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Club Calendar

We Serve



OCTOBER

Wednesday 2 Dinner Meeting @ DMG
 Sunday 6 Sizzle @ Bunnings
 Thursday 10 World SIGHT Day
 Wednesday 16 Business Meeting - World FOOD Day
 Sunday 20 Rotary Coastal Fun Run (Sizzle?)
 Monday 28 Labour Day



NOVEMBER

Friday 1-3 202K Convention @ Waitangi
 Friday 1 Chips @ Star of the Sea (Twilight)
 Sunday 3 Sizzle @ Bunnings
 Wednesday 6 Dinner Meeting
 Saturday 9 Chips @ Elm Park School - Gossamer Drive
 Thursday 14 World DIABETES Day
 Friday 15 Howick Christmas Fair (evening) - Christmas Cakes
 Wednesday 20 Business Meeting



DECEMBER

Wednesday 4 Christmas Dinner Meeting
 Sunday 8 Howick Christmas Parade
 Sunday 15 Sizzle @ Bunnings
 Wednesday 18 Business Meeting
 Wednesday 25 Christmas Day



JANUARY 2025

Wednesday 1 No Dinner Meeting
 Saturday 11-17 Camp Quality WEEK @ Wesley
 Monday 13 Melvin Jones' birthday
 Wednesday 15 Business Meeting
 Monday 27 Auckland Anniversary Day



FEBRUARY

Wednesday 5 Dinner meeting
 Thursday 6 Waitangi Day
 Wednesday 19 Business Meeting



MARCH

Wednesday 5 Dinner meeting
 Wednesday 19 Business Meeting
 Saturday 29 Chips @ Cockle Bay School



APRIL

Wednesday 2 Dinner meeting
 Wednesday 16 Business Meeting
 Friday 19 Easter Good Friday
 Monday 21 Easter Monday
 Friday 25 ANZAC DAY

ANZAC DAY

Let us not forget



Our next Dinner Meeting: - Wednesday, October 2
 6:30 for DMG - Pavilion Room



President Gordon writes...



At our last business meeting we had a rather full agenda with everyone taking part, which was great. Numbers attending are still disappointingly low; my apologies for allowing the meeting to run over time.

The Beach Clean-Up was a success; thanks Judith. A goodly number of Leos showed up from Howick College, Hillary College and a few from Botany College.

Neera and Shauna kept order. District Governor David Thompson came along and his help was very much appreciated. He showed he was a dab hand at the Barbeque and a good guy.

Recently there has been some discussion on charities to support. Clearly preference should be in this order; Lions initiatives, followed by local charities, and then, a distant third, national charities.

Remembering that we are a small club with limited resources. After all, we are here to serve our community not to help fund national bodies, where our contribution would be a drop in a very large bucket. Without a doubt we would get a bigger bang for our buck locally.

People join Lions to serve the needs of their communities, meet new friends and have some fun along the way, I feel we are losing the fun fellowship element.

If this trend continues, we won't have a Club. So let's put a smile on the dial, and stay positive and who knows, we might get some new members to join us and have some more fun.

Cheers,
Gordon





Daffodil Day has a rich history tied to the fight against cancer. It began in the 1950s when cancer societies started using the daffodil as a symbol of hope and resilience. The bright, cheerful flower, which is one of the first to bloom in the Spring, became an emblem of hope and renewal. The tradition quickly spread to other countries, with various cancer organizations adopting the daffodil as their symbol. Daffodil Day events typically involve selling daffodils, organizing fundraising activities, and raising awareness about cancer prevention and treatment. Today, Daffodil Day is celebrated globally, with many people participating in events to support cancer research and honour those affected by the disease.

DISTRICT 202K CONVENTION NOV 1-3, 2024

Venue: Copthorne Hotel, Waitangi, Bay of Islands

- Theme: Country and Western
- Programme:

Friday 1st November - registration only 4pm to 7pm. Opportunity to mix and mingle; dinner in the restaurant

Saturday Registration 7am to 9am
Business session 8.15am for 8.30am start o
Guest Speaker after lunch
Evening programme 6pm mix n mingle, to be seated by 6.30pm for line dancing demo. Dinner to commence at 7.15pm followed by dancing

Sunday Remembrance and Rededication 10am to 11am followed by light lunch





Our Club Dinner Meeting - Wednesday September 4, 2024 at DMG



We welcomed LAUREN BEECH from the 'Spirit of Adventure Trust' to this Howick Lions Club dinner meeting. Lauren was our guest speaker, and what she had to tell us made us all sit up & take notice. We heard & saw (on video) the remarkable and positive transformations in the character and outlook of the young (16-19) folks taken on board for the 10 days of SoA intense (sailing) experience of self-discovery. Lauren was not surprised at the reaction she saw from the watching Lions, as this overt change in these temporary crews was not new to her; but it was a revelation to us. Clearly 10 days of facing the challenges of a new & intimidating lifestyle environment, and the support & guidance of the on-board SoA counsellors, results in new 'super-charged' young people. We were impressed.

The Spirit of Adventure Trust was conceived by the simple insight and observation by founder Lou Fisher - when you take young people out to sea, magic happens. The concept of a tall ship for young people combined his ultimate passions – his love for sailing and the ocean, with his desire to better the lives of others. Stephen Fisher, then just 10 years old recalls loading up the boat with crew, his family, friends and his siblings' friends on Sundays for day trips out on the harbour.

The Spirit of Adventure Trust Board was founded in 1972 with the Trust's ship 'Spirit of Adventure' being launched in late 1973 and the first youth voyage sailing in early 1974. In 1977, Stephen Fisher was appointed Chairperson following the death of Lou. Driven by the same powerful mission to help young people in New Zealand reach their potential, Stephen has guided the Trust to become one of New Zealand's most successful and well-known youth development organisations.





