



LIONS CLUB OF ROLLESTON & DISTRICTS
APRIL 2024

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3rd Vice President: John Johns: Projects





**ROLLESTON LIONS CLUB
TEA MEETING**

**THE ROCK
ROLLESTON**

3 APRIL 2024

**MEET & GREET - 6.00 pm
MEAL - 6.30 pm**

DUTIES FOR TEA MEETING

GREETER	ALISTER LEGAT
GRACE/INVOCATION ..	BOB PEIRSON
RAFFLE	CHRIS LOGAN
CASHIER	MARTIN DYER
TABLE WAITERS	JIMMI ANDERSON, KAREN LUFF, RICHARD NORRIS
SPEAKER	To be advised
INTRODUCE SPEAKER ..	LEO SLATTERY
THANK SPEAKER ..	MARG GERKEN

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**BOARD MEETING
17 APRIL 2024
AT THE MENZ SHED**
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PRESIDENT SHIRLEY

Hello to all you Rolleston Lion members.

Enjoyed the Convention in Blenheim. Very different , no stuffy bits and all the work still got done. Organisation was brilliant. Rolleston were awarded a membership certificate from the Council Chairman Stephen Barr. This is a huge achievement for our club as we were down to 34 members, and some people put in a lot of time and effort to reach this goal.

Lets keep the momentum up.

The next important thing is the changes to the constitution.

Since coming home we have had plenty for the Vice Presidents to talk about.

Regards
Shirley

1ST VP DAVE AUTON

A busy day at the Cancer Society Relay for Life at Brookside Park with 12 Lions members assisting with the sizzling sausages and chips , taking \$330 dollars in total , with the club voting to upgrade the donation to \$500 in total donation to the Cancer society. A bead is presented to every walker per lap of 400m some walkers earning over 50 beads.

Our major funding event for this year was the National Equestrian Show jumping event at McLeans Island with 14 lions showing up assisting with car parking, rubbish removal and cooking for 4 days , a steady pace for the crowd which was half of last years showing .

We were assisted by 6 students from Rolleston Collage on the Sunday with them all turning up at the right place , at the right time , able to follow instructions with great manners and a energy and enthusiasm hard to match se we let them run the show on there own for a bit .a lot of interest in joining a Rolleston Leos club we will have to chase down soon .

The Men's Luncheon at the Golden Mile and the Ladies afternoon teas are still well supported , another social function upcoming soon .

As usual its sad to see the same people doing the hard work with a club as big as ours the load should be spread about more, something I may have to address in the future

Regards
Dave

CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS BACK ON SUNDAY 7TH APRIL

GO BACK AN HOUR BEFORE BED

History of daylight saving in NZ

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

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

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

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

1946 — NZ 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 NZ 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.

2ND VP MIKE

ROLLESTON & DISTRICTS

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

192

People Served

43

Service Activities Completed

765

Volunteer Hours

\$3,856

Funds Donated (USD)

\$5,876

Funds Raised (USD)

Reported activities may not immediately be reflected in the metrics. [Details](#)

Some metrics are capped. Please [click here](#) to see which metrics are impacted.

Membership:

Remains at 40 with two new members to be inducted soon.

Business cards were proposed at the Tea meeting and 13 members signed up.

Cards distributed tonight. 20 Each. For Reprint's, please contact Lion Mike to order.

West Melton Branch Club

Lion President Shirley has spoken to Two Fat Possums Fiona, the owner, is happy. Private room may have to be shared at busy times, I.e. Xmas.

She would like a poster to display. Has one of the Men's Health night

I have spoken to Tracy from West Melton School and their committee will draw up something official for the proposed use of the staff room for Business meetings.

I sent a letter of thanks to Selwyn Connect for the placement of the advertisement and am now waiting with bated breath for contacts to come forward (Disappointing presently), however we have agreed to start cold calling from next month and I will soon be mailing a list of people to call to each of you.

Youth & Welfare

We should have a grant application pending for Georgia who goes to Clearview Primary School, who is representing NZ this June/July for solo singing in LA

General

I have reviewed the proposed board for the new year and as membership chair will have a conversation with some of them in connection with training needs. As our Incoming officers workshop is normally held around the end of May each year, now is the time to start planning and preparing for the event in order that we receive maximum benefit from it.

