

# LIONS CLUB OF ROLLESTON & DISTRICTS APRIL 2021

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## **ROLLESTION LIONS COMMITTEES 2020 - 2021**

## 1st VP Bruce Tomlinson – LEADERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP, TRAINING, ORIENTATION, PROGRAMMES –

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#### 3<sup>rd</sup> VP – Alister Legat – PROJECTS, FUND RAISING

Heather Kissell (Colour Run, Fire Works), John Neville (Firewood), Bill Pickering (Christmas trees), Leo Slattery (Phone Books), Ron McNicholl (Lion Mints), Dave Auton, John Paton, Martin Bogue, Lex Cockburn, Joanne Head, Mike Judd, Sean Lloyd, Viv Mathews, Bruce McDowell, Barry Bernard

**FINANCE** – Chris Logan, Brian Whittington, Lex Cockburn, Heather Kissell, Bruce Tomlinson, President Heather Power

**MEMBERSHIP** – Brian Whittington, John Benefield, John Knowles, Heather Power The President is ex officio member of all committees. Each committee should have a written report for the Board Meeting each month and this report should be published in the Club Bulletin each month

#### ROLLESTON LIONS CLUB



#### **TEA MEETING**

## THE ROCK RESTAURANT & BAR

### **WEDNESDAY 7 APRIL**

MEET & GREET - 6.30pm MEAL - 7.00pm

### **DUTIES FOR TEA MEETING**

GREETER .. .. .. BARRY BERNARD GRACE/INVOCATION .. HEATHER CLOUSTON

RAFFLE .. .. .. CHRIS LOGAN CASHIER .. .. MARTIN DYER

TABLE WAITERS .. .. DAVE AUTON, BILL PICKERING

INTRODUCE SPEAKER .. .. SPEAKER .. .. ..

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#### **BOARD MEETING**

#### **MENS SHED**

## 21 APRIL @ 7.30pm

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#### Lions unable to do duties allocated PLEASE arrange your own substitute

#### **PRESIDENT HEATHER**

Many thanks to John B, John K and Brian for their informative and helpful presentation at our last tea meeting. This was well received by the Club, whether old or new members. Debrief from Colour Fun Day provided valuable thoughts and ideas for improvement. It was decided that it be kept as an annual event for the community, with Board approval.

Arrangements are underway for the Young Speechmaker contest finals to be held at Rolleston College on June 12. A sub committee of Shirley, Helen and I are working with Becca Baynton the District Youth Rep.

We will need to have a meeting of Past presidents on April 14 at Menz shed to elect the new Board, as the names need to go forward next month. This is a chance for some of the newer members to become part of our Board and see what makes Lions "tick". It would be great to have new ideas and new faces as some of us have been Board members for a number of years. We also need to rotate our Trustees as per the Constitution requirements.

One of the speakers at the recent convention summed up a Lions journey in three parts. **KNOW**. Finding out how Lions works to serve the Community and how each person can play a part.

**SHOW.** Your willingness to work together to serve and show the Lions brand where we are

**GROW**. Encouraging others to join a vibrant, busy and interesting group of people who believe in the motto. **We Serve**.

Easter blessings to all and remember chocolate is a plant based food, therefore it is HEALTHY.

#### **President Heather**

#### **1ST VP BRUCE'S REPORT**

I am writing my report at the end of Day 1 of Field days which has been a very promising start. Hopefully the next two days will be as good.

Huge thanks to everyone who has helped out.

Please everyone remember that over the next three weeks we have to finalize our Board for next year. If we have asked you would like to be involved please make a decision and let us know whether you are prepared to help out. Many hands make light work!!

Many Thanks, Bruce, 1st VP.

### 2<sup>ND</sup> VP VAL KNOWLES (interim)

Hi everyone,

Just a few ideas coming up for the next 2 or 3 months.

I'm trying to contact The fireman Cam Kenyon as he was very keen to take us to the airport to see what his service does there. Depending on the time and maybe a meal after.

What about a Club visit. Just been speaking to the Club pres. of the Malvern Lions and they would love to have us 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday in month. That is the 22nd April.

Pres Heather would like a theatre night for ladies social instead of a lunch.... or maybe both. !! The play she

recommended is "Ladies night". The time 1st May - 5th June The cost is \$30 - \$64 per seat. If matinee or night performance you can have a pizza and glass of wine before the start.

