



Lions Clubs International
Lions MD 19 - I
The Laughing Lion
Edition 2, August 2022



Dearest Lions of 19 - I

How Exciting that our first Cabinet meeting of the year is coming up this month, August 21 in Central Saanich! Everyone is welcome; just let Joan know if you want lunch! jadam43@icloud.com This can also be a great opportunity for Lions wanting to see Leadership in action and hear first-hand what is going on. Please carpool if possible. If you are not able to attend, please send in reports to our Cabinet Secretary ASAP.



Let me emphasize that I will NEVER, under any circumstances, ask you via email to go and buy gift cards, send me money, or bail out my cousin in Ethiopia. We are having ongoing challenges with the MD19 Server being compromised, and emails from those of us on Cabinet hacked. VDG Michael and I are going to kick this up a notch, and get the problem investigated and resolved. If you have inadvertently opened a fake email, please change your email password to protect your account.

I am serious about this = if you ever need me, text, or call. Email if it is not urgent, but I am always glad to hear from Lions. 250-606-1515

Remember, Lions, even if your Clubs are not meeting over the summer, we need to be recording our service hours. Secretaries, please ask every Lion how they have contributed service hours.

Our LIONS International organization lists FIVE Global Initiatives: Vision, Diabetes, Hunger, Environment and Childhood Cancer. I will write about each of these over the next 5 months in more detail.

Please continue to collect glasses, support CLERC and US counterparts in sorting and cleaning, and if you can arrange some vision screening events in schools, that would be great!

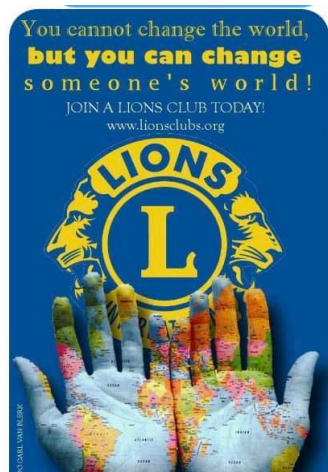
Let's all start counting our steps and participating in efforts to reduce the prevalence of Diabetes in our communities! Georgia has some great plans for us, as our Diabetes Chair.

Please continue to support food banks, grow community gardens, and understand the impact of hunger on seniors as well as children. We are excited to have David Haynes step up as Environment Chair this year and have great hopes for many projects and initiatives in this field.

Hunger affects every community. Thank you, Lions, for helping food banks, growing community gardens, planting food forests and teaching kids how to grow food!

Childhood Cancer also affects every community. Please do all you can to support local hospitals and CARE.

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Lions Club International - Our leaders 2022 - 2023



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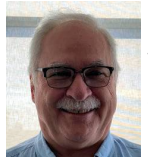
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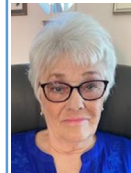
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*INTERNATIONAL 1st
VICE PRESIDENT -
Dr. Patti Hill*



Dr. Patti Hill from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada was elected to serve as first vice president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 22 through June 28, 2022.

Vice President Hill is president of a consulting firm. With 30 years of experience as a psychologist, she has mentored graduate students and psychologists in training. She has also championed the rights of children and youth who are deaf and/or blind.

A member of the Edmonton Host Lions Club since 1990, Vice President Hill has held many offices within the association, including district chairperson for Membership, Environment, Convention and International Cooperation and Understanding. Additionally, she has served as a committee member for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, multinational coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II, secretary for the Lions Eyebank (Alberta) Society, Vice President of the Lions Eye Research Institute of Northern Alberta and presenter at many forums and conventions.

In recognition of her service to the association, Vice President Hill has received numerous awards, including several International President's Awards. She has been honored with the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members.

She is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, and recipient of numerous other fellowships. In addition to her Lions activities, Vice President Hill is active in many professional and community organizations.

She is a member of the Psychologists Association of Alberta, the College of Psychologists and the Community League. In the past, she served as an executive officer of the Alberta Association of School Psychologists and the Association of Canadian Educators of the Hearing Impaired. Vice President Hill has also served on the Alberta Premier's Council on Persons with Disabilities.

Vice President Hill and her husband, Greg Holmes, also a Lion, enjoy time with their family which has grown to include Pieter and Carley, Jessica and Mitch, and Erin, Mike and granddaughter, Violet.

USEFUL WEBSITES/FACEBOOK

Lions International
lionsclubs.org

District 19 I / Facebook
lions19i.ca
<https://www.facebook.com/LionsInternationalDistrict19I>

Multiple District 19
lionsmd19.org

Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF
lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca

BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities
lionsbc.ca

C.A.R.E. Project
lionsmd.org

Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society
lionsofbchearingsociety.org

Leader Dogs for the Blind
leaderdog.org

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides
dogguides.com

Diabetes Awareness
diabetes.ca

Northwest Lions Foundation - restoring sight, hearing and hope
nlfoundation.org

Lions Club International Foundation
lcif.org

Global Action Team (GAT)
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2236757789943562>

Intl President Brian Sheehan
<https://www.facebook.com/LionsPresident/>

District 19-I Global Action Team.

Hello Fellow Lions; Welcome to the Lions New Year 2022-2023!

I am writing to you as the District Global Action Team Facilitator and would like to share a few words about the District GAT. Lions Clubs International has rolled out an exciting new way to promote better service, leadership, membership and extension to our Lions Clubs so we can do better service to our Communities.

The Lions Clubs International President Brian E. Sheehan's theme is "Together We Can". LCI does not want to leave out any Lions Club to struggle on its own. The District GAT was rolled out in a few Districts. The results have paid off even during the Pandemic. This year the focus is on each of the Districts and Lions Clubs to work together with the same goal & focus. This article is all about the basic framework of the Global Action Team approach. It's important to know it's not invented in my basement.

Within LCI the Global Action Team GAT is led by PIP Kajit "KJ" Habanananda, International Chairperson of 2022-2023 Global Action Team with PID Jerome Thompson as the CA1 Constitutional Area Leader. We will be working closely with MD19 Global Action Team Leaders. For our area, we will be working with PDG Lorne Bunyan and PID Allan Hunt.

Our District Global Action Team is made up with a District Coordinator, District Facilitator, Leadership (GLT), Service (GST), Membership (GMT), Extension Canada, Extension USA and Public Relations. These Team Leaders will work closely with key Lions within your Lions Club and your Zone Chairs.

Our Lions Clubs are encouraged & expected to have Key Lions to work closely with the District Leaders. Within the Club, you will have a Club Chairperson namely the President, who will ensure your Club's GLT, GMT and GST Chairpersons are collaborating & implementing plans to develop skilled leaders, strengthen membership, and expand the club's humanitarian service.

Each Club will have a Global Leadership Team (GLT) Chairperson namely the current First Vice President, Global Service Team (GST) Chairperson namely a current Club Director and Global Membership Team (GMT) Chairperson namely the Club Membership Director.