Lion Mike Cousins

3rd VP JOHN

No report sorry am away until April

Regards

John

ALMONER ALASTAIR JUDD

Hi Everyone

Just to let the members know my job as Almoner will be a board vacancy in June.

I have decided to stay on until June and make Changeover my chance to say goodbye to as many members as possible.

Regards

Alastair

ALMONER

Please get in touch with **ALASTAIR JUDD**

Please everyone let me know asap if a member is sick, hospitalised, family deaths etc as I live out of the area.

Phone 03 339 8106 or 021 124 8226

HEATHER POWER CONVENTION

LIONS CONVENTION BLENHEIM 2024 - This was a very well-run Convention with Helen Williams as Convention Chair and John Bilderbeck with his own brand of humour and friendliness. Gone are the days of formality and hierarchy. We were able to enjoy fellowship and fun, but with room for the serious stuff. Highlights for me were as follows.

- Rolleston and Districts Club being awarded the District Award for Membership growth. Congratulations to Mike and his team and all those who encouraged our new members. A Special International Presidents Award for our own President Shirley McNicholl which read "In recognition of Distinguished Achievements in Fulfilling the Mission of Lions International, and to affirm the Appreciation and Gratitude of the Association - signed by the International President Patti Hill. This is a real achievement for our club and recognizes the work and dedication Shirley has shown through the past few difficult years.
- Remembrance valedictories for Lex Cockburn and Denis Power, acknowledging their service to Lions over the years - very emotional for me especially.
- Listening to the addresses from the candidates for International Director and deciding that the best P a g e 3 | 6 candidate was from Invercargill.
- The address from Lance Burdett, a motivational mentor and example for us all. I would encourage everyone to think about next year's Convention at Hanmer Springs - it is not far and it's a lot of fun and fellowship.

My grandmother always said...

- Don't go where you're not invited.
- Don't talk about what you don't know
 - Don't interfere with things that are none of your business
 - Do not open the fridge in someone else's house
 - Don't call after 10pm
- Don't go see someone at lunchtime
- Don't enter other people's bedrooms without permission

They were the rules of good manners and they still are, because manners never go out of fashion!





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President Shirley also accepted an award on behalf of our Club. The membership certificate was presented to her from the Council Chairman Stephen Barr. Thank you Mike Cousins & your team for this very positive increase in our membership. This is a huge achievement for our club as we were down to 34 members, and some people put in a lot of time and effort to reach this goal. Lets keep the momentum up.



Designs and Desserts

Friday 19th April

Lincoln Event Centre

7.00-9.30pm

Doors open from 6.00pm

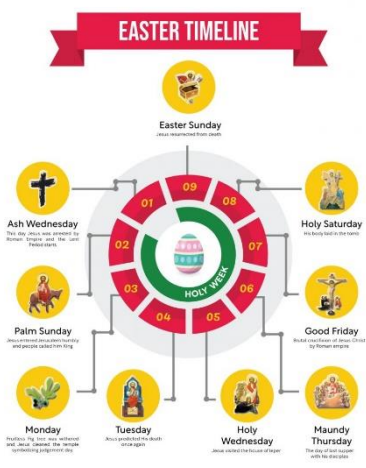
The Ladies at the Selwyn Lions Club are hosting this night, preparations are well under way for this fun night out. It is going to be an evening of fashion shows, special stage presentations and of course some tasty delights. There is also a selection of stalls selling gifts, jewellery, fashion, wine, gin, raffles and other treats.

This fundraiser is going to be a great event and Selwyn Lions Club invite members, family and friends to come along and join us for the evening. Tickets are \$30 and include a nibbles platter to start and dessert during the evening. Tickets can be purchased through Barbara Williams on d.bwilliams@xtra.co.nz.

Make it a night out with a group of friends and see our club in action.... you may see a side to our President and a couple members more that you will not expect....or maybe you won't be surprised!! .

More information available from Project Convenor Jane Forrest on **027 631 9450**

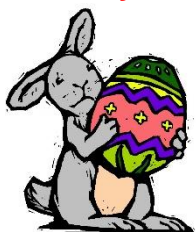
HAPPY EASTER TO EVERYONE - ENJOY TIME WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS



In 2024, Easter Sunday will New Zealand and around the world. Easter Sunday is an important day for Christians as it commemorates the day Jesus was resurrected from the dead after he was crucified on the Friday. **Why does Easter change dates every year and what's allowed to open?**

The date of Easter, changes from year to year. The reason for this variation is that Easter always falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the spring equinox. Easter is quite similar to other major holidays like Christmas and Halloween, which have evolved over the last 200 years or so. In all of these holidays, Christian and non-Christian (pagan) elements have continued to blend together.