I will send around a clip board next meeting to see if you would like a night out at the theatre. I believe it is very funny.

By the tea meeting I will know about the airport visit for the Whole Club. And also those keen to visit Malvern Lions.

## Regards Val.

3<sup>ND</sup> VP ALISTER's REPORT

It has been a busy month or so

With the colour fun day and teddy bears picnic and the conference, with the agriculture field days as well

There is not much happening in the next month apart from the Lincoln toot for tucker coming up. There will be a need for drivers on the day. Planning is well under way

Thank you for your support in these events Yours in lions Alister Legat

#### **ALMONER**

## Please get in touch with SHIRLEY If someone is sick, hospitalised, family deaths etc

Phone 03 347 9475 or 021 0247 3377

#### 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 inspires you! In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir, Chairperson Lions Clubs International Foundation

United in Kindness and Diversity with International President, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

## 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





### **SUNDAY 4 APRIL 2021 TURN CLOCKS BACK**

## History of daylight saving in NZ

New Zealand first introduced daylight saving time in 1927. The current times have been fixed since 2007.

1868 — New Zealand officially set a national standard time — called New Zealand Mean Time — at 11 hours and 30 minutes ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

1927 — New Zealand first observed daylight saving time. The dates and time difference were changed several times over the following years.

1941 — New Zealand summer time was extended by emergency regulations to cover the whole year.

1946 — New Zealand summer time (12 hours in advance of GMT) was adopted as New Zealand standard time. Daylight saving time was effectively discontinued at this point.

1974–5 — Daylight saving was trialled again in 1974, and introduced in 1975. Daylight saving time is 1 hour ahead of New Zealand standard time.

1985 — Public attitudes were surveyed and over the next few years the period of daylight saving time was extended twice.

2006-07 — Following public debate and a petition presented to Parliament the period of daylight saving was extended to its current dates. New Zealand observes daylight saving from the last Sunday in September to the first Sunday in April.

2008 — Daylight saving public attitude survey.

Sunday, April 4, 2021, 2:00:00 am local standard time instead. Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on Apr 4, 2021 than the day before. There will be more light in the morning.



#### Half the world will soon live in water- stressed areas1

#### **CREATING A HEALTHIER ENVIRONMENT**

Each day, our environment– our home – endures pollution of precious water, land, and air. We

see devastation wrought by warming temperatures.

Rising sea levels and deforestation threaten entire ecosystems. Agricultural output, and those whose livelihoods depend on the health of our environment, are deeply impacted.

Human, animal, plant...no form of life is spared.

While the realities are daunting, Lions are often there and part of the solution. With grant funding from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions have established sanitation systems providing clean water where it was once absent; helped remove pollutants

from local parks; provided education on the need for change; and planted community vegetable gardens that feed neighbours and teach children about healthy eating and responsibility for cultivating life.

LCIF grant funds help Lions protect children from disease wrought by unsafe water and poor sanitation; preserve agricultural land; and live in cleaner cities. With adoption of the environment as an official cause area, and LCIF's support, Lions are better able to take on the responsibility of protecting our Earth

#### A Precondition for Existence

At the core of sustainable development, water is critical for socioeconomic progress, healthy ecosystems, survival. Vital to improving health and community welfare, the lifeline many worldwide take for granted poses challenges in this part of the world. The toll is palpable.

#### Papua New Guinea Challenges

- 6,000 diarrheal deaths+ annually
- Access in schools nationwide
- 51% water
- 28% sanitation2

#### Sanitation in Indonesia

- ~25 million don't use toilets
- 7% of wastewater untreated3

#### New Caledonia Water compared to World Health Organization limits

- 10X more lead
- 5X more arsenic4

#### **Polluted New Zealand Water**

3/4 of freshwater fish species threatened with extinction5

#### THAT'S HERE. GLOBALLY, IMPACTS LOOK LIKE THIS:

10% lower with global access to safe drinking water and adequate sanitation6 6,000 of water-related children's diseases die every day7 Return on US\$1 Investment

LCIF AND LIONS Funding Service, Delivering Solutions Protecting our environment protects our children, families, and communities. LCIF, funding Lions' global humanitarian work since 1968, is there and part of the solution.

By John Benefield (sorry John this was too long so I had to do it this way)



## HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE STAY SAFE

## ENJOY GETTING TOGETHER WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS

Easter is a time of Joy - It is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the son of Christian God.