Each of these positions must implement an action plan for success, measure the success, report the success and celebrate the success. LCI does have a toolbox for each of these positions within the Lions Club, District and Multiple Districts. Each of these positions are in communication with each other and the District Counterparts. I encourage you to visit the Lions Clubs International Website at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/global-action-team> to learn more about the Global Action Team Approach.

Our District Global Action Team 2022-2023:

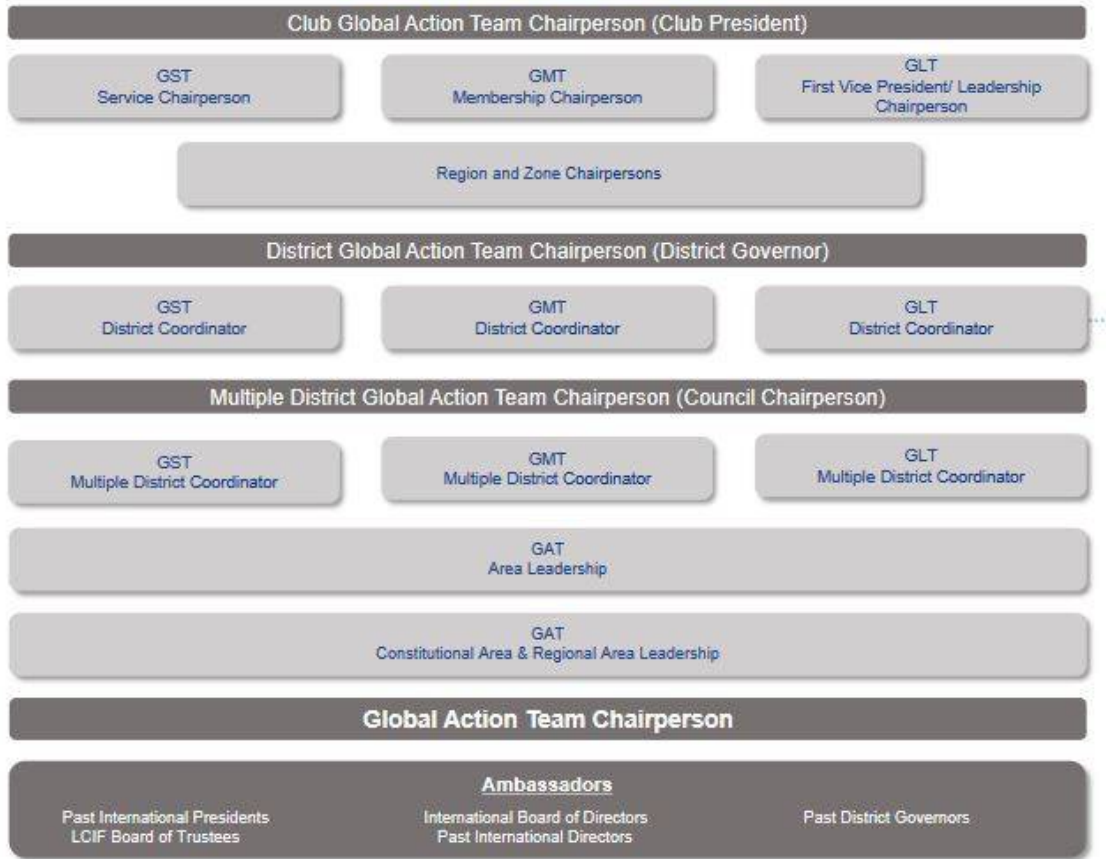
FVDG Michael Stanford	GAT Facilitator
ZC Betty Anne Herbert	GMT Membership
Vacant	GLT Leadership
Vacant	GST Service
Vacant	Extension-USA
PDG Alan Guy	Extension-CDN
Lion Evelyn Smith	Public Relations
DG Lia Maria Versaavel	District Coordinator



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District 19-I Global Action Team cont'd

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Our first District Global Team meeting will be on August 14, 2022 at 10am to 12noon by Zoom. We need your support. Its all about doing Service better within your Club and Community one small step at a time! Together We Can!!! Thank you for your time and Service in Lions. Please send me an email if you are interested about helping our District Global Action Team at lionmichaelvdg19i@icloud.com



Respectfully Submitted; FVDG Michael G. Stanford District GAT Facilitator

The District Digest

A Club in Your District Could Win Big

Did you know clubs in your districts can be recognized for their marketing efforts? Encourage your clubs to plan a marketing campaign and apply for the new Lions International Marketing Award! Applications will be accepted through December 31.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-marketing-communications->

The Competition Is On!

The new Lions International Marketing Award has officially launched! Will your club take the top honor? Review the requirements and apply today.

[LEARN MORE](#)



Diabetes Awareness

With the support of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions are working to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve the lives of those living with diabetes. This is why Diabetes is one of the five Global Causes that Lions Clubs International supports.

As of today, there are more than 422 million people worldwide who have diabetes. Through recent research presented at the European Association for the Study of Diabetes in Germany, it has been determined that people who develop type 2 diabetes may show early warning signs of the disease more than ten years before their diagnosis. So take the risk test, get yourself checked.

We need to help End Diabetes.

As District "I"s Diabetes Chairperson I will once again be starting up in September the infamous Step Challenge, so get your team together, if you have a Club Diabetes Chairperson let them collect the tally and send to me. There is a Golden Runner trophy for the winning club which will once again be presented at the DG's conference in the spring.

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<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/diabetes/strides>

Comox Valley Monarch

Lion Treasurer Cathy was pleased to present, on behalf of our Club, \$1000 Bursaries to Evan (left) and Aiden, high school Graduates from Mark Isfeld and Vanier Secondary Schools. Both young men are pursuing careers in Heavy Duty Mechanics. We wish them well in their pursuit.



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Lion Treasurer Cathy dropped by LUSH VALLEY Food Action Society to make a donation of behalf of our Club.



Victoria Lions

Tour de Rock - Cops for Cancer - Tour de Rock is at Camp Goodtimes.



Tour de Rock spent the day in a very special place yesterday. Camp Goodtimes is a magical wilderness experience where kids with cancer can just be kids and families can reconnect in a medically-supervised, safety-focused and supportive environment.

Thanks to the generous support from Vancouver Island communities over the years, Tour de Rock has been able to send thousands of kids to camp at no cost to families.

To learn more, host an event, support a local rider or make a donation, visit tourderock.ca

Tahsis Lions

The Tahsis Lions again this year held their Annual Fund-raising BBQ providing hamburgers and hot dogs on the Saturday of the Tahsis Days Weekend. It was one of the best Tahsis Days! So much community spirit. A huge thank you to all the Lions Club Members from out of town who came up to help us out, DG Lia, PID AI, PDGs Cec & Brian, PZCs Cathy, Sharon and Mike and Lions Mike and Chad who drove over that road to help us! Even the deepest potholes didn't stop them from turning back. We may be small but with the support from all of them we ROCKED it! The weather was perfect and the Pirate theme this year was enjoyed by all. So great to see so many smiling faces! Looking forward to next year and yes even the first timers over our road want to come back....."Proud to be a Lion." #togetherwecan



Pictured as well is the parade.