The very strange history of the Easter Bunny



While you're biting the heads off your chocolate bunnies this weekend, you might wonder how cartoon rabbits became so central to our Easter celebrations. It's tempting to assume that because there's no biblical basis for the Easter Bunny, rabbits and hares have no religious significance – but that's just not the case. Leviticus 11:6 states that the hare is an unclean animal: "The hare, for even though it chews the cud, it does not have divided hoofs; it is unclean for you", but in Christian art, it is regularly associated with rebirth and resurrection. In fact, the

symbol of a circle of three hares joined by their ears has been found in a number of churches in Devon. Like much of our cultural "bunny" symbolism, the meaning of this image remains mysterious – and The Three Hares Project has been set up to research and document occurrences of the ancient symbol, examples of which have been found as far away as China. Rabbits and hares have also been associated with Mary, mother of Jesus, for centuries. Their association with virgin birth comes from the fact that hares – often conflated mistakenly with rabbits – are able to produce a second litter of offspring while still pregnant with the first.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO RECEIVED THEIR CHEVRONS

Brian Fennessy - 30 years

Brian joined Wigram Lions on the 1 March 1992. He transferred to Ruapehu on the 1 April 2003, transferred to Temuka on the 1 June 2006, transferred to Rolleston & Districts on the 3 June 2020. He was Club Secretary for Timaru Host for 1.5 years & at Ruapehu for 2 years.

Alastair Judd - 25 years

Robyn Veale - 10 years

YOUNG SPEECHMAKER COMPETITION 2024

REGIONAL HEATS HELD MARCH - JUNE 2024
NATIONAL FINAL | 10TH AUGUST 2024 | Wainuiomata

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The Lion of Today

By Lion Steve Williams
Past District 18-1 Governor
Forsyth County Lions Club, Cumming, Georgia USA

We, the Lions, to continue the proud tradition of Lionism in our community, our nation, and our world, must become **THE LIONS OF TODAY.**

As **THE LIONS OF TODAY**, we must...

- Be proud of our past, but **NOT STUCK IN THE PAST.**
- **EMBRACE CHANGE.**
- Ask our community "How can **WE SERVE** you?"
- Have a positive "**CAN-DO**" attitude.
- Show **KINDNESS** to everyone we meet.
- **PUSH FORWARD** in spite of nay-sayers.
- **LEAD BY EXAMPLE.**
- **CARE** about our community, our nation, and our world.
- Take the initiative.
- **ENCOURAGE, NURTURE** and **LISTEN** to our fellow Lions.
- **REACH OUT** to people from all walks of life.

TOGETHER WE CAN and **TOGETHER WE WILL**
become **THE LIONS OF TODAY!**

ANZAC DAY - 25 APRIL 2024



Anzac Day is a day on which people commemorate the contributions of the Australian and New Zealand armed forces. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War.

ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, and the soldiers in these services are often referred to as Anzac

Anzac Day is held every year on the 25th of April. This date is deliberately chosen to mark the anniversary of the Gallipoli Peninsula landings.

Memorial services take place across New Zealand and Australia. There are also events held at the site of the landings in Turkey.



In New Zealand and Australia, the day is a public holiday. As the 25th of April is a Sunday this year, the following day (Monday 26th April) has now been declared a national holiday.

Anzac Day commemorations began in New Zealand in 1916, only a year after the landings. Then it was only a half-day holiday. It became a full day in 1921.

Australia was a little later to mark the occasion, but by 1927, every Australian state held some kind of memorial ceremony on the 25th of April.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU - APRIL 2024

NO BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

OUR CHANGEOVER NIGHT

Weedons Country Club

21 June 2024

\$30 pp

More information to come but mark this date on your calendars

CONGRATULATIONS - Lion Tony Condon for all your amazing work on the generic emails & all the time involved with this.

MEASURE OF SUCCESS

When sunset falls upon your day and fades from out the west

When business cares are put away and you lie down to rest

The measure of the day's success or failure may be told

In terms of human happiness and not in terms of gold.

Is there beside some hearth tonight more joy because you wrought?

Does some one face the bitter fight with courage you have taught?

Is something added to the store of human happiness?

