



District N2
Fall Cabinet Meeting Minutes
Saturday, October 3rd, 2020



DG Jane called the meeting to order at 10:10 am with approximately 125 members in attendance representing 35 clubs.

O' Canada was played. Lions invocation was recited in unison, followed by a moment of silence for our deceased members and for world peace.

DG Jane welcomed all Lions present. Lions I would like to thank you all for coming to our new and inventive Fall Cabinet. I know it is not what we normally do, but with your help we can make this a huge success. I would like to thank the Coldbrook & District Lions for allowing us to hold this event here today. With Covid restrictions, it was hard to find a place that would work for everyone. And thank you to the Lawrencetown and Middleton Lions for making this day a reality.

Isn't it a great day to be a Lion!

At 12pm Laura McLarnon will be arriving with her drone. She will be taking pictures from above and we hope to have a write up in the Lions Magazine. So weather permitting can we put our banners on the hoods of our vehicles at the start of lunch and decorate your vehicle as well if you want to participate in the Best Dressed/Most Creative Vehicle, theme Proud Nova Scotia Lions. And that's what we should be Lions, proud to call Nova Scotia home and the great work we do for our communities and beyond.

Socializing is allowed but please be courteous to your fellow lion. Remember we all must stay safe, for our family and our communities.

As you came in, CST Peter Reid gave the voting delegates a Nova Scotia flag. These are what you are to use as your voting delegate cards. I hope you will all be patient as the day progresses.

You will see my sister, Lion Ann displaying Multiple District Scarves for sale and she has my district directories as well. Directories are \$3 each and the scarves are \$15 each.

I have spare visitation cards available as well. You all get 3 visitations for today.

We've got a busy day ahead of us so I won't keep rambling on.

Lion Karen LaVigne has Calvacade for Diabetes pins, these are ones she had ordered for last year, but unfortunately, she never got a chance to sell them due to Covid.

Lion Ken LaViolette is here selling our Multiple District pins, go check out his table. Remember you must wear your mask when you are out walking around. Your vehicle is your bubble and if you leave that bubble please wear a mask.

That's enough rambling, we have a lot of business to get through. So let's get started.

Lion Wendy Owen reported that they will be picking up the lunches around 11:30am and when they get back, they will call everyone up by club. Lion Kirk Longmire reported that the speakers would not work on a 300-foot cord. There will be a couple of microphones going around to be used if you wish to speak. The washrooms will be for anyone today. One person at a time, and there are some porta-potties as well.

Voting Procedures – unfortunately, PDG Wayne Little was unavailable this weekend and has asked PCC Peter Reid to read the following:

As per Article 11, paragraph N of the Policy Manual
on
District Cabinet Meetings VOTING:

Voting on any matter at District Cabinet Meetings, shall be by duly certified voting delegates.

Those eligible to vote are the District Governor, Vice District Governors, Cabinet Secretary Treasurer, Zone Chairpersons, District Committee Chairpersons, President and Secretary or Acting President and Acting Secretary of all Chartered Clubs provided there has been prior written, or e-mail notification to the CST, and all Past District Governors who are in good standing in a Club in District N2.
They shall be entitled to one vote on any matter at Cabinet Meetings.
Those Lions extended voting privileges will only be entitled to one vote regardless of the numbers of positions they hold.

The voting cards to-day are the “Nova Scotia Flag”

Additions to Agenda:

1. Winter Cabinet 19A (PDG John Macfie)
2. Lions of Canada – New Branding (Lion Kim Stewart)

Motion by 2VDG Bill Bruhm (Bridgewater), 2nd by PDG John Macfie (Lake Echo)
Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the Winter Cabinet Meeting in Bedford as presented.

Motion by PCC Scott MacKenzie (Musquodoboit Harbour), 2nd by King Lion Jeanetta McGinley (Milford)
Motion Carried

Next, a motion was made to approve the minutes from the virtual DGO held in August as presented.

Motion by PCC Bob Lyle (Kingston), 2nd by 1VDG David Hunter (Chezzetcook)
Motion Carried

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

CST Report: CST Peter reported that as of October 2nd, 2020, the Bank Balance is \$50,441.41 with all bills paid.

There are 20 clubs not paid yet, but I am talking to each club.

I have received \$225.00 from Stamp Chair; and \$102.00 from Pin Chair.

I have received the following reports:

1. IT Report from Lion Sarah
2. District History Report from PCST Ken MacKenzie
3. District Leo Report from Lion Deb Featherby
4. District Hearing and Speech report from 1st VDG David Hunter
5. District Diabetes Report from Lion Karen LaVigne
6. District Speakout Report from ZC Pat Nixon
7. LFC Report from Lion Linda Baltzer
8. District GST Report from PDG Frank Hartman
9. District GMT Report from Lion Kim Stewart
10. District LCIF Report from PDG Rhonda Trickett
11. District Lions Quest Report from PDG Rhonda Trickett
12. Zone reports from 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11.

Zone Chair reports:

No reports from the following Zones – 1; 2; 3A; 3B; 4

The following Zone passed their report in – 7; 9; 10

New Zone Chair for Zone 8 – Lion Lorne Cooke from Yarmouth

ZC Kim Stewart reported for Zone 5; ZC Pat Nixon reported for Zone 6; and ZC Rhonda Trickett reported for Zone 11.

Zone 5 –

Zone 5 held a meeting on Sept 10th by Zoom.

Zone 5 has 6 traditional clubs and 1 Branch Campus Club.

Canning and District are meeting at this time twice a month.

They continue to house & volunteer with their communities Food Bank
.Bingo has restarted.

They made a donation to Valley Regional Hospital

Hantsport and District

The Church hall where they meet is closed due to covid. I do know they got together at least once during the summer socially distancing.

They are in constant phone contact with each other as well.

They continue to participate in Lions Radio Bingo.

They made 2 large donations to local food bank to help folks with the additional challenges during the pandemic.

