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Next Tea Meeting

Thursday 17th April 2025

At: Ellesmere A & P Rooms

Meal will be served at 7.15pm

Speaker: Phillip Crossland (Ops Manager Fulton Hogan) – On his work in Antarctica.

Caterers: “Jump Jam” Southbridge School

DUTY TEAM

Venue setup: Geoff Lill and Gary Martini

Collector: G Pile Greeter: D Bell Thanks: A Hayward

APOLOGIES:

Deadline: Tuesday 15th March at 7.00pm

Ph: Ian Vessey Ph 344-0199 or 0273291865

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NEXT BOARD MEETING

Monday 5th May 2025

7.30pm at - A & P Rooms. Host: A.
Hayward



President Donald's Report

As the Lions year is starting to wind down, I feel that we have been able to tick off a few projects that have been in the pipeline and planning stages for several years. In September it was great to get the Information Wall completed and it was well received by the district. It was also pleasing to have the Harts Creek walkway upgrade commenced in January and currently open again to the public with the completion of the track surface and re-fencing planned for next Summer, it has been a major achievement and something that we as club members can be proud of.

One of the biggest success stories I feel in our club's history would have had to have been last Wednesday night when we hosted the Men's Health Night at the Ellesmere Collage Hall. Over 300 people attended from all over Canterbury to listen to a lineup of top speakers on many aspects of health. John Horwood and his committee had done an excellent job planning this evening unsure just how many people would turn up to this event. I feel that we need to bottle this one and keep it on the top shelf for future reference. To have the Lions cancer screening bus present for people to check out was a bonus, if you were

unable to make it along then you missed a very informative night!

The March tea meeting went well. Matt Keen, GM for Ngai Tahu Farming, was our guest speaker and he gave us a very interesting talk on his background and his current role with Ngai Tahu, thanks to his friends and fellow Lions Members his speech timing was pinpoint accurate. We had a good turnout of around fifty members and the meal catered for by the Leeston Pottery Club was up to their high standard.

Thanks to Nigel and Kim for catering the supper at our April board meeting.

Thanks again to the members who helped the Rolleston Lions with their food tent at the South Island field days, we had two members for each of the three days.

1st VP Geoff, 2nd VP Dennis and I along with our wives attended the District Lions Convention held at Hanmer Springs 28th-30th March, the highlight of the weekend was the official launch of the cancer screening bus on Saturday morning.

The RSA have invited us to take part and to march on ANZAC Day and to help with the setting up of the hall. Further details to follow.

Rember Friday 2nd May is our big social night with a Teppanyaki meal in the dairy farmers wool shed, (it doesn't smell of sheep) the cost is \$61 per head payable to the Lions admin account; Refreshments are BYO Please confirm numbers to Anne or myself. Look out for the notice in this bulletin.

Hope to see you at the next tea meeting on the 17th a quick turn around this time and expect the unexpected.

Donald.



1st VP Geoff Heslop

Membership: We will have prospective members at our next tea meeting. Please make yourselves known to them.

Club visitation: Five Lions attended the Rakaia Tea meeting. It was good to meet up with them, even though they are in a different

zone, it's good to maintain contact with such a close club. Thanks to Hamish Millar for organising this.

Men's health and welfare

Thanks so much to John Horwood and Tom Groundwater for all their great work in making the Men's Health Night such a success. It was wonderful to see so many people there. Well done everyone for everything from inviting speakers to setting out chairs. See Below Report on Men's Health Night.

2025-26 year organising

Please check in the green Lion's Directory to remind yourself which committees you are on. Contact the committee heads if you wish to move on or off a particular group or talk to me at the April Tea Meeting.



2nd VP Dennis Carter

Publicity and Programme

As per the structure in our directory.

Director: Alister McPherson

Social & Entertainment: Key Person A Hayward & his Sub Committee

Alex working on a movie night possible mid-winter when activities are less hectic.

Club visitation to Rakaia Lions planned for Wed 9th April Hornby later in year

Teppanyaki Meal to be held in Donalds and Anns Woolshed 2nd May details from our President.

Club Publicity: Key Person N Heslop & his Sub Committee

Men's Health Night Held on Wed 2nd April

Great Speakers and a fantastic turn out Congratulations to John H and his committee for a presentation they can be proud of.

Director: Nigel Heslop

Catering & Hospitality Key Person I Vessey: & his Sub committee

Ian has his role under control, but is looking for a person as back up in arranging speakers for our meetings

Harts Creek Track: Key people Dave Turner & Brian Symes, Neville Greenwood.

