



**50 Years of Serving the
Community
1971 - 2021**

**A Chronicle
of
Fifty - Years of Community Service
by the Lions Club of Green Island**

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THE FIRST DECADE OF THE LIONS CLUB OF GREEN ISLAND 1971 - 1981 PROLOGUE

In the dawn of 1971, the well-established Dunedin Lions Club (now Dunedin Host) prepared to sponsor a new Lions Club in the District of Green Island.

Having decided on the need for such a club in the District, they enlisted the aid of the existing clubs of that time, Mosgiel and Dunedin South, to assist them to search for men of character and ability living in this area who would make suitable Lion members.

Membership in a Lions Club being by invitation only, each prospective member would be approached personally by a Lion member of the above clubs.

Searchers from the three clubs approached men in the area who were known to them, or of reported suitable character, advising them of the objects of Lionism and how they could play a part in the support of their community.

In some cases, prospective members were afforded the hospitality of the sponsoring members' clubs and made one or two visits to the meeting observing just how those Lions clubs operated.

For the men attending the Inaugural meeting of 10 February 1971, it was an honour and privilege to have been selected and invited.

ORGANISATION MEETING

Chaired by Deputy District Governor Roy Broad, a meeting of 22 Lions and 30 prospective members was held on 10 February 1971.

This meeting was attended also by:

Mr Vic Crimp - Mayor of Green Island

Mr Keith Mitchell	- Lions International Representative
Mr Eric Marsh	- Zone Chairman
Mr Keith Weatherall	- President Dunedin Lions Club
Mr Jeff White	- President Dunedin South Lions Club
Mr Keith Pickersgill	- Vice President Mosgiel Lions Club

An address by International Representative, Keith Mitchell, on Lions Clubs International, was followed by a general talk and discussion led by the Presidents of Dunedin and Dunedin South Clubs. Both, as motivated Lions, explained the operation of a Club, and members' involvement in the local scene. Any doubts that the prospective members may have had regarding the necessity for a Lions Club were soon dispelled by the enthusiasm and sincerity of these speakers. Finally, Mayor Vic Crimp delivered a spirited address in support of establishing a Lions Club in the Greater Green Island area, and referred to the likely benefits to the community.

The meeting then resolved to form a Lions Club of Green Island.

Following an introduction of prospective members from the floor of the meeting, an election of principal officers was called for by Chairman, Deputy District Governor Roy Broad.

Those elected were:

President	J. C. Rodger
Secretary	D. G. Cathro
Treasurer	K. D. Wright
1st Vice President	P. H. Jamieson
2nd Vice President	M. W. Clear
3rd Vice President	F. W. Gray
Directors	R. F. Cockburn
	E. C. B. Oliver

Two additional Directors, Tail-Twister, and Lion Tamer were to be elected at a later date.

AND SO TO WORK...

The meetings began almost immediately on the first and third Tuesdays at 6.00pm - Venue: Commercial Hotel, Green Island.

A spontaneous and generous gift from the late Bill Frisby of a "Badge Case and Banner Roller" was our Club's first introduction to a Lion who was to become a friend to all in our Club and, indeed, many Clubs in the area.

Arrangements for a Charter Night were in hand, and the Charter Night Committee reported to the first Board meeting in March that all was in hand for the Charter Night Dinner on 24 April. Even at this early stage, the minutes record problems with the logistics of the International system, the difficulty of collecting dues and charter fees from the members, and an odd suggestion from one Director that 50 Lions Song Books be purchased for use at Tea meetings!

Zone Chairman, Eric Marsh, visited the Club's Tea Meeting to present Membership kits and badges to all members.

Elections, finally bringing the Board to full strength:
Further Directors: R.F. Harrison, R.K. Little, C.J. Porter
Tail Twister: G. Rogers
Lion Tamer: R. Wells

CHARTER PRESENTATION DINNER

Date: Saturday, 24 April, 1971
Venue: Green Island Civic Centre

In addition to the Officers mentioned in the foregoing, the following members made up a Club strength of 38.

D. G. Arthur	K. M. Jones	B. Bezett	R. R. Landreth
R. R. Breen	R. A. Little	J. Buckley.	D. L. Madigan
C. O. Cooper	R. C. Maxwell	B. Devlin	I. McLeod
M. J. Eaton	G. E. Pridding	D. T. Favel	K. D. Scurr
I. H. Finnie	O. R. Stevens	R. J. Fletcher	W. G. Thompson
F. T. Gray	E. Tikey	H. C. Johnson	R. R. Waters
			K. D. Wright

The Chairman on this occasion was Lion Ron Fletcher, then a teacher at the Green Island School.

Dignitaries in attendance were:

Lions International Representative	- Keith Mitchell
District Governor	- Rex Austin
Deputy District Governor	- Roy Broad
Zone Chairman	- Eric Marsh

These dignitaries, supported by the Presidents of sponsoring Clubs, and Lion members and their wives, contributed in no small way to a very successful evening.

Following the official function, social festivities, games and skits were to set a standard that was to become quite indicative of the Club's socials in the years to come. One remembers a tricycle race around the hall, and the crafty Steward Supervisor who breached an 18 gallon keg within 10 minutes of the end of the function, thus assuring a good supply of material to be cleaned up the following day.

THE FIRST YEAR 1971-1972 Club President: John Rodger

TEA MEETINGS:	1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month
VENUE:	Commercial Hotel House Bar
CATERER:	Ian "Brown Stew" Brockie
TELEPHONIST:	Mrs Betty Moffat

Betty was to become the Club Communicator, ringing around to remind members of meetings, special nights, or surveys of numbers attending functions. She soon became indispensable.

At Club level, the membership was divided into the traditional three committees under the chairmanship of the three Vice Presidents and each was allocated a share of duties.

The application of 1st V.P. Harvey Jamieson to become Lion at Large required a shuffle of Vice Presidents to bring Lion Fred Gray to 1st V.P. , Max Clear to 2nd V.P. and Robert Harland to 3rd V.P.

The club experienced its first budgetary problem. Charter night numbers attending were not those catered for, and, after many months, it was established that many visiting clubs had responded with the number of persons attending, and our Charter Night committee had taken these numbers to mean couples attending!

Early projects included assisting with the display of Gemini Space Craft, and a CORSO collection.

The meetings consisted of our introduction to Lionism with educational material supplied by Lions Clubs International, and generally getting to grips with Club operations.

Our first Ladies' Night was held at Cherry Court Lodge in July 1971 where the guest speaker was Professor Fastier.

New members inducted in the first year of Lions:

Bob Fairhurst	Dick Goodfellow	John Cathro
Keith Knox	Jim Allen	Len Bell

A Club pennant was designed and this was to continue without change for eight years.

Rumbles were heard about a gong and gavel that should have been presented to the Green Island Club but was presented elsewhere by the sponsoring Club. "Oh, Shame!" Visitors to the recipient Club came home with said gong and gavel in the boot of their car, starting a traditional round of the light-fingered few.

More projects followed:

- Logging trees at Dick Little's yard
- Cutting fence posts at Fulton Hogan
- Neurological collection
- Investigation into converting Baths, including Engineer's report. Cost: \$36,000 to cover and \$9,000 to heat as well. The Club decided that this was not a viable project.
- Christmas gift vouchers for the poor and elderly
- The first Golf tournament (Net Profit \$412.70)

- Donated to St. Johns Ambulance
- Bottle Drive for the Boy Scouts

These projects, along with 'Social Nights', united the Club, and, by the end of the 1971-72 year, it was strengthened by the addition of **three further members:** Jim Young, Stan Lyders and Ron McVie.

Final Membership at June 1972: 45.

1972 - 1973 Club President: R. Harland/Cliff Porter

President R. Harland takes office but is transferred to Australia within a few weeks of his term. First V.P. Cliff Porter was elevated to the Presidency for the remainder of the Lions' year.

The club began the annual V.S.A. sponsorship.

Lion Harry Johnson proposed a 'Sportsman of the Year Dinner' to raise funds for the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

New Club projects undertaken through the year:

- Squash Courts - public meeting
- Wishing Well - at Fairfield Lodge
- Festival Procession car parks
- Friday Fiddle Raffles
- Off-shore shark nets for Brighton
- Carnival Brighton Domain (Surf Club, Sea Scouts, Domain Board)
- Sportsman of the Year Dinner
- Christmas tree sales
- Machine-O-Rama for Y.M.C.A. Building fund

These projects, along with those already established in the previous year, set the Club in a forward motion that was to continue for some years. Many older Club members will still reminisce over the first Sportsman of the Year Dinner convened so well by Lion Harry Johnson. The scene was set so well and the guests of excellent calibre, plus wit and humour, made the night one to be remembered for many

years. This was to be followed by a joint project, the mighty Machine-O-Rama, which was also a test for a new club, still learning how to organise itself, let alone a project of this size.

New members: Les Preston, Malcolm Elder, Bob Keith, Hugh Mackie, Brian Devlin, Allan Gillett

Fees:	Joining	\$14.00
	Subscription	\$15.00
	Meals	\$ 1.25

Several social events and Ladies' Nights were held during the year and the Club established a trophy for an annual Zone Golf Match. The year also heralded the annual "Club Golf Match" and the trophy on this occasion was won by Lion Gordon Cathro.

The Club's first Bulletin was published in August, 1972, by Editor Lion Eric Tikey. The first bulletins, while only a single information sheet, were devoured by an information thirsty Club and later developed into the Bulletin booklet of today. The publication has been improved over the years by various editors, with assistance of Brown's Typing Service.

During the second year a special committee drafted a Club Constitution, using the National Constitution as a basis, and the Club became an Incorporated Society.

1973 - 1974

Club President: Joe Buckley

President Joe Buckley began a position of service to Lionism that has taken him through the Chair and on to District 202F posts of Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, District Governor and various Cabinet appointments, and continues to serve on District Cabinet at the present time (1981).

With a membership of 45, the Club began to consolidate its position in the community, and, under President Joe's

direction, established the “Golden Oldies”, or annual projects, that became the bread and butter lines of the Club.

In addition to those previously mentioned, **new projects were as follows:**

- Construction of bus shelter at Fairfield
- Bull in Freezer Raffle (\$1,000)
- Distribution of firewood to pensioners
- Delivery of Combined Churches Christmas Day gifts
- Development and drainage of Concord playground
- The first Moto-Cross
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Snippets from the Minutes:

“Lion members not attending the Tea meetings without apology will be debited with the cost of their meal.” (and, seven years later, we still have the same problem!)

“Two ventilator machines were presented to the Hospital Heart Unit from the Bull in Freezer raffle.”

New members: Eddie Christianson, Murray Holland (transfer), Terry Clarkson (transfer), John Waldron, Mervyn Telfer, Owen Cook, Ron Tippet, Tom Kidd (transfer).

Malcolm Elder was asked to become honorary auditor.

John Rodger produced an outstanding first bulletin and was thanked by the Board.

Eric Tikey ran a successful Car Rally.

Subscriptions: \$17.00

Ladies Night: \$8.00 a double ticket

Meal prices increased with all round rumbles and belt tightening.

1974 - 1975

Club President: Harry Johnson

With President Harry Johnson at the helm, the Club entered its fourth year.

The first function of note was a special meeting to form a Lions Ladies Support Committee. On 13 August, thirteen ladies met at the Fairfield Tavern with a guest speaker from the Dunedin South Lions Club Ladies Committee. The first Ladies' Chairwoman was to be Barbara Porter and their Secretary, Diane Elder.

1 October was the date for a change of venue, and the Club moved its home to the Fairfield Tavern. Our host, Allan Davidson, made everyone at home, even the reluctant few. The venue was both comfortable and large enough to support all of our major functions for some years to come.

Green Island Scouts converged on Dick Little's yard to bag firewood (600 bags) which covered the cost of their Jamboree Tee shirts.

While annual established projects were carried out as usual, the Club made ready for the Green Island Centennial: the Centennial News - Celebrations - Golf - Procession Control - Lions Club Float of Saddle Hill - and finally the Gala on the Sunnyvale grounds.

The Moto-X was by now an established annual. This Centennial Moto-X, however, was a superb effort and especially marked by one Lion who put pen to paper for the Bulletin regarding the Convenor.

LION ON A HOT TIN BIKE

I gazed across the valley wide
When first I heard the racket;
It was the bikes of Moto-cross
At practice in the paddock.

The grass was wet, the track so greasy,
No wonder learners took it easy,
For all along the sloping hill
A bikies' dozen took a spill.

I looked again and gasped, "Oh no!"
For there astride a bike was Joe.
A hard hat rammed upon his head
It seemed his pants were filled with lead.

He bore on madly down the hill
Not conscious that such speed could kill.
Moustaches flying in the breeze,
Bright red face between his knees.

He raced on down to end of ridge,
Where lesser men would need a bridge,
And then with one almighty leap
He sailed out high o'er grazing sheep.

He shot through space until he plunged,
Then into swamp he headfirst lunged.
The swamp exploded, flying high,
With turf and scrub both in the sky.

Her flashed on through that swampy mess,
Riding bike with much finesse,
And then with noise like nearby thunder
Split the railway bank asunder.

I picked myself up off the floor,
And climbed back into bed once more,
Resolving then to knock off whisky,
Nightmares of Joe made sleep too risky.

The first Key awards: Eric Tikey, Joe Buckley, Ian Finnie.

New members: Bert Wolf, Douglas Snelling, Gordon Lean,
Allan Davidson, Malcolm Holley, Lester Baldock, Ray Smith,
Allan Morris, Bill Elliot.

1975 - 1976

Club President: Ian Finnie

This year began “well in hand” with President Ian Finnie in the Chair.

“Speak Up Campaign” was first mooted, and Lions’ Owen Cook and Ron McVie were appointed to attend meetings and demonstrations.

Lion Malcolm Elder was appointed District Cabinet Treasurer.

A quantity of coke (4 1/2 ton all told) was donated by the City Council for distribution to the elderly.

A Bavarian Night held in the Civic Theatre for Green Island Plunket Mothers raised \$500.00.

A weekend camp for Venturer Scouts’ units of the area was sponsored at Lake Mahinerangi with Lion members taking part.

Saturday Multiple Draw Raffle instigated at Fairfield Tavern under direction of Lion Doug Snelling.

Past President Harry Johnson gained 100% President’s Award.

Three special chairs, used for patient handling, and two resuscitators, were presented to St John’s Ambulance with proceeds from the Moto-X.

41 elderly people were transported by Lions’ Club drivers to a Variety Concert staged by the Red Cross.

The Club contributed \$5.00 per head to the Lloyd Morgan Promotion for World President Fund.

The Otago Cash Cycling Club Hall was shifted by members from its site behind Carisbrook to a temporary position at Millar Park.

Club members hosted their first Lions Youth Exchangees.

Dr Stan Woodhouse addressed the Club as guest speaker on 'The standard of medical care in the world today, and the assistance in patient care obtained from a body scanner.'

Sideshow Alley arranged at the Otago A.& P. Winter Show. The project to be run in conjunction with West Harbour and Port Chalmers Clubs, each Club to use their portion of the funds as they see fit. Green Island Club put their share towards the promotion of a Body Scanner for the Otago area.

Four new food containers were presented for Meals on Wheels in the Green Island area.

The old Fairfield schoolhouse was demolished to make way for a new Play Centre. The profit from demolition was \$1,020.00.

New members: Russell Clark, Bob Rodgers, Kevin King, Evan Cockburn, Bill Geddes.

Total membership: 45

This was a good year for our Club, and while the Board found it necessary to ask some members to review their membership, other Lions began to work well together, making a real team effort of many projects.

On the social side, there were: Combined Tea Meetings, A Car Trial, A Tavern Trek, Club Dinner at Fairfield, and a Combined Changeover Night.

The Ladies' Committee had several meetings and outings throughout the year.

1976 - 1977

Club President: Darrell Madigan

Wallets loosen as meal price increases to \$2.00 and subs to \$22.00.

As the Club pace increases, more attention to detail is required. Records must be kept of projects and Club transactions.

President Darrell Madigan asked 1st V.P. Terry Clarkson to head a committee to establish Club archives, and a Club section to the District Policy Manual. He felt that the Club should have some continuing traditions and rules to maintain smooth running from year to year.

The display of prints and video tapes of Body Scanners at the recent Winter Show project has caused a great deal of news' interest. It is now apparent that we must establish a Trust to supervise money that is daily forwarded for the purchase of a Body Scanner.

Assistance was given to Port Chalmers Club to send Miss Gay Rutherford, a young American visitor who had suffered a brain haemorrhage while on holiday in Dunedin, home to America. A nurse was flown home with her to her hometown, where it was arranged that the local Lions Club would take over.

Scouts and Guides of Green Island received \$647.45 from the Annual Golf Tournament.

A Tavern Trek was held, starting at 7.30pm at the Fairfield Tavern, for \$3.50 per head.

A Zone Golf Tournament was held at Milton. Zone Chairman Joe suggested that if we are to play in the frost we should be using black balls.

Scanner Appeal Committee and Trust established. President D. Madigan was named as a Trust member, and Past President H. Johnson as an Appeal Committee member. A letter of thanks

was received from the Mayor of Dunedin, Sir James Barnes, (who is also Chairman of the Scanner Trust) for the Club's action in bringing forward the project.

Five members assisted the Vintage Car Club Ball by acting as bar keepers. The task was undertaken for a donation of \$25.00. It is rumoured that they drank more than that, and one member was last seen dancing away with one of the female guests under a fully erected umbrella. Operation Identification is now in full swing and many homes have been processed.

Where is "Horse Hoof Station"? Five miles up the Middlesmarch road, and that's where it's all happening. Once again a combined Club effort - the 4-Wheel Drive Rally. This project would be the most ambitious, and the most successful, run by our Club in this decade. With a turnover of some \$13,000, it realised \$6,000 nett for Multiple Sclerosis, and took some 1,000 man-hours to promote and run. This project was shared with the Taieri Lions Club.

In addition to the usual "Golden Oldies," other projects included:

- Tug of War Team promotion
- Presentation of two Surf Skis to Brighton Surf Club
- Promotion of St Johns Instruction Course
- Assistance at the Wairoa Scout Camp
- Participation with the catering at the Royal Air Pageant
- Donation of VHF radio to St Johns Association
- Promotion of youth to Dallas Youth Camp
- Collection for UNICEF
- Festival Motorcycle Road Race (gatekeepers)
- A Junior Golf Match
- Assistance with materials for Tautuku Youth Camp
- Donation to Burns Clinic, or part fare for two nurses to a Burns Seminar in Australia
- Presentation of supplies to District Nurses, and comfort materials.

New members: John Nolet, David Gardner, Syd Baron, Layton Swann, John Gulliver, Paul Gaudin, Brian Chapman.

Total membership: 45

Snippets from the Records:

Projects, including service projects: 44

Total Project Account Turnover \$13,478.39

Plus Dual Club Project 4 X 4 Rally (nett) \$6,000

Man-hours on Projects: 3,047 hours

Ist V.P. Terry Clarkson completes archives, and procedures and material is deposited with Club Archivist, Evan Cockburn.

Note: Regrettably, successive administrations have not continued this essential practice, and no further records have been added.

Many social occasions were held throughout the year, and the Club was pleased to host District Governor Ivan Goodson and his wife, Katherine, on three separate occasions.

1977 - 1978

Club President: Harry Johnson

While it is now expected that the 1st Vice President becomes the Club President, in this instance Lion Terry Clarkson was unable to accept the post due to business commitments. After considerable discussion, it was decided to ask Past President Harry Johnson to return as Club President for the incoming year. President Harry, having accepted the post, soon had the Club running along in good fashion.

Projects and Achievements:

- Club members removed the chairs and tables from the Fireside Club Hall to Kevin King's paint shop for varnishing, and Lion Evan Cockburn fabricated Dart Board, cupboard etc.
- Lion Joe Buckley appointed as Deputy District Governor for District 202F
- 63 bags of potatoes sold

- Club supported LCIF and assisted with Save the Children collection
- Lion Jim Young leads team to fill and paint Fairfield Play Centre - a formidable task
- Club assists with Mosgiel Club's Top Team, catering with new BBQs
- Arranged for 20 pensioners to be taken to Woolworths Christmas Party
- Ran Charity Premiere at Civic Theatre in conjunction with Radio Otago
- Made donation of \$250 for Indian Eye Camp
- Five members took presentation of play equipment to Sara Cohen School and had a very rewarding afternoon
- After considerable effort, and arranging with the Otago Hospital Board, a motorised wheelchair was obtained and presented to Mark Fitzgerald. The chair was purchased with funds from the Sportsman of the Year Dinner
- Once again, a joint project was arranged to run a 4-Wheel Drive Rally

Annual Projects still include:

- Christmas Cakes
- Christmas Trees
- Festival car parks
- Beer Festival
- Golf Tournament
- Moto-X
- Braille Week collection and support

New members: Bill Columbus, Mick Finn (transfer), George Bowler, Peter Reeve, Graham Brensell, David Ingram, Ron Godman

A special effort was made to assist Mosgiel Club with its District Convention programme. Green Island had the honour of arranging the "Key Breakfast," which was staged with much hilarity in the Fairfield Tavern.

1978 - 1979

Club President: Terry Clarkson

Few Presidents find it possible to arrange a 100% Club participation project on the day that they take office, but President Terry Clarkson did just this with a Telethon Sausage Sizzle outside the Regent Theatre.

202F had the honour of hosting Lloyd Morgan at Cromwell and Riversdale.

Club subscriptions set at \$27.00, with supporting raffle of \$1.00 each Tea meeting night.

Lion Joe Buckley nominated for District Governor.

\$500 donated to Little Sisters of the Poor Hospital Appeal.

18 Lions assisted caterers with Arthur Barnett's 75th Anniversary Dinner until the small hours of the morning, and, again, tales of almost misconduct with the guests.

28 members turned out to paint the Green Island Kindergarten, and furniture was donated to complete the project.

Fairfield Tennis Club received a cheque from the sale of potatoes.

Promises? Promises? The Club sign is soon to be erected at the Fairfield Tavern.

Lions attending the Montreal International Convention had wood-cutting project well in hand with funding towards travelling expenses.

Contestants for the Bank of New South Wales Youth of the Year Contest: D. Fairhurst, Lorna Scurr, Kathryn Ogg. One reached the District Finals.

A small team attended the Miniature TT meetings with the Club BBQ but returns were only \$18.20 per night.

A caravan has been purchased by the Club as an investment. It is proposed to rent it out when it is not required for Club projects.

