

We Serve

The Lions Club of Howick Charitable Trust Inc.

Box 38 070 Howick 2145 info@howicklions.org.nz www.howicklions.org.nz

PRESIDENT
Derek Miles
90 Westerham Drive
Dannemora
273 9275

SECRETARY
Rex Buckley
70 Eighth View Ave.
Beachlands
536 4027

TREASURER
David Westwick
46 Sale St.
Howick
534-8627

TRUSTEES
Colin Salt
Alan Sheath
Grant Taylor
David Westwick

MELVIN JONES FELLOWS

Tony Blair
Dave Downie
Brian Harris
PCC Ian Packwood
PDG Alan Sheath
Brian Stocking
David Westwick
Jean Wigzell

CHARITABLE TRUST NO. CC25446 INTERNATIONAL CLUB NO. 317419 - 023112





THE TATLER

News bulletin of the Howick Lions Club

MARCH 2019



THE LIONS CLUB OF HOWICK

www.howicklions.org.nz https://www.facebook.com/howicklionsclub

LIONS CLUBS OF NEW ZEALAND
www.lionsclubs.org.nz/
LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
www.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php



Our 2019 March Meetings

NEXT DINNER MEETING - WEDNESDAY MARCH 6 DINNER - 6:30PM FOR 7:00PM; \$28PP DANNEMORA GARDENS, BOTANY MARCH DINNER ROSTER



Guest Speaker: Barry Goodey, Stonefields Resident's Assn. "My Life Story"

Introduce Guest: Tony Blair Thanks: Paul Curtis

Greeter: Alan Mead Loyal Toast: Brian Stocking
Cashier: Jean Wigzell Invocation Rex Buckley
Bartender: Denis McKenna Beverages Tony Blair:



Please note the increase in our meal cost Dannemora Gardens explains: -

"Whilst there has been universal price increases for the restaurant, price increases in future reviews will be considered separately in respect of residents, non-residents and event menu pricing. By way of example, event charges for a main meal to non-resident groups would apply a standard commercial approach. Slightly different subsidy arrangements are in place for residents. An alternate approach for Howick Lions is applied given Lions' links & involvement with the community".

OUR NEXT BUSINESS MEETING: -

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 20 2019

6:45pm for 7:00pm Dannemora Gardens, Botany



At our MARCH business meeting President Derek will call for nominations for Officers to guide the club during the 2019/2020 Lions year. This is a mandatory item, with nominated members being formally elected at our business meeting on April 17.

CLUB INFORMATION

Dinner Meetings

Business Meetings

Monthly - First Wednesday 6:30 pm for 7:00 pm Monthly - Third Wednesday 6:45 pm for 7:00 pm

Venue: - Pavilion Room, Dannemora Gardens, 30 Matarangi Rd, Botany Host; Paul Johnson Chef: Warren Woodcock

The Depot (LEP) keys held by: - Tony Blair 534 8760 / 027 220 3773 Dave Downie 534 6234 / 022 1062 928

Brian Stocking 537 1352 / 0274 859; Derek Miles 273 9275 / 027 266 9777 Online Banking - ANZ Highbrook

Administration Account 01-0215-0073362-00

Community a/c- 01; Summer Festival a/c- 02; Convention a/c- 03 Apologies for all meetings to Secretary Rex by prior Sunday

President Derek comments

Greetings fellow members

Thank you all for helping out at our Summer

Festival last month; we couldn't have done it without

you. While it was a long and physically exhausting day,

we received plenty of good feedback from the public, which makes it all worthwhile. There were plenty of young families enjoying the day's events. Well done Grant for leading the organising committee. Lots of things to consider and build on for next year.

Big thank you to Tony and Shona Blair for hosting the Lions social at their home last month. It was a very enjoyable evening with plenty of good fellowship. The finger food was a great idea and gave us plenty of variety.

Next big event to look forward to is the Water Safety Picnic on the 24 March... just two and a half weeks away. I really enjoy this day because to me it is what family beach events should be like; fun, wet and active. Once again, we'll need plenty of hands on deck to make this event a success. Please let Rex know asap, if you haven't already, when you will be available. Tell all your friends about the event and encourage them to tell others.

That time is drawing near... Everybody please start thinking about what roles you would like to take on for the next Lions Year. Put forward you name for nomination. Remember you only get as much out, as you put in to Lions.

