

DISTRICT 202E BULLETIN

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DG Alastair Rankin

The appeal for funding to Sponsor a Room at the Canterbury Cancer Centre has run its course and although we didn't get enough for a three year sponsorship we did reach $10,000 for a one year sponsorship with help from District 202J. In all 16 clubs contributed and the Cancer Centre are very thrilled and thankful to you all, as am I and DG Paul Black from 202J.

I am really enjoying my visits program, it's so encouraging to meet with you all and see the variety of projects and activities you come up with. I am also impressed that our numbers of new members are still highter than the other Districts and showing no sign of slowing down. I have ordered more new member kits in anticipation of a bumper finish to the year. ***Go you good things!!***

Vice District Governor Lou has had a hip operation and is rec overing well so her visitation program will start soon, and Second Vice District Governor Nigel is working his way through his program although you may not get your visit until the new year. We are still looking at our future succession planning and we do really needc a Second Vice District Governor for next year and into the future. It's a great job and the benefits are outstanding - travel, dinners, meetings in various wonderous places both nationally andf internationally, and getting to meet all the people.

This could be you - why not, what's the worst that could happen?

Planning for the District Convention in April next year is well under way and I can promise you a brilliant weekend the like of which you will never have seen before and one not to be missed. We will be trailing the new format so let's get behind it - even if it's only out of curiosity. *(see note below re accommodation).*

Bear in mind that our District is to host the Multiple District convention in April 2029. I'm still looking for a Club or Zone to take the lead on that. Consider this an opportunity to set the pace for the future with the new Convention Formatr being fully worked out over the next 12 months.

I'll see you out there

Ka kite ano au i a koe

Alastair

World President Mark Lyons



Each moment of service strengthens the foundation of our clubs and communities. Here's how we can grow and thrive together.

Get back to our roots.

Our commitment to service makes us who we are. When we focus on acts of service, both big and small, we strengthen our communities, our clubs and the bonds we share. Embrace the joy of service and the purpose it brings.

Plant the seed.

Every Lion holds the power to grow their club. With each new member, our service, our impact and our potential grow, allowing us to do more and be more for our communities. Invite a new member and plant the seed for growth.

Let our leadership shine.

We change lives through our service, but we are also advocates for the people and causes we serve. We can expand our reach by connecting with key community stakeholders and partners who share our passion. Let's start big conversations, and even greater change.

Lean on your global foundation.

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) offers more than funding — it's a lifeline of compassion and hope. The transformative work that Lions and LCIF bring to life is made possible by you. So support LCIF and let LCIF support you.





DG Alastair / 2VDG Nigel Visiting Calendar	Date		
Halswell District	Wednesday 4 November	West Coast combined	Saturday 7 November
Renwick	Monday 9 November	Nelson Host (Nigel)	Tuesday 17 November
Akaroa & Bays	Tuesday 17 November	Ellesmere	Thursday 19 November
Glenmark	Tuesday 24 November	Golden Bay	Thursday 26 November
Blenheim (Nigel)	Wednesday 2 December		

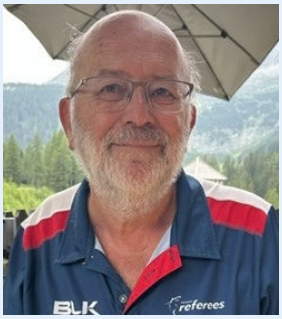
Introducing our Vice District Governors



First Vice DG Lou Smith
Lions Club of Kaikoura Seaward. (*Wishing you a speedy recovery - editor)*

Blenheim Lions Club are looking forward to 2VDG Nigel and Margaret joining us at our Christmas meeting on December 2nd.

Editor Helen



Second Vice DG Nigel Jones
Richmond Club

District Service Goal

To increase the impact and relevance of service in 202E, improve member satisfaction and attract prospective members, expanding the reach of Lions Clubs into new communities we will:

Have over 80% of clubs reporting service regularly on the Lions portal by June 30 2027

- ask members for new project ideas and carry out community needs assessments
- look for opportunities to partner with other community organisations
- develop an active social media presence
- consider what new communities and new ethnic groups may need
- promote awareness of national projects and LC"I global causes

15 clubs have contributed to our Foundation since 1 July 2026. Thank you. Funds received total USD 11.1k which is 51% of our June 27 target.