“Little did we know of the fortunes and fate of yon caravan at this time.”

Brown Memorial Moto-X proceeds will be donated to the Blood Bank Film. The Club seeks \$7,000 to make a new promotional film for the Blood Donor Service.

Brighton Surf Life Saving Club was presented with three Citizen band radios, charger and other communication equipment.

16 January 1979, due to a change in the operation of the Fairfield Tavern, it became necessary for the Club to move house. Lion Eric Tikey arranged for the use of the Masonic Hall in Green Island, and saw to catering arrangements. Past President Ian Finnie took charge of the Bar - just the ticket! AND its time of closure was at his discretion. (“Well, now,” said some, “We’ll never get home!”)

Club cardigans would be available in May. These would be bottle green with gold Lions monogram on left side.

It was decided that the Club would purchase the wood-cutting equipment from the Montreal Convention Team at the end of the year. This represented capital equipment worth \$1,166.00 and the Club would need to sell a lot of firewood to pay it off!

Members spent a pleasant day at the Gun Club and Golf Course. The dual outing was most popular.

Congratulations were extended to Lion Joe Buckley on his election as District Governor. He asked Terry Clarkson to be his Secretary, and Dave Gardner the District Treasurer.

New members: Ian Marsh, Terry Hayward, Tony Hanning (transfer from Strath Taieri Club)

1979 - 1980

Club President: Ron McVie

Well, with President Ron McVie in the Chair, the year began to slide away beneath him! Or did it?

No mention is made in the Minutes or in the Bulletin about a slip! However, we can be assured that the Club was there...
...Abbotsford!! We were there even on those long anxious nights before it happened - the Abbotsford disaster!

Minor events were overshadowed by the Abbotsford Slip. Club members had been assisting Police and Ministry of Works engineers in the area for some nights before the actual slip took place, and the team on duty was soon reinforced by other off-duty Lions when the hill began to move. Phones were manned by Lions and others in the Civic Centre which was the headquarters for Civil Defence. The most urgent requirement was to see all residents to safety, and there are many tales to be told of sad, ridiculous, and even comical situations throughout that long night. In the aftermath, the Club roles changed to those of Night caretakers of the hill, funding appeal providers and sponsors, and to do whatever was necessary to serve the community.

Cold water was poured on the Club's offer to provide a fountain in the Memorial Gardens.

Past President, John Rodger, asked "that all statements and releases to the news media be made by the President, or a member authorised by him." (Goodness! Are we still having this trouble?)

Air New Zealand made 100 seats available for the Abbotsford children to holiday in the North Island.

After eight years, the Club sign now has pride of place outside our meeting venue. Congratulations, President Ron.

Ron Godman and Terry Clarkson are working hard to obtain a skiff for the Kaikorai Valley High School, but they are not getting much help at this stage.

Lion Jim Young's painters again take to the warpath and descend on the Fairfield Plunket Rooms to paint and refurbish.

Fifteen nebulisor pumps were purchased for the Otago Hospital Paediatric Department.

Difficulties surfaced again with the Club caravan.

Annual projects are arranged and their proceeds donated to various beneficiaries throughout the year.

New members: Martin van de Water, Ray Byrne

1980 - 1981 President Eric Tikey

President Eric Tikey leads the Club into its tenth year with a programme of five major objectives.

- Lion Tim Oliver, as the Club's member of the Scanner Appeal Committee, whips up the troops to assist at the Fun Run.
- \$500 donation to the Taieri Flood Appeal.
- Subscriptions move to \$29.00 (plus a Tea meeting raffle)
- PDG Joe expressed his appreciation to all members in a scrumptious manner, providing the Tea meeting meal on 8 July.
- Wood-chopping project waxes and wanes! Is the equipment not paid off yet?
- Many people have felt the overpowering urge to smash down the glasshouse! 15 Lions had just such an opportunity when they shifted three glasshouses on Saturday 30 August and got paid for doing so!

- Lion Russell Clark ran “Sports Personality of the Year” instead of the original Sportsman Dinner.
- Fun Run raises \$2,386.00
- Lion Colin Gough, inducted with Tim Oliver as sponsor, is put to work with his own project right away - “If anyone can, a Kiwi can,” Colin.
- Sunday, 19 October, we have waited four years for this day and at 6.00am the Otago-Southland Scanner Appeal begins. Twenty-four Lions from our Club, 120 man-hours, and it was all over. The money was ‘in the bag’ so to speak.
- What a feeling to know that this Lions Club - the Lions Club of Green Island - kindled an appeal in our own area which was supported by the public with almost twice as much money as the mighty Telethons.

Well, President Eric, we look forward to it, and the next ten years, with interest and expectancy.

EPILOGUE

It must be understood that in preparing this brief history, much has had to remain unrecorded or glossed over. Major events may appear to be overshadowed by trivia, but it is all part of the Club history.

We have many friends in other Clubs throughout the land and, indeed, have transferred many Lions to other Clubs, and these men have carried the spirit and companionship of Lionism from our Club to their new homes.

We will always have twinges of conscience for the good Lions who have left us for a variety of reasons, and are still living in our community and working alongside us today.

We look forward to a new decade of growth and wise leadership to guide the Club into the eighties. We thank those who have, with wisdom, work and words, contributed in its establishment to the present time, and who will always be proud of their “Lions Club of Green Island.”

Lion Darrell Madigan

THE SECOND DECADE OF THE LIONS CLUB OF GREEN ISLAND 1981 - 1991

PROLOGUE

It seems no time at all since our Club celebrated the completion of its first decade, and looked forward with enthusiasm to its second. That decade, too, has passed and is ready for the record book.

In compiling the record, I have adopted the “train carriage” approach which adds year by year to the first decade history compiled by Darrell Madigan. This approach has the advantage that the history of the Club can be added to each decade by those who have lived through the times and events that they are recording.

The material that has been chosen from Minutes, Membership and Activities Reports, Club Bulletins, and members’ memories, is but a sample of the work that has been achieved by the Green Island Lions Club during the second decade. I hope that it is enough, though, to show that the Club is operating effectively in ways that are true to its Charter, and in ways that are of benefit to the community it dedicated itself to serve.

It is good for a Club to have knowledge and a sense of its history. The caution is, of course, that we live with our past, not in it. We revisit it to learn from it and to be refreshed; to look in the mirror, as it were, to reassure ourselves that the face we now wear is still recognisable as that of the Lions Club we wanted it to be. While it might not be the prettiest face around, I am sure it is still a very useful one! May the third decade be kind to it.

Tony Hanning, Editor

1980 - 81 (continued) Club President: Eric Tikey

President Eric Tikey led the Club out of its first decade and into the second. The “M & A Report” of March 1981 records: “Held Club’s Tenth Anniversary. One very full year of planning. 180 there on the night; a total success.”

The record of the First Decade took us halfway through President Eric’s year, and looked forward with interest to the second half. The ‘second half’ was noteworthy for activities and events such as the following:

- Distributed one ton of lemons to old folk
- Supplied refreshments and car-park attendants to Moto-X
- On-going wood project for IHC - three cord of timber supplied
- Festival carpark project raised \$118 (made up to \$200) for Citizens Advice Service
- Six Lions, seven cars and two vans used 158 man-hours ferrying contestants to venues at International Sports’ Event; (I can’t work this one out, Eric. With six drivers, did we lose two cars and a van on the way?)
- The Mixed Foursome Golf Tournament raised \$1,573 for the Body Scanner Appeal; (This major project, initiated by the Club, is recorded in the First Decade booklet.)
- One member lent his caravan to fire victims, and his wife and two other members assisted with the cleaning up.
- Sold 125 tee-shirts “Have Pride in New Zealand.”
- Provided drivers and collectors for the Red Cross Appeal.
- Donated \$500 to North Island Flood Appeal.
- Donated \$100 to an appeal to send two children to the Crippled Children’s International Games in England.
- Twenty-three members plus thirteen wives helped with the New Zealand Law Society’s Dinner at the Dunedin Town Hall. They formed a great team of assistant caterers, waiters, carvers, washing-up crew and interior decorators. We worked 345 man/woman-hours and raised \$700. Who could forget the “bloody” saddle of beef, spit roasted over the forge at the foundry!

Well, after twelve months of intense hustle and bustle, Eric and Jessie were ready for the 'Quiet Life,' and they both deserved it. It was a tremendous year. Thank you.

1981 -1982

Club President: Bill Elliott

President Bill Elliott has good reason to recall this as the year when the Club ran the "Saddle Hill" Convention in Green Island. Lion Joe Buckley was the Convention Chairman, and he coaxed and cajoled members into action. Who could forget the promotional material that showed the scenic delights of the Green Island Tip, complete with seagulls, of course.

The Convention got off to a good start on the Friday night with a very impressive flag ceremony conducted by Council Chairman Kelvin Ellery. The guest speaker for this occasion was the Rev. Dr. Rolland Fredricks, an Exchange Minister from the USA.

Early Saturday morning, the keen Key Members were blindfolded and taken by bus to a very enjoyable Key breakfast organised by the Mosgiel Club. Hairy-chested "Bunny Girls" served the meal, three tail twisters were set loose and the entertainment included the "Whistling Tums."

The keynote speaker for the business session was the Japanese Ambassador to New Zealand, Mr Takashi Oyamada, who, during the lunch break, accompanied by Council Chairman Kelvin Ellery and District Governor Eric Hyslop, planted a cherry tree (the Japanese symbol of peace) on the site of the Abbotsford landslip.

Keith Ashley of the Gore Club was elected District Governor for the 1982/83 year. An important part of the remit session was the consideration of redistricting. A similar remit had been defeated in 1981, but this year the remit was carried by a large majority. 1983 would see the South Island with three Lions' Districts.

Saturday night was a Country and Western Ball, held in the Dunedin Town Hall. Hundreds of cardboard cowboys decorated the hall, including many suspended from the ceiling. The backdrop of the stage was a huge Saddle Hill Convention motif surrounded by green shrubbery.

On Sunday morning a very moving necrology and rededication service was conducted by Lion Father Vince Walker. The address was given by Rev. Brian Williscroft. White roses were placed on a cross by representatives of nine clubs in memory of members who had died during the year. D G Eric Hyslop's wife, Jean, placed a red rose on the cross in memory of Lions' wives who had passed away. During the service, the Melrose Junior Choir sang "Let There be Peace on Earth," and "It's a Small, Small World." The service concluded with all singing "Let There be Peace on Earth." The Convention concluded with a huge barbecue organised by District Governor Eric Hyslop's home Club, Taieri.

(Based on a report in 'The Lion,' June 1982, prepared by Lion Terry Clarkson.

Projects and Activities for the year included:

- The "Expressathon" project for Telethon raised \$250.00 approximately, and the Telethon collection about \$1,400.00.
- A Casino Night raised about \$1,100.00 for playground equipment at a Children's Home.
- Arranged a special showing of "Smurf" film for IHC children and their families, assisted by Radio 4XO and Theatre staff. Proceeds went to IHC.
- In October 1981, we planted a tree on the Abbotsford Slip site to commemorate Lions' International day.
- Organised a Junior Golf Tournament.
- Provided BBQs and gatekeepers for the Junior Moto-X.
- \$1,400.00 from the Mixed Foursome Golf Tournament went towards the purchase of six nebuliser pumps presented to local doctors for use with asthma patients. The surplus funds were divided equally between the Health Camp Baths Appeal and the Barry DeGeest Appeal.
- Two members tidied the grounds of an elderly person's home.

- Manned the car parks on Festival procession night, the proceeds going to the Citizens Advice Centre.
- Provided drivers for the IHC Appeal.
- Presented \$1,000.00 profit from sale of Christmas trees to District Scout groups.
- Provide \$1,500.00 loan of bridging finance to Otago Deaf Association.
- Supplied drivers for the Red Cross collection.
- Organised a film show with the proceeds going to Tongan Disaster Relief.
- Donated \$2,000 to the Fairfield Baths Appeal.
- Donated \$580.00 to the Fairfield Scouts.
- Presented \$1,542.00 to the Otago Regional Blood Transfusion Service for a computer data system. (This amount was donated by Otago/Southland Lions Clubs towards the project organised by Green Island Lions.)
- Hosted the District 202F Convention in April - a great effort by the Club, and a credit to the Chairman, Lion Joe Buckley and our President, Bill Elliott.

New Members Rex Telfer; Alan Scurr.

1982 - 1983

Club President: Gordon Cathro

President Gordon Cathro recalled that one major project that featured in his year was the Air Pageant, organised with assistance from the Taieri Club. So successful was this project that it was taken over, eventually, by the Dunedin City Council and repeated each year. This was the year that the “Steam-Paddle” Convention was held in Balclutha on 11 - 13 March, preceded by a Mini-Convention at Oamaru on 5 February for 13 clubs from Districts 202E and 202F which were to form part of the new District 202J.

25 of the 29 members of the Club gained 100% Attendance Awards in 1982/83. That has to say something about the level of Club interest and support.

Projects and Activities for the Year included:

- Twenty-four hour sausage sizzle for Telecom.
- The holding of a Pot-Luck Dinner with 80% attendance by members and wives.
- Provision of doorkeepers for a school anniversary dinner and ball.
- Donated \$200.00 to the Leprosy Fund.
- Donated \$200.00 to a school contingency fund.
- Investigated the development of provision of playground and recreational facilities.
- Provided collectors for the Red Cross Appeal.
- Provided BBQs and refreshments at the opening of the Tunnel Beach Walkway.
- Donated \$300.00 to the Citizens' & Emergency Advice Service.
- Nine members attended the Business Session of the District Convention.
- Sponsored the Kaiawhina Society's annual picnic.
- Supplied drivers for the IHC Appeal.
- Donated \$100.00 to the Flagstaff Scout group anniversary project.
- Combined with Taieri Club for the highly successful Airshow project referred to earlier.
- Manned carparks for the Festival procession and donated \$200.00 profits to the Citizens' Emergency Advice Service.
- Provided gatekeepers and refreshments at the South Island Junior Moto-X.
- Presented two wheelchairs to the Stroke Club (\$1,000.00) from the proceeds of the Mixed Foursome Golf Tournament.
- Provided clowns and marshals for the Christmas parade in Green Island.
- Sponsored a child from a needy family to an adventure camp.
- Cut and sold Christmas trees for a Tennis Club centennial project.
- Sold 300 Christmas trees.
- Planted shrubs at a playground area.
- Making a street map to be erected in Fairfield.
- Continued with Tee shirt sales and Lion Mints sales.

- Assisted with the St John Ambulance collection
- Organised a sponsored relay for the Tennis Club Centennial Building Fund.
- Sponsored two children to Camp Armstrong for \$200.00.

1983 - 1984

Club President: Mervyn Telfer

President Mervyn Telfer led us into a memorable year.

Matters worth recalling and recording include -

In March 1984 our Charter President John Rodger passed away after a period of illness which had affected his ability to take as active a part in Club affairs as had been his practice. John was very proud of his role in helping to found the Club and his interest in it never flagged. His passing was marked with regret.

The late Victor Crimp (so tragically killed in the Aramoana massacre) was Mayor of Green Island and had shown great support for our Club since its inception. In August 1983, Honorary membership was extended to him, and continued for the remainder of his mayoralty. Vic always treated the Club well during his time as Mayor, including it in various civic functions, and making the local facilities available to us for meetings and activities on a basis that was extremely generous and helpful.

Twelve of the twenty-nine members of the Club attended the first full District 202J Convention to support Terry Clarkson (then Cabinet Chairman) in his successful nomination for the position of District Governor of 202J for the 1984/95 Lions' year. This was a great achievement for Lion Terry, with Pam alongside giving full support. Terry was a worthy person to hold such office, and a credit to the Green Island Lions Club, following so soon upon the heels of another member, of whom

the Club was also proud, Joe Buckley, who was District Governor in 1979/80.

Club members provided transport for DG Terry during his term of office, as they had done for Joe. The consensus of opinion was that drivers saw about the same number of rabbits and opossums in Terry's year but not as many pie-carts as in Joe's year!

Club activities were numerous and varied:

- Donations covered a great range of worthy causes:
 - \$150 to the Dunedin Festival Committee;
 - \$500 to the Green Island Citizens' Advice Bureau for equipment, and a further donation of \$150 and a similar amount to the Dunedin Citizens' Advice Bureau.
 - \$100 to a local singer to assist them going to the Sydney Sun Aria Contest;
 - \$400 from the Saddle Hill Relay to assist a local disabled skier to attend the World Ski Championships;
 - \$2,000 to the Green Island Plunket Society for child car seat constraints; (Funding was from proceeds of the annual Mixed Foursome Charity Golf Tournament.)
 - \$1,000 was donated in February 1984 to the Southland Flood Appeal;
 - \$600 to the Scouts;
 - \$600 to the Green Island Tennis Club;
 - Sponsored two handicapped children to camp;
 - Helped a solo mum with emergency electrical repairs;
 - Distributed grapefruit to the elderly and needy;
 - Arranged to sponsor a Kampuchean family;
 - Straightened and tidied all street signs on World Service Day;
- Raised money from the sale of Christmas trees, Christmas cakes, and Lion Mints, a Casino night, and the use and hire of BBQs, manned gates and provided food for various Moto-cross events.
- Ran a 24-Hour Sausage sizzle for Telethon and donated \$700 to the cause from the Club's 115 man-hours effort.

- Just in case members thought they had too much work on their hands, a team was entered, for good measure, in the local Volley-Ball competition.
- While all this was going on, members still found time to assist with the St John Ambulance Appeal, provide drivers for various other appeals and concerts, and provide clowns for the Green Island Christmas Parade.

(No wonder you left soon after for Australia, Merv. Welcome home for the “Twentieth” and, by the way, your apron and broom are in the kitchen!)

1984 - 1985

Club President: Martin van de Water

President Martin van de Water drew on all his leadership skills to keep the Club together. Martin was a straight-talker, and if he felt interest was flagging, or projects weren't receiving the support they deserved, the facts were put before you politely and firmly, but always openly.

It was a tough year for the Club, honouring the pledge of practical support to District Governor Terry, yet keeping up with a range of projects and activities which are the 'bread and butter' of Lionism.

Despite the difficulties, a great deal was achieved, as is evidenced below, and the Club emerged stronger than ever.

Sample of Activities

- Drills and sanders were presented to the Blind Workshop;
- The Junior Golf Tournament was organised and run successfully;
- Christmas trees were cut on three nights and \$700 donated to the Scouts;
- Household goods were obtained for the Kampuchians;
- The Mixed Foursome Golf Tournament was run, and \$2,000 was donated to Cancer Research from the proceeds;
- A \$50 donation was made and assistance given to a family whose home was burnt out;

- \$50 was donated to assist a child going on the Spirit of Adventure;
- \$780 from the BBQs was donated to supply the Hospital with a manikin to assist mothers-to-be to learn CPR as part of cot-death prevention;
- \$500 was donated to the Bruce Anderson Bone Marrow Transplant Appeal;
- Donations were made to Otago University towards Leg Ulcer research;
- A donation was made to assist Peter de Blois travel to Australia with the National Youth Orchestra;
- Moved the Kampuchean family to a new house and provided transport and assistance with trips to Dunedin and the Hospital;
- Ran the BBQ lunch for the District 202J Convention at Wingatui, and one member video-taped the whole event;
- Sale of Lion Mints continued, the BBQs were hardly ever not in use, appeals and collections were supported, and the clowns paraded as cheerfully as ever.

“Come on, you chaps, there’s work to be done; that’s what you’re here for!”

No matter whether the tide was in or the tide was out, van de Water was there. Thanks Martin. You were the right man at the right time.

1985 - 1986

Club President: David Ingram

President David Ingram recalls as a highlight of his, and wife Pat’s, involvement with the Club, the sponsoring of the Cambodian family, now well-established in New Zealand and living in Auckland.

David and Pat spent many hours assisting the family, organising rosters, and ‘being there’ whenever they were needed. By the year of David’s presidency things were

beginning to knit together, and a great deal of satisfaction over the family's progress was deserved.

This sponsorship project was such a major undertaking by the Club during the second decade that I felt it appropriate to ask David and Pat to provide us with details for the record. The first part of the story is based on a report prepared by David in April 1985, one year on into the project, and as it appeared in the Club Bulletin in May that year.

The Sponsorship Story

“Our commitment as sponsors to our Cambodian family is now completed. Our aim was to see the father in employment, the children happy in school, and a permanent house obtained for them. These we have achieved and the family is reasonably secure financially.

On looking back, finding a house, which at the time seemed impossible, turned out to be the easiest part of the project. The frustration and sheer bureaucracy of Government Departments has been the biggest headache.

What follows is a condensed version of a year's work. It in no way reflects fully the hours of hard work put in by a few.

In April 1984, we accepted the challenge of being responsible for a family of six Cambodian refugees. By 20 April, a house had been found, and a radio appeal over 4XO for clothing and household effects had been launched.

The next two weeks saw Club members busy knocking the house into shape, assisted by many willing Lions' Ladies. 11 May saw our family, Uk Moi Song, his wife, Pet Teuk, and their children, Sina (16), Srey (14), Sokha (7), and Minnsopaal (2 months), arrive to a Lions' welcome at Dunedin Airport. They were taken to their furnished house to be settled in with their relatives.

29 May, Adele Telfer took Sokha for her first day at Green Island School. The same day, Sina and Srey started at Bayfield

High School. Thanks was due to Mrs Williams, wife of a local GP, who took them to school by car for six weeks until the Education Board provided a taxi, through the efforts of Margaret Young. At the same time, a roster system, formed by the Lions and their wives, was organised to take Song and Teuk to Polytech classes. Sina did not settle too well at Bayfield H S and finally, in August, the decision was taken to send him to Polytech. Here he settled in very well and became a satisfactory student.

11 September Song was interviewed for the Rehabilitation League and was accepted for training on 24 September.

Now that the better weather was here, the family was introduced to the local bus service on 17 September, with 30 free rides to encourage them continuing in the use of the service. Unknown to us, they had already 'been there, done that!'

Srey went to school camp on 28 September - 3 October, which she hated as it was too cold, and rice was served only once.

The TV detector van called one evening enquiring about their licence - one thing we had forgotten about! After a few minutes conversation with Teuk the inspector gave up. So, too, did the chimney sweep who was very keen to clean the chimney for \$10.00. You might say he got the brush off!

During this time their English was improving. One gentleman was overheard saying that he couldn't understand why they were the only Cambodian family speaking English with a Scottish accent. (I wonder where they got that from, Pat?)

