



District Governor: Paul O'Connor
and Lynda O'Connor

202E District Bulletin



We Serve
Kia Manaaki

April 2021



From the Upper South
Island, West Coast,
Marlborough and
Canterbury.
WE are District 202E



Convention 2021 - Cutting the Convention cake.
Our oldest PDG Jim Pollitt and 'youngest' District Governor Paul.
'photo: Donald Lamont'

DG Paul's Theme: "Lead by Example"

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LCI Officers 2020-2021



Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
LCI President



Gudrun Yngvadottir
I.P.P. President
LCIF Chair



Douglas X. Alexander
1st Vice President

District 202E Officers 2020 - 2021



DG Paul



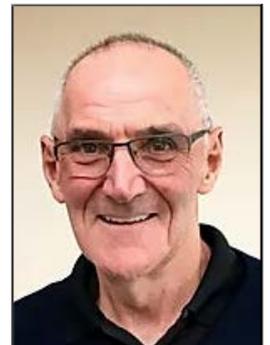
DGE Tracy



IPDG John



Secretary Ian



Treasurer Ian

We get enormous satisfaction from the knowledge that what we do DOES make a difference. And we enjoy friendship and fun while doing so.



DG Paul's Comments



What a great success the Convention was if I might say so myself.

The Ellesmere Club and their partners did a fantastic job. I could not have wished for more. My visiting District Governors were impressed and enjoyed themselves, and all our members I spoke too seemed to have enjoyed the Saturday night and the entertainment I put on at the AGM.

Planning for such an event even with a great committee behind you certainly raised my stress levels and I crashed (slept) on arriving home for about four hours.

We need to Congratulate the DGE Tracy for her election to her next stage in her preparation in taking over the role of the District Governor. It was also good to see Hugh Curry move into the 1st VDG role and for the first time in many years we had a nomination from the floor made by PCC Helen Williams of the Zone Chair of Zone 2 John Bilderbeck, who accepted the challenge, and stepped up to the role of 2nd VDG and was duly elected by the Convention delegates.

I was able to analysis some of the Stats of the Convention there were 21 Club Presidents, 14 Vice Presidents, numerous Club Directors, and 21 Past District Governors including PDG Jim Pollitt who was a spritely man in his nineties. I might add that Jim recently completed the Guiding Lions course. Which proves you are never too old to learn.

Our numbers for the Saturday were close to 200 so a great time was held by all and our thanks must go to the MC for the night Bill Whelan who kept us well entertained with some great stories.

I would urge those who have not been to a Convention to start planning now to attend DGE Tracy Henderson's in Richmond Nelson 11 March 2022. The 2023 Convention will be run by the Lions Club of Wigram.

Thanks to all those who supported Lynda and I at the Convention.

Regards **Paul**



Becca Baynton - District Youth Activities Coordinator received DG Paul's Certificate of Appreciation.

Presented by DG Paul O'Connor.

Becca's reaction was priceless!



Welcome to our New Lions Members

District 202E

March 2021



1250 Members @30 June 2021

31 May '21

30 Apr '21

1221 31 Mar '21

1178 24 Feb '21

1181 21 Jan '21

1180 20 Dec '20

1188 30 Nov '20

1184 30 Oct '20

1193 31 Aug '20

1194 1st July '20

Special Welcome to members of Nelson Lioness Lions

Valerie Barnes	Sue Colvin	Mabe Dale	Anne Davey
Glenys Diamond	Dorothy Dowe	Lois Evans	Gayle Eves
Erea Field	Norma Gillespie	Jillian Jary	Valerie Latimer
Carol Leggett	Linda Lockyer	Colleen Mattsen	Lilian McFadgen
Jean Peter	Sheila Pollitt	Theresa Rawlins	Robyn Redditt
Robyn Walsh	Valerie Whyte	Janice Wood	

Special Welcome to members of Rangiora Lioness Lions

Irene Allen	Pam Baynon	Rachael Bloomfield	Sandra Higgs
Denise Hider Bsc	Thelma Powell	Beverley Thompson	Anne Thorne

Special Welcome to members of Motueka Lioness Lions

Penny Blois	Carole Butler	June Cross	Angela Dalziel
Glenis Leppien	Alice Milligan	Beverley Moss	Moppie Sharples
Judy Simpson	Geraldine Sperring	Diane Stuart	June Tippet
Rebecca Williams	Jenny Wills	Barbra Wilson	Bonnie Wilson

Member

Club

Sponsor

Oliver Lau	Ferrymead	Bernard Godden
Gregory Lemon	Ellesmere	Murray Lemon
Leslie Lindbom	Greymouth	
Roger Ford	Kaikoura	Kevin Smith
Graham Pye	Rolleston & Districts	Brian Whittington
Tim Houlihan	Seddon	Martin Pattie

MEMO - Charter and entrance fees waiver for all charter and entrance fees to **June 30, 2021**.



Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival It was great to get so many interested comments from Lions after our presentation at the recent 202E Convention – now we are looking forward to seeing so many more of you at this year’s Festival – 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th November.

District Governor Paul has received a letter from the Festival Committee confirming the Lions naming rights sponsorship, though as yet no financial amount has been mentioned.

Thank you to the Clubs that have already donated for this year’s sponsorship. We will be contacting all Clubs in the relevant areas that the 93 schools involved come from – Zone 1, part of Zone 4, and all of Zones 5, 6, 7 and 8 in the near future to remind you.

But don’t wait for that - payment details are as follows:

District 202E Charitable Trust Bank Account, a/c No. 03-0703-0036114-000.

Please include your Club name with your payment, and the words “Schools Music Festival”.

Please also advise us via email of your payment date and amount – ian.marion@xtra.co.nz.

The website “Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival” will have details nearer the time of the nights your local schools are performing, or you could check with the school – remembering to identify yourself as Lions, the Festival sponsors.

Music Festival Liaison Team – PDG Marion McWha and Lion Pam Harvey



DGElect
Tracy's Message



Together We Will Serve

Wow what an awesome time we had at Leeston!! Lots of fun was had by all – and of course there was business to be dealt with, but that also had its funny moments.

Well its official – the DG Team for 202E next Lions year is John Bilderbeck (Nelson Host) as 2nd VDG; Hugh Curry (Ferrymead) as 1st VDG; and of course me (NZMLC/ Blenheim) as DG. It was great to see that someone put their hand up to take on the position of 2nd VDG – the first time in a few years that we have been able to fill this position at Convention.

My message to delegates at Convention was this:

“COVID has been blamed for situations like loss of jobs, relationships and contact with loved ones. In truth COVID can be blamed for a lot of things but the one thing it can't be blamed for is COMPLACENCY.

