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We Serve

DG Dave Saunders



Welcome fellow Lions to the DG's fortnightly blog.

Well I hope everybody is safe and well in their own big bubble. It's times like these we need to do those

1001 little jobs around the home, the house will have fresh coats of paint, and the section will be immaculate .Everybody will be an expert on their mobile phones, Face book, Messenger, What's app, Google Gmail, Face time, Instagram and many more. Please keep up regular contact with your Lions members in this time of need, as this strengthens those bonds developed between you and your fellow members.

Southland Floods

A large thank you to all of you that rallied around to help those in their time need. Well Done Everybody that could lend a hand, Australian Fires

We as Lions have rallied around and offered a helping hand to those in desperate need. Our financial aid as a District was in excess of \$100,000. Our generosity in such a small amount of time is quite outstanding. In some small way, this will go towards helping those people who have been devastated by these fires and help them achieve getting some sort of normality back into their lives.

Convention 2020 /Covid19

Well fellow Lions, unforeseen circumstances can be thrust upon us and manifest it's self in a way not perceived by us all, these circumstances can do and scuttle any attempts that we may all wish for a positive outcome to happen. There is a certain, expectation that running an event is a given, and this is regularly taken for granted, which we cannot do from now on. If there is one positive that has come out of this, is the postal vote by electronic election, due to the cancellation of the 202F Convention . This method will give all clubs and their delegates in our District an easier way to take part in elections, if all club delegates vote, it will be a great success. Please support this emergency election for your district. (IT WILL BE A FIRST).

This also has a doubled edge sword for our District Governor elect Sue Fluery, as all Lions International events are cancelled, therefore she will not be travelling overseas for her induction. This is a sad state of affairs for Sue, I know we all feel for her.

PLEASE NOTE there is an article covering this matter further on in the flyer

Regards DG Dave

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Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion,

The coronavirus (COVID-19) is changing the way we travel, congregate and serve in communities around the world. We care about every member, and the people we serve, which is why we all need to put health and safety first in this challenging time for the world.

We have received requests for suggestions on how to minimize the risk to Lions, clubs and communities when serving. Here are some **recommendations on how you can keep yourself and your community healthy:**

- **Consult local authorities** and guidelines governing group events and large gatherings when considering Lions events.
- Put health and safety first as you consider new meetings, projects and any other club activities.
- Wash your hands frequently, avoid nonessential travel and crowds, especially if you live in an area where there's an outbreak.
- **Check the recommendations from health experts** such as the World Health Organization (WHO), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or your local government for any new updates since this remains an evolving situation.
- For questions regarding your district (single, sub- and multiple) conventions, please contact your district leadership for guidance.
- **Remember, individuals over 60 and those with serious chronic medical conditions are at a higher risk** of getting very sick from this illness.
- A comprehensive list of ways to protect yourself and your club can be found on the WHO website.

Lions have served for more than one hundred years. We have been there for our communities during countless challenges to the world. Let's consider ways we can safely help, such as providing meals to low-income students whose schools are closing due to the virus. Let's check in on family, friends and neighbors. Let's continue to put our kindness in action while keeping health and safety in mind.

Now more than ever, it is important that we stand together as local communities, as a global community, and as Lions. Thank you for serving your community and the world.

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Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi International President



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Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion,

We regret to announce that the Lions Clubs International Convention, scheduled for 26-30 June 2020, will not be held as originally planned in the city of Singapore.

The Ministry of Health in Singapore just announced that all large-scale events through June 30 will be cancelled to further reduce the transmission of the coronavirus. The Lions Board of Directors received the notification today from Singapore, and this important topic will be discussed by the Board of Directors at or before the April Board meeting.

Earlier this month, I informed you that while we were optimistic we could hold the convention in Singapore, we were also assessing the feasibility of other host cities. For the past several weeks, the Executive Officers and the Convention Division Team have been exploring alternative options. Any changes surrounding the convention site and times are subject to Board approval, and will be shared with Lions as soon as available.

In the meantime, our Convention Team will be working diligently to assist you. Lions International will issue full refunds for all registration fees paid. At this time, we kindly ask that you do not contact LCI Registration to inquire about your registration, ticket or housing cancellations as we establish our cancellation details.

We are disappointed, but we will continue to move forward as a global organization, keeping the health and safety of our members in mind. Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi International President





Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion,

The Board of Directors has voted to cancel the 2020 Lions International Convention due to concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19). This means that the next International Convention will be held in 2021 in Montreal, Canada.

After evaluating a variety of different options including moving the convention to a different venue or postponing the convention to a later date, the Board of Directors voted to cancel the 2020 convention. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind.

Canceling the International Convention for 2020 impacts international officer continuity and candidate elections. After review of the International Constitution and By-Laws, this impact is outlined below:

Executive officers and international directors will continue in their respective positions until the 2021 convention in Montreal. All candidate elections for these positions shall comply with the provisions of the International Constitution and By-Laws for election at the convention in Montreal.

- An international director from the areas of Africa and Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and the Islands of the South Pacific is permitted only in even-numbered years. As a result, no director from Africa or Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and the Islands of the South Pacific would be eligible for election until the 2022 convention.
- Barring any district election complaints, district governors, first vice district governors and second vice district governors elected during a convention of their respective districts will be accepted by Lions International. The International Board of Directors intends to authorize commencement of the DG terms beginning July 1, 2020.

We are disappointed that we will not be able to move forward with this international event, but we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions we will continue to find new ways to put our kindness in action while safely serving our communities.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi International President



LCIF Update on the **Coronavirus Pandemic**

Our world has changed drastically in the past few weeks, and the current global situation has impacted us as individuals as well as our families, our friends, and our communities. While many restrictions are being placed in many countries throughout the world, please know that Lions Clubs International Foundation is continuing to support the critical needs in our communities.

LCI has created a new webpage in regards to the coronavirus, which can be accessed at the following link: www.lionsclubs.org/coronavirus. The Foundation will also be communicating updates on this webpage, including our plans to address the outbreak of Covid-19.

