



**We Serve**

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**Lions Clubs International**  
**A Global Force For Good**

## Howick Lions Club Meetings @ DMG...\*



Zone 7  
District 202K

**OUR NEXT DINNER MEETING - WEDNESDAY MAY 6**

**6:30PM FOR 7:00pm; \$28pp**

**DANNEMORA GARDENS, BOTANY**

**MAY DINNER ROSTER**

Guest Speaker:

Introduce Speaker:

Loyal Toast:

Beverage:

Cashier:

**POSTPONED**

**APRIL BUSINESS MEETING: -**

**WEDNESDAY - MAY 20, 2020**

**6:45pm for 7:00pm Dannemora Gardens, Botany**

\*As a consequence of the COVID-19 virus pandemic, all Howick Lions Club meetings at Dannemora Gardens Retirement Village (DMG - 30 Matarangi Rd), are postponed until further notice. Metlifecare RV has cancelled all open days at its villages, suspended personal access to its in-house communal facilities and is restricting visits of external groups, until a Government alert review; (*tradies & gardeners, observing health & safety protocols, excepted*). The Howick Lions Club awaits advice from DMG with respect to resuming club meetings there.

The current policy for The Lions Club of Howick to continue to serve the community and maintain member liaison is as follows: -

'No formal, physical club meetings will take place until the COVID-19 virus status allows it. Current Howick Lions Club communications between members should be conducted via remote electronic devices; and always observing advised social separation.'



**We Serve**

For more than a century, Lions have changed the world. Yet sometimes, the world changes us. The coronavirus (COVID-19) is creating challenges for one of our most traditional membership experiences - the club meeting. Although many clubs are unable to meet in person due to social distancing, it is not preventing Lions from gathering safely.



## President Paul's comments for May



Fellow Lions,

I hope that you've all managed to stay safe (and sane) during the COVID-19 lockdown and, as the number of new cases in New Zealand continues to drop there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel; that the country can start getting back to work. Our April Business Meeting was something of an historic moment, as it was the first ever Business Meeting to be held by video conference. It was probably one of our shortest meetings too!

Thank you to everyone who participated - and a particular thanks to Alan Sheath for putting together a 'Zoom for Dummies' cheat sheet. Two important decisions were made; one was to donate \$1000 to Kids Can and the other was to approve \$1000 to support local causes supporting our local community during the pandemic. The other good news is that we made approximately \$675 from the Water Safety Picnic.

Our incoming officers were also voted in, and it should go without saying that David Westwick and his team will need our full support to get our club revved up again as we emerge from isolation.

There's not much else to report for obvious reasons, but looking ahead we've going to have to make some decisions on how we meet given that we can't yet access Dannemora Gardens.

Stay Safe!

Yours in Lions

Paul Curtis, Club President





**We meet in  
Cyberspace  
Wednesday  
April 1, 2020**



At our last business meeting in the Highland Park Community rooms, President Paul suggested that to fully comply with the current virus Lockdown conditions Howick Lions Club members could try to get together (in the short-term) via an internet video conferencing system.



And it came to pass!

To lay the groundwork for this technically separated communal get-together, club members were asked to load 'WhatsApp' on their mobile phones to establish a common Howick Lions online communication platform; *(not necessary for the online group video conference)*. Most members were able to do this and the ensuing communal exchanges & banter flowed freely. Good start.

The scenario then moved to President Paul asking members to prepare for a 'video meeting' using a PC App called 'ZOOM'. Paul made the point that this event wasn't to be a serious session, but a fun catch-up for half an hour & a test to see if it could be a useful tool to progress our Lions service efforts under the severe Lockdown conditions. Agreed. So, on April Fools Day 2020 The Lions Club of Howick gathered together in cyberspace for a monthly 'Dinner Meeting': *(Actually, President Paul "cordially invited Howick Lions to a virtual BYO drinks event with fellow members at 6:30pm on Wednesday evening")*. A requirement to participate was for each Lion to have a webcam with mic installed on their home computer; not all managed to do this in the time & under the Lockdown retail status, but a mobile phone App was available to enable



some folks to work around this proviso.

From the 6:30pm start fourteen Howick Lions gradually logged on to form a genial forum which became lively & excited as the concept took hold. *(As the forum host/moderator President Paul had a hard time 'keeping the peace')*. This trial was considered a super success and no doubt will be repeated.



