



Lions Clubs International  
Lions District 19 - I  
**The Laughing Lion**  
Edition 6, December 2022



**Dearest Lions Friends and Family,**

Here's wishing you a peaceful end to the year, and best wishes for the next one! 2023 will see a lot of changes in how the District becomes merged to form L, how the Shawnigan Lake Camp evolves, and how we build governance over what has been District I for so long.



We are now considering a larger scale Convention in April, as our last Hurrah! We will have two days now, April 14 and 15. We are looking into a larger venue to hold a LOT of Lions, so please make the journey to the Cowichan Valley to celebrate with us. The Governor's dinner will still be at the Arbutus Ridge Golf and Country Club, so please plan to participate.

I have had an incredibly busy November, bringing home a Dog Guide (Zoomer) from the Lions Foundation to work at a new Child and Youth Advocacy Centre in Duncan called Raven's Nest. He keeps kids calm while they are giving evidence in trials or being interviewed by police. Zoomer can rest under the witness stand and provide the steady reassurance only a dog knows how to do. Our sponsoring Club is the Bonavista Lions Club in Newfoundland, and we are going to build a special relationship with them, as islands forming bookends for our wonderful Canada.

I was invited to be part of the Lions group in Ottawa for our first ever "Lions Day on the Hill", lobbying MPs to recognize the incredible infrastructure and capacity Lions have to respond to and mitigate fallout from disasters, enhance social/emotional wellbeing through Lions Quest, provide Internationally Recognized Service Animals, work with people of every ability through Special Olympics, provide grants for a wide variety of projects, and meet the needs of local communities from food security to sponsoring sports, and providing scholarships and bursaries. We each paid our own way to Ottawa, to be part of this experience!

I made another crossing on the Black Ball ferry to Port Angeles where Zone Chair Kevn Borde hosted Zoomer and I overnight, and we met with representatives of FOUR Lions Clubs from Zone One. What an incredible night!!! I have been up the Island to the Alberni Valley Lions and down the Island to Central Saanich, with several stops in between! It's amazing to see Lions in action, increasing membership, and doing great things.

Our Cabinet meeting this month was in Qualicum Bay, and I was so honoured to have five of our seven Zone Chairs attend, as well as people from many Cabinet posts and Committees provide insight to our District's operations. We were thrilled to be able to review the three top contenders for the Peace Poster Contest and agree that the prize money could be increased! I'll be taking the top entry to Bellingham for judging at the Multiple District level. A huge shout out to Jim Hodgkins of the Victoria Lions for his super human efforts on this Lions Contest over the past 30 years. Jim has done so much to educate kids and teachers about Peace, and holding up our dreams for Leading With Compassion. If you ever need a mentor on bringing the Peace Poster to your schools, Jim is the Lion to call.

Lions, stay safe and healthy during December, show your love to everyone you meet, and continue to Serve your communities, and a world sorely in need of more Peace. Please, if you are able, make a donation to the LCIF before the end of the year for a tax receipt. It will be great to see more Melvin Jones awards handed out before June, as well as some more Judge Brian Stevenson Awards.



Holiday Wishes from Lia Versaevel **DG 19-I and Zoomer (Partner in Service)**

# Lions Club International - Our leaders 2022 - 2023



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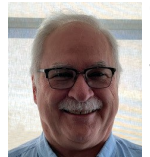
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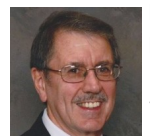
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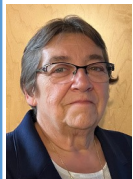
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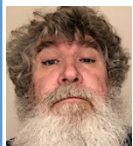


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 Nanoose Bay Lions Parksville Lions  
 Parksville Lioness Lions  
 Protection Island Lions



# "LION'S DAY" AT DISNEYLAND

Wednesday January 4, 2023

"Together We Can" Enjoy a Day at Disneyland!



Join Lions Club International President Brian Sheehan and 1st Lady Lori Sheehan for "Lion's Day" at Disneyland Wednesday, January 4, 2023! "Together We Can" enjoy fellowship and fun with Lions from around the globe on this special day at "The Happiest Place On Earth" **DISNEYLAND!**

### Special Event - Open to all Lions

Tuesday, January 3, 2023, from 3 pm to 5 pm, join other Lions at the Anaheim Hilton Lounge for a "Meet and Greet" with President Brian and 1st Lady Lori

Disneyland tickets pricing for this special event have been reduced from their normal retail pricing. For those who wish to stay and enjoy Disneyland for more than one day, the Anaheim Hilton is offering Lions hotel rooms at a reduced rate beginning on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, through Thursday, January 5, 2023.

TO REGISTER FOR "LIONS DAY" AT DISNEYLAND, AND RECEIVE THE LINKS FOR PURCHASING DISNEYLAND TICKETS AND MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW.  
<https://californialionsmd4.regfox.com/lions-day-at-disneyland>

Disneyland Tickets and Rooms at the Anaheim Hilton are limited.  
Don't delay. Register today before both are Sold Out!



Any questions can be directed to PDG Norm McDaniel  
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## Lions Day at Disneyland



**The Disneyland ticket store closes at 9:00 PM PST on Tuesday, Jan 3, 2023, subject to availability.**

Don't delay! Prices are subject to change without notice.

If you are interested in being a part of this incredible "event," follow the link below NOW! FYI - There is a small fee to register.

<https://californialionsmd4.regfox.com/lions-day-at-disneyland>



### USEFUL WEBSITES/FACEBOOK

Lions International  
[lionsclubs.org](http://lionsclubs.org)

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

District 19 I / Facebook  
[lions19i.ca](http://lions19i.ca)  
<https://www.facebook.com/LionsInternationalDistrict19I>

Multiple District 19  
[lionsmd19.org](http://lionsmd19.org)

Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF  
[lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca](http://lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca)

BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities  
[lionsbc.ca](http://lionsbc.ca)

C.A.R.E. Project  
[lionsmd.org](http://lionsmd.org)

Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society  
[lionsofbc hearingsociety.org](http://lionsofbc hearingsociety.org)

Leader Dogs for the Blind  
[leaderdog.org](http://leaderdog.org)

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides  
[dogguides.com](http://dogguides.com)

Diabetes Awareness  
[diabetes.ca](http://diabetes.ca)

Northwest Lions Foundation - restoring sight, hearing and hope  
[nlfoundation.org](http://nlfoundation.org)

Lions Club International Foundation  
[lcif.org](http://lcif.org)

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



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Together we can with  
International President,  
Brian Sheehan



**The Many Ways We Serve**

Hello, Lions!

Just like we are all a little unique (or maybe even *a lot* unique) so is the way we serve. We are so diverse as Lions, and the people we serve are equally diverse. How I approach my service is based on what I saw my father do as a Lion and what my town needs from me today. How you approach service will be based on your background and what is needed in your community. And this is one of the many things I love about Lions. Having many ways in which we approach the world is a tremendous asset.