We have become too complacent about our organisation; about the fact that there is always someone prepared to fill vacancies within our Clubs.

THIS CANNOT CONTINUE

We need Lions, like yourselves and the other members in our Clubs to step up and take on some responsibility for the running of not only our Clubs but also our District. We need you to identify those within your Clubs who have the potential to be office bearers and/or Cabinet members.

My message to you this year is it's time to step up. We all need to have a succession plan in place. Make your voice count.

Succession planning helps build the strength of an organisation to ensure its long-term health, growth and stability. We need to rebuild our brand, and by rebuilding our brand we will attract new members, and by attracting new members we will develop a collection of potential leaders.

So my theme this year is:

TOGETHER WE WILL SERVE

Together we will serve our community.

Together we will serve our Club.

Together we will serve our District.

Together we will serve Lions International.”

**Tracy Henderson
DG Elect**



Important Dates for our District

We would love to see what you have planned - email me.

APRIL

- 3rd..... Paddys Market - Akaroa & Bays Lions
- 7th..... Lions Day with the United Nations.
- 9th-11th... Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, Nelson.
- 10th..... Relay for Life
- 11th..... Malvern Community Recycling Bulk Waste drop - Malvern Lions.
- 11th..... 4WD Tour of Hossack Station - Cheviot Lions.
- Month..... Leo Club Awareness.
- Month..... Environmental Awareness.
- Month..... Family and Friends.
- 17th..... Zoom - Guiding Lions course.
- 18th..... 4-wheel Safari - Hanmer Springs Lions.
- 22nd..... Earth Day
- 23rd - 25th.. MD Convention - Whangarei
- 24th..... Lions Worldwide Induction Day.
- 25th..... Anzac Day.

MAY

- 1st..... Southern Lights Gala Dinner - Child Cancer Foundation.
- 7th - 9th.... Cabinet Meeting - CHEVIOT
- 15th..... Officer Reporting Form (PU101) due.
- 15th..... Golf Tournament at Greendale - Malvern Lions.
- 16th..... Information forum - Blenheim
- 16th..... Pink Ribbon breakfast - Seaward Kaikoura Lions.
- 22nd..... Pink Ribbon Breakfast - Nelson Lioness Lions.
- 29th..... Cheese roll making - Beavertown Blenheim Lions.
- Month..... Strengthen Membership.

JUNE

- 1st..... Helen Keller Day.

SEPTEMBER

- 3rd - 5th... ANZI Pacific Forum - Cairns

April

May

June

July

August

September

Cheviot Lions - A bit of a view from the A&P show in Cheviot 13, 14 March 2021.
Lions firewood raffle ticket sale. James Paterson and John Fairley.

Malvern Lions - a very busy Club - working bees, after match functions and auditions for the Malvern Lions Choir.





Child Cancer Foundation - support families in four main ways that fit together like pieces of a puzzle: emotional well-being, social connection, practical support and financial help.



The 2021 Southern Lights Gala Dinner will feature:

- An intimate dinner limited to only 200 guests, all seated around tables of ten in the spectacular Christ’s College hall.
- Amazing food from the team at Christ’s College, made from high-quality local meat and produce.
- A high-profile MC guiding the guests through the evening.
- Our exciting main feature of the evening: an intimate chat with All Blacks Manager and Mental Skills Coach, Gilbert Enoka, and All Blacks and Crusaders star, Richie Mo’unga.
- A silent and live auction, featuring incredible items and unique money-can’t-buy experiences.
- And most importantly, the opportunity to help the Kiwi children and families whose lives have been turned upside down by childhood cancer.



Lions Clubs New Zealand
Kia Manaaki | We Serve



Graeme Pile
Global Service Team



Dear Lions

Re; Child Cancer Foundation presents – Southern Lights Gala Dinner.

I’m writing to you to personally invite your club to support this special event. I have attached the brochure for this event to this email for your perusal.

Just a quick note, the Child Cancer Foundation is separate to the Cancer Society and other Cancer charities or Cancer research entities. Child Cancer Foundation provides strength and comfort to families, parents and children impacted by child cancer.

Recently there was a Memorandum of Understanding completed between Lions Clubs NZ and Child Cancer Foundation. As part of this MOU, we are encouraging clubs across NZ to participate in this event even though it is happening in Christchurch this year.

Details are: Event date; 1st May 2021 Guest speakers; All Blacks Manager & Mental skills coach, Gilbert Enoka & Richie Mo’unga Venue; Christ College Great Hall.

Your club can help raise fund for CCF by being part of this event by either;

1. Supporting the event by donating towards the \$8,000 that will have Lions Clubs NZ as an Event Partner & table at the event that will be used by the Guest speakers.
2. Buy a table for your members to attend or for people in your community to attend the event. \$2,500 each table for 10 seats

3. Supply an Experience, Goods or Service to the 2 auctions that help raise money on the night. If you would like to participate in this very worth while event, please contact myself, Graeme Pile, on 0276 246 750 and I will take your details and send you a link to the events page.

If you would like to donate funds towards the Event Partner, please make donations to; District 202E Trust bank account 03-0703-0036114-00 & send the remittance to myself at graeme.pile68@gmail.com

Thanks for your support and look forward to seeing some of you at this event in May.

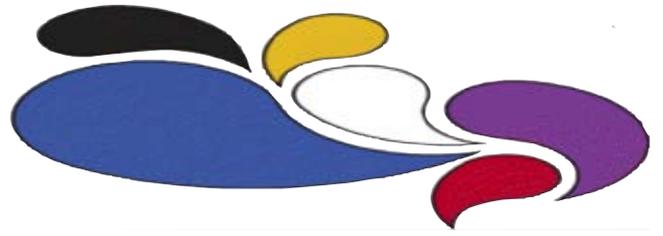
Yours in Lions

Graeme Pile

Graeme Pile
Global Service Team



Child Cancer



Dear Lion

Being a Lion means so much to each of us. It’s about serving our communities, and the joy of seeing lives changed. It’s about fellowship, and the lifelong bonds we share. It’s about giving, and seeing our generosity flourish. But as much as being a Lion means to us, it means even more to the people we serve. So take pride in your safe service and the impact you’ve made. Continue inspiring your community and encouraging others to put their kindness in action as Lions. And keep giving because so many are depending on us. That is what it means to be a Lion.

Regards,
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi International President



Dear Lion,

Your foundation, LCIF, continues to support your efforts to create positive change in your community. This newsletter gives you access to stories about extraordinary accomplishments made possible by Lions with LCIF grant funding. Learn about support for future Paralympic athletes, and a program caring for children battling cancer in an area where odds of survival are strongly against them. You’ll also find ways to get involved, like supporting your own community, telling your Lions story, and pledging a donation. LCIF provides so many opportunities. I hope you find something that inspire you!

