

Be proud to be part of the pride



DISTRICT GOVERNOR - DAVID THOMPSON

Hello fellow Lions.

The new Lions year has taken off with a hiss and roar. This time of year is a time for first's. I have had my first District Committee meeting, first Council of Governors meeting and have also got my first few Club visits under my belt.

It is an honor and privilege to be asked to present special awards, such as a Melvin Jones Fellow, or present a 20 year chevron, plus inducting new members which is always a plus. Talking about membership, I see we are up 4 members from the end of last Lions year. So to all the Clubs that are bringing in new members, well done and keep up the good work.

Diane and both thoroughly enjoy the Club visits, meeting many different people and the amazing projects that these Club are doing. We are looking forward to a lot more visits in the next few weeks.

I am off to Sydney on Friday for a "Nurturing a Culture of Growth MISSION 1.5 Summit". This is going to be interesting, and I dare say a lot of learning over the 2 days. I hope I can bring back several ideas, of ways Clubs can approach the membership issue.

Congratulations to the Lions Club of Whangamata on celebrating 50 years of service to their community. I believe they had a great night reminiscing and planning for the next 50 years.

The Row For Life is now looking more like the middle to the end of September.

Another project that gets closer every day and that is Camp Quality Summer Camp being held at Wesley College from Saturday 11th to Friday the 17th of January 2025.

The first bus for the Lions Cancer Screening Project is still being kitted out and is due to be on the road around the South Island in February 2025.

As we circulate around Clubs the question that keeps coming up is "How Do We Get New Member's". There is no magic solution, if Clubs use social media and newspapers to promote themselves and tell the community what they are doing, where they are doing it and thank the community for their support, there could be a chance for someone to say I like what these people are doing and may decide to approach the club for more information and maybe become the next new member.

>>> 202K NEWS <<<

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If you are planning a project and need someone to set up a membership stand, please contact out District Global Membership team Coordinator PDG Ricky Singh and he will either do it himself or get someone to man this on the day, leaving your Club members free to run the project.

Please remember our 202K District Convention is at the Copthorne Complex at Paihia in the beautiful Bay of Islands from the 1st to the 3rd of November, with Saturday nights theme being Country and Western. The registration forms are now available online. So come along whether just for the Convention or take a week or so and enjoy the winterless north.

Can all Clubs please start to, or continue, sending me their Club Bulletins as it is amazing seeing what the different Clubs are getting up to.

Remember to submit your great community work photos to the Bulletin editor. 202k.editorelionsclubs.org.nz

That's all for now. DG Dave



202K DISTRICT COMMITTEE TEAM



>>> 2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR STEVE BENNETT

Over the next couple of months the District Governor team will be visiting a number of our clubs in District K. For my own part I want to thank and acknowledge every Lion for the great community work that gets done mostly in a quiet manner unknown by the communities which we are helping.

The quiet achiever is a renowned aspect of life within Te ao Māori and many of you will have heard the proverb regarding the kumara and not announcing its sweetness to the world.

Kāore te kumara e kōrero ana mo tōna ake reka.

Think also of the great Kauri tree, a proud symbol of our region. The tree has strong roots which develop over a long period of time but outlive and tower above all others within the forest. That is how I see our Lions network. We are at the rebuilding phase building strong roots so we can thrive.







Look at the projects within your community, which ones were the result of Lions involvement? List these projects on a flyer and let your community know that without Lions these projects would never have come to fruition.

Let people know what we do so that others can help to grow our network.

Steve Bennett 2nd Vice District Governor, District 202K Lions NZ

THE LEADERSHIP JOURNEY

ZOOM WORKSHOPS

This is a monthly zoom meeting held with anyone that has been, or is on the President journey, interested in developing their leadership skills, facilitated by VDG Lynda Halverson and SVDG Steve Bennett.

The topics are generally guided by the group but cover things like: having a good

If you are interested in joining these meetings please contact Lynda 202k.vdg@lionsclubs.org.nz or phone 027 294 8004





>>> 202K CONVENTION

Please note Registrations to be in by 18th October. This is the final date the hotel will accept catering numbers. Any registrations are received after the 18th October, please be advised you will have to provide your own morning tea and lunch on Saturday and unable to attend the Saturday night function. The light lunch will also not be included after the Sunday Remembrance Service.