Lions have so many different special skills and attributes that make what we do special. And I absolutely love seeing how each and every one of you put your strengths to good use—especially when it is in service of one of our global causes or the local causes you serve.

Whether it's using your carpentry know-how to build ramps for those in wheelchairs or putting your party-planning chops into high gear to put together the perfect fundraiser, your unique approach to service is the core of our strength as a global service organization.

When you're a Lion, you can really be *you*. Take it from me, someone who's always just a little bit outside of the box. Be your amazing selves, Lions, we're stronger for it.

Yours in service,

*Brian E. Sheehan*

**International President, Lions Clubs International**



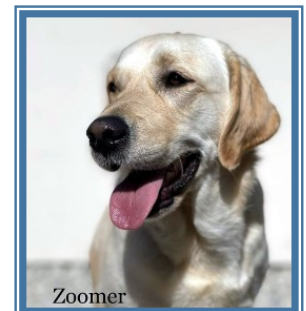
LIONS FOUNDATION OF CANADA  
**DOG GUIDES**

**Zoomer's Story from the LFCDG Newsletter**

"At LFCDG, Dog Guides stay in our kennels during their training. While most of the dogs enjoy having other roommates, others may need some extra space.

Some dogs exhibit signs of stress in the kennel environment, which can interfere with their training. Dog Guide Zoomer was experiencing this problem before he was paired up with his day sitters. Now he has graduated in our Facility Support Dog program and has been matched with Raven's Nest Children & Youth Advocacy Program in B.C.

"We are so thrilled that we had the company of such a lovely dog and had the opportunity to help Zoomer on his way to becoming a service dog " says Linda, Zoomer's sitter."



Zoomer





# Ladysmith Lions

By Allen McDermid

The Ladysmith LIONS CLUB had a great time making mini pizzas for the kids, parents and staff at LaFF.



Ladysmith Lions newest member Donovan Thorton-Trump pictured here with Past DG Bill Koski, and President Eric Mah



Lions John and Wayne.



Lion Brian



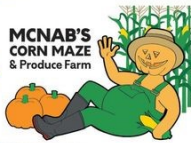
Lions Jackie and Murray



**Come make a splash at the Frank Jameson Community Centre!**

Join us for a **FREE** swim,  
**WEDNESDAYS** from 1:00-2:00pm  
 starting September 7, 2022.  
 All ages welcome!

Special thanks to the sponsors, the Ladysmith Lions Club, McNab's Corn Maze and Ladysmith Grants-in-Aid program.



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Ladysmith Light Up is back—started Thursday Nov 24



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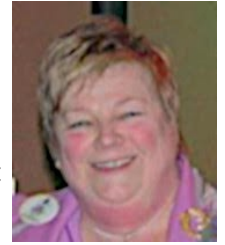
**December 18 - 26th**







## Type 2 Diabetes Screening



Did you know that type 2 diabetes accounts for 90% of all diabetes cases worldwide? In fact, approximately 374 million people are at risk of developing type 2 diabetes. Lions can help reduce these numbers by organizing

type 2 diabetes screening events in their communities.

Type 2 diabetes screening is an important way to help individuals understand their risk while also making our communities healthier. In the short term, screenings help community members learn about diabetes and understand their current health status. If necessary, they can also be referred for care. All of this leads to an overall improved quality of life.

### What is a type 2 diabetes screening event?

A type 2 diabetes screening event provides community members with type 2 diabetes education, awareness and screening services, including referral services. Lions clubs work with medical professionals and other community partners to determine screening methods and any necessary equipment.

Did you know during 2019-2020 Lions and Leos conducted nearly 5,600 type 2 diabetes risk awareness and screening events?

To learn more about setting up a community screening event visit: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/diabetes/type-2-diabetes-screening>

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### LCIF Grants

Visit their site for more information.

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

**DIABETES GRANTS**  
support screenings,  
health facility access,  
education, camps

UP TO  
US\$250,000

**MATCHING GRANTS**  
fund large-scale  
construction and  
equipment costs

US\$10,000 -  
US\$100,000

**DISTRICT AND  
CLUB COMMUNITY  
IMPACT GRANTS**  
apply to district  
and club projects

GRANT  
AMOUNT VARIES

## Baynes Sound Lions

The Baynes Sound Lions rolled their wheelbarrow onto the stage of the Comox Valley Child Development Centre annual Telethon at 5:15, presenting the committee with a total of \$11,160 from their Wheelbarrow Walk for the Children. The Baynes Sound Lions walk 32km from Fanny Bay to the Sid Williams Theatre in Courtenay every year, collecting funds along the way.

“All year long we have fundraisers, so we start with that and collect along the route,” said Lion Jacqueline Miller. “People were stopping and pulling over, giving us money, giving us the thumbs up. Everybody was so generous. And we were lucky. All night long it poured and poured, then it was dry for the whole walk. \$127,580 was raised at the Telethon.





# Victoria Chinatown Lioness Lions

By Amanda Mills

November was Poppy Campaign month! Lion Donna May is the Veteran who commandeers our Club into action selling poppies at various indoor and outdoor locations in the City over a 2 week period, culminating on November 10. It was encouraging to see some of the under 20's generation buying poppies! Photo: Donna/Amanda/Frank; Gayle



Herework: Our Club volunteers with renovations talents on various projects of Herework restorations in the City. This month 4 Lions and a student served Chinese lunch to the volunteers at the Cool Aid building. We served chow mein, sweet & sour pork, fried rice, beef & broccoli and spring rolls to this fabulous group that is doing a radical renovation for Victoria Cool Aid Society. The place looks FABULOUS!!



Photo: Annette, Pat, Marlee, Lily and student serving lunch

Santas Anonymous Kick-Off campaign – each year our Club presents a \$,1000 to the Santas Anonymous Miracle on Broad Street event at CFA, and attended the Kick-Off reception. Photo: Joanne, Pat, Amanda



Chinese Canadian Veteran, Gordon Quan (96 yrs.!) attended our monthly meeting and spoke about his service in WWII. Sooke Harbourside Lions also attended this meeting and sold their calendars!