I realize that the Lions of Australia, members of our ANZI family, have battled multiple disasters this year with the bushfires, flooding, and now the worldwide pandemic. Allow me to share a video produced last month of PIP Barry Palmer addressing the devastation of the fires in Australia: https://youtu.be/vdvD6 xAkoU. As relayed in the video, please know that LCIF will be there to continue to support the communities affected by these consecutive disasters.

I hope that each of you are prioritizing your health and safety during this difficult time. As always, I thank you for your service.

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MESSAGE FROM MD202 COUNCIL CHAIR HELEN WILLIAMS

Dear Lions

Please read the urgent messages from MD 202 Council of Governors sent to you in our Between The Lions and available on the website.

https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/covid-19-updates-and-notices

It is strongly advised that clubs (regardless of number of members) seriously consider suspending traditional face to face meetings, projects or events that require Lions members to be gathering in close proximity. Look for updates, good news stories and innovative ways of serving via this link in the time ahead. Stav well Lions family Kindness Matters Helen Williams Council Chair MD202 3 Farnham Drive, Blenheim 03 578 5142 021 1458572

It is important to stress to members that 'Between The Lions' is the main means of communication to our members from MD and COG and it is important that they **do not unsubscribe from the newsletter** at this unprecedented time.

Through this medium, in the weeks ahead, we will be putting forward positive stories of service and also innovative ways that Lions can continue to serve safely.

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This Report was for the Multiple District Convention booklet, Whangarei May 1- 3 2020 I have been asked to share with you in the Southern Flyer

Dear Lions Members

Welcome to this 202 Convention in Whangarei, and to the world without SOUND

Yes you may wonder why I call it the world without sound, well I have a loss of 92% hearing.

I wrote in my last report that it could be my last report to MD 202, but here I'm back again and hope if I last the 3 years there will be a little more response this time round.

Until this year there hasn't been much in the way of enquires or reports of things clubs have found helpful for their community. At the last MD Convention we had Belinda from Southern Cochlear Implants give a talk on ways Lions could help and it was interesting to find out that there is over 200 on the waiting list and growing by the day as the Government only funds 50 adults each year. As I put this together Belinda will be talking to the 202D convention on how they can help, one of which is the petition to Government to get an increase. There is one Lions Club who have sent funding to the SCIT, if more Clubs followed this Club we would be able to make a difference to some ones life.

There has been some tests of Student in Auckland to check their hearing level and the result was One in every three had hearing loss, when questioned most of them had been using loud music plugged directly into their ears, up to 8 hours per day. If there is testing in your area I ask you to support some of the costs, this has been \$50 per pupil, in Nelson the Zone said they would like to support but are hoping the Audiologists in the area will support this and keep the costs down.

Recycling of Hearing Aids, how many Clubs know about this ? [you all should as it was something I put in my first report over 6 years ago and repeated a number of times since] I have asked that each Lions Club appoints a member to do this, could be the same member who does the other recycling !!!

The leaflet given out last year gives all members ideas of how they can support the hearing impaired groups, every small bit counts especially if a number of Lions Clubs give their support.

March will have come and gone by the time you read this but each year March is hearing Month, local Hearing Associations have street collections, offer your support for a day, it also puts the Lions name out in the public arena.

I will be at the Convention so if you have any questions or ideas please talk to me.

I still believe that a lot of our present day children are exposed to too much loud noise at a age when their hearing is still developing, if programmes can be put in place to stop this happening we would end up with less children relying on hearing aids, because you don't get your hearing back.

I have had only half my life with Aids, 1 in 3 or 5 what ever the figure is 1 too many when I think of what sort of a life they face, makes me shudder, plus what they miss out on.

I commend those Lions Clubs who send money annually to the NFD, but would we not be better to group that money together for a particular programme and Lions receive recognition for that? Any funds sent through a promotor will only have a % available for NFD to use

I hope that members attending this MD Convention will read this report and take some thing back to their clubs.

Regards Lion John Harwood QSM

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Just a follow up on what we spoke about, how wonderful 202f have come together and raised funds for the bush fires.

So what has been recorded as being deposited but some not yet on reports are as follow. Ohai/Nightcaps \$1000 recorded on report Riverton \$1000 Waihopi \$300 recorded on report Ann Saunders \$100 Queenstown Wakatipu \$150 Gore River Valley \$500 Clutha Valley \$500 Toi Tois Tokanui \$6514.41 Te Anau Kepler \$833.35 Lawrence Otago \$300 Wanaka Upper Clutha \$1000 recorded on report Queenstown Lions \$50 000 (or just under haven't seen final figure) And Zone 4 have sold at least 4 water tanks so bringing in another \$12000. Tokanui had projected a total of \$30 000, I am not sure if the amount as above is only part of it, the email said it was only part. So best case total of \$97,683.35

Very proud of the area, the fires certainly brought everyone together to help raise monies.

Marie Hayes 202F Coordinator for LCIF

Well done 202F

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Kia Ora

This is a follow up email to see if another club wishes to buy a promotional flag for their club. We need to have 10 flags and we are currently sitting on 9. I have attached a photo of Waihopai City's flag to show you what size the flag is and the base. You get to design your flag and choose your own colours.

The deal is, if the Warehouse Stationery get an order for 10 or more flags they will charge \$200 for the medium feather flag, the medium pole and the cross stand. This includes printing. The flag is printed on both sides. The only thing that it doesn't include is \$35 for designing the flag. So it would be \$200 plus \$35 for design. The usual price would be \$260 plus \$35. So a saving of \$60

More information can be gained by clicking on the link.

https://www.warehousestationery.co.nz/print-photo/promotional-signage-flags

If your club is interested in ordering one of these flags, please let me know asap,

as the other 9 clubs wish to order.