We had a great turn out for our working bee on Monday 10th March just prior to a big rain event, a picnic table was constructed at the beginning of the Boardwalk, chip was positioned and graded at the beginning and end of the track, the picnic area is at the beginning of the track was cleared and mown.

More grass seed has been spun on and the gorse and blackberry sprayed.

Chip will be spread on the balance of the track after the winter when the reformed track has settled.



3rd VP Brian Symes

PEA STRAW - Thankyou to Glenn for organizing, along with the help of fellow lions. 100 pea straw bales were used at

the Selwyn Sounds, we received a donation of \$500, well done guys. Sales for pea straw are going out each week.

FIREWOOD - Glenn is getting a unit load of logs to be dropped off at his farm, we will be organizing a working bee once the logs are delivered.

MAINTENANCE - Nothing to report.

GOLF - Bill we hope your hip surgery went well, and Beyonce is being a good nurse.



Upcoming Activities for Women:

Anne will be sending an email to all regarding any future activities.

Teppanyaki Evening (2 Course meal)

When: 6pm - Friday 2 May 2025

Where: Glenmore Woolshed
143 Beltons Road, Brookside.

Bring: BYO drinks

Dress code: Casual but warm

The meal is served at 6.45pm

Cost: \$61.00 per person

(\$1.00 per person is to cover travel)

Entertainment will be provided so remember to bring cash for fines (No eftpos!)

Please confirm your attendance to:

Anne 021 172 7796 or Donald 027 221 8024

by Sunday 27 April 2025

Payment to be made to the Lions account
administration account

Thanks to those who have replied already.

Lions' Health Night a Roaring Success

Ellesmere Lions hosted a Men's Health Night on 2 April at Ellesmere College, Leeston.

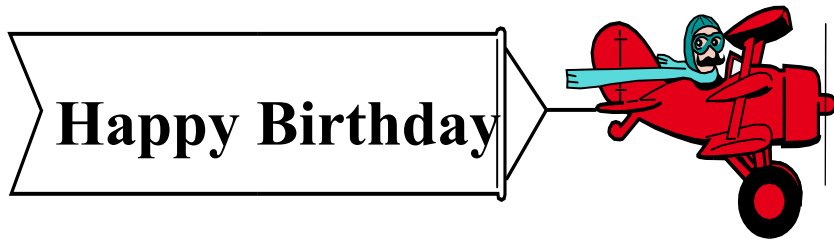
The event attracted an audience of close to 300, with attendees travelling from as far away as Methven and Rangiora. Attendees were treated to a diverse range of presentations spanning prostate health, cardiovascular disease, symptoms and treatment for bowel cancer, sleep and sleep apnoea, skin cancers and getting the most out of your GP. Speakers were delighted with the level of community engagement.

Memorable moments from the evening included a real time video demonstration of a heart valve replacement by Dr James Blake; upfront advice from Prof Frank Frizelle regarding symptoms of bowel cancer – “Check your shit!” (for blood and consistency); and advice from Dr Sue Fowlie on how NOT to treat skin lesions (with an angle grinder). Ellesmere Lion, Geoff McClennan, provided an entertaining cameo with his real-life story of “How attending a Men's Health Night saved my life”. Many attendees took the opportunity to try out the automated blood pressure monitor brought along by Dr Andrew Rawstron from the Leeston Medical Centre; and to explore the Lions skin cancer screening bus which was on display at the start of the evening. Key take home messages repeated through the evening included: Don't ignore/dismiss symptoms when they appear; Early recognition and treatment of disease has a much better outcome; A good relationship with your GP is the best first line of defence.

Lions would like to thank the Friends of Ellesmere Hospital for catering, Ellesmere College for use of their facilities, and Year 12 student Daniel Stewart for technological support.

Event sponsored by: FMG Insurance, Southlea Olives, Leeston Hammer Hardware, Leeston Medical Centre, Suzy McPherson (Bayley's Real Estate) and Glenmore/Brookton Farming.





We wish you a Very Happy Birthday for the Months of:

April

Wayne Boon/Don Hayes/John Horwood
Brian Symes/Gwynn Thomson

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Upcoming Events.

EVENTS & PROJECT MONTHS

Pea straw: Ongoing deliveries, please contact Alex Hayward if you can help with deliveries?

Still over 500 small bales at Lakeside to be used first.

March Tea Meeting 17th April 2025.

