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DG Bernie Walls

It was great to travel to the United States, firstly to have a long-awaited holiday while catching up with my sister in Washington, D.C.

Julie and I had some amazing experiences with a “driverless uber”, day trip to Alcatraz, tour of the Aircraft and Space Section at the Smithsonian Institute, and a day pass to the Epcot Disney Park.

The temperatures were at over 85F... a little warm!

But what an inspirational occasion that captivated the incoming District Governors at Orlando for the 107th International Convention. Not only the District Governors, but the whole contingent of New Zealanders that made the journey to Orlando, were left in awe.

As a collective group, we came away ready for the task that lies ahead. Mission 1.5 is the blueprint for the future. It is the operating system of our association, and all resources need to be focused to achieve its goals to increase our service. It is also about making every club strong, every club vibrant, and every act of service even more meaningful.

The new International President, A.P. Singh, made a great comment; “Becoming a Lion helped me become a better human being”.

This is why we all joined Lions. Being a Lion is no different in New Zealand to anywhere else in the world. We just need to believe that we can make a difference to help our communities in need. We do this TOGETHER!

Have a great month, Bernie



Halswell & District Lions welcomed Christine into their pride - here with VDG Alastair.



Woodend Pegasus Lions celebrated three new members - Sue and Alan Sue McCorkindale from Papakura Lions Club and Richard Thomson from Ferrymead Lions Club.

Seddon Lions Club

Based in the Awatere valley near the town of Seddon.
Our members come from Ward, Seddon and Blenheim



“Seddon Lions Club

Helping Our Community”



Firewood delivered to 27 pensioners.



E-bike to the Light.



“We Volunteer, We Serve, We make a Difference in our Communities.....TOGETHER”



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I was at the Lions Club of Golden Bay Change-over function the night of the first weather bomb and got stranded there.

The devastation from that flood was pretty bad but nothing compared to this last disaster. It is so heartening to see the Lions Clubs in the Nelson/Tasman area pulling together to try to bring some hope to some of those affected.

Where there's a need there's a Lion – well done everyone.



The visits programmes are posted in this bulletin and it's quite a heavy load for DG Bernie who gets "the Lions share" so to speak. My programme is quite varied and far ranging. Fortunately a couple of my club members are happy to accompany me on some of my visits to outlying clubs so I'm happy with my lot and can't wait to get going. It will be good for them to see other clubs' meetings procedures and plagiarise [steal] ideas where appropriate, and it will be good for me to have a sounding board along for the ride. That's enough from me. I hope to see you out there soon.

Ka kite anō au i a koe
Alastair

Tēnā koutou, tis the season for clubs' Change of Officers ceremonies. I've done a couple and thoroughly enjoyed myself. A little bit of tradition can be a good thing and can make the incumbents feel very special. It's also a great time to reflect on the past year and give yourselves a well-deserved pat on the back. As they say in the Airforce "What ho - beer and medals all round eh".



Christchurch South Ferrymead - Ivan Lawson and Barry Scott with VDG Alastair and their Chevron Awards for 55 and 50 years of service respectively. below Bernie Kenny and VDG Alastair with Vickie Lamb and the Andrew Hunter Cup for contribution to Lions and community.



District Leo Coordinator

Tini Lawry

I haven't changed, just my role has changed. Still the same old Tini, keen to be of assistance, ready to take your Leo club stories to cabinet and pass on anything cabinet likes to ask you.

The Leo advisors in our district (together with some Leos) have had for many years the privilege to be directly involved with MD Leo Chair's monthly zoom meetings.

This has given us a much broader perspective of Leos across MD202.

Giving and receiving of ideas, tips and information. For instance: District L has 9 Leo Clubs and a total of 257 Leos!

We have Canterbury Omega 18 members, Marlborough Boys 33, Marlborough Girls 23, Rai Valley Leos 10 and Rangiora High 28. A total of 112 Leos.

The most exciting thing is that I've noticed a change in our young people. This was also noticed by the other advisors. Last year, I saw parents getting involved with the activities of the Leos. This year I see in the Leos an eagerness not only to see a change in their community and/or their environment, realising they must take action to make it a better place to live in. So, they join the Leo clubs, as together they can do clean-ups, plantings, fundraising for groups in their area with similar goals, and have lots of fun and comradery.

