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**News bulletin
of the Howick Lions Club**

March 2020



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Kindness matters

At home and around the world

Our March Club Meetings



OUR NEXT DINNER MEETING - WEDNESDAY MARCH 4

6:30PM FOR 7:00pm; \$28pp

DANNEMORA GARDENS, BOTANY

MARCH DINNER ROSTER

Zone 7
District 202K

Guest Speaker: Ricky Singh of Pakuranga-Panmure Lions Club

Introduce Speaker: President Paul

Thanks: PP Neil Hornblow

Greeter: Denis McKenna

Loyal Toast: David Westwick

Cashier: Jean Wigzell

Invocation: Derek Miles

Bartender: Colin Salt

Beverages: Tony Blair

OUR MARCH BUSINESS MEETING: -

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 18, 2020

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

Our Dinner Meeting next Wednesday will include a Lions Clubs Orientation session, led by Ricky Singh and Lynda Halverson from our 202K District Cabinet. The session will cover the history and the future of Lions Clubs International, and our club, and will be of interest to all members, both old and new. The aim of the session is to help welcome our newer members into our club, and we hope to see a great turnout from all our Lions.

CLUB INFORMATION

Dinner Meetings

Monthly - First Wednesday

6:30 pm for 7:00 pm



Business Meetings

Monthly - Third Wednesday

6:45 pm for 7:00 pm

Venue: - Pavilion Room, Dannemora Gardens, 30 Matarangi Rd, Botany

Host: Paul Johnson Chef: Mary Intalan

Email address for all club correspondence: -

info@howicklions.org.nz

International Club No. 3766 - 023112

Depot (LEP) keys held by: -

Tony Blair; Dave Downie; Brian Stocking; Colin Salt;

Online Banking - ANZ Highbrook

Administration Account 01-0215-0073362-00

Community a/c - 01; Convention a/c - 03;

Apologies for all meetings to Secretary Rajiv by prior Monday

President Paul's Comments



Dear Fellow Lions

What a fantastic turnout from our club for painting at the Howick Historical Village in early February! Surely this must have been one of the largest painting crews from our club for some time, and it was great to see our new member Jan with husband Hamish. Although, Hamish seemed determined to put us all to shame by working harder than the rest of us!

Speaking of great turnouts, we had 12 members from our club attend Pakuranga-Panmure Lions Club's Dinner Meeting on the 26th February, which was very much appreciated by their members. Our idea for a Men's Health Meeting was met with great enthusiasm by their club, and they are more than happy to collaborate and share costs. We've gone ahead and booked the Fencible Lounge in Howick on the evening of the 7th May for the evening, and planning by our lead Lions, Brian Stocking and Neil Hornblow, is well underway.

We have a busy month coming up, with the Water Safety Picnic on the 15th March, followed by our first



'School Hot Chips' gala at Cockle Bay School on the 21st March and our next Sausage Sizzle at Botany Town Centre on



President Paul Continues...



the 28th March.

At our upcoming Dinner Meeting on the 4th March, we will have Ricky Singh and Lynda Halverson from our 202K District Cabinet leading a Lions Clubs' Orientation Evening, with input from members of our club. More details are in this edition of the Tatler. This should be a fun and interesting evening, covering the history and future of both Lions Clubs International, and our club.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Yours in Lions

Paul Curtis Club President



PP Brian Stocking writes...

Recently my grandson went into the Auckland City Hospital for treatment for his Cystic Fibrosis (CF), which he has to undertake at least twice per year, and has done so since he was born 18 years ago. He was given a room in an isolation ward. To his and our surprise his hospital room had the same refrigerator there that our club had presented to Auckland Hospital 10 years ago (see photo left). Which goes to show the importance of our Lions club having a public profile, which is very encouraging.

Text on the refrigerator reads: -
For Cystic Fibrosis Only
Donated by Lions Club of Howick



Notes from our Dinner Meeting, February 5, 2020



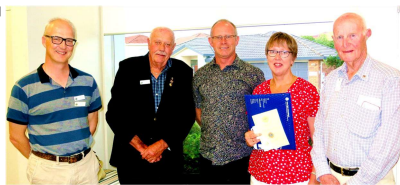
@ DMG Botany

It is one of those Memorable Lions Moments when a new member is welcomed into a neighbourhood Lions club. At this meeting we had one such moment when our most senior active Lion PDG 'Packy' formally inducted Jan Tait into the global volunteer fellowship of Lions Clubs International. With Jan's sponsor Colin on

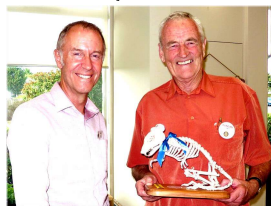


hand and husband Hamish alongside, it was a special Lions occasion. A Warm Welcome Jan... and

Hamish



Also very welcome was our primary guest speaker for this evening (organised by PP Derek), Duncan Loney, a ranking Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Pakuranga and a senior executive at NZ Bakels Ltd. (As a top man at NZ Bakels Duncan gets to judge their annual Supreme Pie Awards...) However, Duncan Loney tonight was with us to explain his role



as a lead driver of the 'Pest Free Howick' program & the establishment of the 'Trap Library of East Auckland'. Assisting Duncan as a speaker on this project was Lorelle Stranaghan, co-ordinator of the funding provided by the Howick Local Board, a sponsor of 'Pest Free Howick'.