Any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thanks

Liz Murray 202F District Secretary



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THE LLOYD MORGAN CHARITABLE TRUST

New Zealand & Islands of the South Pacific

Last month I attended the LMLCCT 6 monthly meeting in Wellington. This is a good chance to network and learn more about the Trust. There was discussion around succession planning, which is something that the Trust will need to address in the future. The Trust is in a good position, however, due to the uncertainty in the financial market and the continuing low interest rates, the revenue for the Trust has been lower than in recent years.

It is pleasing to see that the Tuatapere Lions Club have recently presented Jimmy Pratt a Lloyd Morgan Community award for his many years of service to the wider community of Tuatapere.

Thank you to those clubs that have made a donation to Your Trust. As at the end of February, 20 clubs within our district have made a donation, which is just under half of the clubs. To those that have not yet donated to the Trust, please remember that this is Your Trust. If your club is carrying out a project and requires some more funds, providing the project is for the benefit of the community, you can apply for a grant or loan to help you complete your project.

The West Otago Lions Club recently became involved with helping to spruce up the Tapanui swimming pool. They applied for a grant through the Trust, were successful and managed to complete the pool renovation



Graeme Wilson LMLCCT Trustee 202F

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

Responding to the Coronavirus

Lions Clubs International is actively working with our clubs around the world and monitoring the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, which is changing the way we live, work and serve. This Response Center is your central source for news and resources impacting Lions and our efforts to serve the world during this challenging time. Check back frequently for updates since this is a rapidly evolving situation. Let's continue to put our kindness in action by putting the health and safety of our communities first.

Top News

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CROMWELL LAKE DUNSTAN

McNulty House Restoration – invite Helen Scholes along to meeting to hear about restoration plans. Adrien thanks those who have been helping at the Lions events during the holiday season. Organising the raffle, selling raffle tickets, laying cemetery flowers, greeting and counting racegoers, cookies for Camp Quality, hamburgers for Highlands, fast food for Ford Day.... our community is busy at this time of the year, and so are we. It's lovely to see holiday makers and locals alike enjoying all that Central Otago has to offer. "Community Needs Assessment" – Adrien handed out relevant information to the board. The assessment would help our club identify and focus on programs and services that are needed in the community. Wonderful that our club donated money to the Bush Fires in Australia.

Pkay organised our second Op-Shop Fashion Parade. There were 3 sections in which to enter. Lots of interesting fashion clothes were worn by members and those that entered in the Refashion section showed their skill with some clever adaptations of their garments.

Best Outfit: Rita

Best Accessory: Brenda Overall Winner - Miss Op-Shop: Ngaire Best Recycled fashion: Ngaire

OHAI NIGHTCAPS

Club looking forward to the two major projects coming up, the Mt Linton Muster and the ongoing Firewood project is set to resume. Thanks to those that attended the Presidents Hangi at my place on Sunday 12th January, there were 14 present and I hope they enjoyed the fine weather and good food. (there are photos somewhere but none have found their way to me, B/E Bill). Special Thanks to Winton New World for the Christmas Hamper, Transport Services Ltd for a trailer of coal, Zoe Hurst for a donated Christmas cake, all used as Raffle prizes. Approximately 37 members of the public, 15 Lions Club members and partners and 7 entertainers attended the Christmas Concert. Interclub Bowls Challenge with Tuatapere Lions Club was held on the 2nd March. The fundraising for the Otautau health shuttle is on the 5 June.

The miners challenge is still getting decided what to do but Otautau has put up the challenge. Club made donation of \$1,000.00 Lions Clubs International Foundation for the Australian Bush Fire Appeal and \$164.00 for the Otautau News and Views monthly newsletter to cover the cost for one month to cover the 300 extra copies needed for the Ohai and Nightcaps townships.

ALEXANDRA

This was another successful day for our Club. The Trotting Club were extra appreciative with our offer to man the gates at no cost to them for this year only. We appear to have streamlined our services a lot on previous years and we have been asked back again next year.

4WD Safari -Once again we had another successful Safari, with 15 vehicles taking part in this years event. Everyone was well entertained with the commentary given by Grant "Tussock" Sanders, who spent several of his younger years working on the station the Safari travelled through.

End of the Road BBQ. To be held 13 Feb 2020, starting at the Senior Citizens Rooms at 5.30pm for those wanting to visit the Mokomoko Dryland Sanctuary. This may include going up to and inside the predator proof fence. The Sanctuary is on Conroy's Rd. Trustee's and their partners have been invited to talk about the Sanctuary and escort us to the fence.

BBQ tea will be about 7.00pm, possibly at Conroy's Dam, followed by a short meeting to sort out monthly proceedings. The trustees of the Sanctuary gave us an interesting talk on the work they are doing with the lizards they are breeding, with some members getting the chance to hold a couple. The Trustee's told us that we were the largest group of people to actually enter and visit them since they opened.

BALFOUR

Feb 10th – Tea Meeting @ Ray Keown's riverbank/beach, BBQ, meat provided. Please bring a small (Small!! enough for 2/3 only please) BYO Drinks, Cups/Glasses, Cutlery, Plates and Seats and table if required, we will provide dessert and entertainment from 6.30pm. 4x4 Trip – Set for March 1st Dunrobin Valley and the foothills of the Takitimu's travelling on the farms of Howard Boyd, Andrew Pearse, David Thomas and Ian Grant. \$60 per vehicle profits to the Blair Vining Cancer Hospital Trust. And passed in principal, we as a club will donate a water tank replacement to the Australian fire relief via Lions International, either a whole tank or shared with another club this will happen when we have more details confirmed. This means that 3 whole tanks will be donated from our local Lions Clubs. We have also already donated \$500 to the fire relief fund.

