

# Selwyn LIONS CLUB



## JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2025 WHAT'S NEW PUSSY CAT

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Club President	Helen Whittington
Imm Past President	Jane Forrest
Secretary	Barbara Williams
Treasurer	Helen Allison
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Sharon Stockman
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Alison Benefield
Directors	Kathy Reid Sue Freeman
Tail Twisters	All Members
Lion Tamer	Jo Deely
LCIF	Jane Forrest
Youth Officer	Alison Benefield
Bulletin Editor	Alison Benefield

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### Selwyn Lions Club Meetings – FEBRUARY 2025

**TUESDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 at 6.30 p.m.**

**Flaming Rabbit, Lincoln**

Welcome & Invocation: Kathy Reid

Vote of Thanks: Barbara Pickering

Raffle & Tail Twisting: Beth Chesney-Bailey &

Alison Benefield

**WEDNESDAY, 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 at 7.30 pm**

**Business Mtg at Springston School Staffroom.**

Apologies to - [secretary.selwynlc@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:secretary.selwynlc@lionsclubs.org.nz)

Dinner at member's expense.

Apologies must be made to Barbara P. phone 3257957 / 0211874130 by the Sunday evening prior.

If you are unable to do your allocated duty, please organise someone else to do it for you and advise the Secretary of your replacement.

In Our Community



## President's Ponderings



It was great to catch up with most of our members at the BBQ held at Jane's home in Sunday, unfortunately the weather didn't quite come to the party. My thanks to Jane and her husband John for hosting us again, the food was delicious and the cooking skills displayed were of a high standard – thanks John, with capable help and good advice I'm sure from his helpers. On Wednesday 15 January Alison, Barbara W and I attended Camp Quality to assist with serving the breakfast, always a humbling experience but pleased our club is still able to help out with this.

Thank you to the members who answered the call for volunteers to assist at the 'Electric Avenue' concert in February, this will occur before the concert and will involve directing attendees towards entry gates and services.

Members who are attending the convention in March had a productive get together earlier this week and have decided on a costume for the Saturday night event with a theme of 'after the climb' ..... but my lips are sealed!!!!

Regards,

President Helen



## Coming Up In February / March

Monday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Cuddle Hearts at Helen Whittington's 7 pm
Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Social Meeting 6.30 pm – Quiz Night
Friday, 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Electric Avenue 1.30 – 4.30 pm
Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Business Meeting 7.30 pm
Monday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Cuddle Hearts – venue to be advised
Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Social Meeting 7.30 pm. – Speaker on Worm Farming
Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Business Meeting 7.30 pm
28 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Convention at Hamner



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

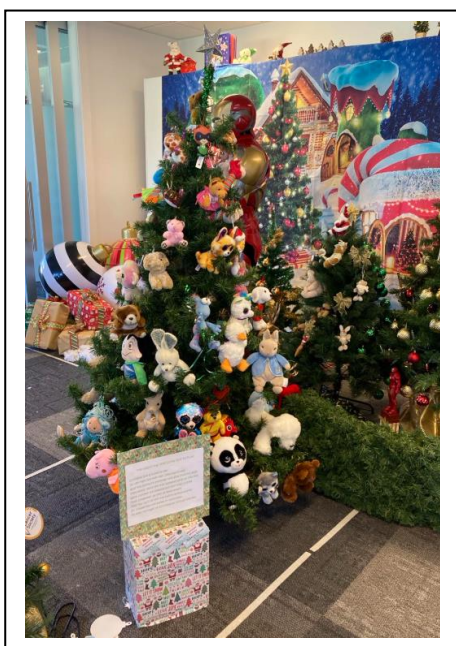
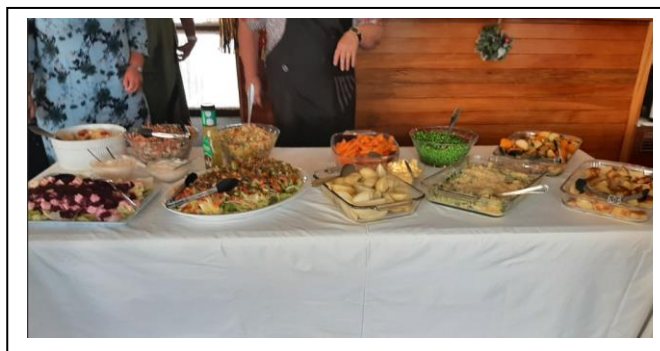
**FEBRUARY**

