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President Robyn's Report

Hi everyone.

We are in August already – 5 months until Christmas!!

I have been back from the States for 3 weeks and the trip is now becoming a distant memory. New York was great with lots of sightseeing and blisters on the feet with all the walking we did. Not so much sightseeing in Chicago as we were busy attending the convention but we did manage to go out to Oakbrook where the International Office is situated.

The International Show on the Saturday night featured the Beach Boys who played non-stop for over one and a half hours. Great music.

District Governor Frank was inducted on the last day of convention, which also happened to be 4th July so lots of fireworks that night.

Thank you Crichton, for your interesting talk and the photos of your biking trip to South America at our last social meeting.

This month we are changing around our meetings as on 1st August we are hosting the Clubs of Whangarei Hatea and Tutukaka at A 'Fare for 2nd VDG Judy Allison's address on behalf of District Governor Frank King-Turner. We will then have our business meeting on Tuesday, 15th August.

At our social meeting in July, we talked about finding a new home for our meetings – members are looking at either A 'Fare or the Northland Club. We will discuss this at the next business meeting.

We were sad to hear of the passing of Executive Officer David Dawick on 20th July. I attended his funeral service held in Albany with Steve Bennett and 2nd VDG Judy Allison on Tuesday, 25th July. A great send off for David with standing room only. He will be sorely missed.

I have been kept busy with my District role as Cabinet Secretary, preparing the paperwork for our first Cabinet meeting to be held on the weekend of 28th/29th July in Waiuku. I have also had the pleasure of accompanying VDG Wendy Miller and Graeme to Wendy's DG joint visit with Kawakawa/Moerewa and Waitangi Clubs and 2nd VDG Judy Allison to the joint meeting with Kaikohe and Opononi & Districts Lions Clubs.

President Robyn

RDA Working Bee

Late last month a working bee was held at the RDA premises to finish lining the horse stalls. The lining is needed to avoid the horses injuring each other. Lions Merv, Greig, Dennis, Terry and George worked as a team And the job was finished in good time.



**Dennis rolls up his sleeves
While Merv picks up the shovel**



Greig cannot look anymore!!



Absolute concentration to ensure perfection

Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker this month was our own intrepid explorer, Crichton Christie. Crichton, with the able assistance of his daughter, gave us an insight of travelling through the South America countries of Brazil, Argentina, Peru, and Bolivia. The trip was not for the faint hearted having travelled mainly at high altitude and having to negotiate one of the world's most dangerous roads, not to discount the hair rising antics of fellow road users.



Crichton's family wishes him well



Bolivia's dangerous pass



Salt Desert of Bolivia

LION's snippets

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 1 st August	Combined Meeting with Hatea & Tutukaka Lions @ A 'Fare 6pm 2nd VDG Judy Allison to attend
Saturday 5 th August	Citrus Fruit collection – Terry Ward, Organiser
Tuesday 15 th August	Business Meeting (due to VDG visit)
Friday 29 th August	Daffodil Day collection at Yovich corner– Russell Ross, Convenor
Saturday 4 th November	Annual Fireworks Display
December <u>TBA</u>	Magic show

Joke of the Month

A blonde and a redhead have a ranch. They have just lost their bull. The women need to buy another, but only have \$500.

The redhead tells the blonde, "I will go to the market and see if I can find one for under that amount. If I can, I will send you a telegram."

She goes to the market and finds one for \$499.

Having only one dollar left, she goes to the telegraph office and finds out that it costs one dollar per word. She is stumped on how to tell the blonde to bring the truck and trailer.

Finally, she tells the telegraph operator to send the word "comfortable." Sceptical, the operator asks, "How will she know to come with the trailer from just that word?"

The redhead replies, "She's a blonde so she reads slowly: 'Come for ta bull.'"

Calendar - August 2017

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1 Combined meeting VDG visit 6pm	2	3	4	5 Citrus Collection
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Business Meeting due to VDG visit RSA 6pm	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Daffodil Collection Yovich Cnr	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Upcoming Meetings:

Social Meeting – A ‘Fare - **Tuesday 1st August 2017**
 Greeter - Brian Boys
 Raffle Seller - Greig Tapper
 Invocation - Ray Topia

Business Meeting - RSA - **Tuesday 15th August 2017**
 Greeter - Ross Minty
 Raffle Seller - Mel Crosado
 National Anthem - Malcolm Hawthorn
 Invocation - Denis Parkes

IMPORTANT -

- Please organise a stand-in if you cannot make it.

- As a courtesy please give your apologies to Terry Ward 435 0654 by Midday Monday prior to the meeting or you may be charged for your meal.

Any ideas or input for the Bulletin is greatly accepted. Photos are also of great assistance. Please forward to George at geomac1950@gmail.com or phone 4363331 or 021375795