Easter falls between March 22 and April 25 every year. In 325 AD, the Council of Nicaea fixed the day as 1st Sunday after the 1st full moon after the 21st of March. The origin of Easter is thought to be the mythological goddesses "Ostra", "Ostern" or "Eastre".

Easter is related to a number of different traditions like the Jewish festival of Passover, or Pesach, from which is derived Pasch, another name used by Europeans for Easter. Passover is an important feast in the Jewish calendar which, is celebrated for 8 days and commemorates the flight and freedom of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.

**In New Zealand,** Easter Monday is the last day of a four-day weekend, which includes <u>Good Friday</u>. Many people return from short trips out of town, while others relax at home. Many families take part in an Easter egg hunt and other Easter related activities. Chocolate eggs are especially popular to eat. Some churches hold special Easter Monday services.

#### **Public Life**

Easter Monday is a public holiday in New Zealand so schools, government offices and many businesses are closed.

#### **Background**

Easter Monday, the day after Jesus' resurrection, used to be regarded as unlucky and was therefore known as Black Monday. These days it is a day off for many countries, including New Zealand. The Easter date depends on the ecclesiastical approximation of the March equinox.

#### **Symbols**

For people with strong Christian beliefs, the Cross, on which Jesus was crucified, and the Resurrection are important symbols of the period around Easter. Other symbols of Easter include real eggs or eggs manufactured from a range of materials, nests, lambs and rabbits or hares. Sometimes these symbols are combined, for example, in candy models of rabbits with nests full of eggs. Eggs, rabbits, hares and young animals are thought to represent the re-birth and return to fertility of nature in the spring.



### **Ensure Our Future with Campaign 100**

We know that giving is part of what it means to be a Lion. And when we contribute to <u>Lions Clubs International</u>

<u>Foundation</u> and Campaign 100, we can help ensure Lions service for generations to come.

Together with our Foundation, we have empowered Lions to combat food insecurity, protect the health and safety of our communities, and so much more. But projects like these are only possible with support from you. So it's important that we do *and* give what we can to help create lasting change.

#### **ROCK RAFFLE ROSTER:**

02 APRIL - DAVE AUTON & HEATHER KISSELL
09 APRIL - JOHN CARDWELL & ROBYN VEALE
16 APRIL - HELEN PATON & SHIRLEY MCNICHOLL
23 APRIL - TONY CONDON & BILL PICKERING
30 APRIL - BRIAN WHITTINGTON & JOHN JONES
7 MAY - LEO SLATTERY & BRUCE MCDOWELL
14 MAY - HEATHER CLOUSTON & SEAN LLOYD



#### **APRIL**

## BILL PICKERING 13<sup>TH</sup> & JOHN BENEFIELD 17<sup>TH</sup>

### ARIES ZODIAC SIGN - Date range - March 21 to April 19

A for assertive R for refreshing I for independent E for energetic S for sexy

Element: Fire Colour: Red Day: Tuesday Ruler: Mars

Lucky Numbers: 1, 8, 17 Lucky Gem: Diamond

Strengths: Courageous, determined, confident, enthusiastic, optimistic, honest, passionate

Weaknesses: Impatient, moody, short-tempered, impulsive, aggressive

Aries likes: Comfortable clothes, taking on leadership roles, physical challenges, individual sports

Aries dislikes: Inactivity, delays, work that does not use one's talents

As the first sign in the zodiac, the presence of Aries always marks the beginning of something energetic and turbulent. They are continuously looking for dynamic, speed and competition, always being the first in everything - from work to social gatherings. Thanks to its ruling planet Mars and the fact it belongs to the element of Fire (just like Leo and Sagittarius), Aries is one of the most active zodiac signs. It is in their nature to take action, sometimes before they think about it well.