Accommodation is available at the Convention venue



DISTRICT 202K "Country and Western" CONVENTION 1st - 3rd November 2024



Venue: Copthorne Hotel, Waitangi, Bay of Islands

REGISTRATION FORM

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GROWING OUR CLUBS

If we want to grow our service so that we are an integral part of our community we need to grow our clubs, we need to grow our organisation, which all leads to "we need to grow our members."

Happy members will be you asset, happy members will stay with the club through thick and thin.

So how do we grow happy members?

Find out and remember why your members joined Lions. If they have been with Lions for a while, find out why they are still Lions.

Research tells us that the majority of people volunteering do so because they want to make a difference collectively, they want fellowship, and they want to develop their own ability in some way.

So is your club making a difference or are you all caught up in meetings?

Is your difference relevant and impactful?

If your club was not there what would happen?

Does your club work well as a team or teams?

The community do not need to join Lions if they are doing

things on their own. It is the collective impact while having fun that is the magic ingredient. What needs

to happen for your club to work as a team?

Does your club do fun things together, do the members see that, does the community see your fun?

Have you taken the time to get to know your members outside of Lions?

What is it that your members would like to advance within themselves?

Lions is a great opportunity for your members to try new ideas, new things within the support of the club.

Do you promote each members to try new things in a planned way that does not leave them feeling unprepared and unsupported?

Do you take advantage of the many chances to learn within Lions, or is that just left to the leadership of your club?

We all need, as clubs, to spend time reflecting on what we are doing, seeing the bigger picture on what we are doing, and planning how we grow our club and our members. Because happy members tell others, happy members stay in the club, happy members make a great foundation for bringing in and supporting new members.

Lynda Halverson Global Extension Team Leader Global Action Team Leader 202k.vdgelionsclubs.org.nz Ricky Singh Global Membership Team Leader 202k.gmtelionsclubs.org.nz

>>> EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL

Devonport Lions Project

The Devonport Lions are fortunate to have access to an olive grove with more than 250 olive trees north of Auckland, in beautiful coastal Leigh.

Every year, a team of Lions harvest the olives and have them pressed at a local olive press. Because most of the work is done by volunteers, we can sell extra virgin oil at \$20 per 500ml bottle. Most growers sell a similar product at \$29 and up, so there is a margin if clubs want to on-sell oil to their friends and colleagues.

We have less than 100 bottles left this year, so it's a case of first in, first served. We can deliver quantities of more than ten bottles free to Auckland clubs. Arrangement would have to be made for deliveries further afield.

If this project goes well this year, we will expand our production next year.

For further information please contact Kevin Smith on 021-0865-2845 Bruce Wetherall on 021-296-3211 email devonportlions@gmail.com





PEACE POSTER

THE 2024 - 2025 CONTEST THEME "PEACE WITHOUT LIMITS"

For peace to be anything more than a possibility, we need to make it a priority. This year, we're asking our young students to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits.

Order your Peace Poster Kit from the Lions Office today.







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202K CLUB NEWS

MANGONUI LIONS

Our project for the seats followed feedback from local residents that found the Mangonui Boardwalk too long without a rest stop. Following consultation with those involved with the boardwalk sites half way along and towards the southern end of the walk were selected. Both sites required some hard work digging out foundations while the seats were being purchased, stained and assembled. Concrete footings were poured in July and the seats installed late July. They will be officially opened once suitable plaques have been finished but are already in good use by local and visiting boardwalkers.









A nice thank you from the Kiwiharvest Team in Dunedin, recipients of the **Whangarei Lions** citrus project. "Some great pictures from one of the kindys in Dunedin Juicing the oranges you donated. Everyone has loved the citrus this year, another big thanks to you and the entire Lions club."







>>> STARS IN YOUR EYES - WAIPU 2024

The Waipu Lions Club held an extremely successful "Stars in your eyes" show, held over three nights, the first weekend in August.

16 locals from the Bream Bay area performed on stage to try and convince a panel of three judges and the audience of 660 people, that they looked, acted and sang like their chosen artist.

The calibre of the contestants was out of this world, along with the light show, video work and stage design. The local community has been abuzz since the shows finished having been blown away by the whole experience.

The production team agreed early on that all profits would be donated to the club.