Introducing myself to you, as this year's Leo Chair for 202E: Tini Lawry (in official Lions' circles known as Jentina), a member of the Rangiora Lions Club and Leo Advisor to the Rangiora High School Leos Club.

Lions, just wait for it. This trend is coming your way.

Speaking of fun: the four Leo clubs are planning a get-together in Kaikoura in the weekend of 29 – 31 August. They're looking forward to fun times but also doing something for the Kaikoura community while there.

Dear Lion, if you think there is room for a Leo club in your area, either a community club or a high- or area school club, send me an email and we'll get you on your way.

Hear from you soon, Tini L,
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A Night of Celebration, Reflection, and Inspiring Club Projects

Malvern Lions Changeover Evening:

A heartfelt event that celebrated the achievements of the past year, welcomed new leadership, and spotlighted a number of impressive community projects. It was a night filled with gratitude, inspiration, and a renewed sense of purpose, offering valuable ideas and initiatives that other clubs may wish to explore and adopt.

..... The year's highlights were numerous: a significant grant to Harper Cromie for her kidney condition, support for Year 7–8 students at the Koru Games, and substantial contributions to three primary schools. The Recreational Scholarship, relocated to Whenua I ti near Nelson, was a resounding success, with students' joy evident in their March presentation.

The club's catering efforts, led by Convenor Neale and Jennifer, included high - profile events like the Ellesmere rugby finals and the South Island Field Days. The pea straw project, under Convenor Anthony Dalzell, delivered 6,000 bales, thanks to the generosity of farmers and contractors like Ashley Seaton, Warwick Seaton, and James Scolly. The Annual Golf Tournament and Coast to Coast parking were also standout successes, with significant donations to the Darfield Playcentre and the Kirwee war memorial. The club's generosity totalled \$95,847 in donations to local and international causes, a testament to their commitment to service. The evening also celebrated milestones, including International Life Memberships for Lions Fred Bull and Ron Glassey, and a Lloyd Morgan Life Membership for Graeme Roberts.



In his President's Report, Daryl reflected on a year filled with challenges and triumphs. He spoke candidly about his initial trepidation, which gave way to immense satisfaction thanks to the unwavering support of club members. He extended special thanks to Secretary Rob Potts, Treasurer John Patterson, Incoming President Andrew Brooker, Bulletin Editor Rob McGregor, and Tail Twister Warrick James, whose storytelling and fundraising antics left pockets lighter and spirits higher. Daryl also acknowledged the vital role of the Lions' partners, particularly his wife, for their steadfast support.

The Ramsay Gibson Award, recognizing outstanding contributions, was presented to Lion Andrew Brooker for his dedication to the pea straw project and broader club activities. His leadership and generosity were lauded as he accepted the award, a fitting prelude to his induction as the 2025/26 President.



**Melvin Jones Fellowships to President Paul and PDG John.
A great honour for both of them.**

Our Lions Calendar



Lions Christchurch Schools Music Festival

November 4th - 7th 2025
2025 Theme -
Whanau - Friends & Family.

August



- 2 MD Young Speechmaker final
- 12 LCI World International Youth Day
- 30 NZ Cancer Daffodil Day

September



- Month NZ Childhood Cancer Awareness
- 5-7 ANZI Pacific Forum - Gold Coast
- 19-25 Keep NZ Beautiful - Clean Up Week
- 21-27 National Youth Camp

October



4-12 Mental Health & Well-being

- 9 LCI World Sight Day
- Month LCI Vision Awareness Month
- Month LCI Membership Growth
- Month Breast Cancer Pink Ribbon

November



- Month Child Mobility Walktober
- Month Diabetes Awareness Month
- Month Lap the Map Walk

December



- 14 World Diabetes Day
- 5 International Leos Day
- 5 World Volunteer Day
- 25 Christmas Family Day

January '26



3-11 Hunger (Service focus)

- 4 World Braille day
- 31 District Bulletin Due Out

April '26



18-26 Environment (Service focus)

A big THANK YOU to the Clubs that have donated to our District Music Festival fund - District Treasurer Ian Lennie has the invoice for \$10,000 to pay so any amount from Clubs will be appreciated.

We have received an invitation from the Festival Executive to attend the opening night of the Festival at the Christchurch Town Hall, and then join them for a special "thank you" supper for sponsors, to be held in the Kilmore Bar. If your Club is attending on that night, we are sure you would be made welcome at this function.