New Minas

Do meet.

They continue to do deliveries to folks in need in their communities.

They participate in Lions Radio Bingo.

I hear they continue to make incredible donations

Port William and District Lions

Are meeting

They maintain a lovely picnic park in their community.

Windsor

Has met on Zoom

They are taking part in Lions Radio Bingo

Wolfville

Hasn't stopped meeting at any time during the pandemic.

Initially by Zoom and now in person since the beginning of July.

Have done breakfasts and takeout dinner fundraisers.

Wolfville District Lions Club is starting a new program called Lions After the Bell where we are collecting donations of money and food items. Then we are putting food hampers together so students can take one home with them on Fridays.

I suspect many of the schools in your own communities would appreciate a program such as this. Feel free to contact me if you would like to hear more about this program.

Acadia Lions Club

Recently inducted two new members.

Respectfully submitted,

ZC 5 Lion Kim Stewart

Zone 6 –

DG Jane/Lions:

What a year this has been so far!! Who would have anticipated back in January where we would be today with the "New Normal" both in our personal lives and our Lions family? But we Lions are adaptable, and the Lions of Zone 6 exemplify this!!

After shutting down for over four months our clubs are slowly starting to re-emerge. The priority however is to ensure the health and safety of our Lions members as our clubs slowly begin to resume operations and that of the community we serve. Like all clubs, evolving provincial pandemic protocols will pose challenges moving forward in all that we do.

All our clubs have resumed club meetings in one form or another. This is good news as we can socialize with our fellow Lions and start planning on how to serve our communities again. All our clubs have applied for the NS reopening grant and some have applied for the County of Kings Grants. Some clubs have received funding while others are waiting for approval. This is great news for the clubs and provides much needed assistance.

From July through August I was able to meet individually with each of the Clubs in the zone, touching base with them to introduce myself as the new Zone Chair, to listen to them to see how they were dealing with the COVID-19 imposed restrictions and provide advice and information. I was impressed with the ways every one of the clubs adapted to their particular circumstances in order to weather the shutdown.

On September 22nd I chaired my first Zone 6 meeting, attended only by the club Presidents, Vice-presidents, and Secretaries. This format was well received by them and it was energizing to see the discussions, sharing of ideas, concerns and challenges that took place. The spirit of sharing and collaboration is alive and well in Zone 6!!

Challenges facing our clubs include:

- Demographically, a large percentage of our members are more susceptible to the worst effects of COVID-19.
- Overcoming social isolation of our members,
- Retention and engagement of members,
- Fiscal restraints and hardships given lack of fundraising or another lockdown due to a second wave, and
- Reinforcing to the community that as we emerge, our events and halls are safe, by following all pandemic protocols which will increase participation.

However, as pandemic restrictions have eased, I am happy to report that we have begun to resume some normalcy in our activities.

In **Kentville**, they have emerged and have resumed their Friday weekly downtown BBQs, keeping the club in the public eye on a regular basis. They moved their Wednesday night Jam Session outdoors to Centre Square. Public support has been inspiring with, on average, over 55 people attending this weekly free-will offering event, purchasing 50/50 tickets, and partaking of sausages & hotdogs. Monthly breakfasts have resumed as well.

Berwick has continued to host vital Blood Donor Clinics and have begun renting out their hall once again. They held their first meeting on Sept 3rd and on Sept 22nd, they held a tremendously successful takeout Chicken BBQ. The support of the community was overwhelming with 375 meals being served. Not bad when they were only anticipating 200 originally!!

The honking of car horns indicating a Bingo!! and movie snacks are back in **Coldbrook**! They restarted weekly Drive-in movies and Bingos. They continue to support Camp Lion Maxwell, local schools, and the Valley Regional Hospital. Supporting the everyday needs of their community they have purchased eyeglasses, helped seniors with bill payments and medical needs. To include everyone in their club meetings, including those who want to participate from home, they will be using Zoom to include them. Lion Kirk encourages all clubs to learn and use technology to help their clubs stay connected.

Solar Power is the key word in **Kingston**. The club installed a solar power system that will generate up to 2/3 of their yearly power needs, paying for itself over the next 10 years and freeing up more funds to support the community! They delivered 178 complimentary cold plate suppers to staff at Soldiers Memorial Hospital and EMS in

Middleton, thanking them for their front-line support. They developed a comprehensive Business Re-opening plan, resumed take-out and delivery community luncheons, and assisted in the deliver of groceries to those who could not go out to get groceries.

The **Aylesford** club has started meeting again and on September 16th, they inducted two new members in the Club and conducted installation of Club Officers. The Hall is used by Scouts and TOPS free if charge and was recently donated to host a fundraiser dinner for a cancer victim. Hall rental has also resumed with the funds raised going toward upkeep and improvements to their hall. They use their LED sign to advertise community events and services.

Because of the shutdown, the clubs were forced to significantly reduce their service activities and become frugal. A “second wave” is on everyone minds however all clubs and members must work at keeping in touch with one another, help each other out and continue to share best practices moving forward.

Zone Six remains strong and committed to supporting each other and our communities moving forward in this pandemic environment. Remember, stay safe, physically distance, wear a mask and wash your hands!!

Respectfully submitted...

Lion Pat Nixon
Zone 6 Chair

Zone 11 –

Zone 11 Report Fall Cabinet Meeting October 3rd, 2020

DG Jane, 1st VDG David, 2nd VDG Bill, CST Peter

With 84 Lions, the clubs in Zone 11 are trying to navigate their way through this pandemic. Trying to think outside the box, and do new and unfamiliar projects to try to recuperate from the last six months. While the clubs continue to support their communities, it is less than in the past. They do what they can do, while excelling at our motto “We Serve”. Some of the projects the clubs are involved with are:

- Bingo
 - Monthly breakfast
 - Collecting eye glasses and CPAP machines
 - Sunday suppers
- just to name some.

