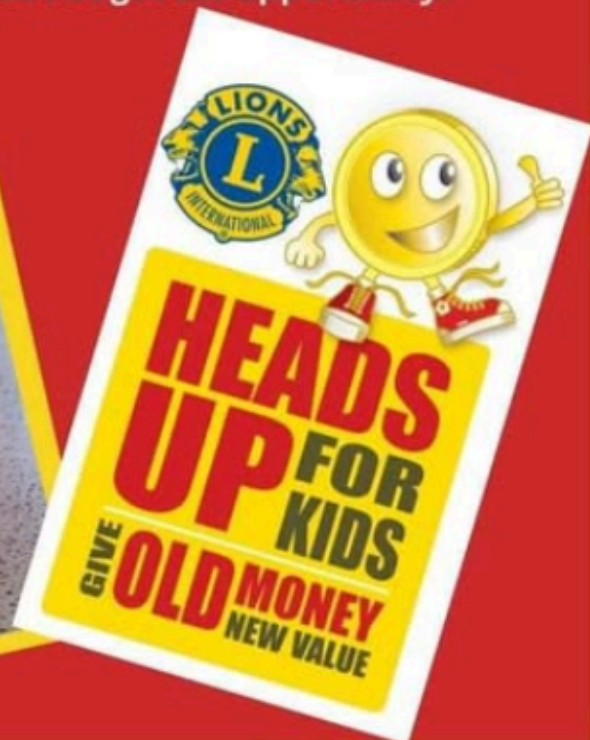
Jan, Nigel, Martin, & Brian S

Orewa Lions 'coin sorting night'

A big thank you to you all for joining us for our end of year coin sort for Heads up 4 Kids. For 2 hours work we achieved a total weight of 55kg of coins with 7 cartons to be sent to Roy in the counting room in Wellington.

We hope you are still helping promote this initiative. There are plenty more coins still out there and Lions Clubs of New Zealand are hoping to collect \$1 million.

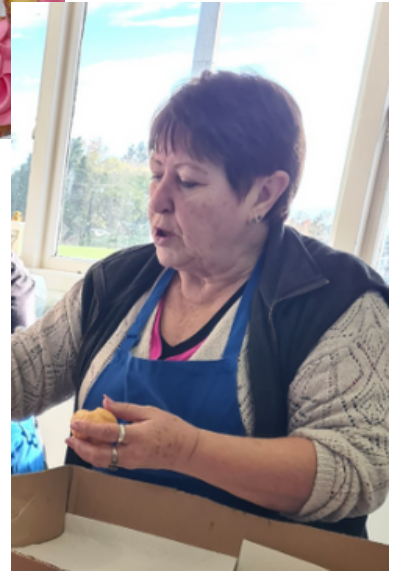
Heads Up For Kids is a Lions Club NZ project that collects old New Zealand decimal and pre-decimal coin, and bank notes; and foreign coins and bank notes. The money is redeemed for New Zealand dollars and used to fund education programmes to help New Zealand youth who would otherwise not get the opportunity.





MORE CLUB NEWS...

Waiuku Lions Club prepping a fabulous "pink" morning tea for Waiuku Ladies Soccer Teams - to support The Breast Cancer Cause



Lions Learn! We have had a fantastic turn out for our first 3 sessions in Whangarei, Kaikohe and Papakura. Looking forward to Orewa and Whitianga later this month. If you couldn't make it but are keen to know more please reach out to Mandy via 202k.glt@lionsclubs.org.nz





CLUB NEWS



Orewa Lions Club

volunteered at the Special Olympics Swim Meet held at Northern Arena Fitness Centre—proudly stepping up as timekeepers for the event.

Paparoa Lions Club flying the Lions flag at the local Paparoa Community Showcase.



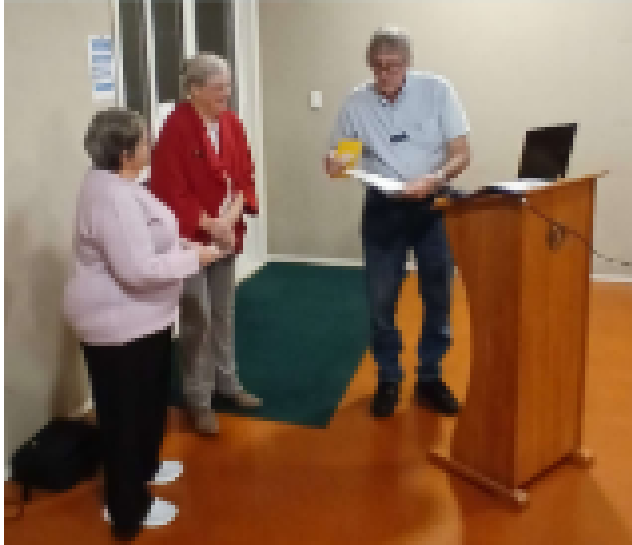
Waiuku Lions Club as part of their Change of Officers evening – the Club made some donations to our community – representatives from our chosen groups were present to receive their donation and all gave a short talk about what the funds will be used for

- PDG Richard Simmons – Lions Skin Cancer Van \$5000
- Billie & Barbara – Waiuku Food Bank \$1000 and \$500, each, to
- Waiuku College Kapa Haka – Rhema & Henry
- Waiuku Scouts – Michaela
- KSLSC Jim Coe Breast Cancer Franklin Leukemia & Blood Cancer



202K NEW MEMBERS

Ruawai Lions welcome three new members, Bruce, Shane & Raewyn. Zone Chair Mandy did the honours for the inductions.



Huapai Kumeu Lions welcome Jan Corbett into their team.

Helensville Lions welcome Craig & Kayla Clements into their Lions Club Inducted by Zone Chair Richard.



Bucklands Beach Lions welcomes David Rae.

Mangonui Lions welcome Ray Partridge and Boyd Goodwin Inducted by Zone Chair Brian.





LONG SERVICE AWARDS



Pam Persson - 30 Years



Yvonne Hilton - 30 Years



Doreen Hogan - 15 Years



Peter Hepburn - 10 Years

Helensville Lions long services awards presented by Zone Chair Richard.



Orewa Lion Helen Roderick was presented with a Lloyd Morgan Honoured Recognition for services to the Club



Mercury Bay Lion Wendy congratulations on 22 years of long service.



Waipu Lion Ding Bell was presented with a Lloyd Morgan Honoured Recognition for services to the Waipu Club

Whangarei Mid Western Lion Maurice Brownlee was presented with a 45 year long service award chevron, Well Done!





LONG SERVICE AWARDS



Waipu Lions long Service awards and recognition were given to:

Len Binks, Trevor Murray, Gavin Sims, Andy Cameron, John Lang, Graham Goodall and Mandy Hebben. A combined total of 130 years of serving our community and club - what a team!



Kowhai Coast Lions Gay, Olwyn and Kristine were awarded Melvin Jones Fellows at the Kowhai Coast Clubs 40th birthday celebrations , and they also took out the front page news of the local paper!

Howick Lions celebrated amazing service of two members with special Chevron Awards presented by Zone Chair Tina.

Congratulations on 15 years of service Lion Agnes and 45 years of service Lion Brian