Have you checked with your local school to see what night they are taking part in the massed choir and if you can assist them in any way?

Music Festival Liaison team - Marion McWha, Pam Harvey, Jane Forrest

Let's Celebrate Your Clubs History!

We'd love to see and share your New Member photos - they're an important part of your club's story. Please post them on Facebook or feel free to email them to me directly. Let's preserve and honour the memories that make our clubs special! l.k592@xtra.co.nz

**Halswell District Lions Club -
change of Secretary - Tony Gibling -
halswell.lions@hotmail.co.nz.**



This Month we Honour our Lions Clubs Charters

Golden Bay	August 1964	61 years Service
Kaikoura	August 1964	61 years Service
Glenmark	August 1981	44 years Service

New Members

Christchurch Chinese Lions Club Sponsor

Julie Shou-Li Wang Ing Ma

Ellesmere Lions Club

Sinclair Hughes Neville Greenwood

Oxford & District Lions Club

Lisa-Marie Bushrod Kylie Bay

Richmond Lions Club

Sophie Haley Glenda Buschl

Rolleston & District Lions Club

Natalie Munro Stuart Monro

Seddon Lions Club

Robert Cameron David Turnbull
Pete GreenHalgh Weston Howell

Selwyn Lions Club

Sheryl Warrington Lynne Hitchins

Wigram Lions Club

Stephen Curry Tracey Bunnk
Juliet Wardell Toni Thompson

CLUB VISITS

District Governors and their representatives, visit clubs to promote the International President's theme, their own theme and the projects of Lions Clubs International, the Multiple District and District 202E.

All clubs will be visited by either DG Bernie, VDG Alastair or representative and their partner or driver. Preferably, they are our guest speakers, our guests and we pay for their meal.

DG Bernie Walls

August

4th Amberley
6th Rolleston
19th Akaroa
21st Ellesmere
27th Malvern
28th Oxford

September

2nd Wigram
3rd Chch. Pegasus
10th Hokitika
11th Greymouth
25th Golden Bay

October

1st Picton
2nd Ahaura Grey Valley
8th Renwick



October contin.

9th Kaikoura Seaward
21st Havelock
22nd Amuri

November

5th Blenheim
13th Chch South
18th Kaikoura

December

3rd Halswell
9th Hanmer Springs

VDG Alastair Rankin

August

6th New Brighton
12th Selwyn
19th Hawarden Waikari
28th Seddon

September

1st Beavertown
9th Christchurch Host
10th Cheviot
16th Richmond
18th Woodend Pegasus

October

14th Motueka
21st Glenmark
22nd Christchurch Chinese

November

6th Rangiora
18th Nelson Host



Lions Club International President A.P. Singh 2025-2026

Who is A.P. Singh?

International President Singh is a practicing chartered accountant and has family business interests in automobile dealerships.



A Lion since 1984 and a member of the Calcutta Vikas Lions Club, Vice President Singh has held many positions within the association, including district governor and council chairperson. He has served as GMT international coordinator for four years and as a member on a number of ad hoc board committees. He was chairperson for the 2017 DGE seminar in Chicago, USA, and has served as faculty at more than 50 ALLIs/RLLIs, RLLIs, FDIs and LCIP certification programs. He has also served as multi-national coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II, CA leader for Campaign 100, member of the LCIF Steering Committee and as chairperson of the National SightFirst Committee of India. President Singh has participated in and presented seminars at Area Forums in all constitutional areas. He was the co-chairperson of the Organizing Committee for the ISAAME Forum in Kolkata, India.

In recognition of his service to the association, Vice President Singh has received numerous awards, including multiple International President's Awards, as well as the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association grants its members. He is a major gift donor for Campaign SightFirst II and Campaign 100, and a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Singh is accredited with the initiation of various service programs in collaboration with other trusts, foundations and corporate houses. He has worked on establishing a web-based Lions leadership development platform, a micro-finance program, and has organized multiple large-scale online events to keep Lions engaged. President Singh has three children.

"Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead"



A. P. Singh
India
International President



Mark Lyon
U.S.A.
1st Vice President



Dr. Manoj Shah
Kenya
2nd Vice President



Tony Benbow
Australia
3rd Vice President

"Fun, Fellowship & Service: The Power of Great Lions Club Leadership"

These few words perfectly sum up the spirit of the Havelock Lions Club. Under the guidance of a strong, caring, and encouraging President and her dedicated team, the Club has enjoyed an incredible year - one marked by numerous successful projects and meaningful community impact. The Havelock community is truly privileged to have such a committed Lions Club, and in turn, the Club is equally fortunate to serve such a supportive and vibrant community and beyond.



Debbie Healy (Left) received the Readers Shield - the President's - (Siobhan Skinner) award for Lion of the year.
middle - Ready for fun L to R. VP Katie Roeske, PCC Helen Williams, DG Pam Harvey and returning Lion Sharon Blount.
right - dinner time - L to R: James Kay (Renwick), Kay and Phil Thomas (Havelock), DG Pam Harvey, Ian and Brian Cameron (Havelock)
The table mats made especially for the occasion by Debbie Healy. Each mat featured a different photo of Lions activities from the year.

New Zealand Lions International Youth Camp

27th December 2025 - 5th January 2026
Hosted by Lions District 202L

Ngamuwahine Outdoor Education Lodge Tauranga - NZ

Camp Purpose
To further the first object of Lionism
"To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world"

Applications open - 1st July

Camp Director: Tina Hille-Taylor
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Applications for the District 202L International Youth Camp are **NOW OPEN!** Does your Lions Club connect with youth aged between 17- 21 years? Have you spotted any youth or Leos who would benefit from this Cultural and Leadership experience? If so, contact our amazing Camp Director Tina Hille-Taylor for more information!

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Weeks of Service 2025 - 2026

There will be specific Weeks of Service focused on
Mental Health and Well-being
(Oct 4-12, 2025),
Hunger (Jan 3-11, 2026),
Environment (April 18-26, 2026).



GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM

Neil Johnston

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The Special Olympics Lions Club International Opening Eyes program (SOLCIOE) is designed to provide quality eye care for people with intellectual disabilities. The program was originally founded through partnership between Special Olympics International and Lions Club International to have a global impact on improving eyecare access for people with intellectual disability. At the last 3 New Zealand Special Olympics an average of 900 athletes were screened resulting in 354 prescription glasses dispensed and 66 people referred for pathology/investigation. The Special Olympics National Summer Games will be held in Christchurch during 10 – 14 December 2025. Please support this event by volunteering to assist at the Opening Eyes program. The organisers have requested the names of volunteers by the end of August. There will be 8 shifts as follows:

Wednesday	10 December	12pm - 5pm
Thursday	11 December	9am - 1pm
Thursday	11 December	1 - 5pm
Friday	12 December	9am - 1pm
Friday	12 December	1 - 5pm
Saturday	13 December	9am - 1pm
Saturday	13 December	1 - 5pm
Sunday	14 December	9am - 1pm

They need 10 people per shift to assist the clinicians. Duties include greeting athletes, finding the athletes pre-populated form, taking a brief visual history, seating them if there is not instant access to the screening, supporting athletes in the visual acuity bays by pointing to symbols to help with attention and viewing, assisting with frame selection.

Please invite family members and friends to help with this project. A spreadsheet was emailed to all clubs on 8 July to record names and shifts. Please email the completed spreadsheet to 202e.gst@lionsclubs.org.nz by 20 August.

If we fill the entire roster for Opening Eyes there are many other opportunities to volunteer at the Special Olympics. They need 650 volunteers per day to run this event.

Have a great month, Neil



Havelock Lions - Our Change Over meeting saw two ex- Lions return to the pride. Sharon Blount, who recently shifted to Havelock, decided to join our Club. She has, in the short time she has been here, joined in every activity that has been on offer - the book fair, sausage sizzles, Anzac Day morning tea, to name a few. She is currently organising our Potluck Dinner on 26th July.

David Farrant, is known as the Father of the Club as he, almost single handedly, rescued it from handing back the Charter. He had taken a short break from Lions but even after his resignation he continued to join in projects and our social events. DG Pam inducted them saying that they would again be a great asset to Lions and our Club.



New member for Selwyn Lions Club - Sponsor Lynne (left) new member Sheryl (centre) and President Sharon (right). Well done Havelock and Selwyn Lions for growing your clubs.