Thought for the month:

"It is our choices, that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities." – J.K Rowling

That's all for now
President Derek
FUN * SERVICE * EXPLORE







Jottings from our Dinner Meeting February 7, 2019

@ Dannemora Gardens

This meeting was an inaugural test, both for the Dannemora Gardens kitchen and our own club's meetings management - we were a record (so far) 36

folks to sit down and enjoy a Lions meal together. And what a milestone meeting it turned out to be. The main reason for this considerable turnout was the presence of supporters to recognise the sterling effort of Kauri Apera's recent attendance at Outward Bound at Anakiwa, sponsored by Howick Lions. Constable Gareth Waters of Ormiston Police Youth Aid & Sgt. Paul Devane were accompanied by Kauri's mother Lucy, & father Kauri Snr in addition to Mr. John Loau & his partner Amanda Johnson. Mr & Mrs Apera & the folks from Ormiston Police must have been very proud to see young Kauri (16) address the meeting and present pictures from his OB experience with a sense of new-found confidence. Also visiting us this evening were our own District Governor Wendy

Miller & husband Graeme. This DG visit was 'unofficial' as Wendy came to present PP Colin Salt with a coveted Lions CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD to our Howick club for our efforts during Colin's year (2017-2018). Also on our DG's unofficial agenda was the presentation of long-service pins to deserving Lions Dave Downie (25 years), & Alan Sheath (32 years), and

the induction into our club of Tina Singh - a Very Warm Welcome to Tina.

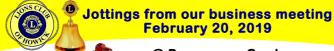
A further two guests were Bruno Sintive and his mother Janine Sintive an active Lion from Paris who was visiting her son in Howick. It's always a bonus to hear from a visiting Lion, most especially one from so far away. With a delightful French accent Madame Sintive addressed the meeting before dinner with thanks for her invitation, and explaining a number of projects her Lions club was doing in France It was merci beaucoup from us, and 'génial plaisir' for us.

And our guest speaker for this evening was Dawit Arshak of the NZ Red Cross. Mr Arshak was born in Ethiopia and after 14 years as a young adult in Sudan came to NZ as a refugee - knowing nothing about our country. His talk to us told of his close family and his difficult early life making a living wherever he could in whatever circumstances he found himself - always conscious of evading the possibility of 'authorities' forcing him into some grim detention somewhere. Now domiciled in NZ for 20 years Dawit Arshak is helping our new refugees settle into their new homeland via the NZ Red Cross.



More from our dinner meeting February 7

Club President





Thia meeting took time discussing the 'Lions Quest' program, a special LCIF-developed course to support & improve the ability of young adults to manage today's life challenges. This program was not applied in NZ for some years, so there was a lack of awareness of its objectives amongst many NZ Lions. Sommerville Intermediate School has been selected as the initial 'Champion' of this program for Howick Lions. (See page 13).

Our LEO Club initiative at Howick College has begun with approval that a team visit to the college is planned for later in February. Again, a "LEO Champion" on the school staff will be essential.

There was discussion on the perceived outcomes of our 'Summer Festival' at LEP the previous Sunday, with views expressed on the achievements. Thanks to all Lions for their efforts on the day. It was agreed we should plan for this event again for 2020, with as early as possible dialog with Auckland Council to confirm dates & funding. Combining with Council "Music in Parks" next year was raised but we will need to look at the detail & "what's in it for us" before any decision.

This raised the idea of appointing one Lion to liaise with Council to handle all club funding applications & the bureaucratic paperwork required. Thanks to PP Colin who volunteered for this essential new role.

The meeting expressed a wish to invite nearby Lions clubs to a dinner meeting at our 'new' venue. A prerequisite for this meeting would be to have an inspirational & motivating guest speaker to encourage attendance. President to President contacts required to facilitate.

Grant reported the defibrillator at Howick Coastguard rooms is close to installation with the signage approved but no specific date yet.

Members agreed to continue planning for the combined Fireworks project with Pakuranga Rotary. Date yet to be confirmed & relevant Council applications to be completed.

We were pleased to hear \$2000 has been given to our Lions club from the Christmas Lights Trust, for our supervision last December.

New club apron samples were presented - more research required, but the possibility of sponsorship from Leonards will be pursued.

The meeting was reminded of the Botany Community Day on March 2 (@ BTC), but no responses yet received from nearby local Lions clubs.

An email from Paul Johnson has advised a price increase for our dinners from March. The meeting agreed to increase our price to members to \$28pp for the 2-course meal.



For a full & detailed account of this business meeting please refer to the official minutes from secretary Rex.





<mark>"Empowering</mark> Lions Service"



The story of LC IF is epic - filled with unlimited compassion and tireless support of Lions service. For more than 50 years, we've dedicated our energies to increasing the ability of Lions everywhere, helping them empower the communities they serve. With every grant we give, our history grows, along with the impact of Lions. Today, we couldn't be more proud of where we stand, or more excited about the future of our work.