Photo: G. Quan

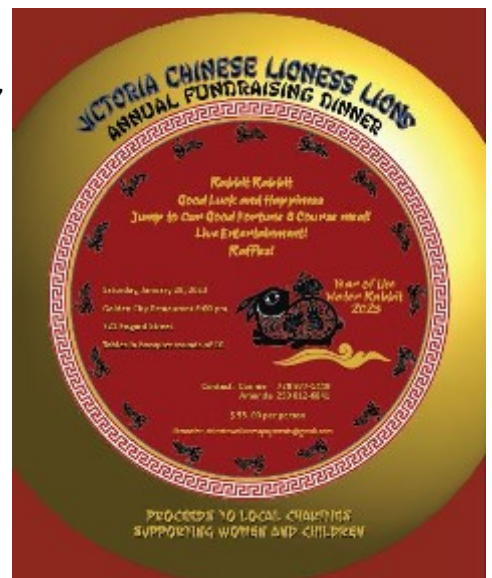
We are now in planning mode for our Chinese New Year Dinner – to be held on Saturday, January 28, 2023 at Golden City. It will be the Year of the Rabbit! 8 course dinner, Lion Dancers, 50/50, raffle draws: Tickets are \$ 55pp. – e-transfers to: [chinatownlionesspayments@gmail.com](mailto:chinatownlionesspayments@gmail.com)

You are invited to celebrate the Year of the Golden Rabbit with us on Saturday, January 28, 2023. This event sells out each year and we encourage you buy your tickets soon and gather friends to join you for a wonderful evening of food, entertainment and raffles. Your participation enables us to continue to support local charities and causes. We look forward to welcoming you to the Year of the Rabbit!!



Our members are involved on several not for profit board of directors; volunteer at Government House Museum, Soap for Hope, school breakfasts, culinary events, church community programmes, Dragon Boat, Herework projects and many other activities.

Photo: Annette Quan at Museum







## Mill Bay

By Earl Gregory

October found us out supporting the Shawnigan Lake Community Association for their annual Halloween function called Monster Mash. Here we served about 150 big and little monsters Hot Dogs, Popcorn and Iced Tea.



Up next in November we were asked to deal some Blackjack and spin the wheels at the Bridgemans Bistro staff party, an extremely fun time for us as well as all those attending. We even had a new Lion prospect (Dean) come out to deal some cards. Malahat Lions supplied the tables and wheels.

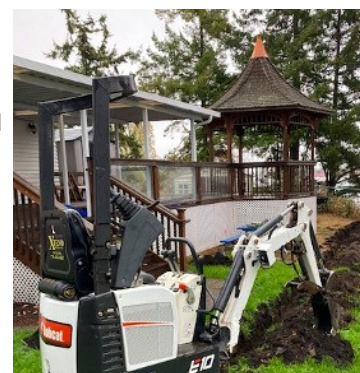
Next, we will be once again supporting the SLCA with their Christmas in the Village, having us take out the popcorn machine once more.



## Protection Island Lions

by Rick Biller

Protection Island Lions have had a busy fall. We manage our island's community hall and it is booked solid through the winter. We are trying to manage all this activity with completing landscape work that has been progressing through the fall. We were fortunate enough to receive a small grant from the Federal government and have put it to good use building patios, landscaping, installing underground sprinkling and working on the exterior of the building. The city of Nanaimo has been working with us at the same time constructing a new wheelchair ramp and will commence building a set of stairs to the beach complete with an observation deck to view the ocean. We are partnering with our museum society to create a large mural on one of the outside walls of the facility that will reflect life on Protection Island.



One of the events that was put together by our events committee recently took place at Beacon House. It was called "Tastes of PI" and islanders created dishes from around the world representing their various ethnicity. All proceeds went to the Lions Club. A very successful event in many ways. Our events committee is also working on our kid's Christmas party in December and our polar bear swim for New Years day. A busy group.

We are just in the final stages of putting together our Speaker Series that is held twice a month in January, February and March. These take place at Beacon House

in a coffee house format supported by zoom. We always have fascinating speakers from PI add beyond. Anyone can tune into zoom (we can provide the link) and view or you can watch at your convenience on our YouTube page.

Last weekend was our island Firesmart event. It is enthusiastically supported by our community and PI Lions provide much needed support as well to make the event a success. Each year our island contributes about 2500 volunteer hours to these events.

Lastly, our club invited a number of islanders to attend a recent Lions meeting and see what we were all about. We had not taken on any new members for the past couple years dues to the complexity of COVID. We are happy to report that we know have five excited new members who have jumped right in to our activities and have already made a big difference in our club.





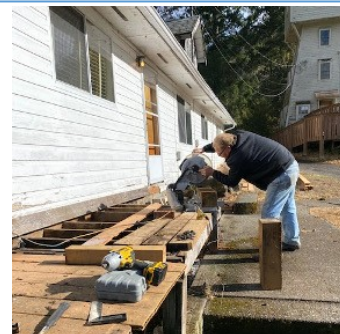


## Malahat Lions

by Raye Pinder



The crew have been busy helping to repair the caretaker's house at Shawnigan camp. We are happy to say that we will be inducting a YOUNG new member in the very near future. It is so nice to see youth once again interested in joining the Lions. We will be helping out with bell ringing in December.



## CARE and MD 19 Lions

MD19 Lions and CARE International have been partnering since 1958. This year's project is again focused on Haiti and the education of you people who are leaving with basically a grade two education, to pursue work to support their families. CARE with the funding of MD19 Lions, hope to help keep these students in school longer. Education is key to a better life and as Haiti is exceedingly poor and many children malnourished CARE is providing a lunch program for the children in school.

Please keep this project in mind and hopefully have it in your budget for a yearly donation. The Multiple District (9 Districts) goal is \$40,000.00. If your club donates \$5 per member, that entitles the club to a Gordon F. Smith Fellowship that can be rewarded to a club member. This should be applied for before the end of the current Lion's year.

**DONATIONS can be sent to: CARE c/o MD 19 Lions**  
P.O. Box 621  
Aldergrove, BC V4W 2V1

Thank you, yours in Lionism, Jane Beddows



## Port Angeles Lions

We had the most awesome time at our Pumpkin Carving Social this year! Thank you to all that came out and participated! Special thanks to the Simpson family for letting us have the social on their land and to Lion Larry Buckley for putting the whole thing together. It was a great turnout and exciting contest!



You can order by e mail to any of the 3 Sooke Lions Clubs  
@ Randy Welters sookelionsmd19@gmail.com  
Jackie Lawrence jackielawrence@shaw.ca  
Bev Lewis bevlewis71@gmail.com



## Sooke Harbourside Lions

by Deb Schenk

PDG Jane Beddows assisted me in presenting Chevrons.



Its that magical, wonderful hustling bustling time of year! Yes its December! There's craft fairs, concessions, hotdogs , soups and hot chocolate. Poinsettias and treats to the seniors, tree decorating, photos with Santa and we must not forget the parade!

We SHL are out and about serving and enjoying it all. Check out our tree at Seaparc, vote to make your donation to the Children's Hospital. As we wrap up this year we will visit and smile at the ones who just may need it the most changing their day and ours. . A very Merry and Blessed Christmas to you all.



The Sooke Harbourside Lions are held a Winter Clothing Drive for our most vulnerable. We accepted old (but still good) jackets, sweaters, boots, gloves, hats and scarves to the SFRS Community Thrift Store on Nov 26th. We are hoping to help others this coming season.



