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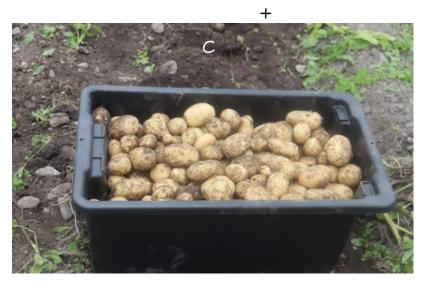
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We Have Action!







From A to B + C = Five weeks

We have had the planting, the mounding, the watering and monitoring by Nev and a visit from representatives of Satisfy Food Rescue. Coming under the Lions core value of Hunger we have had our first pick up of produce. Nev's idea was to be able to give new potatoes for Christmas day. This will well and truly be achieved with the next lot being lifted on December 21st. To all those that have been able to assist with the project so far, in whatever capacity, a huge thankyou. This is just the beginning with the major work beginning mid to late January. This will include the main crop of potatoes, corn, courgettes and pumpkins. More than enough for all to participate, in some capacity, in a very worthwhile project.

What's on Calendar

Meetings

Board Meeting Jan 14th Progressive Meal Jan 30th

Events

Coast to Coast Feb 13th

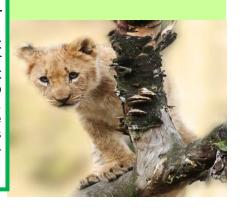
Projects

Wings With Wheels Jan 24th Golf Tournament March 26th

If unable to undertake duties on specified dates it is your responsibility to find a substitute

Service Hours

<u>To Secretary by 25th of Month</u>



From the President's Desk

President's report for December

John King and I met with the new owner at Womersley's regarding scrap metal. There has been a big tidy up done and I feel there could be some "Short Notice" call outs to maintain the tidiness.

The time and effort put into taking the caravan to Castle Hill was very worthwhile. Thanks to Wayne Y. and his team.

Toot for Tucker and BBQ at Rountrees had a good turnout. Thanks to Geoff and Sandra for their hospitality.

Canterbury Primary Schools Triathlon was cancelled due to weather.

Event marshalling in collaboration with Rangiora Lions went ahead with less marshalls than first thought.

On the 8th December eight people turned out to do some weeding, of vegetable project, at Neville's.

It won't be long before potatoes are ready to dig.

Carol Lowery made up a gift basket for Christine Roberts. Lyndsay and I presented it and it was very much appreciated. Another one is is in the process of being put together for the man who gave us the seed potatoes. Peter is giving Carol some advice.

Facebook is increasing steadily. Chris Tyson says we have nearly 400 viewers. Best month was 1500 connections. It is proving to be a valuable tool for us.

So far this year to date we have had an increase in our activity.

Cutting and splitting 23 tons of firewood, great effort.

Mental Health awareness evening coupled with charity auction worked out well for everyone.

The Big Fun Day out was a credit to all members and helpers. Our next one is pencilled in for 17th October 2021. Still to come before Christmas we have

Christmas meal 12th December

Oxman event 13th December

Potatoes to dig and Christmas Parade 20th December.

I have arranged a meeting with council to discuss the idea of a Mural Trail for the inland route starting in Oxford.

Also oon the agenda will be signage for each end of town.

The Mayor has told me he has set up a group to meet with us for further discussions on issues that we have brought up with them previously. Warrens Reserve inlet, and Single peoples accommodation.

Denise Fletcher, Neville Major Johnston, David Halls and I will get together to set up a project plan for the mural concept.

Talking with Dave McPherson I think it would be important for members to meet at the Wings with Wheels site to familiarise ourselves with how the day will go.

The next six months will be busy, with the last 6 months being a good learning curve for us all.

Thankyou

Phil

First VP Report

With the help of David Halls, and at his suggestion, I would hope our group can run a Lions Orientation.

After the school year starts I propose we approach Oxford Area School with a proposal to have a couple of their students visit our tea/business meetings. We will need a meeting of the group to discuss and arrange these Items.

Merry Christmas!!

Third VP Report

Hayley Tate from the Waimak App wanted to talk to me about Oxford's Christmas Parade. About 10,000 people use it. We also discussed promotion of Wings with Wheels, Golf Tournament and Next Big Day Out. Hayley was also interested our food production project for families in need and was going to call Neville and Phil.