#### **CODE OF ETHICS**

**TO SHOW** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

**TO SEEK** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

**TO REMEMBER** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's. To be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

**WHENEVER** a doubt arises as to the right ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

**TO HOLD** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit it is given.

**ALWAYS** bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour and means. **TO AID** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise, to build up and not destroy

#### I LEARNED FROM A SNOWMAN

It's okay if you're a little bottom heavy. Hold your ground, even when the heat is on Wearing white is always appropriate Winter is the best of the four seasons There's nothing better than a foul weather friend The key to life is to be a jolly happy soul It's not the size of the carrot but the placement that counts You know you've got it made when they write a song about you or include you in the TV Guide

crossword puzzle Accessorise, Accessorise Avoid yellow snow Don't get too much sun It's embarrassing when you can't look down and see your feet There's no stopping you once you're on a roll

#### **WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER GRAHAM PYE**



**Left to R**: Brian Whittington sponsored Graham in the middle & President Heather did the paperwork.

#### **LION CLUBS INTERNATIONAL PURPOSES**

TO ORGANISE charter and supervise Service Clubs to be know as Lions Clubs

TO CO-ORDINATE the activities and standardise the administration of Lions Clubs

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world

**TO PROMOTE** the principles of good government and good citizenship

TO TAKE an active interest in the civic, cultural, social, and moral welfare of the community

**TO UNITE** the Clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship, and mutual understanding

TO PROVIDE a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members

TO ENCOURAGE service minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public

works and private endeavours.



#### COLOUR FUN DAY 2021 - Great fun by all and hopefully a yearly thing being held



Selwyn National MP Nicola Grigg on the left and our President Heather Power on the right. President Heather was looking very clean but her car got some instead







### World Autism Awareness Day – 2 APRIL

Altogether Autism is highlighting World Autism Acceptance Month as an opportunity to share information and educate the wider community about autism.

We understand that April is not the month of choice for all autistic people but feel it is a great opportunity to share different viewpoints while educating people about autism and autistic culture. Our overall theme for April 2021 is

"Authentically Autistic".

As part of this we would like to run a series called "Autistics of Aotearoa" based on the Humans of New York model, where autistic people share their answers to these questions:

- 1. What does being authentically autistic mean to you?
- 2. What can people do to show you they accept you as you are?

The series will be posted on our website and will feature on our <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Facebook</u> channels throughout the month.

These answers could include a photo, a short video (2mins max) an image or piece of art or a written answer (written answers may be edited for length). If you are sending a written answer, remember attaching an image will help to capture the audience's attention. If you are sending a video, these will be uploaded to our YouTube channel and then embedded onto our website.

We want this to be an autistic-led series, this invitation is for all autistic people including those who are non-



Autism Awareness, Acceptance and Appreciation. Supporting people to be 'authentically autistic'. speaking. If you are supporting someone to be involved please take this opportunity to empower them to decide what they would like to share with the world.

Please send us your responses and then watch our website and social media pages to see your post as we aim to build understanding and acceptance around autism.

Please feel free to share this amongst your contacts of autistic people and their families within New Zealand.

#### **ANZAC DAY - 25 APRIL 2021**

Anzac Day in New Zealand is held on 25 April each year to commemorate New Zealanders killed in war and to honour returned servicemen and women. The day has similar importance in Australia, New Zealand's partner in the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps at Gallipoli. The ceremony itself has been continually adapted to the times, but has also steadily acquired extra layers of symbolism and meaning.

#### The Dawn Service

A typical commemoration begins with a march by returned service personnel before dawn to the local war memorial. Military personnel and returned service-men and -women form up about the memorial, joined by other members of the community, with pride of place going to the war veterans. A short service follows with a prayer, hymns (including Kipling's 'Recessional' or 'Lest We Forget'), and a dedication which concludes with the fourth verse of Laurence Binyon's 'For the Fallen':

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.

The Last Post is then played, followed by a minute's silence and Reveille. A brief address follows, after which the hymn 'Recessional' is sung. The service concludes with a closing prayer and the singing of the National Anthem.



### 1916: A Half-Day Holiday

Demands for some form of remembrance on the anniversary of the landing on the peninsula, both as a public expression of grief and as a means of rallying support for the war effort, were soon heard. A half-day public holiday was gazetted on 5 April 1916, and church services and recruiting meetings were proposed. Among the growing body of returned servicemen, however, such an approach was an anathema — 'the boys don't want to be split up among twenty or thirty different churches on Anzac Day, and it is certain they don't want to go to a meeting to hear

people who haven't been there [to war] spout and pass resolutions'. Instead, returned soldiers preferred a public service conducted by an army chaplain.

Returned servicemen claimed ownership of the commemoration. These were marked by processions of returned and serving personnel, followed by church services and public meetings at town halls. Speeches extolled national unity, imperial loyalty, remembrance of the dead, and the need for young men to volunteer (conscription was imminent).