**8<sup>th</sup> Barbara Pickering**

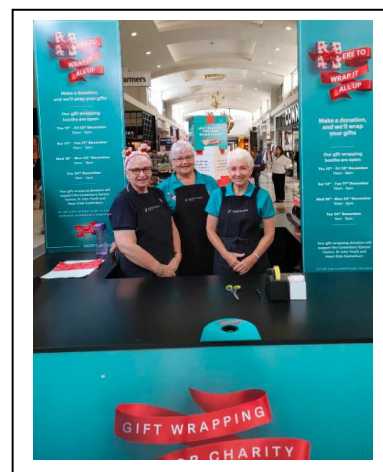
## Highlights for December / January

What a busy December we had – heaps more Christmas catering; Rolleston and Lincoln Christmas parades; wrapping Christmas parcels for Cancer; helping out at the Church of Resurrection Christmas Carols; delivering Christmas goodies to Woodcote Home and the Greenpark Foodbank; entering a Christmas Tree in the Hope Church Christmas Grotto; a visit by Donna Rollins from the Apple Valley Sunrise Lions; breakfast at Camp Quality; Club BBQ had Jane Forrest's home. WOW!! A selection of the many photos follows.

The joys of catering:



Here's the candy floss lady, Selwyn Lions President Helen W





## ELLI (Emerging Lions Leadership Institute) – 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> January

I attended the above Institute in Christchurch and had an amazing time. I have gained a mine of knowledge and made many many new friends.

The main reason I wanted to do this Institute was to better my knowledge of Lions, particularly at Club level and I learnt so much that will hopefully help me should I wish to take up a Leadership role in my club, also to help my confidence levels at meetings.

We covered 12 subjects including: Lions: past, present and future/ Change Management/Supporting Lions Teams/ LCIF topic preparation / Communication / Conducting effective meetings / Diversity / Lions Mentoring Program / Join the Mission / LCIF / Ensuring Club Success



Being quite a new Lion I must admit at times I found the content of the Institute quite daunting and a little above my head but it has helped me have an insight into how a club is run.

I strongly recommend that my fellow Lions in Selwyn Lions Club should consider attending an ELLI weekend. You won't regret it. It's not just about giving you the tools to be a good President, but will also teach you so much about how a Club can be successful in so many ways.

Thank you Selwyn Lions for giving me the opportunity to attend the Institute, I thoroughly enjoyed it.

**Avril Norris**

*Congratulations Avril on completing the ELLI Course!*

## Camp Quality

Selwyn Lions Alison Benefield, Barbara Williams & Helen Whittington attended Camp Quality on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> January to help the Ellesmere Lions with breakfast. It was lovely to meet with the campers and companions. If you haven't been fortunate enough to go out to Camp Quality, put your hand up to go next year. It is well worth going.

View from the Camp at Living Springs

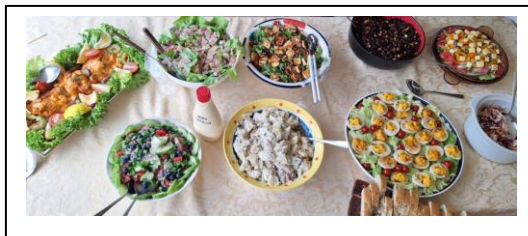


***When I was a kid, my parents would always say, "Excuse my French"  
after a swear word.  
I'll never forget my first day at school when my teacher asked if any of us  
knew any French.....***

## Selwyn Lions Summer BBQ

The annual summer club bbq was held in Jane's beautiful garden. Unfortunately the weather was not the best, but everyone still turned out and enjoyed the wonderful food and companionship.

Thanks so much to Lion Jane and her wonderful chef husband John for making us and our partners most welcome.