All clubs are observing the COVID-19 restrictions with everything they do. The main focus of all the clubs in Zone 11 is to get back to being able to help the needy families in their communities. This can be accomplished through heat, rent and fulfilling requests received.

We are now in the process of setting up a Membership presentation for the Zone. This would include the membership chairs and membership committees in some clubs. This should help to recruit new members. Maybe even some new, younger members. This year will prove how strong our Lions are.

Cole Harbour Lions are now meeting once a month in the KL's garage, Dartmouth Lions are now back to meeting at the Panda Buffet for their dinner meetings, Eastern Passage Cow Bay have resumed their meeting, including dinner meetings, and have started monthly breakfast and supper meals (take out only), Lake Echo is now back in the Community Centre and are even able to re-start their Bingo (although many changes have been made), and Preston is now getting re-settled in their Community Centre. We are slowly resuming.

As communication seems to be an issue among clubs in the Zone, District, & Multiple, I decided a bulletin would be a good start for our Zone to ensure information reaches all Lions.

Zone 11 now has a monthly bulletin. This is designed to highlight what each club is doing (to give ideas to other clubs in the Zone); what the District is doing – Cabinet meetings, GMT, GLT, GST, projects etc...; also some facts about the Multiple District.

As we move forward toward a new normal – let's all think about what we can do to help the Clubs and members of our District.

Respectfully submitted,

ZC Rhonda
Zone 11

DG Jane thanked all the Zone chair for taking on this position and for all the work that they do.

Rose Bowl: DG Jane reported that the Rose bowl would be a little different, as everyone entered, CST was calculating the members who were here from each club and the results are as follows:

3 rd – Lawrencetown	724
2 nd – Coldbrook	746

And the winner of the Rose Bowl for the Fall Cabinet meeting was – Truro with 1203 points. We will do a group photo when we break for lunch.

District Chair Reports:

Constitution & By Laws – No report at this time

Long Range Planning –

DG Jane, lions all, on behalf of the Long Range Planning Committee I would like to report the following. We are currently working with the Constitution and Bylaw Committee to come up with a revised District Activities report along with The Best Club

Contest that goes along with it to create one that is easier and fairer to all. We are also working on some guidelines for incoming District Governors to assist them with preparing for their upcoming year. Along with that guideline we are looking at the allowable Governor's expenses with an eye to updating what is allowed. We have also been asked to look at the feasibility of a District Special Projects Committee. We plan to present a 5-year plan at the District Convention to see the district through 2025 and beyond.

Respectfully Submitted
Lion Paul Burgess Chair
Long Range Planning

Global Leadership –

We asked Lions how you wanted training and now the GLT team is responding accordingly. There are 2 zone sessions in the process of being set up and more to follow. Some of you have asked for mentors and you will soon be paired with one. We had quite a few requests of learning how to zoom, so look for that information in the near future.

There are 3 locations for Information Sessions on Oct. 24, Bedford, Deep Brook/Waldec and St. Peter's. You also have the choice to "zoom in" if you chose to do so from the comfort of your home. This is open to all Lions, new and seasoned. It gives all of us an opportunity to learn from each other. Just a reminder that we will not be providing any refreshments to practice save Covid-19 measures.

We are looking for new ways to inform Lions about what the rest of NS Lions are doing. A private Facebook page has been started called Nova Scotia Lions Members, this is for Lions of N2 only. When you ask to join, you will be required to state which club you belong to. We hope that this gives Lions from across N2 the opportunity to see what other Lions are doing to serve their communities.

We are hoping that LCI will offer more Guiding Lion trainings. We are looking into doing one at District level.

PDG Debbie McGinley
GLT Coordinator

Seminar Ronald McDonald House – Mackenzie Moyer

Global Membership –

GMT & NAMI Report Fall Cabinet Oct 3, 2020

We have lost 41 members this year and gained 11 which is a net loss of 30 leaving us with an ending balance of 1716 members. I suspect the real number might be actually lower.

The GMT Committee held a Zoom meeting and I have had several telephone calls with committee members.

I will be contacting all Lions that have left our association to find out the reasons why.

LCI Club Developer Paul Baker is coming to NS in early November to work on chartering the Acadia University Campus Club and a new traditional club!

The North American Membership Initiative is a new program we have adopted here in District N2. NAMI hopes to bring fresh thinking and bold action to maximize our membership, so we can maximize our service to the world.

Unlike other LCI programs that are top down processes this is a grassroots up approach.

We recognize what we are doing is not working our membership worldwide is shrinking. We want to know what is working and what isn't so we will be asking.

We are looking for the perspectives of all Lions particularly new Lions of what they like and dislike about our association.

Our first Zoom meeting will be held Sunday Oct 18th at 7 PM. Please get in touch with me to receive an invitation.

We are looking for Lions interested in joining teams to work on particular areas to support and grow our membership.

This initiative is vital in saving our legacy of Lionism.
I just want to end by reminding all clubs that our members need meaningful service or they will lose interest in our organization.

Our communities are going to be suffering and Lions will need to be there for them more than ever.

I sent out a list of ways we could safely serve yesterday but I am sure you have other ideas. Post them on the new Nova Scotia Lions Members Forum or Lions of Canada Facebook pages.

Let us share our projects not only for our communities but for our members who are fulfilled by serving.

Respectfully Submitted by ZC Lion Kim Stewart
GMT Coordinator & NAMI Champion N2

Global Service –

**District N2 Fall Cabinet
GST Coordinator Report
Saturday, October 3, 2020**

District Governor Jane, 1st VDG David, 2nd VDG Bill, PCC Peter, Fellow Lions.

Clearly, the covid 19 virus is having a noticeable impact on clubs being able to provide service activities in their communities. Looking at the metrics on MyLion as of October 1st with only 20 clubs reporting our District has completed 225 service projects, served 14,264 people, and volunteered 3162 hours. Of the 225 service projects 4 were related to the environment, 10 to hunger, 10 to vision and 201 were other types of activities. Clubs have raised \$26,064 USD and so far donated \$14,502 USD.