Together Lorelle & Duncan explained to us the concept & objectives of 'Pest Free Howick'. The essential core of creating a pest free Howick Ward over time is the idea of lending to residents suitable back yard traps for ensnaring rats, stoats (the worst),

ferrets, (mustelids) possums, even hedgehogs, borrowed from the 'Trap Library of East Auckland'. These traps have been funded by our Local Board & the aim is to have about 800 distributed throughout Howick Ward homes within 2 years. Already an increase in native birdlife is obvious where currently positioned pest traps stretch out along the 'bird corridor' emanating from the Bucklands Beach peninsular. (Even some Kaka have been seen.)

Current 'sponsors' include Lions clubs, Rotary clubs,





'Friends of Mangemangeroa' & our Local Howick Board, but these two very committed presenters tonight are seeking more physical help: - with flyer distribution, data capture & monitoring, pest trap distribution & project coordination. We may hear more detail going forward from our own PP Derek Miles who is already involved.

Go here for more information: - <https://predatorfreenz.org/>

See also this web page: <https://www.times.co.nz/news/pest-free-huge-effort-to-get-rid-of-rats-possums-and-mustelids/>

PS - Grant has offered to store our club trailer in the short term. Thank you Grant. Note: Long term/permanent storage is still required.



June 26-30, 2020

**Hob-Nob with Lions
from all over the world**

**Singapore hosts the 103rd
International Convention,
which is the kick-off to the
2020-2021 Lions year.
What better excuse to visit
this exquisitely clean and
modern city.**





MD 202



MULTIPLE DISTRICT 202 CONVENTION **MAY 1ST - 3RD 2020**

"THE ROARING 20'S"
THE EVENT OF THE YEAR IS COMING SOON!



I warmly invite all members to attend the 60th Annual General Meeting and MD202 Convention.

Add this important event to your calendar now!

The 60th Convention will be a great opportunity for you to catch up with old friends, make new connections within the Lions family, review what has been accomplished in our Multiple District over the past year, welcome in our new leaders & set the direction for the future.

Most importantly we will celebrate our achievements & recognize key contributors as well as provide speakers & time for information sharing.

Join us for a memorable and enjoyable weekend which will include a street parade, social events & entertainment.

Kind regards, Helen Williams
MD202 Council Chairperson

Accommodation available just a short walk from the venue Forum North, Whangarei. The demand for accommodation is high & your bookings are essential.

Check out all the details on our website at
<https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/conventions>
Fill in your registration form now.



**Pics from our visit to
Pakuranga-Panmure Lions Club
February 26, 2020
At Bucklands Beach Yacht Club,
Half Moon Bay**

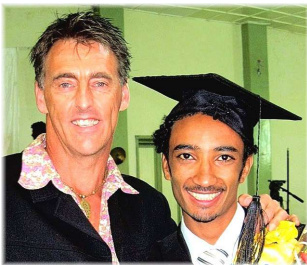


Howick Lions and partners were 12 for dinner this evening with our Pakuranga-Panmure Lions hosts; (our 'mother' club). The evening was awash with fellowship & jolliness as old friends were greeted & new ones linked up, at a venue stylish & grand enough to host the Queen.

After dinner in the dining hall, (with a fine view of the super yachts in the marina), we retired upstairs to hear a presentation from Marty van der Burg of his experiences in Ethiopia with Habitat for Humanity, supported by his inspiring PowerPoint video. It was a totally captivating pleasure to watch & listen to this enthusiastic, vivacious, erudite, articulate, experienced young (Kiwi-born) 'Hollander' who passionately told us about his extensive journey mentoring/sponsoring a young Ethiopian 'street boy' (named Eyayaw Biru) over a number of years visiting Ethiopia.



Marty van der Burg, had a long, personal association with both Ethiopia and Eyayaw. The pair met when Marty, a successful building company owner in New Zealand, was working with Habitat for Humanity in Ethiopia in 2007. (Marty van der Burg became earnestly involved with Habitat for Humanity on the TVNZ Paul Holmes show in 2004). The friendship which developed between Marty & the young



Ethiopian boy led Marty to encourage and support Eyayaw's studies and personal & business development over many years. Together Marty and Eyayaw eventually created 'Eyayaw Tours Ethiopia' to showcase real, unique Ethiopia in a way that fully caters to the needs and expectations of foreign travellers - to the point that Marty could then 'walk away' from his 'sponsorship' of Eyayaw when the lad

was 28, having, graduated top student in business & tourism at the Maedot Tourist & Hotel Management College.