Alexandra Dunstan

Our Christmas Meeting was different and such a shame that the weather was "so out of season". However when we got back to Suzette's and warmed up everyone really enjoyed themselves. Thank you to Suzette for the travelling Christmas Dinner. Perhaps we could try it again under better weather conditions. We might be able to make some Lavender Bottles at the meeting if people still have lavender flowering? These fragrant little bundles smell wonderful and make beautiful gifts! Lavender is a natural moth repellent, so lavender-wands (or bottles) are traditionally placed in closets or drawers, where they keep clothes moth-free and fresh smelling. It was decided at the business meeting that we would knit for the Queen Mary prem babies. We are told that wool will be supplied and someone will be in touch about that directly. It's something we can do in our own time and perhaps meet every so often for a knitting evening and supper.

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Snippets from 202F Clubs



202F Peace Poster Winner was Mirissa Burgess Blue Mountain College also 2md in Multiple Districts 202

Congratulations Mirissa from all the Lions members from 202F District. Well done.

LAWRENCE

50th Celebrations; Ron; Ron thanked Peter again for all his effort in compiling the anniversary book. The lost years of minutes have been found. Will call a meeting in the New Year to finalise the form. Sat 30th Nov we laid the path at Harrington court flats. Had a small turn out of members but it worked well because Robbie was able to keep up with the levelling of the concrete. Residents really happy to have direct access to Dr's path. Tournament 19th April. Looking for another convenor. Bill stressed the point that you don't need to be a golfer to run the tournament. Just get a committee together and delegate. Put on a quiz night to raise money towards water tanks for Australia. 4th March, Simpson Park, perhaps each table give a prize.

BBQ and Chiller Trailer: Ron; Boxing Day Rodeo, Millers Flat: Hired Chiller Trailer from Alexandra Lions. They delivered it to

Waitahuna and I returned it on Boxing Day evening. I would like to thank all the members who worked on this day. It was a very busy day with income of approximately \$4000. GUEST SPEAKER at the March - The Clutha District Council - Our Place Lawrence-Tuapeka.

Rescheduling social fun day. Now to be April 5th with Ambrose and Team Challenge

President Paul thanked the club for being at Gymkhana and Rodeo and heard many good comments from public on quality and pricing of food and the southern barrel thanked the club for having the caravan available on the Sunday.

MATAURA

We collect 682 items from the Mataura community. We had great support from our local fire bridge, their families. local people and also River valley Lions.



Snippets from 202F Clubs

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL

Our year began with the sad news that our dear friend and loyal Lion Alice passing away. Alice's family told me she really enjoyed belonging to Lions especially the friendships she made .Our first meeting of the year was very pleasant, Paddington Arms provided us with a lovely meal which was served all together however the shape of the room was not ideal. May Meeting.... Planning to have a Mother/Daughter/Friend bring someone along to share our evening.

WAIKIWI

Thanks to Ian and Glennis for a great day of games and fellowship. We had one member who used their car to try and put a grove in the lawn to help his golf go into the bucket (it didn't work). The games we played were: hitting the golf ball, throwing the dice, and throwing rings onto the pole. Everyone enjoyed themselves. Geoff had a race with Ian and Glennis' daughter - and he lost.

Wanaka Upper Clutha

Our Club is off to a good start with the Golf croquet match held last Sunday. Twelve players enjoyed learning the game, and it soon became quite competitive. Hazardous too, resulting in a skinned nose and two black eyes. Lorraine is about to plant our first Lilliput libraries. Noeline and I hosted a group of residents from Elmslie House who travelled out to Hawea. The ladies just loved it, reminiscing about the crafts and embroidery they saw on show. Thanks to Betty and David who hosted a pot luck dinner at their house. Great food and delightful company. Thanks to Lorraine's organisation the K9 Medical Detection information meeting was a great success. The St John room was full and Pauline Blomfield's presentation was so interesting. People left full of enthusiasm, so maybe we could look at a fundraising project. A new initiative between the Community Hub and our Club is being investigated . Lion Penny had a most enjoyable evening with the Leos, Ann and a couple of Mums at their club meeting during their community service project picking up litter at Albert Town Caravan Camp Site. The management team were very happy with the removal of several black bags of rubbish We were very busy for 8 hours. We of the mums supplied Hot dogs and chips.

TE ANAU

I would like to thank everyone who helped at the Kepler Challenge, putting up tents and taking them down. Also the group who manned the gates at the Rodeo on the 30th Dec

Also like to thank Brian and his crew for organising the Golden Oldies BBQ in Jan. Our first meeting is coming this month and we are busy organising a speaker. Te Anau will host a zone meeting in Feb and will organise a venue in conjunction with Kepler Ladies

It was bought up at the Zone meeting that the Kepler Lions, Mossburn & Te Anau Lions to donate \$3000.00 (\$1000.00 per club), this is to be used in the most practical way. Golden Oldies BBQ was very successful once again. There was some discussion over people being nominated for awards, this will be discussed again. Phil, Trevor & Ross to attend the next Kepler Lions meeting to discuss the 2 clubs joining.

Lion Tom Roberts after being presented a Loyd Morgan award by DG Dave Saunders in recognition of 55yrs service to Te Anau Lions

AT AN OPTOMETRIST'S OFFICE: "If you don't see what you're looking for, You've come to the right place."



Gore River Vallery

TOOT FOR TUCKER -The best collection yet!!!!!!! 6500 items donated and they still kept rolling in after the count. Fire engines, 3 police cars, and ambulances all joined in the collection and the sirens roared all over town but the thunder didn't roll that night... 40 Lions and 46 volunteers collected on the night and that doesn't count the Lions who delivered the pamphlets earlier in the week to the town's mail boxes. What a fabulous effort. As Lions We Serve and I can't think of a better thing to have done for our community at Christmas.



Gore Pakeke

Now it is time to settle into routine. The recycling workers already have - in fact I don't think they ever stop. It was good getting the large trees at the end of the building cut down in January. Our first task for the year is helping with the gates at the Gore A & P Show on Saturday 1st February. That's not far away. Where has January gone? We promised to do this in return for the use of the Hokonui Pavilion for the Book Sale. It is quite an 'interesting' day.

