



BETWEEN THE LIONS

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Multiple District Appointments

The Council of Governors is pleased to advise the following appointments:

Council Chairman (2015 – 2016) – District Governor Graham Edge (202J) who will succeed Council Chairman David McDonald at the conclusion of this Lions year. Graham was elected by the District Governor Elect Team at the recent Council meeting held in Napier in conjunction with the Multiple District Convention.

Executive Management Committee Member – CC David McDonald who takes over from retiring member Ian (Chalky) White upon his completion of his second 3 year term on 30 June 2015. David is a member of the Hastings Host Lions Club and his appointment will enable the EMC to retain his legal skills for a further period

Multiple District Communications Coordinator – Lion Rex Bullard. This newly created position will enable our Lions Clubs Association to better raise our public profile and gain advantage from the various Social Media outlets.

Multiple District Diabetes Liaison Advisor – Lion Mandy Hebben (Orewa Lions club) has been reappointed to this liaison role to maintain the initial impetus by our Multiple District in its desire to better link with Diabetes NZ and the growing diabetes epidemic here in New Zealand.

The Council of Governors confirms that **PDG Graham Robinson** has been reappointed Chairman of the Executive Management Committee for a further term to 30 June 2016.

Lions Clubs New Zealand Charitable Trust

The Trustees have met on several occasions recently to consider applications from worthy young New Zealanders that had been received via local Lions Clubs. In all 6 Grants were approved to 6 young adults to assist them achieve their goals of confidence and horizon building. The Grants consisted of financial contributions toward a Spirit of Adventure experience, disabled Outward Bound course, Hart Walker contribution, a college science-learning course, an extended outdoor pursuits and Discovery for Teens courses.

These young adults have demonstrated to both their local Lions Club and the Trustees their desire to succeed and their ability to self-fund a good portion of their respective programmes. All will become Ambassadors of the 'Heads Up 4 Coins' Project and all lions will hear further from these teenagers as time goes by.

Details of the application process can be found on our website www.lionsclubs.org.nz under Resources, Publications, Manuals & Forms.

ANZI-Pacific Forum



This year's Forum is to be held in **Auckland, 4 - 6 September 2015**. The Forum Seminars & workshops will be held at the Waipuna Hotel and Conference Centre which is handily placed to both the Southern motorway and the Auckland airport. Following on from the successful Queenstown Forum back in 2012 there will be many more Kiwi Lions wanting to further their Lions knowledge whilst enjoying all the attractions that Auckland offers. Full details, the registration form and hotel booking details are at: <http://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/Clubs/Conventions/ANZI-Pacific-Forum>

Waipuna Hotel on-line booking use Reference LIONS0109 -
<http://www.waipunahotel.co.nz/welcome>

The Forum 'District Teams Golf Trophy', donated by Past International President Kajit Habanananda, is for District Teams (of four) and can be men, women or mixed teams. Players from Districts who haven't been able to get a team together will team up with other entrants from their own District.

MD Convention Highlights

Last week's 'Art Deco' convention weekend has been heralded as '*the best one yet*' and '*what a shame my club colleagues did not attend*'. Convention Chairman Robin Nairn and his team from the Hawkes Bay clubs did everyone attending proud.

International Presidents Certificates of Appreciation were presented to **PDGs Jacquey & Murray Neilson** for their 14 odd years offering knowledge and training to potential future leaders; **PDG Marion McWha** for her work with Lions Quest and to **PCC Robin Nairn** for his chairmanship of the 2015 MD convention.

PDG Colin Lees received an **International Presidents Leadership Medal** for his 18 years of work with Youth Exchange, both within his district and New Zealand wide. Both **Ian (Chalky) White** and **PCC Robin Nairn** were awarded **International President Medals**, Ian for his service to Council on the Executive Management Committee and Robin for his leadership of the MD Lions Clubs International Foundation committee and the huge growth in club donations to LCIF.

MD Convention - Photos

For Lions wishing to view Lion Wendy Allen's array of photographs taken at the Napier MD Convention go to our website and click on conventions or email Wendy on wendyjudith65@gmail.com

Club Excellence & Club Secretary 100% Awards

The **Club Excellence Award** replaces the earlier 100% Club President Award and is issued by LCI upon application. Both the criteria and application form are found on our Lions Clubs New Zealand website – resources, awards.

Applications, signed off by your current District Governor, should be emailed (districtadministration@lionsclubs.org) to LCI to arrive by 30 September 2015.

The **Club Secretary 100% Award** is available to qualifying Club Secretaries. Again, both the criteria & application form are available from our website. Applications should be sent to your current District Governor for approval by 15 July 2015. LCI deleted the Club Treasurer Award some short few years ago. However Club Presidents can still consider presenting to their treasurers an attractive Club Treasurer Award (G125T) and Ribbon (G203) both of which are found on page 5 of the Club Supplies catalogue and available from our local Multiple District office.

Nepal Earthquake

As all Lions are aware, on ANZAC Day Saturday 25th April 2015 Nepal experienced a 7.9 magnitude earthquake between the capital Kathmandu and the city of Pokhara. The devastation is immense, with at least 3,500 people killed and thousands more left homeless and without shelter. Your Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has acted immediately by giving a US\$100,000 Emergency Grant for the Lions of Nepal and neighbouring countries to distribute bottled water, food, blankets, hygiene packs, baby care, toiletries, medicines and temporary shelter to the people in need.

Your club donation to the **LCIF Disaster Relief Fund** will enable much needed assistance to be given to the Nepalese people. Club donations marked as such will be eligible to go towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Please remember 100% of every dollar donated to LCIF goes to the people in need.

For The Record

As at 1 May 2015 Lions membership in New Zealand and the Islands of the South Pacific had a small net loss of 82 members bringing the total membership to 10,510 in 386 Clubs. To date Lions here in Multiple District 202 have completed in excess of 326,000 man hours toward our communities.

There are now 1,408,044 Lions in the world in 46,413 clubs.

COMMUNICATIONS

Club Presidents or Secretaries who receive Between the Lions are asked to pass this on to their club bulletin editors or direct to their members at the next club meeting.

Feedback and comment are welcome – email executiveofficer@lionsclubs.org.nz.