Protection Island

by Rick Biller

Things are getting back to pre-Covid business on Protection Island. Our club is actively planning events and working to serve our community. We recently were awarded a grant from the Federal government to assist us with much needed improvements to our grounds at our community center.

Minister Sajjan made the announcement in Nanoose Bay and our President was able to meet with him and present him with a T-shirt of our annual bathtub race. He was very appreciative of the work organizations like the Lions do for our communities particularly through the 2 years of Covid. We will now be embarking on spending that money replacing aging walkways, closing in our deck, installing underground sprinklers and adding a couple new patios.



Rick Biller presenting Minister Sajji with bathtub race t-shirt.



Bathtub weekend has come and gone and we were able to return to hosting our annual pancake breakfast. A lovely sunny day and a huge turnout made for a special event. We will now be closing our community hall through August to work on our landscape project. We have held off accepting new members through Covid and are now ready to welcome islanders into our club. We will be hosting a special meeting in September for people interested in joining our club in various capacities.



Central Saanich

By Ed Wignal

2022 North West Deuce Days

Every three years Victoria hosts the world's largest gathering of 1932 (Deuce) Fords. The Deuce coupe is probably the most famous deuce thanks to the Beach Boys, but there are many versions of Ford for 1932.

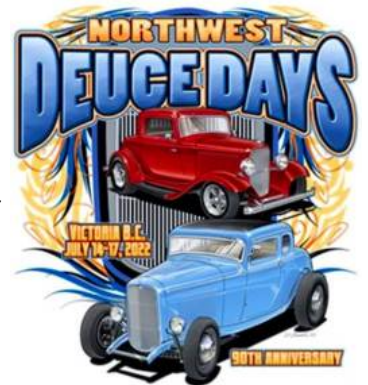
The meet is open to any vehicle manufactured before 1951 with the emphasis on the deuces. This year the overall entry was limited to 1150 cars with cars coming from all over North America. 550 cars participated in the Saturday Poker run while others were free to explore the sights of Victoria.



The Central Saanich Lions has supplied a BBQ lunch for the Poker run on the Saturday for the last four meets. Again this year we were asked to provide a BBQ lunch at their end of event gathering place.



With 550 entries in the Poker Run, we provided a lunch offering of hot dogs and hamburgers to the gathering masses of participants and volunteers. Everyone seemed to enjoy the food and the location at the Vanderkerhove farm property. With many members and help from spouses as well as a number of ex-members we again had a very successful day providing this service to our community. We look forward to 2025 when the Deuce Days will return .



Lions News is Back!

I am delighted to welcome back the quarterly Lions e-Newsletter! A forum for sharing all the happenings in the Lions world around Dog Guides. I am thrilled to be a part of this incredible community now, and to have this platform to celebrate the remarkable work Lions Clubs are doing to support Dog Guides. There is a special relationship between Dog Guides and Lions Clubs, and this is an opportunity to celebrate that. Happy reading, and share far and wide.

Warmly,

Danielle Rosenblum
Community Partnerships Manager

Visit the link below for the latest issue

<https://www.dogguides.com/images/pdf/Lions-News-July-2022.pdf>

memberperks

Reward Yourself - Lions Clubs International Member's Benefits Program

rewards our members with valuable savings and services. It is our way of saying how much we appreciate the good work you do as a Lion. Current Lions rewards programs include:

1-800-Flowers.com (Availability varies depending on brand)

Avis Car Rental (International)

Budget Rent A Car (International)

Hotel Storm (International)

Beltone (U.S. only)

Enterprise/National (International)

Wyndham Hotel Group (International)

In most cases these benefits are available to friends and families of Lions, too. Best of all, by participating in these programs you will be helping to support Lions Clubs International and programming at no additional cost to yourself.

Visit the link for more information: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/join/why-become-a-lion/member-benefits>



Gabriola

by Maureen Morgan

Life is better with pancakes!

Pancakes, sausages and scrambled eggs were on the menu for the Lions pancake breakfast on Sunday, July 3. The well-organized team fell into place mixing and flipping hundreds of pancakes, some in the shape of Mickey Mouse; stirring and scrambling dozens of eggs, and cooking



many pounds of sausages until they reached that golden brown colour. A skilled assembly line starting with collecting the cash and handing out the plates, all the way to coffee and juice served up approximately 90 adults and children. As the fine-tuned Lions team was nothing could hold back the rain



that finally fell, luckily tents had been erected in advance and the hungry Gabriolians stayed mostly dry. Unfortunately the rain put a stop to President Lion Betsy Bandford's record of "no rain on events", well all records are meant to be broken.

One record we didn't try to break is the biggest pancake in the world record; weighing 6,614 pounds and over 49 feet in diameter. Try and flip that one! \$780.00 was collected that day which was a little lower than hoped for but the weather let us down, all and all it was a great community event!

The Joe Brake Bursaries were awarded to 6 students in the graduating class of Gabriola Elementary school for contributing to the spirit of friendliness and cooperation in the school.

Not to be missed is Gabriola's Concert on the Green, Aug 4th, featuring Eagle Eyes. It's sure to be an outstanding event! The many helping hands!



Cheeseburger in Paradise! The club members and their partners came together for a summer BBQ to socialize and to celebrate their many successes over the past couple of years. After 2 years of Zoom meetings and next to no mingling everyone's spirits were high. Many delicious appetizers, salads and desserts were contributed by the Lion members and the burgers from the Lions Club.



We were pleased to have District Governor, Lia Marie Versaevel, Past Zone Chair, Dr. Claire Clark, and Past District Governor, Leslie Smith join our celebration. Congratulations to our President, Lion Betsy Bandford who was awarded Lion of the Year, such an honour for Betsy and the Club. It's a well-deserved honour and we are lucky to have such a dedicated leader.



New Board 2022—2023

Many thanks to Lion Ken and Shirley Nicolson for hosting the festivities in their beautiful garden, Lion Olga Korinek for her superb organizing and Lion Ken Hatfield for his impressive grilling!

Gabriola continued....

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by Carol Martin



Where can you find 10,000 Lions representing 200 nations or more, in one place at the same time? MONTREAL, hosted the 104th Annual Lions International Convention. Gabriola President Lion Betsy Banford and Secretary Lion Carol Martin speed their way from their island paradise to the big city of Montreal with aplomb. Four days in June 2022, were full to the brim with events, keynote speakers, tech cafes, and entertainment at the Bell Centre showcasing Smokey Robinson. He hasn't missed a beat since Motown. What a performer.

Two highlights will forever be in our hearts: The Parade of Nations. Spectacular! In their dress of their customs, their nations. Bands, dancers, antics, and just good fun with tons of big smiles. We met so many. We shared so much, and learned so much from others just like us working in their communities for the good of all.

Brian Sheehan, our new international president was sworn in and will serve for a year in this capacity. He hails from Bird Island, Minnesota. A resounding reframe of "Where the heck is Bird Island" swelled with pride among us all.

Brian's motto "Together we can"

The buzz hasn't subsided. We are Lions. We Serve.



