



61st Multiple District 202 Convention

April 23rd - 25th 2021

Whangarei



Dear Fellow Lions, Leos and Lionesses,

It is my pleasure as Convention Chairman, to bring you an update about the MD Convention being held next April, 2021, in Whangarei.

With Covid-19 putting paid to holding it this year and Hikurangi Lions club deciding they didn't want to 'go it alone,' the seven (7) Lions Clubs in District K Zone 2, took up the challenge to work together to bring you a convention to remember.

As so much work had been done by Hikurangi Lions, it was decided to carry on with the theme 'The Roaring Twenties.' The convention bags had been organised, activities planned for Saturday and a colour theme of red and black chosen. These will still be used, though other clubs' colours will be incorporated as well.

All **weekend functions** will be held at Forum North, Rust Avenue, Whangarei.

Registration will be available at Forum North between 2.00pm to 7.00pm on Friday 23rd April and at the same venue between 7.00am to 9.00am on Saturday 24th April. The registration form will be available very soon.

Council Chairman David Peart has decided to revert to holding the Flag Ceremony at the **Friday Opening Ceremony**, along with a very entertaining Guest Speaker.

Saturday will have the **Annual General Meeting** as normal. In the evening you can come along and dance the Charleston or give it a go after watching a demonstration. You can dress-up in the theme if you so wish.
More information about the evening in a later newsletter.

The Programme for Partners is one I hope many will take up. Kiwi North was placed in the top 10% of hospitality businesses around the globe and won them the 2020 Travellers' Choice Award, based on Tripadvisor reviews. You will have a Tuatara encounter and hopefully see kiwis being fed. The Museum will be open along with a train ride and morning tea. More to follow on the programme.

On **Sunday 25th**, being Anzac Day, CC David would like to see as many Lions as possible, joining him in the Dawn Parade. A wreath will be laid at the Cenotaph on behalf of Lions.

Breakfast will be at your own cost, at local cafes. More on this to follow.

Finally, on to Forum North for the **Remembrance and Rededication Address** and Closing Ceremony which will include the hand-over of flags to the Lions Club of Silverstream.

PDG Judy Allison Convention Chairman

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Accommodation

Motels available and offering a discount to Lions are:-

Distinction (HQ) 09 430 4080

Discovery – 09 438 2699 (placing a 'landing page ' on their website for Lions)

BK's Pohutukawa Lodge – 09 430 8634 \$145/night less 10%

Cheviot Park Motor Lodge – 09 438 2341 \$135 - \$155/night less 10%

Lodge Bordeaux – (corporate rate) \$165/night

Bella Vista – 09 438 6990 – offering special rates \$137 (Studio), \$142 (Executive) \$171 (1 B/rm 3 people)

Cyprus Court Motel – 09 437 6193 offering special rates \$110/night

Stonehaven Motel – 09 437 6898 may offer

There are 2 Holiday Parks as well –

Whangarei Central Holiday Park – 09 438 6600

Whangarei Top 10 Holiday Park – 09 437 6856