***Welcoming in the New Year.  
Just needed some sunshine!!***



## Our Causes



Diabetes



Environment



Child Cancer



Hunger



Vision



Humanitarian Efforts



Disaster Relief



Youth

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### Visit from Donna Rollins of the Apple Valley Sunrise Lions Club in California

This was a happy contact made when Donna Rollins was directed to contact our club for Christmas Cakes and Jane picked up her message. It was agreed we couldn't let her trip go without her meeting a group from our club. We enjoyed a fun and laughter filled shared lunch at Jane's exchanging ideas and information on Lions Clubs in NZ and America and our different projects. Our Toot for Tucker project had impressed her greatly but had also had caused some confusion/amusement as 'toot' in America has different implications (I leave it to your imagination) and we thought maybe Honk for Hunger would work better for them .

A warm welcome has been extended to any one visiting the Apple Valley region of California. Donna is just the warmest and most enthusiastic of people. She is following our FB Lions page and hopes club members will follow her club likewise.

Donna kindly gave us some lions badges and gifts but a very special gift was a large beautiful Bronze medal commemorating Helen Kellers speech 100 years ago this June to the Lions Clubs International Convention on June 30th 1925 at Cedar Point, Sandusky, Ohio. After the convention Lions decided that Lions would become Keller's Knights of the Blind. Selwyn Lions are now planning to commemorate this in some way through a project. Hopefully this will be happening with other clubs too.

What an enjoyable opportunity to make new friends and connections across the world.

Jane Forrest



As you can see, we had the most beautiful of days to welcome Donna to our club.



**FINANCE & MEMBERSHIP**

1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Sharon Stockman
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Alison Benefield
Directors	Sue Freeman Kathy Reid
Finance	Helen Allison
Membership Chairman	Jane Forrest
LCIF Co-ordinator	Jane Forrest
Apologies / Collector	Barbara Pickering
Raffle	As per duty roster

**SOCIAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Health, Welfare, Almoner	Beth Chesney-Bailey Cris McEvedy
Club Visits	Barbara Williams
Social / Guest Speakers	Val Rollinson Raeleen Ellis
Youth Committee	Alison Benefield Raeleen Ellis
Webmaster / Publicity	Kathy Reid Lois Thomas

Catering Committee	Helen Allison (Convenor) As Available
Bowls Convenor	Barbara Pickering Jo Deely
Phone Book Convenor	Alison Benefield
Diabetes	Mandy Hauwai
Child Cancer	
Environment	Jo Deely
Xmas Cakes	Val Rollinson
Funding Applications	Jo Deely
Eye Glasses, Kan Tabs & Wine Bottle Tops	Beth Chesney-Bailey

<b>District Governor</b>	<b>Pam Harvey</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor</b>	<b>Bernie Walls</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor</b>	<b>Alastair Rankin</b>
<b>Zone 8 Chairman</b>	<b>Chris Logan</b>

**MEETING DATES & DUTIES**

**JULY 09-SOC 24-BUS.**

1. V. Rollinson
2. L. Hitchins
3. H. Allison
4. J Forrest

**JAN – BBQ**

VENUE/DATE TBA

- 3
- 4.

**AUG 13-SOC 28-BUS.**

1. A. Benefield
2. C. Thomas
3. M. Roper
4. L. Thomas

**FEB 11-SOC 26-BUS**

1. K. Reid
2. B. Pickering
3. B. Chesney - Bailey
4. A. Benefield

**SEPT 10-SOC 25-BUS.**

1. J. Deely
2. S. Stockman
3. P. Thomason
4. M. Hauwai

**MAR 11-SOC 26-BUS**

1. R. Ellis
2. J. Forrest
3. A. Norris
4. J. Deely

**OCT 08-SOC 23-BUS.**

1. B. Pickering
2. A. Pearce
3. S. Freeman
4. B. Williams

**APR 08-SOC 23 BUS.**

1. M. Hooper
2. M. Hauwai
3. B. Williams
4. A. Pearce

**NOV 12-SOC 27-BUS.**

1. H. Allison
2. K. Reid
3. L. Hitchins
4. M. Hooper

**MAY 13-SOC 22 BUS.**

1. P. Thomason
2. L. Thomas
3. P. Grenside
4. K Reid

**DEC 10-SOC**

1. S. Stockman
2. P. Grenside
3. V. Rollinson
4. C. Thomas

**JUN 03-SOC 25-BUS.**

1. S. Freeman
2. M. Roper
3. R. Ellis
4. A. Norris

1. GREETER & INVOCATION,
2. VOTE OF THANKS,
- 3 & 4 RAFFLE PRIZES & TAIL TWISTERS

