## DECEMBER 2019

# HAVELOCK LIONS CLUB



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## **CALENDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS 2019/2020**

#### **DECEMBER**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Havelock Lions Christmas Function,

Newton's

Farm, 4.30pm onwards. \$25 a head

Saturday 28th Lions Market - Havelock Town Hall; Lions

required for set-up from 8:00 am

**MARCH** 

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Rai Valley Show. Entrance gates; some Lions

required from early morning

Saturday 14th Havelock Mussel Festival

Saturday 21st Muddy Buddy - Havelock Marina Mole

Lions Tee Shirts are on offer for \$42 with Lions Logo, order yours now from Anne 574 2394



#### **Diabetes**

We serve to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed.



#### Hunger

We serve to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.

# Lions Service Areas



## Environment

We serve to sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.



#### **Childhood Cancer**

We serve to help those afflected by childhood cancer survive and thrive.



#### Vision

We serve to prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for those who are blind and visually impaired.

## **Our Global Causes**

Every journey begins with a single step. One act of service, one encouraging word, one gift of generosity is often all it takes to bring hope where it's needed most.

Over the last 100 years, the kindness of Lions and Leos has multiplied across borders, oceans and continents. With over 1.4million members, we now have an opportunity to truly change our world. That's why we are uniting our global service around five areas of need. These Global Causes present significant challenges to humanity and we believe it's our turn to meet them.

Attributed with thanks to Kaikoura Lions Club.

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM BOARD MEETING 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

There will not be a dinner meeting at Captain's Daughter in December. Instead we are eagerly anticipating a catered three-course at the Newton Farm. Thanks, Lion Muff for arranging this for only \$25 a head. We meet at the farm (Readers Road) from 4:30pm to socialise, for a meal at 6pm.

Our Club has bought a set of Petanque balls which will shortly be available for public use on the Havelock Petanque piste. They will be held at Bow to Stern and borrowers will pay a bond of \$20, repayable on return of the balls.

The Board have agreed to the local Police application for funding and will work towards funding the provision of two defibrillators (One for each car). The maximum cost will be \$6,000 and we will be looking for partners to share the fundraising with. The Police will carry the instrument in their cars for use in cases when they arrive before other 1<sup>st</sup> responders. They spoke of times when immediate use of a defibrillator may have saved lives.

The date for 2020 Muddy Buddy has been changed to Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, as the tide was not suitable on the earlier date. Proceeds from our participation will go towards funding the defibrillators. We are looking for volunteers to help us with this event. If you have any suggestions for episodic volunteers who can help, please contact them or pass their names on so we can follow up on it.

The Havelock Foodbank were delighted with the amount of food and cash donated at this year's appeal. President Deb is very pleased that so many Lions turned out to help with the appeal. Our sausage sizzle that followed was appreciated by the firemen.

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM BOARD MEETING CONTINUED

The Havelock Menzshed has made a book stall which will be at the Holiday Park (thanks Brigitte and Tony!) There will be an honesty box - \$2 a book.

The Board are making a grant of \$200 to Alec Swan, a year-11 student at Rai Valley area School. Alec gets up at 4am, 5 mornings a week for two hours getting back to Rai by 8:30am and then heads back again 4 afternoons a week straight from school to train at the Richmond Aquatic Centre getting home at 8pm. Some of his latest accomplishments are 2019 NZ National Age Group Long Course Swimming Competition (50 metre pool) in Wellington where he gained a gold medal in 800 freestyle and a silver medal for 1500 freestyle. In October he competed in the 2019 NZ National Age Group Short Course Competition and came home with a gold medal in the 800 freestyle and 1500 freestyle as well as a silver medal in the 400 freestyle. He has now been selected to compete for New Zealand in New South Wales Open Water Championships where he will race in the 7.5km and the 5km events. Our contribution will go towards the cost of his travel to and from Nelson.

## YOUTHS OF OUR DISTRICT

Congratulations to two fine young men who spoke at our Dinner Meetings this year.

Sam Morriss who was our Outward Bound candidate for 2018 and told us about it at our February Meeting. Sam received the Boy's Brigade Queen's Award on 7<sup>th</sup> December at a ceremony at Government House. The awards were handed out by Judge Andrew Becroft the Children's Commissioner, in presence of the Governor General Dame Patsy Reddy.

Jack Clerke who we partially sponsored on his FEAST scientific programme in Brisbane and was our guest speaker at our August meeting. Jack has been appointed the male Head Prefect at Queen Charlotte College for 2020.

Two fine young men who encapsulate the good qualities of today's youth.

## Dear Mr Cameron and Havelock Lions.

I am writing to you to thank you for holding the sausage sizzle and donation of money. It was so kind of you to do that for us. The money let us go on a once in a lifetime camp.

We saw bottlenose dolphins, king shags, kakariki and massive blue cod. I was so surprised by how big the blue cod were. I enjoyed watching the dolphins. I thought the kakariki were beautiful.

If you did not donate money we probably would not have had enough money to go on the camp. The camp gave me a chance to see amazing things that I have not seen very much in my life.

Once again thank you for donating money towards our Camp.

Your sincerely Tessa and Canvastown school.







Anne Boddy was given a pallet of wine bottle tops to add to the Havelock Club's contribution to Kan Tabs.

PDG Malcolm Williams kindly took them to Blenheim Metal Recyclers Ltd for us and we received \$58.10 for the 83 kg.

The Lions Club of New Zealand initiated the Kan Tabs programme to raise awareness and funds for Kidney Kids, which is a not-for-profit parent driven organisation that assists parents of children who have kidney disorders.

Thanks, Anne!



Malcolm Williams unloads the bottle tops.

## The sausage sizzle team Bonfire night 2019



Thanks to all the Lions who took part in the Bonfire night on 8<sup>th</sup>
November. Carol and Brian Boswell raised \$427.80 at the gate. Liz Colyer
brought in \$81.30 from Guess the Weight of the sheep ( won by Naomi
Brownlee). This amount will pay for next year's fireworks.

The Sausage sizzle team of Dave, Brian and Ian netted \$270 towards our
Charitable Trust account.

Thanks to our partners, Havelock Vision 2020 and special thanks to Muff and Paul Newton for allowing their beautiful farm to be used for the event and for all the other assistance they gave us. Weren't we lucky to strike the only fine evening around that time?

As you will know, our Club contributes \$100 each year toward the Christchurch Cancer Shuttle Project.

This shuttle solely transports patients daily from their accommodation in Daffodil House and Daffodil Lodge to receive their treatment of radiation or chemotherapy at Christchurch Hospital, making in excess of 16,000 transfers annually.

Of these 16.000 plus patients approximately 35% are from the Nelson/Marlborough area, 30% from the West Coast Region, 22% from Mid/South Canterbury and the remaining 13% from the regions, Kaikoura, Cheviot, Hanmer, Southland and Otago and on a much smaller scale other parts of the country.

In other words, although the Cancer Society Canterbury West Coast pays for the cost of running the service it is almost entirely used by people requiring help from our District and the adjoining one.

The workload for the shuttle has not eased and annual cost is in excess of \$62,800.00 which is similar from year to year.

Our Club has received the following message from the Motueka Lions Club who run the project:

Well done with another great team effort, \$11,450.00 raised which effectively pays the fuel account for the year.

Contributing Club numbers continue to rise. We started 3 years ago with 16 clubs increasing to 21 this year.