Met with Chas Livermore, who approached Cheryl through Facebook. Chas is interested in recycling cans at OWMC. Currently there is not the volume to justify it.

Working be required to spruce up the Sleigh for the parade. Require a volunteer to take Santa, Phil and Mayor or MP.



Waipara Springs Winery Christmas Meal





Who owns this? Answer on last page





How is our visibility?

Print media

Observer

Posters in Cust, Oxford,

Events

Bridge to Bridge as Marshalls

Oxman Race as Marshalls

Facebook



Social Media

Action: We appear to be the only Lions Club in our area not on this app.

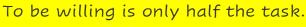
Taken from their Facebook **page** There is a link to a good article as well.



Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No, it's the superheroes of Oxford dressed up for the annual Oxford and Districts Lions Christmas parade on Sunday 20th December.

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Armenian Proverb

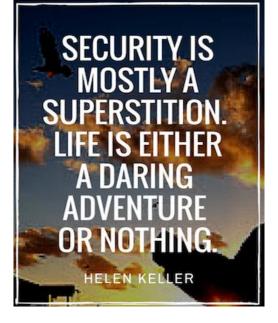
What's on with CQ Christchurch

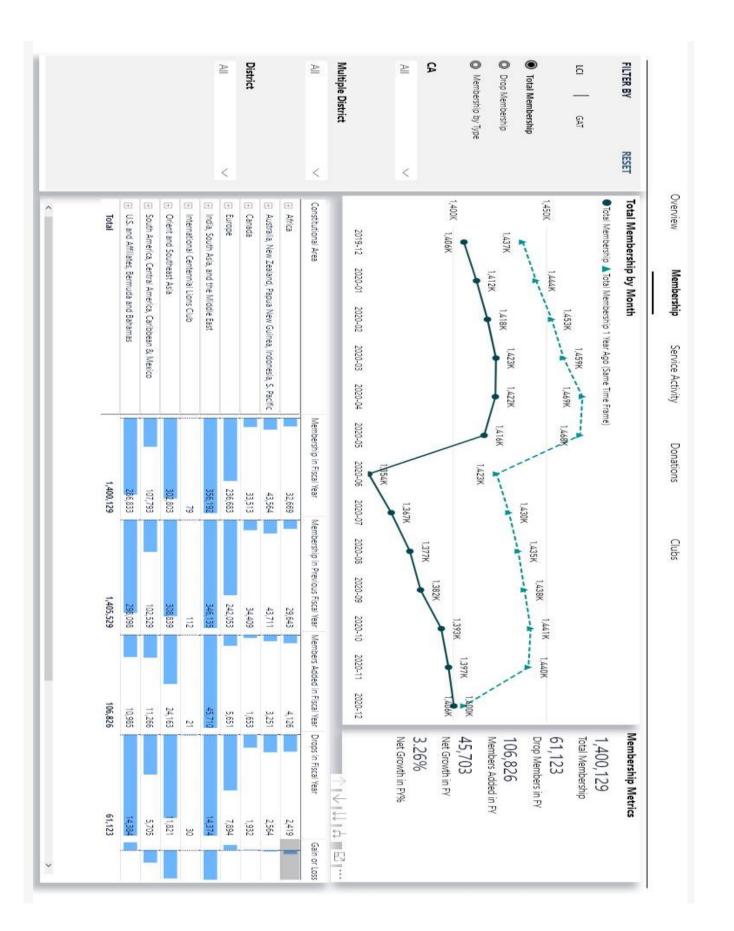
In preparation for their upcoming summer camp, Christchurch campers, their companions and their families gathered at the botanical gardens for a fun day of getting to know each other. Now everyone is super excited for a few days of fun and adventure at camp, which is only a few weeks away.



The Christchurch team have been overwhelmed with the support they've received in recent months. In particular, a very special shout out to the fundraisers involved in the 'Take a Dive' event – in which 30 brave locals threw themselves out of a helicopter at 3000 metres above Sumner Beach in Christchurch. Together, they raised more than \$27,0001









Not on Wayne's watch

Two grandmothers were bragging about their precious darlings. One of them says to the other, "Mine are so good at social distancing, they won't even call me."

One good thing about being wrong is the joy it brings to the others.