Total raised \$17,000



Freddy Mercury - Winner



Ray Charles – Production Team Winner



Katy Perry - Runner Up

CAMP QUALITY

The first mini winter camp was held at the Marsden Bay Christian Camp.

Marsden, Waipu, Whangarei Mid Western and Mangawhai Lions all helped out with kitchen duties for the camp and had a lot of fun!



Janet and Joyce beating eggs
for breakfast



Marsden Lions waiting for everyone to arrive to start cooking on Thursday night



Mac and Sean's preparing salad fillings for dinner



Sheree and Ron busy preparing vegetables.

Sheree makes a good batch of scones.



Yellow, yellow everywhere! The Daffodils are bursting out.

The **Whangamata Lions** have been picking daffodils and selling them for over 10 years with all proceeds going to the Lion Cancer Lodge in Hamilton.







Proceeds from **Marsden Lions** Charity Golf Tournament 2024 was allocated to NEST \$5000

Ruakaka Volunteer Fire Brigade \$2000 Ruakaka Surf Lifesaving Patrol \$2000 St John Bream Bay Ambulance \$2000





Lions Club of Paparoa

Members braved the fog and the cold temperatures to serve hot dogs and hot chips to the rally drivers, their pit crew and the public at the Ventia Rally in Dargaville. What a fun way to raise funds for our community.





Papakura Lions Club

Combining social fun with a project. The team had a lovely lunch out as a club then made the most of the weather and picked oranges for some of the elderly in our community.





In between the raindrops Lions Heather F & Diane, from **Hillcrest Lions Club**, tend the garden at De Paul House. Wow what a bounty! Good job ladies.

De Paul House provides housing and support services for those most underserved in our community, focusing on families with dependent children and adults over 65 years.





INTER DISTRICT PROJECT

In July/ August each winter Whangarei and Districts Lions clubs along with Tutukaka Coast Lions in Northland New Zealand collect citrus fruit from the community to be sent to the mid to lower South Island of New Zealand, where due to temperature and location they are unable to grow citrus in good quantities.

The oranges, limes, lemons tangelos and grapefruit are sorted and packed into large fruit boxes ready for distribution around the lower to South Island Lions clubs. The amount available is growing each year and this year they have sent over 5.5 tonnes South.

The food is sorted and packed into saved brown paper bags from the local grocery shop. Fruit is distributed to seniors, rest homes, food banks and others

Any damaged fruit is not wasted and is made into lemon honey and marmalade to be sold to the public with proceeds going to our Club projects. Clyde and Districts Lions were thrilled to be nominated for TV3s Good Sorts and the Lions Club project highlighted on National TV. Special thanks to Mainfreight, amazing sponsors of this project.















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Tuakau Lions panel of judges in the recent BP Business Challenge held in Tuakau College.





Waiuku Lions providing hot chips for the Waiuku Schools Combined Group Cross Country event.



Fa'afetai to the Rotary Club of Pago Pago for allowing Lion Danielle Pualau to present at their weekly meeting. Lions work with DOH to perform eye screening in elementary is incredibly important for the success of students with eye problems. Spreading awareness of these screenings helps us get more buy in from parents and schools.

TAVUA EYE CLINIC FIJI

As the sugar cane burn off crackled across the Navisi River, the **Ba Lions** Diabetic Eye Clinic Centre building was handed over to Dr Renita Maharaj (Subdivisional Medical Officer) representing the Tavua Subdivisional Hospital.

The Ba Lions Club funded and built the clinic to allow the local population to have professional eye care without the need to travel to other centres.

Approximately 50 invited guests were there to attend the opening ceremony including representatives of The Nadi Lions club, Fiji Police, Tavua Hospital and local organisations. Speakers were Ba Lions Club President Pradeep Chandra and Project Director Brij Dayal, 202K IPDG Peter Henderson, 202K Region Chair PDG Christine Ford, Tavua Town Special Administrator Rajendra Raghlu and Dr Renita Maharaj. Christine Ford had the honour of cutting the ribbon and this reflects the work that she and her father PDG Roger Robinson have done over the years in relation to eye care in Fiji- and the other Pacific Islands in District 202K.