Winton

Jeff reports that good sales were made at the Winton A&P Show as well as the Farm Jam, keeping everyone that worked those days very busy. Wonderful to see so many of our members involved with the BBQ truck. Borland Lodge Weekend 21 - 22 - 23 February 2020. For the uninitiated to this wonderful event 21) arrival during the afternoon, dinner and social evening 22) tidy up what needs tidying up around the camp, free time in the afternoon to enjoy ourselves and relax. More social stuff that evening. 23) pack up, clean up. Team photo and tearful farewells. All this catered with great breakfasts, lunch and dinners. Last year from memory at \$35 pp for the whole weekend. Liquid refreshments BYO .Special Guest at the March meeting,Soon to be 1st Vice District Governor Pam Fiveash . Pam to induct into Lions: Lauren Colyer , Katt Henderson, Wim Overgaauw, Janet Overgaauw .

"The worst time to have a heart attack is during a game of charades."

Maniototo

Congratulations to the NZ Youth Olympic curling team of Hunter Walker, Lucy Neilson, Will Becker and Zoe Harman on their 4thplacing at the Youth Olympics in Switzerland, Steptoe Naseby – Balance \$1780.00, \$860 each for the museum and Lions Club. It was mentioned to start the auction earlier.Planning ahead for:- Gift Lamb competition, 4WD trip, Rail Trail Duathlon, Friday the 28th of February – Maniototo Hospital are holding a thankyou function for those involved in the establishment. Congratulations must also go to Lions John Mulholland and Stuart Paterson for the work they have done with the Maniototo Health Services Ltd, getting the new Hospital to the stage of official opening on February 28th. A major asset for the whole community. The Lions Garden, the Machinery Shed and the Hospital hedges all need working bees. We have also been asked to drive courtesy cars for the St Johns 75th Jubilee, March 21st, and we have been asked to cater for Trevor and Judy Becks 50th wedding anniversary 4th April and a Fire Brigade Dinner 18th April.

. "Surround yourself with positive people with the same core values that understand our goals. You can't have a bad day with a good attitude. Lean forward and enjoy the ride!"

Queenstown

We started off Jan with a big effort at Lake Hayes A&P show both BBQ and car parking and then followed up with a hastily arranged fund raiser for Aussie bush fires, Wakatipu Waiata for Australia. Again, a great turn out and some great support from Wakatipu Lions and Altrusa. Looks like in excess of \$50,000 for the day so a great result. We still have a major project with Firewood, this will be ongoing. Thanks Simon for your hospitality and thanks Tas for arranging the various working bees. Club has purchased Log Levers to assist in the ringing and safely moving logs around during log splitting. It was proposed that the club purchase a new and ergonomic vacuum cleaner for the Hospice Shop. There are 37 cubic meters for splitting and distribution. There was or is a request from the High School for firewood for a raffle. Party by the Pond: "Happy Fish" are performing at 50 Fitzpatrick Rd It's a BYO Drinks & Blanket and a \$20 Donation

Wanaka & Districts

2020 is looking good for us as a club. We have already been very busy with 4x4 Safari, Rugby catering, Pembroke club dinner & the Quiz night fundraiser for the Aussie fires. The Cavalcade & A&P show are our next gigs so as always everyone who can make these projects a success by all helping where we can. Malcolm will have a date for us to deliver firewood after the A&P show. quiz night: Very successful night. A team of about 12 Lions assisted and entered a team. 112 people (17 teams) participated, at \$25 per person. Total raised was around \$6421. We decided to deliver the wood last Saturday and we had 21members turn out. Bruce and Norma had taken it upon themselves to take the orders and they came out Saturday morning and they had everything organised as to where the wood was to go it worked out well. We started at 8-30 and had it sorted out by 10°clock. We delivered close to 100 meters.

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Owaka

February meeting will be held at Richard Kerr's farm, commencing with a working bee at 2pm. A good start was made last month on the firewood. Golf tournament, 77 entrants, \$3891.50 profit. Vincent George would like to be our sponsor next year, and donate a \$200.00 travel voucher. Hosted the cabinet meeting in the supper room of the hall, on the 15th Feb. Our catering team did a great job of providing a lunch for the Cabinet meeting held recently in the Hall. They were spoiled with a choice of, salads, BBQ patties, sausages and Blue Cod. Canter: 20th March, Paua is under control. RTs and vests SAR. Main Management— Waka. Toilets to be dropped off this week. Blue Cod is ordered. Raffles, need help with this. A good turn out at last month's working bee/tea meeting. We had ten log splitters and fifteen to twenty saws going during the afternoon. The result was a lot of split wood. Our thanks to Richard for donating the wood

Makarewa

Thanks to Lion Simon for organising and driving the bus on the Pudding night meeting and to Sally and Gordon for welcoming the Lions Club members to their home in Otatara for the potluck pudding. The film show at the Awarua Communications Museum was enjoyed by all.

At the firewood we have made good progress on the maintenance of the top conveyor belt and some work is to be done on the mains power, thanks to all the members that helped out with this.

The Burt Munro event has come and gone for another year, with the participants enjoying the racing and the camaraderie of people with a common interest in motor-bikes. Our Lions Club is like this in a way, with the camaraderie of members who have a common desire to help out in there neighbourhood and enjoy doing it.