On August 31st the Global Service Team sent a survey to all the club presidents and secretaries regarding the following questions: Does your club have a CSC, If no why? Is your club active; if not when do you think you will be active? Who will be recording or reporting your service projects on MyLion president, secretary or club service chair?

Of the 31 clubs responding, 16 clubs have a club service chair; 15 do not. Reasons offered why clubs do not have a club service chair are as follows: clubs are too small, there is no interest to have a csc, one club said there is no useful purpose to have a csc, one club didn't see the point of having a csc, one club said their members lack computer skills and one club said they are not sure why they didn't have a csc. 26 clubs reported being active and 5 clubs are not active. 23 club's secretaries do the reporting, 3 clubs csc's does the reporting, 3 other clubs have both the secretary and csc do the reporting and one club's president does the reporting.

Some clubs including myself were having problems accessing MyLion. For me I typed in app.mylion.org and that took me into MyLion.

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Frank

Renaming:

Lion Kim reported the following:

3rd International Vice President Lion Dr Patti Hill recognized that most Lions have their own identity within their countries. Canadian Lions were not celebrating their own collective identity. So this year she has built various teams to rectify this.

The Lions of Canada working groups has now created a new Facebook page "Lions of Canada/Lions Du Canada" I recommend that you all join it. There are tons of great service project ideas. Also there will be a monthly contest launching on Monday. Please follow the rules clearly defined on the FB page with the proper amount of Lion and non-Lion tags and hash tags.

Two Lions of Canada websites are being designed, one French and one in English. The Lions of Canada for LCIF site is also being reworked making it easier to donate to our foundation.

Next week there will be vision posters sent out to your club contacts for you to hang in your local stores or post office. There will be a place to add your club information on them. Each month keeping with one of our global causes you will be sent downloadable posters. We hope that you will share with your communities, what areas Lions focus on. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at kimstewarhome@outlook.com

Recycle for sight – Lion Jane thanked everyone for bringing the glasses. She has enough for 2 trucks plus more.

DG Jane reminded all that Lion Ken LaViolette is at the back, selling pins.

2nd VDG Bill Bruhm led the Lions Grace in unison

Recessed for lunch 11:30 – 1:10
(PDG Debbie presented her trophies for the 2019 – 2020 Lions Year)

50/50 draw – \$272.50
Ticket – 9980188 Winner – Lion Jim Urquhart – Truro & District

Results from the car decorating:
3rd place – Deep Brook / Waldec
2nd Place – Spryfield
1st place – Lion Helen McKinnon from Antigonish / Lion Mary McKinnon from Coldbrook

Congratulations to all.

Chairperson Reports (Con't)

Hearing & Speech –

Update:

Back in April of this year as Hearing and Speech Director I felt I should reach out to all of my fellow Lion's. With Covid-19 putting a stop to everything in our worlds I want them to know that I was still think of them in this time of emotional difficulties. Keep in mind those who are without hearing and are home alone face even more loneliness as they

are most often without any form of communication at all. If you know of someone with hearing impairments who are unable to listen to the radio and who have limited access to the outside world we need to be creative in finding ways to support them even more today. Physical distancing is hard on all of us at the best of times.

I would hope that we are still encourage people to donate their used hearing aids. There have been community members who have been reaching out to me asking where they can drop off these aids off. I have been advising them to drop them off at their local lion's clubs and if they tell me the area they live I provide them with the closest lion's club. I have provided your public telephone number as well, as we know there are no lion's currently at the clubs and they can leave a message for your return.

It has been a challenging time for Dalhousie but they are still running, although at reduced capacity right now. They have continued to "see" patients who needed help with their hearing aids on a case by case basis. They have not provided hearing aids to new patients and will likely not do that until end of September there at the school. However, most of the people on our waiting list are from outside HRM and were going to be fitted with hearing aids by audiologists at the Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Centres. They are waiting to hear when these audiologists are ready to see patience, hopefully sometime soon if they have not already started. There is one private practice audiologist in HRM who helps our program and who has started to re-open for new patients. He will be providing hearing aids to someone on our wait list in a week or two.

There has been a change at Dalhousie as all buildings are still locked down. Dalhousie Clinic phone number has changed it is now 902-494-2978, where people can leave a message. Messages are checked regularly on this phone.

To date I have received hearing aids from the following Lion's clubs:

Hearing Aid Count

Club	#	Club	#
AFR	47	Meteghan	0
Amherst	44	Middleton	3
Annapolis Royal	0	Milford	46
Antigonish	188	Musq. Harbour	85
Aylesford	6	Musq. Valley	8
Baddeck	14	New Germany	33
Barrington	6	New Minas	0
Beaverbank Kinsac	45	New Waterford	0
Bedford	69	Oxford	0
Berwick	0	Parrsboro	14
Bridgetown	12	Pictou	1
Bridgewater	18	Port Williams	0
Cabot Trail	4	Preston	0
Canning	25	Pubnico	0
Canso	2	River John	0
CB/NR/C	11	River Port	0
Chezzetcook	51	Sackville	29

Coldbrook	2	Sheet Harbour	49
Cole Harbour	11	Shelburne	2
Dalhousie Campus	0	Shubenacadie	8
Dartmouth	19	Springhill	13
Deep Brook/Waldec	0	Spryfield	10
Digby	0	St Margarets Bay	37
Eastern Passage Cow Bay	61	St Mary's	0
Enfield & Elmsdale	107	St Peter's	0
Fall River - River Lake	0	Stellarton	0
Glace Bay	0	Sydney	105
Hantsport	0	Tatamagouche	0
Hubbards	7	Truro	102
Kentville	0	Weymouth	0
Kingston	84	Whycocomagh	0
Lake Echo	6	Windsor	37
Lawrencetown	17	Wolfville	28
Liverpool	0	Yarmouth	42
Lockeport	0	NB - Nashwaaksis	35
Louisdale	0	NB - Barkers Point Northside	4
Mahone Bay	28	Total (Approx)	1575

For more information you can contact Dalhousie School of Communication Disorders at 902-494-7052 and ask for an application for DHAAD Program.

