



THE RANGIORA RAMBLER

THE MONTHLY BULLETIN OF THE LIONS CLUB OF RANGIORA

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Proud to be a Lion? Being part of this local, national and international organization, can mean different things at different times for us. I sincerely hope that you actively seek HOW you can be and feel part of Lions, right at this moment. For some this means physically helping with a project or contributing at meetings. Brilliant. But from our armchair we can also phone a fellow member to give encouragement. Get in touch with a subcommittee to share our ideas and experience. We can be part of a project as the

coordinator, receiving customers' orders, making budgets, you name it, all from the other end of the phone, computer or i-Pad.

Dean and Anne, Wayne and Andrea, Bernie, John W, Kirstyn, Peter and I represented all of us from Rangiora at the 51st District 202E convention last weekend in Leeston. The Ellesmere LC did a superb job (having done the one last year, we know how much is involved) running it. It felt like you were entering a barn on a big farm, with tractors and a lot of hay bales. I took it that we were the 'town' meeting their country. From speakers and talking with other Lions, I came away with ideas of who we could choose as beneficiaries of our activities. In particular; Child Cancer Foundation and putting an event or outing for children, less fortunate than others, in our community.

I'm looking through the box of 'brain storming ideas' to see which we can take



further to make it happen this year. I know we're doing our staple projects, but the 'mask project' has taught us that we can do one-offs with minimal work and huge outcome.

One of the ideas was 'afternoon tea for the elderly'. Give Marie (027 224 475) or me a call for some input. It has been decided that we give the Kindling project a go for one year. Stay tuned in! The horse manure project will also continue over the winter period.

We won't kill the goose with the golden egg (yet), but the Pig Manure project needs a bit of tweaking to make it work. Andrew (027 345 8414) and John L (027 438 2694) are putting a committee together. Text or call them to be part of this!

The Leos are buzzing. At Kirstyn's invitation I've inducted 3 new members. The quiz (Tuesday 30 March) is all go, and nearly all tables gone. See if you can squeeze in to join a team! You can order your pinecones rangioraleos@gmail.com to help fund their trip to Havelock Leos in May.

I wish Brian and Trunie all the best with their health struggles. Brian had a skin graft operation one week and cataracts in both eyes dealt with in the next. It's not all plain sailing and we won't see them at the tea meetings for a while. Maybe a visit or phone call from any of us

Hope to see you all at the tea meeting, with your plant in the disposable cup as a gift to a fellow Lion.

Tini Lawry



NEXT TEA MEETING

Thursday 1 April 2021

6:15 for 7.00 \$23 each

at Waimana Lounge, Kippenberger Ave

Apologies to Jack McLaughlan

Ph 312 9345 or email or email

Kirgan1949@gmail.com

by 7.00pm the Sunday prior

Account : 020-876-0022167-000

If you say you will go, but are a no show, please still pay.

TEA MEETING DUTIES

Treasurer : John Lovell

Meet & Greet at 6.15pm – Dene Cook & Quentin de Hamel

Theme : *Bring your plant in a cup*

Invocation : Simon Tavener

Closing Thought : Rob McLeod

Speaker: TBA

Introduction of Speaker : TBA

Vote of Thanks : TBA

9 Lives : Jack McLaughlan on standby

Glass Wash : Sue Mehrtens and Peter Lawry

Vacuum Duties : Jack McLaughlan & Andrew Cook, but the more the merrier

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Jack McLaughlan

Peter Lawry

Robin Smith



Club Finances 15/03/21

Admin \$ 11,441.83

Project\$ 9,833.83

Savings \$ 7,952.03

Leo Project \$ 560.99

Leo Admin \$ 1,090.73



- Relay for Life (Cancer Society event) is on 10 April at Dudley Park. Parking helpers required. We need 8 people 8-10am and 3 people 10-10.30pm. Plus to set-up of our gazebo and manning it between 10am till 10pm. This will also be an opportunity for Lions' marketing plus fundraising for Lions by selling food and drink.
- Remember the tea meeting cost does not now include the raffle ticket. Bring extra coinage!
- Keep an eye out for Kirstyn's "Random Bags of Kindness". The first 100 bags are prepared and "out there to surprise and give someone pleasure."
- There were five entries for the Berwick Outdoor Experience: The committee selected Dalice Stewart to go for the eight day course in May. She is 37, married for 15 years and a mother of 2 children (2 and 6). We pay the \$580 fee and give her \$100 travel money. She'll talk to us at a tea meeting after of her experience.
- We are the sponsor when chartering the Lions Lioness Club on Monday 3rd May, 6pm RSA.
- Kirstyn seeking suitably skilled members from the Club who could demonstrate a simple skill from sewing on a button to how to make plant cuttings for the Back to Basics Expo on Sat 17 April
- Leos will be collecting pine cones again for sale this winter, so place your orders through rangioraleos@gmail.com or through Kirstyn.
- Barbara Sullivan has sent a letter of resignation. Her resignation has been accepted. We thank her for her involvement in Lions and wish her well.
- Remember its ANZAC day coming up. There is always a Lions turn-out. If you want to be part of that check with either Simon or Tini.



- Pig poo and Horse manure project is starting to ramp up again. Time to dust off those overalls and empty the leaves out from those gumboots.

○ Back in November you might recall we sponsored some uniforms for the Rangiora Community Patrol unit. The photo shows they are being put to good use.



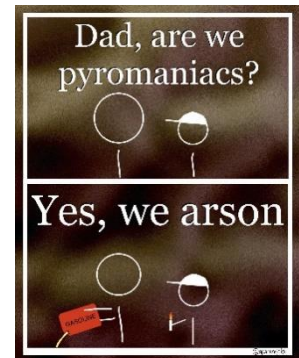
- Remember the Leos Quiz night on Tuesday 30 March at Five Stags. Last year they got caught with the lock-down, so lets help them make this year special and make an effort to come along for some fun. Proceeds go to Wellbeing North Canterbury.