The Stampede Telegram

Lions of Canada, the United States, and around the world, the 46th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Calgary is weeks away and we cannot wait for this new baby to be born into reality. The planning started last October and will continue until the last days. We are excited about having another in-person Forum and being able to provide you the best leadership and learning opportunities available from great Lions and guest speakers. We can never stop learning.



The 46th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Calgary, Alberta Canada will offer wonderful opportunity for cultivating leaders as we plant seeds for building leadership within your club, district, and multiple district membership.

We will feature over 70 seminars in 2 and 1/2 days. There will also be four motivational general meal sessions, service projects, and countless opportunities network with partner programs and other like-minded Lions members. For the latest news and information and to register Calgary 2022 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

<https://lionsforum.org/>





Wounded Warrior Run BC

Hello My Fellow Lions,

We are getting ready for another exciting year with Lions! We are organizing a couple of events with the Wounded Warrior Run BC, which is in their 10th year. Their goal is to fund raise \$250,000.00. The money raised on the Island will Stay on the Island! It's all about helping Military



Veterans, Law Enforcement, Fire and Paramedics including their spouses and children with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (Injuries). Wounded Warriors Canada helps these individuals and families living with PTSD. Did you know they have a camp for children?



Last year, we did amazing work fund raising for Wounded Warriors. I know we can do just a little bit more to help them reach their goal. This initiative can lead to more exciting fund raising for your Lions Club within your Community. You have the opportunity to work closer with Veterans, Police, Fire, Paramedics, Coast Guard, RCM Search & Rescue. Invite them to your Lions Clubs and partner up with their Cause. Invite them to join your Lions Club. The more fundraising events leading up to February 2023 will lead to awesome success that you can celebrate. Plan now, Act, Measure, Results, Report your Service and Celebrate with Public Relations.

Wounded Warrior Run BC will be a Cabinet Committee, which I will lead & chair for the first year. We will invite Jacqueline Zweng and her Team to our Cabinet to speak more about their Cause at a future date to be determined.

We will be planning a Gala Dinner for Wounded Warrior Run BC for early 2023. It's their 10th Anniversary! Of course, it will be dependent on the Pandemic. Do you want to help out? We will need door prizes and sponsorship. There will be more information about the Gala Dinner during the fall 2022. Please stay tuned!



Jacqueline Zweng

For more details on Wounded Warriors Canada, please visit their Website: <https://woundedwarriors.ca/our-programs/>

Respectfully Submitted, FVDG Michael G Stanford District 19-I



Ladysmith

by Allen Slade

On Sunday July 10th the Ladysmith Lions Club were cooking up breakfast and lunch to the members of the Old English Car Club of BC, and all the car enthusiasts, at the Brits on the



Beach car show. The show was well attended with approx. 260 cars and the crowd was overwhelming. It was our clubs best outing with the Snack Shack, post pandemic.



On July 30th and 31st the Ladysmith Snack Shack will be at the Ladysmith Days celebrations at Transfer Beach.



Photos: DG Lia Versaevell and Lion Katherine Garvin with Lion (and Head Chef) Jim Masyk in the background. Lion President Eric Mah and Lion John Shephard staffing the point-of-sale table.





PEACE

LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONTEST



International Peace Poster Contest 2022 – 2023

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

Lead with Compassion

Children know how powerful compassion can be. They're often able to express this feeling more openly than adults. This year, we invite young people to explore and visually express the peaceful future that compassionate leadership brings.

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

January 15: Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

October 1: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the DG.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a DG to send one winning district poster to MD council chairperson.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a DG not belonging to a MD to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.

December 15: Postmark deadline for the MD council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.

February 1: International winners notified on or before this date.

Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit

To sponsor the Peace Poster Contest, Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1. A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

The 2022-2023 Contest **Lead with Compassion** kit contains:

Official Club Contest Guide and Rules

Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules

Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home

Sticker to place on back of winning poster

Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

**To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).*

<https://lionsclubsinternational.myshopify.com/collections/kits/products/ppk1>

PEACE POSTER KIT 2022-2023 PPK1EN \$11.95

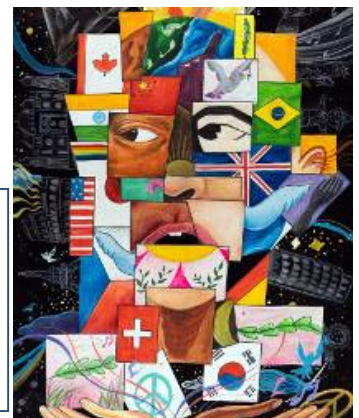
Peace Poster 2022-2023 Contest Kit, "Lead with Compassion". Each kit contains all the materials needed to sponsor the contest in a school or youth group, including complete rules, promotional material and recognition certificates for participants. One kit is needed for each entry sponsored. Kits are available in all eleven languages. **Kits are sold from January 15th through October 1st.**

Orders received after October 1st will be filled based on availability.



2021/22 Peace Poster International Merit Award winner

"Peace is our beautiful future." **Ha-Yun Yang, 13**, is a 2021-22 Lions International [#PeacePoster](#) Merit Award Winner, sponsored by Incheon Bunae Lions Club (Republic of Korea)





Lions Quest
Canada
The Centre for Positive Youth Development

In response to Lion Vesna Talan's, (new member) question "What is Lions Quest", VDG Michael Stanford explained is as:

Lions Quest is a school-based program that teaches 32 important life skills to children from Preschool to Grade 12. We train the Educators who teach the Children!! We supply them the Curriculum Grade Level Material & Resources that they need through the school year. Our program also includes the Community folks who are connected to youth ie: Police, Youth Worker, before & after school Educators, Scouts, Youth Coaches...

From VDG Michael Stanford - Chairman of the Board For Lions Quest Canada,

I am challenging Lions Clubs within District 19-I to help support Lions Quest Canada by purchasing a Q Bear Fan Club Membership, which costs \$100.00. The Membership can be for the Lions Club, or recognizing a Lion within their Club or the best way is to recognize a Community Leader (Educator, Youth Worker, Scout Leader, Police School Liaison Officer...) outside your Lions Club. Since Lions Quest Canada is a registered charity with Canada Revenue Agency, an individual can donate, become a Q Bear Fan & receive a Tax Donation Receipt.

Last fiscal year (2021-2022), it was extremely difficult to operate Lions Quest Canada with very limited funds. Out of 1345 Lions Clubs within Canada, Lions Quest Canada received a total of \$79,611.00 in donations. Only 156 Lions Clubs donated to LQC which is 11.6% Canadian Lions Clubs supporting us. Within British Columbia, we have a total of 192 Lions Clubs. Only 22 Lions Clubs supported LQC, which is 11.5% of the British Columbia Lions Clubs. Our expected donations from Lions Clubs is \$165,000.00 per year. In the past, we made the goal or exceeded it.

Every year, Lions Quest Canada has been asking Lions Clubs to budget \$500 for Lions Quest Programs. The ASK is for direct financial assistance to Lions Quest Canada and for supporting Lions Quest Programs within our Districts. There is nothing wrong with giving more! Lions Quest Canada does return back and works within our District. February 2022, we trained 20 Educators on Gabriola Island, and held a Lions Quest Community Partnership Rally at the District Spring Convention. Also, we are working with the University of Victoria.