Financial Committee Reports:

A. Audited Financial Report 2019-2020

August 31, 2020

VIA EMAIL – cstdistrictn2@gmail.com

CST Peter Reid

Dear Mr. Reid,

Attached are the audited Financial Statements for District N2 for the distribution to all Lion's Clubs in District N2. These statements should be reviewed by all Lions Clubs in advance of the Fall Cabinet meeting in Coldbrook on October 3, 2020 so that they can be accepted and approved for the year 2019-2020.

Yours in Lions on
Budget & Audit Committee

Clyde A. Paul, PDC
Lion Martyn Forshaw

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the
Lions Clubs International District N2

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the **Lions Club International District N2**, which comprises the statement of financial position as at June 30, 2020 and the statements of income, members equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion in the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

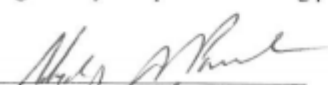
An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many non-profit organizations, the Lions Clubs International District N2 derives revenue from fundraising, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to fundraising, excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses, current assets and net assets.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects, if any, of the matter in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the **Lions Clubs International District N2** as at June 30, 2020, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.


CLYDE A. PAUL, P.D.G.
MARTYN FORSHAW

Halifax, Nova Scotia
August 27, 2020

Lions Clubs International District N2
Income Statement 07-01-19 to 06-30-20

REVENUE

Sales Revenue

District Administration	9,633.78	
District Booster	2,540.39	
Nova Scotia Lion	7,882.16	
Education and training	3,065.31	
District Activities	1,751.58	
Multiple District Assessment	9,633.78	
Total Dues		34,507.00
Advertising-NS Lions		4,410.00
Sales of Pins & Scarves		954.00
Investment income		696.70
Stamp Project		510.00
GLT - Grant		700.00
Sales - Merchandise		718.00
Door-to-door Donations		271.50
Net Sales		<u>42,767.20</u>

Other Revenue

Miscellaneous Revenue	324.00
Total Other Revenue	<u>324.00</u>

TOTAL REVENUE	<u>43,091.20</u>
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EXPENSE

General & Administrative Expenses

Accounting & Legal	97.75
Postage & Stationery	548.78
District Governor Expenses	485.19
1st Vice-District Governor	632.45
2nd Vice Governor	189.82
Cabinet Sec/Treas Expenses	157.29
Nova Scotia Lion	7,067.15
District Activities	3,493.36
Multiple District Assessment	9,666.40
District Speak out	-50.00
Amortization Expense	458.00
Interest & Bank Charges	61.38
Office Supplies	435.35
MD District Pins/ scarves	1,079.00
District Supplies	409.55
Awards and Engraving	167.90
District Chair's Expense	105.33
Global leadership tem (GLT)	1,066.64
Global Membership team (GMT)	338.80
Global service team (GST)	186.62
Visitation Pins & Bars	450.35
Sick and Visiting	101.33
Merchandise purchases	693.00
Drug awareness	-85.00
Total General & Admin. Expenses	<u>27,756.44</u>

TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>27,756.44</u>
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NET INCOME	<u>15,334.76</u>
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Lions Clubs International District N2 Comparative Income Statement

	Actual 07-01-19 to 06-30-20	Budget 2019-2020	Difference
REVENUE			
Sales Revenue			
District Administration	9,633.78	9,669.00	-35.22
District Booster	2,540.39	2,637.00	-96.61
Nova Scotia Lion	7,882.16	7,911.00	-28.84
Education and training	3,065.31	3,076.50	-11.19
District Activities	1,751.58	1,758.00	-6.42
Multiple District Assessment	9,633.78	9,669.00	-35.22
Total Dues	34,507.00	34,720.50	-213.50
Advertising-NS Lions	4,410.00	2,500.00	1,910.00
Sales of Pins & Scarves	954.00	1,000.00	-46.00
Investment income	696.70	800.00	-103.30
Leadership Development	0.00	250.00	-250.00
Stamp Project	510.00	0.00	510.00
GLT - Grant	700.00	700.00	0.00
Sales - Merchandise	718.00	0.00	718.00
Door-to-door Donations	271.50	0.00	271.50
Net Sales	42,767.20	39,970.50	2,796.70
Other Revenue			
Miscellaneous Revenue	324.00	0.00	324.00
Total Other Revenue	324.00	0.00	324.00
TOTAL REVENUE	43,091.20	39,970.50	3,120.70
EXPENSE			
General & Administrative Expenses			
Accounting & Legal	97.75	0.00	97.75
Postage & Stationery	548.78	500.00	48.78
District Governor Expenses	485.19	1,500.00	-1,014.81
1st Vice-District Governor	632.45	1,500.00	-867.55
2nd Vice Governor	189.82	1,000.00	-810.18
Vice-DG Elect School	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00
Cabinet Sec/Treas Expenses	157.29	1,000.00	-842.71
District Booster Fund	0.00	2,637.00	-2,637.00
Nova Scotia Lion	7,067.15	9,164.00	-2,096.85
District Activities	3,493.36	300.00	3,193.36
Multiple District Assessment	9,666.40	9,669.00	-2.60
District Speak out	-50.00	2,000.00	-2,050.00
Amortization Expense	458.00	0.00	458.00
Interest & Bank Charges	61.38	50.00	11.38
Office Supplies	435.35	0.00	435.35
MD District Pins/ scarves	1,079.00	1,200.00	-121.00
District Supplies	409.55	500.00	-90.45
Awards and Engraving	167.90	500.00	-332.10
District Chair's Expense	105.33	100.00	5.33
Global leadership tem (GLT)	1,066.64	2,200.00	-1,133.36
Global Membership team (GMT)	338.80	1,800.00	-1,461.20
Global service team (GST)	186.62	1,000.00	-813.38
Visitation Pins & Bars	450.35	400.00	50.35
Other expenses	0.00	450.00	-450.00
Leo Program	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Sick and Visiting	101.33	150.00	-48.67
Cabinet/Convention Speakers	0.00	250.00	-250.00
Merchandise purchases	693.00	0.00	693.00
Drug awareness	-85.00	400.00	-485.00
Total General & Admin. Expenses	27,756.44	39,970.00	-12,213.56
TOTAL EXPENSE	27,756.44	39,970.00	-12,213.56
NET INCOME	15,334.76	0.50	15,334.26