## Howick Lions' Cyber-Meeting No 2

zoom

Wednesday, April 8, 1900 hrs



It was with keen anticipation that 15 Howick Lions sat before their PCs at 7pm on a drizzly Autumn evening to log on to Zoom to take part in a second 'face-to-face, socially-separated', assembly of members. It was hoped this would be the 'protocol run' to get future, formal, video meetings up & running, (*with appropriate Lions polish & panache of course*), so at least a modicum of Lions business could be progressed over coming (how many?) weeks.



Like the previous cyber-encounter all Lions wanted to have their say, mostly all at the same time, which made for many happily overlapping conversations. There were occasions when President Paul needed to provide ready, steady directions on how to drive the ZOOM app. E.g. Some Lions did not fit squarely into their screen space and were therefore only partly with us; some had had a visit from the audio gremlins; some were jinxed by both audio & video glitches (we missed these 'missing' Lions), and some found they had keyboards where buttons kept changing their positions (?) It was another fun meeting with still a few learnings to be achieved. We will have a "proper virtual business meeting" next Wednesday....

PS. PDG Alan did us all a big favour by creating a proprietary how-to guide ('Zoom for Dummies') especially for Howick Lions, so we can all zoom into a future online conference with confidence. Thank you Alan.





## Lions Clubs International

We Serve



### SERVING SAFELY TOGETHER

A message to all Lions  
from International President  
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

Dear Lion,

I want to thank you for doing your part to keep yourself and your community healthy during these difficult times. Your courage during this global crisis has shown those around you that, even though the coronavirus (COVID-19) has changed the way we live, it has not changed who we are as Lions. We are hope. We are kindness. And we are in this together.

Remember, Lions have served for more than a century. We have faced incredible challenges for more than 100 years. And we have always been there, serving, restoring hope, and bringing our communities together. We will get through this incredible challenge, just as we always have.

Let us continue to put our kindness in action by putting health and safety first. Let us continue to be what our communities need us to be - Lions.

Regards,  
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President

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Everything Lions  
do is based on  
service to others





## Observations from our online virtual-cyber-video-business-meeting April 15 @ All-Over-Howick



Eighteen Howick Lions logged in from their homes to attend this historic virtual business meeting. Following the previous couple of 'rehearsals', President Paul convened an official Howick Lions online video conference to discuss & decide the issues from the correspondence & from the floor. *(Thanks to Alan Mead for the Zoom host-control of this Lions gathering.)* This cyber-meeting went surprisingly well considering the unusual process most of us were experiencing; thanks to judiciously timed contributions from everyone, a short, practical agenda provided by Raj, and nimble chairmanship of the meeting by Paul.

The club's officers for the next Lions year (July 2020 - June 2021) were confirmed by cyber-ballot. Thank you to those members who volunteered to guide the club's affairs going forward. (See page 10).

The meeting made the assumption that it could be some time before we are able to physically meet again at DMG; some members offered their homes to hold Lions meetings, but depending on the official lockdown level there may be restriction on numbers. Thank you. Watch this space.

Tail twister Grant couldn't join us for this evening, but if he had, he would've had a juicy haul at our next dinner meeting. i.e. One of our senior, highly respected members (& wife) confessed to driving home from an outlying supermarket and being chased by police..*(Bubble Busting?)*. So.... Explanations. Red faces. OK. You can go now. No probs. Jammy!



For a full & detailed account of this virtual business meeting  
please refer to the official minutes from Secretary Rajiv



## Our Service Roles for 2019 - 2020



### **The Board of Directors of The Lions Club of Howick for 2019 / 2020**

President	Paul Curtis
Immediate Past President	Derek Miles
1st Vice President	Grant Taylor
Secretary	Rajiv Sondhi
Treasurer	Neil Hornblow
LCIF Co-ordinator	Derek Miles
Membership Director	Colin Salt



#### **OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

Tail Twister:	Grant Taylor	Lion Tamer:	Dave Downie
Almoner:	Ian Packwood	Health & Safety Officer:	Tony Blair
Historian:	Ian Packwood	Bulletin Editor:	Denis McKenna