West Otago

February meeting was Clay Bird Shoot from 6pm at the Gun Club— on Station road just over the bridge, on your right. \$20 P/ Person if shooting. Bring your own gun if you have one. Come along and have a go. This will be followed by a potluck finger food tea meeting at 7.30pm at the Tapanui Golf Club. Please bring a plate to share. The Christmas Parade raised \$1160 towards the Bradley Family—thank you to Matt at the 4 Square for his generous donation and ongoing assistance at Xmas parades. Melissa bBurgess represented our area for the peace poster competition and has gone on to come 2nd in the NZ Peace Poster Competition.—Well done Melissa. Two Lions Club members will be attending the unveiling of the Tapanui Fire Brigade . Support Vehicle on 28th February. A valuable asset to the whole community. Wednesday 25th March. Annual Lions challenge The Balclutha Lions are having an Amazing Race in and around Balclutha as this years challenge. Team members would have to be there by 6.20pm Sounds like a fun evening. Balclutha is a relatively new Lions Club and it would be great to support them by participating in this event. We will be calling for members to form teams of 4 to compete at the tea meeting. (Did this event happen? Ed)

Invercargill Host

We had a lovely evening at the Rocks with a reasonably good attendance. We also had another very pleasant evening at Lion Margaret's house in January. Unfortunately we had a very low number of Lions present. It was a lovely mild evening, and even when we had a few spots of rain we still sat outside and chatted. Great food,

Waihopai City

Teretonga is on this Sat/Sun 15/16th so please remember your time slot if you have put your name down. The next meeting is 21/22 March (the same weekend as 202F Convention). We had a successful collection on Friday 7th for the Hospice. Thanks to those who helped. 2022 Multiple District Convention. Our committee is having a meeting on Thursday 13th February.

So, what is a Nomination Meeting: Every March Lions around the world nominate their new office bearers for the coming year. Then in April (by the 20th) they are elected into the roles to start learning before taking over on 1st

July. There is training, both in person and on-line, so you all have an opportunity to gain new skills and achieve good things for you and your club.

Wyndham Pioneer

The Wyndham Pioneer Lions Club 40th Anniversary-1980-2020, held on the 28th March (did it go ahead)

Paddy walks into the site office carrying a flask. Murphy: "What you got there then? Paddy: "Tis a new Flask" Murphy: "What's it do then?" Paddy: "It keeps hot tings hot and cold tings cold" Murphy: "So what you got in it then" Paddy:"Two cups of coffee and an Ice Cream"

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Invercargill Central

Our thoughts go out to all the families caught up in the floods in Southland. We had three families caught, one went to pick up family off the school bus and could not get home for two nights. The other two could not get home from the concert in Dunedin. They all had dry home to come home to not like the ones that were flooded out. I here there may be another storm coming tonight. Our January meeting went off well when the speaker didn't turn up everyone caught up on every ones summer break. This month we have two Friday collections on the 21st and 28th.

The zone meeting is coming up at the end of the month.

"Being of service means doing whatever needs to be done with no attachment to the form of the task and with no investment in its outcome." by Susan S. Trout.

Riversdale

I would like to thank those members as well as the Civil Defence for turning up to protect Scottie's house from flooding in those recent rains we just had. The Vintage Bikes are coming up on Sunday, 15 March at Mandeville. We also need hands on deck for the BBQ that day. The starting time is 10.00am. Don't forget, our club social outing on Tuesday, 25 February to Waikaia. Our club is helping with the BBQ at the Riversdale Speed Shears being held on Saturday, 22 February, at the Riverdale Rugby Rooms, - will be run in 3 shifts, from 4.00pm onwards. A Comedy Show being held on Saturday, 4 April at Riversdale. It is being put on for FARMERS and WHO EVER ELSE, - so make sure the word gets out. Starting at 6.30pm with good stalls before the show, which starts at 7.30pm

Cromwell

President would like to publicly thank the Alexandra Lions for assisting us by catering on the terrace at Highlands for Speedworks Motorsport N.Z champs on Saturday18th and Sunday 19th January. I hope your takings will help you with a worthwhile community project.

Also, thank you to Lake Dunstan Lions for the continued support in our catering caravans. Another job well done. Some of our members formed a Guard of Honour for Branch Club member Bert Sim recently and Wayne C spoke briefly at his funeral about Bert's achievements in lions. Rest in Peace Bert.

The club BBQ held on January 22nd was a great success with approximately 60 members and partners attending at Lowburn Inlet, under the willows, on a calm hot evening. The food and company were great.

The weekend of 7 & 8 March saw the NZ Powerboat Association Regatta on Lake Dunstan with 2 catering caravans, plus the Ben Nevis Station Golden 1200 Hill Climb with our other caravan. We also had catering at Highlands

Branch Club- on Friday the 14th of February 25 members and partners are going on a picnic to the Nevis Valley and are going to visit Graeme Stewart's museum while over there.

Our BBQ Meeting in January was a huge success, great weather and a great venue. This was held at the residence of George and Elaine Fletcher.

Our Club is hosting 24 members of the Ashburton Pakeke Lions Club at our meeting on the 1st of April (This is no joke).

We are collecting outside New World for The Heart Foundation on Friday the 21st of February 2020.

Our next outing is on Friday, 20th March. We are going up to the Snow Farm where we are having a conducted tour of the area. This will be followed by lunch at the Cardrona Hotel.

Toi Tois

Thank you to all who helped with the flood clean up at O'Connor's Frisby's and McKenzie's. Your help is much appreciated by these farmers. Thank you - 31 people, good effort, lots of fences tidied. The Bark Up raised approx. \$6.500.00. Well done Emily and all others involved. None of the Kangaroos were brave enough to venture on to the other side of the river. There will be 2 working bees soon – firewood and Waipohatu Walking track. Community helpers welcome. Next Club Meeting at the Den Tokanui- 16th March, 6.30pm. We are offering the opportunity to come and have a meal and a yarn and find out more about what we do, no strings. Please talk to a Lion near you if you are interested. Ronald McDonald Family Room, Invercargill Moved we carry on contributing \$1,500 annually. To Purchase 20 Frshn x Cattle from Nolan Jennings. They will need to be drenched & tagged & delivered out

Queenstown Wakatipu

Liz has ascertained that a ski camp for youth with diabetes will be held here this winter and will fit well with our mandate to donate our funds to diabetic youth. More information to come. Winter Festival – the opportunity is to help with Waste Management on the Friday Night Fireworks and Sunday closing event. The Club is privileged to again be able to do the catering for RSA ANZAC Day this year, on Saturday morning. 25th April. We will need all hands on deck from 0900 until about 1300. This is a great opportunity to raise funds for Lions

Lumsden

When a zoo's gorilla died, the zookeeper hires an actor to don a costume and act like an ape till the zoo can get another one. In the cage the actor makes faces, swings around and draws a huge crowd. He then crawls across a partition and on top of the lion's cage, infuriating the animal. The actor stays in character, until he loses his grip and falls into the lion's cage. Terrified the actor shouts, "Help, help me." Too late. The lion pounces, opens his massive jaw, whispers, "Shut up, do you want to get us both fired?"