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Lions Clubs International District N2 **Balance Sheet As at 06-30-20**

ASSET

Current Assets

Chequing Bank Account	44,628.82	
Total Cash		44,628.82
ECCredit Union Equity Shares- 07-03		5.19
ECCredit Union - HISA 95644-34-3		24,705.79
ECCredit Union 1yr GIC 95644-40-3		32,761.41
Accounts Receivable	790.50	
Total Receivable		790.50
Total Current Assets		102,891.71
Inventory Assets		
Inventory-merchandise inv		2,673.00
Total Inventory Assets		2,673.00

Capital Assets

Office Furniture & Equipment	1,069.57	
Net - Furniture & Equipment		1,069.57
Total Capital Assets		1,069.57

TOTAL ASSET		106,634.28
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LIABILITY

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable		1,400.00
International Director's Fund	15,000.00	
Special Booster Fund Reserve	10,000.00	
Lions Quest Fund	7,578.24	
Companion Assistance Fund	5,000.00	
Total Trust Funds		37,578.24
Total Current Liabilities		38,978.24
TOTAL LIABILITY		38,978.24

EQUITY

Owners Equity

Retained Earnings - Previous Year	52,321.28	
Current Earnings	15,334.76	
Total Owners Equity		67,656.04

TOTAL EQUITY		67,656.04
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		106,634.28
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Motion made to accept the Audited Report as presented by PDG Clyde Paul.
 Motion by PDG Clyde Paul (Armdale/Fairview/Rockingham), 2nd by PCST Ken MacKenzie (Hantsport) Motion Carried

B. Proposed Budget 2020 – 2021

Lion Peter Wilde presented the following budget for the 2020 – 2021 Lions Year:

LCI District N2 - Budget 2020-21

	2019-20 Budget	2019-20 Actual	2020-21 Budget
Revenue			
District Administration	9669.00	9633.78	9603.00
District Booster	2637.00	2540.39	2619.00
NS Lion	7911.00	7882.16	7857.00
Education and Training	3076.50	3065.31	3055.00
District Activities	1758.00	1751.58	1746.00
Multiple District Assessment	<u>9669.00</u>	<u>9633.78</u>	<u>9603.00</u>
Total Dues	34720.50	34507.00	34483.00
Advertising NS Lion	2500.00	4410.00	3000.00
Sales of Pins and Scarves	1000.00	954.00	1000.00
Investment Income	800.00	696.70	300.00
Leadership Development	250.00	0.00	0.00
Stamp Project	0.00	510.00	0.00
GLT Grant	700.00	700.00	700.00
Sales Merchandise	0.00	718.00	86.00
Door to Door Donations	0.00	271.50	0.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>0.00</u>	<u>324.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>39970.50</u>	<u>43091.20</u>	<u>39569.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>39970.00</u>	<u>27756.44</u>	<u>39569.00</u>
NET INCOME	<u>0.50</u>	<u>15344.76</u>	<u>0.00</u>

LCI District N2 Budget 2020-21

	2019-20 Budget	2019-20 Actual	2020-21 Budget
Expenses			
Accounting and Legal	0.00	97.75	0.00
Postage & Stationery	500.00	548.78	500.00
District Governor Expenses	1500.00	485.19	1500.00
1st District Vice Governor	1500.00	632.45	1200.00
2nd Vice Governor	1000.00	189.82	800.00
Vice DG Elect School	1200.00	0.00	3000.00
Secretary/Treasurer	1000.00	157.29	1000.00
District Booster Fund	2637.00	0.00	2620.00
NS Lion	9164.00	7067.15	9000.00
District Activities	300.00	3493.36	300.00
Multiple District Assessment	9669.00	9666.40	9603.00
District Speak-out	2000.00	-50.00	2000.00
Amortization	0.00	458.00	321.00
Interest & Bank Charges	50.00	61.38	75.00
Office Supplies	0.00	435.35	300.00
MD District Pins/Scarves	1200.00	1079.00	500.00
District Supplies	500.00	409.55	500.00
Awards & Engraving	500.00	167.90	500.00
District Chair Expenses	100.00	105.33	100.00
Global Leadership Team	2200.00	1066.64	1800.00
Global Membership Team	1800.00	338.80	1400.00
Global Service Team	1000.00	186.62	800.00
Visitation Pins & Bars	400.00	450.35	500.00
Sick & Visiting	150.00	101.33	150.00
Merchandise Purchase	0.00	693.00	0.00
Other Expenses	450.00	0.00	0.00
Leo Program	500.00	0.00	500.00
Cabinet Convention	250.00	0.00	0.00
Recycle for Sight	0.00	0.00	200.00
Drug Awareness	<u>400.00</u>	<u>-85.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>39970.00</u>	<u>27756.44</u>	<u>39569.00</u>

Motion was made to accept the budget as presented.

Motion by Lion Peter Wilde (Sackville), 2nd by ZC Linda Baltzer (Middleton)

Motion Carried

Lions Clubs International Foundation:

**LCIF Report
Fall Cabinet Meeting
October 3rd, 2020**

DG Jane, 1st VDG David, 2nd VDG Bill, CST Peter

Model Club, 100 – 100 Club, Campaign 100. These are just three of the ways you can show your support for LCIF. Donate what you can, as every little bit helps.