As you know we are the only Social Emotional Learning Program that includes the Community. It is a very successful program that has been proven and is award winning. We got to keep our program alive by making financial contributions. It is not a free program. This program will only exist with the financial assistance from Lions Clubs. Our Communities need mental health assistance, which Lions Quest can assist the Educator, Youth Worker or any person directly involved with youth.

Please can you do a small step more to assist Lions Quest Canada? Can you accept the challenge? Can you do it now and not wait until then end of the year? Can you send me an email and let me know your Lions Club will help out? My Email Address for the District - lionmichaelvdg19i@icloud.com

I am inviting you to be a big part of Lions Quest. Lastly, I have a few Lions that volunteered to be part of our District Lions Quest Committee. We have an LCIF Community Partnership Grant that will help train 30 Educators and fund two Community Partnership Rallies. If you would like to know more about Lions Quest, please send me a note. I have more information coming over the next few months. Follow us on Facebook - "Lions Quest Canada" and "Lions Quest BC - Vancouver Island"

I am spreading the Challenge out to other Districts within British Columbia and the rest of Canada. I would love to see our District 19-I to the Lead!!

"Where there is a Need, there is a Lion!"

Thank You in Lionism!

Support Lions Quest Canada

Join Today!

Your \$100 charitable donation to join the Q-Bear fan club will help us provide the five things all Canadian kids need:

- Strong positive relationships with people who care about them
- Safe and caring places to live, learn and play
- Opportunities to provide service to others, learn and try new things
- Healthy habits
- Hope for the future

Lions Quest Canada

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Sooke District Lioness Lions

By President Gunny Tennessee

July 1 brings a fresh start to every Lions Club and our new year of 2022-23 couldn't have started on a more positive note with a very successful Canada Day. Many of our members enjoyed the sunny afternoon selling 50/50 tickets and ice cream at Sooke's town celebration of Canada's birthday. We also raffled off our Canada Day Quilt, which garnered us \$2,000! Between the other two fundraisers we started the year with a nice sum of over 3,000! Thank you to the Comfort Quilters group for the beautiful donation and to Village Foods for the ice cream drumsticks!



Our annual and very well-known garage sale was another huge victory! Our member, Heather Nuttall used her extraordinary skill as a gardener to prepare over 100 pots of flowers to raise \$ 1722.30. Her intention was to sell them at the garage sale but we were sold out well before that date with orders already taken for next year! Heather is truly outstanding in her field!!

Our summer garage sale was moved indoors this year but that didn't stop the bargain hunters from attending en masse. It didn't disappoint with total sales amounting to almost \$1500...at \$5 a stuffed bag we were pleased with the number of buyers!

Our local thrift store has moved to a spanking new location with lots more space to display goods...our members volunteer there twice monthly but also helped pack up the store to prepare for the move.

Our last event for the month is an upcoming Volunteer Appreciation afternoon, which we'll cater to thank the town's volunteers. We were hoping to take a breather in August but have been called upon to once again to shop and distribute school supplies at the Sooke Food bank in time for school reopening! We're off to a great start!

We would like to wish your new Zone Chair Jackie Lawrence a fabulous year of leadership...she's one of our own!!

Sooke District
Lioness
Lions

**ANNUAL
PLANT
SALE!**



Alberni Valley

by PDG Bob Dalton

Here are some photo's from Alberni Valley.



AV Lions receiving a Plaque from Easter Seal Shannon in recognition of top fund raiser. Robert, Shannon, Dianna, Art



Instillation of Officers



Special Olympics donation



Canada Day Parade



Literacy Alberni donation



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THURSDAY, AUGUST 4TH 2022

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NORTHWEST LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

May 7-9, 2023

NWLL 2023 Ross Point Camp and Conference Center (Post Falls, ID). Dates: Thursday, May 7-9, 2023. Cost is: \$350 (a deposit of \$150 is required to be submitted with the application). MD19 Foundation financially supports this institute with a \$200 grant to each participant, so total cost is only \$150. Please plan this year to include sending members of your club. Any questions, please contact: Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, Superintendent 2023 NWLLI. lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com




MD-19 and BEYOND Lions Club Officer Learning All Lions and Leos Welcome



We Serve

Saturday, June 11, 2022
Saturday, July 16, 2022
Saturday, Aug 27, 2022

Where There's a Need, There's a Lion



Learn! Collaborate! Share ideas!
Discuss challenges and develop solutions.

Choose from one of these sessions:

Saturday, June 11	9:00 AM—12:30 PM	Register for June 11
Saturday, July 16	9:00 AM—12:30 PM	Register for July 16
Saturday, August 27	9:00 AM—12:30 PM	Register for Aug 27

All club officers should join for the entire session.

Email t.smarsh@att.net with questions.

You will receive your ZOOM confirmation when you register. Pre-assignment sent a few days before event.

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Join us with your entire club officer **TEAM!**




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CROWN ISLE DRIVING RANGE
SEPTEMBER 9, 2022 @ 6:00pm

1st PRIZE	\$3,000
2nd PRIZE	\$1,000
3rd PRIZE	\$500
4th PRIZE	\$500

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from Monarch Lions Club Members

For more information Contact: cvmonechlionsclub@gmail.com

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Clallam Bay-Seki

by Karen Duker

The month of July began our new year! The Cowan Heritage Farm opens each Sunday from 2:00-4:00PM. (Planting has been done and things are watered daily.)

In honor of our nation's independence day, on July 4th members displayed US/Military flags along the main street in Clallam Bay from 8:00AM-8:00PM.



These flags were also put up and taken down on July 8, 9, 10 during the annual Clallam Bay-Seki Fun Days. During these three days there were lots of activities many of our lions helped in. There was a Friday evening community potluck dinner, followed by Saturday's parade, auction and kids games. Our Lions Club held a barbecue which included hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, soda or water and condiments. The Visitors Center was open and also the Sekiu Community Center featured a Quilt and Art show. Sunday was the annual Fun Run.



One of our members was also on call for the fire department/ambulance crew during the day time. Lots of music was heard in both Clallam Bay and Sekiu. A big THANK YOU for our members who helped out in every way they could.

On July 12 one of our members, employed by Serenity House, used the den to meet with people in need of rental assistance.

Our new King Lion scheduled a board meeting on July 14th for us to begin our club's plans for this year. Successful review of the financial records was completed on July 16th.



Esquimalt

by Anne-Louise Gibbons

On 16 July 2022, the first Roller Derby Pride Game in several years was held. More than 600 tickets were sold for this family event and a good time was had by all.



The Esquimalt Lions were present, and although the concession this year was outdoors, people enjoyed not only the sport but also the convenience. We sold 132 hot dogs and 68 burgers and numerous drinks and types of candy.

On 29 August, the final Roller Derby of the year will be held, and the Esquimalt Lions will be present.