Nepal is still number one on our radar for assistance.

For ongoing support to LCIF, Clubs or individuals can purchase the LCIF Presidential Supporters Pins - Gold $300 NZ, Silver $150 and Bronze $75. Contact Malcolm Williams (District LCIF Coordinator) to order a pin.

Clubs can consider these pins an ideal gift to recognise a member.

Don't forget the Decorated Cake contest at District Convention using the Convention theme "In the Jungle"

DONATING TO LCIF is recognised as "Service when you can't be there"

Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

District Goal: 75% of clubs in the District will make a donation to LCIF with total donations to LCIF of $30,000 NZ

Send your donation to

Westpac International Assoc of Lions

03-0502-0081103-00

Particulars: Club name

Code: Club number

Reference: LCIF DR Nepal

or





Help Us Share the Lions Legacy - tell us your story both past and present.

We are looking for photos, stories and examples of Lions projects, whether they are long-standing legacies from years gone by or new projects making a difference in communities today.

Please send them through to: **office@lionsclubs.org.nz** for possible use on our social media channels.

Include; your club name, a few words about the project, when it happened and why it mattered to your community.

HAVE YOU SENT YOUR STORY TO TANYA YET? - DO THIS BEFORE THE XMAS BREAK.

CHECK OUT - LIONS CLUBS NEW ZEALAND FACEBOOK PAGE - FOR MORE LEGACY POSTS FROM 202E

Out & About

Nelson Host Club Catch for Cans project in collaboration with the Mako team / Tasman Rugby.





Rangiora Lions make their last delivery of pig manure, horse manure and kindling for the winter of 2026. Great spring/summer crops are guaranteed for all the green thumbs in the community.



A delicate operation for the Ellesmere Lions to extract the peastraw bales whilst giving Mother duck the privacy to hatch and raise her clutch.

Collections don't have to be boring affairs. Dress up like Raeowna and Eric and be noticed.





The New Zealand Motorhoming Club Branch members get together to visit the Woodend Pegasus club and receive their chevrons from DG Alastair. Contact President Tracy Henderson. nzmlc@lionsclubs.org.nz if you are in the Christchurch area and need some extra pairs of hands.

Celebrating Wig Wednesday for Childhood Cancer in style.

Who said Lions don't have fun?

Halswell Lions certainly do !





Induction of New Members. DG Alastair Rankin inducted Ruth McFarlane into the Wigram Lions Club.

DG Alastair also inducted Tracey Buck, Dianne Lowe, Matt Perry, Elsa Salmon and Heather Salmon into the Hornby Branch Lions Club.

Mark the calendar

November 14th - Diabetes Awareness

Multiple District AGM - by zoom November 22nd at 13.30.

District AGM - by zoom November 28th at 2pm. Register your delegates for 202E AGM with District Secretary Ian Cameron before 22 November.

End of November - Club AGM should be completed so that you can upload your reports to Incorporated Societies by the cut off date of 31 December 2026

December

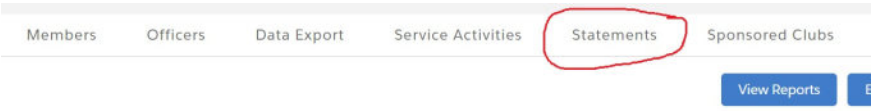
District Award entries are due **before 1 December.** Please send to IPDG Bernie Walls. District Award categories, entry form and criteria can be found on our district depository https://202e-lionsclubs.org.nz

Bernie is determined to present every trophy so get your entries in.

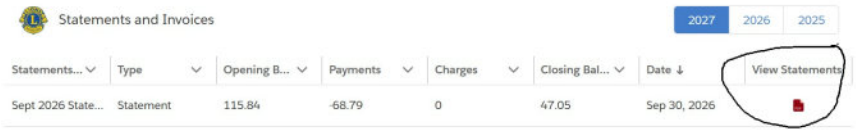
Is your Club in good standing?