First, I would like to thank everyone who donated last year. We had an increase of over 27% from the year before. Keep up the good work in supporting LCIF. They are always there if we need them.

I would also like to thank the few people who donated to our Facebook fundraiser that we did for Beruit. The fundraiser is now complete, and we raised \$200.00 for relief efforts in Beruit.

LCIF is in the same boat as everyone else, working with the new normal. They are thinking outside the box, trying to raise the much-needed funds to ensure they are ready if disaster strikes.

I was going to do a report, with information on the grants, but after the latest webinar, my report changed. The information on the grants will go out through Lion Sarah to all the clubs. In the last webinar, we as District Chairs were challenged. We were discussing “how your club could make an impact”. I would now like to challenge the Lions of District N2:

- What can you do in your own community?
- Get creative
- Most importantly have fun with it

Your responses can be submitted to myself at rmtrickett@eastlink.ca. I look forward to seeing how your club can make an impact.

Sidenote: Sightfirst started 30 years ago. There will be a week-long celebration starting on Monday, October 5th.

Respectfully submitted,

PDG Rhonda
LCIF Chair

Lions foundation of Canada:

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide Report
Fall Cabinet, October 3rd, 2020

District Governor Jane, 1st VDG Dave, 2nd VDG Bill, CST Peter, & fellow Lions:

When the pandemic hit, it forced the foundation to foster out all the dogs, which I am happy to say that in August they have been gradually bringing back the Canine Vision and Autism Assistance program to the foundation for assessments and their continuation of training following all protocols of course. In saying this, the foundation has had to think outside the box and come up with some different ways to do things. One was the Pet Value Virtual Walk for Dog Guides, which raised \$548,754. Thank you to those that participated.

I had sent out through Sarah a request for clubs to donate to our STAY AT HOME & BID FALL ONLINE AUCTION which runs from Monday, November 2nd, 2020 to Monday, November 16th, 2020, and at this time I would like to say thank you to the clubs that have donated thus far. There is still time to donate, if interested, please contact me and I will resend the information out to your clubs.

Also, if any club is interested in raising funds by selling dog guide calendars, please contact me or I can come to a club meeting to explain the program. Or if it is easier, I can mail out some information on the fundraiser.

I am asking that you consider sponsoring as least 1 dog this year, that you participate purchasing Life Memberships and Fellowships, and/or a Judge Brian Stevenson award for an outstanding member or members in your club.

I have been on many virtual Zoom meetings in the last 5 months, and because we are unable to go to Oakville in October for our board meetings, I will be still having board meetings, but they will be done virtually for the three full days.

Please support PDG Claire in her role as the LFC district chair and buy lots of clothing, etc. from her

I would just like to say thank you Lions for being such strong supporters of the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides.

Respectfully submitted,

LFC N.S. Director, Lion Linda Baltzer

Donations received:

\$10,000.00 – New Minas Lions Club

\$ 1,000.00 – New Germany Lions Club

\$ 225.00 – Final payment for a Hearing Ear Dog – Lake Echo & Area Lions Club

Lions Foundation of Nova Scotia:

October 3rd, 2020

To: DG Jane, 1st VDG David, 2nd VDG Bill Bruhm, CST Peter and Fellow Lions

Re: Report Fall Cabinet Meeting, Coldbrook

The Lions Foundation of Nova Scotia is looking forward to another successful and rewarding year. Should you have any questions regarding the Foundation please contact the representative from your Zone who sits as a Director on the Board of the Foundation, or contact me personally.

Please remember that for a donation of \$ 100.00 you can recognize one of your members with an Honorary Life Membership and for \$ 250.00 you can present them with a Foundation Fellowship Award. What better way for clubs to support their own Foundation and at the same time recognize one of their members for their service to their Club, Community and Lionism.

So that all donations are acknowledged properly, if you are sending a memorial donation please provide the name of who it is in memory of and the name and address of who you wish the acknowledgement sent to.

The success we are achieving would not be possible without the dedication and support the Foundation is receiving from the Lions and Clubs of District N2. Thank you for your support. Lions, this is OUR FOUNDATION and YOUR FOUNDATION and we need YOUR SUPPORT.

At our September Zoom Meeting, the Board discussed what the clubs were doing to promote the foundation, approved the financial report and discussed items for this year. There were 2 recommendations that were made at the zoom meeting:

1) There is a motion to donate a \$1,000.00 to the Cavalcade for Diabetes if the event is held this year.

Motion by PCC Peter Reid, 2nd by PDG John Macfie

Motion Carried

2) There is also a motion to donate a \$1,000.00 to DG Jane's project – "Ronald McDonald House"

Motion by PCC Peter Reid, 2nd by ZC Leonard Bugbee

Motion Carried

Yours in Lionism.

Lion Peter Reid

Chairperson

Lions Foundation of Nova Scotia

****New Minas Lions Club donated \$8,000.00 to the Foundation. PCC Peter Reid thanked the New Mins Lions Club for their generous donation.**

New Business:

1) Winter Cabinet Meeting –

Brief Report for Cabinet Meeting

DG Jane, Lions All,

A more detailed report will be sent out via Lion Sarah after this Cabinet meeting.

With Covid 19 Restrictions in mind we need to have our plan approved by HRM and the operators of their building.

Current restrictions limit us to 125 people in the gym.

I will be seeking approval from the above for 28 Bubbles of 4 and 6 Bubbles of 2 giving us 124 spaces.

The other alternative is our Bingo floor plan that allows for 7 pods of 4 and 43 pods of 2 giving us 114 spaces.

The first proposal would limit us to 34 clubs unless some clubs agree to form a bubble; the second would allow for 50 clubs.

In either case clubs should consider not sending large numbers of members. This will allow for more clubs to attend.

