

The Lions Club of Halswell District Inc.

The Quarry Newsletter

November-December 2020



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President's Message

December 2020

President Peter's Thoughts

Motto for Year

FUN FELLOWSHIP SERVICE

I made comment last month about our high volume of projects over the Christmas New Year period. Thank you to all those members that found those few extra hours to assist. It was also really pleasing that our relationship and co operation with Wigram Skies has ensured our commitments can be achieved. There is often a phrase used within Lions that we are all members of the "Lions Family", this phrase has real meaning when two Clubs show willingness to join together in service.

While we have all had individual and community challenges during the year with lock downs and constant threats of the Covid19 spreading we should be grateful we live in a country of peace and concern for our fellow citizens. During this period of uncertainty Halswell Lions have continued to serve our community.

District 202E Election of Second Vice District Governor

At the last District Convention in March 2020 there was no candidate for the position of Second Vice District Governor. It is then the responsibility of the current District Governor (Paul O'Connor) to find a Lion's member who meets the criteria for the position and is then nominated and elected. Cabinet members and Past District Governors are then required to meet and consider the suitability of a candidate and hold the appropriate election. This meeting was held on the 8th November and elected Lion Hugh Perry of Ferrymead Lions, as Second Vice District Governor, for the remainder of the 2020-2021 Lions year. I have attempted to keep this explanation as short as possible but felt it was important that all Lions members understood the process.

While the Club has some membership challenges to be addressed in the New Year Kushleen and I have made a positive start and with your ongoing support Halswell will build their membership.

Carol and I value the friendship of members and sincerely wish all members a joyous Christmas and a relaxing New Year.

Yours in Lionism

President Peter



1st Committee Report

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Wednesday 2nd December 2020

6.30pm for a 7pm start

Cost: \$27

Special entertainment guest Richard Hore

PLEASE EACH BRING A \$5 GIFT

Don't forget to BYO drinks

Apologies into Lynley by Monday 30 November



2nd VP Report November 2020

The craziness has arrived, starting with Thursday 19th November, New World Club Day.

When I arrived about 11.40am Roger and the team had started cooking the sausages.

There were no burgers, so after a word to New World about promises made, they arrived so we were into it cooking burgers and sausages. Then New World delivered cartons of cold drinks to give away.

Apologies for the narrative we were so busy that we forgot to take photos.

Hellers arrived and were impressed with our efforts and came up with hats and aprons and they took photos of us in their gear.

We gave away 10 bags of sausages (60 to a bag) and 23 packs of gourmet burgers (6 to a pack) as well as dozens of cans of cold drinks between 11.30am and 6.00pm. I think it was an outstanding effort by all our volunteers and thank you to those who offered to work a little longer as we were so busy.

A great day was had by all. New World have yet to confirm the total of their donation.

Unfortunately, the weather gods upset all our plans for November 22nd race meeting at Motukarara with the call coming at 08.17 am Sunday morning that we would not be needed. The weather was mixed, and the crowd expectation greatly reduced. A bit frustrating but that is what we have to contend with.

Upcoming Projects

Xmas cakes - Please sell as many as you can. Thank you to those that have already submitted orders. There are currently 14 cakes still to be sold.

1. Sunday 6 December - Carols at the Quarry (alternate date 13 Dec if needed).
2. Saturday 12 December - Halswell Community BBQ at the library from 10am till 3pm in conjunction with The Halswell Hub and the Te Hapua staff and some other local organizations.
3. Tuesday 29 December – Motukarara Races
4. Sunday 24 January 2021 - Motukarara Races.

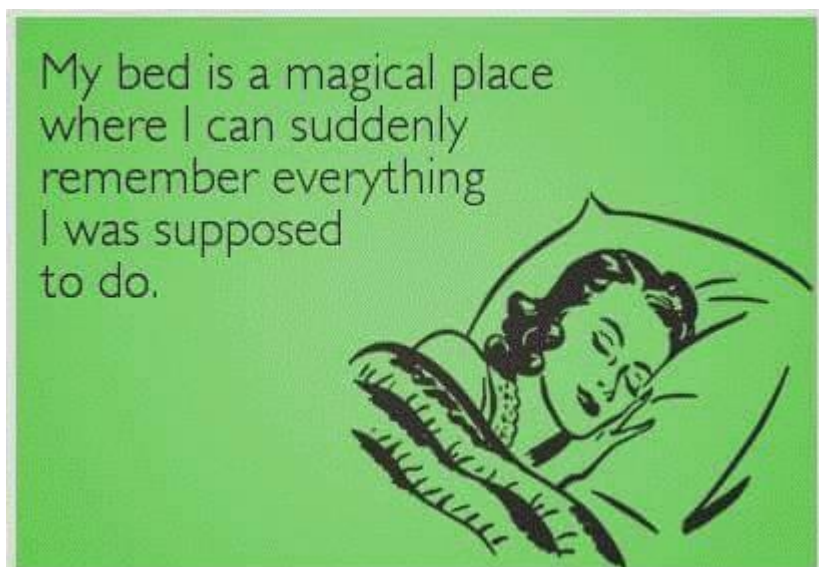
The call for help has been met. Thank you to all our volunteers.

We still have room if you have the time for assistance

However, I will need help this week with putting up the signs for Carols at the Quarry. This will probably need to be done in the evening as soon as I get the signs from the printer. Please let me know if you can help.

Thanks

Chris





Berry Trifle

Ingredients

4 Eggs
1 tsp Vanilla Essence
¼ Cup Honey
¾ Cup Caster Sugar
2 Cups Cream
1 punnet Raspberries
1 punnet Blueberries
1 punnet Strawberries
2 Tbsp Cointreau
2 Tbsp Brandy
200g Sponge fingers

Method:

1. Place four egg yolks, vanilla, honey and ½ cup of the caster sugar in a heavy bowl then sit bowl over a saucepan of simmering water, making sure the base of the bowl does not make contact with the water. Whisk or beat with an electric beater until the mixture is thick and creamy. Remove from heat and continue to beat for a minute or so as the mixture cools.
2. Beat cream until soft peaks form. Put aside about a quarter for decorating then fold egg mixture into remaining cream then chill in fridge.
3. Place the berries in a bowl, saving some for decoration. Sprinkle the fruit with ¼ cup caster sugar, Cointreau and brandy.
4. Place half of the sponge finger biscuits over the base of a 1.5 litre glass bowl. Spoon half of the fruit over the biscuits and then cover with half of the chilled custard. Place remaining biscuits over the top, then add fruit and custard. Cover and refrigerate for at least 2 hours.
5. Prior to serving, cover trifle with reserved whipped cream and decorate with berries.

3rd VP Report November 2020

We currently have no outstanding requests for funding.

Our donations approved last month were much appreciated

- Hannah Wilson of the Buddy Zone was thrilled with our donation for their Christmas event on 5 December and will send us some photos
- Caring Families Aotearoa Family appreciated our donation towards their fun day event on 22 November for fostering families and we will receive feedback from this event

In August we approved \$1,000 to the Halswell Hall to assist with their bathroom upgrade. This project was put on hold due to the delay in holding a fundraising event. The Hall have now completed the bathroom upgrade and the photos show that it looks really great. They will acknowledge Lions contribution with a small plaque.



Photos of the work done on the bathroom at the Halswell Hall of which the Halswell Lions contributed \$1,000 for the upgrade.



Pictures of Vice District Governor Tracy Henderson who paid the Club a visit on 7 October as well as Zone 8 Chair Shirley McNicholl



"We Serve"



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Thank you for reading this newsletter. Any contributions will be gratefully accepted!

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