DINNER WITH OUR DG

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 @

“BE PROUD TO BE
PART OF THE PRIDE”



David Thompson is District Governor for NZ Lions Clubs District 202K, for 2024-2025. David and his wife Diane have been active members of the Pukekohe Lions Club for 12 years, with David serving in various roles including President, Membership Chair & Project Leader. Diane is also the Pukekohe Lions Club secretary.

A small group of Howick Lions, together with Lions from the Bucklands Beach and Pakuranga-Panmure clubs, gathered at the Bucklands Beach Yacht Club on Wednesday evening, September 25, for an enjoyable social occasion to greet our current DG & his wife.



Lions News From Afar Shona & Tony beam in from Zurich



Shona writes...

“Wandering along the street today, in Zurich, we came across an annual Lions project outside a supermarket, collecting groceries for the needy.

We made ourselves known, and didn't have a banner to pass over, but got one of theirs.”



Goodbye Avi (*DMG chef - Avineel Kumar*) ; we wish you good fortune at your new posting at Fairway Gardens.
Thank you for all your menus & meals over the years.
Members of the Howick Lions Club



**Whatungarongaro te tangata
toitū te whenua**



August 30 2024



A Totara has fallen in the Great Forest of Tane



OUR SERVICE ROLES FOR 2024 / 2025

Schools Chips Service	Tony Blair	Website Control	Paul, Shauna
Membership	Paul Curtis	Almoner	Neil Homblow
Lion Mints	Neil Homblow	Sausage Sizzles	Judith, Tina, Shauna
Youth Affairs	Judith Korau	Bulletin Editor	Denis McKenna
Club Apparel	Denis McKenna	Social Events	Gordon, Tina, Shauna
Communications/PR	Paul, Tina, Shauna	Lion Tamer	Neil Homblow
Tail Twister	Gordon Myer	Health & Safety	Tony Blair
Community Projects	Paul Curtis	Privacy Officer	Colin Salt
Guest Speakers	Shauna Eldridge	DMG Liaison	Denis McKenna
Leo Advisors: - Howick College	Neil Homblow	Hillary Collegiate	Shauna Eldridge
Photo Comp*	Judith, Paul, Tina, Shauna	Water Safety Picnic	Paul, Shauna
Christmas Cakes	Shauna Eldridge	Specs Recycling	Neil Homblow





Members on the Move



LIONS ON THE LAN

Tony & Shona away 04/08... 20/11
Brian & Gillian away 17/09...14/10
Agnes away 15/09... 21/11
Shauna away 27/09.... 07/10



TO BE A LION

Being a LION is special. For many reasons. The lives we touch through service changes lives for the better, including our own.



We have fun.

Community service isn't just serious and meaningful; it can be fun. It's also a way to build friendships within our clubs and make new connections inside our communities. We laugh. We bond. We serve. And we do it all with a smile and a grateful heart, making memories along the way which will last us a lifetime.



We are part of something big, at the same time unique.

1.4 million kindred Lions in more than 49,000 clubs around the planet are united by one mission, but distinct in the ways we serve. We have the freedom to choose the projects we're most passionate about and expect will make the biggest impact on our communities.



We have opportunities for personal growth.

Planning & completing service projects, and attending meetings, provides us with opportunities to develop new skills, discover talents we never realised we had; and strengthen social relationships. Just being part of a club improves our confidence and increases our personal self-esteem. And if leadership is something we're interested in, there are plenty of possibilities to take on roles that will build valuable leadership skills.



We're backed by a global association and its foundation.

As members, we're supported by an international organisation that can provide us with resources, tools and assistance to inspire and support us along our LIONS journey. We're also backed by a world-class global foundation which provides specific funding, allowing us to provide greater service and particular humanitarian needs.



Doing good feels good.

There's a warm glow that switches on inside us when we carry out an act of kindness. So, while our primary motivation for service is always helping those in need, it's amazing the way doing good also makes us feel good. It starts in our own backyards with service projects we initiate to grow the good in our communities. But kindness can trickle up. And before long, it becomes clear how the work we do affects more than the neighbourhoods we live in — our service as LIONS can make the entire world a better place. One of the simplest and most impactful acts of kindness we can perform is to share the joy of being a LION.



Together we are Lions International.
Together we are serving a world in need.



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2024 President*: **Gordon Myer (President No. 64)**

Immediate Past President*: **Tina Singh**

VP 1*: **Shauna Eldridge**

Secretary*: **Shauna Eldridge**

VP 2*: **Neil Homblow**

Treasurer(s)*: **Shauna Eldridge / Neil Homblow**

LCIF Co-ordinator*: **Tina Singh** Membership Director*: **Paul Curtis**

* Board Member

Trustees: **Neil Homblow; Denis McKenna; Gordon Myer;**

Melvin Jones Fellows:

Tony Blair; Agnes Li; Denis McKenna; Brian Stocking;

Howick Lions Club members are volunteers who meet twice a month; once to socialise for dinner with partners & guests, and once to identify the evolving humanitarian needs within the Howick community and to develop plans to provide Lions Club team support. **We Serve.**

Howick Lions Club members also encourage, mentor and empower local college LEOS (*Junior Lions*) in the role & value of neighbourhood community service.



Lions International Website: www.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php

Lions International YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/lionsclubs/videos>

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)

This charitable funding facility supports Lions Clubs International, enabling individual Lions Clubs to greatly strengthen their community service with targeted humanitarian support, or when exceptional & devastating disaster strikes their home communities.

LCIF Website: -

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-foundation/mission>

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Melvin Jones (1879 - 1961)

founded Lions Clubs in Chicago in 1917.

**Today there are 49000 Lions Clubs globally,
creating the world's premier service organisation.**