In order to be entitled to submit delegates for the District or MD District AGM your club must be up to date with the payment of accounts at both levels by **1 November.**

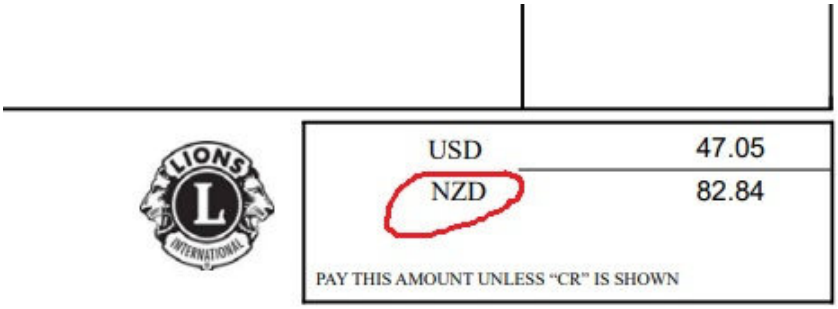
Treasurers - ensure you log in to the Portal and get your LCI statements by selecting My Club and then the statements heading.



Click on statements and then locate the latest statement. Note it is under the 2027 heading.



Click on view statement and scroll to the bottom of the statement to see the amount to be paid in NZ dollars.



The MD AGM is a hybrid meeting at the time of the Council of Governors meeting. Online via Zoom link - all registered Lions within MD202. 22nd November, login by 13.25 (zoom link sent out 1 week prior)

Register your delegates with Jo Cameron council.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz by 10th November, with your club name and district number, along with the names and email addresses of your selected voting delegates. Apologises to council.secretary@lionsclubs.org.nz

November - Lap the Map Month

14th - World Diabetes Day - Diabetes NZ have launched the **One Million Minutes 2026** challenge. They are asking Aotearoa NZ to get behind them and help clock up One Million Minutes of activity during November. Lap the Map can be part of that.

What's your move? It could be stepping, cycling, swimming, kapa haka, dancing, stairclimbing, gardening, dog-walking, chair aerobics, golfing, bowling or yoga.

Report your clubs cumulative minutes of activity, or kilometres walked / cycled to our District GST Neil Johnston. 202e.gst@lionsclubs.org

Clubs in Zone 3 are invited to register and join in with the Park Run/Walk, Saturday 14th, 8am, starting Taylor River walkway north of the Quays.

SERVICE FOR EVERY STAGE OF LIFE - Projects that let every member contribute. A strong club does not ask every member to serve in exactly the same way. The goal is to create meaningful opportunities that match people's energy, mobility, interests and experiences.

THE SOCIAL LION

Morning tea visits, coffee meet-ups, welcoming new members and checking in with members who have been away.

THE STORY KEEPER

Record club history, collect old photographs, interview long-serving members and preserve stories for future Lions.

THE ORGANISER

Help with rosters, invitations, minutes, newsletters, phone calls and project planning from home or at the club.

THE MENTOR

Share skills with younger Lions, Leos or community groups - cooking, budgeting, leadership, crafts, gardening, administration or simply life experience.

THE COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

Build relationships with local schools, retirement villages, medical centres, community groups and other service organisations.

THE FUNDRAISER

Choose low-impact fundraising such as collection tins, small product sales, raffles where permitted, sponsorship approaches or donation campaigns.

REMEMBER - Service does not have to mean lifting, standing for hours or working outdoors. A phone call, a conversation, a spreadsheet, a story, a smile or a warm welcome can all be acts of service.

Build projects around the strengths and passions of your members - and make sure there is a place for everyone. (from Christchurch Host bulletin)



MBC and MGC Leos counting coin with teacher liaison Simon.

For information about the Heads Up for Kids project contact national coordinator Ann Saunders. HU4K@lionsclubs.org.nz

"There can be no doubt that Helen Allison receiving this award is the most deserved acknowledgement of all this amazing lady does for our club. A harder working, popular, tenacious, calm, funny and humble member would be hard to find. And we as a club are blessed to have Helen on our Team".







14 talented young speakers, from eight schools across the Waimea Cluster were given the opportunity to display their talents for public speaking at the annual Lions Club of Richmond Interschool Speech Contest. Lions provided a platform where local young students could find their voice, build confidence and share their ideas. Topics were wide ranging with students bringing plenty of personality, humour and thoughtful ideas to their presentations. Great service Richmond.