Camp Shawnigan Improvement Committee

**HELLO TO ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LIONS CLUBS OF VANCOUVER ISLAND.
WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!!**

The Committee for the Improvement of the Shawnigan Lake Easter Seals Camp wants to let you know that BCLS has decided to close the Shawnigan Lake Camp this summer. The decision to close the camp was communicated to us on July 6th. The reason for the closure is that the infrastructure, specifically the septic system is not in working order and will not be able to serve the needs of the campers. After so much discussion about this septic system going back several years, and an engineering report in April 2019 finding the system in major disrepair, requiring \$15,500.00 worth of work, this was no surprise. Although we agree with the decision, it was very disappointing given that volunteers gave their time to work on the Camp, and the members from the Malahat Lions Club spent hours there, week after week starting in May, painting, cutting grass, weed whacking, power washing stairs and pathways, raking and building fences and repairing decks and railings. In fact, our committee was surprised that the BCLS had planned to run the Camp this year, given its overall condition. Clearly maintenance had not been done for a long time. The pool was dark green and had to be emptied, cleaned, and refilled. The pump and filter were not working. A lot of work had to be done. Just as we were finishing our list of things to do, we received the news that the Camp would not open! Families were notified and given the option to place their children in other camps. According to BCLS, this has worked out and many of the campers will go to Winfield.



BCLS has indicated that the camp will open next year if the septic system has been replaced. The work will begin soon, and it will conform to the new system that will be necessary for the new facilities that they hope to build on the grounds within the next few years. Unfortunately, our committee who has been actively on the site for months now, cannot see the Camp opening even with a new septic system because the cafeteria is falling apart, and the other buildings need much work. The roof on the cafeteria has not been maintained and now has leaks, and the ceiling and walls are crumbling. All the buildings are in serious disrepair, needing scraping and painting inside and out. There are too many issues to describe them all here. In our opinion, another year of no maintenance and the Camp will not be usable. However, we have been told by the BCLS that we are not to do any further maintenance at the Camp other than cutting the grass and weed eating! They are closing off the water and there is no septic system. We are extremely concerned. Should the Camp be shut till the new facilities are built, (3-4 years from now...maybe?) we lose an enormous asset on the Island for families with disabled children, we take a chance that the new facilities are never built, then what? and we could lose a particularly important service that for 47 years has been a major Flag Ship of the Lions Clubs. **What to do?**

Although it appears that the founding Lions Clubs wanted to ensure that the Lions Clubs always have a part to play in the Society's business, by creating a Board of Directors that must have 50% representation from Lions Club members, our clubs do not seem to have a voice in the affairs of the Society. How did this happen? Can we and should we do something about this?

Here is our dilemma. Do we have support from the Island Lions Clubs to assert ourselves and say.... Enough is Enough! The question I am left with, is: Are the Island Lions Clubs at all interested in renewing their support of the Camp and becoming involved in a Camp Wellness Program? **Do they still care?**

If not, if we don't have at least 10 to 15 Clubs on the Island willing to voice their concerns over the handling of the Camp and its maintenance, and take on a role in the Camp's well being, then I guess we accept the status quo and move on.

I would like to hear from the Island Clubs, members, and executives as to the current position of your Clubs on the issues of the Shawnigan Lake, Easter Seals Camp.

Best Regards, Lion Cynthia Sams of the Malahat Lions Club
Chair of the Improvement Committee for the Shawnigan Lake Easter Seals Camp
250 886 3707 cmsams2012@gmail.com





Victoria Chinatown Lioness Lions

by Amanda Mills

March - July : We continue to volunteer at Soap for Hope-packaging, folding, preparing bedding, shampoos/conditioners, scrubbing bottles, which are shipped locally and to remote areas for those needing these basic items. Lion Susanne is our guiding light on this volunteer front, going each week with another Lioness Lion to help SfH to package up and ship these items. Now 'hygiene kits' and sewing kits are being packaged for Compassionate Warehouse to be shipped to Ukraine.



In April, Lionesses prepared our traditional Mother's Day Boxes: we collect personal items for mums (hair products/soaps/cosmetics/dental care/perfumes) which are part donated by Soap for Hope and part purchased. They get stuffed into Chinese take-out boxes and delivered to 3 inner city schools. The schools have identified children who would take these colourful, full boxes home to Mum for her Mother's Day special treat.

May was a busy month! Lionesses joined the 'Hike for Hospice' and 'Walk for Alzheimer's', raising funds for these organizations that provide such essential services to those afflicted with dementia and end of life.



Our Club presented a donation cheque for \$ 500 to Herowork to help get the CEO, Trevor Botkin, out of jail in a fundraising initiative. We work on several projects for Herowork throughout the year in refurbishing/renovating facilities for various charitable causes in the community. We provide unskilled, grunt construction labour!

The TC 10 km. run water station was staffed by our Lionesses and a local cub scouts – we poured cups of water and handed them to the thirsty runners and walkers. Much was spilled, but appreciated by all!



In June, some of our Club celebrated the Charter lunch for the Sooke District Lioness Lions at a wonderful event in Sooke. Good food, company, speeches and a time to get together after Covid restrictions.

For Father's Day, we ran an electronic raffle of fabulous prizes of Gift Certificates for Dads to enjoy. Each package had 8 items ranging in value from \$ 496 to \$ 1,661. One prize included a blow-up pub for a garden pub event at Dad's house!



In support of Ukraine and its fight in the current war, we support a local non-for profit organization 'Paramedics for Paramedics' who are buying ambulances and trucks in the UK and Poland, fully stocking them with medical supplies and delivering them to a Paramedic organization at the Ukraine border.

Victoria Chinatown Lioness Lions Cont'd...

....Cont'd Victoria Chinatown Lioness Lions



Our last fundraising event of this fiscal year was our annual Paper Shredding and Bottle Drive event. Folks brought their Bankers' boxes of paper to be shredded and dropped off bottles at the SaveOn Foods parking lot.

In July we participated in the Uptown Multicultural Festival with a Kids' Tent. We had colouring, lantern and mask making, drum-noisemaker making, fortune telling with shaking sticks to select the numbered stick for your fortune, chop sticks agility test to get white rabbit candy from a bowl; zodiac sign board.

Mid August we will be hosting the Kids' Tent at the Victoria Dragon Boat Festival in the Inner Harbour, with dragon boat races and community cultural festival. There will be similar activities for children as at Uptown, plus child size lion heads to try on and have picture taken.



Our community conscious members volunteer in many capacities, on the Boards of not-for-profit organizations and in volunteer capacities, like the Victoria Chinatown Care Centre and Foundation, Victoria Dragon Boat Festival Society, Chinatown Community Services Centre, school lunch programmes, Government House Museum, community kitchens, veteran's services, and numerous other worthy activities.



A Message from IP Brian Sheehan

My fellow Lions in the USA and Canada,

For inspiration, education and motivation for Club, District and Multiple District leaders, the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is—quite simply—the best! Our North American Lions Families from our two nations will gather in Calgary, Alberta, Canada from September 15-17 and our MDC Lions family are looking forward to welcoming you.

The Forum Planning Committee has arranged an outstanding lineup of speakers and presenters and I have no doubt that you will be inspired, educated and motivated by their words. These speakers will cover the responsibilities of every office at the Club and District levels, highlighted by an address by our new International President Brian Sheehan.