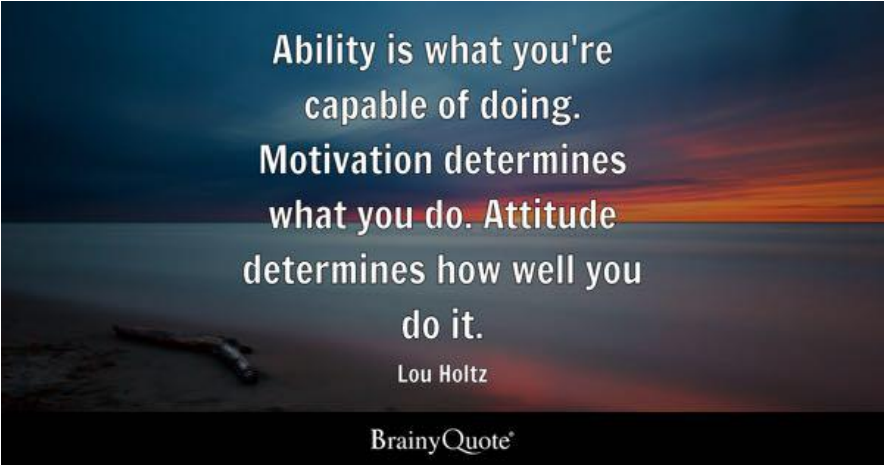
Next Board Meeting 5th May 2025.

Teppanyaki Meal Friday the 2nd May 2025 at Woolshed

Cost \$61 per person, payable to Admin Account

Confirm numbers by 27th April 2025.

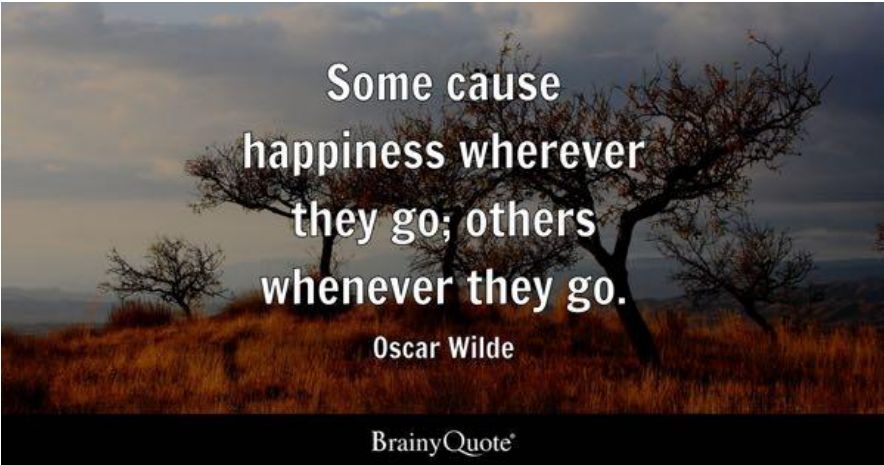
Thoughts of the day:



Ability is what you're
capable of doing.
Motivation determines
what you do. Attitude
determines how well you
do it.

Lou Holtz

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Some cause
happiness wherever
they go; others
whenever they go.

Oscar Wilde

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A couple of websites to visit to find more information and resources for all members of Lions International.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Lions International website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Lions International logo on the left and links for "LION AI", "LCIF", "LION PORTAL", "SHOP", "CONVENTION", and "FIND A CLUB EN" on the right. Below the navigation bar, there are two buttons: "Join" and "Donate", and a search icon. The main content area features four columns: "Our Organization" (with links to About Lions International, Our History, and Our Leaders), "Our Membership" (with links to Member Benefits and Membership and Club Types), "Our Foundation" (with links to About Our Foundation, Responsibility & Privacy, Foundation Annual Report, Ways to Give, and Foundation Leaders), and "News & Media" (with links to Press Center and Social Media). A large banner image at the bottom shows people in yellow and red shirts, with the text "One act of kindness at a time." overlaid.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center>

The screenshot shows the Member Resource Center website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Lions International logo on the left and links for "LION AI", "LCIF", "LION PORTAL", "SHOP", "CONVENTION", "RESOURCE LIBRARY", and "LIONSCLUBS.ORG EN" on the right. Below the navigation bar, there are two buttons: "Donate" and a search icon. The main content area features a large heading "Resource Library" and a sub-heading "Welcome to your destination for member resources—forms, guides, presentations, videos, logos and so much more. Use the search bar to find familiar resources, or use the category filters on the left to discover new tools." Below this, there is a search bar with the text "Keyword Search" and a "Search" button. Underneath the search bar, there is a "FILTER BY" section with several filters: "Category +", "Type +", "Audience +", "Cause +", and "Language +". At the bottom, there is a "Featured Resources" section with four resource cards. The first two cards are labeled "REFERENCE" and the last two are labeled "SERVICE PROJECT PLANNER". Each card shows a thumbnail image of the resource.

Also visit our Lions Clubs New Zealand website.

Follow below link for our District 202E.

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