Photos with Santa at Sooke Arts & Craft Fair and Festival of Lights Trees at Seaparc for Children's Hospital. Josie and Deb with Santa.

## Sooke District Lioness Lions

by Ailsa Wright

**ON YOUR MARKS ..... GET SET..... AND.....** Get your orders in now! Our 3rd annual bake sale is on 🍪 This sells out fast so be sure to order your Christmas homemade goodies now to avoid disappointment Details to order are on the form below and remember while enjoying and sharing these delicious pies and treats you are helping us to support so many local organizations .

We were able to donate over \$2000 to The Sooke Food Bank raised from our events this year! THANK YOU ALL for your continued support and a huge thank you to all the volunteers and supporters of our food bank the work you do is simply incredible!



Huge Thank You to Sooke Harbourside Lions Club who joined us today at the Sooke Christmas Craft Fair to promote and sell the Sooke Lions Raffle Calendar! A fantastic joint initiative between the 3 Sooke Lions Club raising funds to support local, community organizations.



Debbie with Santa at arts & craft fair



### SOOKE DISTRICT LIONESS LIONS ONLINE BAKE SALE - ORDER FORM



THERE ARE THREE WAYS TO ORDER:

- 1) download the form, fill out on your computer & email it to: [sdillpayments@gmail.com](mailto:sdillpayments@gmail.com)
- 2) print the form, fill out, scan it & email it to same email address above
- 3) call 250-507-6311 to order over the phone

**\*\*Pick up is on December 17th 11am-1pm at Sooke Community Hall, lower kitchen\*\***

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Meat pie (tourtiere)	\$25 each	#	\$
Chicken pot pie	\$25 each	#	\$
Perogies	\$17/dozen	#	\$
	1) cheese & potato	#	\$
	2) cottage cheese, onion & potato	#	\$
<small>(pies &amp; perogies are uncooked &amp; frozen, cooking instructions incl.)</small>			
Butter tarts	\$15/dozen	#	\$
Whipped shortbread	\$12/dozen	#	\$
Cranberry orange loaf	\$12/each	#	\$
Gluten free orange loaf	\$15/each	#	\$
<small>(some loaves may be frozen)</small>			
Total			\$

Please place orders soon as quantities are limited. Order deadline is November 30, 2022. You will receive an order confirmation email. Orders can be paid for in cash upon pick up or by transfer to: [sdillpayments@gmail.com](mailto:sdillpayments@gmail.com)





## International Peace Poster Contest 2022 – 2023

# PEACE

LIONS INTERNATIONAL  
CONTEST



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.

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.

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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.

### District 19-I's winners



The Center Peace Poster held by Lion Ron (Center) was the overall Winner!!

The two Peace Posters on each end held by Lions Rob & Lynne were tied for 2nd!!!



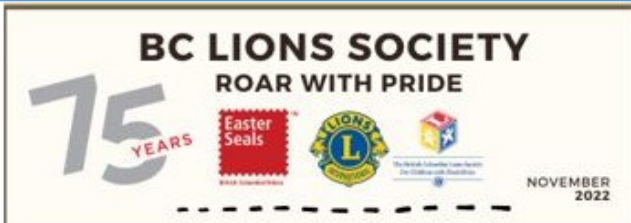
Winner



2nd Place



2nd Place



**CAMP SHAWNIGAN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

There's a lot of work to be done at Camp Shawnigan and the Committee members from the Malahat Lions have been busy renovating the caretaker's house inside and out for a new tenant, and they've been clearing the camp of lots of extra debris. Thank you!



Lions working on the new deck for the caretaker's house.



Garbage clean-up!

**THANK YOU!**

**Nanose Bay Lions Club  
Christmas Cake, Shortbread and  
Fudge Fundraiser**



Dark Fruitcake in Decorative Christmas Tin \$20.00 each



Shortbread \$10.00 each



Maple/Walnut Fudge \$15.00 each



Boxed Cakes \$18.00 each



To preorder, contact Phil Wilson



**Nanose Bay Lions**

by Pam Tremblett

Another very busy month for Nanose Bay Lions Club.



We ran the concession at the Halloween Walk on October 28, 29, 30 and raised \$771.30. The organizer was thrilled by the concession run by our club and would definitely like us to participate again in 2023. Thanks to Lions Jean and Wendell Jeffries for organizing. Thanks to many NBLC members and community volunteers for running the concession. (Lions David Haynes, Wendell Jeffries, Jean Jeffries)



**Christmas Cake sales** (Fruit Cakes, Shortbread, Fudge)

have been going very well. We have been selling at Red Gap Mall and at the Nanose Place Craft Fair. (Lion Phil Wilson)

**Donations:**

- \$1000.00 to a regular Bingo player who has serious health issues
- \$2000.00 to Nanose Community Services
- \$1000.00 to NCS ELF Program
- \$1000.00 to LCIF
- \$2000.00 to Nanose Bay Elementary School PAC - Lion Phil Wilson presented cheque to Kevin McKee, Principal of Nanose Bay Elementary School on November 24, 2022

**Upcoming Events:**

- December 14, 2022 NBLC will host a Christmas Dinner for the BINGO players at Nanose Place
- January 8, 2023 NBLC annual Christmas Tree Chipping at Nanose Place 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.







# 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**



### Cost Covers:

- 3 nights lodging
- All training materials
- Learning great leadership skills
- Most meals
- Meeting new Lions

- **Application form coming soon** Includes application data, the candidate's Lions history, and fee reduction request.
- **Letter of Recommendation form coming soon** Should be emailed or mailed directly to the person you have chosen to complete.

Both parts of the application (Application form and Letter of Recommendation) and deposit need to be sent to the Institute Registrar. Upon receipt of all pieces of the application you will be notified of your acceptance into the Institute.

Also send any questions his way to help you through the process.

Dave Risley-Registrar, Northwest Lions Leadership Institute  
23974 Dove Lane NW  
Poulsbo, WA 98370-7112  
360-930-2751 [registrar@nwlli.org](mailto:registrar@nwlli.org)

## Sequim Valley Lions

by George Dooley

During the years of Covid when the Sequim Valley Lions could not meet in person and all fundraisers were cancelled we found a new way of keeping busy and connected. We called it Lions helping Lions. We reached out to



club members who needed help with a project ie building a fence, doing cement work, building a patio cover, building a handicapped ramp, yard cleanup and many other projects.

The club member would meet with our team of builders to discuss the project and do a cost estimate. The club member would then purchase the materials for the project and then establish a timeline for the project. Even though Covid is behind us we are still busy helping our fellow Lions with their projects.