The weekly roster system was coming to an end, and Christmas was upon us. The Club provided money to purchase gifts for the family. We chose gifts which we thought would please them. Song was delighted with handkerchiefs and a good hammer, which he has used frequently. Teuk, we discovered, liked perfume, so perfume with matching talc was well-received. Sina was given a pack of cards and various

other things. He challenged Pat to a game and the cards flew so fast that the game was over before she realised it had begun! Srey was given dominoes and hankies. She had been taught how to play dominoes by one of their home tutors and really enjoyed the game. Colouring books and felts were well received by Sokha, and Minsopaal was given a rattly toy. He was, by this time, starting to find his feet, and he was the proud owner of several teeth.

The new year started badly for Minsopaal as he developed an abscess following an injection. This meant daily trips to the doctor, then various trips to the Dunedin Hospital.

Trips to the Hospital, Dental School, Health Department, Polytechnic, Immigration Department, Housing Corporation and so on, were ably shared by Eunice Preston, Jessie Tikey and Pat Ingram.

In March 1985, Lion Dick Stuart offered Song full-time employment in his factory, Timbercraft Industries. Sina started at the Rehabilitation League in the middle of April. 28 April saw the family settled into a four-bedroom State house in Wakari. Club members, once again, turned out to help shift the household, assisted by many Cambodian folk.

The comments that follow were as they appeared in May 1985.

“Sokha is settling in well at Wakari School. Srey takes the bus to Bayfield, with free rides provided by the Otago Education Board. Teuk can go to Polytech when she chooses, as the bus stop is only yards from the house and passes the Adult Learning Centre.

It is always difficult to mention individuals at a time like this, but special thanks must go to the following:

Mr Brian Malcolm for the offer of the first house at a very reasonable rent, and his help in obtaining a State house by writing to the Housing Corporation on our behalf.

Margaret Young for her enthusiasm throughout the project, and her caring attitude towards the family.

Eunice Preston and Jessie Tikey for their time so willingly given on the endless trips to the hospital.

Lions Bill Elliot, Mervyn Telfer, Russell Clark and Dave Gardner for their support and offers of help.

To all of you, and your wives and friends, who helped in so many ways; but most of all to my wife, Pat, for her support, help and understanding throughout this project, and to my children for their support and friendship towards the Cambodian family. Thank you all. Dave Ingram, 1st V.P.”

Pat takes up the story from there, as at April 1991:

“Later, Song was made redundant from Timberland Industries and I found him a job at Fisher and Paykel. He worked in their St David Street factory until July 1989 when the family moved to Manakau City.

They bought a house in Abbotsford and sold it at a fair profit. Once again, he wouldn't sign the agreement until we approved that he was getting a decent property for a fair price. Quite a responsibility to buy a house with dollars so hard-earned!

Song's English was passable and he settled in well. Pet Teuk still couldn't speak English, but she knew what prices meant and could shop well on her own. Sina was our main concern.

We found him difficult, and finding work for him was not easy.

He went to the Rehab. League, but their social worker was forever contacting us. From there he went to Odenburg Industries, but left to go on the dole. He now has a two-year old, who, I understand, went to Auckland with them.

Srey and Sokha did well at school. Stay was an intelligent girl but I fear that the possibilities for her may not be there.

Minsopaal turned out to be a beautiful little boy; very shy.

They have now been up North for almost two years. The family that they came out to join have, also, we understand, left Dunedin. Rumour has it that they own a business in Hamilton.”

Thanks, Pat. It is good to have an update for the record of this intense and very 'human' project which has an important place in the life of the Club.

Activities which were undertaken include:

- Ran BBQs for Telethon
- Sponsored a carriage on the Excursion Train
- Held working bees at the home of a blind couple
- Sponsored two children to the Kaiawhina Society Camp (\$100)
- Gave \$200 to Citizens' Advice
- Gave \$100 to support two Dunedin people attend the Disabled Games
- Gave \$50 to the Kelvin McCarthy Heart-transplant Appeal
- Donated an electric typewriter to Diana Richardson
- Gave \$1,000 to the Fairfield Tennis Club
- Gave \$500 to the Green Island Tennis Club
- Gave \$500 to the Concord Tennis Club
- Set aside \$1,000 for a South Canterbury Flood Relief project
- On 19 and 20 April, six Club members travelled to St. Andrews to help with flood damage repairs and restoration work
- Donated a Glucometer to Lynne Byrne, and, also, underwent diabetes testing
- Provided BBQs for the Blind Foundation and the Rehabilitation League
- Ran Christmas Cakes, Christmas Trees and Lion Mints projects

New member: Don Bain

1986 - 1987

Club President: Russell Clark

President Russell Clark led us into the 1986 - 87 year. This was the year when the "Sawdust Project" commenced. (September 1986.) At the time, Lion Martin van de Water had the Brooklyn Sawmill around by the DCC Tip at Green Island. Martin made a generous offer to the Club that if they cared to bag the surplus sawdust from the mill and set up a stall, the

proceeds could go to the Club. That project is still going today and has brought in thousands of dollars to assist the Club in its work.

Activities and events of the year included:

- The Mixed Foursome Sponsored Golf Tournament, which provided \$1,700 of the \$2,000 raised to supply seven Talking Books for the Blind.
- BBQ meals were provided for the Blind Foundation Annual Fair
- A local girl was sponsored to Camp; Quality (\$200)
- A microwave oven was supplied to the orthopaedic ward at Dunedin Hospital;
- \$500 was donated towards a 'Spot On' video competition entry by Kaikorai Valley High School;
- \$600 from the supply and sale of Christmas Trees was donated to Scouts;
- Sales of Lions Mints and Christmas Cakes raised funds;
- \$500 was donated to the Lions Earthquake Appeal;
- \$150 worth of paint was donated to the Waldronville Scouts;
- \$300 each was donated to the Green Island and Fairfield Scouts;
- Working bees were held to clean up two sections for incapacitated families;

As well as the project side of life, the Club entered a team in the Indoor Cricket competition.

In June 1987, the Club was saddened to learn of the death of a well-respected past member of the Club, Keith Knox, who had joined the Club in its first year. Club members formed a Guard of Honour at Keith's funeral.

1987 - 1988 Club President: Ian Finnie

This was the year for recycling. President Ian Finnie filled the chair that he had warmed once before, back in 1975 -1976. Ian was determined to make this a good year for the Club, and he and his wife, Pat, put everything into achieving that end. Ladies' Nights were programmed in a regular and satisfying way, and a great effort was put into a drive for new members. As the later list shows, this was a successful endeavour, resulting in the induction of seven new members.

Projects and Activities Included:

- \$1,000 was given to the Abbotsford Kindergarten towards new premises (carry-over project from the previous year);
- Two nebuliser pumps (Portonebs) were purchased, one for a little local girl, Melissa Coward, and the other for the Asthma Clinic for use of children;
- \$500 was donated to the Otago Diabetic Society;
- BBQs were run and food donated to the Blind Foundation and also the Rehabilitation League;
- A donation was made to the Kaiawhina Society of the proceeds from the raffle of a rug made by Joe Buckley's mother;
- Support was given to Camp Quality;
- Citrus fruit, supplied by the Motueka Lions Club, was distributed on a regular basis to the elderly and needy;
- \$400 from the sale of Christmas Trees was donated to Scouts;
- BBQs and other assistance was given to the Otago Motor Cycle Club with its meeting;
- The Sawdust project continued to flourish;
- Lion Mint sales provided the usual steady income that allowed us to support various worthy causes;
- Clowns and marshals were provided for the Green Island Christmas Parade, and other members manned the BBQ at the same event;
- \$1,500 was donated to the Multiple Sclerosis Society from the Mixed Foursome Golf Tournament;

- The BBQs were in great demand, none more so than when the Club catered for the Chisholm Park Golf Club's 50th Anniversary;
- \$100 was donated to the Leprosy Trust;
- \$500 donated to the Hospice Appeal;
- \$500 donated to Mrs Farquhar's Kidney Operation Appeal;
- \$500 donated to Cyclone Bola Appeal;
- \$200 donated to the Kaiawhina Society train trip
- \$100 donated to the Disability Information Service;
- Two "Big Softie" chairs donated to Ward 7 at Dunedin Hospital.

Social life never flagged, and included a Progressive Dinner. Five couples attended the "Phar Lap Convention." The 'horse' has been captured on video, since words cannot do justice to it!

New Members: John Young, Bill Williams, Gordon Barnes, Rev. Fr Maurice White, Graeme Hawkins, Kevin Smith, and Colin King.

1988 - 1989

Club President: Bob Fairhurst

When our President of that year, Lion Bob Fairhurst, was asked to recall a memorable matter or two he did so in the following abbreviated way: "No #* venue; the ##* Gaming machines!; Snow on Changeover Night at Mosgiel and nobody could get there (except Richie Fay). Apart from that, everything was good.

It really was a tough term for President Bob, in some respects, but he never faltered, and if it had been anyone other than Bob we might have been in real strife. We had experienced venue difficulties for some time. The Fairfield Tavern, while it had much to offer in the way of facilities, generally, lacked continuity of managers. Each brought his own approach to things. Our numbers were not high enough for them to agree to giving us a room to ourselves, and storage of our banners and other items presented as a problem. Some of our valuable

banner collection was spoilt by an unfortunate spillage of what seemed to be battery acid, and the last straw came when a serious talk by a guest speaker could not be heard because of a noisy party going on right beside us. Bob inherited the problem of finding an alternative venue. We tried the Ten-Pin Bowling Alley in Kaikorai Valley, the Royal Hotel in Green Island, and eventually settled, for a while, in the Supper Room at the Civic Centre, Green Island. About this time, discussions started to take place with the Town and Country Club who were considering establishing new premises in Fairfield, but it seemed some time away. The natives were restless!

Gaming machines were regarded as the big money makers, and any Club with machines seemed to be able to do endless things for its community with little work required of members. Finding licenced premises willing to allow you to install machines was the problem. Bob was determined. After many unsuccessful approaches and inquiries, he found a venue “Club Nouveau” in High Street. The machines were purchased by way of a bank loan, the licence was obtained, and we waited for the money to roll in. All manner of things went wrong. The “Told-You-Sos” had a field day, and we were in a bind. Talk about a cuckoo in the nest! It ate everything in sight, and dominated much of our lives. Yet, in spite of that, lots of good things did happen and the Club can be rightly proud of the year.

Activities and Projects included:

- A set of scales was purchased for \$500 and donated to the local Plunket Society;
- \$300 was donated to support a youth on the Spirit of Adventure;
- \$400 was donated to Camp Quality;
- \$2,000 was presented to the Deaf Association for computers for use by children;
- BBQs were operated at the Ferry Open Day in Dunedin;
- BBQs were in operation at the Blind Foundation Fair, and the Rehabilitation League, as well as at the Festival Motorcycle Race venue;
- Clowns did their usual bit to help with the Christmas Parade;

- Christmas trees were cut and sold and proceeds donated to Scouts;
- A collection was taken up for the Cot Death Appeal;
- The Sawdust project continued, and an investigation was undertaken of bagging compost;
- The Mixed Foursome Golf Tournament was its usual success and brought members together in support of it;
- The distribution was made to the elderly and needy of citrus fruit from the Motueka Club;
- Lion Mints continued to sell well and enabled us to give support to various causes.

Social life was not neglected; indeed it was a good year. President Bob, and his wife Toni, served us extremely well in this regard.

We played Ten-Pin-Bowls on one night, and joined Dunedin South Lions in indoor cricket on another occasion.

The very successful Progressive Dinner had a Scottish theme. Och aye, the menu was delightful and costumes and other details superb. Remember the confusion when Lion Father Maurice White arrived straight from a church service to say grace before the meal at Eric and Jessie Tikey's home, and our Canadian guests thought he had dressed especially for the occasion! Jim Young really looked the tart in the tartan. One kilt on a Celt looked as foreign as a sporran on a bunny girl called Warren.

Nine members and wives visited Strath Taieri and had a marvellous weekend.

No, Bob, there's never a problem that can't be solved. It was a good year.

New members: Lewis Brookes Fergus Guildford

1989 - 1990

Club President: Tony Hanning

President Tony Hanning's year started with the Tea meetings being held in the Green Island Civic Centre Supper Room, and outside catering arranged. The uncertain future of the Centre, brought about by local body restructuring, gave impetus to the discussions which had been started with the Town and Country Club. The new buildings were taking shape at Fairfield, and Ken Martin, President of their club, was most helpful to us. He visited our Tea meeting on more than one occasion and showed a willingness to find solutions to our need for privacy, storage space and meals. Our Christmas Champagne breakfast was held there, and a Tea meeting held there on a trial basis. Bad experiences with venues over the years left some a little nervous, and suspicious of change, but, the decision was made to make the Greater Green Island Town and Country Club Clubrooms our permanent home. Once the decision was behind us, our Club was able to turn its attention away from itself and focus clearly on the community around it.

The gaming machines continued to be a problem. Their venue was proving to be less than satisfactory, income was not covering expenditure, and members were showing their dissatisfaction over the situation we were in. A decision was made to remove the machines from the venue and place them in storage until we could arrange for their disposal, as every week meant more rental payments. Lion Bob Fairhurst led the charge; Lion Gerald protected the rear, and before they knew it the machines had had their plugs pulled. The monsters that had taken over our lives were subdued, and OH, the RELIEF! By the end of the year, the sale of one machine had been negotiated at a rate sufficient to meet our outgoings. The Club bank account had been looking rather sunburnt for most of the year, but the very successful Garden Supplies project, held the day before Changeover, turned the account black overnight and enabled us to finish on a bright and optimistic note. Song books were produced to mark the occasion!

Activities and Projects included:

- Followed up on a request from Fairfield School for involvement in the Lions Skills for Adolescence Programme.
- Provided teams for a Quiz Night organised by the Dunedin Lioness Club;
- Continued with the Sawdust project and relied very heavily upon it. Graeme Hawkins had a good team system operating. This project had raised over \$11,000 since it started in 1986.
- Distributed, to the elderly and needy, citrus fruit donated by the Motueka Lions;
- A Games Night was held at the Town and Country Club;
- BBQs were used as a fundraiser at the Blind Foundation Fair;
- Barmen were supplied for the opening of the Metropolitan Club's new premises. (52 man-hours);
- The annual Braille Week Collection was organised in Green Island;
- A BBQ was held in conjunction with the Super Fair;
- Gatekeepers were provided, and BBQs operated, for the Mosgiel Motorcycle Club;
- Christmas trees were cut and sold to raise funds for a Fairfield Skateboard Rink;
- BBQs were held for the Rehabilitation League, the Montessori School Fair and the Motorcycle Festival Road Race;
- Posters were produced to publicise the Blind Foundation caravan;
- The Mixed Foursome Charity Golf match raised \$2,000 to supply eight St John Ambulances with sets of neck braces;
- Assistance was given with the 1990 Road Show;
- The Garden Supplies project raised \$2,200;
- Lion Mint sales enabled us to contribute to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF);
- One very satisfying, low cost but high involvement, project was the setting in place and refurbishment of two old turret ventilators in the Children's Playground at Dunedin Public Hospital. After repairing and painting, they are now attractive features of the playground;
- "Clan 1990" Multiple District Convention was held in Dunedin and our Club provided transport. Lion John Young showed

the depth of his organising skills in rostering us and carrying out the task most efficiently.

- Visits were made to the Taieri Lions Club and the Mosgiel Pakeke Lions Club.

Two very good guest speakers were Ngaire Kilpatrick and Richard Walls.

Ngaire was the wife of Past District Governor, Jack Kilpatrick, but she addressed the Club in her own right as the first and only Lady Chairman of the Otago Education Board.

Richard Walls had only recently been elected Mayor of Dunedin when he addressed us in November 1989.

Tony's wife, Genny, helped plan some of the social activities. These included the Champagne Breakfast at the Town and Country Club, the Club Golf match for Lions and wives in January at Island Park, Games and Quiz Nights, Ladies Nights and the Progressive Dinner on St Patrick's Day. The Irish theme was entered into, to be sure, to be sure, and it was the long road home after the Irish coffee and Tullimore Dew! Several members and wives attended the "Snofed Convention" at Methven and dressed for the Ball as "Snowballs and Belles from Green-Eye Land. "

New Members: Bruce Dixon, George Mawdsley, Trevor Roberts.

1990 - 1991

Club President: Gerald Rogers

It was now over to President Gerald Rogers to complete the Second Decade and lead us into the Third. Gerald is a Charter member of the Club, having been its first Tail-twister. It is fitting that a Charter member is in the Chair at this time when we celebrate Twenty-year's of Club life. Gerald is ably assisted by his wife, Pam.

Although the year is not yet over, much has been achieved to indicate its success. Doors have been fitted at the Town and Country Club to give us more privacy for our meetings, better storage possibilities are being planned, and the Club has an assured and optimistic air about it.

Activities and Projects include:

- A teacher from Fairfield School has been sponsored for Lions Skills for Adolescence training;
- BBQs have been run for the Blind Foundation and for the Hurricane Hotrods;
- Lion Mints have been selling well and new outlets investigated;
- The Sawdust project has had its moments but it is still there;
- A Games Night was held for Lions versus Ladies;
- A Champagne Breakfast was held at Christmas-time;
- A Games evening was held with 14 members of Taieri Lions;
- Taieri Lions reciprocated by holding a Cricket match and BBQ at their venue in Outram. (We may not have scored as many runs as them but our injury count left us winners by at least an arm and a leg!)
- Members cleared a glasshouse from the site to provide parking at the Otago Hospice;
- Barmen were supplied for two nights for the Mosgiel Motorcycle Club function;
- The Mixed Foursome Charity Golf Tournament provided about \$2,500 to be spent on facilities for the Otago Hospice. As part of this project, members spent 44 hours building a sundeck. The balance of the funds will benefit the Hospice, following discussion with Hospice representatives.

Guest speakers have included Rob McLellan, who spoke about, and answered questions on, Japanese car imports, and Brian Turner, who spoke on his involvement with the Xerox Challenge.

Six members and their wives attended the District Convention at Outram, "The Plains Convention." The theme for the Ball was "Playing on the Plain", and the Green Island Raupo Footy

Team was a match for any opponent, particularly with its half-time model whisky still!

Best wishes for the remainder of the year, President Gerald. It isn't long before you hand over to Lion Bill Williams.

New member: Murray Mackie

THE THIRD DECADE OF THE LIONS CLUB OF GREEN ISLAND 1991 - 2001

Compiled and written by Tony Hanning

1991 - 1992

Club President: Bill Williams

Bill Williams led the club for two consecutive terms, 1991-1992 and 1992-1993. During this year he was also President of the Green Island Rugby Club. Bill was an enthusiastic and capable Lion with a great sense of humour, and a desire to get things done. Bill joined the club in 1987. Little did we know then that his life would be taken tragically in a road accident in 1995. His loss was sorely felt by his wife Glenise, son Gordon, daughter Robyn and his extended family, and by all members of his Lions family.

Projects and activities

- Russell Clark enthused members of the Club with the idea of forming a group of freedom walkers to walk the Milford track in January 1992. This was a marvellous project with about 22 members of the Club, partners and family members taking part. 'Freedom' meant that you were free to carry your own gear, cook your own meals and take your own photos. Oh, to have such freedom! The good thing was that the all-up cost per person was approximately \$250.
- Barbecues were a good fundraiser for the Club. Groups such as the Green Island Rugby Club, and Golf clubs, sought our services to cater for functions. This was before the advent of plastic gloves and caps of course!
- The Otago Hospice received a lot of support from the Club with work projects and purchase of equipment. An \$1,800 morphine pump was supplied.
- \$300 tape and record deck was supplied to the Huntersville Flats.
- Assistance was given for a number of transplant appeals. This was a common request which led to the Lions'

Transplant Appeal to provide an accommodation facility in Auckland.

- Local road signs were confusing, and the source of discontent. Lion Gordon Cathro advised that some drivers were ending up at his home in Abbotsford, when, in fact, they were seeking Gore! The two Gordons (Barnes and Cathro) were authorised to raise the matter with Transit New Zealand.
- Redevelopment of the Kaikorai estuary area resulted in good discussion, and the decision was made that the Club be represented at a Regional Council meeting by Gordon Barnes, who would present our views on the subject.
- Teachers were sponsored to the Skills for Adolescence course at Lincoln College.
- A new store for Lions gear was built at the Town and Country Club by members. The substantial work, 102 free hours, was carried out by the indomitable threesomes "The Last of the Summer Wine", Les Preston, Eric Tikey, and Ron Tippet. Additional work was done by Lions' Dave Gardner, Murray Mackie, Russell Clark and Trevor Roberts.
- A large macrocarpa hedge was cut in Corstorphine for the IHC.
- Christmas trees were still a good annual project.
- President Bill went on an overseas trip and visited Lions Clubs International Headquarters.
- Lion Father Maurice White, First VP, took the chair in Bill's absence. His transfer to Balclutha in January 1992 was a loss to the Club and community.
- "Six clowns please," was still an annual request from the Green Island Business Association.
- Maureen and Kim Martin handed over catering to June and Thelma.

New members: Bob Newton (transfer) Russell Samson.

1992– 1993 Club President: Bill Williams (Second Term)

Projects and Activities

- Lion John Young was Convenor for the Golf tournament this year.
- A cheque for \$2,000 was presented to Miss Bron, representing Riding for the Disabled.
- Lion Ian Finnie arranged a very successful trip to Stewart Island, but this proved not so successful for his wife, Pat, who would have preferred to have left the hired motor scooter somewhere in Foveaux Strait!
- One of the major achievements during 1992 was the sponsoring of a new Lions Club, that of Dunedin Suburbs. This club was formed from the Lioness Club already in existence. Guiding Lion was Tony Hanning. A very successful Charter Night function was held at Wains Hotel. The Club made a financial contribution in the vicinity of \$1,200 towards the establishment of the new Club.
- Christmas tree sales resulted in \$896 being forwarded to the Kaikorai Valley High School Australian Trip fund for rugby and netball teams.
- The Club supported two children to the Kaiawhina Society camp at a cost of \$160.
- Barbecue catering was carried out as usual; this time including a function for the Royal Male Choir. Petrina Young excelled herself with desserts of great quality, and at short notice.
- A fundraiser barbecue was held, also, at the Southern Festival of Speed.
- Club visits were organised for both Speights Brewery and Wilson's Distillery. It was a tough year!
- Lion Dave Trevathan hosted a Japanese Youth Exchangee.