Large crowds attended the first commemorations: 2000 at the service in Rotorua, and in London, a procession of 2000 Australian and New Zealand troops and a service at Westminster Abbey. New Zealand soldiers in Egypt commemorated the day with a service and the playing of the Last Post, followed by a holiday, including sports.

In August 1916, after lobbying by returned soldiers, the use of the word 'Anzac' was prohibited for trade or business purposes, further enshrining the Anzac myth and the sacredness of the commemoration.

#### 25 April 1921: A Public Holiday



The day itself was not marked as a public holiday until 1921. Peace was celebrated from 19 to 21 July 1919, but no official day of commemoration for the war was at first instituted. The government was prepared to move St George's Day to 25 April and declare that day to be a government holiday. The public was not greatly excited by government holidays, which in the main were religious observances or patriotic occasions, while Dominion Day, the self-styled 'National Day', possessed no emotional appeal.

While not an official holiday, Anzac Day had already acquired a strong appeal among the public. Not until 1920 did the government respond to RSA lobbying for 25 April to be declared a holiday. Although legislation was passed which made Anzac Day a public

holiday, with hotels and banks closed and race meetings prohibited, this did not meet RSA demands for the day to be 'Sundayised'. In 1922 the government backed down and 25 April became a full public holiday as if it were a Sunday.

#### History of Lions in New Zealand & the Rolleston & Districts Lions Club

Lions Clubs 'vere introduced to New Zealand in 1955, with the first Club established in Auckland. Today there are 9,500 members and 350 Clubs in seven districts through out New Zealand & the South Pacific. The South Island first started as one district, then become two districts, I remember a 202E Convention being held in Timaru, not long after that, the South Island became three Districts. Today District 202E have 48 Lions Clubs, 4 Leo Clubs & 4 Lioness Clubs.

In the Lions year 1979/1980 a New Zealander, Lion Lloyd Morgan, served as International President becoming the first International President from outside the northern hemisphere with only two others from the southern hemisphere becoming International Presidents, to date. It is customary for the Multiple District to make a presitation to their retiring President, in recognition of their service. In most cases, the presitations take the form of a substantial personal gift, such as a luxury motor car. Lloyd Morgan made it known that he would not except a personal gift. It was then decided the a trust would be set up to honour Lloyd's year as International President, and to be known as the "Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust". Donations are made to the trust, as our club do, with the interest being made available to clubs for community projects.

#### The Rolleston & Districts Lions Club Chartered in April 1978 with a membership of 36.

The very first project was the demolition of the Methodist Church at Springston, were the materials that we could salvage, we could sell and therefore start our project account to assist the community, this was before we Chartered as a Lions Club. Many interesting and varied projects followed with us being able to purchase a brand new caravan, which we were able to donate to the local Rolleston Brigade, of the Order of St John, which is still in use today. The Rolleston Fireworks nights was an idea from one of our members some 40 years ago, a combined project with our club and the Rolleston Residents Association, this has now grown to be one of the greatest entertainment nights for the whole Selwyn District. Another project was the Charity Golf match, we ran for many years in aid of community groups. Catering for the South Island Aggricultural Field Days has been one of our main projects over the years, starting at Lincoln every second year, now as it has grown, it has had to move to a bigger site at Kirwee. Catering is one project that started from us selling sausages in bread from the back of a trailer at the Rugby League games, at the old Rolleston Domain, were the Selwyn District Council building is now sited. In the early years, Lions Clubs were all males, and so we would often have our wives helping us on our many fund raising projects. Growing Christmas Trees was another great project and we would sell hundreds, sadly today Christmas is not the same, and so tree sales have have dropped off. Today our membership is around forty with two of the original Charter members still in the club, with another member being in the club for forty years and many others for a good many years.