Those Lions who have attended previous Forums will all tell you that the information provided at the Forum is the very best Lions information and education they have ever received as a Lion.

The Forums are designed to teach leadership skills and to provide information to the delegates—skills and information that will strengthen every Lions Club. For that reason alone, I encourage every Club to help defray the costs of the delegates attending from their Club.

On top of all of that, one of the great events at the Forum is Fellowship—the opportunity to meet old friends and to make new ones. So register now and I recommend that delegates come a few days early or stay a few days after to enjoy the beauty that Mother Nature has given us—the Canadian Rockies, Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper, etc. And, if you would like to volunteer to help the Host Committee, you can find the Registration Form at lionsforum.org and the Volunteer Form at 2022lionsleadershipforum.com.

Yours in Lionism,
Judge Brian Stevenson, Past International President



MD 19-I Cabinet Meeting Notice

Sunday August 21st 2022, at the Central Saanich Lions Hall, 6996 Central Saanich Rd, Victoria at 10. am.

Lunch to be provided \$10. Please call Lion Joan Adam about your meals at 250- 656- 3929 or at jadam43@icloud.com (please note an old email for Joan appeared in the notice)

The Central Saanich Lions Hall abides by all COVID-19 Regulations. (Distancing and masks as require.)

Thank You. In Service

PDG Marcel Deslauriers, District I, Secretary / Treasurer 250-245-3445

AGENDA

Call to Order @ 10.- am. by District Governor Lion Lia Versaevel
O'Canada ZC Jackie Lawrence
America ZC Kevin Borde
Invocation ZC Margaret Wall
Act of Remembrance IPDG Lorne Bunyan
Introduction of Guest(s) DG Lia Versaevel (PCC Polly Voon 19-A, 1999-2000)
Roll Call Dist. Secretary PDG Marcel Deslauriers
Passing of District Banner IPDG Lorne Bunyan to DG Lia Versaevel
Opening Remarks DG Lia Versaevel
Adoption of Agenda Dist. Secty. PDG Marcel Deslauriers M/S/C...
Adoption of last Meeting Minutes, April 1-2, 22 M/S/C
Treasurer's Report Dist. Treasurer PDG Marcel Deslauriers
Motion to Adopt 2022-23 Budget: Discussion; M/S/C ...

Zone Chair Reports

Zone 1 ZC Kevin Borde
Zone 2 ZC Jackie Lawrence
Zone 3 ZC James Sikora
Zone 4 ZC Margaret Wall
Zone 5 ZC Lynne Davidson
Zone 6 ZC John Tidbury
Zone 7 ZC Betty Anne Herbert

Global Action Team Reports: Facilitator 1st VDG Michael Stanford

Leadership

Membership PZC Betty Anne Herbert
Public Relations Lion Evelyn Smith

Service

Extension / Retention PDG Alan Guy

Guest: Capital Campaign and Lions Dog Guides PCC Polly Voon (2008-09)

District Committee Reports:

BC Lions Society PDG Rob Dalton
Bulletin Editor Lion Evelyn Smith
Camp Shawnigan Improvement Lion Cynthia Sams
C.A.R.E. PDG Jane Beddows
Convention Chair PDG Brian Phillips
Constitution & By-Law PCC Larrie Taylor
Contest and Awards --
Diabetes Awareness PDG Georgia Medwedrich
Elections IPDG Lorne Bunyan
Environment Lion David Haynes
Eyeglasses/Vision PDG Marcel Deslauriers
Exchange Student --
Facebook PZC Bob Orchard
Heads up Guys PCC Al Beddows

District Committee Reports continued:

District Committee Reports continued:

Hearing and Speech

PZC Barb Wright
Information Technology/Website PDG Ron Metcalfe
Lions Clubs Intl. Foundation IPDG Lorne Bunyan
Lions of Canada Foundation PDG Cec Specht
Lions Quest 1st VDG Mike Stanford
Nominations PDG Rob Dalton
Northwest Lions Foundation PDG Mike Dukes
Parliamentarian PCC Larrie Taylor
Peace Poster Contest Lion Jim Hoskins
Spot Scanner / Screener Lion George Smith

Old Business: 1- MD19 Redistricting...
2-

New Business: 1- Wounded Warrior Run, 1st VDG Mike Stanford (motion for WWR)
2- _____

MD 19 Convention, Oct. 14-16, Penticton Lakeside Conference Centre

Honorary Chair "Observations and Comments"; PDG Rob Dalton

Next Cabinet Meeting: November 20th. Qualicum Bay, 280 Lions Way.

Motion to Adjourned: DG Lia Versaevel @ 2:00 pm.

Lions Canadian Conversation Summary

Lion Leaders:

Each year at the Convention there is a Canadian General Meeting.

This is hosted by the International Director for Canada. Al Hunt has been our ID for three years due to the pandemic situation; usually it is a two year appointment. The new Director for Canada is Allen Snider from Ontario

<https://mdalions.org/pages/Directory/Directors>

There are several uniquely Canadian initiatives. I will list these below, but the highlights this year were a new Memorandum of Understanding signed between us and Special Olympics. We will be on the search for "Champion Clubs" to support this cause. We also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Essilor Vision Foundation Canada regarding vision screening.

<https://seemorebemore.ca/>

There are currently 32 Districts in Canada, and we are hoping more will make grant applications, specifically around Disaster Preparedness (earthquake, flood, tsunami, disease) as we still have over \$60,000 in Centennial Grants still unused. Of course we should be applying for every grant possible!

The search is on for Lions to attend our federal Houses of Parliament for Lions Day on the Hill in Ottawa this November (brrrrr). If you can get to Ottawa, then all expenses are paid for hotel, meals, transportation. There will be some training opportunities, as well, beforehand. For the rest of us, it is important to establish connections with MPs to remind them of the significant contribution Lions are making to their communities. Invite them to your events and meetings. Send them a copy of your District and Zone newsletters, and while you are at it, include your MLA, your local Mayors and Council, Area Directors, and all elected officials. We make a difference, and as we heard a million times last week, "Together We Can!". Our International President wants us to ROAR and be known in our communities to every elected and responsible person possible.

In no particular order of importance, these were the topics covered: (lots of acronyms to learn)

- LFCDG (Dog Guides)
- Lions Quest of Canada
- CLERC (Eyeglass Collection)
- LCCC (Lions Clubs of Canada Conversation)
- Diabetes Canada

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum (Calgary in September).

The next online meeting is scheduled for July 25 on Zoom, at 5 so that we can include Newfoundland/Labrador before midnight. Details to follow, but save the date, please. Everyone is welcome. **DG Lia**

Photo of the Month



By Bob Orchard

Global Management Team (GMT)

FOCUS on the **FUTURE**-----As the current officers look forward closing the year, incoming officers are typically looking at what lies ahead

HELP THEM PREPARE-----Let the incoming officers know that the focus will be a transition with help of the outgoing officers

ENCOURAGE----Focus on incoming officers and help them to transition with tools to help them for your clubs success

A huge thank your to out going officers for all your time and support you have given to your clubs. I think now we are on the right track

again and we will move forward and bring membership up. Sustainable growth and effective service requires new ideas and actions.