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Snippets from 202F Clubs

Clyde & Districts

A very big thank you also to Lion Bill who organised the microphone holder for our new Lectern, it is great to see that people are beginning to use this most useful tool we have been presented with. Many thanks Bill. 11th March set down for a cooking demo by Bevan Smith from Riverstone. Remember to get your tickets at Clyde School.

"Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved."

Gore Hokonui

What a wonderful evenings entertainment we had at Operatunity. Everything went just as planned. A huge thank-you to Nola and her sub-committee. And with the generous donations of food items from club members, we were able to keep costs low and therefore profits high. A great combination! Many thanks to all those Lions Clubs who supported us at Operatunity. Thanks to those who helped with Heart Foundation & Child Cancer collections. Besides selling the Raffle during March we have been asked to help out The Blind Foundation and will be collecting at the Warehouse on Saturday 14th March for the Red Puppy Appeal. We have been asked to cater for Lola Stewart's 90th Birthday at Windsor Park on Saturday the 4th April 2020 at 1.30pm. It is an afternoon tea and will require sandwiches, slices and fruit platters

Te Anau Kepler

We have our special meeting coming up on Monday 9th at 7 pm at the Community rooms so hope everyone can make it.

Oyster Season; One day, my physician father treated himself to a plate of raw oysters and offered to share them with me. Just as I was about to dig in, he picked up an oyster, examined it, and commented, "They remind me of infected tonsils. "And that's the story of how he ended up eating the entire plate of oysters himself



The Origins of April Fools

April Fool's Day is traditionally a day to play practical jokes on others, send people on fool's errands, and fool the unsuspecting.

No one knows how this holiday began but it was thought to have originated in France. In sixteenth-century France, the start of the New Year was observed on April 1st.

It was celebrated in much the same way as it is today with parties and dancing into the late hours of the night.

Then in 1562, Pope Gregory introduced a new calendar for the Christian world, and the new year fell on January 1st. There were some people, however, who hadn't heard or didn't believe the change in the date, so they continued to celebrate New Year's Day on April 1st. Others played tricks on them and called them "April Fools".

They sent them on a "fool's errand" or tried to make them believe that something false was true. Most April Fools jokes are in good fun and are not meant to harm anyone. Today each country celebrates April Fool's differently.

In France, the April Fool's is called "April Fish" (Poisson d'Avril). The French fool their friends by tapiing a paper fish to their friends' backs and when they discover the trick, they yell "Poisson d'Avril!".

In England, tricks can be played only in the morning. If you play a trick in the afternoon then you are the "April Fool". In Scotland, April Fools Day is 48 hours long and you are called an "April Gowk", which is another name for a cuckoo bird. The second day in Scotland's April Fool's is called Taily Day and is dedicated to pranks involving the posterior. In Portugal, April Fool's is celebrated on the Sunday and Monday before Lent. The traditional trick there is to throw flour at your friends.

(Borrowed from Rolleston Lions Club bulletin.

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Dear Lion,

By now, I trust you have settled into the new year. It is hard to believe how quickly my time as chairperson of our global foundation is passing. As I turn the pages on my calendar and see the days go by, I also see there are still several months to make an even greater impact while serving as Lions Clubs International Foundation chairperson.

As a Lion of long standing, I am well aware of what can be accomplished in a short period of time when we collaborate to achieve our goals as we serve our neighbors, our communities, and those we may not even know.

There are roughly four months remaining in this fiscal year. I encourage you to make the most of them. Collaborate more as a club to carry out a new fundraising initiative or to raise community awareness of LCIF, a powerful catalyst in our ability to deliver health, happiness, and hope. You will likely have some fun (and maybe even earn recognition!) in the process.

Between now and June 30, I challenge every club to be bold. To be daring. And to set a new and exciting goal! Together, we are stronger. Together, we can more easily tackle new challenges. Together, We Serve.

In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

Riverton

Well, what an amazing evening we had for our "Special Venue" at "Paddock 186". Garry Hull served us his amazing Pizza on arrival while we were welcome to observe him cooking in his Pizza house...or we could walk in the garden, look at the house he designed and look / listen to the many birds he has. Keep the 4th April free if you can to help with either catering for Young Farmer Contest breakfast, BBQ mid day and /or "Duck Race" raffle tickets to sell. •Lamb Competition, 100 plus lambs collected. •Comingup, firewood and a shed demolition for kindling. •Pankhurst Sawmilling have donated 2 truck and trailer loads of firewood. •Thornbury Young Farmers are hosting Regional Young Farmer of the Year Competition at Riverton on the 4th April. We will do a breakfast for approximately 50 people and to run a BBQ at lunch time. •The old tote at the Riverton Race course has been demolished, we will be able to get some kindling wood from it.

Winton Central Southland

A big thank you going out to all those who helped out with the Child Cancer, Blind Foundation and Meals on Wheels. Also a thank you to those that put their manes down to help with the Heart Foundation, due to a mix up this didn't go ahead

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Top Club Service Project APPLICATION FORM

Are you the club in this Constitutional Area with the Top Service Project?

Enter our new programme to showcase our "Service Projects"

Every Club in our Constitutional Area 7 covering, Multiple Districts 201 (Australia, Papua New Guinea), 202 (New Zealand, Islands of the South Pacific), 307 (Indonesia), and Region 203 (New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Tahiti) has an opportunity to be recognised by entering their top service project in this new programme. "Service" is our key focus so why don't we tell everyone about what we are doing!