If so the day that now is over has been a real success



President's Message Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill

Dear Lions,

There is strength in numbers. Throughout my 34 years of service, I've always been grateful for the close teamwork and friendships that I've experienced volunteering alongside my fellow Lions.

Teamwork generates fresh perspectives and inspires others to join the good work we do—work that would not be possible without your dedication to service, which is shared by Leos and Leo-Lions. When we bring young people into our clubs, everyone benefits. We can learn from one another, help even more people together and strengthen the future of our service.

So collaborate with your Leos, or start a new Leo club. Encourage young people in your circle to become Leos and Lions, so we can grow our clubs and grow together through our service.

Yours in service,

Dr. Patti Hill

International President

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



Earth Day is an annual event on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First held on April 22, 1970, it now includes a wide range of events coordinated globally by Earthday.org including 1 billion people in more than 193 countries. The official theme for 2024 is "Planet vs. Plastics."

For Earth Day 2024 on April 22nd, EARTHDAY.ORG is unwavering in our commitment to end plastics for the sake of human and planetary health, demanding a 60% reduction in the production of **ALL** plastics by 2040.

THE ORIGINS OF EARTH DAY

In the decades leading up to the first, Americans were consuming vast amounts of leaded gas through massive and inefficient automobiles. Industry belched out smoke and sludge with little fear of the consequences from either the law or bad press. Air pollution was commonly accepted as the smell of prosperity. Until this point, mainstream America remained largely oblivious to environmental concerns and how a polluted environment threatens human health.

However, the stage was set for change with the publication of Rachel Carson's New York Times bestseller *Silent Spring* in 1962. The book represented a watershed moment, selling more than 500,000 copies in 24 countries as it raised public awareness and concern for living organisms, the environment and the inextricable links between pollution and public health.

Did you know..

From July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, more than 530 million people were helped by Lions worldwide. This is an increase of more than six million people served over the previous year, thanks to the unwavering commitment of the more than 1.4 million Lions around the world.

Lions engaged in more 1.5 million service projects over the past year, an 11 percent increase over the year prior.

These include:

Awarded more than 1,400 LCIF grants that supported communities and more than 17 million people globally.

Assisted over 33 million people by reducing the prevalence of diabetes and improving the quality of life for those diagnosed.

We are starting to receive applications for Youth coming into New Zealand from overseas between July and September. We are on the hunt for some Hosting families throughout New Zealand. The Youth shall be in New Zealand for up to a month so we are looking at being able to host them in a few different areas over the time they are here. If you could please make contact as soon as possible if anyone is interested in hosting the following 4 Youth.

Louise Trupin from Wavrans Sur L AA, Pas De Calais in France. She is 18 years old. Would like to be in New Zealand from about the 4th July to the end of July.

Alberto Masciandaro from Matera, Italy. He is 17 years old. Would like to visit New Zealand between 28th July and 31st August.

Bambace Angela (nickname Angie), is 16 nearly 17 years old from Russi, Ravenna, Italy. Would like to visit New Zealand between July and September

Lorenzo Panozzo is 18 years old and from Villaverla, Italy. Would like to visit New Zealand between 22nd July and 10th September

We are also aware that we will have a few Japanese Youth coming to New Zealand around August.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like any further information etc

Kind regards

Stephanie Jordan

MD202 Youth Exchange Chief Coordinator

ROCK RAFFLES - MARCH & APRIL


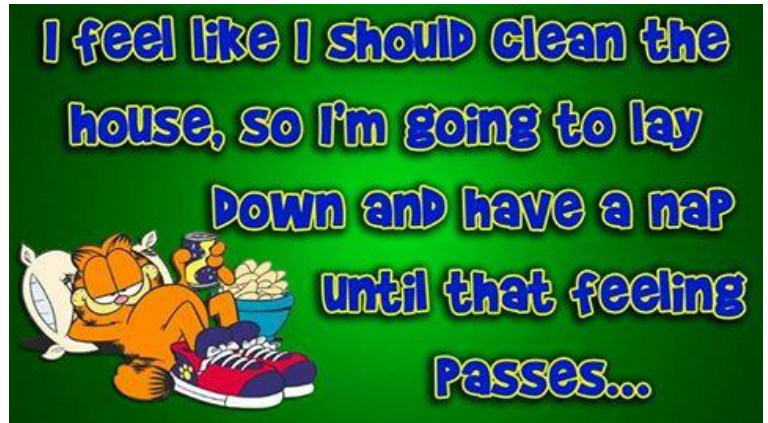
APRIL	5 TH	JACKIE CODYRE	MARTIN DYER
	12 TH	LEO SLATTERY	LEWIS BURNS
	19 TH	DAVE BUTTS	CHRIS LOGAN
	26 TH	RON McNICHOLL	SHIRLEY McNICHOLL
MAY	3 RD	ROBIN JONES	BOB JONES
	10 TH	TONY CONDON	HEATHER KISSELL
	17 TH	JOHN KNOWLES	VAL KNOWLES
	24 TH	SEAN LLOYD	JOHN JONES
	31 ST	JOHN NEVILLE	NEIL SONNE
JUNE	07 TH	JACKIE CODYRE	MARTIN DYER
	14 TH	GRAHAM PYE	CHRIS LOGAN
	21 ST	MARG GERKEN	BOB PEIRSON
	28 TH	DAVE AUTON	BRUCE McDOWELL