Marty felt his 'work' was now done. Clearly, Marty has supreme personal satisfaction in the outcome, and the difference he was able to make to this young 'street boy's' ongoing life, initially through Habitat for Humanity.

It was an evening, & a presentation to remember!



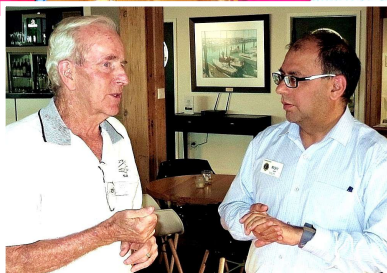
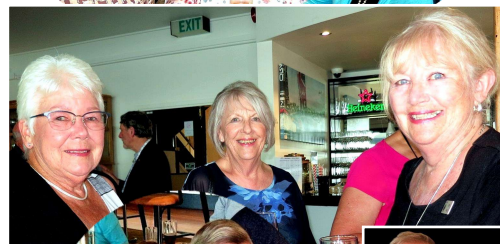
More from our visit to our Chartering Lions Family



202K



**Presidents; Paul Curtis (Howick) [L]
Terry Carroll (Pakuranga-Panmure) [R]**



**Our View from
the Dining Hall**

Our Service Roles for 2019 - 2020



The Board of Directors of The Lions Club of Howick for 2019 / 2020

President	Paul Curtis
Immediate Past President	Derek Miles
1st Vice President	Grant Taylor
Secretary	Rajiv Sondhi
Treasurer	Neil Hornblow
LCIF Co-ordinator	Derek Miles
Membership Director	Colin Salt



OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Tail Twister:	Grant Taylor	Lion Tamer:	Dave Downie
Almoner:	Ian Packwood	Health & Safety Officer:	Tony Blair
Historian:	Ian Packwood	Bulletin Editor:	Denis McKenna

COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE; Paul Curtis (C), Derek Miles, Neil Hornblow, Rajiv Sondhi

MEMBERSHIP; Colin Salt (C)

YOUTH & CHILDREN; Ella Curtis (C)

COMMUNITY & PROGRAMS; Tony Blair (C)

PR & Communications; Colin Salt (C), Denis McKenna, Paul Curtis

Regulatory & Donations; Grant Taylor (C),

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES & EVENTS (Showing Lead Lions)

Howick Christmas Lights; Grant Taylor, Neil Hornblow

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch; Tony Blair

Howick Santa Parade; Brian Stocking

Water Safety Picnic; (TBA)

Sausage Sizzles; Judith Korau (Logistics), Brian Stocking (Bookings*)

School Hot Chips Service; Tony Blair

Lion Mints Sales & Distribution; Neil Hornblow

Lions Christmas Cakes Sales & Distribution; Agnes Li, Paul Curtis

Beeswax Eco-Wraps; Denis McKenna



Jottings from our business meeting February 19, 2020

Held at DMG, Botany



Welcome to Jan, who as a new Lion, was experiencing her first Howick Lions Club business meeting. Also, welcome back to PDG Alan Sheath. Alan's experienced counsel was once again a major contribution to the meeting's agenda.

We were reminded of the invitation from the Pakuranga-Panmure Lions Club to join them for dinner on Wednesday Feb 26 at the Bucklands Beach Yacht club. Our Howick club plans to have a good group of Lions attending.

We discussed the requests for money our Lions club regularly receives & were reminded that our discretionary funds are 'hard earned' & limited, and we need to identify 'real need' in all appeals from the public. *(We developed a policy about this some time ago which may need to be revisited. Ed)*

Our sponsored Outward Bound candidate did not turn up; at this stage we're not sure of the reason.

The issue of lower numbers at the 'Seniors Lunch' was raised, and a general view was that more contact & discussion with retirement village management/activity leaders may be helpful in gaining more support. It was also suggested we widen our advertising (invitation) campaign to extend awareness to Howick's mature citizen's market.

Ricky Singh (DG elect) from Pakuranga-Panmure Lions will provide a 'Lions orientation' presentation at our next dinner meeting in March.

Following the address from 'Pest Free NZ' at the last meeting Derek will develop a plan for our club support for local pest control with leaflet drops & trap distribution by specified areas.

Planning for the joint Lions Mens Health project is progressing; venue has yet to be chosen with the event scheduled for either April or May.

The Water Safety Picnic is on track for March 15 at Cockle Bay.

Our club trailer still needs a stable home. Grant can store it for a limited time but it will need to be permanently stowed. Secure storage at The Depot may still be a possibility but more investigation is required.

