# The Lions Club of Halswell District Inc. The Quarry Newsletter

January-February 2021



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# President's Message

#### **President Peter's Thoughts**

Welcome to 2021 with the hope you had some enjoyable time of relaxation with family and friends. As members of Halswell Lions we now need to look forward to some positive ways of increasing our membership. Considering our low membership numbers over the past six months we have achieved some amazing service and funding projects. Yes we needed some assistance from neighbouring Clubs, but with a proactive approach that we achieved our service commitments and activities. To enable our Club to continue to grow and expand in our service to the Halswell residents we need to seek like minded service members of the community to join Halswell Lions.

#### Membership Initiatives with supporting Information.

I have spent time over the holiday period researching some membership promotions that will achieve some positive results. I am aware of the efforts made during the last 6 months with the Community BBQs and we proposed promotions at the Halswell Community Market which were disrupted by Covid and weather, but we need to continue with this type of promotion and add additional initiatives. We have had continuing membership promotions on the local net and Halswell E News with signage boards printed for visual communication.

Like any project or objective we need good information, I have therefore asked Paul O'Connor (District Governor and long standing leader of Halswell Lions) to expand on the success of other Clubs within our District with membership. We can then decide on the most appropriate membership program for Halswell Lions and move forward with the project.

While our prime objective in the next few months must be to focus on our membership there are other goals that need consideration. Over the years various discussions have taken place regarding the upgrading of our Barbeque to a self contained mobile unit with dual cooking options. We will all be aware that our Barbeques have grown in size and quantity of sales. The Lloyd Morgan Trust is owned by Lions of New Zealand, with funds that can be granted to Clubs within certain criteria of the Trust. I have asked Paul to investigate and report to the Supper meeting on the possibility of a grant towards a mobile Barbeque unit. This request from Paul regarding Lloyd Morgan funding is based on the need to be aware of good information.

It is important that all members are present on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021, which will enable the whole membership to be aware of the challenge and the most favourable way forward to increase our membership.

Yours in Lionism

President Peter



# 1<sup>st</sup> Committee Report

Supper Business Meeting

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

7pm sharp



#### Raffle

Please bring 2 raffle prizes when you are rostered on. If you are unable to come that month can you swop with someone else. I will have the raffle sheets for you.

February - Lynley

March - Warren

April - Graeme

May - Constantin

June - Kushleen

July - Roger

August - Ray

September - Ann

October - Ron

November - Steve

December - Paul

#### <u>Supper</u>

After some discussion we thought we might trial a roster for supper instead of paying for this each month. Could you bring 2 plates, this can be anything you like and it doesn't have to homemade Coupelands or the supermarket or Mr Griffins is just fine!! We will be probably having a couple of tea meetings during the year(yet to be decided when) so then you will not be required to provide

supper. I hope you are all in agreement of this. Again if you are not attending your month can you please swop or contact me.

February - Lynley

March - Kushleen

April - Paul

May - Chris/Ann

June Genevieve

July - Peter

August - Roger

September - Ray

October - Warren

November - Garry

Thanks

Lynley





I TOLD MY WIFE SHE WAS DRAWING HER EYEBROWS TOO HIGH.
SHE LOOKED SURPRISED.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report January 2021

Happy New Year everyone.

What will 2021 bring us?

So far this year we have assisted the Halswell Hall with fence repairs, Peter and I spent a couple of hours with a hammer and nails re attaching iron to a fence.

Last Sunday we had a wonderful day at Motukarara Races. The weather was one out of the box, with no wind. We had a successful event with the help of some past members and Wigram Skies Lions.

This Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January the Halswell Hall are having a community BBQ from 5pm till 7pm. We are assisting with the cooking, so come along for a sausage or pay a visit if you have time.

At the next meeting we will need to discuss what projects we can actively achieve this year, given our membership numbers and able assistants.

These include

Assisting Wigram skies with Parking Feb 6th

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Pea Straw sales

Halswell New World BBQ

**Bunnings BBQ** 

Bulb sales,

G J Gardener clean up week,

Heritage week

Carols at the Quarry

Motukarara Races

Camp Quality

Xmas toys

**Xmas Cake sales** 

Champion centre bbq

New World Club Day, times 2

Entertainment books,

Anzac Parade

Collections

Kantab, Lion Mints

Spectacles collection,

Putting up and taking down signs for events,

## Any others

Thanks Chris



## **Hummus**

#### Ingredients

1 can chickpeas drained and rinsed (approx. 250 grams)

1 TBSP tahini

1 tsp crushed garlic

3-5 TBSP cold water

1 TBSP olive oil

Juice of half a lemon

Salt & Pepper

## Method:

- 1. Add all the ingredients except the oil to a blender or food processor. Pulse until desired consistency is reached, add more water if needed.
- 2. Add the olive oil and pulse a couple of times until mixed in.
- 3. Store in an airtight container in the fridge for five days or you can freeze.
- 4. You can also add other ingredients like sundried tomatoes.



## 3rd VP Report January 2021

We currently have a request from Heart Kids for their Kids Day Out Variety Show next month. We donated to this event last year and my recommendation is for Halswell Lions to donate \$500 which will allow 8 children to attend the event.

We need everyone to use their contacts in the community to seek out opportunities where Halswell Lions can make a difference to the lives of people in our community.

While it can be appropriate to donate to the generic organisations (Cholmondley, Asthma Society, Salvation Army, Christchurch Methodist Mission and similar charities), our donations are just swallowed up in the organisations' fundraising efforts. My preference would be for us to work with Halswell or local organisations where what we donate is meaningful.

Maybe we do further work with:

- Hillmorton High school to assist children to go on camps, or buy more sporting equipment
- Halswell Scouts to provide equipment or assist with activities
- Halswell sports clubs to pay fees for some families that need assistance for their children to play sport.

Please talk to those you meet within our community to see where we can make a difference. I would love to hear your ideas at our February meeting.

"We Serve"





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

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