REMEMBER TO CONTACT THE OTHER PERSON YOU ARE ROSTERED ON WITH & BE PREPARED TO START AT 5.30PM AT THE ROCK IN ROLLESTON IF UNABLE TO DO DUTY PLEASE ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT. LEAVE A \$50 FLOAT.

Aussie lingo

(Australian common language)

Arvo - Afternoon	Yakka - Hard work
Cobber - Friend	Egg on - Encourage
Crook - Unwell	Fanny - Vagina
Squiz - Quick look	Cake hole - Mouth
Tucker - Food	Get nicked - Go away
Chock-a-block - Full/Crowded	Rack off - Get nicked
Bonza - (Very) Good	Bugger off - Rack off
Drongo - Idiot	Bugger me - Shocked
In the nuddy - Naked	Dodgy/Iffy - Suspicious
Sheila - Woman	Bull dust - A lie
Bloke - Man	Cark it - Die
Brekkie - Breakfast	Veg out - Relax
Waffle on - Talk too much	Oldies - Parents
Butchers (hook) - Look	Flak all - not much
Bottle-O - Alcohol retailer	Servo - Gas station
Watering hole - Public bar	Snags - Sausages
Daks - Pants	Rellies - Relatives
Yobbo - Uncouth person	A quid - Money
Daggy - Out of fashion	Knackered - Tired
Durry - Cigarette	Hoo-Roo - Goodbye

Remember When

Memory was something you lost with age
An application was for employment.
A programme was a TV show
A cursor used profanity
A keyboard was a piano
A web was a spider's home
A virus was the flu
A hard drive was along trip on the road
And A mouse pad was where a mouse lived



RELAY FOR LIFE - ROLLESTON 2024

What is Relay for Life?

Relay For Life is community event that brings friends, whānau, schools, and workplaces together to celebrate cancer survivors and carers; remember loved ones lost to cancer; and fight back by raising awareness and funds for the Cancer Society. Everyone is welcome at Relay For Life.

What happens at Relay For Life?

At Relay, your team will take turns carrying your baton around the track, symbolising our community's unstoppable fight against cancer. To keep the energy alive, the event will have loads of special performances, awesome activities, good music, and even better food. **The Rolleston Lions give up our time & all our proceeds we make on the day to this amazing event.**



BULLETIN MARG'S DRIBBLE

Hi Everyone

We are certainly getting the Autumn mornings and evenings and daylight saving is just around the corner. You need to turn your clocks back on Sunday 7th. You get an extra hour in bed. Looking forward to catching up with everyone on Wednesday night so see you there.

Marg 😊

DATES OF IMPORTANCE - PUT IT ON THE CALENDAR

- 01 April** - April Fools Day
- 01 April** - Easter Monday
- 03 April** - Our Tea Meeting
- 06 April** - Relay for Life Christchurch
- 07 April** - Daylight Saving Ends
- 12 April** - School Holidays Start
- 17 April** - Our Board Meeting
- 19 April** - Selwyn Ladies Desserts & Fashion Evening
- 22 April** - Earth Day
- 25 April** - Anzac Day
- 27 April** - World Induction Day
- 29 April** - School Holidays end

- 01 May** - OUR TEA MEETING
- 01 May** - May Day
- 12 May** - Mothers Day
- 15 May** - Board Meeting

- 21 June** - Changeover

March 26, 27 & 28 March 2025 - South Island Field Days