In friendship,
Gudrun Yngvadottir, Chairperson
Lions Clubs International Foundation

Our Causes

Whenever Lions club members get together, problems get smaller. And communities get better. Because we help where help is needed - in our own communities and around the world - with unmatched integrity and energy.



Diabetes



Child Cancer



Environment



Hunger



Vision



DISTRICT 202E CONVENTION AWARDS: 2019 - 2020

Presented at District202E Convention - March 2021 by IPDG John Whyte



1. **SightFirst Trophy - Blenheim Lions Club.** Awarded to the club that excels in promoting/ alleviating sight issues in the previous year.
 2. **MtCook Community Service Trophy - Blenheim Lions Club – President George Grundt**
28 Service activities for the year – including taking a major role in organising the annual Skin Cancer Screening Clinic, Firewood for needy families, Annual Science Fair with local teachers, Street appeals, Annual Book fair and many more activities. Donated over \$29,000 back to the community.
 3. **District Bulletin Award (Club) - Amberly Lions Club.** There were a lot of entries this year and it is good to see how clubs are changing and putting a lot of interesting articles in for members to read.
 4. **Peter Tallott "Outstanding Lion":Trophy - Charles Riley Of Blenheim Lions Club.**
A member for 27 years. When you read what all Charles is involved in with in his club, he does not have much spare time to spend with family. Also, not that he is aged 82 years old. He has been bulletin editor 11 years, took members down memory lane by recycling several old bulletins during the Covid lock down, Set up the club's face book page. He is held in high regard within the club.
 5. **Pollitt Family Trophy" InterClub Visitation Cup" – Oxford & Districts Lions Club – John King**
 6. **Syme Family Trophy "Best Club Project"- Blenheim Lions Club - President George Grundt.** Browsing the stalls, getting fresh produce for Christmas, listening to the music meeting friends and enjoying the atmosphere at the Blenheim Mistletoe Market and stay on to watch the Christmas Parade.
 7. **Marion McWha Trophy - "Leo of the Year Trophy" - Katie Roeske - Rai Valley Area Leos.**
The School Board invited the Leos to arrange a ceremony to celebrate the setting up of a Community Pantry at the school. The project stopped during the lockdown and was in jeopardy of flatterring. With Katie's leadership got the Leos back on track to complete their task, and further, she inspired and enthused them to offer to manage the entire Community Pantry Project.
 8. **Ian Drewett Memorial Trophy ("Excellence in Lionism") – Jim Thomas, Lions Club of Blenheim.**
Jim has been a highly active member of his club through out his 38 years of service and also a mentor to several club presidents. During this time as a Lion, he has held many positions on the board, including Convention Chairperson and Multiple Districts Chairperson. Also, this year he managed 6 street collections, sites including the roster for these collections. He is also closely involved with the 13 club projects that the club held last year. The Ian Drewett Trophy was made available by the Christchurch South Lions Club.
 9. **Stuart Barr "District Youth Award" – Selwyn Lions Club – President Alison Benefield.** This year they hosted 2 Japanese girls in August, held the annual year 7 & 8 young speech maker contest, engaging the youth with the delivery of easter eggs to the elderly, scholarships and many other activities involving the youth.
 10. **McWha Leadership Award – Leitesha Pentelow from the Omega Leos.**
 - 11: **Club Excellence Awards – Criteria goals to achieve are:**
 - **Membership – net growth or chartered new branch/ club and supported member retention by increasing member satisfaction.**
 - **Service – started new service project or organised a new Leo Club and contributed to LCIF.**
 - **Organizational excellence – club in good standing and key officers participated in leadership training and improved club operations.**
 - **Marketing and Communication – published its service activities through local or social media**
 - **or used social media to promote club activities and reported to LCI through MyLion.**
- Clubs have achieved this in the 2019-2020 year the Presidents and members are to be congratulated.
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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Beavertown Blenheim – Tricia Dawson | Blenheim – Daphine Lee |
| Golden Bay – Allan Kilgour | Oxford and District – John King |
| Picton – Don McCulloch | Seddon – Andrew Benger |



IPDG John Whyte, PDG and LCIF Coord. John Benefield
PCC Helen Williams and Leonhard (Lou) Danz - MD202
Area Leader LCIF Coordinator.

PCC Helen Williams received the International President's Leadership medal. A citation was required to be sent to the I. President and approval given with limited numbers awarded annually. District trainer, Region chair, District Governor, Council Chair, supporting Lioness Bridge Programme and currently as a member of the Council Advisory Board for MD. Presented to Helen by PID Ron Luxton with DG Paul O'Connor.



PID Ron with Sam Lilley
DG Appreciation Certificate - DG Liaison



PID Ron with PDG Marion McWha
DG Appreciation Certificate Schools Music Festival



PID Ron with Geoff Heslop
DG Appreciation Certificate Convention Chair



PID Ron and GST N. John Bilderbeck
International Appreciation Certificate



PID Ron and Zone 7 Chair Don Mackay



PID Ron and Cabinet Secretary Ian Cameron
International Appreciation Certificate



District Bulletin Editor Lou Smith
received DG's Appreciation Cert.



DG Paul presented PDG Jim Pollitt
with his Guiding Lion certificate (at 93.)



Our new Team Elects for 2021 - 2022 VDG Hugh
Curry, DG Tracy Henderson and 2VDG John
Bilderbeck.

**Photographer Donald Lamont's email:
donaldlamont25@gmail.com**

DISTRICT 202E CONVENTION 2021 Memories (Photography Donald Lamont)



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DISTRICT 202E CONVENTION 2021 Memories



Team Blenheim Lions - winners of so many Awards at Convention - congratulations you have every right to Celebrate!!



202E District Convention
"We need to soar with the Eagles"

- a. A time for change
- b. Its time to invest in Our Survival ie Membership
- c. Cut the myths circulating Lions (that we can't)
- d. If we are not prepared to go through the pain of Change we will die.
- d. We need to stand together as one District not 46 separate clubs.

TOGETHER EACH ACHIEVE MORE = TEAM





Havelock Lions - The subcommittee have worked hard to design and erect our new signage in the middle of the village.



Wigram Lions - Halswell miniature trains at Halswell Park.



They shall grow not old,
 as we that are left grow old:
 Age shall not weary them,
 nor the years condemn.
 At the going down of the sun
 and in the morning
We will remember them.
*fourth verse from Laurence Binyon's
 'For The Fallen'.*



Anzac Day is observed on 25 April. It commemorates New Zealanders killed in war and honours returned and serving servicemen and women.