Welcome to new members - congratulations to their sponsors and Clubs

Adrienne Pavelka	sponsored by Helen Lodge	Amberley Lions Club
Nancy Na Wang	sponsored by Michelle Fu	Christchurch Chinese
James Kozlowski	sponsored by Miggs Ishbel McTaylor	Hanmer Springs
Sian Loughran	sponsored by Miggs Ishbel McTaylor	Hanmer Springs
Philip Gudopp	sponsored by Terence Stevens	Hawarden Waikari
Mawhi Mitchell	sponsored by Toni Batey	Kaikoura Seaward
Andrea Reardon	sponsored by Naemi Ueda	Kaikoura Seawardd
David Hyde	sponsored by Stuart Munro	Rolleston & District
Liz Johnstone	sponsored by Natalie Munro	Rolleston & District
Tracy Buck	sponsored by Rae Treloar	Wigram
Dianne Lowe	sponsored by Rae Treloar	Wigram
Ruth McFarlane	sponsored by John Hobson	Wigram
Matt Parry	sponsored by Tracy Buck	Wigram
Elsa Salmon	sponsored by Rae Treloar	Wigram
Heather Salmon	sponsored by Rae Treloar	Wigram

202E Membership Metrics as at 29 October 2026 = Total membership 1063 (1079 in 2025)

Drops in Fiscal Year = 45 Added in Fiscal Year = 51 Net Growth = 6

The Role of the Almoner is an important position in any club. Remember to look after your members. Acts of kindness to our members is important service.

Almoner

If there are any Lions, ex Lions, friends or family of Lions that are sick, injured or need assistance with anything then don't forget that your Lions family are here to help. Our club members would be more than happy to pop in to assist with anything, even if it is for a check in with you over the phone.