**LEADERSHIP IS ABOUT VISION AND RESPONSIBILITY, NOT POWER**

SETH BERKLEY



**The Difference**  
Campaign for Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides



Lions, the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides “The Difference” Campaign is now in full swing. The foundation needs to raise 25 Million Dollars to pay for the new facility. It might sound like a lot but the total cost of \$50 million has been half paid by the sale of the old facility. A new facility is desperately needed to provide and grow our valuable service. Although 25 Million Dollars seems a lot corporate donations are also being sought. Every Donation Counts and every Donation of \$5,000 or more Will receive a plaque on the Donor wall and larger donations have the opportunity to name various room. There are 285 Various naming opportunities. You can also make a pledge and pay for it over the next 5 years so it doesn’t have to be all in one lump sum. Smaller individuals are also wanted and needed. This Christmas, for that person that has everything, why not make a donation in their name. Go to [www.dogguides.com/](http://www.dogguides.com/) for further information or contact me directly.

I would personally, on behalf of the Foundation thank the Duncan Lions for their \$5000 Donation, and challenge other Clubs in the District to meet or beat this Donation.

If any Club would like a presentation on the Campaign please contact me. Cec Specht: [cec.specht@shaw.ca](mailto:cec.specht@shaw.ca)

### Salt Spring Lions

Salt Spring Lions held the Great Pumpkin toss November 6<sup>th</sup>. Watch the video. <https://youtu.be/j73oenoD2AM> , with Mark Ritchie doing trebuchet honours. Mark actually built the trebuchet a few years ago.



Thanks to Our Volunteers who made the Pumpkin Toss so much fun: Mark Ritchie (Organiser), Dawn Seymour, Pat and Russ Spencer, Ron and Laurie Patterson, Sandy Harkema, Joann Grey, Marjorie Paukner, Don Cunningham and Beverly Kay.



The club is working of re-establishing their Single Seniors Christmas Dinner, after 2 years of COVID. Thank you Sandy for taking it on!

### Duncan Lions (Quamichan PAC FaceBook page)

It is hard to contain this brilliant news!

This evening, I had a magical phone call from Jackie with the Duncan Lion’s Club. Such gratitude, giddyness, and oh, some tears...



[Quamichan School](#)

We received two cheques from the Lion’s Club! One for \$1,500.00 to bring the total for the Trail Bikes to \$10,010.00. How amazing is this?! Thank you thank you!

What many did not know, is I wrote a second grant for the students of Quamichan School, to work on bringing forward more Sensory Spaces in the school. Our PAC had \$7,500.00 set aside for this, and Lion’s Club tonight gave us an additional \$2,500.00. So we now have two funded grants of \$10,000.00. Hope this puts a smile on your faces and makes your hearts feel proud. So grateful to all the beautiful souls who made this happen for us.

Huy ca q’a siem 🙏🙏🙏

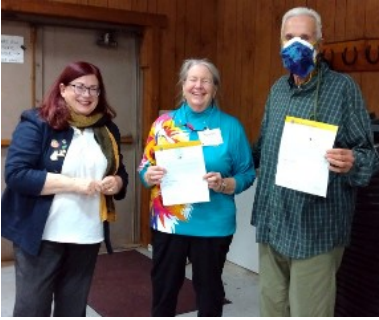


# Crescent Bay Lions

by Kathy Hamilton

On November 17, ZC Kevin Borde accompanied DG Lia Versaevel for her official visitation. We also met Zoomer. Members from three clubs were in attendance for her visit where she gave an uplifting informative talk. DG Lia presented service awards to various members in attendance (some pictured below) as well as an Appreciation Award to our past President John Kent for serving 2015-2019. A social potluck followed.

We are in the process of changing one of the grills in our kitchen so we can start up our Sunday breakfasts again.



Roy Morris+ Nancy Messmer 35 years



ZC Kevin Borde 40 years



Pres Rick Hartley 25 years



Appreciation Award presented to John Kent by DG Lia Versaevel and Pres. Rick Hartley

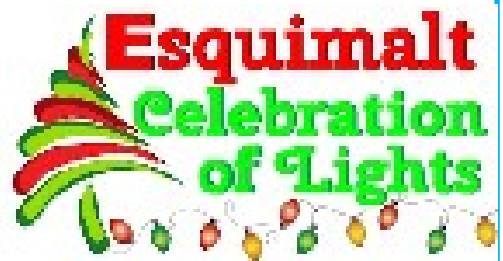
## Esquimalt Lions

October and November have presented the Esquimalt Lions with both familiar and unfamiliar events. In October we volunteered to run an Aid Station for the Royal Victoria Marathon for the first time, held a fund raiser for LCIF Maritime Relief Fund, and provided hot dogs and hot chocolate for a Halloween Event at Bullen Park. This year instead of holding a bonfire, which was cancelled due to dry conditions with the possibility of fire, the Halloween Event was held in conjunction with the Esquimalt Fire Department's Spooky Walk and the Recreation Centre's Bouncy Castle.



In November, along with the bi-monthly Bottle Drive, 19 Lions, 2 friends, 3 members of the Esquimalt/Victoria Police Department and 2 members of the Esquimalt Fire Department volunteered 190 hours assisting the Royal Canadian Legion with their annual Poppy Campaign.

December is proving to be rather busy. On 3 December during Skate with Santa, the Esquimalt Lions will hold a hot chocolate concession; on 4 December, we will serve hot dogs during the Esquimalt Celebration of Lights that welcomes Santa to Esquimalt; and along with organizing, filling, and delivering Christmas Hampers, the Esquimalt Lions will provide and serve a Christmas Dinner at the Craigflower School. The New Year promises to be equally as busy.



7 January has two events: the first Bottle Drive of 2023 and The BC and Yukon Easter Seals annual collection of Christmas trees "Chip in for Kids". Prior to COVID the Esquimalt Lions served at the Rainbow Kitchen for a Feast with Lions and 2023 sees a return of this event.



20 February, the Esquimalt Lions are booked to prepare and serve a Pancake Breakfast.

# Announcing the 45th Annual Lions Day with the United Nations

Save the Date!

Friday, March 3, 2023 in New York City

Be an active part of our global partnership! With the theme "Hunger, Nutrition and Wellness," the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Lions Day with the United Nations will take place on Friday, March 3, 2023 in New York City. Check back soon for more information about this event!

For questions or further information, please contact us at [ldun@lionsclubs.org](mailto:ldun@lionsclubs.org).

## Lions Day at the United Nations

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/lions-advocacy/lions-day-united-nations/new-york>

### Join us.

LDUN is an exclusive opportunity for you to meet new Lions and Leos, interact with global diplomats, and celebrate Lions service around the world.



My presentations to Lion Dick Coles receiving the Lions Quest Q Bear Certificate, Pin & tax receipt!! Lion Dick made a gracious donation to Lions Quest Canada. Thank You Lion Dick!!!



Vice President Lion Jim Hoskins receiving the Lions Quest Canada Certificate of Appreciation for their donation & support of two Lions Quest Do Your Part Community Rallies that too place in Nanaimo & Victoria BC on November 9 & 10, 2022. Thank You Victoria Lions Club!!!