The date marks the anniversary of the landing of Australian and New Zealand soldiers - the Anzacs - on the Gallipoli Peninsula in 1915. The aim was to capture the Dardanelles and open a sea route to the Bosphorus and the Black Sea. At the end of the campaign, Gallipoli was still held by its Ottoman Turkish defenders.

Thousands lost their lives during the Gallipoli campaign: 87,000 Ottoman Turks, 44,000 men from France and the British Empire, including 8500 Australians. To this day, Australia also marks the events of 25 April. Among the dead were 2779 New Zealanders, about one in six of those who served on Gallipoli.

They may have ended in military defeat, but for many New Zealanders then and since, the Gallipoli landings signalled that New Zealand was becoming a distinct nation, even as it fought on the other side of the world in the name of the British Empire.

Anzac Day was first observed in 1916. The day has gone through many changes since. The ceremonies that are held at war memorials up and down New Zealand, and in places overseas where New Zealanders gather, are modelled on a military funeral and remain rich in tradition and ritual.

We Will Remember Them

Introducing 2VDG Elect John Bilderbeck

It is with great pleasure and honour
that I accepted the role as 2VDG.

I have enthusiasm and passion for Lions and the Lions Organization, I have been a member since 1988 where I was inducted by Dunedin North, before moving to Nelson. I have held most positions in the Clubs, with being Zone Chairman for the last three years in Zone two and GLT North for this year as well.



I am married for 43 years, with my wonderful wife Yvonne (she finally said YES to be standing as a VDG), with two children and five grandchildren; I doubt I will ever reach the number of 27 as some had at Convention this year. My other hobbies include genealogy, wood working, helping others in the community and reading books.

Projects that I have been involved in that are particularly memorable; the distribution of monies donated by Lions as result of the fires in Wakefield, this certainly was a community project with help of the other Lions Clubs in the zone. To deliver Christmas cakes to the volunteer's fire people was one I will never forget as they did not know this was going to happen except the fire chief. Helping with the Hart Walker for Miro, I will never forget the smile on his face, one that will last me a lifetime, surely this is what lions is about. Art and Craft fair on News Year Day in Nelson, as part of the founding committee, this now has been going for over 25 years, it is a credit to all those Lions that have keep it going.

Diabetes: I am a diabetic myself so understand the problems and challenges that are faced. The work that we are not doing in this area is a challenge, remember that this is one of our main causes, can we do more?

My commitment to Lions will always continue as I enjoy meeting new people and listening to their stories and life adventures. I think that is foremost as Lions, we must continue to grow as an organisation, let us get some of that enthusiasm that we all have felt, in helping others in the community. The joy and smiles that it brings to our hearts and faces. Why can we not get more people to have that feeling?

The future for the District is over to all of us, so what about that enthusiasm, if other people see it, maybe it could be infections, that would be a problem to have. Imagine a district with 2000 members, 600 of them under the age of 45, that certainly would bring new thinking and fresh ideas to the District can you think back to when you were that young?

I have just finished reading "Chasing the Cup" by Jimmy Spithill so a quote from him. "The harder you train, the luckier you get".

What about the lions in the District, maybe this could read?

"The more we ask the luckier we will get".

CLUB ORIENTATION in preparation for the 2021 - 2022 Lions Year.

For Zones 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 AND anyone who wishes to attend. Not restricted to Zones or Officers

- Cheviot - 29th May 10am - 4pm. More information to come
- Christchurch - 30th May 10am - 4pm. Please mark these dates in your Diary.



Format will be a shorter general presentation plus break-out sessions Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer.

Health & Safety is also on our radar - from your feedback.

DG Elect Tracy and myself are working on the full details for this presentation. PDG GLT Peter Gamble



Lions Day with the United Nations

in New York and Hosted by Lions Clubs International.

Lions Clubs International will celebrate 75 years of partnership with the United Nations by holding Lions Day with the United Nations on **April 11, 2021 4am to 6am NZST**.

This event will commemorate our long-standing relationship as a consultative NGO to the UN dating back to 1945 when Lion leaders were asked to help develop the NGO charter for the UN. Join Lions, Leos, UN diplomats, dignitaries and other guests in the global conversation about this year's theme, "Connected Through Service."



We welcome to our District 202E ...

(In time for their wonderful 2021 Convention.)

Ellesmere Lions -

Left is Murray Lemon, Gregs Brother and sponsor.

Centre Greg Lemon and presenting our new members pack President David Harkerss.



Kaikoura Seaward Lions - Kaikoura A&P Show Lou and Diane cooking sausages to feed our families. (credit to North Canterbury News / Allied Press)



Rangiora Lions - Project organiser Quentin de Hamel, Recreation and Volunteer Coordinator for Blind Low Vision NZ, Petronella Spicer, Guide Dog, Fletcher, and President Tini Lawry

Monthly Message from Council Chair David Peart



Greetings to you all,

There are two major catalysts for societal change. One is brought about by dreamers who manage to inspire others to help carry out their dreams. We remember the words of Martin Luther King whose great speech used the phrase "I have a dream..." as he set his goals for racial equality.

George Bernard Shaw's famous quote has been used by others. "Some look at things that are and ask why, I dream of things and ask why not?" And Walt Disney's "All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them". The success of dreamers is their ability to inspire others to work together to achieve them.

The beginning of a new calendar year is a time when most people reflect on the year that has passed and set goals for the future. When we began 2020 "pandemic" was a rarely used word, and "zoom" usually described the rapid movement of a person or vehicle. How that has changed! We had plans on what we would be doing over the next 12 months. In mid-March all those plans went out the window as we entered lockdown. We learned how important it is to rely on community teamwork. Neighbours helped neighbours; people generally obeyed the need for social distancing as they walked, worked or queued in the supermarkets. As I write this it all seems an almost distant memory, but it could all return if we become too complacent. We only have to watch the news and see what is happening elsewhere in the world to be reminded how much more pain there is out there.

So what is in store for 2021? We have the hope of successful vaccinations to control Covid and a possible return to normality, but that will take time. The effects of the pandemic and its economic costs have fallen quite unevenly on individuals and we still don't have the full picture. We have greater need being displayed by the increasing requirements for social housing as homelessness continues to rise. Food banks were well stacked at Christmas, but the need is daily, not just for that day or week. There will continue to be natural disasters. Over the past year I have been inspired by the amazing support clubs have provided in particular to foodbanks and in Australian bushfire relief. I am in awe of members who volunteer daily for other support groups such as Hospice and Riding for the Disabled. My dream is that our numbers will increase so that we can better serve the world. If we don't do it, who will?