During this year, the Club supplied the District with a third District Governor from among its ranks, the first two being Joe Buckley and Terry Clarkson. The club successfully nominated Lion Tony Hanning for the position of District Governor for 1993–1994.

President Bill earned his 100% President's Award, which was a fine achievement, and just reward for completing two consecutive terms as Club President.

New members: David Trevathan, Brian Bezett (a previous charter member) rejoined.

1993 - 1995. Club President: Gordon Barnes

Gordon led the Club through another year of good solid projects with lots of enjoyment and surprises at meetings. His lively manner and wit kept all members on their toes. As President Gordon said in his annual report: "It isn't until you look back and recall all the projects and donations, that you realise how well the Club has functioned." Lion Gordon earned his 100% President's Award.

Projects and Activities

- A sound fundraising base was set with the Fertiliser, Sawdust, Golf and Mints projects. Four Barbecue projects helped with fundraising, also.
- 'Labour only' projects were the Hospice, and Green Island School Adventure Playground, both of which illustrated commitment to our motto, "We Serve".
- Donations this year included \$1,200 to the Head Injury Society
- \$500 to the Fairfield School gymnasium,
- The Kaikorai Valley High School Sports Fund benefited by \$1,062 from the sale of Christmas trees supplied by the Club.
- \$365 donated to the Police Blue Light Club,
- \$500 to Camp Quality,
- \$100 to Otago Diabetics Society,
- \$500 to Alison Reid, an auto-immune sufferer, who was to travel to USA on a Youth Exchange programme.

- In total, we gave away \$7,095 to 22 different organisations.
- On the International Lions' scene, this was the time of Campaign Sight-First, the largest single campaign ever undertaken to address, in a significant way, the matter of preventable and reversible blindness. Lions set out to raise US \$130 million in one year. They raised over US \$146 million. Green Island Club was proud to donate \$2,000 towards the Campaign.
- District Governor Tony Hanning and Genny were well-supported by the Club throughout the year. Members provided transport on their Club visitations. They turned out in great numbers at the Convention in Mayfield, albeit costumed as 'Ticks.' (Rustic, Coptic, Arctic, Cryptic, Mystic, etc. but definitely not allowed to go as Erotic!) For their efforts, they won the Tunnage Trophy for Best Costumes.
- The Club resolved to send its full quota of delegates to the Multiple District Convention in Hastings to support the election of Ron Luxton to the position of International Director candidate. The three delegates were Lions' Gordon Barnes, Dave Gardner, and Bill Williams.
- As well as seeing Ron Luxton elected as International Director candidate, they were there to see Tony Hanning from their Club appointed as Multiple District 202 Council Chairman.

New members: Dave Newall; Murray Landrebe

1994 - 1995 Club President: John Young

Lion John joined the Club in 1987, after service in the Jaycees. He served several terms as Lion-tamer before accepting the three Vice President positions leading up to his year as

President. He and Petrina led the Club through a good year of social and community service activities.

Activities and Projects Included:

- The traditional golf and barbecue for families was held at Island Park Golf Course in January. This was followed by two more social events in February and March – a Cricket and Family day with Lions from Taieri Club, and a Barn Dance at Brian Bezett's barn.
- Lion Murray Landrebe conducted one of his popular quizzes on local knowledge.
- Russell Clark was appointed convener, and the Committee was set up, for the Club's 25th Anniversary celebrations in 1996.
- In April, Lion Dave Gardner organised a bus trip to McRaes. This was well supported and enjoyed by club members and partners.
- Eleven couples attended the District Convention held in Temuka. For the fancy dress ball with a "Flying High" theme, they chose to go as "Sick-bags"! It was at this convention that Ian Finnie led our Club into making a successful bid for running the 1997 District Convention in Dunedin.
- A Convention committee, under the chairmanship of Gordon Barnes, was soon formed.
- Graeme Hawkins received the award of runner-up in the District Bulletin competition for novice editors. Congratulations.
- The Dunedin City Council asked for the Sawdust stand at the 'Tip' to be moved to the mill side of the road, and this was done again. Lion Bob Newton seemed to keep one step ahead of the would-be burglars each time they tried to raid our money box!
- Concerns started to show about the likely sale of our venue, the Town and Country Club. Could we be on the road again?
- A donation of \$250 was sent to the Renai Brown Liver Transplant Appeal.
- Support was given to the very successful Lions Quest Life Skills workshop.
- It was interesting to note that. in June 1995, our Project account stood at \$51.48 and our Administration account at

\$5,033. \$1,200 was taken as proceeds from the Sawdust project over the summer holiday period.

- The erection, and later dismantling, of road-signs after the Christmas holidays was a good money raising project organised by Rex Telfer. This project produced about \$2,000.
- The Club made funds available to purchase a special regulator for oxygen equipment needed by a little five-year-old girl due to start school.
- Donations were made to the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust, VSA, LCIF, and the Leprosy Trust. These were donations traditional to the club and amounted to \$600.
- One of the highlights of the year was Peter Blake's visit to Dunedin. The Club hosted over 100 people in the Arthur Barnett's tea rooms, pre-Meridian days. Peter Blake spoke on the Around the World Race for the Jules Verne Challenge.
- The profit of \$3,000 from the Golf tournament was added to from other fundraisers to enable a donation of \$4,000 to be made to the Southern Lions' Air Ambulance Trust.
- A very good project, organised by Russell Clark, involved the dismantling of shelving in the Eion Edgar Sports Centre, with the help of other clubs. The project raised about \$12,800 of which our club retained \$7,300.
- Two Lazy-Boy chairs were donated to Healthcare Otago.
- The club delivered 6,500 telephone directories!

Tragically, Club member and Past President, Bill Williams was killed in a road accident on the Clinton – Mataura Road on 31 May. At the meeting on 6 June 1995, the Club observed a minute's silence in respect of Lion Bill, and paid tribute to a well loved Past President and outstanding member. His valedictory was recorded in the club bulletin June/July 1995.

New Members: Brian Ellis, Dave Johnstone (transfer), Murray Ruthven, Warren Mackie, Sam Inder (transfer), Wayne Taylor, John Melrose.

President Trevor was faced with revisiting an old Club theme, that of finding a Club meeting place! Sad we were to be leaving behind the wonderful food served up to us by the Bistro ladies at the Town and Country Club, Thelma and June. *"Our meeting on Tuesday, 18 July 1995, will be the last to be held in the Greater Green Island Town and Country Clubrooms. At present, close consideration is being given to future permanent premises for meetings, and members will be kept informed concerning this."*

Older members will know what I mean by revisiting an old Club theme. Our adopted song may well have been, *"The Happy Wanderers."* Well, we tried a few more venues, and then settled happily into the Commercial Tavern lounge bar for the next few years.

Projects and Activities included:

- During the year, two committees were working extremely hard to prepare for events undertaken by the Club. The Convention committee was meeting under the chairmanship of Gordon Barnes, and the 25th Anniversary committee under the leadership of Russell Clark. Both met regularly, and tasks were delegated wisely and widely.
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- President Trevor took a special initiative within the Greater Dunedin area to mark International Lions Day, Sunday 8 October, with an advertising feature in the Star Weekender. As well as marking International Lions Day, the feature was planned to commemorate **"40 years of Lions in New Zealand,"** and raise the image of Lions in our area.
- Tamahine stocktaking was introduced in February, and it has become a regular Club activity for helping the Administration account since then.
- One special project was the Combined Lions Speed-Fest for Youth held on the Oval in conjunction with the Otago Sports Car Clubs' Festival. Proceeds were channelled into youth activities such as Lions Quest Skills programmes, DARE programme, and the Blue-Light Trust programme.

- Assistance was given, also, with a Cycle Safety Family Fun Day held in conjunction with several other community groups at Turners Car Auctions on Portsmouth Drive.
- Dave Gardner organised a successful painting project of stables at Wingatui Racecourse.

Major recipients of grants this year were:

- Cot Death Society \$2,000;
- Journey for Sight \$2,500;
- Camp Quality \$500;
- Victim Support \$500;
- Girl Guides \$600;
- Otago Blind Foundation \$500;
- Lions Skills \$970;
- Fairfield Scouts \$300;
- And various others, taking the total to **\$10,184.00**

A good muster of members attended the “*Victorian Convention*” in Oamaru to promote the “*Treasure Island Convention*” to be hosted by our Club in 1997. A ‘toon’ was composed for the occasion and sung lustily by a gang of Green Island pirates, complete with ‘talking parrot’.

I Belong to Green Island

(Tune: I Belong to Glasgow)

Oh, I belong to Green island
Dear old Green Island toon.

Oh, there's treasure down there In Green Island
And it's meant to go roond and roond.

The Lions of our District will gather there In 1997,
And when they have tasted our treasure on Saturday
They'll think that they've gone to heaven.

Oh, I belong to Green Island
Dear old Green Island toon.

Oh, there's treasure down there in Green Island
And it's meant to go roond and roond.

Our beds are made with feather down,
(Mind you they are still on the birds)

But when you see the beds that
We've got for Convention
You'll really be lost for words.

Oh, I belong to Green Island
Dear old Green Island toon
Oh, there's treasure down there in Green Island
And it's meant to go roond and roond.
Now we have a landmark called Saddle Hill,
It's called that for good reason,
For that's where the youth of the District go courting
Regardless of weather and season.

Oh, I belong to Green Island,
Dear old Green Island toon,
Oh, there's treasure down there in Green Island
And it's meant to go roond and roond.
We've got a fine programme for Lions next year,
We guarantee full and fair measure,
And to give you a taste of the good things to come -
Try some Green Island Treasure!
(At this point, those who had stayed long enough to enjoy our
singing were pelted with gold-wrapped chocolate coins.)

25th Anniversary: Highlight of the year was the Club's 25th anniversary celebration held in the Glenroy Auditorium on 20 April, 1996. The anniversary book was produced especially for the occasion and distributed widely. As well as a great turnout of present and past members and partners, the Club was pleased to enjoy the company of many representatives of other clubs. It was honoured to have as guests International Director Ron and Janet Luxton, Past International Director Alex and Isabel Grieve, District Governor Bob and Joan Doake, Mayor Sukhi Turner, and several Past District Governors. A full display of banners, photographs and memorabilia helped set the scene for a wonderful celebration of our 25-years of community and humanitarian service.

The successful membership drive initiated by Lion Murray Mackie was continued by President Trevor.

New Members: Brian Cromarty, Gerry Hoad, Phil Marsh, Christopher May, Ian Rutherford, Allan Fairhurst, Bevan Eathorne.

President Trevor went on to become Zone Chairman in the 1996 - 1997 year.

1996 - 1997

Club President: Russell Samson

President Russel and Judith led us into a very busy and successful year, tinged with some sadness in March, too.

It is with sadness that we remember Lion Colin King.

Lion Colin King passed away on 27th of March 1997. Colin was a former JC member who had held high office in that organisation. He then joined Lions, along with fellow members like Lion John Young. Colin had led a busy life as Assistant Registrar at the University of Otago, but still found time for involvement in Lions' Club activities. His death was a shock to all. Rest in Peace.

Projects and Activities included:

- 10-pin bowling proved popular as a Ladies night.
- Another social activity was a bus trip via Port Chalmers to Waikouaiti, with a meal at the Golden Fleece.
- A cheque for \$300, being proceeds from the Fertiliser Drive, was presented to Camp Quality. The cheque was gratefully received by the Director of Camp Quality South, Past District Governor Ed Bonney.
- Lion Eric Tikey reported that the local Tae Kwon Do Club, which had been supported by our Club with a donation of

\$150, came back from the national competitions with three gold medals, four silver medals and three bronze medals.

- The Club was concerned to learn that Lion Les Preston had taken ill in Singapore. We were pleased to welcome him and Eunice back safely at a later date.
- Lion Dave Newell organised the purchase of Club jackets with pocket monograms. These were purchased by a large number of Club members.
- Trevor Roberts convened a project involving Lions support for, and promotion of, the Cyclopedia of Otago.
- The Club nominated Tony Hanning for the position of International Director candidate. Lion Gordon Barnes led Tony's campaign successfully, with the support of the Club.
- Club Bulletin editor, Graeme Hawkins, won the Multiple District Best Bulletin competition and received the prestigious Ron Rowe trophy. This was a huge honour for Graeme and the Club.
- The major project for the Club this year was the running of the District Convention – the *Treasure Island Convention* at the Metropolitan Club. This was a tremendous effort by the Club, and it brought great satisfaction and pride to all Club members. Congratulations to Convention Chairman Gordon Barnes and his team.

New members: Geoff Rackley; Des Cutler (transfer)

1997 -1998 Club President: Gerald Rogers

Charter member, Gerald Rogers (and Pam) had served a previous term as President in 1990 - 1991. It is a mark of his interest in the Club that he was prepared to serve a second term leading the Club.

One of Gerald's first actions was to assist Russell Samson at the Change-over to present plaques and bouquets to Ron

Tippett and Gwen, and Les Preston and Eunice. This was the Club's acknowledgement of the effort that these two retiring Lions, assisted by their wives, had put into the Club and community over many years.

Projects and Activities:

- Social activities included a Progressive Dinner and Ten-pin bowling.
- The Food-bank drive proved very successful again at Christmas. Brian Bezett acted as convener and did a great job.
- A February visit to Middlemarch, to be hosted by Strath Taieri Lions, was quite an event, as usual.
- Lion Russell Clark visited the Club and brought greetings from Epping Eastwood Lions Club of Sydney Australia, his new home.
- Purchase of the two ranges for the Disabled Citizens Society was authorised to the value of \$1,851.00, being proceeds from the Golf tournament.
- Anniversary weekend 'Back to the Future' Parade was supported by the inclusion of a combined Lions Clubs' float. Lion Trevor Roberts led the Club enthusiastically in the project to produce a float for the 150th Anniversary of Otago. This has to be the largest Lion ever to roam Otago streets! Congratulations to Trevor and those involved.
- A Playhouse Raffle was a very successful venture which raised \$3,663.00 for distribution to local schools and clubs. Schools and clubs had been invited to participate in the selling of tickets, with the right to retain 50% of such sales, and a share in the overall profit.
- Teacher-aid boxes were made available for distribution to local schools and kindergartens.
- Murray Mackie received a key award for introducing five new members to Lions.
- Ian Finnie continued to arrange Convention groups for the District Convention. He has been a great promoter of Lions attending conventions.
- Tony Hanning was elected by the District as International Director candidate.

1998 - 1999

Club President: Murray Landrebe

President Murray, with support from his wife, Marie, kept the ship steady and led us through another good year.

Congratulations were extended to Club Treasurer, Jim Young, on the attainment of his 25-years of 100% attendance.

The Club made a decision to place important archival material, such as the original Charter, with the Hocken Library for safe keeping, but with access assured when needed.

Past President Bob Fairhurst and Toni transferred to Roxburgh, after many years of sterling work with the Green Island Club. A new convenor for the Golf tournament had to be found.

President Murray volunteered to fill this role.

Tamahine stocktaking continued to assist the Club raise funds for the Administration account.

Projects and Activities included:

- A visit to Sea-Lord's factory.
- A 'Black and White' night in Brian Bezett's Woolshed;
- A Curling tournament and meal;
- Three cars were provided and 10 members collected for the Food-bank appeal. A huge amount of food was collected.
- Pacific Leprosy was given \$100.
- Brian Cromarty offered to organise a second Playhouse Raffle. Brian Cromarty and Murray Ruthven, with the help of some other members, would build the playhouse. \$3,663.00 had been raised and donated to local schools and clubs from the first raffle, and it seemed worth repeating the project.
- The Club assisted with the fundraising day for the Liverthorpe Appeal. Funds would go towards the Lions major project at the National Liver Transplant Unit. We raised \$550.00.
- A new Club sign for display in Fairfield was sponsored by the Commercial Tavern.
- Materials were sent away for Project Hope.
- Teachers were sponsored for the Skills programme.
- The club sponsored a Youth exchange from Fairfield, Robyn Roger, to the USA and Canada.

- A pétanque evening was held.
- The Christmas Champagne Breakfast was attended by 44 members and partners.
- Ian Rutherford attended the Lions' Leadership Institute in Sydney.
- The Club agreed to join the Green Island Business Association for \$25, as a non-profit organisation.
- The Charity Golf tournament enabled a donation of \$2,000 to be made to the Rescue Helicopter Incubator Appeal.
- \$2,800, raised from the Fertiliser Drive, was donated to the Liver Transplant Appeal.
- President Murray presented cheques for both the above projects to District Governor, Ken McKenzie, on the occasion of his official visit to the Club.
- The Club organised the local Braille Week collection and raised \$790.
- These four projects equated to over 200 voluntary man-hours.

New Member: John McLachlan

1999 - 2000 Club President: Dave Johnstone

President Dave had a better year than the weather, which caused the postponement of the Golf tournament, and set the scene for the cancellation of the Fairfield Bypass Walk and activities during the following months, after two attempts!

We remember with sadness and pride Lion Eric Tikey JP.

The Club was sad to record the passing of a stalwart of the Club, Melvin Jones Fellow and Charter member, Lion Eric Tikey JP.

Eric made a huge contribution to the Club. His attention to detail, his understanding of and respect for protocol, his insistence on promptness, were matters which the members were happy to accept as his right and his role. Eric battled cancer for several years but still managed to keep up regular attendance and interest in Club affairs until his passing in December, 1999.

Lion Eric is sorely missed by the Club, but the Tikey tradition and presence is maintained through his wife, Jessie, who took over from Eric with the phone-around for meeting numbers, and through the membership of his son, Mervyn.

Projects and activities:

- 21 members and partners attended a very enjoyable weekend at Wanaka organised by Lion Jim and Margaret Young.
- The Club had mixed fortunes with its ventures onto the Curling scene with other Clubs such as West Harbour, Balmacewen, and Taieri, but these proved to be very enjoyable social evenings.
- Proceeds of about \$2,000 from the annual Charity Golf Tournament went to the Life Education Trust.
- Lion Mints continued under the convenorship of Lew Brookes, and made steady income available for various projects and annual donations.
- An outstanding project, introduced in February this year, with Trevor Roberts as convenor, was a Men's Health Night. Attendance at the function, held in the Green Island Rugby Club rooms, was about 140. Five doctors formed a panel, with expertise on a range of health issues important for men. It was thought that this project could run every two years or so.
- John McLachlan outlined a possible Cable-car project to the Club. This has not come to fruition at the time of writing, but

John has not let the possibility slip, and if this comes about it will be one of those special projects for the Club.

- The Club supported another special project this year, that being the provision of a Hart-Walker Mobility frame for David Moroney of Dunedin. The Club also assisted the family with transport for the fitting of the frame in Christchurch. The Hart-Walker frame assists a child with cerebral palsy to stand tall and gain mobility. It enhances general health and well-being.
- \$800 of the profit from the Fertiliser Drive was given to the Lions Quest Skills committee. The balance was held for various other worthy causes.
- Bob Newton kept the teams going with bagging sawdust. Reports indicated that 150–160 bags were produced at some working bees. This has been a very valuable project for many years now.
- The Charity Golf-match proceeds of \$2,540 went to the Otago Hospice.
- Many local schools and groups received donations as a result of the raffle.
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New Members: Dave Aitken, Gavin Blackwell, Mervyn Tikey

2000 - 2001

Club President: Ian Rutherford

Ian took up the presidential reins at the end of the third decade, and prepares to pass them over to Brian Cromarty, who will lead the club into the fourth decade of service. Ian was selected early in 1999 to attend the Lions International Leadership Institute in Sydney, with other Lions in their first five years of service from New Zealand, Australia, Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, and the Islands of the Pacific. The knowledge and skills gained through that experience have been to the benefit of the Club. Ian's theme was *'Enjoyment helping others through pride, fellowship and social activities'*.

Activities and Projects

- Lion Ian Finnie was presented with his badge for 27 years 100% attendance. Congratulations were extended to a loyal and reliable Charter member.
- Curling against Taieri Club was held again, and although very enjoyable, our Club left the trophy with Taieri.
- Some good visits were organised, such as that to Speights Brewery Heritage Tour! There is a concern that some members who haven't been seen at meetings lately may still be in there!
- A visit to the New Zealand Sports Hall of Fame at the Dunedin Railway Station was followed by a meal at the Normanby Tavern. This enabled us to catch up with a previous member, and publican, Des Cutler.
- Trevor Roberts set up a Club website, then expanded the service to District and Multiple District levels. His talent was recognised by his appointment as Lionet Nodemaster for Multiple District 202.
- Trevor suggested that we hold a celebration of the Club's 30th Anniversary early in 2001. As a consequence, he accepted the role of Convenor for the function to be held at 'Wobblies' at Forbury Park.
- Tony Hanning undertook to write the history covering the period since the 20th Anniversary.
- A fishing trip to Moeraki produced fine blue cod and groper for several club members. Thanks to Dave Newell for making the arrangements.
- Dave Aitken organised a fundraiser in the form of dismantling shelving at the Westpac Trust building in South Dunedin.
- Several attempts to hold fundraising events as part of a Fairfield Bypass Open Day were thwarted by the weather.
- Lion Mints continued to generate steady funds, thanks once again to Lew Brookes as Convenor. The New Zealand supplier of mints caused some panic by retiring from this effort, but the situation was soon brought under control.
- Sawdust converts to funds on a steady basis, with over 200 bags being filled at some weekend working bees. Thanks Bob Newton and team.
- A talk on Surf lifesaving by Colin Weatherall, guest speaker at one of our Tea meetings, resulted in the Club supplying a

hand-held radio valued at \$750.00 to the Brighton Surf Life-saving Club.

- Through acceptance of a proposal by Merv Tikey, the raffle of a trailer and load of firewood was held in conjunction with the Green Island junior rugby players.

New Member: Warren McIntosh

The Fourth Decade of The Lions Club of Green Island 2001 – 2011

Compiled by Past President, Lion Trevor Roberts

Following a very enjoyable 30th Anniversary Celebration at Wobblies Restaurant, the Club settled down to finish off its 30th year under President Ian Rutherford.