<u>Vision</u> We are a world leader in the effort to prevent avoidable blindness, and we're diligently working with Lions clubs and local partners to help provide the local capacity building, training, medications and treatment needed for those with eye diseases and to provide disability rehabilitation and education for all.

Youth We are committed to providing youth and young adults with opportunities to succeed. The Lions Quest program provides young people and their educators with tools to make positive choices, resist drugs and alcohol, learn through service and become healthy young men and women.

<u>Disaster Relief</u> When disaster strikes, we respond. We provide funding to address preparedness and immediate needs that allow Lions and their partners to be among the first on the scene in the wake of the world's most devastating hurricanes, earthquakes, floods and other disasters.

<u>Humanitarian</u> Lions take action in their communities, working face-to-face with the people they serve. We support the wide variety of humanitarian efforts implemented and coordinated by Lions and give grants to increase their scale and effectiveness.

<u>Diabetes</u> We are providing support to help Lions educate the public and establish programs around one of our new global focus areas: diabetes. <u>Childhood Cancer</u> Across the globe, too many children are being affected by cancer. We're helping Lions establish programs and provide greater service and access to care for those diagnosed - giving hope to them and their families.

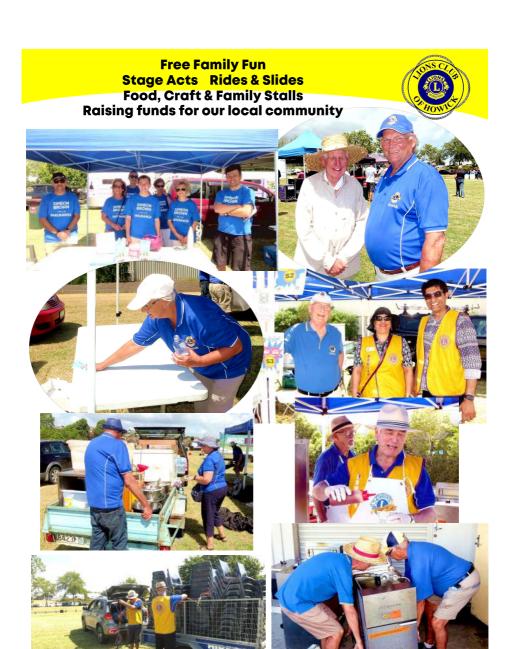
<u>The Environment</u> We are working with Lions to preserve our planet, knowing that the health of our local communities and environments affects us all. Our goal is to help establish a sustainable future for generations to come.

<u>Hunger</u> We help provide healthy meals for the hungry and work to establish strategies and greater capacity for communities in which food is scarce.

Sun shines brightly on our Summer Festival

Families enjoy the fun fair in Lloyd Elsmore Park Sunday, February 17







Lions Clubs International





Howick Lions' Water Safety Jicnic



Sunday, March 24, 2019

Free Family Fun Cockle Bay Reserve 10am - 3pm



In association with...









Organised for our community by-The Lions Club of Howick







PDG Packy explains this excellent LCIF program which brings together school, parents, community

ions Quest today is one of the most widely used social and **d**emotional learning programs in the world designed to prepare young people to handle life's challenges. In 1984 Lions Clubs International formed a working partnership with Quest International to launch a major drug prevention initiative called Lions Quest 'Skills for Adolescence', targeting 10 - 14 year old students. Lions clubs partnered with local school systems to implement the program at community level.

Over the following years, the organization grew in scope & impact and Lions introduced wider programs to serve students from kindergarten to secondary school.

Lions Quest goes beyond academics, to teach students how to make responsible decisions, set goals, be accountable for their actions, develop healthy relationships, resist peer pressure and engage in community service. Independent researchers give the programs high marks for promoting positive behaviors and boosting academic performance. Lions Quest has become Lions' signature youth development program worldwide. By 2015, Lions Quest had grown to include 36 languages in 85 countries reaching more than 13 million students.

Powerful features of 'Skills' are the emphasis of involvement of parents cooperatively with teachers and pupils allied to a comprehensive teacher-training program and excellent teaching resources.

On our local Howick scene in year 2000 a 'Skills' workshop was held in Howick Primary School during Gordon Myer's year as president. PP Gordon and PDG/PP Ian both attended the workshop on the opening and closing days; it was an eye-opener to experience the enthusiasm and commitment of all concerned. Nearly 100% of the teachers were "Skills" trained to the on-going benefit of the pupils.