The Community Rallies were also assisted by Nanaimo Lions, Lifeplan Financial Group Inc, Michael G Stanford Photography Inc & University of Victoria.

The Rallies have created a ripple effect. Lions have made more donations & have gone out to tell others about Lions Quest. Two non-Teachers who work with youth will be taking the Social Emotional Learning K-8 School Workshop on December 6, 2022. A student from UVic is also trying to work the same Workshop into her busy University schedule.

Giving Tuesday, November 29, 2022: please help spread the word. Lions Quest Canada needs your financial support & assistance. It's desperately needed at this time!! Any donation will be greatly appreciated!!



To make a donation to Lions Quest Canada: <https://www.lionsquest.ca/support-us/make-a-donation/>



## Saturna Lions

by Pat Hutchinson



Our Club seems to be getting back to normal! Or close to it! We put on the Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 11 and it was very well attended. Our Lion Chuck Alp did an outstanding job of organizing the day!

The ceremony took place with a lot of local representatives for the various forces placing wreaths. "Flanders Fields" and the Response, were read by Lion Bob Bullock and Lion Linda Cunningham.



Our Saturna Choir, led by Sharon Schurmbrucker gave a very stirring performance. And the Saturna Women's Service Club served a lovely lunch after the Ceremony. It was a very special day for everyone attending.



## Nanaimo Lions

By Larrie Taylor

### NANAIMO LIONS FREE SKATE

The Lions Free Skate is well into its season. To date we have had 1773 participants. With the cooler weather our numbers have gone up dramatically – in our last three skates we have had 220, 243, and 306 skaters respectively.

On October 30, Save-On-Foods, our title sponsor, donated Halloween goodies.

### VISION SCREENING

In conjunction with Nanaimo Hub City Lions we have started the Vision screening of all Grade 4 and 7 students in School District 68 in Nanaimo and on Gabriola Island. We hope to have completed 18 schools by the end of December and then do the remaining schools in January/February. The program in Ladysmith will be provided by the Ladysmith Lions Club. Gabriola Lions work with us at the Gabriola School.

### DONATIONS

The Club has made the following donations in the last month:

- OAP; \$100.00
- Mother with sick child: \$1,000.00
- Senior needing glasses: \$300.00
- Wheelchair for senior: \$2,195.00 shared cost with Hub City Lions
- Local Olympic Skier: \$500.00 for training program.

### SALVATION ARMY KETTLE CAMPAIGN

Dennis, Judy and grandson Gavyn did a kettle shift. This is Dennis's solution to the store not wanting bell ringing inside.





# Galiano Lions

by Barry New



Oktoberfest wasn't just about amazing home-cooked German food. There was entertainment, friends. GREAT entertainment. The South Tyrolean Yodel Duo made music and merry and ruckus! There was authentic German yodeling and GAMES, people - GAMES. Beer stein holding competition, Yodeling contest, and a nail-hammering competition. We had lots of fun and food. Home made Cabbage Rolls and Sausages, Oompah Band and traditional entertainment. And these insanely cute folks that made you dance and sing. This is something we wish to carry on as our yearly fundraising.



Well, that was a LOT of fun! Big thank you to the volunteers and donors and musicians and attendees...who all contributed to a great event and fundraising for Galiano Health Care Society and Galiano Lions Club.

Immediately following was a Covid clinic and then our well attended Remembrance Day Ceremony. Very hectic for all the planning involved.

We keep telling ourselves that we need more pictures but hey ho. We have improved our presence on our local social media for our events and have had some enthusiastic workdays. We are having a very busy season with activities for the past month and more for December.

The Christmas Craft Fair was held Nov 26th. Thank you, to all the vendors and to all the people who came to support the local crafts people as well as the Galiano Lions Club projects that we fund year-round. It was a wonderful afternoon. We think we will do it again next year, yes? We were also selling Christmas Trees. On Dec 11th we will have a Pancake Breakfast with Santa as we no longer have the Santa Ship visit.

Some of our overdue hall upgrades have been delayed because of our busy schedule and flooring repairs. (after our flooding event of November 2021). Other work in mind is rearranging our store-rooms and Bar Room storage.



## 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/>



## Central Saanich

Scholarship winner Ashley Stephen from Stellys School receives her cheque from Lion Ken Burkowski. Ashley is hoping to become a lawyer.



It rained at the tree planting, the Lions came, the mayor came, but the public didn't come and they missed out on coffee, hot chocolate and hot dogs

The Central Saanich Woodlot team takes a well earned Coffee break. Donated wood is split and sold for firewood for a popular fundraiser.



Central Saanich Wreath was laid by Lion Nelson Patten

DG Lia Versavel and her new Lions service dog Zoomer presented a chevron to long time Lion John Verhagen



## Photo of the Month

By Bob Orchard



## Comox Valley Lions



A donation to the Child Development Association on behalf of the Comox Valley Lions Club



Drop me a Lion.



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.

Evelyn Smith, D 19-I Newsletter Editor

Cell: 250-802-8105 Email: esmithmd19i@gmail.com

**Wishing Everyone a safe and happy holiday season!**



**Please let me know if you find any errors or omissions. Yours in Lionism Evelyn**



Comox Valley Lions continue to run their weekly bingo Fridays at the Lions Den, 1729 Rear, Comox Ave., Comox. Drop by for a fun evening of 28 games of BINGO.



# Comox Valley Monarch

by Cec Specht

The Comox Valley Monarch Lions had a busy month this month. It started out with PZC Cathy manning the phones at the Comox Valley Child Development Association's Annual Telethon. (which raised \$127,580).



CV Monarch Nov 7 we had the honour of having District Governor Lia Versaavel , accompanied with her Lions of Canada Foundation Dog Guides, Facility Support dog Zoomer, make her official visit to our Club. DG Lia gave an inspiring talk and was rewarded with a Candle lit piece of Cheese Cake in Celebration of her birthday (as a courtesy we won't divulge which Birthday.)

DG Lia also presented PZC Cathy with her 2021/22 Zone Chair and Club Treasurer Excellence awards and the MD19 award for Runner up Zone Chairperson of the year and PDG Cec with the 2021/22 Club Secretary Excellence Award and the MD19 Award Runner up Secretary of the Year.



Later in the month we held a get together of several organizations in our Community that we support. A Representative from each Organization gave a brief description of what they did and how the donation we gave them would help. It was a great opportunity for everyone to promote their organization while at the same time learn about each others organization. In Total we gave out over \$15,000.

# Port Alice Lions

Port Alice Lions 2022 Santa's Sleighride Wednesday December 14th starting at 6:00pm. We will be accepting new unwrapped toys and cash for the Christmas Hampers if you wish to donate to make someone's Christmas a little more special.

The 50/50 draw helps us support our Community in our charitable endeavors like scholarships and town events!