Your Global Service Team is going to help you showcase your projects not only for Lions to see, but the wider community through our network of media channels, local advertising, Facebook and our various publications across our Constitutional Area 7.

As Diabetes is our core focus going forward, we will be keen to see as many new projects undertaken to support this category. A special recognition will be made for the top "Diabetes Project" undertaken by each Multiple District. This may also be judged as the winner of the top project category.

So how will the program run?

- The programme will run from individual Lions Clubs, through District, Multiple District and finally at Constitutional Area level, with the winner being announced at our next ANZI PACIFIC Forum in Perth in September 2020.
- It must be a new and innovative individual Club project started by the Club in this Lions year-- not combined clubs or a Zone project.
- Club Project entries will be judged by a Committee established in each District by the District Governor which will include the GST District Coordinator.
- All finalist projects will receive District recognition and will be advertised in District communications and Newsletters.
- One project is chosen from within the District as the "Top District Service Project". This project is submitted to the respective Multiple District/Region level Committee for judging. A Diabetes Project may also be chosen as the District Top Service project.
- Where a District has chosen a non-diabetes project as their Top service Project, it may also submit their top "Diabetes Project" as a separate nomination.

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- The District finalist must be to their Council/Region Chairperson two weeks prior to the Multiple District/Region Convention.
- To judge the District finalist the Council/Region Chairperson will select a Committee, which will include the Council/Region Chairperson, Multiple District GST Coordinator, and two other Lions.
- The Multiple District or Region committee judging the Top Service Project will select one project from all
 projects submitted to become the Multiple District/Region "Top Service Project". If the Top Service Project is
 not a diabetes related project, a special recognition can be awarded to the Top Diabetes Project at each
 MD/Region.
- All finalist Multiple District/Region projects will receive Multiple District recognition with publication on Multiple District Website, Lion Magazine & through Global Action Team communications.
- Each Multiple District/Region winner which will proceed to the Constitutional Area 7 judging prior to the ANZI Pacific Forum to enable preparation of finalist's certificates and winner's trophy.
- Constitutional Area Judging will be undertaken by a Committee including the International Director, CA7GAT Leader, and the four GAT Area Leaders.
- Promotion of the project at the ANZI Pacific Forum will be the responsibility of each submitting Multiple District/Region GST Coordinator, with each area responsible for displaying their winning entry as a Power Point Display at the Global Action Team (GAT) Booth at the ANZI Pacific Forum in Perth 2020.
- The finalists, together with their Multiple District GST Coordinator and Council/Region Chairperson will be
 recognized on stage at the ANZI Forum in Perth, with all finalists presented with a Certificate, and the overall
 CA7 winner also presented with the winning plaque/trophy by the International President.
- Project Winning details will then be forwarded by the CA7 GAT Leader to the Service and Marketing Divisions
 of LCI for inclusion in the International Lions Magazine, website recognition etc.

Bulletins/ Articles- Received from July 1st- - - 2019till 30th June 2020

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lemon, almond and sesame bliss balls

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2 cups (320g) blanched almonds ½ cup (75g) sesame seeds 2 tablespoons honey ½ cup (50g) finely grated lemon rind 2 tablespoons lemon juice 2 cups (160g) desiccated coconut

Place the almonds, sesame seeds, honey, lemon rind, lemon juice and half the coconut in a food processor and process for 1-2 minutes or until the mixture comes together. Place the remaining coconut on a large plate. Roll tablespoons of the mixture into balls and roll in the coconut to coat. MAXEE28. Fig. The bliss balls will keep refrigerated for 2-3 mixes

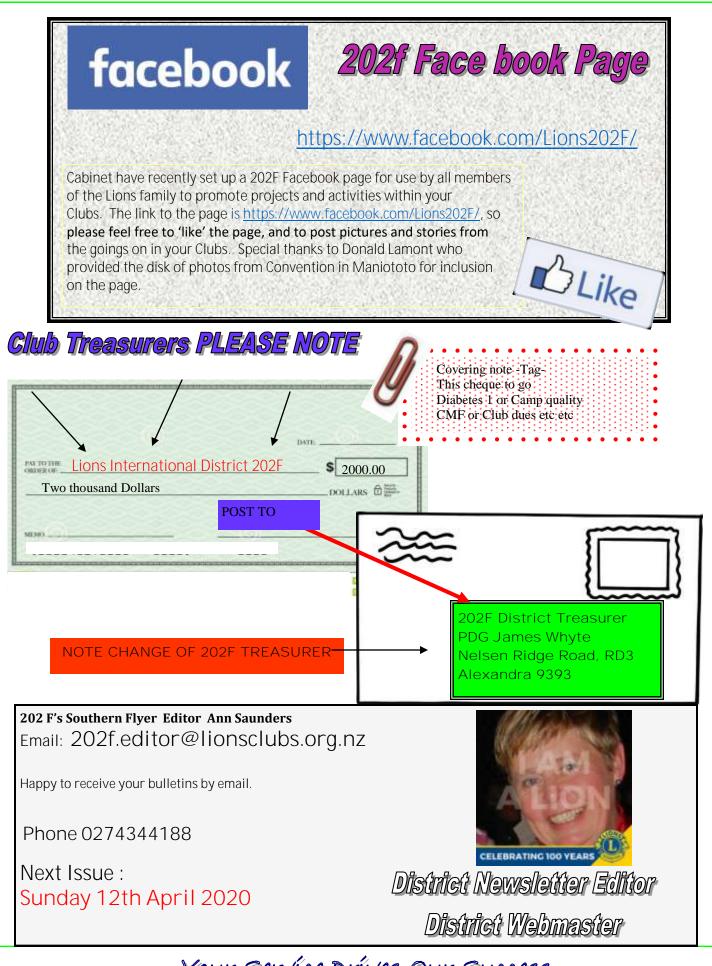
Thank you Alexandra Dunstan

Let your smile change the world, but don't let the world change your smile

If at first you don't succeed,

Sky diving is not the way to start.

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