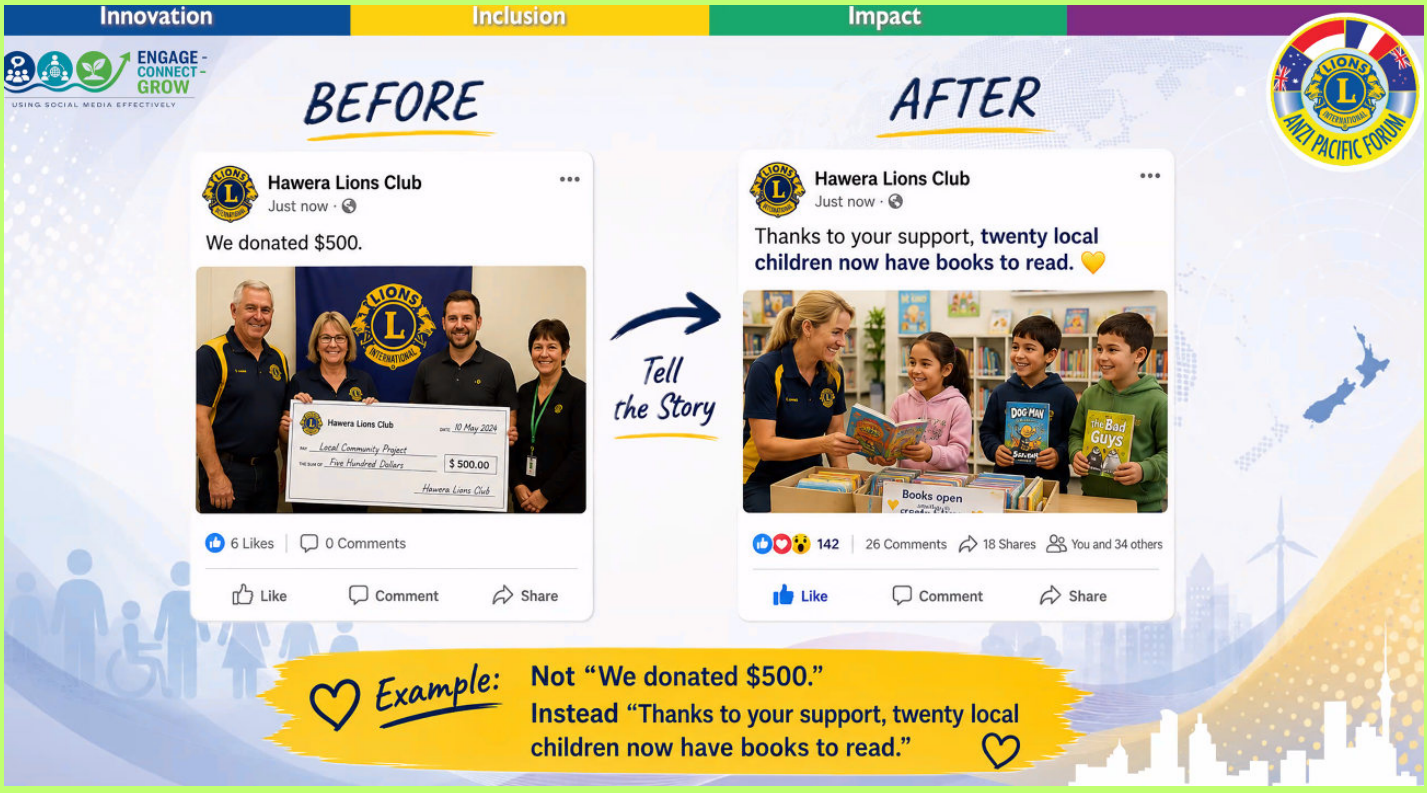


I want to feature your club. Tell your story by emphasizing your impact on the community.

Help me keep the District Facebook page active and inviting by posting to your own club facebook page 2 or 3 times a week. **This can significantly extend the reach of your major club events.**

Send me your club bulletin 202e.editor@lionsclubs.org.nz or 202e.marcom@lionsclubs.org.nz

Which post below (Before or After) is more appealing to potential members ?



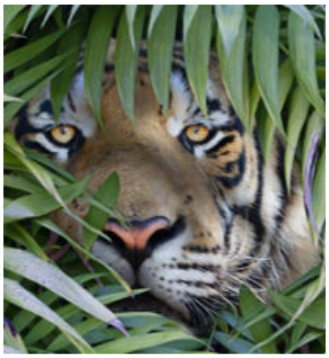
DISTRICT CONVENTION 2027

District Convention is a great opportunity to renew old friendships, make new connections and to learn about all things Lionism.

Start planning now for District 202E convention 2027 to be held in CHRISTCHURCH. ***See below this important message from the Convention Committee re making early bookings for accommodation. TAKE ACTION NOW.***

Make sure your club is represented in the decision making.

Join with other Lions and enjoy a weekend of fun and fellowship.



202E District Convention
3rd – 4th APRIL 2027
Richmond Club
Christchurch

🛏🛏 Don't Delay 🛏🛏

Christchurch is gearing up for one huge weekend! The Super Round of Rugby is landing at the same time as our Convention, and the city is expected to welcome an extra 73,187 fans over three action-packed days. That means plenty of excitement—and plenty of people searching for a place to stay alongside our wonderful Lions joining the Convention.

⭐ Don't miss out—book your accommodation as early as possible and lock in your Convention weekend!

Here are some handy accommodation options close to our venue at the Richmond Club. They're only a short drive away, but they are not within walking distance—so plan your ride, rally your crew, and get ready for a brilliant weekend!

🛏️ Pick Your Convention Base

Christchurch Park Motel 250 Westminster St 03 3851 991 ***(2.9 km from Richmond Club)***

Terra Viva Suites & Apartments 172 Bealey Ave 0800 175 232 ***(1.9 km from Richmond Club)***

Amross Court Motor Lodge 61 Bealey Ave 03 377 1544 ***(3.2 km from Richmond Club)***

Bella Vista 193 Bealey Ave 03 377 3363 ***(1.7 km from Richmond Club)***

Belmount Motor Inn 172 Bealey Ave 03 379 4037 ***(1.6 km from Richmond Club)***

Pavilions Hotel 42 Papanui Rd 03 355 5633 ***(2.7km from Richmond Club)***

MCM Motel 241 Bealey Ave 0800 696 266 ***(1.3 km from Richmond Club)***

Rosewood Court Motel 85 Sherborne Street 03 365 9157 ***(2km from Richmond Club)***

🎉 **Book early, bring your Convention spirit, and get ready to make some fantastic memories in Christchurch!**

Share your club's achievements and service in the Bulletin

Please send your action photos and captions to the 202e.editor@lionsclubs.org.nz so that your club can be featured.