Best wishes to you all, enjoy what we have, and share with your community and the world.

"We Serve With Kindness Bringing Help and Hope"

David Peart

Record of Club Donations to Organisations from 20 Club Returns

Our District Treasurer, requested our clubs furnish him with a list of donations, made in the last Financial year. This was solely to correlate our donations into 'labels' for marketing purposes - for us and the general community. So far only 20 of our clubs have responded to our Treasurer's breakdown - (right.) Why do it?

As DG Paul says 'We can use it for marketing our Brand and to sell membership of this organisation. The District membership is critical to our District's survival, and we should all be working as one, not individual Clubs. It is another tool to help us grow. ...

The staggering stat that came out was that collectively, these 20 Clubs had poured back into our communities and national organisations \$329,136.21.'

Imagine what this figure will rise to when all our clubs furnish these records to our District Treasurer? Could it be \$600,000. or more? Imagine the feedback from our District when they hear that we, Lions of District202E, have given out half a million plus \$'s, to our community and beyond. We will also be able to quote how much to who. That's who we are a District - 202E.

For easy reference, you can find these figures when you produced your Club Charity Services return.

Labels	Amount	Donee
Breast Cancer NZ	2,064.00	4
Camp Quality	13,404.10	10
Cholmondeley Home	1,600.00	4
Community	238,174.96	20
LCIF	24,571.00	17
Lloyd Morgan	3,970.00	11
Santa Workshop	1,550.00	6
Spirit of Adventure	9,950.00	9
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Order of St John	1,000.00	1
Westpac Rescue Helicopter	9,149.00	2
MENZ Shed	1,206.15	3
Child Cancer	2,489.00	5
Ronald McDonald House	1,900.00	5
Salvation Army	2,541.00	3
Diabetes	6,638.00	4
Cancer Trusts	4,000.00	3
Music Festival	300.00	1
Blind	1,240.00	1
Pink Ribbon	589.00	1
Outward Bound	300.00	1
Koru Care	2,500.00	1
Grand Total	329,136.21	112

Out & About with our Clubs - bringing New Members into our Lions Family.

Congratulations! You're now a part of the world's largest humanitarian service organization. This means that you've joined a global community of kind-hearted, service-minded people, dedicated to making a positive impact. We couldn't be happier to have you as a Lion!



Christchurch City Breakfast Lions - left
Induction of Jamie Lawson. (Centre)
Inducted by PDG Darrell Daish,
Sponsor Graham Henson.

Oxford & Districts Lions - below

District GMT coordinator and club member Geoff Rountree inducted four new members to the club. Lew Redwood, Darryn Watson and Lisa Stenton were sponsored by John King with Cheryl Simes sponsoring Chaz Livemore.



Wigram Lions - New member Angela Swinney was Sponsored by Rae Treloar and Inducted by President Brian Rollinson.



Kaikoura Lions - welcomed new member Roger Ford to our Club. Inducted by Ian Bradshaw and Sponsor Kevin Smith.

Good Lions Stories - Projects of Kindness Lions Club of Rangiora



Kirstyn Barnett
Marketing &
Communications
Chairperson.
2nd VP and
RHS Leos
Advisor.



In modern times it is being recognised that mental health is as important as



physical health for leading a happy life, and events over the past year have taxed many members of our community with uncertainty, financial stress and challenges in their lives. Rangiora Lions Club wanted to bring good news and positivity to our local community and recently initiated the following two projects.

Berwick Outdoor Experience Sponsorship

Berwick Outdoor Experience courses have been operating for 28 years, and offer confidence-building team activities to help people push their limits, and expand their personal and professional goals. We wanted to encourage a local person who may have faced a few challenges in 2020 to step out of their comfort zone, and look at the



future in a new light, so have sponsored a place in the May course and along with funding for travel.

Rangiora Lions received five applications by the closing date and selected Dalice Stewart as the recipient. Dalice has faced some personal challenges, and felt she had lost the person that she used to be. She is looking forward to this opportunity to rebuild her confidence and plan goals for her future.

Following the course, Dalice will speak about her experience at a Lions tea meeting.

Random Bags of Kindness

With 200+ cotton tote bags branded with “Rangiora Lions Club” left over from a previous project, a member came up with the idea of filling these with a few small treats, and leaving in random locations to surprise people. Bags were filled with a flavoured coffee sachet, Lions Mints, a muesli bar and a couple of sweets, and tied up with a label which read “Please Take Me – I am FREE. Here’s a few treats for you from Rangiora Lions Club. Please take this bag and enjoy them, or pass it on to someone who needs a smile...”

Bags were placed randomly on random days in high pedestrian areas such as park seats, bus shelters and the local arcade. The library manager also came on board, and agreed to have staff place bags in random locations at the library, especially in places where they knew some of their more vulnerable customers tend to sit.



We hope this will have brought a smile to a few faces, and encourage random acts of kindness in our community.



Nelson Host Lions -
Z.C. John Bilderbeck presents PDG Jim Pollitt – with his Guiding Lion certificate (at 93)



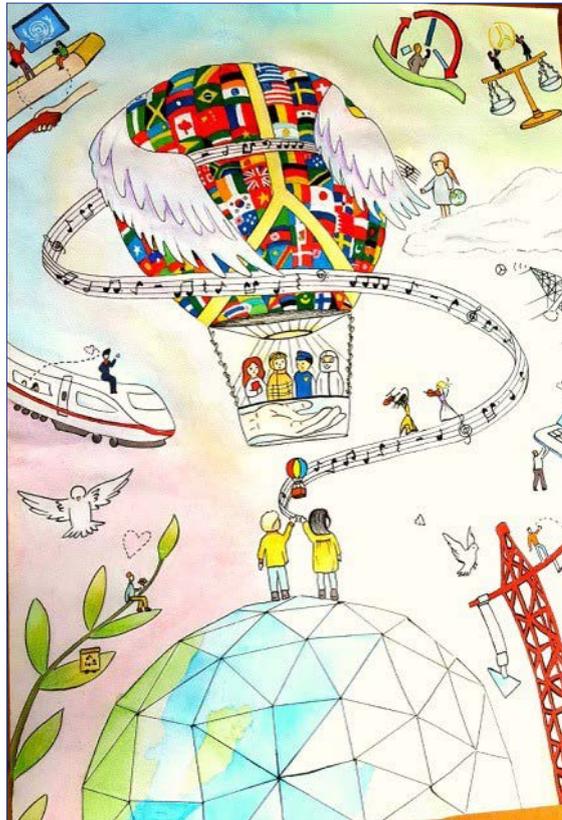
Hokitika Lions - celebrated Children's Day with approx. 5,000 participants. Everything was available for the kiddies and FREE. Many stalls were there to entertain. '... has been brilliant - Well done Hokitika Lions.