Projects and Activities

- The long-awaited Fairfield Motorway was in its final stages of construction, and there were a number of attempts to open it in style. Each time the weather thwarted plans, until it was announced that come hell or high water it had to open. Fortunately for us, the weather on 9 December was good enough for the big day to take place. We were given the right to ask for a gold coin donation from anyone wishing to visit, walk or run the new road. We also set up our caravan, BBQs and chocolate wheel below the Old Brighton Road bridge. We were joined by a number of other organisations on what proved to be a very good fundraiser for the Club, and gave locals the only chance they may ever get to wander slowly up or down what is now the main access into Dunedin from the South.
- Builders and handymen from within the Club were pressed into service at the Mayfair Theatre, being paid to build sets for their shows under the watchful eye of Gordon and Betty Cathro.
- Fire seemed to be a bit of a theme during the later part of the year, with visits from Barry Gibson talking about Fire Safety and Fire Investigation, and, also, Tom Churchill from the Dunedin Fire Brigade Restoration Society, who talked about the fascination with, and how to keep, older fire appliances on the road.
- Gerald Rogers was presented with his 30 year chevron.
- We lost our number one Sawdust man, Bob Newton, when he and Colleen decided to move north to be closer to their family. Unfortunately, Bob's time nearer family proved to be

short as he passed away suddenly before the year was through. He was a good man, and a good Lion.

- There was talk during the year about running another Men's Health Night but it fell through after a few months of discussion, because other groups had jumped on the bandwagon and set them up in town. This is one Project that we do not want to lose sight of.
- The Multiple District Convention for the year was hosted in Timaru, and a number of us travelled up to enjoy the festivities with International President J.Frank Moore III.
- Members turning up to meetings dropped dramatically, to a level where the Commercial Hotel told us it was uneconomical for them to cater for us. They still allowed us to use their dining room, but we had to organise to have our meals dropped in 'hot' or 'cold' boxes prior to our meetings. Corned Beef seemed to be their meal of choice during that period, and some of the members at the end of the queue got a lot smaller serving than those who were faster off the mark! It did bring its lighter moments though, like the occasion when the chocolate sauce for pudding was mistakenly served as gravy for the meat!

2001 - 2002

Club President: Brian Cromarty

Brian Cromarty moved into the top seat in mid 2001, with Immediate Past President Ian as his Secretary, and Trev Roberts as his Treasurer.

The Lions year will be remembered as the one when we lost our one and only World President, Lloyd Morgan. He passed away aged 83. To those of us who had the privilege to meet him in person, he will always be remembered as an inspirational, but amazingly humble man.

On a higher note, our organisation became the first Service group to be given permission to charter in the Peoples Republic of China when the first two Clubs were started there.

In August 2001 ten of our Members and wives found out what it was like to be on the other side of the bar at the famous (and as we now know, possibly the last) Bathgate Park Tent Village. Eion Willis, of the Southern Rugby Club, visited us and invited us to join with their Club at their major fundraiser. 28 pallets of beer, which equates to 75,000 cans, were sold to keep the punters happy, as well as other forms of refreshment, following the Bledisloe Cup game at Carisbrook. Not only were we paid to work there, we all received a special tee-shirt, which I still see occasionally being proudly worn by one of those who took part. The stories that came out of that night about the wallets full of banknotes, and what some of the female patrons got up to, are still discussed at Club get-togethers.

The Club was approached by a local family to see if we could help with transport for their young daughter who was seriously disabled as a result of a pedestrian crossing accident in Green Island. With assistance from the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust, the local Combined Service Clubs Medical Trust and our fellow Lions at Dunedin South, we managed to purchase a van for young Rebecca Stewart and her family. When they attended a meeting so we could hand over the keys to it, the smiles and words of thanks reinforced again why we do this 'Lions' thing.

Our numbers swelled by three with the induction of Evan Smart and the transfer in of Ray Turfus and Tom McCutcheon from the Brighton Taieri Mouth Club.

Even though we started the Lions year without a full complement on our Board, we still managed to run our major projects. The Fertiliser Drive was successfully organised by a sub-committee, chaired by Murray Mackie, and a successful Golf Tournament, led by our resident West Australian, John McLachlan, provided funds for the Foundation of the Blind. They were able to purchase Noir Glasses and a Monocular Kit.

Guest speakers during the year included Red Cross Manager, Jim Wilson, Paul Coffey, the DCC Recreation Manager, and Gordon Campbell, from Balmacewen Lions Club, in his role as a Camp Quality representative. We even had a dual speaker

night when we heard both Debbie Jenkins talk, as well as Jack Rutherford from Ranfurly.

When the catering arrangements at the Commercial didn't suit, we ventured across the road to the Royal Hotel, and our changeover was a luncheon at St Lees restaurant in Dundas Street, where we recognised Lindsay Moyle with a token of our thanks for his long term generosity.

2002 - 2003

Club President: Tony Hanning

Past International Director Tony Hanning put his hand up and agreed to a second term as Club President. Ian Rudds' and big Trev were happy to carry on in their roles as Club Secretary and Treasurer.

With the closing of Mosgiel Pakeke Lions, Harry & Daphne Johnson and Bert & Betty Wolf rejoined our ranks. Both had left us when Pakeke was set up because they wanted to make way for younger blood. Their coming back showed us all that it didn't matter what age a person was, Green Island Lions could find a place and a job for them all.

Projects and Activities

- Dunedin Toroa Lions Club was chartered after much work by Wax Preston of Dunedin South Lions, President Tony, and a group made up of Lions from various Dunedin Clubs. With the declining numbers of some older Clubs, it had been recognised by International that it was easier to help form a new Club, where all the members had open minds and were keen to give it a go, than to try and work through the 'baggage' that seemed to hold back some of the established ones. Genny Hanning became their Charter Secretary, then Club President, and has gone on to hold a number of District and Multiple District positions since. International Vice President J. Frank Moore III presented the Dunedin Toroa Club with its Charter.

- Sam Inder found himself on the organising Committee of the first Go-Otago Day on the Taieri. This has gone on to become a regular event held every two years to celebrate our province on Anniversary Day.
- During the first half of the year, Charter Member Gordon Barnes, and Diane ,announced that they were leaving Green Island and shifting to their crib in Albert Town. This seems to have set a bit of a trend with other members retiring to Central since. Gordon's lively wit and ready smile were to be missed.
- We helped sponsor local girl, Nicole Ketting to the Taekwondo Championships in Puerto Rico,
- Catered at the Abbotsford School reunion,
- Attended the 'Big River' Convention in Rakaia,
- Continued our tradition of informative guest speakers, with the likes of Dale Preddy from Diabetes Otago.
- We joined forces with other local Clubs in what has become the regular Christmas time Can Appeal to help top up the Mosgiel Food Bank's shelves. Our friends from the Fire Brigade Restoration Society and the local constabulary helped us announce our presence in the streets with loud bursts from their sirens.
- The organiser of the Fertiliser Drive, Chris May, suggested that the profits could go to Ranui House in Christchurch, the South Island's Bone Marrow Centre. Unbeknown to Chris, President Tony and Genny's young granddaughter, Harriet, had experienced the marvellous work that is done there. They had celebrated her third birthday there while she was having treatment for cancer.

New Member: The Club welcomed Les Wilson into its ranks during 2003. His wife Sandy has never been sure if it was a good move as she reckons she became a Lion' s widow straight away with Les throwing himself into Lions life head first.

2003 - 2004

Club President: Mervyn Telfer

Merv Telfer, who had been a late nominee as Tony 's first Vice President, agreed to move into the top seat. Tony backed him by becoming his Secretary, with Trev continuing on as Treasurer.

The year started badly with the sudden death of Liz Mackie whilst working with Murray in Wanaka. There was a very large turnout of shocked Lions and wives to say farewell to this very popular and much loved wife, mum & friend.

- The Club reacted quickly when the Mosgiel Foodbank was burgled by some lowlife. Working with John Moyle, we quickly helped restock the shelves with over \$400 worth of produce.
- The Otago Peninsula Lions Club hosted the 'Almost an Island' 202J Convention, and we helped out by organising and serving lunch to 280 hungry attendees.
- We were approached by the father of young Tyran Duncan, from Burgess St, to see if we could help out with organising a computer that he could use with his cerebral palsy. Trev Roberts managed to find and import an overlay screen which was placed in front of a normal monitor so Tyran could just touch it, instead of trying to use a mouse. When teamed with a second hand computer and loaded with teaching software, Tyran joined the computer age. He took to it eagerly, and benefitted from it so quickly, that his parents ended up paying the Club back as soon as they managed to raise enough money.
- President Merv had spent time as an Australian Lion when he and Adele had lived in Sydney for a number of years. With our Club membership at 30 and in an attempt to get us to think outside the square, Merv set aside one meeting and organised 'Brain Storming' Teams. A number of new ideas were floated. One suggestion was that we could set up a 'Hole in One ' competition at Brighton Beach and take out insurance against it happening.

- Amongst our array of guest speakers at meetings was young Carmen Knowles. Carmen worked for the DCC Drainage Department as its only female drain layer at the time. She had won a Winston Churchill Scholarship, with which she had travelled Europe studying the various systems and practices in specific countries.
- As befits an organisation of ageing males, we invited a hearing specialist, Leon Oliver, along as another guest speaker. He informed us on what we could do about hearing loss and what aids were then available.
- As well as providing grants to regular recipients like \$1,500 to Camp Quality from our annual Golf Tournament, and \$500 to the Brighton Surf Club from some of the Garden Supplies proceeds, we also helped a local team of Under 17 Soccer players travel to Northern Ireland to take part in the 'Milk Cup'. The competition is by invitation only and has many well known names on its list of past attendees. David Beckham and Wayne Rooney are just two of an impressive list of World Cup finalists who have taken part as teens. Maybe we did a little bit in helping to start the career of a multi-million dollar soccer star. Only time will tell.
- Stories about the annual pilgrimage to Hawea by our piscatorial Lions were starting to be looked at with some scepticism. So much doubt of the accuracy of their stories abounded that when we were visited by the local Camp Quality representative, Gordon Campbell, of the Balmacewen Lions Club, on an official visit, he was asked to give a "safe and sanitised report" following the 2003 trip. Afterwards, when it was decided that he talked as much bull as the rest of the fishers, it was concluded that he must have been 'got at.'
- Our association with the Balmacewen Club was furthered when one of their members, Gerald Paterson, invited us to help them with their Whitcoull's Stocktake. Much needed Admin Account funds were worked for and quickly banked.
- Reports on Club Members activities must have been a problem during Merv's reign. It was minuted that a "hilarious"

report of our Club Member's participation in the local Greater Green Island Golf Tournament was given by Gerry Hoad.
"But the outcome remains a mystery! "

- We were that busy as 2003 sped by, that we left the booking of a Christmas venue too late. At the last minute, it was decided to combine the November meeting, which was also to be the District Governor's official night, with a visit by Santa Claus and the handing out of the gifts (one for him & one for her, up to \$5 in value) that were traditionally done at a December gathering. It all went off without a hitch and everyone seemed happy to get at least one of those many 'Christmas things' out of the way early.
- On the occasion of the 50th annual Dunedin to Brighton Vintage & Veteran Car Run, the Club was asked to take its full compliment of barbeques to the domain, as we were the only registered food outlet. With gas bottles and chilly bins full to overflowing, we turned out in force, only to discover that there were a number of other stalls being set up by other local groups, who had not written down what the Stall would be selling. No fewer than five other groups were selling sausages, onions & bread! Some had been donated the makings and were even undercutting us! Sales were a lot lighter than what we had budgeted for, and anything that we could return, was. Letters of complaint to the organisers were quickly written and sent, probably because that is what you do.
- We also supplied BBQs for the Festival of Speed.
- The manufacture of our Lions fundraising confectionary was centralised to one Australasian producer to keep costs down and maximise profits. This resulted in us now receiving 'fizzy' Lions lollies , as well as the regular mints. They sold well. Even though the money kept coming in from a variety of local sites, an audit was done on them all. It was found that some had so much stock being "lost" as to be uneconomical. New sites were sought and the 'stands' were shifted quickly into position. An increase in turnover was soon noticed.

- The local Community Hospice promoted May 2004 as 'Hospice Awareness Month'. It was decided to make the May meeting a 'Ladies night' and run extra fundraising activities with all proceeds going to support the Hospice's work.
- Our busiest Lion, Past President Tony, was pressed into service by fellow Past International Director (and future World President), American, Jimmy Ross, to join him on a Membership Drive throughout the country. Tony's Secretary's report, whilst in Auckland, said, *"The more opportunities I have to see other clubs, the more I come to realise the strength of Green Island. It has been a wonderful year, again, of support for various individuals and groups in our community. We have taken on so many things and made life that much more liveable for others that all I can say is, 'Thanks.' There is no month in the year when our club, represented by different members, hasn't done something for others. That is what it is all about. That is all that it takes to be a Lion."*

Our numbers were swelled when another of the long serving members of the defunct Brighton' Lions Club asked to join us. We welcomed Murray Hastie and Carol into our family.

New Member: Murray Hastie

2004 - 2005

Club President: Mervyn Tikey

Move one name down our Membership list, and you find the name of our next President. Merv Tikey took up the challenge, and moved into the seat his Father had occupied 25 years earlier, becoming our first 'second generation' Green Island Lions President.

Tony still found time in his busy schedule to stay on as Secretary, and Trev kept the cheque books under control, until, in what has been described as a “bit of a mid-life crisis,” he decided to finish his Big OE in Australia that he had started 26 years earlier, by shifting to Adelaide, South Australia.

The July Board meeting received a note from Harry Johnson announcing that he was going to retire from Lions. This was “received with regret” by the Club, and a decision was made to present an Honoured Membership of the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust in recognition of his service to Lions, and our Club in particular. This was awarded to Harry at the Changeover function on 20 July.

It is minuted that “Some Members” had requested that we shift venue because of the catering situation at the Commercial. Arthur Waide at the Royal Hotel had proposed a two course meal at a reasonable rate, as well as storage facilities upstairs for our Club ‘stuff’. After a letter of thanks to Ace Foods and the Commercial, we moved home in time for our Changeover.

Projects and Activities

- Natural History NZ Cameraman, Max Quinn, entertained us with a talk, and some examples of his work, at our first meeting back at the Royal. Amongst his work was one of his first films with his younger brother, Rugby commentator extraordinaire, Keith, in a starring role. Max mentioned, in explanation, that he had filmed it in his parents’ backyard, and that when their father had seen Keith with a cigarette in his mouth during filming, he would not believe that it was part of the role. and had punished both of them for it.
- Local Councillor, Colin Weatherall, invited the Club to take part in tidying up the local Memorial Gardens. Our Handyman Team of Brian Ellis, Jim Young and Murray Hastie, under the watchful eye of Brian Cromarty, systematically refurbished all the park seating around the Gardens until they all looked better than new.

- A very enjoyable send off for Trev & Vicki Roberts was arranged at the September Tea Meeting. With Trev's involvement at various levels of Lions, there were a number of Past and Present District officers in attendance, as well as family and friends. Trev was presented with an International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of Dr Tae-Sup Lee.
- Genny Hanning had accepted a position on the District Cabinet following her year as Toroa Club President, so in a bit of a role reversal, Tony was now accompanying her to meetings. He found out what he had been missing for all those years when he took part in his first 'Partners Programme.' In an email to the Treasurer, dated 9 August, he reported that he had joined a group of thirteen to visit the local whale fossils and the Elephant Rocks. He had also enjoyed the shopping in Duntroon, writing that "It was great - none! I am sure Genny enjoyed the fact that I was on the Partner's programme as much as I enjoyed the fact that she was spending the day at a meeting!"
- Genny's Toroa Lions Club held a 'Soiree and Ladies night' as a fundraiser. We thought that our Lady, Jessie Tikey, might enjoy the event, so we bought a couple of tickets and sent her along. A very good evening, by all accounts.
- Ray McCraw of the Milton Club shifted 'to town' in July, and we welcomed him to Green Island. When Past Club President and DG Terry Clarkson decided to finally retire from his motel in Timaru, he was given the word by Pam that they were shifting to be closer to the family. With daughter Lynley, and son-in-law, Chris May, firmly ensconced in Green Island life, it was only fitting that Terry would return to our fold. Later in the year a rumour surfaced that we were about to pick up some other transferring Lions in the near future.
- Bob Wallace from the Mosgiel Club suggested a project to us called Kittyhawk Bowls. It was suggested that proceeds could go to Camp Quality and Hart Walker. We promptly despatched Graeme Hawkins to a meeting and he instantly became the Green Island co-ordinator. Later in the year it

looked like Koru Club was considering taking it over and running it as a 100% fundraiser, but that didn't happen.

- Charter Member Ian Finnie's health was deteriorating fast in late 2006. A special gathering at his home on 10 December saw a large contingent of the Club present him with a much deserved Melvin Jones Fellowship. Sadly, he passed away on the 22 of January 2007. Tony presented an amazing eulogy to Ian on behalf of us all. He spoke of the thirty plus years of perfect attendance, of the projects that Ian had suggested, then seen through to fruition. He spoke of Ian's leadership, loyalty and above all, integrity. Ian had been the first member to serve two terms as Club President. Tony pointed out that Ian's friends held him in respect, and in the highest regard. He pointed to the example of ex Green Island Lion, Russell Clark, boarding a plane in Sydney that very morning to arrive in time for Ian's service. Ian's legacy and memory will live on in our Club. Rest in Peace old friend...
- The Club did a bit of advertising when the Taieri Herald put together a special 50-Years of Lions in New Zealand feature.
- Sponsored two entrants to the Berwick Experience course.

2005 - 2006

Club President: Evan Smart

Evan Smart followed his sponsor into the top seat. With Tony as his Secretary, and Ian Rutherford as Treasurer, the Club had another winning combination.

This mid-life crisis thing raised its head again with Ian announcing towards the end of 2005 that he and Kath were heading to Singapore to teach English for a year or two. Past President Merv stepped in, picked up the cheque books and ably looked after things Treasurer until the next Changeover.

- Early in the year, an approach was made to the Club to see if we were in a position to help out young cerebral palsy sufferer, Tyran Duncan, again. Tyran's father, Mark, mentioned that the family vehicle really wasn't big enough to easily transport the family, as well as the special wheelchair that Tyran was now in. Board members investigated a number of different options that were available and recommended to the Club that we adopt the vehicle replacement as a Club Project. It all came together with a lot of help from our friends at the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust, and the District Child Mobility Committee. Two days before Christmas, the Club presented the Duncan family with a Nissan Caravan Chair-lifter that better suited their needs. At the February meeting Mark & Tyran visited the Club and gave those present a demonstration of how great the new vehicle was.
- The Club's cultural needs were given a wake up call when Margaret Young stirred up a few "social opportunities" with a proposal for a night out at Roger Hall's play, 'Spreading Out' and visits to the Naseby Centre and the Wanaka Show.
- Membership rose with PDG Jim Pine, & Norma, Ray McCallion and Bob MacLean & Lesley transferring in early in the Lions' year. All got stuck in straight away, with Ray suggesting we could look at running a food outlet in Waldronville while the famous Christmas lights were drawing visitors. This proved to be a winner with over \$2,300 being banked.
- PDG Jim was one of our representatives on the District Cabinet as Development Chairman, and spoke about his role at the August tea meeting. Fellow PDG, Terry Clarkson, answered the District Governor's call and had another term as a Zone Chairman. During his tenure, one of the most recognised Lions' activities in Dunedin, the Steptoe Auction, was dropped by Dunedin South and Otago Peninsula Clubs, who had run it for a number of years. Terry floated the idea of making it a 'Zone' project but the proposal faltered.
- In an all time first, Gerald Rogers was left absolutely speechless when the Club bestowed a surprise Melvin Jones

Fellowship on him at the September meeting. Over the years, Charter Member, Gerald, had organised most of the Clubs' regular projects. He had encouraged, cajoled and at times, almost intimidated people and members into giving things a go. His easy smile always seemed to get the job done when the going seemed to get tough. A great Club member, and good friend to have around.

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- The Rigs for Kids Project was again a success with the expertise and skills of ten Members feeding 850 people.
- Guest speakers during Evan's year were many and varied.
- Ex MP Stan Rogers visited the Club in August and regaled us with stories of his time in Parliament, but he was careful to avoid "Party Politics".
- At the December Tea meeting, a Liver Transplant recipient, by the name of Peta Sparrow, shared her experiences about staying at the Lions-funded Transplant House.
- With two talks over two months from representatives of the Lion Foundation Rescue Helicopter, and then the Southern Region Air Ambulance Trust, we should be experts on all things 'air rescue.'
- The end of October saw the playing of Brian Cromarty's Golf Tournament. Again, a great time was had by those who took part, and the Hospice gladly accepted the profits.
- When outside speakers were not available, members stepped up to share their experiences. Ian Rutherford reported on his explorations of coastal Victoria and South Australia while checking to see how Trev & Vicki Roberts were getting on across the ditch. Then President Evan shared his adventures in Rarotonga, and expounded on the importance of getting a local Drivers Licence whilst there.
- The Garden Supplies organisers handed \$1,000 of its profits over to Camp Quality member, Gordon Campbell, at the November meeting.

- The boys of the Kings High School Panthers rugby team had been brought on board to lighten our load with the Fertiliser project. The KHS involvement had started a number of years earlier when Trev Roberts' sons, Paul & Chris, used to bring their mates along as a bit of fun. Most of the lads had been rugby players and their youth and strength was soon recognised as an asset when they were seen to 'run' up some of the steeper streets and steps with a bag of product under each arm. An arrangement was entered into a bit more formally when it was agreed to give sponsorship to the Team in return for a bit of assistance at bagging and delivery. A win-win situation for all. Good physical training for the players, some much needed funds for their travel fund and less strain on older Lions' bodies.
- At the last meeting before Ian & Kath headed to Asia, Ian was presented with an International President's Certificate of Appreciation for his work for the Club, and the greater Lions organisation. A very fitting reward.
- Our colleagues from the Taieri Lions Club once again challenged us to an evening of Curling for the trophy. In what was really only a practice season for them, we were once again soundly beaten.
- 2006 started off well with a Members' barbeque hosted by President Evan & Judy. A very enjoyable time was had at their Mosgiel home.
- As the new year started, a group of Mosgielians (is that a word?) approached the Club about us helping set up another Club in their suburb. The various modern Club structures now being recommended were investigated, and it was considered that a Club Branch could be started. A Special Meeting was called on 28 March and the matter was discussed, moved, and "unanimously" passed that the Green Island Lions Club assist in the setting up of a Club Branch in Mosgiel.

President Chris May's year didn't get off to a very good start when at his first meeting in July, there was a "problem with the caterer." Result - no meal for either the members, or our three guests. As well as two members of our Branch Club, the meeting was joined by our new Bank Manager Graeme Wylie. What must he have thought? There was no mucking around though with the participants hungry, the meeting is recorded to have started at 6.45pm and finished at 8.10pm. and that was after quite a bit of business was discussed. I suspect that the local takeaway shops would have done well that night.