#### **COMMITTEES & CHAIRS**

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**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE;** Paul Curtis (C), Derek Miles, Neil Hornblow, Rajiv Sondhi

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**MEMBERSHIP;** Colin Salt (C)

**YOUTH & CHILDREN;** Ella Curtis (C)

**COMMUNITY & PROGRAMS;** Tony Blair (C)

**PR & Communications;** Colin Salt (C), Denis McKenna, Paul Curtis

**Regulatory & Donations;** Grant Taylor (C),

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#### **SPECIAL ACTIVITIES & EVENTS (Showing Lead Lions)**

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Howick Christmas Lights; Grant Taylor, Neil Hornblow

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch; Tony Blair

Howick Santa Parade; Brian Stocking

Water Safety Picnic; (TBA)

Sausage Sizzles; Judith Korau (Logistics), Brian Stocking (Bookings)

School Hot Chips Service; Tony Blair

Lion Mints Sales & Distribution; Neil Hornblow

Lions Christmas Cakes Sales & Distribution; Agnes Li, Paul Curtis

Beeswax Eco-Wraps; Denis McKenna

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**New**

**Voices**



**Lions Clubs International**

The 2019-2020 LCI New Voices Initiative promotes gender parity and diversity and seeks to increase the number of women, young adults and underrepresented populations within our association.

It features a diverse group of Lions who strive for excellence in one of four areas: -

Service, Membership, Leadership, and Marketing.

### District Governors

District Governors are a key part of the New Voices initiative, as it is up to them to select and nominate four New Voices in their district.


### Multiple District Coordinators

Each Multiple District is asked to appoint one Lion to help promote the program and encourage participation. This Lion is appointed for one year, and works with the Council of Governors to encourage districts to nominate Lions or Leos as New Voices.

### Health for Her


Join New Voices as we fight to end 'period poverty', or a lack of access to feminine hygiene products for financial reasons.

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**Lions Serve. It's that simple, and has been since we first began in 1917.**

**Our clubs are places where individuals join together to give their valuable time and energy to improving their communities, and the world.**





## Elected Officers of The Lions Club of Howick for the 2020 - 2021 Lions Year



*Thank You*

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>PROPOSER</u>	<u>SECONDER</u>
President	David Westwick	Paul Curtis	Alan Sheath
Immediate Past President	Paul Curtis	David Westwick	Alan Sheath
Secretary	Alan Sheath	Paul Curtis	David Westwick
Treasurer	Neil Hornblow	Paul Curtis	Alan Sheath
1st Vice President	Judith Korau	Paul Curtis	Alan Sheath
2nd Vice President	Neil Hornblow	Paul Curtis	Alan Sheath
Lion Tamer(s)	Dave Downie/ Brian Stocking	Paul Curtis	Alan Sheath
Tail Twister	Gordon Myer	Paul Curtis	Alan Sheath
Membership Director	Colin Salt	David Westwick	Alan Sheath
LCIF Coordinator	Paul Curtis	David Westwick	Alan Sheath

The above members' roles were confirmed by member ballot on Wednesday April 15, via a ZOOM video link. Additional club responsibilities to be advised.

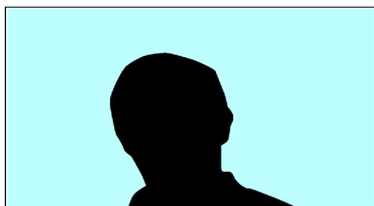
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**COVID-19 LOCKDOWN MOVES TO LEVEL 3**