Amberley Lions Club Amberley Beach Surf Casting competition. It sure was a sight to behold, seeing all 251 entrants lined up down the beach for 3.2 kms! Couldn't have asked for a better day. Lots of kids being taught how to cast which was so good to see. Once again thanks to all our major sponsors for supporting us. Photo credit Nick & Kirsty Photography.

202E Youth Chair Becca Baynton

A huge congratulations to our 2020-2021 Peace Poster winner for District 202E, Michelle Yang from Rewi Alley School, sponsored by Riccarton Waimairi Lions. Her bright and colourful poster was taken up for the final judging, and although she was not selected as the New Zealand poster representative, we are very proud of her wonderful creativity and initiative. Well done Michelle!



The Peace poster competition for 2021-2022 is now open and I encourage all clubs to get active in promoting this International Peace Poster competition within their schools and youth groups.

Youth activities and information for the speech, poster and environment competition has been sent to all club secretaries, so please make contact within your club for relevant info and also feel free to make contact with me for finer details - 202e.youth@lionsclubs.org.nz



Important: Information is available on the Lions website for the speech and poster competition, but please note that this has not been updated for 2021 yet, but I am hoping this will be available for use as soon as possible. However, although they are dated 2020 the rules and requirements remain the same.

Thank you Becca. When I asked her for a profile photo, she sent this really cute one - how could I resist! (don't dare me Becs :)



Akaroa & Bays Lions - An enjoyable evening, when we had our monthly dinner meeting at Akaroa Croquet Club. We had a good turnout of members plus a few visitors whom we are hoping to have them join us as new members. Before we ate, a lot of members tried their hand at croquet. Some of them did well but, speaking generously, others best stick to their regular recreational activities. Following the croquet games, we were treated to very good BBQ food. The highlight of the evening though was the "refreshments" that we kindly partook of, thanks to the generosity of Nick Davidson. Nick left a sizable donation for the members, so we decided to congregate outside the clubhouse and toast Nick.



Glenmark Lions - Alistair Malcolm has professionally grown them for seven years high on a ridge up the Glenmark Drive at Waipara but this is the last pick - harvesting 22 bins. The lions comradeship has been good and the old rugby players had plenty of passing practice loading the bins. We have given a bin to each of the local schools to sell and all our lions members are marketing. You will be pleased to know one of our lay members Olly held her own.



Wigram Lions Club Members of the club enjoyed a pleasant afternoon and lunch on the Kaipo River Queen. Gorgeous day for it.



South Westland Lions - President Lindsay and Phil travelled to Franz Josef to present the voucher for our funding of the disabled friendly Pirate Ship Project to the Franz Josef School.

LEO CLUBS - Wayne Paulin District Leo Chairman



Why do we bother? Being a Leo gives youth a chance to experience and do what we do as Lions. Have you considered the positive impact we as Lions can provide these young people? We are also creating potential Lions for the future.

Alpha Leo Clubs (12 – 18 yrs) are generally located in our Intermediate and Secondary Schools. The first Leo Club in Canterbury (in recent times as am aware a number were here in earlier decades), started in 2016 by myself and another young Lion, has given close to 100 young people an opportunity that they wouldn't otherwise have had to learn about leadership, project management and the experience of Lionism.

We started up an Omega Leo Club (19 – 30yrs) in Christchurch so that Leos who move to the city for education or job opportunities can continue their Leos journey. Currently it is the largest Leo Club in our District with around 20 members. How many Lions Clubs in Christchurch have that many members? All you have to do is ask - but in the right way. Ask for help to run a large project! Think big, dream big.

This year we have put together a training programme that not only helps Leo Advisors understand their role and impact, but also helps the Leos understand better what is on offer to them.

The young training team of Katie Townsend, Leitesha Pentelow and Holly Prickett (their ages run from 16 to 24 years) deliver things that matter to them. We hope that their experiences and our support will encourage them to be Lions in the future.

If you want to try your hand at starting up a Leo Club then please make contact. The following is what I suggest you do for a School based or Community based club. The latter is probably the easiest of all to administer.

- 1) Talk to the School Principal and Board of Trustees. We did this as part of a Rangiora Lions Club Community Assessment. (CQI programme)
- 2) Get recommendations and help from the student leaders in the School. Perhaps arrange a luncheon with them including the School Principal. There are Lions/Leos in the District who can help. Malcolm Williams (Blenheim) or myself are happy to advise and assist.
- 3) If a School cannot accommodate your request then consider a community based Leo Club involving different Schools in your area. Advertise the benefits of being a Leo. It will be helpful to know where they hang out of an evening e.g. youth groups, church youth groups etc.
- 4) You need 10 youth to start up a Leo Club. Any cost is put against your club's project account as a Leo club is a project of your Lions Club. There is no membership fee for Leos.

In conclusion, a Leo & Leo Advisor training school followed by a forum will be held in the Marlborough area on 17th April. Any Lion or prospective Lion is invited to attend. Please let me know if interested. We will start at 9am and finish before 3pm. The venue will be advised to those interested.



Nelson Host Club - 19B View Mount, Stoke, Nelson, 7011.

Nelson North Lions - new address C/O Post Box 7103, Nelson 7042.

Blenheim Pakeke Lions are no longer using P.O. Box. now 33 Corsair Crescent, 7201 Blenheim.

**Geoff Rountree - District Membership has made himself or one of his Team available
"Just Ask" as Guest Speaker at our meetings. "Just Ask"**
202e.gmt@lionsclubs.org.nz



New Brighton Lions - I Love New Brighton: A sunny day with 20,000 people attending. We ran the car park as usual and at times it was completely full. Our information stand was a good way to promote what we do at Lions and to seek more members. Peter and Sharon managed the information.

Ferrymead Lions - Bernie Godde doing a sausage Sizzle at Corsair Bay, near Lyttleton. Club members were marshalling a triathlon event and providing nutrition for the competitors completing the race. Of course, many participants finish at the same time, so you need a large number of sausages ready to serve. AND wonder who these Ferrymead Lions are enjoying the Brighton Pool.

below - Our Club members put in many working hours on the streets in New Brighton. Peter and wife Phyllis report being "Flat Tack" for around 4 hours, ensuring safety of the runners, during the Coast to Coast.

Simone Maier wins Coast to Coast



Amberley Lions "I think that when the dust settles, we will realise how very little we need, how much we have and the true value of human connection".