Chris was being supported by his Father-in-law, PDG Terry Clarkson, as Secretary, with Graeme Hawkins keeping a close watch on the Club's purse.

- Gerald Rogers volunteered to look after the Golf Tournament which appears to have gone very smoothly. The date was set for 11 February the following year, and at the meeting following, Gerald apologised to the Club members over how few of them had been required to take part. The proceeds were divided up between Sight-First 2 and Ranui House.
- After much work by a number of our members, and those keen people who approached us the previous year, the Lions Club of Mosgiel Districts was chartered as a separate full Lions Club on 23 May 2006.
- Rigs for Kids is frequently mentioned throughout 2006-07. Twenty-three members were required to help out over six barbeques at the Dunedin Railway Station, cooking for over 220 truck drivers and 500 kids. Greg Inch spoke as our Guest Speaker in November and explained how it had all started after an idea out of the United Kingdom. He expressed his amazement at how much local drivers and firms had got behind the idea. He mentioned two drivers who had actually arranged loads out of Auckland, just so they could take part. Greg was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship from us in recognition of his work and commitment.

- We also presented a Melvin Jones to Bev Moyle for her unstinting support of our Club. Unfortunately, Bev's joy was quickly turned over when husband Lindsay passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer. The Club attempted to repay a bit of Lindsay's generosity by helping out with afternoon tea at his very large send-off.
- "Potential " new member, John Cross, spoke as our guest at the August meeting about his experiences as a pilot, his friendship with Sir Tim Wallis, and helping to organise the Warbirds over Wanaka. John quickly got in the swing of being a Green Island Lion, and after listening in on some of the many catering reports, was the member who at the October meeting suggested that instead of borrowing a catering caravan from Lawrence, "Why don't we get one of our own? " A five man sub-committee was set up and things got started.
- With cooking at Rigs, at two Dunedin Kart Club meets which ran to a profit in excess of \$2,700, at the Green Island & Brighton Gala's, formalising a contract with the Beachlands Speedway and selling food amongst the Waldronville Christmas lights, one could easily be forgiven for thinking we were becoming a cooking club, instead of a service one. It was getting that serious that we even set up a separate Bank Account to keep track of the hotdogs, patties, sausages and bread.
- On the social front, Margaret was still keeping us cultured. She organised another visit to a Roger Hall play by the title of 'Cinderella', as well as a weekend away in Wanaka. The Club decided to try and get in some curling practise with a night at the Ice Rink in December, followed by a visit to Wobblies afterwards, to steady the nerves and warm the soles.
- To make sure we looked the part of being a successful Lions Club, Jim Pine arranged for members to purchase monogrammed light blue dress shirts to be worn on special occasions.
- When we were asked if we could help cut down a tree on the property of Brighton resident Mrs Wall, it is said that Les

Wilson's eyes lit up. Les loves nothing more than being in control of a roaring chainsaw, with sawdust cascading onto his greying hair. The felling was quickly organised, and then someone came up with the idea that we could split up the rings, and give it away to residents in need. After a visit to the St Peter Chanel Sisters by Tony, a list of people who would benefit the most from a load of free firewood was drawn up and the trailers started dropping it off, and even stacking it. Another job well done.

- Tony Hanning's contacts in the Catholic Church have been called on many times over the years, for many different things. We were not the only one who noticed his good works, though. Even the Pope heard about 'Our' Tony. After doing a bit of background checking, and getting a couple of references, the Holy Father presented Tony with a Papal Knighthood in June 2007. As one of only 300 people worldwide to be a Knight of the Order of St Gregory the Great, it is our understanding that Tony now has access to the Pope's household. A fitting reward for a man who has done so much for so many, but never sought any personal recognition for his actions. We are very proud to call him a Green Island Lion and, foremost, a friend.
- Guest speakers throughout the year informed and enlightened us in many ways. Darlene Thompson from the "Keep Dunedin Beautiful Project" told us how we could do our bit.
- June Parks from the Disputes Tribunal explained how the processes worked, and entertained us with some of the cases that had come before her.
- Head Coach & Manager of the Commonwealth Games Team, Raylene Baker, told us of her experiences in Melbourne, and also Beijing.
- Fiona Jenks, whose claim to fame was being the Book Bus Librarian, followed in a very entertaining and informative style, after equally entertaining musings by members on the contemporary and historic qualities of brown stew!!

- In what was becoming a bit of a tradition, the new calendar year started off “with a BBQ at a member ’s home”. The lucky 2007 winners were Murray & Carol Hastie. Another good time was had by all that attended.
- An invitation was received from the local Gun Club inviting us to hold a function at their range. There was talk of the old Club trophy (taller than Gerald Rogers by half a beer bottle neck, and on display at Brandwell-Moller’s for many years) that might get to be shot for again.
- The Admin. account got a wee boost with seven members counting stock at Repco. After three and a half hours work each, and a good, provided meal, \$565 was quickly banked by Graeme.
- During the year the Club gave \$600 to the Foundation of the Blind for some Talking Books,
- Donated a dishwasher to the Child Cancer Foundation’s Holdaway House.
- We also helped start the campaign fund to get local PDG Ron Luxton onto the ladder to become International Lions Club World President.

2007 - 2008

Club President: Chris May

The Club is again presided over by Chris May. Our first ever consecutive term President. His team of Terry & Graeme stayed on in support.

New members who joined us during Chris’s terms covered the height spectrum with John Cross, Richard Hanning and Mick Bates being inducted.

All were to prove to be valuable members from day one.

The year was started with meetings being held at the Royal Hotel. Unfortunately the new restaurant management allowed the public to also dine in the room at the same time. Club Members were far from happy with this arrangement and, once again, a new home was sought. As had happened in the past, the Commercial was investigated, a mutually agreeable arrangement was formulated, and the Club shifted across the South Road in early 2008.

Projects and Activities

- Members kept up with what was going on within the City through our Guest Speakers. Malcolm Farry convinced many of the value of our new Stadium, while later in the year we were told all about the City's Chinese Garden project by Adrian Thein from OCTA. We were enlightened by the workings of Youthline and heard about Scott Weatherall 's trip to the International Water Safety Conference in Portugal, after being awarded NZ Surf Lifesaving Volunteer of the year for 2007.
- The Club kept up its representation at District and Multiple District level with Bob MacLean as 202J Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust representative, PDG Jim Pine as Publicity Chairman and Merv Tikey as Zone Chairman.
- PID Tony Hanning commenced work chairing a Multiple District committee to get Ron Luxton on the road to become World President.
- Records show that we helped fund a defibrillator at Brighton,
- Worked in excess of 1100 hours at Beachlands.
- Catering was also done at a Go Karts meet at Labour weekend, at Rigs for Kids and at a family wedding.
- Work was done bringing the Raceway kitchen up to scratch and getting a contract in place. An arrangement to borrow a refrigerator van from Kaan's Foods was used for a while and a freezer was obtained to store our produce in at the right price. All seemed to go well for a while until a driver, using a welder to do repairs to his car, popped a fuse. The resulting

loss was covered in an insurance claim of \$750 and the freezer was duly restocked.

- 2007 was the year of 'The Caravan.' After John Cross's suggestion of having one, a committee had been formed under the chair of Evan Smart to investigate "buying or importing a suitable vehicle". Following much work, a plan was hatched and a fund-raising proposal was presented to the Club. With assistance from outside sources, and a design approved by the authorities, the chassis was started in March 2008.
- Our regular Projects of the Phone Book Delivery, annual Fertiliser Drive, Golf Tournament, and Repco Stocktaking all helped keep Treasurer Graeme happy, and gave us the funds to help a wide range of recipients. The Mosgiel Districts Lions Club, under 'Guiding Lion,' Jim Pine, helped out at many of them.
- With changes taking place in how the Government reckoned organisations like ours should handle money, our esteemed Auditor suggested we should form a Trust to administer our funds and help with tax issues. The Trust was formalised late in the Lions' year.
- Socially, the Club had its Christmas function at the Waiholā Tavern, and Changeover was held at the Mosgiel Railway Station Restaurant. A highlight of the year was a surprise presentation of a Lloyd Morgan Honoured Membership to Bev Moyle at the April meeting. Bev, Lyndsay and John Moyle have all been amongst our Club's biggest supporters for many years.
- Not everything went well during the year. Taieri Lions again proved to be better than us at curling and a proposed Skeet shoot organised to start the New Year was cancelled through lack of "involvement. "
- A project selling First Aid Kits on Trade Me was finished up by selling the slow moving stock to Club members.

- The annual Fishing trip is minuted with a catch of 32 fish. One Member is listed with a fish of 7kgs. Is this another fishy tale?
- As a possible sign of our ageing membership, sawdust bagging at the landfill is recorded in the minutes as now being done “by PD boys. ”
- Our last Charter Member, Gerald Rogers, announced to the Club in early 2008 that Pam and he were shifting to Cromwell to retire. Gerald hasn't actually officially left the Club, but his presence is sorely missed. For someone retired, he still seems to pop up driving around Dunedin in a work vehicle on a very regular basis.

2008 - 2009

Club President: Evan Smart

Evan Smart took over the Chair to guide the Club through the 2008-09 year. With the formidable team of Terry Clarkson as Secretary & Graeme Hawkins with his hand firmly on the finances, the Club was guaranteed to prosper.

- New members inducted during the year could only be described as ‘handy people to have around ’. City Councillor, and local stalwart, Colin Weatherall, finally agreed to join our ranks, and even the local boss man of the Council's Food and Health Department, Athol Kirk, saw the benefits of our organisation. Other new Green Island Lions were Fenton Engstrom, Denis Dolan (transferred in on his return from living across the Tasman,) and John McGregor moved over from Dunedin Host.
- The projects that seemed to hog the minute pages were the caravan and catering, as well as the Hi-Vis Vests, and the replacement of the clock by the Civic.

- The caravan was finished in the first few months of the Lions' year. A dummy run for our intrepid cooking team was held in Moyle's car park and, with a gold coin donation being accepted, \$500 was given to the Hospice. It had its big time public showing at the Rigs for Kids at the end of August, to much acclaim. Many hours have been spent by members and helpers in our 'van,' and it has become a major Club asset, earner and symbol.
- The Hi-Vis project kept Merv Tikey busy. After research, fundraising and organising, 1300 vests were ordered and distributed to all the schools in our area, at a cost in excess of nearly \$14,000.
- Merv's quest for the replacement of the Richardson Clock by the Civic complex should hopefully be completed shortly after our 40th Anniversary is celebrated. The Tikey name in our Club is held in the highest regard through the work of Eric, Jessie and Mervyn. We look forward to the next generation's involvement.
- 2008 may be remembered as the last year of the Mushroom Compost. Because of supply problems and the unacceptable increase in its cost during the annual Fertiliser Drive, it was moved that, 'we look at compost from the local Recycling Centre in 2009.'
- The drive of '08 will probably be most remembered for John Young's unfortunate accident. John fell from the back of the Fairfield truck and suffered a severely broken arm. Members with him then found out at first hand about trying to get an ambulance to the scene, with a Call Centre in another part of our Island. It hasn't put John off helping out; he is still one of the first to put his hand up (his other arm though) when volunteers are called for.
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- Members collected for Cystic Fibrosis and helped Glaucoma NZ with their conference.
- Our guest speakers included Malcolm Cameron, whose Trust helps Youth at Risk, Marty Steels who is an expert in Landmine disposal, fellow Lion Jim Conradson, who was the local Coroner for many years, and Richard Yardley, who ran

up all 1029 steps of the Auckland Sky Tower in full fire fighter's garb. District Governor Neil Blake visited in October, and the Council's Dangerous Goods Inspector fronted up in January.

- The Green Island Lions Club Trust set-up took a bit of getting used to, and understanding. Long time Club and District Treasurer, Club Auditor and 31-year member, Dave Gardner, helped us all understand why it was necessary, and how it all worked. He then surprised us all by telling us that, along with Judy, he was retiring to Queenstown to live. Dave is missed, but I am sure that any advice that is needed will be freely given when required.
- A Women's Expo was organised in 2008, and we had four members support the Dunedin Toroa Lions Club with it.
- An interesting entry in the December minutes records that a remit, "That this Club become a mixed Club," was moved and carried. Spinning, on the part of some older members, springs to this writer's mind.
- It appears that we also sorted out our Dress Code. It is minuted that we should wear neck attire during Ladies' Nights and Club Visits.
- A minute entry records that the Club will give Lions' pens to guest speakers instead of certificates. PID Tony was asked to 'uplift' a supply from International Head Office. I can find no reference to us paying for them, though.
- During the Brighton Gala Day, our members sorted out the parking, and even acted as shepherds for the Sheep Racing.
- We purchased a 40' container to store our sawdust in at the Green Island Landfill, bought a Boat Trailer for the Brighton Surf Life Saving Club's IRB, and a good number of our members and partners attended the District Convention at Mayfield.
- Suggestions during the year included:
- A project where the public could travel to and from Oamaru by boat, and back by train, and vice versa.

- A Black Tie Dinner be held;
- That caps be purchased for Club Members to wear during projects.
- We helped out two local families with funding to get stem-cell therapy for their children;
- We kept up our support of Camp Quality through the Kitty Hawk Bowls, and joined with other Dunedin Clubs to raise funds for the Children's Ward. Unfortunately this particular project was "sent back to the drawing board."
- John Cross gave a mug to the Club to be presented to a 'Lion of the Month' at tea meetings. Presidents have sometimes struggled to award this to just one member each month, as so much is often being done by so many at the same time.
- The Club's Christmas function was held at the Victoria Hotel in mid-December, and, following the success of the previous year, Changeover was again held at the Mosgiel Railway Station Restaurant on Sunday 24 May.
- **New Members:** Colin Weatherall, Athol Kirk, Denis Dolan, Fenton Engstrom, and John McGregor (transfer from Host)

2009 - 2010

Club President: John Cross

John Cross stepped up to lead the Club for the 2009 – 2010 Lions year. The formidable team of Terry and Graeme again filled the chairs at the top table.

- The Hi-Vis vests for all the school children in our catchment arrived and were distributed by late July. It is great to see the children so easily, but disappointing for many to see one school in particular not actively pushing their use. A regular topic at meetings was reporting how many children in each

area were wearing the vests, and it is encouraging to have had some schools asking for more vests to make sure every new entrant has one available. Of course, the fact that the Lions emblem is now seen on our streets every day is a positive offshoot for us.

- At the International Convention in Minneapolis, Genny Hanning was presented by International President Al Brandel with an award for Best District Project for the Hart Walker Programme that she leads. This is great recognition for this New Zealand project and the work that Genny is doing with it. This encouraged the Club to forward \$10,000 to the project, with some of the funds coming from our Fertiliser Drive.
- As well as PID Tony & Genny's continuing involvement at Multiple District level, our Club's support of the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust was further extended with PDG Jim Pine taking over as our District Representative from Bob MacLean.
- For some reason which is hard to fathom, considering our City is totally surrounded by forests, and with it seeming like every ten vehicles we see on the roads is a logging truck, we nearly ran out of sawdust to bag and sell at the Landfill. Fortunately, new member, John McGregor, knew a guy who knew a guy and managed to secure us a supply. Project saved. Well done, John.
- What used to be known as our Annual Golf Tournament, finally got played after a few false starts in 2008 -2009, and, even though numbers were way down, a profit of \$1,500 was still made and given to the Blind Foundation. It was decided, however, to give this Project a rest for a year or so.
- Catering kept the Club very busy again; that busy, in fact, that when we were asked to help out with a Hart Walker Picnic, we actually supplied Subway sandwiches on the day. Our Team fed nearly 400 at a Camp Quality day and made sure that the Foodstuffs Staff picnic was enjoyed by all.

- At the annual Rigs for Kids, over 1,000 meat patties and 800 sausages were cooked. The entry in the Club minutes recorded it as a day with “very little waste and well organised.”
- The Club got itself organised to help with catering at the District Convention at Port Chalmers, but it appears that those plans got changed prior to the day.
- To make the lives of those working in the ‘van’ a bit easier, the generator home was modified with an electric hoist to save our old backs, and a ‘Zip ’ was installed to give us a supply of boiling water. It was also registered as a Civil Defence Asset during the year.
- Guest Speakers at Club nights were many and varied. John Penno from Mainland Air spoke about their International Flying School, and even explained how the shape of wings affected flight and fuel usage. The Prison Chaplain from Milton, Peter Collet, gave us the run down on life behind bars, and visiting Lion, and 41 year police veteran, Maurice Phiskie told us what it took for us to find out first hand. The local medic, and front man from our year 2000 Men’s Health Night, Martin Howells, gave us a return visit and again stirred us up about our health. The age old problem of attendance at Tea Meeting was again addressed with a motion, “That members who don’t put in an apology, and do not turn up for a meal, would receive an account for the price of the meal.” It was also decided to “discontinue 100% Attendance Awards, but continue to give Awards for Continuous years of Service in 10-year badges.”
- President John’s Kitty Hawk Bowls Tournament for Camp Quality, held at the Fairfield Bowling Club, was a great success. A new car was offered as a prize for any player to go through the tournament without a loss. As there is not a noticeable slump in Club Funds for that time of the year, it is assumed that the prize wasn’t won.
- Membership stayed level during the year with the sudden passing of Gerry Hoad and the retirement of Lew Brookes. Both men are sorely missed.

- After many years of helping with Club Projects, Lester Hewitt finally joined our ranks, even though he was now living in Waikouaiti. To keep the numbers up on fishing trips, Trev and Vicki Roberts returned to the Island after 5 years away. It is said that they had run out of vineyards to visit in South Australia, but the appearance of grandchildren in Abbotsford probably had more to do with it.
- The report on the Fishing Trip was “weather perfect, but fish not biting’. At last, the truth....
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- The Club continued to keep Green Island to the fore by gifting five tramping packs to the local Scouts, discussed beautifying the Runciman St Underpass, and provided some of the funding for a defibrillator at Moyles Supermarket. Green Island Market day again saw Graeme Hawkins on the chocolate wheel helping raise \$1,300, along with our BBQs.
- With the closing of the Waldronville School, it was decided to help shift some of the playground equipment to Green Island School. A few ex-Eastern Dunedin Lions, who are now members of our Club, were rueing the day they had used ‘that much bloody concrete’ in the foundations. Luckily some heavy equipment was borrowed to help with the shift.
- Projects that would follow through into the next Lions year were: Club tee-shirts, caps and aprons, helping some local Uni Students do a thesis on Lions Clubs in the City, and giving support for a revamped Green Island Kindergarten.
- Brian Illingworth put his hand up to chair the Lions Mints project vacated by Lew Brookes.
- The Club helped out with a book titled, “Wings of Song” by Effie Cockburn. It chronicled her 50 years’ involvement with musical life in Dunedin. Several past and present members were mentioned within the pages.
- Past President Evan Smart’s tireless work convening the Catering Committee was rewarded by him being named “Lion of the Year.”
- **New Member:** Lester Hewitt

• **2010 - 2011** **Club President: Murray Hastie**

- A Past President of the Brighton & Districts Lions Club, Murray Hastie, agreed to give it another go at Green Island in 2010. Denis Dolan took up the quill and Graeme Hawkins keeps a firm hold on the purse.
- On 10 July (Decimal Currency Day) a nationwide fundraiser, "Heads Up for Old Money, " started. Multiple District 202 got an agreement from the Reserve Bank that they would honour the face value of any obsolete or foreign coins or notes that we were given. Ian Rutherford volunteered to be our co-ordinator and is eagerly collecting and sorting the dosh as it comes in. It is hoped that in excess of one million dollars may be collected and channeled into Lions Youth projects.
- Four boats with three fishers in each headed to Twizel for the first weekend in November. Even though the changeable weather made knowing what to wear a problem, it turned out to be the most productive trip away on record. By the time the boats were pulled out at Sailors Cutting on the way home on Monday, the total tally of fish landed was 95. Many had been returned to be caught another day.
- The caravan continues to be a major part of our life. The Catering Committee is now headed by PDG Jim Pine, with Les Wilson in charge of the caravan, and Bob MacLean sharing the load. The regularity of the catering is such that a number of other Lions Clubs and community organisations share our workload, and are rewarded on an hourly basis. The local Green Island Kindergarten is being rebuilt, and their supporters have been regular helpers at the Green Island Gala Day, and at the Raceway.
- Beachlands continues to be the biggest commitment, but the van has been seen at a four day Carbase sales promotion in Kaikorai Valley, at this year's two day Brighton Gala, and we got great exposure in the ODT at North Dunedin Lions Club's 2011 "Lark in the Park. " The weekend before our commemorative function, our Club was very noticeable by the caravan's presence on the Oval, at a Highlanders' Rugby promotion.

- We have had a great forty years. I am sure that the Charter members who return to help us commemorate this achievement will be wondering where that time went. As the old saying goes, “if you want something done, ask a busy man to do it.”
- We are busy men; we get things done, and will continue to do so.....

THE FIFTH DECADE OF THE LIONS CLUB OF GREEN ISLAND 2011 - 2021

Compiled by Lion Tony Hanning
Past International Director

2011 - 2012

Club President: Murray Hastie

President Murray led us capably out of the Fourth Decade and into the Fifth, after some arm-twisting, rather than tail-twisting, by members who recognised his quiet, unruffled leadership qualities and ability to get things done.

Having been elected for a further term as Club President, Lion Murray made it clear that it was not just going to be a “quiet settle down for ‘more of the same’ kind of year.”