**Lions Clubs - Since 1917**

## 85% of gym members unaware their gym is closed

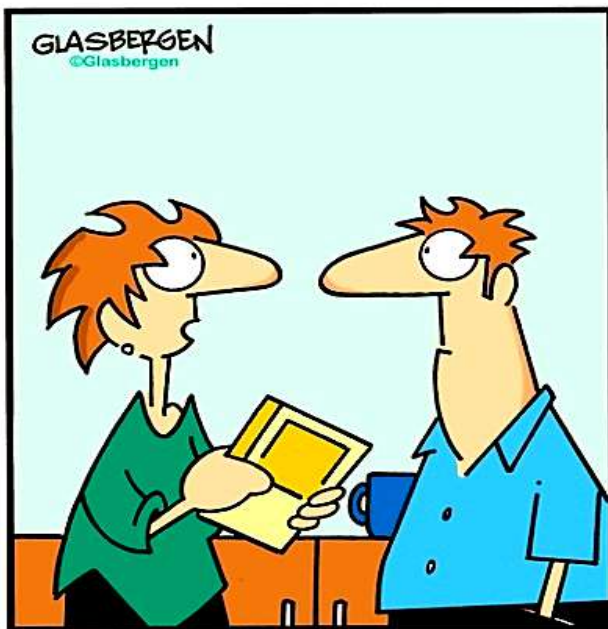
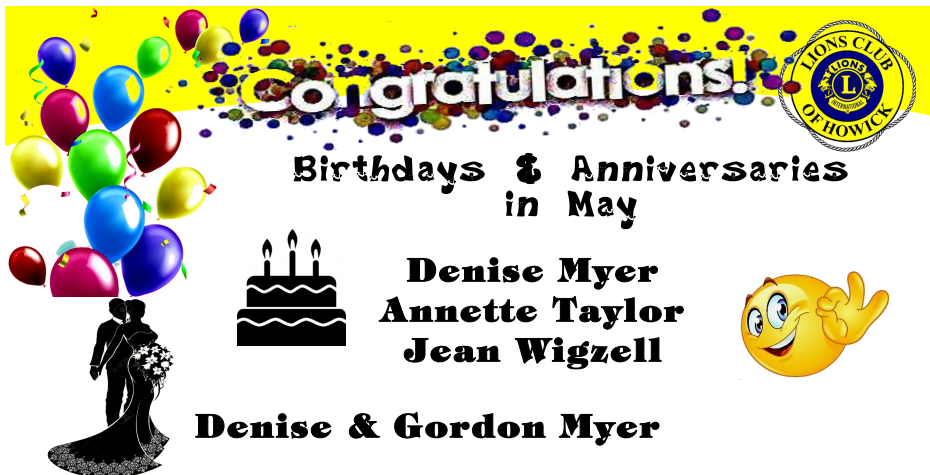


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**"Each serving contains 10 grams of 'OK in moderation', 5 grams of 'Not the worst thing you could eat' and 15 grams of 'It probably won't kill you'."**

## CLUB CALENDAR



**Please Note.**  
Scheduled  
Lions events  
in our  
calendar will  
be dependant  
upon the  
pertaining  
COVID-19  
alert level  
lockdown  
conditions.  
Check status  
just prior to  
each date.



**Howick**  
Charter  
Presented  
March  
1962



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### May

- ~~2 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse~~
- ~~6 Dinner meeting ZOOM link pending TBC~~
- ~~7 Mens Health Meeting @ Howick Bowling Club~~
- 17 Lions 'New Ideas' Workshop @ Ardmore TBC
- ~~20 Business Meeting ZOOM link pending TBC~~

### June

- 1 Queens Birthday Observance (Monday)
- ~~3 Dinner meeting; ZOOM link pending TBC~~
- ~~13 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse TBC~~
- 13-14 New Officer Training Day TBC
- 17 Business Meeting; ZOOM link pending TBC
- 26-30 Lions Clubs International Birthday

### July

-  1 **Dinner meeting; Change of Club Officers TBC**
- 15 Business Meeting TBC
- 25 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse TBC

### August

- 5 Dinner meeting TBC
- 13 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse TBC
- 19 Business Meeting TBC

### September

- 2 Dinner meeting TBC
- 5 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse TBC
- 16 Business Meeting TBC
- 19 General Election Day - (under debate)
- 26 Hot Chips @ Owairoa School TBC
- 27 Daylight Saving begins

### October

- 7 Dinner meeting TBC
- 10 Sausage Sizzle @ The Warehouse TBC
- 17 Hot Chips @ Star of the Sea School TBC
- 21 Business Meeting TBC
- 26 Labour Day
- 31 Hot Chips @ Wakaaranga School TBC

### CONVENTION DATES

~~MULTI-DISTRICT 202~~ Hikurangi (Whangarei), May 1-3, 2020  
~~INTERNATIONAL~~ Singapore, June 26-30, 2020  
 District 202K Waipu, Oct 30 - Nov 1, 2020 TBC

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