Following the formal opening a luncheon was held at the nearby Garvey Park Hall. The lunch was prepared and served by hospitality students of the Tavua College. At the luncheon, the momentum of the day continued, and it was agreed that a Branch Club would be formed at Tavua and prospective members included some of the guests at the opening. The clinic was the catalyst, and the club formation is progressing well.

Our motto " We Serve" has been epitomised by the Ba Club. Congratulations on a wonderful achievement. An ongoing service project is the supply of spectacles to the Pacific Islands. This is a life-changing service and we should be proud of what we achieve with this.





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202K CLUB NEWS

Below is a photo from a recent event organised with Northland Emergency Services Trust (NEST). It was held in recognition of over \$45,000 having been raised by the Lions Clubs of Te Tai Tokerau to fund various equipment for the emergency helicopter operations over the last 18 months.

The \$45,000 was raised via a few events headed by Onerahi Club, but assistance to cover the equipment costs was given by numerous clubs throughout our region as NEST helps all people within Te Tai Tokerau.



Has your Club been involved with an amazing service project?

Now is the time to enter the TOP CLUB SERVICE PROJECT competition.

Finalists will be recognised on stage at the 2025 ANZI forum.

All Club secretaries have been sent application forms, if you need more information please contact:

Peter Henderson

Global Service Team Coordinator, District 202K 0274 776519 202k.gst@lionsclubs.org.nz

To enter your project, it must align within one of the Lions cause areas of: -



















Whangarei Lions Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards



President Ray Topia and Lion Denis
Parkes have been recognised by Lions
International with the presentation of the
Melvyn Jones Fellowship Award.

Well done to two very deserving Lions who have done so much for the Whangarei district.

"LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL RECOGNIZES OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS BY BESTOWING ON THEM AN AWARD THAT IS NAMED FOR ITS FOUNDER, MELVIN JONES. THIS FELLOWSHIP AWARD IS THE HIGHEST FORM OF RECOGNITION AND EMBODIES HUMANITARIAN IDEAS CONSISTENT WITH THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF LIONISM."



Pakuranga Panmure Lions Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards

Chris Martin and Lyn Butler have also been recognised with Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards, presented by PDG Ricky Singh.

Congratulations on this well deserved honour.



>>> HEADS UP FOR KIDS

"Money makes the World Go Around, the world go around, the world go around!"

My name is Deborah Lagdon, I am a member of the Lions Club of Orewa. I have been involved in Banking all my working life hence my interest in "Money" which is how I got involved with the Lions "Heads Up 4 Kids project. "



Heads Up 4 Kids (HU4K) was established in 2010 and is a worthwhile project which involves the collection of old NZ notes; coins and all (old or current) foreign notes and coins. The HU4K project is supported by the following corporate partners who all play an active part in the process:-

Resene Colorshop – are designated drop off points for the public.

Collection Tins are also provided throughout the country at designated Resene Colour Shops **Aramex** – provide couriers at no charge to transfer the sorted and boxed coins and notes to the Lions Counting room in Naenae, Wellington.

Travel Money (part of Flight Centre are a major sponsor)

With Kiwis starting to travel overseas and foreign tourists visiting NZ now is a good opportunity your club to encourage their members, family and friends to get behind this worthwhile project. As Banks no longer accept Foreign Currency, coins left over from overseas holidays thrown in a drawer can be left at your local Lions Club.

Once the Coins are delivered to the individual Lions Clubs, the collected funds are then sorted into various categories by Lions Clubs members before being forwarded to our Counting Room in Wellington. This is a good interactive project for members.

The proceeds raised from these coins and notes are used to provide grants towards young people, individuals or groups, to engage in an experience or activity that will enable them to live their dream, establish life goals and reach their full potential e.g. Outward Bound, Sir Edmond Hilary Outdoor pursuits, Spirit of Adventure and other various New Zealand based leadership camps. Application forms are on the Heads Up for Kids website.

Suggestions for where collection boxes could be placed –
Schools /Sports clubs / Banks / Hairdressers / coffee shops / Retirement Villages
For more information see www.lionsclubs.org.nz/foundations/heads-kids



202K DISTRICT AWARDS - CRITERIA FOR 2023-24 LIONS YEAR

Email entries to IPDG Peter Henderson @ 202k.ipdg@lionsclubs.org.nz Close off date is 30 September 2024 Awards presented at District 202K Convention in Waitangi on 2nd November 2024



The Jack Guy/Michael McPherson Award for the Best Bulletin

This award recognises the club bulletin that has an original and creative design and includes information of future and completed projects, club news, coming events, some humour and is appealing to read.