Projects and Activities included:

- **Youth Camp at Berwick** Trevor Roberts advised members that the building was finished, however it could not be used until the land is stabilised. The Club made a donation of \$1,000 towards the rebuilding project after the landslide that damaged property.
- **Otago Hospice** Matt Tobin convened “The Entertainment Book” project. The club sold this book and donated the funds to the Otago Community Hospice.
- **ANZI Pacific Forum** Tony Hanning was Chairman for the first ANZI Pacific Forum hosted by New Zealand, the venue being Queenstown. The Club agreed that the incoming Club President, Bob MacLean, and Trevor Roberts would attend this event as representatives.
- The Club assisted with a number of **Appeals and Collections, including:**
 - Cystic Fibrosis Street Day appeal.
 - Neurological appeal, convened by John McGregor;

- Support was given to Heart Kids and the Young Speechmaker Contest;
- **Bert Wolf's Garden** A Working bee had completed the tidying up of Bert's garden in Fairfield.
- **Abbotsford Kindergarten** The Club responded positively to a request that had been received from the Kindergarten for a grant of \$657.70 to purchase blinds for their building.
- **Club Shirts** Graeme Hawkins held supplies of these shirts for sale to members.
- **Mayfield Convention District 202J** Merv Tikey arranged for a cake to be made for Tony Hanning to take to the Convention. The cake was a masterpiece and sold for \$1,000!
- The Club agreed to donate \$2,000 to Child Mobility. Tony was authorised to take this with him and have available for the Cake Auction.
- **Taieri High School Volunteers** helped out at catering functions as a way of raising funds for an overseas school trip that they were involved in. They made themselves available to speak at one of our Tea meetings when they returned from overseas.
- **Catering Caravan** Demand continued to keep the members busy, and the funds raised enabled other community needs and projects to be financed. **Events included:**
 - Mitre 10 Auction on Saturday 21 April, 2012,
 - Kickboxing at the Caledonian on 28 April.
 - Camp Quality South's Reunion Day on 20 May when we provided food for about 60-100 people at Moana Pool for the campers, companions, families and Camp Quality staff.
 - Cadbury Breakfast competition run by a local Radio station.
 - The Club made \$112.00 from an event on behalf of the Deaf Foundation.
 - Treasurer Graeme Hawkins advised members that the profit from this season was \$11,047.54 from which we then paid Beachland's 20%.
 - **Sawdust Stall** Les Wilson reported that supplies were going well, including Lime and bags of Blood and Bone. Les also advised that Blood and Bone is becoming scarce

as this is now being made into dog tucker and exported to the United States.

- The vents, installed in the container were “working wonders.”
- **Youth Camp at Berwick Redevelopment** Trevor Roberts reported that things were progressing nicely, and so far there was \$21,000.00 that had been banked. The Club donated \$1,000.00 towards this project. Lions were now investigating the eligibility conditions in order to apply for funding assistance from LCIF.
- **Autism New Zealand.** This organisation held a Special Needs Bowling Party at Bowl Line Dunedin. They had a target of 500 children attending, and we donated \$90 for two children to attend at \$45 each.
- **Sponsored walk.** The Club made a donation of \$250.00 in support of Brian Cromarty taking part in a sponsored walk for the Wishbone Trust which raises funds for research and patients requiring orthopaedic surgery.
- **Deck for a boy with special needs.** A local mother has a Special Needs son and sought support to build a deck outside their home in Abbotsford so that he can sit outside and enjoy the sun. Murray Hastie and Bob MacLean assessed the situation and led the project.
- **Welcome Signs to Green Island** Trevor Roberts raised the matter of the need for welcome signs as people approach Green Island. There is, apparently, one on the Old South Road as you come into Fairfield, but nothing as you come from the City to Green Island. Ian Rutherford agreed to make inquiries at the Dunedin City Council to see what would be required for such a sign to be erected.
- **Club Excellence Programme** Jim Pine and Christine Bone attended this programme at Timaru and recommended strongly that our Club look at this very professionally run programme, consisting of sessions held over 3 nights at no cost to Clubs to participate.
- Change-over Dinner was held on Tuesday 19 June at the Commercial Hotel, with partners invited.

New Members Dan Murphy, Ken Schumacher, and Gordon Campbell (transfer from Balmacewen Lions Club) and Christine Bone (transfer from Mosgiel Lions Club.)

2012 - 2013

Club President: Bob MacLean

Lion Bob, with the full support and assistance of Lesley, led the Club through the 2012 - 2013 Lions' year. Bob brought considerable experience to the role, having been heavily involved in many projects with the Lions Club of Eastern Dunedin before transferring to Green Island.

Projects and Activities

- Many of the regular projects were undertaken successfully, such as Food caravan catering, the Fertiliser drive, the Sawdust and Garden supplies stall at the Green Island Landfill, the Green Island Market day and the annual Food-can Drive before Christmas, as well as many collections and street appeals. The annual delivery of telephone books was contracted successfully, and the Fishing Trip was able to add to stories that defied all odds.
- President Bob spoke to the Club about a seat being erected at the corner of Shand and Howden Street. This was being organised by the Sherwood Trust, and our Lions Club agreed to assist.
- Two particular events were memorable highlights during President Bob's year.
- One was the holding of the **International ANZI Pacific Forum in Queenstown**. PID Tony Hanning was the Chairman, and our Club was named as "Host Club" for the event. Our President and Club members met personally with the likes of International President, Wayne Madden, and International 1st Vice President, Barry Palmer, as well as

other senior Lions from New Zealand, Australia and Indonesia. President Bob represented us well.

- The second event was the holding of the **Special Olympics in Dunedin**. Our Club's offer of help was gratefully accepted by the organisers. Many of our Club members gave assistance and retain happy memories of the several days of the event.
- Memorable among the guest speakers this year was Jennifer Dermer, the SDHB Mandatory Training & Resuscitation Co-ordinator. She spoke on CPR and how to respond to a Medical Emergency. Jennifer also explained how AED Defibrillators operate.

2013 - 2014

Club President: Brian Illingworth

Like Bob MacLean before him, Brian had served as President of Eastern Dunedin Lions' Club.

- Mick Bates reported that he was arranging collections for Multiple Sclerosis and the Cystic Fibrosis Street appeal.
- Various events required the presence of the Caravan for catering. Some included:
- Blind Green Island Get-together to be held at Sunnyvale Sports Ground.
- Light Party on 31 October required help from 5.00pm-8.00pm.
- Kickboxing was on again at the "old Caledonian Rooms" on 2 November, with the caravan parked by the entrance door.
- The Club made a successful application to the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust (LMLCCT) for funding to help provide a rescue trailer for the Brighton Surf Life Saving

Club. Club members, led by Brian Cromarty, organised the trailer for \$2,594.07.

- Colin Weatherall requested assistance with the Brighton Gala Day on 25 Jan 2014. Needs identified were: Caravan 10 am to 5 pm., 3 x marshals (site assistance) 8 am to 10 am., 3 x marshals (site & venue parking) 10 am to 12 noon.
- Sunday 17 November, Hospice Ride. There was an excellent turn out, and the Club agreed to donate \$700-00 to the Otago Community Hospice.
- Kim said that she had some eye glasses she had received from Police Lost Property for the Lions' reusable eye-glass project.
- Matt Tobin reported that 1,052 books, to assist children read, have been distributed so far, and he was looking for more.
- Geoff Rackley reported that the phone books should be here after 6 December and we would receive 97cents per book.
- Convention: Jim Pine advised that we need to have a squad of members at Temuka Convention to support our Convention bid.
- Kittyhawk Bowls: John Cross spoke about the Kittyhawk bowls which will raise funds for Camp Quality South. The tournament will be held at Taieri, Fairfield and Green Island Bowling Clubs and eight members are needed to sell raffles.
- John McGregor advised that he was now looking after Lion mints and that he was increasing the number of outlets to nine.
- President Brian led a discussion on how to help a needy family. He had already delivered a load of firewood but we needed to follow this up.

2014 - 2015

Club President: Ken Schumacher

President Ken led the Club for the 2014 - 2015 Lions' year. He set out to involve members in projects that suited their interests, but saw the importance of members sharing the load to get work done, too.

Projects and activities included:

- A local student, Sam Kilsby, was seeking a donation to Sir Peter Blake Trust so that he could join an excursion to the Auckland Islands on HMSNZ Otago from 2 - 13 February, 2016. The Club agreed to give \$500 to Sir Peter Blake Trust on Sam's behalf.
- Catering, as usual, met many requests for assistance and provided funds for the Club to support community projects.

The following list of events gives an indication of demand for the Food caravan:

- Seafood Festival on Saturday 26 September, 2015, needed two shifts of six Lions.
- The Greater Green Island Get Together Sunday, October 18, 2015, 10 am to 2-00pm.
- Catering at Camp Tirohanga North Taieri for the Camp Quality/Child Cancer Society Family Camp. Meal 5 pm. Saturday 7 November, 2015.
- Otago Hospice Charity Cruise, Sunday 29 November, 2015.
- 20 December 2015, Brighton Domain, 5-30pm to 7-30pm.
- 17 January, 2016, Taieri Airfield Festival of Historic Motoring Wings and Wheels Open Day. 10am to 4pm.
- 24 January, 2016, Brighton Gala Day.
- 13 February ,2016, Spartan Rugby Tournament. Green Island Rugby Club Rooms.
- 14 February, 2016, Lark in the Park.
- Sunday March 6 2016 Dunedin East Rotary Duck Race, 1130am to 3pm.
- Fertiliser Drive: Convenor, Chris May, said it was very pleasing to see that over half the Club had turned out to assist with both the Saturday before, and on the actual day of delivery.

- Rigs for Kids was a great success and enjoyed good support from members involved in catering.
- Hi Viz vests were arranged for local schools, once again, as a top-up.
- Leo Club : Jules Haldane held her first Leo Club Meeting on Tuesday 1 September, 2015. Four attended, and the prospect of more interested in joining was high. Jules was really great with the kids, and is to be congratulated on her organisational skills.
- PID Tony had a meeting with the Kitty Hawk Bowls Committee. The tournament will be held on Sunday 1 November, 2015. They require prizes for raffles, and assistance by Lions on the day.
- Memorial Seats Project: The upgrade of the seats in the Memorial Gardens was a project dear to the hearts of some. Brian Illingworth led the project and, with the support of the Club, and after discussion with the DCC and the Greater Green Island Community Network, he arranged a good quote from A J Grant to undertake the restoration work in the expectation that other parties would assist with funding. The initial costs increased as a result of a DCC request that the seats be powder-coated. A working bee was organised to install the seats and the job was done. The Club was disappointed to learn that funding was not available for the project from the Greater Green Island Community Network, so the Club agreed to contribute \$5,270.45 as half-share and the DCC would meet the other half.
- Brian Illingworth suggested that we do something around Armistice day on 11 November. President Ken contacted the Taieri Herald and arranged for them to take a photo of veterans at the seats we had put in at the Green Island Memorial Gardens.
- Brian stood in as Acting President while Ken was overseas.

- As Tikey's workshop was due to relocate in the near future, a new storage location for the Caravan was located at Chadwick Street, Fairfield.
- Taieri Lions Club challenged us to a curling match in July. The Club accepted and lived in hope of a win, but an enjoyable night whatever the outcome.
- A J Grant donated a child's double swing to the Club. This was used as a good raffle prize.
- Mick Bates continued to co-ordinate Street appeals, and reported that recent ones, such as that for Cystic Fibrosis, had been very successful.

2015 - 2016

Club President: Ken Schumacher

Lion Ken Schumacher, with the support of Jean, continued his service as President into a second term, aware that he had been overseas for part of the previous term. His enthusiasm never waned, and the Club responded by continuing with all the traditional projects and activities and introducing a few new initiatives, too.

Projects and Activities

- Camp Quality and the Child Cancer Society held their annual Family Camp on Saturday 7 November, 2015, this year's venue being Camp Tirohanga at North Taieri. On the Saturday evening, Green Island Lions catered for a meal at 5.00pm. As well as the Club providing the meal, President Ken "volunteered" to be Father Christmas and deliver parcels supplied by Child Cancer Society to all the children. Ken made a wonderful Father Christmas, but what he hadn't

known was that Bill Gale had offered to fly Father Christmas in by helicopter as a big surprise for the children! (Not half as much a surprise as it was going to be for Ken on his first helicopter ride!) It was a clear bubble-like view for all as the helicopter dropped down onto the lower field. After disembarking, Santa Claus was escorted by excited young ones up the drive to the front verandah of the camp building. Bouncing alongside him, one smart little lad piped up, "You're not the real Father Christmas. I can see string around your ear." "Don't be stupid," retorted another, "That's not string; that's his hearing aid cord!" End of story. Ken breathed a sigh of relief and carried on as Father Christmas, to the delight of everyone, particularly the young recipients of the gifts.

- Mervyn Tikey reported that his Mother, Jessie, was going to be 90 years old on October 17, 2016. After many years of doing so for the Club, she is finding it hard to read numbers and names to ring members up for Tea Meetings. Mervyn suggested we look at getting someone else to take over from her at the beginning of the next Lions' year. It was agreed that the Club should recognise Jessie's outstanding contribution in some way at the Changeover function. Later in the year, Marj Latta agreed to undertake the 'ring-a-round.'
- The Club donated \$1,000.00 to buy a brick for the Sunnyvale Sports Complex.
- A donation of \$1,000.00 was made to LCIF.
- The Club applied successfully to the Bendigo Trust for a grant of \$1,762.44 to cover the cost of insurance on the caravan.
- Catering, as usual, was in high demand and included the following:
 - Saturday, 19 September at St Peter Chanel Fair.
 - Saturday, 26 September two shifts of 6 required at Port Chalmers Seafood Festival.

- Otago Hospice Charity Cruise, Sunday 29 November 2015.
- Green Island Market Day, Saturday 5 December 2015.
- The Greater Green Island Get Together, Sunday 8 November 2015, 10am to 2pm.
- Santa Parade, Sunday 6 December 2015.
- Camp Quality Reunion Day Luncheon to be held at the Brighton Surf Life Saving Club, Sunday May 15, 2016.
- Jaffa Race, Friday 22 July, 2016
- Special Rigs For Special Kids, Sunday 28 August, 2016
- Green Island School, Sunday 16 October 2016, plus the Chocolate Wheel.
- The annual Food Bank Drive took place on Monday 7 December 2015 starting from the Green Island Police Station at 6.00pm.
- Phone Book delivery took place on Tuesday 24 November 2015 commencing 6 pm from Total Span.
- Ian Rutherford received a phone call from Taieri Lions wanting a Curling re-match on 28 June, 2016. The request was accepted.
- The Leo Club went with the Club to Brighton to present a cheque for \$400 to Camp Quality.

2016 - 2017

Club President: Matt Tobin

Matt was one of the youngest Presidents to serve the Club in that role for many years, and was one of the leading Lions behind a decision to form a Leos Club. Helping on a regular basis with the early development of the Leos Club were Jules

Haldane, Seonaigh and Nicole Bradley, Jim Pine and Christine Bone. The meetings were held regularly in the St Peter Chanel Hall and the young Leos showed great enthusiasm. They embarked quickly on a wide range of projects, as the following list shows.

Green Island Leos Club:

- The Leos have now been officially registered at Lions Clubs International.
- \$1,915 raised at the Gala day.
- Held a very successful BBQ on Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 October at Lee Stream, and Saturday 19 November 2016 for the Otago Motor Cross Association.
- Donated a camera to Nick Hurring the “Bird lady” so that she can take photos of the animals she deals with.
- Held another Car Wash on Saturday 5 March at the old Moyles Car Park. They have \$1,400 in the bank with another \$300 to be banked from sale of toilet paper.
- Gave 42 Apple Crumbles to Mosgiel Food Bank.
- Presented a cheque to Amanda Reid of Green Island Community Network to go towards the Playground.
- Held a Pot luck Tea and games on Saturday, 15 July 2017 at St Peter Chanel Hall.
- Organised a Leos camp at Taieri Mouth on the weekend of 22 - 23 April 2017.
- Held a Quiz night at Nellies on Wednesday 31 May 2017 with proceeds going to Green Island Playground.
- Sold Christmas Hams at \$60 for half ham and \$90 for a whole ham.
- Held a BBQ at Moyles on Saturday, 28 October 2017, also a Social night that night.

An approach had been made to Matt about a Blokes' Shed that is being set up near the Community Garden. It was thought that the Leos might get involved with this where they could learn different skills from older people. Matt suggested that maybe Leos could get a shed for themselves along the lines of a Container, or something similar.

Club Projects and Activities:

- Rigs for Kids was held on Sunday 28 August, 2016. The Club catered and gave general help. Around 300 trucks took part this year.
- The Club donated \$500.00 to Big Rock School, Brighton, for the Magic Garden as a quiet place to read.
- Fertiliser Drive: Chris May said the Palmerston Lions Club will supply Sheep Manure again, but less of it.
- A donation of \$1,000.00 was made to the Lions Clubs International Fund (LCIF), the funding arm of our organisation for international grants, emergency relief and projects.
- PP Ken Schumacher said that Chris May and PDG Jim Pine attended a very interesting meeting at Fairfield Community Hall organised by Scott Weatherall and the Saddle Hill Community Board. Scott talked about the floods in June 2015, and the fire that raced up Saddle Hill. The Lions' Club of Green Island was mentioned a couple of times. Once about the use of our Caravan, should there be an emergency and catering is required. Mention was also made of the Defibrillator which we had supplied, and which is available for everyone should an emergency occur in Fairfield.
- The Club decided to sponsor Nicole Bradley as an applicant for the Berwick Outdoor Experience course to be held 12 - 20 May, 2017 by meeting the entry cost of \$550.00.
- **Lark in the Park:** Peter Begg gave a very thorough explanation of how Dunedin North Lions Club became involved with Lark in the Park and what is involved in running this Project. The upshot really was that Dunedin North were down to seven members and three of them are 78, 79 and 80,

and have some health issues. It takes at least 14 people to run the event. This means committing people from 9.00am to 5.00pm on the day. Planning for the event starts early in the year, then really starts to crank up about early December to January. The Club usually donates between \$2,000 - \$3,000 from the proceeds to a Charity. It needs a Convenor with commitment to run this. To make it viable you really need a crowd of 1,000 to 2,000 people. It is a non-stop programme for 5 hours from 11am to 4 pm. Peter Begg was prepared to help, in the background, any Club that's willing to take it on. 2nd VP Seonaigh thanked the Dunedin North Lions for coming along and making such a great presentation. At a later meeting, our Club decided to assist with the Lark in the Park for February, 2017.

- A donation of \$1,000.00 was made to LMLCCT.
- A donation of \$200.00 was made to the Lions Club of Karori as a contribution towards the cost of a disabled person going on the "Spirit of New Zealand".

Caravan: Pros & Cons.

Following a request from a member that the Club look at the pros and cons of keeping the Caravan, a lengthy discussion was held.

Pros for keeping the Caravan were:

1. It brings revenue to the Club to give to Charities.
2. It's good advertising for the Club as it is clearly visible.
3. Lions enjoy the fellowship working in the Caravan.
4. Lions get to know other Club members more and have a lot of fun.
5. Most Lions can work in the Caravan as it is covered and relatively warm.
6. It has great facilities for storing food and for cooking.

7. The cost of having it is minimal to the Club. Maintenance is done mostly by Club members for no charge.
8. Insurance has been paid by obtaining grants.
9. One member said that he joined our Club because he knew we had the caravan and he likes getting involved with it. It's a great way to get funds to give to charitable causes.

Cons:

1. At times it is a struggle to get man-power, but this is the case with any project that we do. Members have their own pet project they like to do.
2. Not all members are asked to work in it.
3. Some projects we have done aren't worth doing financially.

After much discussion, an overwhelming majority agreed that the Club retain the Caravan, and that the Catering Committee set up a new Management Plan, and bring forward new proposals to staff it.

- Geoff Rackley announced that we had won the contract to deliver the phone books again. This time they are already wrapped. Delivery was made on Wednesday, 23 November, 2016, after meeting at Total Span, Green Island, at 6.00pm.
- Lion Jim Young showed the Board of Directors what happened to the Club's Past Presidents' display board. During winter it got damp and the bison board that it was made of separated. Jim showed what he had done to replace it. He had a nice piece of timber in his garage, and he had cut it to the size of the original Board and had it varnished. He was thanked for his work and given the okay to carry on to completion by getting new name tags to put on the Board.
- Mick Bates organised helpers for various appeals in March 2017, including Autism NZ, and the Red Puppy Appeal.

- Catering projects followed their regular high demand, including events such as Brighton Gala Day on 29 January, 2017, and the Spartan Charity Rugby Tournament, to which the Club donated \$800.00.
- Lion Mint sales were going extremely well under John McGregor's stewardship, and were thought to be the best since records began.
- St Peter Chanel Community Hall: In return for regular use by community groups, and by the Club for Board meetings, Zone meetings and Leos meetings, the Club decided to carry out some upgrading of the kitchen and toilet facilities, in particular. Expertise from Club members came quickly into play. Brian Cromarty measured up and gave these to Mervyn Tikey to get things underway. He also obtained prices for a small vanity unit and tap-ware. Ian Rutherford's plumbing skills came in handy and he said that doing the plumbing didn't seem to be all that hard. Chris May said he would ask a family friend if he could look at the electrical side of things, and so the project started.

Following an announcement by Jim Young of his resignation and intention to spend more time in Wanaka, the Club decided to present him with a Melvin Jones Fellowship in recognition of his sterling work as a Lion, and member of the Club over many years. Margaret's strong contribution was appreciated, too.

The Club decided, also, to present Lion Mervyn Telfer with a Life Membership of the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust in recognition of his long and valuable service in the Club.

On the occasion of the presentations to Jim and Merv, flowers were presented to Margaret Young and Adele Telfer as an appreciation for all their involvement and support.

Ken Schumacher advised that the Hospice Run would be held on Sunday, 19 November, 2017, at the usual venue, Tahuna Park, and asked for Club support.

Bob MacLean reported that a Casino night was being held at the Green Island Rugby Clubrooms on Saturday, 29 July, 2017. He reminded members that our Club had the opportunity of taking over this very worthwhile project, and it was a great opportunity for members to look to see how it works, before deciding whether to take it over or not.

New Member: Eddie Renouf

2017 -2018

Club President: Tony Hanning

For the third time, Tony Hanning was elected to serve the Club as President, the other occasions being 1989 - 1990, and 2002 - 2003.

Projects and Activities

- Green Island Taekwondo wrote seeking a donation to attend their Wellington Tournament. It was agreed that we donate \$750.00 to assist them attend.
- Mosgiel-Taieri Community Patrol wrote seeking a donation to run their Patrols. It was decided that we donate \$500.00.
- Baidin Conijn wrote seeking a donation to help him go to Japan. The Club made a donation of \$500.
- The Lions Club of Karori wrote seeking funds to support the "Spirit of New Zealand" provide a sailing opportunity for young people with disabilities. The Club donated \$250.00.
- The Club was grateful to the Bendigo Trust for providing a grant again this year to cover the insurance premium on the caravan.
- As part of the St Peter Chanel Community Hall upgrade project, Marj offered to make curtains for the door. It was agreed that we replace the kitchen fridge, too.