## FALL 50/50



3 for \$5  
1 for \$2

## WIN CASH!

Draw will be after the Santa Sleigh Ride mid December



Here's a chance to make extra Christmas cash and support the awesome Port Alice Lions Club at the same time!! Contact Audie or Sandy

tamburinia@hotmail.com.







# Sooke

by Randy Welters

We inducted 3 new members this month & have 2 more starting the process - and younger than most of us old f..ts, which is a good surprise. We are looking forward to new perspectives & ideas. (Shaw Welters, Murray Lambert and Berry Morrison)

We had the pleasure of DG Lia attending our last meeting and having her perform the induction of our new members. She also gave us an interesting and comfortable talk on Lions history and currents goals.

She also presented chevrons to the following:



Bill Bennett  
Bob Holland  
Rick greenhouse  
Kirk Jacobson  
Jim Bailey



A lot of our efforts this month was the planning of our always busy 'Breakfast with Santa' followed the next day by the Sooke Christmas Parade, sponsored by the District of Sooke and put on/managed by The Sooke Lions with the enormous help from both the Sooke District Lioness Lions and the Sooke Harbourside Lions.



Our Grade 2 Swim Program is going to happen this year after a couple of no-goes due to covid, & since SeaParc Leisure Center has been able to increase their number of qualified instructors the program will be back to a complete swim training program. And our Pancake Breakfasts for elementary & middle school kids is back to fully booked for this school year.

Our Lions Christmas Dinner is scheduled for Dec 8 at the Legion #54 with all 3 Lions Clubs helping out. Lion Godfrey, our usual MC, promised a new inventory of jokes this year so we'll see!

We lost one of our favorite Life members this month, Lion Pat Forrest. In honor of him, & because he was such a supporter of fisheries, we donated \$250 each to Sooke Salmon Restoration Society & JDF Salmon Enhancement Society, his other 2 favorite societies.



Best of the Season to You All,

**Lead to Serve  
Serve to Lead II**



hosted by VP AP Singh

**Saturday, February 25**  
9 am CST / GMT-6  
<https://tinyurl.com/leadtoserve2>



The Lead To Serve Academy is a global learning initiative focused on training Lion leaders in the art of servant leadership.

Led by VP AP Singh, each educational session will explore the building blocks of leadership and service while featuring inspirational Lion leaders from around the world sharing their insights and perspectives.

This is the second in a series of nine sessions that will be held over the course of the next three years. Tune in to the conversation and work your way towards a certification as a Servant Leader! Facebook link in image



## Wounded Warrior Run BC

Wounded Warrior Run BC are getting ready for another exciting year with Lions! 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, Lions Clubs 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. After all it is their 10th Anniversary.

February 5, 2023, Wounded Warriors Run BC will be doing a one day running event between Sooke to Sidney BC. This will be an amazing opportunity for Lions in the area to come out, meet and greet the Team.

February 26, 2023, WWRBC will commence their run down the Island from Port Hardy to Victoria. Their run stops will be posted to their Website. They will be in Victoria on Sunday, March 5, 2023 for their final day.



If your Lions Club is considering a donation, you can **Sponsor a 5 Kilometre Section** either leading into or out of your Community. The **sponsorship is \$1000.00** for the section of roadway. **Your Lions Club will be recognized on the WWRBC Social Media and named on the WWRBC Website.** It's all about Public Relations. You can also have the opportunity to give away Lions Swag, pins etc along the sponsored route. Also, display your Lions Clubs Advertising Signs (your cost to produce) along the specified Route Section.

For more information about Sponsorship, you may contact Lion Susan Marcotte, Victoria Lions Club, email: [susan@marcottemarketing.ca](mailto:susan@marcottemarketing.ca) It is the preferred method of contact. Lion Susan is a Member of the Wounded Warrior Run BC Team.

If your Lions Club would like to give a smaller donation, please send it to VDG Michael Stanford. My Contact Information is in the District Roster. I would like to track the Lions Clubs who are donating this year. Thank You to the Lions Clubs who have contributed thus far.

The Wounded Warrior Run BC Website: <https://woundedwarriors.ca/events/wounded-warrior-bc-run/>

Please visit their site often. It is still under construction for the coming year.



Thank You for Supporting the Cause! Cheers,

**VDG Michael G Stanford,**

**Wounded Warrior Run BC Gala Dinner & Cabinet Chair**

Victoria Lions Club





**Special  
Olympics**



**Lions of Canada  
Lions du Canada**



## **Special Olympics and Lions of Canada**

June 2022, Lions of Canada and Special Olympics Canada reached a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Special Olympics Canada and the Lions Clubs of Canada wish to create a framework for collaboration in Canada through this Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) MOU, to create increased opportunities for service, volunteerism and social impact in support of stronger social inclusion across the country for individuals with intellectual disabilities. The goal is to collaborate on a variety of potential programmatic activities. If you would like to read the full document, please email me (Evelyn [esmithmd19i@gmail.com](mailto:esmithmd19i@gmail.com)) for a copy.

Lions of Canada is supporting this year's Special Olympics donut campaign with Tim Hortons. The campaign dates are Feb 3-5/23 and the ask is fairly simple but the impact can be quite large i.e visit a Tim Hortons restaurant to purchase the donut and if available, post a photo on social media. Our message will continue to centre around inclusion and creating more caring communities.



Having Lions of Canada members participate and engage others can really help us expand the reach – for example, inviting friends and family to join them when purchasing donuts, or picking up a dozen donuts and delivering them to others. Their goal this year is to raise \$800K to support Special Olympics community programs across the country, so it will require a great deal of support across the country to help us reach the goal. More info to come.

### **Forks Lions**



The weekend of Oct. 28th our club got to work on our 41st annual wood for food project. This project has the Forks Lions Club bring over two log truck loads of wood to Quincy, WA and we receive produce from multiple Quincy farms put together by the Quincy, WA Service Club to bring back to the Forks Community Food Bank every October.

This year 13 local Forks Lions and multiple Service Club members in Quincy made short work of bucking up the two loads of wood into rounds. These rounds will be split and sold by the Quincy, WA Service Club to support their local scholarship program.

In turn, we received just over 11 thousand pounds of produce for the Forks Food Bank including, 6,000lbs of potatoes, 2,000lbs of onions, 3,000lbs of apples, and 300lbs of dry beans.

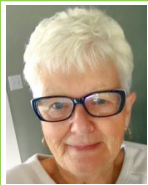
We would like to thank Rayonier and Merrill and Ring and their representatives Dennis Cox and Bryan Huber respectively for donating loads of wood this year. Additionally we would like



to thank Pat Ruble and Lance White for picking up and driving the loads of wood from Forks to Quincy, and thank Worley Trucking for letting Lance run the load out for us. Also thank you to Jerry Lappell and Jerry's Rentals, Sales and Services for donating chains saw chains, files, ear pro, 2-cycle, and bar oil this and all the years you have to keep the saws running through the project. Thank you to the Quincy, WA Service Club for helping us with this every year.