**ASK 1, 2, 4, or 10
KEEP 100%**

Firewood Working Bee – Community Spirit in Action!

This weekend, around 12 dedicated members of the Rolleston & Districts Lions Club rolled up their sleeves for a firewood working bee! Together, we cut, split, and stacked firewood - not just to keep families warm this winter, but to fuel hope in our community. Some of this wood goes directly to those in need, while the rest is sold under the Rolleston & Districts Lions name to support even more local projects.

A massive thank you to everyone who pitched in - your hard work makes a real difference. That's what being a Lion is all about. [#WeServe](#) [#LionsClub](#) [#CommunityFirst](#) [#RollestonLions](#) (see Facebook)



Trail Ride Draws Over 400 Riders in Annual Adventure Event



Hawarden Waikari Lions - Set to become an annual event, our trail ride was held in conjunction with Adventure Trailrides Events. The trails through the forest and farmland were in winter conditions which made for some great riding. Over 400 riders took part on a 43km course that was run in reverse to last year to preserve the state of the tracks through the forest which were ideal, with a range of trails (plus enduro and kids) to suit the range of abilities of the riders.

Once again, our club greatly appreciates the generosity of NZ Carbon Farming for the privilege of being able to run the trail ride through their forest which provides us with the revenue to contribute back to our community. See more images of the event at

<https://hawarden-waikari-lions.org.nz/hunua-trail-ride-25/>



Kindling Kings - Richmond Lions turning 'Rubbish' into Gold. John Harwood - A Lion with a Heart for Kindling!

Twenty years ago, John Harwood - a dedicated Lion for over 52 years - had a simple but impactful idea: re-purpose the wood chips from the annual A&P Show wood chopping competition into kindling. At the time, John was 70 years old and already 32 years into his service with the Lions Club. His idea grew into a cherished community project.

Now nearly 90, John can still be found at the showgrounds one morning a week, accompanied by a small group of fellow Lions. For several months each year, they chop, dry, and bag kindling—selling it or donating it to families in need of warmth during the colder months.

John's selfless service hasn't gone unnoticed. A recipient of the Queen's Service Medal (QSM), he has juggled volunteering roles across five different organisations at once. Fellow volunteer Eric Whyte puts it plainly: "New Zealand relies on volunteers—without them, our Government would have to take up the tab."

Thanks to people like John, the true spirit of community continues to thrive. (edited from an article - Waimea Weekly.)



left John Harwood, President Eric Whyte, Laurie Davidson, Ross Norgate and rear Brian Holdaway and Neil Monk.



Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in New Zealand with around 4,000 diagnosed every year (exceeding breast cancer levels), that's an average of 10 every day.

Prostate cancer is the most common cancer among New Zealand men, and early detection significantly improves survival rates.

It's time to Do Something Blue or Say Something Blue to help a mate through!

THE BLUE SWEAR JAR
SAY SOMETHING BLUE
TO HELP A MATE THROUGH



REGISTER FOR YOUR SWEAR JAR
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Prostate Cancer Foundation NZ
Prostate Cancer Foundation New Zealand

We Celebrate our 2025 - 2026 Changeover of Club Officers



**Seddon Lions Change Over Dinner 2025, a well attended gathering.
Thank you to outgoing President Stuart Oulton and welcome incoming President Marty Westenra.**



Kaikoura Seaward Lions Board 2025 - 2026 with President Irene Anderson right.



**Malvern Lions - above - President Daryl Collier presents their Charter to Incoming President Andrew Brooker.
right - Outgoing President Daryl Collier presenting John Redfern with 50 year Service chevron.**



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PDG Malcolm Williams



LCIF

Lions Clubs International Foundation

Historic flooding devastates Central Texas.

LCIF grant funding will enable Lions to help victims recover and rebuild.

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate?utm_source=Eloqua&utm_campaign=LCF_EN_TexasFloodingDisasterAp

Heavy rainfall and catastrophic flash flooding devastated areas of Texas in the United States. More than 100 people were killed or remain missing, including dozens of children. The flooding displaced many people, destroying homes and severely damaging critical infrastructure, including roads and river crossings.

When a humanitarian crisis of this magnitude strikes, we, as Lions, are ready to help. Right beside us is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), our global foundation. LCIF is mobilizing funds, including Emergency Grants and a US\$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant, to empower Lions in the impacted areas to help their communities recover.