- Catering, involving use of the food caravan, included:
- Sunday, 17 September, Wakari School Fair.
- Saturday, 23 September, St Peter Chanel School Fair.
- Thursday, 21 December, 2017 Carols in the Park, Brighton Domain.
- Sunday 28, January, 2018 Brighton Gala Day.
- Sunday, 11 February, 2018 Wings and Wheels Spectacular, Taieri Aerodrome.
- Con-rodders Car Club, Saturday, 17 February 2018, Ice Stadium Car Park, Victoria Road.
- John McGregor picked up the cover for over the sink in the caravan. (Cost \$55 plus GST.)
- The Club provided some sponsorship for Scott Weatherall running the Coast to Coast for Suicide Awareness and the Life Matters Suicide Prevention Trust.
- Bob MacLean reported that there is a Casino night on 4 February, 2018, at the University Union. It is run in conjunction with the Master's Games and required at least ten members. The Club gave its support. The event was quite successful, but clashed with some other functions that contestants were involved in.
- Marj reported that it was a great Casino night at Wains Hotel, with proceeds going to Bowel Cancer Research. "It is always a fun night, these Casino Nights," she said. The Next night was on Saturday, 21 July, 2018 at Pirates Rugby Club Rooms.
- Ken Schumacher arranged to present a cheque to the Hospice for \$5,000.00 from the Hospice Cruise. The Club agreed to give \$750.
- In March 2018, the Club agreed to sponsor an application from Kelsie Whitty to attend Berwick Outdoor Experience.

- St Johns wrote thanking the Club for donating meals to staff at the Brighton Gala Day.
- Tea Meeting Village Green Sunnyvale. It was agreed that we go and have a look at what they can offer us as a potential new venue.
- **Leo Club:** Seonaigh reported that Leos provided a sausage sizzle for the Foster Hope Otago on Sunday, 13 May.
- Leos received a grant from the Bendigo Trust of \$1,500.00 for purchase of jackets.
- On 21 July, Leos went to Laser Force for a social outing.
- 28 July, they held a BBQ at Bunnings, and on 4 August they assisted with the Greater Green Island Get-together.

2018 - 2019

Club President: Tony Hanning

Lion Tony continued for a fourth term as President while others prepared to take on the role at times that suited their circumstances better.

Projects and Activities

- The Club made a donation of \$340.00 to the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust (LMLCCT) based, as usual, on \$10.00 per member.
- A Casino night took place on 22 September, 2018, at the Green Island Rugby Club.
- Gate Keepers and carpark marshals were required for Otago Athletics on Friday 30 November, Saturday 1 December and Sunday 2 December, 2018.
- Food bank collection was held on Monday, 3 December, 2018. Members met at 6.00pm at the Green Island Police Station with trailers, bags of lollies to distribute as thanks to

- contributors, and were accompanied by fire trucks and police sounding sirens and flashing their lights.
- Telephone Book deliveries were made on Wednesday, 21 November, 2018. Dave Aitken provided initial storage and a 6.00pm meeting place at Total Span, Green Island.
 - A request from the Blind Foundation for financial assistance to purchase Talking Books resulted in a donation of \$80.00 from the Club.
 - Moyles Carpark was cleaned up monthly by arrangement with John Moyle who then made a contribution to our administration account for the work done. Lion Eddie Renouf has been a regular and significant worker on this project, assisted by others from time to time. On one occasion when President Tony assisted with cleaning the gardens he was greeted by many locals who looked puzzled, and probably assumed that he was carrying out PD!
 - After discussion, the Club agreed to increase an initial recommendation of \$700.00 and make a donation of \$1,000.00 to the Spartan Rugby Charity.
 - Berwick Outdoor Experience is seen as a very worthwhile project led by the Taieri Lions Club. The Club decided that we sponsor one person to attend the Berwick Outdoor Experience at a cost of \$550.00.”
 - Sister Veronica’s garden upgrade. Evan and Bob had measured up for the timber required and Richard at ITM had offered a discounted price for prepared timber and screws. They estimated that the project could be completed on one Saturday morning by four members. Members considered their report at a tea meeting, and decided that the club would undertake the project, and cover the related costs.
 - Lion Mick Bates co-ordinated many Street day appeals again this year, and indicated how much more suitable the new Moyle’s Supermarket is as a venue for collecting, with shelter from wind, rain and cold, and regarded as one of the most profitable collection points in Greater Dunedin.
 - Child Cancer Foundation Street Appeal was held at Moyle’s on Friday, 15 March, 2019.
 - In response to an email from Scott Weatherall re Big Rock Primary School, the Club agreed that we take on the project of painting the Swimming pool dressing rooms, and

associated facilities. Bob MacLean said he could get the paint at cost price and he was happy to be involved in co-ordinating a working bee.

- The Club decided to give \$1,000.00 to the Otago Pipe Band Association for the purpose of supporting junior players, including providing equipment.
- A donation of \$500.00 was provided to Molly Newall towards travel funding, as requested in an application for assistance.
- Catering through the Food caravan remained as popular as ever, and high demand put pressure on the Catering Committee and a small group of regular workers.
- **Events included:**
- 27 October, 2018, Combined Camp Quality South and Child Cancer Foundation Family Camp meal. The Club prepared and paid for food for this event, as we have done in the past. The food was fabulous, and the camp organisers appreciated that it left them free to concentrate on activities with the families.
- 7 December, 2018, Hammerhead Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) event at Memorial Park Hall, Mosgiel, 5.00pm to 11.30pm.
- 25 November, 2018, Stadium, Hospice Charity Cruise.
- 1 December, 2018, Green Island Market Day.
- **LEO CLUB:** The Leos continued to engage with their community, and met regularly in the St Peter Chanel Church and Community Hall.
- Lion Seonaigh Bradley, as Leos Liaison, reported to the Club that the Leos were gearing up for Gala Day, and are arranging a joint Camp with the Wanaka Leo Club. This was an exciting development for them. The successful joint camp took place 5 to 7 April, 2019.
- Leos made a presentation of \$700 to the Green Island Lions Club as an appreciation of support.
- In April 2019, Evan Smart raised the fact that our Club's 50th Anniversary was approaching – Feb 2021 – and asked for ideas of what we could do in our community to celebrate this milestone. The suggestion was taken to the Club at the next Tea meeting, resulting in a recommendation that a Jubilee Committee be formed to start looking at ideas for how to commemorate this momentous event in the life of the Lions Club of Green Island.

Lion Marj was the first woman member of the Club to be elected to the position of President. She had been a tireless worker involved in most Club projects and activities. Hers was to be a term affected by Covid-19 and the enforced lockdowns that made life different for everyone. Timing of some planned projects required change, delay or abandonment but, despite difficulties, President Marj ensured that everything that could be done would be done, and the Club prospered under her leadership.

Projects and Activities

- Camp Quality - Once again, the Club provided a very enjoyable lunch for the Family Camp at Waihola in October 2019.
- Dunedin Fire Brigade Restoration Society members, Kerry McNamara and Jeff Woodford, visited a Club meeting as guest speakers and were presented with \$500.00.
- Evan Smart obtained a price of \$2,799.00 for a suitable 5.5 metre freestanding awning for the Food caravan. The Club decided to apply for a grant to cover this.
- Casino: After a number of Casino events that required Club involvement and support, discussion took place among Board members about the continuation of the Club's participation in this project, and a recommendation was made to members that the Club not take on the Casino as a regular project. While disappointing for some, it was generally understood that commitment to running the Casino nights requires a higher level of enthusiasm and support than exhibited so far, and members preferred to give their time to other projects.
- Bob MacLean reported on a visit he had to Big Rock Primary School with Colin and Scott Weatherall to look into painting the Swimming pool changing rooms. He said it would take approximately 30 hours work for an undercoat and a topcoat at an approximate cost of \$270-\$300 for the paint, plus equipment. Bob and Colin agreed to look into paint prices, and Colin would also investigate new wall-linings for the toilet areas. The Club had agreed to undertake the project,

but timing would be dependent upon season and weather conditions (and Covid, of course.)

- Sister Veronica's garden was completed on 21 September with a load of soil/compost donated by Greg Inch. Evan Smart led the project, with assistance from 3 - 4 other members.
- A replacement freezer for catering supplies was purchased, and Christine Bone provided space for it to be kept at her house. The cost of \$789.40 was subsidised by a generous donation of \$500.00 from Moyles Family Supermarket.
- The Club gave a donation of \$1,100.00 to the Otago Community Hospice from the Fertiliser Drive profit.
- Rubber mats were purchased for use in the caravan and, after a successful trial, it wasn't long before two more were needed.
- Green Island Shed: Talk was initiated between the Club and the Shed with a view to setting up a suitable shelter, or outlet, at the Green Island Landfill for each party to sell their products through the shop. The Club agreed with pursuing this idea.
- The Club was well-represented at a District Roadshow, fronted by MD Treasurer Steve Bennett, for Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers & Trust members held in Oamaru, 22 February to acquaint them with the new rules for all Trusts.
- The Club donated \$250.00 to the Lions Club of Karori, "Spirit of Adventure" for funding of participants.
- A donation of \$250.00 was made to Youthline.
- The Club contributed \$300 to LCIF's Australian Bushfires Appeal, for the provision of water tanks (as suggested by Lions of Australia) or other needs.
- \$1200.00 was donated to the Spartans' Rugby Tournament charity. The Club was heartened to learn later that Harry, (the young boy for whom funds were raised from the Spartan rugby tournament for his overseas surgery) is now up and walking in his new walking frame. That is something he could not do before.
- Catering was carried out at various events, including Wings and Wheels, and a Taieri Mouth Multi-sport event.
- Mick Bates co-ordinated collections for Blind-Low Vision, the Hospice, and Child Cancer, amongst others.

- Members assisted in November with the Hospice Charity Cruise, organised by Ken Schumacher.
- \Donations made to various other causes included:
- Autism, \$100.00, Camp Quality South \$1,000.00, and Life Education Trust \$200.00.
- With the closure of the Dunedin Toroa Lions Club, several members asked to transfer into the Green Island Lions Club. The transfers were accepted, and the Club welcomed into its ranks the following members: Pam Cloughley, June Faid, Genny Hanning, and James Wright.
- A 50th Jubilee Committee was formed to plan for a celebration of the Club's 50 Years, to be held in 2021.
- The Committee agreed to meet regularly to plan a Jubilee function, and provide a record of the 50 years.
- The Committee consisted of: PID Tony Hanning, Chairman, PDG Terry Clarkson, Secretary, and Committee members Ian Rutherford, Mervyn Tikey, Marj Latta, Christine Bone, Bob Fairhurst, PDG Jim Pine, Colin Weatherall, and Club President (ex officio.) Other volunteers were welcome, and needed.
- Unexpected news of Evan Smart's serious health situation, led to the Club deciding to complete a home project of building a gazebo that he had planned to undertake 'when he could find time.' Unfortunately, his deteriorating health, and Covid-19 lockdown provisions, meant that the project was not undertaken before Evan's untimely death on 4 June, 2020.

The following eulogy was prepared on behalf of the Club, and read at the District 202J Remembrance Service, held in Waimate in March, 2021:

Lion Evan Smart

Members of the Lions Club of Green Island have fond memories of Lion Evan Smart who joined the Club in 2002 and who died on 4 June 2020.

Evan, supported by his wife Judy, was a stalwart of the club who was heavily involved in organising many club projects. His cheerful, cheeky attitude kept the projects moving forward as he cajoled members into getting involved.

After serving as Treasurer in 2004/2005, Evan was elected Club President in 2005 – 2006 and again in 2008 – 2009. The 2005 – 2006 year was notable for the Club purchasing a vehicle for young cerebral palsy sufferer, Tyran Duncan, and for giving support to the establishment of the Mosgiel Lions Club.

The 2008 – 2009 year was a Club milestone with the members voting to become a mixed gender Club. This was also the year the Club's Catering Caravan was built. Other notable projects were the High Vis Vests for local children, and the replacement of the town clock in Green Island.

Evan had an easy, friendly manner guiding the Club through these busy years. He spent many sunny Sunday mornings bagging sawdust, while solving the world's problems and sharing views on how the Highlanders should play the game. Evan's last major project was the provision of a raised vegetable garden for the nuns in Mosgiel who had been good neighbours to him.

The annual fishing trips to Hawea and Twizel provided many entertaining stories and happy memories that will never be forgotten.

Evan was a dedicated Lion and a good friend to all who knew him. Sympathy is extended to Judy and family. Lion Evan will be sadly missed.

The Club Change-over of Officers function took the form of a lunch at the 'Spitfire Restaurant' in Mosgiel on 28 June with District Governor Kevin Bryson, accompanied by partner, Glenys, as guest speaker. In accordance with the wishes of the Smart family, the Club had decided to make a donation of \$2,000 to the Otago Community Hospice as a way of honouring the late Lion Evan Smart. Members were offered the opportunity of adding a personal donation to this amount

which resulted in a further \$530 being added, along with a donation of \$200.00 made by Johnathan Usher. The donation to the Hospice in Evan's name was, therefore, \$2,730.00.

As a special gift, to mark the occasion of her completion of her term as President, Lion Marj presented everyone with a bottle of her home-made 'Worcester Sauce.' She made it clear that the sauce could be shared, but never the recipe!

2020 - 2021

Club President: Ken Whitcombe

Lion Ken Whitcombe was elected to lead the Club out of its 40th decade of service and into its 50th. Covid-19 was not requiring lockdown in the way it had been affecting the Club the previous year, so the new Lions' Year was looked forward to with hope and anticipation.

Projects and Activities

- The donation to the Hospice of \$2,530.00, in recognition of the late Lion Evan Smart, was completed.
- The Big Rock School Swimming Pool Changing-rooms Painting Project: Marj reported that the paint was on site, as confirmed by Scott Weatherall. We needed a good turnout and good weather to get this completed in a weekend during the school holidays. Rollers, trays, brushes and drop cloths were needed. Brian suggested that someone brush the concrete block joints while others rolled the block- faces. The project was undertaken successfully by a working-bee of members on 26 - 27 September, 2020.
- Two more Caravan Mats were purchased and installed.
- Moyles Garden clean-up is an ongoing administration project. Special thanks to Lion Eddie Renouf.

- Marj was thanked for her sauce handed out at Change-over, and many were asking when the next batch would be ready! It could have potential as a Club project, but workers would have to be blind-folded to avoid seeing the recipe.
- The Club donated \$300.00 to the Lloyd Morgan Lions Clubs Charitable Trust.
- A Lions tear-drop Club Banner is being supplied by District 202J to each Club. Additional banners are available for Clubs to order at their own expense. President Ken Whitcombe announced that he is donating one additional tear-drop banner to our club. The Club expressed its thanks to President Ken.
- The bodywork of the caravan was cleaned by Merv Tikey, making it ready for polishing later.
- Catering through the caravan was required on a number of occasions, including:
 - Sunday 15 November, Taieri Mouth Multi-sport event – 9am start. Assistance was also required on Saturday, 14 November to put up a marquee.
 - Sunday, 21 November, Greater Green Island Community Get-together.
 - Saturday, 5 December, Green Island Market Day.
 - Friday, 18 December, Carols in the Domain at Brighton
 - Sunday, 24 January, 2021, Brighton Gala Day – marking the 25th year of the event.
 - Sunday, 13 February, 2021, Spartan Charity Rugby Tournament at Green Island Rugby Club.
- President Ken and Joy arranged for our annual Christmas function to be held on 13 December, 2020, at Balmacewen Golf Club. Although numbers were light, the function and meal made an enjoyable end to the year's activities.
- Seven members and partners attended the District 202J Convention in Waimate over the weekend Friday, 26 - Sunday, 28 March, 2021. PID Tony presented the Flag Ceremony on Saturday morning and the Rededication address on Sunday morning. PDG Jim Pine assisted DG Ella Butson in his role as Cabinet Secretary. President Ken and Christine Bone raised the ante at the Cake auction on Saturday night, with funds going to Camp Quality South.

Bidding on the beautiful Green Island cake entry rose steadily and closed at \$1,000.00, the final bid being Green Island's when the competing bidder stopped! The cake was made to fit the 'Country Bumpkin' theme, and named, for obvious and identifiable reasons, "The Bog." As it may not have survived the return trip to Dunedin, it was donated the next morning to the local rest-home, Lister Home, much to the delight of staff and residents. It was said that even the toilet-paper was edible! Well done, cake-maker, Merv Tikey's daughter-in-law.

Now we ready ourselves for the 50th Jubilee celebration at The Village Green, Sunnyvale, Green Island, on Saturday 17 April, 2021. It will be great to regale ourselves with stories from down the years, and to remember people who played a part in creating our history. Maybe it will be one of those occasions when we are obliged to say, when some stories surface, "Forgive me for remembering 'things that never happened!' "

As we conclude our first fifty years, let's reflect on the words of Dag Hammarskjöld, *"For all that has been, Thanks; for all that shall be, YES!"*

Tony Hanning PID, compiler, editor and sometimes writer.

LIONS CLUB OF GREEN ISLAND CLUB OFFICERS 1971 - 2021

DATE	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
1971-72	JOHN RODGER	GORDON CATHRO	KEN WRIGHT
1972-73	CLIFF PORTER	CAM COOPER	GORDON BARNES
1973-74	JOE BUCKLEY	CAM COOPER	MALCOLM ELDER
1974-75	HARRY JOHNSON	JOE BUCKLEY	MALCOLM ELDER
1975-76	IAN FINNIE	JOE BUCKLEY	OWEN COOK
1976-77	DARRELL MADIGAN	BERT WOLF	OWEN COOK
1977-78	HARRY JOHNSON	JOE BUCKLEY	DAVID GARDNER
1978-79	TERRY CLARKSON	DAVE INGRAM	DAVID GARDNER
1979-80	RON McVIE	DAVE INGRAM	JOHN NOLET
1980-81	ERIC TIKEY	DAVE INGRAM	TONY HANNING
1981-82	BILL ELLIOTT	COLIN PATTERSON	JIM YOUNG
1982-83	GORDON CATHRO	COLIN PATTERSON	JIM YOUNG
1983-84	MERVYN TELFER	TERRY CLARKSON	JIM YOUNG
1984-85	MARTIN van de WATER	RON McVIE/DAVID INGRAM	JIM YOUNG
1985-86	DAVID INGRAM	REX TELFER	JIM YOUNG
1986-87	RUSSELL CLARK	MARTIN van de WATER	DAVID GARDNER
1987-88	IAN FINNIE	BILL ELLIOTT	DAVID GARDNER
1988-89	BOB FAIRHURST	RUSSELLCLARK	DAVID GARDNER
1989-90	TONY HANNING	RUSSELLCLARK	DAVID GARDNER
1990-91	GERALD ROGERS	RUSSELLCLARK	DAVID GARDNER
1991-92	BILL WILLIAMS	LEW BROOKES	DAVID GARDNER
1992-93	BILL WILLIAMS	LEW BROOKES	DAVID GARDNER
1993-94	GORDON BARNES	LEW BROOKES	JIM YOUNG
1994-95	JOHN YOUNG	RUSSELLCLARK	JIM YOUNG

1995-96	TREVOR ROBERTS	BOB FAIRHURST	JIM YOUNG
1996-97	RUSSELL SAMSON	BOB FAIRHURST	JIM YOUNG
1997-98	GERALD ROGERS	DAVE JOHNSTONE	JIM YOUNG
1998-99	MURRAY LANDREBE	JOHN YOUNG	JIM YOUNG
1999-00	DAVE JOHNSTONE	JOHN YOUNG	JIM YOUNG
2000-01	IAN RUTHERFORD	JOHN YOUNG	JIM YOUNG
2001-02	BRIAN CROMARTY	IAN RUTHERFORD	TREVOR ROBERTS
2002-03	TONY HANNING	IAN RUTHERFORD	TREVOR ROBERTS
2003-04	MERVYN TELFER	TONY HANNING	TREVOR ROBERTS
2004-05	MERVYN TIKEY	TONY HANNING	TREVOR ROBERTS/IAN RUTHERFORD
2005-06	EVAN SMART	TONY HANNING	IAN RUTHERFORD/MERV TIKEY
2006-07	CHRIS MAY	TERRY CLARKSON	GRAEME HAWKINS
2007-08	CHRIS MAY	TERRY CLARKSON	GRAEME HAWKINS
2008-09	EVAN SMART	TERRY CLARKSON	GRAEME HAWKINS
2009-10	JOHN CROSS	TERRY CLARKSON	GRAEME HAWKINS
2010-11	MURRAY HASTIE	DENIS DOLAN	GRAEME HAWKINS
2011-12	MURRAY HASTIE	DENIS DOLAN	GRAEME HAWKINS
2012-13	BOB MacLEAN	JIM PINE	MATT TOBIN
2013-14	BRIAN ILLINGWORTH	IAN RUTHERFORD	MATT TOBIN
2014-15	KEN SCHUMACHER	IAN RUTHERFORD	TONNY Van der STORM
2015-16	KEN SCHUMACHER	JIM PINE	TONNY Van der STORM
2016-17	MATT TOBIN	JIM PINE	TONNY Van der STORM
2017-18	TONY HANNING	JIM PINE	CHRISTINE BONE
2018-19	TONY HANNING	JIM PINE	CHRISTINE BONE
2019-20	MARJ LATTA	CHRIS MAY	SEONAIGH BRADLEY/TONNY Van der STORM
2020-21	KEN WHITCOMBE	CHRIS MAY	TONNY Van der STORM

List of Club Members as at April, 2021

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	PARTNER
Aitken	Dave	Sue
Bates	Mick	Joan
Bone	Christine	
Campbell	Gordon	Elly
Clarkson	Terry	Pam
Cloughley	Pamela	
Cromarty	Brian	Sandra
Cross	John	Ellie
Duthie	Peter	
Ellis	Brian	Fiona
Faid	June	
Fairhurst	Bob	Toni
Fyffe	Graeme	
Hanning	Genny	
Hanning	Tony	Genny
Hastie	Murray	Carol
Hastie	Ngaire	
Illingworth	Brian	Miriam
Latta	Marj	Barry Mulqueen
May	Chris	Lynley
Pine	Jim	Norma
Rackley	Geoff	Janice
Renouf	Eddie	Mary
Roberts	Trevor	Vicki
Rutherford	Ian	Kath
Schumacher	Ken	Jean
Telfer	Merv	Adele
Tikey	Merv	Robyn
Van der Storm	Tonny	
Weatherall	Colin	Ann
Whitcombe	Ken	Joy
Wilson	Les	Sandy
Wright	James	

Additional Notes