Learning Opportunities via ZOOM

We as Lions in 202 have this wonderful chance to be able to register for a variety of World Class learning opportunities, Especially in this day and age of zoom, this can be done for very little cost, we are able to offer these wonderful courses to you all for the costs of your time and energy!

1. Stand and Deliver: via Zoom

How are your presenting skills?

Would you like to be part of your districts training team

Come join our zoom sessions and increase those skills!

Saturday May 1st 1-5pm and Sunday May 2nd 1-5pm

You will be required to attend both days.

Send an e mail now to received your zoom invite to this wonderful opportunity.

email 202.glt@lionsclubs.org.nz



2. Certified Guiding Lions via Zoom

Our clubs more than ever in this changing world need all the support we can give them. One of the ways that Lions Internationally do this is by training Lions members as Guiding Lions.

While all Lions are welcome to take the course, it is recommended as a foundation to anyone who will work with new or existing clubs or serve (or plan to serve) in a leadership position. Upon completion of the course, you will become a Certified Guiding Lion! While the course may be valuable to any Lion, having the experience of a club president will enhance your success in guiding a new or existing club.

This course is suitable for new Guiding Lions and those needing to renew their certification, it is an Internationally recognized course.

To register your interest email 202.glt@lionsclubs.org.nz

NEWS FLASH

In May we celebrate the Charter nights of three new Lions Clubs as 47 Lioness members transition to Lioness Lions Clubs.

May 3rd - Rangiora Lioness Lions.

May 12th - Nelson Lioness Lions.

May 15th - Motueka Lioness Lions.

Now bringing our total District 202e CLUBS to 49

A very warm welcome to you all, we look forward to serving beside you.

Club supplies including brochures and membership packs can now be ordered through our website shop supplies at <https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/shop>.



Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service Extension - After evaluating the impact that the COVID-19 crisis is having on Campaign 100, LCIF will extend the duration of Campaign 100 by one year to 30 June 2022.



- Clubs have Nominated their Boards in March
- Elections will be held this month - April
- PU101's must be reported on MyLCI by 15th May

District Bulletins RoundUp

South Westland Lions - President Lindsay We have made two donations in the last month. The first to the Franz Josef school for materials to build a disability friendly pirate ship for their playground. ...The senior students of South Westland Area School are going to build it for them as part of their NCEA qualifications so it really is a community project. (photo of President Lindsay and the school children - page 22.)



New Brighton Lions - President Alastair It is the intention of Cabinet to set up a new Club in the Belfast / Northwood area and we've already donated towards the New Club Development fund, so thanks team, I'm sure they'll appreciate our support. How soon can we do a raid? The other notable things on offer recently have been the courses via zoom. I hope some of you have taken advantage of them. The benefits to you as a Lion, the Club and Lions Clubs in general will be tremendous.

Beavertown Blenheim President Christine - I found out yesterday that the president of the International Centennial Lions Club ...Tony has expressed his dissatisfaction with the supposedly updated MyLion site that was designed by 24-year-olds who appear to have little understanding that the majority of Lions just don't think the way they do. To cut a long story short, it's going to be fixed. It certainly needs to be made more user friendly - not to be able to go back and see data that has been entered previously makes life really difficult! (you want to see the steam in this home when husband's doing his Club returns!)



Rolleston & District Lions - Camp Quality report Alastair Judd - Having recently been over to Camp Quality I wish to make several comments.

1. I was impressed that the club we were twinned with came all the way from Culverden.
2. Having just read the book of the girl from Rolleston who died of cancer it seems morally unfair that lives so young have seen so much pain.
3. Doing a BBQ was very easy and no dishes to do so I urge all members to think of doing a turn next year.

Lioness of Nelson Lions - President Jillian - Lioness work this last month has been a bit hectic; filling in all the forms for our bridging application. Thinking all was done some 52 pages later, I get more emails asking for more forms with again most of the information already supplied. I think we need a lady involved with the forms to make sure that all the information required is on one form and not separated out in multiple forms. Oh well....that's my gripe for the month. I have received confirmation that we are official and now have the challenge of logging onto MyLCL....watch out for the next instalment next month.

Picton Lions Grant and Ian say;- If you feel you can fulfil a position on the board, please advise us otherwise be prepared to accept the position allocated and announced at this March meeting. The Election of those nominated will be held at the April Tea Meeting These officers will make up our Board of Directors. (*I love their diplomatic way of doing business* :)

Amberley Lions President Pam - I attended a recent forum on Food Security, with representation from a number of groups in the Hurunui and Waimakariri Districts who oversee wellbeing and provision for needy families within our wider communities.

We have been supporting our local FoodBanks in several ways, as well as working with our Hurunui District Council Wellbeing Team to assist families in need, and there may be opportunities to extend that support. Watch this space as **We Serve in 2021**.

Havelock Lions President Ian - The other highlight this year has to see Deb's 10-year project come to fruition. In 2010 Deb suggested to the Club that we partially sponsor one young person each year for the next ten years. The Club adopted the idea and worked hard with Garden tours, Bingo nights, and Markets to raise the money. Our tenth candidate, Olivia Polkinghorne, graduated on 23rd December 2020. Congratulations, Debbie, on such a courageous and useful idea. **Let Kindness and Compassion Lead the Way.**



Bulletins & Articles received by District Bulletin Editor 1/7/20 - 30/6/21

Zone 1:

Ahaura Grey Valley **BBBBBABA**
 Greymouth **BBA**
 Hokitika **ABAAA**
 S. Westland **BBBBBB AABBB**

Zone 2:

Golden Bay **BBBAB**
 Motueka **AABBAB**
 Motueka Lioness Lions
 Murchison
 Nelson Host **BBBBBAABBB**
 Nelson Lioness Lions **BBABB BBBB**
 Nelson North **BBBBBBAAB**
 Richmond **AA**

Zone 3:

Beavertown Blenheim **AABBBBBBBB**
 Blenheim **AABBBBBBBBAA**
 Blenheim Pakeke **A**
 Havelock **ABBBBBA AABBB**
 Marl. Boys College Leos
 Marl. Girls College Leos
 Picton **BBBABAABB**
 Rai Valley Area Leos
 Renwick **BBBBBBB**
 Seddon **ABBBBBBBBA**

Zone 4:

Amuri **A**
 Cheviot **BBBBAABBBB**
 Glenmark **BBBBBBBAB**
 Hanmer Springs **AA**
 Hawarden Waikari **AAAAAA**
 Kaikoura **BABBABBABB**
 Kaikoura Seaward **BBBBBAAAABBAB**

Kantabs Christchurch dropoff

- Carmen road and now for
- North & North East members
Peter, 25 Barclay Place.
- Plastic bags (for rain.)
- Please sort - no beer tops!