WIKIPEDIA Melvin Jones (Lions Club) Melvin Jones (January 13, 1879 - June 1, 1961) was Secretary treasurer) of Lions Clubs International Psgear old

He was born in Fort Thomas, Arizona (at that time the Arizona Territory). His father was a captain in the United States Army. In 1886 or '87, the family moved east when his father was transferred. Melvin Jones settled in Chicago, where he studied at the Union Business and Chaddock colleges of Quincy, Illinois. At age 33 he was the sole owner of his own insurance agency in Chicago and became a member of the local business circle, and was elected secretary shortly thereafter. Melvin Jones was also a Freemason. [2] MELVIN JONES NG 66100S SERVIS

After two years, prompted by his personal code - "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else" - Jones proposed that the talents of the circle's members could be better utilized in other areas of community life, 13] He invited

Monument to Melvin Jones in representative from other men's clubs in and around Chicago to a Madrid, Spain meeting to devise a suitable organization and from that meeting, Jones subsequently integrated his club into an existing initiative that further led to his selection as Secretary of the "International Association of Lions Clubs (http://w ww.william-perry-woods-md.com/i.a.l.c..html)" later to be named "Lions Clubs International". Jones eventually gave up his insurance agency to work full-time at Lions International Headquarters.

In 1945, Jones represented Lions Clubs International as a consultant at the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco.

Memorials 2/25/2021

Lions Clubs... The Association Name and Symbol -- Alexis Vincent Gomes On June 7, 1917 at the invitation of Melvin Jones, delegates met in Chicago. The only point of contention was the selection of a name for the new organization. Melvin Jones researched the idea of calling the new organization Lions. He was convinced that the lion stood for strength, courage, fidelity and vital action. On a secret ballot the name Lions was chosen over several others.

The Lions Emblem

At the 1919 convention, there was a move to change the symbol, but a young attorney from Denver, Colorado rose to speak. His name was Halsted Ritter. "The name Lions stands not only for fraternity, good fellowship, strength of character and purpose, but above all, its combination of L-I-O-N-S heralds to the country the true meaning of citizenship: LIBERTY, INTELLIGENCE, OUR NATION'S SAFETY."

The January 1931 issue of THE LION Magazine featured this interpretation of the association's name: Our name was not selected at random, neither was it a coined name. From time immemorial, the lion has been the symbol of all that was good, and because of the symbolism that name was chosen. Four outstanding qualities - Courage, Strength, Activity and Fidelity - had largely to do with the adoption of the name. The last mentioned of these qualities, Fidelity, has a deep and peculiar significance for all Lions. The lion symbol has been a symbol of Fidelity through the ages and among all nations, ancient and modern. It stands for loyalty to a friend, loyalty to a principle, loyalty to a duty, loyalty to a trust.

The emblem consists of a gold letter "L" on a circular area. Bordering this is a circular area with two Lion profiles facing away from the center. The word "Lions" appears at the top and "International" at the bottom. The Lions face both past and future - showing both pride of heritage and confidence in the future.

John Benefield

### FROM THE TREASURERS DESK

With the imminent demise of Cheques as a method of payment Rolleston Lions is now utilising internet banking for payment of accounts.

Therefore members wishing to be reimbursed for expenses incurred will be required to provide a bank account number along with any invoice relating to the expenditure.

Regards Chris Logan, Treasurer

#### **BULLETIN MARG'S DRIBBLE......**

Very cool mornings and with daylight saving finishing this weekend we will be pulling the curtains earlier at night. One positive thought to think about is that we can look forward to summer!!!



#### **SEEING THE WORLD THROUGH A APPLE**

Cut an apple into quarters: ¾ of the apple is water, ¼ of the apple is land to live on.

Now cut 1 of the quarters in quarters:  $\frac{1}{4}$  is desert,  $\frac{1}{4}$  is mountains,  $\frac{1}{4}$  is too cold – tundra,  $\frac{1}{4}$  is to live on. Cut the last of the above into quarters:  $\frac{1}{4}$  is too swampy,  $\frac{1}{4}$  is too dry,  $\frac{1}{4}$  is too rocky or steep,  $\frac{1}{4}$  is to live on.

Peel the last quarter: The piece of apple left represents land that is too sandy, too fragile (rain forest) or it has been paved over.

The piece of peel that is left represents the amount of land that is available for producing food for the people of the world. That is why preserving the world's top soil is so important.

We don,t inherit the land from our parents

We borrow it from our children

#### DATES OF IMPORTANCE - PUT IT ON THE CALENDAR

01 April - April Fools Day

02 April - Good Friday

04 April - Easter Sunday

**05 April** - Easter Monday

07 April - Our Tea Meeting

21 April - Our Board Meeting

25 April - Anzac Day

5 May - Our dinner meeting

19 May - Our Board meeting