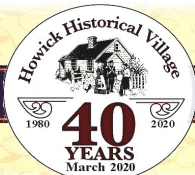
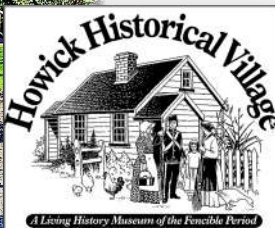
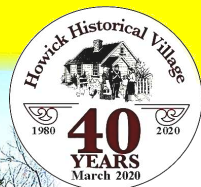
We sadly noted Brian Harris no longer wishes to receive email.

President Paul has asked for feedback from members on the perceived impact of the Beeswax page on our club website.



For a full & detailed account of this business meeting
please refer to the official minutes from Secretary Rajiv





Invitation

**The President and Board
of the Howick & Districts Historical Society
warmly invite Howick Lions who have contributed
to the Historical Village maintenance programs to celebrate the
40th Anniversary
of the opening of the Howick Historical Village
on Sunday 8th march 2020**

**The Village will be open from 10am
with special displays highlighting the progress of 40 years**

Programme: -

**1:00pm: Plaque unveiling, and welcome on the forecourt
outside Whites Homestead.**

**1:30pm: Mix & Mingle in Pakuranga School with a
presentation.**

2:45 - 5pm Afternoon Tea will be served in BELL HOUSE.

(Note; Entry only by presenting your specific Lions invitation)



"A Wonderful Working Bee"

Thank You

HOWICK
HISTORICAL
VILLAGE



The following note has been received from Alan La Roche...

Hi Colin and the Howick Lions Club team,

Thank you for a sterling effort this morning repainting the dark brown doors and window-sills of the old Coach-House, the verandah-posts of the Parsonage, the pre-primed areas at the back of the Parsonage and the back of Howick Arms-James White's General Store. This was a mammoth, magnificent effort with excellent results. We hope for good weather again on the 22nd February for another working bee.

We celebrate our 40th Anniversary since we opened next month, March 8th. Some of the Howick Lions helped us restore our buildings and erected fences in 1979 before we opened, and the group still generously assists in this community project.

With heaps of thanks and very best wishes,

Kind regards, Alan La Roche



HHV GM Has Big Plans

HOWICK
HISTORICAL
VILLAGE



Krissy Perrett is the new General Manager of the Howick Historical Village.

Krissy has had extensive experience overseas in museum roles and most recently has been Retail Operations manager for the Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki.

For the future Krissy has big plans for the Village; "We aim to further develop our self-sustaining income by increasing visitor numbers and providing an enhanced visitor experience; to bring the Village more alive during the week with more volunteers, adding activities for visitors to participate in, more frequent activation of facilities such as the printing press, and adding daily guided tours of the Village".

**The Water
Safety Picnic
is on Sunday
March 15**

**Howick
Lions are
supporting
the Scouts**

**Our Coastguard
will also be
there.
It'll be fun**



**W S P at Cockle Bay
SUNDAY, 15th March, 2020**



CONGRATULATIONS!



Birthdays in March

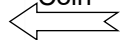
**Rosemary Buckley
Karen Sheath**



The Lions Club of Howick



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Coin'



Prince Harry and Meghan Markle may.....

CLUB CALENDAR



Howick
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Presented
March
1962



March

- 4 Dinner meeting
- 7 Lions Day with the United Nations (42nd)
- 8 HHV 40th Anniversary celebrations
- 15 'Water Safety Picnic' @ Cockle Bay
- 18 **Business Meeting; Nomination of Club Officers**
- 21 Hot Chips @ Cockle Bay school
- 28 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse

April

- 1 Dinner meeting
- 5 Daylight Saving Ends
- 10 Easter - Good Friday
- 13 Easter - Easter Monday
- 15 **Business Meeting; Election of Club Officers**
- 27 ANZAC DAY (*Mondayised from Saturday 25th*)



May

- 2 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 6 Dinner meeting
- 7 Mens Health Meeting @ Fencible Lounge
- 20 Business Meeting)

June

- 1 Queens Birthday Observance (Monday)
- 3 Dinner meeting
- 13 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 17 Business Meeting

July

- 1 **Dinner meeting; Change of Club Officers**
- 15 Business Meeting
- 25 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse

August

- 5 Dinner meeting
- 13 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 19 Business Meeting

September

- 2 Dinner meeting
- 5 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse
- 16 Business Meeting
- 19 General Election Day
- 26 Hot Chips @ Owairoa school
- 27 Daylight Saving begins

CONVENTION DATES

MULTI-DISTRICT 202	Hikurangi (Whangarei), May 1-3, 2020
INTERNATIONAL	Singapore, June 26-30, 2020
District 202K	Waipu, Oct 30 - Nov 1, 2020

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