> https://www.lions-quest.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/ PreK-12-Brochure-2016.pdf



Our Service Roles for 2018 - 2019

The Board of Directors of

The Lions Club of Howick for 2018 - 2019

President **Derek Miles** Immediate Past President Colin Salt 1st Vice President **Paul Curtis** 2nd Vice President **Grant Taylor** 3rd Vice President (Vacant) Rex Buckley Secretary **David Westwick** Treasurer Paul Curtis **Membership Director** LCIF Co-ordinator Colin Salt Tail Twister **Grant Taylor**

Lion Tamer: Dave Downie, (Depot)

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Almoner: Ian Packwood Bulletin Editor: Denis McKenna Historian: Ian Packwood Safety Officer: (Rex Buckley)

COMMITTEES 2018 / 2019

Admin;	Derek Miles C)	Rex Buckley, David Westwick
Membershi / Media;	p / PR / Website Paul Curtis (C)	Colin Salt, Tina Singh, Gary Liang
Youth / Gue	est Speakers;	Alan Sheath, Ian Packwood, Ella Curtis, Alan Mead
Projects / Fundraising; Grant Taylor (C)		Neil Hornblow, Gordon Myer, Brian Stocking, Dave Downie, Rajiv Sondhi
Social;	Tony Blair (C)	Agnes Li, Jean Wigzell, Denis McKenna, Faye Gamble
ттт;	Brian Stocking (C)	Paul Curtis, Derek Miles, Colin Salt, Alan Sheath, Grant Taylor,

LEAD LIONS

Grant Taylor Christmas Lights, Senior's Christmas Lunch, Summer Festival,

Howick Local Board

Brian Stocking Christmas Parade, School & Inter-club contact, Camp Quality.

Outward Bound, Local Govt, liaison, Event Funding

Dave Downie BBQ logistics & organising, The Depot storage management

Tony Blair Hot Chips logistics & organising Shona Blair; Seniors' Lunch catering co-ordinator

Rex Buckley Water Safety picnic

Paul Curtis Webmaster, 'Facebook', 'Neighbourly'

Jean Wigzell Entertainment & MC for Seniors' lunch, Coffee time...

Neil Hornblow Zone Chair, Cabinet & Zone clubs liaison, Mints & Candy,

Agnes Li & Faye Gamble Lions Christmas Cake sales

Colin Salt Historical Village maintenance liaison, Eyeglass collection





BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH







"You don't look anything like the long haired, skinny kid I married 25 years ago. I need a DNA sample to make sure it's still you."

Time for a game of golf?
Lions vs Rotary,@ Akarana GC, Mt. Roskill
Tuesday, April 9. Tee off from 11am
Email Denis McKenna if you're interested
denis.mckenna@xtra.co.nz



The Howick Lions Club TATLER is issued monthly to all members via email. Printed booklets of the digital version (B&W) are also produced each month. Special thanks to PCC lan Packwood for photocopying & binding.



Presented March 1962



March

- Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 2 Botany Community Day @ BTC
- 6 Dinner Meeting
- 9 Historical Village Painting team
- 9 Lions Day with the United Nations
- 12 Howick Lions Club 57th birthday
- 15 Hot Chips @ Point View school, evening
- 17 St Patrick's Day (Sunday)
- 20 Business Meeting Nomination of Officers

CLUB CALENDAR

- 22 Red Puppy Appeal
- 24 Water Safety Picnic



- Dinner Meeting
- 7 **Daylight Saving ends**
- 9 Lions v Rotary Golf, Akarana
- 13 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 17 Business Meeting Election of Officers
- 19 Good Friday
- 22 Easter Monday (& Earth Day)
- 25 ANZAC Day (Thursday)

May

- 1 Dinner Meeting
- 15 Business Meeting
- 25 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse

June

- 1 Helen Keller Day
- 3 Queen's Birthday observance
- 5 Dinner Meeting
- 7 Lions Clubs International 102 Birthday
- 19 Business Meeting



- **Dinner Meeting Change of Officers**
- 6 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 17 Business Meeting

August

- **Dinner Meeting**
- Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 21 Business Meeting

September

- 4 Dinner Meeting
- 18 Business Meeting
- 22 Hot Chips @ Shelly Park School
- 28 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 29 Daylight Saving Starts



HLC TATLER Volume 57 Issue No 8

CONVENTION DATES

MULTI DISTRICT 202 Blenheim Lions Club, April 26-28, 2019

Milan, Italy, July 5-9, 2019 INTERNATIONAL

District 202K Mangonui Lions Club, November 8-10, 2019