Thank you to the 13 Lions and local Quincy supporters for making this a great and successful trip. And thank you to The Moose Lodge in Quincy for always hosting us and showing us a great time; see you next year.



## Global Action Team (GAT) Membership

by Betty Anne Herbert

GMT REPORT November 2022



Together we can. Your doing amazing things in your communities and that gets people's attention. That's why it's so important to promote your project's share your service stories and show your pride as lions.

As of Nov 16 1,133 members and sit at a plus 1 INFORMATION on our district

58 members Port Angles-----50 Sequim-----49 Esquimalt----48 Forks----46 Tie with Sooke Harborside & Mayne Island

Top 6 in our district. Hope Jan 2023 will bring more on board to up our numbers

GMT Lion Betty Anne Herbert

Nov 16,2022



## Sidney Lions

President Bill DesLauriers laid the wreath.



This year The Sidney Lions will be raising funds and toys for the Peninsula Toy Drive! It is their first ever Toy Drive !

While cash is preferred, new toys (excluding used toys, used books and stuffies) are also appreciated. After donations are closed, our elves will get busy purchasing gifts locally from Peninsula businesses.

**SIDNEY LIONS CLUB**

# TOY DRIVE

Please, no used toys used books or stuffies

Age 0 TO 18

**DONATE CASH OR TOYS DEC 1 TO 15**

Unit 101b 2506 Beacon Ave Tue-Fri, 12-3pm  
Saturdays, 12-5pm  
e-transfer to [sidneylionsbc@gmail.com](mailto:sidneylionsbc@gmail.com)

Stay informed - Facebook: [@sidneylionstoydrive](https://www.facebook.com/sidneylionstoydrive)

Supporting Peninsula Lions foodbank recipients





## Gabriola Lions

By Maureen Morgan

Yay Lions Club Gabriola Betsy Banford !

The Gabriola Lions club recently took on a big project to replace the Community bulletin boards which are located by the mailboxes around the Island. It was brought to our club's attention that the condition of most of these boards was very sad, many had fallen down and many others were about to have the same fate.



Our club decided that this would be a great community project that we could undertake. Lion's Doug, Graham and Jon secured donating partners from Arbutus Building Supply, Somerset Farm and Gabriola Gravel & Excavating and then moved forward by building the bulletin boards with a team of volunteers during the spring and summer of 2022. During October of the same year, a group of Lions and non-Lion volunteers descended around the island to anchor posts and secure 42 brand new, awesome-looking bulletin boards.

A huge thank you to our partners who donated building materials, Lions Jon, Graham and Gisela for helping cut the material, assemble and stain the message boards, and to all those who helped dig and concrete in the 42 steel posts. Well done Gabriola Island Lions Club!

Gabriola Lions Club welcomed our newest Lion Suzy Nachtsheim, with sponsor Carol Martin and President Lion Betsy Banford & Membership Chair Bruce Boorer presiding over this auspicious evening. Congratulations Lion Suzy.



At Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides, we're all about empowerment. Empowering Canadians living with disabilities to navigate their world with confidence and independence. By choosing Dog Guides as a recipient of your generosity, you are enabling us to continue providing these life-changing and

life-saving canines. Since Lions founded LFCDG in 1983, we've grown from one to seven distinct programs. All designed to assist Canadians with a wide range of disabilities, offering the opportunity to find greater independence, mobility and safety through the help of a Dog Guide. The seven programs are:

- Canine Vision – For people who are blind or visually impaired
- Hearing – For people who are deaf or hard of hearing
- Autism Assistance – For children who have autism spectrum disorder
- Service – For people who have a physical or medical disability
- Seizure Response – For people who have epilepsy
- Diabetic Alert – For people who have diabetes with hypoglycemic unawareness
- Facility Support – For professional agencies assisting individuals in traumatic situations

From breeding to training, with a life-time of follow-up services, each Dog Guide team costs approximately \$35,000 to match with a recipient and are provided at no cost. The foundation relies entirely on donations to provide these special matches and does not receive any government funding. With 1 in 5 Canadians living with a disability today, and 8 of 10 Canadians with a disability requiring aids or assistive devices, the need is overwhelming. Together, we can transform the way people live by creating exceptional partnerships between people and Dog Guides. Help LFCDG unleash potential!

Please visit our [website](#), or if you would like further information or to discuss a virtual or in-person presentation, please reach out to Danielle Rosenblum at [drosenblum@dogguides.com](mailto:drosenblum@dogguides.com).

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR Lia's CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE 2022 - 2023

WILL BE BACK NEXT MONTH—SORRY FOR THE INCONVIENCE

DECEMBER 2022 -

1\_\_ Malahat  
12\_\_ Gabriola  
14\_\_ Sooke Harbourside

JANUARY 2023 – SEVERAL DATES AVAILABLE

FEBRUARY 2023

MARCH 2023

26\_\_ CABINET AND PDG MEETING - TBD

APRIL 2023

14-15\_\_ UNCONVENTIONAL CONVENTION

MAY 2023

7-9\_\_ NORTHWEST LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

JULY 2023

7 – 11\_\_ INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS

Please book you DG visitation now:

[versaevel.liamarie@gmail.com](mailto:versaevel.liamarie@gmail.com)

CONGRATULATIONS!



You're the new  
Secretary

Did you want to know more about all of the roles and responsibilities of the Club Secretary?

Take a look at the following video to learn more about the Club Secretary position and about the resources and tools available.

<https://vimeo.com/731884970>

## December 2022

**December 1** - Peace Poster/Essay Postmark deadline for a district governor to send their one winning Peace Poster and/or Peace Essay to the multiple district council chairperson.

**December 15** - Postmark deadline for multiple district council chairpersons to send their one winning Peace Poster and/or Peace Essay to Brand & Creative at Lions Clubs International

**December 31** - Last day to modify/edit 2022-2023 District Goals

## January 2023

**Did you know that January is:**  
Hunger Awareness Month

Visit the link below to learn more about Lions Vision Global Cause:

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

**January 13** is Melvin Jones Birthday

## February 2023

**Did you know February is:**  
Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

**February 7-9** - 2023 FVDG/DGE Seminar

**February 13** - 2023-2024 District Goals submission platform opens

**February 15** - Int'l Childhood Cancer Day

## March 2023

March 3 - Lions Day at UN New York City

March 8 - Int'l Women Day

## April 2023

Environmental Awareness Month

Family & Friends Month

Leo Club Awareness Month

April 22 - Int'l Earth

April 25 - Lions Worldwide Induction Day

## May 2023

Strengthen Membership Month



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### Contest & Awards

**Vacant**

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**Vacant**

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**Vacant**

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