2022 March Convention -

- Richmond

Campaign 100
LCIF
 needs our
 support



more than ever to replenish funds used for Covid, floods, fires, earthquakes ...
 Has your Club made their annual donation?

New Club Development - our donations are collected and held in Trust, to specifically support our Membership Team in building new clubs to regrow our District membership - 'To invest in our own survival otherwise District 202E will cease to exist.' We will be absorbed into the northern Wellington District and District J - south.

Zone 5:

Amberley **BBBBABAABABB**
 Oxford & Districts **BABBAABBBB**
 Pegasus Town **BBBBAAABB AB**
 Rangiora **BBBBABAABB**
 Rangiora Lioness Lions
 Rangiora High School Leos **AAAAA**
 Canterbury Leos Omega Club **AAAAA**
 Woodend **AAAA**

Zone 6:

Ch. City Breakfast **B AABBA ABBBBB**
 Ch. Host **BBBAABB AABBB**
 Ricc. Waimari **BBBBBAAB**
 Wigram Skies **BABBBBAA**
 Ch. Chinese

Zone 7:

Ch. Ferrymead **A BBBABAB BABAB**
 Ch. Pegasus **BB AA BBABBBB**
 Ch. South
 Ch. Seaview
 New Brighton **BA BB AABABBBBA**

Zone 8:

Akaroa & Bays **BBBBAABBAABA**
 Ellesmere **AABB BBBA**
 Halswell & Districts **BABBBAB AAAB**
 Malvern **BABBBBBBAB**
 Rolleston & Districts **AB ABBBBBBAB**
 Selwyn **AA B ABBBBBBAAAB AA**
 Wigram **AB ABBBBBBABAA**

A = Article received **B** = Bulletin received



Selwyn Lions - Belonging to a club is not solely doing fundraising for the community, it's also about friendships formed. Pictured is a group of our club members away this weekend on a girls trip. Enjoy ladies!

Guest's Soapbox - Kevin Smith

Kaikoura Lions Membership Team and Club Secretary.



As long as I have been a Lion, I have had the passion to share the joy of Serving with others under the Lions banner. Membership - Retention and New - have been for a long time my focus. Looking to the Retention side, my Club has recently carried out a Member Survey and the answers were most enlightening and have spurred our members to be very mindful of looking after each others needs. Do you have a one to one chats - Almoner isn't always for our sick nor is he the only Almoner we all are!

Why did we join Lions? Is there sufficient and 'satisfying' projects for all members? Are we opening all working bees to all members? Are there enough Social events? Are our partners involved enough? This is just a sample of the questionnaire, the answers we are working on now.

Potential New members want to join a positive club with amazing vibes. To meet members willing to listen and evaluate their ideas. Ideas hopefully, from a younger generation with the nurturing of older more experienced Lions who can pass on knowledge and guidance to their various suggestions.

It is a big challenge to get younger members. Today, their family life is much different to when we were young with different family dynamics. How can we make our clubs more family friendly?

Interestingly, in 1964 Kaikoura Lions had people knocking on the door to join AND our average age was 45 - NOW our average age is 73. That is a worrying statistic! Somehow we have to turn this around! How do we attract New Members? How do we attract Younger Members? New members with New Ideas, New Enthusiasm, New Energy AND New Vision. Hopefully our District Membership Team will be able to answer these questions in the next District Bulletin edition.

To be swallowed up into other Districts, to me, is a worrying thought - it can not happen!

Many will say, Oh No Not that Again! Well yes, the challenge continues for us all and gets tougher each year. Now with the changing times, we all have the ability and expertise to approach (put their names to the Board first - sometimes with good reason) and invite those we come into contact with. Use your flag at working bees, use Facebook constantly - the new communication tool - great success with pea straw, scrap metal, membership, social times (we aren't all work) etc.

Let Joe Public see what you are doing in their community and beyond and hopefully they will want to join in, and best and most important - make it fun! I look round clubs in our District and see new members lining up - what are they doing that we aren't? Maybe I know ...

We have to forget that "We have always done it this way." - times change and we have to meet those changing times head on to keep Lions Alive. We don't want to become extinct.

I have hit heads with many who have had, as their key words some of the points - left - and I know that you could add many more!

I look forward to being a part of our Lions Club during it's positive growth.

Our Goal is for every member to

"Just Ask 1" or 2 or 3

"It's time to invest in Our Survival - Membership"
- DG Paul

or - what do Lions say to prospective members when asked what Lions do? "Do you mean locally, nationally or internationally?" - Wayne Paulin.

Thank you Lou for 'asking' me to use the 'SoapBox.'
Kevin Smith

How to

Kill Ideas



- **Don't be Rediculous**
- **We Tried That Before**
- **It Costs Too Much**
- **It Can't Be Done**
- **That's Too Radical**
- **We don't Have The Time**
- **We Are Too Small To Do That**
- **Is Isn't In The Budget**
- **Let's Form A Committee**
- **That's Too Hard**
- **We've Always Done It This Way**
- **This Has Always Been My Job**

Please, if you too would like to inspire us on the “SoapBox” send me your thoughts. The one on page 27 had to pass my veto - he was a trifle nervous for a while, in case he would end up not on the “SoapBox” but instead the “DogBox”.



This bulletin always starts at 20 pages maximum and it’s well on the way to overflowing by the 20th so

DEADLINE for May Edition - 20th April (at the latest.)
Send me your articles as they are completed please.
It’s so hard to take out someone’s article who thinks that it’s just as important as yours!!! I will try to add it in the month requested - otherwise it will be first in the following month :)

I hope to have a roundup of Convention photos - Saturday night’s Town meets Country outfits - just too many to fit in this month. So you just may be a Star!

Have a great month and stay safe Lou 😊



Blenheim Lions - at Convention celebrating the number of awards won by their Club. ‘Photo: Donald Lamont’.



Kaikoura Lions - Do you know that one of Lions Five main causes is HUNGER?
This week, one of our members distributed Food Vouchers on behalf of our Kaikoura Lions Club, to those in our community who will value these.
Come join us.



New Brighton Lions - the extra generosity of the public when the Lions Club of New Brighton were delivering pea straw and compost on Saturday. One person left us an entire bag of aluminium wine bottle tops and another person left us a heavy box of coins for the ‘Heads up for Kids’ collection. We were very lucky to have the community not only support us by buying pea straw and compost but by remembering the extra projects run by the Lions nationwide.
(thats our Youth Chair Becca Baynton.)