GMT BETTY ANNE HERBERT

What is "Special Woodstock"?

A day filled with music and friends from all walks of life

For the past 23 years, with the help of the Lions clubs of Vancouver Island and other caring community sponsors and volunteers, Special Woodstock has been providing, free of charge to everyone, a day of peace, love, and music.

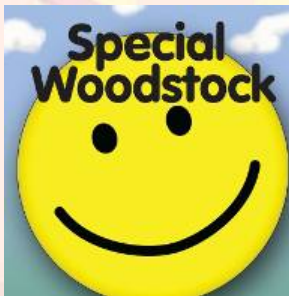
Featuring musicians with disabilities and popular local bands and musical groups on three stages throughout the property. Promoting a new understanding of the abilities of those with special needs through music. The universal language! Reminiscent and fully supported by the original, iconic Woodstock music festival and its founders in New York.

Providence Farm - Sunday, August 21 2022

10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

www.woodstock.com

<https://www.facebook.com/SpecialWoodstockSociety/>



LICON 2023 Boston
JULY 7 - JULY 11 2023
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Greetings Fellow Lions,
These are exciting times!!

Picture this!.. Lions and Friends from all over the world converging in Boston for the **2023 Lions Clubs International Convention**.

Boston, Massachusetts has been selected to host the 2023 Lions Clubs International Convention. This means that the Lions of Massachusetts will have a huge undertaking. We have taken on the challenge and we are up to the task.

<https://licon2023boston.com/>



JULY 16/22 2022–2023 CLUB OFFICER LEARNING — The **second** of three sessions of MD19 Lions Club Officer Learning for the 2022–2023 Lions year is scheduled for July 16, 2022, via Zoom, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Download the flyer (<https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/club-officer-learning-2022.pdf>) with links to the Zoom registration for each session. Contact PID Anne Smarsh (t.smarsh@att.net) with questions.

JULY 19/22 REDISTRICTING WORKSHOP — The MD19 Strategic Planning Committee is hosting a redistricting workshops to assist the district merger committees, Tuesday July 16, 2022 at 9 am - 12:30 p.m. via ZOOM. **All District Merger Committee members are invited.** The format is an open, round-table discussion of redistricting issues, challenges, progress and needs. SPC Chair PCC John Kirry (lionjk@comcast.net) for **ZOOM login instructions**

AUGUST 27/22 - 2022–2023 CLUB OFFICER LEARNING — The **third** of three sessions of MD19 Lions Club Officer Learning for the 2022–2023 Lions year will be held August 27, 2022 on Zoom, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Download the flyer (<https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/club-officer-learning-2022.pdf>) with links to the Zoom registration for each session. Contact PID Anne Smarsh (t.smarsh@att.net) with questions.



101ST MD19 ANNUAL CONVENTION — It back LIVE! The 101st MD19 Lions Annual Conventions is just around the corner, in beautiful **Penticton, British Columbia Canada, from October 13–15, 2022.** Join your fellow MD19 Lions at the Penticton Lakeside Resort and Conference Centre, 21 Lakeshore Drive, West Penticton, BC, catch up o all the gossip, reintroduce yourself to your Lion friends and compatriots, and learn more about how to Serve. Download the convention package (<https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/convo2022/convention-instructions.pdf>) for details and important information. Download the conference registration form (<https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/convo2022/registration-form.pdf>), fill it out and send it in TODAY. Contact convention co-chairs Bob Elliott

(wrjell99@telus.net) or Rick Harker (rickharker89@gmail.com) with questions.

General Registration Information: Each person registering, must complete their own registration form. The early registration deadline is September 16, 2022.

Sooke

We had some renewed service treats in June - we were able to put on a couple of our special Pancake Breakfasts for 2 local schools, Journey Middle School & Ecole Poirier Elementary,



Journey



Sea Cadets

BBO'd a burger & dog lunch for the Navy Sea Cadets end of year party & assisted,



Along with Sooke's Lioness Lions & Harbourside Lions, Lion Al Beddows who chaired the Sooke Canada Day celebration. Then we ended our Lion's Year with our yearly Windup Dinner at Lion Danny's & DG Lorne installed our new Board of Directors.



Canada Day

DISTRICT GOVERNOR Lia's CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE 2022 - 2023

Please note that this schedule may change due to things that are beyond our control

August 2022

- 4 ___ Concert on the Green (Gabriola)
- 14 ___ GAT
- 16 ___ Port Hardy
- 17 ___ Port Alice
- 18 ___ Malcolm Island
- 21 **CABINET – Central Saanich**

SEPTEMBER 2022

- 4 ___ Mayne Island BBQ
- 6 ___ Esquimalt
- 8 ___ Salt Spring Island
- 12 ___ Ladysmith
- 14 ___ Victoria
- 14 ___ Victoria Chinatown
- 15 ___ Malahat
- 20 ___ Duncan
- 21 ___ Clallum Bay/Sekiu
- 22 ___ Mill Bay
- 26 ___ Cowichan Lake
- 27 ___ Qualicum Bay

OCTOBER 2022

- 3 ___ Cedar
- 4 ___ Sidney
- 13 ___ Crescent Bay
- 14 - 16 **MD CONVENTION - PENTICTON**
- 22 ___ West Shore
- 24 ___ Quilcene
- 26 ___ Port Angeles
- 27 ___ Sequim Valley

NOVEMBER 2022

- 2 ___ Galiano Island
- 8 ___ C to Sea
- 10 ___ Protection Island
- 20 **CABINET MEETING TBD**
- 21 ___ Comox Valley Monarchs
- 22 ___ Alberni Valley
- 24 ___ Central Saanich
- 28 ___ Saturna

DECEMBER 2022

- 12 ___ Saanich/Victoria Chinatown
- 13 ___ Sooke District Lioness Lions
- 14 ___ Sooke Harbourside
- 15 ___ Sooke

JANUARY 2023 – No visitations DG Lia in Australia

FEBRUARY 2023

- 6 ___ Nanaimo
- 7 ___ Parksville
- 9 ___ Nanoose Bay
- 13 ___ Gabriola Island
- 16 ___ Black Creek
- 20 ___ Baynes Sound
- 21 ___ Comox
- 28 ___ Nanaimo Hub City

MARCH 2023

- 1 ___ Pender Island
- 14 ___ Port McNeill
- 21 ___ Tahsis
- 23 ___ Forks
- 26 **CABINET AND PDG MEETING - TBD**
- 27 ___ Nanaimo

APRIL 2023

- 5 ___ Willow Point
- 6 ___ Gold River
- 15 **UNCONVENTIONAL CONVENTION**

July 7 – 11, 2023 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS



Greetings fellow Lions. I would love to hear from you if you have something you'd like to share with MD 19-I Lions. It's very important that we **ROAR** and tell the world what we are doing. Jokes, stories, successes, challenges or anything you think might be of interest.

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While I try not to make mistakes/omissions - I am only human, so when you see a mistake, let me know and I'll change it if I can. Yours in Lionism Evelyn

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