Awwww ! For those that missed last tea meeting...

			
Simon Tavener	Mike Ruscoe	Roger Alexander	Trish Woods
			
John Hodgson	Ray Twist	Aaron Clark	Rob McLeod
			
Sue Mehrten	Howard Fowler	Quentin de Hamel	Karen McWha
			
Maureen Hampton	Kirstyn Barnett	Peter Lawry	John W

Dad said:

- Which tree wishes things were more like they used to be?
Pine.
- Why do racing car drivers put their seats all the way back?
They need plenty of
KNEEEEEEEEEEEEEEROOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOM
- I found out my girlfriend is really a ghost.
I had my suspicions the moment she walked through the door.
- I tripped over my wife's bra.
It was a booby trap.
- What do you call a sad strawberry?
A blueberry.
- I once entered the world kleptomaniac championships...
I took gold, silver and bronze.
- My friend Joe recently went on the Dolly Parton diet...
It really made Joe lean, Joe lean, Joe lean, Joe leannnnnnn....
- The barman says, "Sorry, we don't serve faster-than-light particles in here."
A faster-than-light particle walks into a bar.
- My wife asked if our kids were spoiled.
I said, "I think most kids smell that way!"
- Just had a Police Officer at the door saying he was looking for a man with one eye...
I told him to use both eyes and he'd probably find him a lot quicker.
- I taught my pet wolf how to meditate...
Now he's aware wolf.
- What do you call a knife that cuts 4 loaves of Irish bread at once.
A four loaf cleaver.
- A platypus walks into a bar owned by a duck. He finishes his drink, and asks for the check.
Duck billed platypus.



3 VP REPORT

It hasn't been a busy time for our 3RD VP team. But we are out there. Our Red Cross Collection was a no go.

It appears the booking wasn't put through. Watch this space we will be doing it next month providing we can get a spot at New World. I won't book anything at Countdown is far too cold. Thanks to all who volunteered. Hopefully next time.

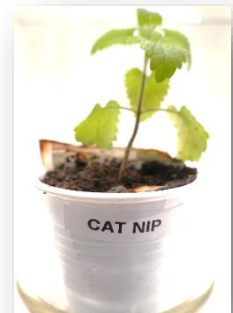
How are your little pots of love coming along?

Don't forget to bring your potted plant to our next dinner meeting.

Where we will be sharing the love in a pot!!!

I have been asked about pea straw while out and about. So have put a call in to Geoff at the Oxford Lions to see if they can help us there. It is one of their fundraisers.

Maureen Hampton



All languages travel at the speed of sound except sign language that travels at the speed of light




THIS
MONTH:
**FUKUSHIMA
LIONS CLUB**

Fukushima is a prefecture of Japan located in the Tōhoku region of Honshu. It has a population of 1,848,257. Fukushima is the third-largest prefecture of Japan. The coastal region traditionally specializes in fishing and seafood industries, and is notable for its electric and particularly

nuclear power-generating industry, while the upland regions are more focused on agriculture.

On March 11, 2011, a magnitude 9.0 earthquake occurred off the coast. The earthquake triggered a massive tsunami that hit the eastern coast of the prefecture and caused widespread destruction and loss of life. 1,817 residents of Fukushima Prefecture died as a result. The Fukushima nuclear disaster caused significant damage. Two of the six reactors at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant exploded followed by a partial meltdown and fires at three of the other units.

The Fukushima Lions Club meets twice a month on the first and third Wednesday.

 Fukushima Liberty Lions Club
—Japan

Banner Stories


For years we have sat at our tea meetings with rows upon rows of banners around us... but where are they from?



DIARY these dates




- 24 Mar – Mitre 10 coffee morning.
- 30 Mar – Leos quiz night
- 1 Apr- Tea Meeting
- 1 Apr – April fools day
- 3 Apr - Cans 9.30am WDC Carpark
- 4 Apr – International tell a lie day
- 4 Apr – Easter Sunday
- 4 Apr – Daylight Saving ends
- 10 Apr – Relay for Life – Dudley Park
- 10 Apr- Lions day at the UN – virtual meeting
- 17 Apr – Guiding Lions Zoom course
- 17 Apr – Back to Basics Expo – RR Baptist Church Hall 10-3
- 21 Apr - VP/Board meeting 7.00pm at Waimana
- 25 Apr- Anzac day
- 26 Apr- Anzac day public Holiday
- 28 Apr – Morning tea catch up at Mitre 10 @ 10.30 ?
- 30 Apr – International Honesty day
- 6 May – Tea Meeting



LIONS
DAY WITH THE UN

REGISTER NOW FOR
Virtual Lions Day
with the United Nations!



This is your chance to attend the first ever virtual Lions Day with the United Nations (LDUN)! This year, you can attend LDUN in the comfort of your own home. Lions Day with the United Nations will take place on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 12 p.m. EDT and will be free to all Lions, Leos and guests to attend.

Groups or individuals we have supported this month

Who: Autism NZ
What they do : They hold an annual special needs bowling night and party
How much : \$200 but possibly up to \$500
Why they are deserving : This is enough to sponsor four children and up to ten children if they come from North Canterbury



I have a phone interview today and someone told me to "just be myself" so I'm not going to answer the call

I just bought my co-worker a 'get better soon' card. They're not sick. I just think they could do better.

you don't really need a pilot's license, what are they going to do pull you over

PHOTOS FOR MARCH