Your donation can make a difference.

Your generous donation to LCIF's Disaster Relief Fund, specifically reserved for all disaster relief, helps Lions continue to serve!

To learn more about LCIF Disaster Relief grants, visit lionsclubs.org/disastergrants or email LCIFGlobalGrants@lionsclubs.org.

100% of donations benefit grants and programs and qualify for Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) or Progressive MJF credit.

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“ Following a new processing system for granting of MJF's, the procedure now is that all requests are to be channelled through the District LCIF Co-ordinator, (myself), who will check for the correctness including availability of that Club's credits, before processing further through to the MD co-ordinator PDG Simon Williams (no relative). Cabinet Secretary Ian, will send out to all clubs, the full memo. A big thank you to all the Clubs whose donations during June enabled our District to reach USD 55% of our goal of USD30400. Whilst total clubs contributing moved from 19 in May to 27 by year end 30 June. Another great effort. Thank you.

Malcolm



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District Facebook - Sarah Flint has had to step down and Lou Smith has taken over the role of District Facebook administrator. Lou needs members/ clubs to post on Facebook - she trawls daily but can only share what is submitted.

Contact Lou on her District Editor's email - 202e.editor@lionsclubs.org.nz
She has shared many posts from Nelson Tasman floods - have you read these?

Helen

Selwyn Lions - Doing their Bit For The Environment.



Our awesome members rolled up their sleeves today in a community clean-up around the streets and Liffey stream in Lincoln.

Among the usual bits of rubbish, we came across some interesting (and slightly odd!) finds - including a pair of men's shorts, a single shoe, a baby's dummy, half a smashed pumpkin, and a long-sleeved top. The Liffey stream revealed the biggest surprises: a boogie board (wrist strap still attached!) and even a road sign! A shout-out to the extended family - children and grandchildren included - who pitched in too. Teamwork makes a difference!





Christchurch Host Lions - above - doing what they do best - putting the Fun in Fellowship with a coffee catchup.
right - Lions Miles (left) and Bruce outandabout doing Service for their community.



Nelson Host Lions Club - President Paul Milne presented Sheila Pollitt with a Certificate of Appreciation.



Another load of firewood delivered where needed
- Blenheim Lions Club



Rangiora High School Leos - Helped at the Christchurch Brick Show - Sophie, Coni, Tini and Aurelia on the Saturday with another 3 Leos on the Sunday. (also on Facebook)



Rangiora Lions John Whyte and Aaron Clark greet all contributors with smiling faces at Saturday's Cash for Cans.- very popular with the Rangiora community.



Annual returns/Ngā hokinga ā-tau

The Charities Act 2005 requires all charities registered with Charities Services to file an annual return within 6 months of their balance date (financial year end).

This involves three steps:

- Preparing a performance report (Tiers 3 and 4) or financial statements (Tiers 1 and 2) that are in line with the reporting standards
- Completing an annual return form (it's easier and cheaper to do this online, by logging into your charity's online account)
- Submitting the performance report/financial statements AND annual return form to us, and paying the annual return fee (if your charity's gross income is \$10,000 or more)
- If you have any concerns or questions please contact us.
- Email: info@charities.govt.nz Freephone: (NZ) 0508 242 748

[Filing your annual return](#)

Lions in Action – Flood Relief for Tasman Area - Where there's a need, there's a Lion.



We've all seen that the Tasman region has been hit hard by severe flooding, leaving many families isolated and in need. Roads are damaged, access is limited, and while works are in progress, more help is urgently needed.

Motueka Lions are in the thick of it all, trying to connect with the locals who are in need of help, reaching out to local schools. Brooklyn School & Ngatimoti teachers have joined in to pick up firewood donated by Lions and helped deliver to families.

Richmond Lions are helping with donations and delivery of food parcels and there have already been several amazing Clubs from all over NZ who have donated funds to help out our fellow kiwis.

As there is still so much to be done, we'd like to ask for our New Zealand Team of Lions to help.

If your Club is in a position to donate, please consider contributing to:

Lions Clubs International District 202E

03-0703-0036114-00

Particulars: Tasman Floods

Reference: Club Name

Every dollar will go directly towards supporting those impacted.