Note: two bulletins of different months from the previous Lions year must be submitted.

The Cyril Moore/David Dawick Community Awareness & Dawick Communication Award **

This award recognises clubs who use a variety of means to promote the club including social media, posters, printed matter, tear drop flags, e-clubhouse website etc.

Note: the club should also have a Marketing Chairperson loaded on the Lions Portal.

The Cliff Heywood/Bob Stanic Award for the Quiet Achiever

This award is for the most dedicated Lion who works tirelessly in the background doing anything that is required for the Club but does not look for awards or recognition.

Note: clubs need to give examples of the reason the member has been nominated for this award and the benefit to their fellow club members and/or community.

The Bernie Ash Award for Youth Activities **

This award is for the Lions Club which has promoted all aspects of youth and has the best youth orientated service project.

Note: clubs need to advise how many members were involved and the benefit to the youth.

The Peter Smith Award for Membership **

This award is awarded to the Lions Club that has shown the best membership growth and retention for the Lions year.

Note: the Immediate Past District Governor will verify membership increases and drops from the Membership Register Report as at 30 June 2024.



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The John Frogley Award for the Most Outstanding Community Project **

This award is for the community project which has gained the most community awareness and is a benefit to the local community.

Note: clubs need to advise how many members were involved, the hours taken, the benefit to the community, the community collaboration and the link to Lions global causes. The project must be recorded on the Lions Portal.

The Jack Guy Award for the Most Improved Club

This award is for the club that has shown the most overall improvement in all aspects of club growth, resilience, retention and community awareness.

Note: clubs should give examples of the changes they have made in these areas.

The Kelvin Green Award for the overall Outstanding Club

This award is presented to the Lions Club that has promoted its club in all aspects of Lionism including outstanding community awareness and support of their members.

Note: the finalists for the other categories will also be considered for this award.

** The winners of these District awards will be submitted as entries for Multiple District judging. Winners to be announced at the MD Convention in New Plymouth in April 2025.



The Volunteering Changemakers Hui is a day for all leaders and managers of volunteers to come together, be inspired and share learning. We are excited about our awesome speakers and participants, who will ignite us with new ideas, information and practices.

Tūao Aotearoa Volunteering New Zealand invites you to join us at Te Pae, Christchurch, 20 September at The Volunteering Changemakers Hui – and we look forward to warmly welcoming you.

TO BUY TICKETS: https://events.humanitix.com/volunteering-changemakers-2024

>>> THE LIONS SKIN CANCER SCREENING PROJECT

Progress with the Lions Skin Cancer Screening vehicles is now increasing in speed. We have now committed to have two vans running across NZ – one in each main Island.

Almost every Kiwi knows someone who has been affected by skin cancer (melanoma). Our skin cancer rates are the HIGHEST IN THE WORLD! New skin cancers across NZ total approx 82,000 per year (compared to a total of 16,000 for all other types of cancer). The incidence of melanoma in New Zealand (and Australia) is around four times higher than in Canada, the US and the UK.

Melanoma is the most treatable cancer IF it is detected early.

This project will raise our Lions Clubs profile as it is Lions doing what they do best – "We Serve". It also allows local Lions to be present at every testing day to provide tea/coffee and chat with people attending. New members anyone?

The fundraising from 202K has been slower than in the South Island as many 202K Clubs either did not know about the project or doubted if a van would be done for the North Island! The Trust has now committed to a second van for the North Island!! So please promote this project and seek donations (every dollar helps) towards the Skin Cancer Trust.

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Yours In Lions
Richard Simmons
Trustee
Lions Clubs Cancer Trust (Skin Cancer Screening)
Richard Simmons extra .co.nz







DAFFODIL DAY 2024

Daffodil Day is well supported by most of our Clubs throughout 202K.

Here's pictures of some of our Clubs in action on Daffodil Day, street collecting, BBQ's and Trivia Nights, all raising funds for the 1 in 3 New Zealanders affected by cancer.

Clubs pictured include: Mangonui, Howick, Kowhai Coast, Warkworth, Tuakau, Mangawhai













DAFFODIL DAY 2024