"Mā tō rourou, nā taku rourou ka ora ai te iwi."

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.

#WeServe #FloodRelief #TasmanSupport #District202E



ANZI PACIFIC FORUM
GOLD COAST
AUSTRALIA
5-7 SEPTEMBER 2025

Waves for Change



HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

Register Online



Blenheim Lions - A soggy finish to our Wood Dispenser project as the last fill is carried out. Demand exceeding our supply.



Ellesmere Lions - 'Tree Planting with Southbridge Primary School pupils at Rakaia Island. Lion Dave Turner gave a talk on planting procedure and said "It is always great to see how enthusiastic and well behaved the children are. We planted 800 trees by lunch time .With 70 school pupils, 15 parents and helpers, plus 12 Lions.'



Havelock Lions - Siobhan had the Lions and guests on their feet performing an action song. L to R Norman Gamble (Picton Club,) Sharn Davies (guest background), Ruth Bray (guest), Darrell Thrupp (Havelock - Background), Debby Upsall (Havelock), Cooper Knight (President Rai Valley Leos), Nicola Farrant (Havelock - background), Jamie Knight (guest), Colin Arlidge Havelock - background). President Siobhan Skinner (foreground) conducts.



Talking Membership Again with Lion Digby Prosser

This article has been given permission for use by Lion Digby Prosser – Christchurch Host (DG Bernie has asked that this also be included in our Newsletter.)

Membership again

“My observation is that 202E needs to develop its own plan for growth. E plan for E growth. In fact, even that may not be the best way, because club growth is a club responsibility. Success is not measured by District growth, it is measured by club growth, and the club’s visibility in the community which it serves.

Laying on a model is useful for discussion. But let’s put it this way!

- AS a member of this club do you want us to be active in 2027 or 2030?
- AS a member of this club who are you going to invite to a club meeting in the next six months?
- AS a member of this club are you prepared to attend a project a month as a participant?
- AS a member of this club are you prepared to be visible as a Lion?
- AS a member of this club what suggestion do you have to grow our membership?

How do you feel you answer these questions?

In short, revival and growth may be a District priority but it is a club responsibility! It is simpler than that – it is my responsibility and your responsibility – it matters less about a district plan, but it matters about serving others. If we are worth it, then others may see the example and will want to join us in service too. And that is a club responsibility”.



Does Your Lions Club have a Facebook Page?

When Was the Last Time you Posted? Maybe 2018, 2021, Yesterday ... or?

Why Facebook is a Great Tool for Our Clubs!

(And why it's worth giving it a try – even if we have to ask the grandkids for help!)

Facebook is a very useful tool for Lions Clubs – especially when we want more people to know what we're doing, get involved, or even join.

Here's what it can do for us, in simple terms:

1. It Helps You Reach More People - Near and Far - Facebook has billions of users - young and old - all over the world or just your neighbour - your choice.
2. Local Focus: You can share messages that show up just for people in your own town or neighbourhood. Great for local events or finding new members nearby - or let the world know - your choice.
3. Free Posts: Just posting updates, photos, or club news doesn't cost a thing - and people can still see and share them and know why being part of the club matters.
4. It Lets People See What We Do. (and find New Members and local volunteers.) Facebook can help you find people who already care about helping others – the kind of people we want in our clubs. Also can give useful feedback.
5. Showcase Our Work: Post pictures and stories from service projects or events so folks can see the good we're doing.
6. Post the Lions Name: Using our logo and mission regularly reminds people who we are and what we stand for.
7. It Makes Talking to People Easy. Real-Time Chat - You can message people, answer questions, or chat right in the comments.
8. See What Works: Facebook gives you numbers – how many people saw your post, liked it, shared it, etc. That way, you know what's getting attention and what's not.
9. It Brings Members & Friends together - A Place to Gather - Your club's page can be a central spot where members and friends can stay up to date, share memories, and celebrate together. Keeps Members Engaged - Regular updates make people feel part of something special, which helps keep members around.
10. Bottom line: Even if technology isn't your thing, this is a powerful way to show off the amazing things your club is doing.

Don't be afraid to ask a young'un for help – they'll be glad to show you how proud they are of what you're doing too!

I know you will have more points to ponder - the above are just a few incentives to help you want to Post with pride. Show the world what Lions do. If You Post I Will RePost ... to the World.

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