The serving of a meal, which needs to be approved by the above, will consist of chicken cordon blue, mashed potatoes, veggies, dinner roll, bottled water and/or juice and dessert will cost \$15 if paid for by January 22nd; any meals not paid for till after January 22 will cost \$20.00.

Of course, all attendees will have to pay the \$5 registration fee.

Lion John, Feb Cabinet Chair



LAKE ECHO, FEBRUARY CABINET MEETING



February 6, 2021
Phone 902-829-3969 e-mail caperjohn43@gmail.com

October 01, 2020

Dear Fellow Lions & Lioness,

The Lake Echo Lions and Lioness are pleased to be hosting the upcoming February Cabinet Meeting. Please note the following information about the events, meeting and meal locations.

LIMITED CAPACITY DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS – WE CAN HAVE ONLY 125 PARTICIPANTS IN THE GYM, as a result we will be seating clubs at **THEIR BUBBLE TABLE** and mingling cannot occur.

HRM REQUIRES ALL ENTRANTS TO BE SIGNED INTO THE BUILDING AND THEY MUST SANITIZE BEFORE GOING TO THEIR TABLE.

MASKS MUST BE WORN IN HRM BUILDINGS AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT WHEN EATING OR DRINKING

LOCATION: - No smoking is permitted in the Community Centre

All events, including the meal will be in the Lake Echo Community Centre located at 3168 Highway # 7 in Lake Echo. The Community Center is wheelchair accessible.

Take Exit 18 on Highway 107 (turn left if travelling east, turn right if travelling west; stop at the flashing red light, then turn right. The Community Centre is located on the right at the bottom of the hill before you reach the bridge.

REGISTRATION:

9:00 am to 10:00 am in lobby – Registration \$5.00 for each attendee.

Due to Covid 19 Restrictions there will be no Coffee, tea, muffins, donuts;

There will be juice, water maybe prepackaged something to munch on

Late registration on Feb 6th will be paid by club in bulk, not individually. **Luncheon Tickets & Registration & Meal tickets ordered by Jan 22nd but not paid before Feb 6th will be \$25**

MEETINGS: - THESE MEETINGS MAY HAVE TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS

DG Advisory Committee Meeting – in Seniors' Club Room – 8:45 am to 9:45 am

Zone Chair Meeting upstairs in Cap Site - 9:00 am to 9:50am

Long Range Planning upstairs in Youth Room – 9:00 am to 9:50

Lions – in Gym -10:00 am to 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm till 2:30 pm???

Lioness Meeting in Seniors' Club Room – 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

NOON LUNCHEON: - All luncheon tickets must be ordered by January 22, 2021

12:00 noon till 1:00 pm in Gym at your club bubble table

Menu – Chicken Cordon Swiss, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, juice, water, dessert

DEADLINES:

Luncheon Tickets & Registration **ordered by Jan 22nd but not paid before Feb 6th \$25**

MOTELS: - information will be sent out later – all motels are within 25 km from Lake Echo

MAKE ALL CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "LAKE ECHO LIONS CLUB": Send Payments to:

Lion John Macfie

February Cabinet Meeting Chair, 1 MacFarlane St. Lake Echo, NS, B3E 1M5

DG Closing Remarks:

Lions, I am so glad that you came out today. It gives me a good feeling in my Heart to see you all again in person. I know these are trying times but if we work together we will continue to be there for our global communities. I know some lions are wondering about

the Spring Convention, we are working on a plan and hopefully will have some news by the Winter Cabinet if not before.

Motion to adjourn by PDG John Macfie at 2:17 pm.

Other reports received:

Information Technology:

Information Technology Report
NS Fall Cabinet 2020

Communications

I am frequently asked to forward email communications between Lions in our district.

District Website

The District N 2 website received its annual update, including 2020-2021 district and zone chairs. As well, a page was added with links to information about our Lions Foundations.

Club Websites

There are only two clubs in the Best Club Website contest this year.

MyLion and Other Technical Support

In June, I sent an email to 2020-2021 club secretaries with information and forms to help them with their reporting duties. In August, I sent an email to the district introducing myself and briefly summarizing my job as Information Technology Chair.

I have received several requests for technical support since the beginning of the Lions year, having to do with MyLion, websites and Facebook pages.

Membership Reports

As of September 21, 2020, the Club Monthly Reporting History report on MyLCI shows that most clubs are up-to-date. However, there are 5 clubs that last filed in July 2020, 4 clubs that last filed in June 2020, 4 clubs that last filed in May 2020, and 5 clubs that are even more out-of-date.

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Sarah Hartman
District N 2 Information Technology Chair

District History:

DISTRICT HISTORY COMMITTEE REPORT
October 3rd, 2020

DG Jane, 1st VDG David, 2nd VDG Bill, CST Peter & Fellow Lions:

The District History remains a work in progress with more information being added on a continuous basis.

The District History can be found on the Hantsport & District Lions Club website at www.hantsportlionsclub.com. Just click on the link in the Heading marked "District N2 History".

We are always looking for more information about ours and YOURS District's History. If after viewing it, you feel that you might have some information that should be added to the History or even corrected please forward it to my attention.

Many Clubs have supplied me with a brief history of their club listing some of their service projects and fund raisers over the years but we are always looking for more.

We are willing to include all History related info if it is provided to us, as it is all history of our great District.

Yours in Lionism

Lion Ken MacKenzie PCST
Chairman

District Leo Advisor:

Fall Cabinet Report

To: DG Jane Gregory

From: Leo Advisor, Deb Featherby

What a year to be the Leo Advisor! With schools closed to all but staff and students, it makes the creation of more Leo Clubs problematic. But the protocols won't be in place forever so my thrust at this time is to help clubs prepare for the opening of schools. I will send out regular updates on planning for a Leo Club, because **NOW is the TIME** to plan so we are ready to hit the ground running.

Leo Clubs should be of prime importance for Lions as we look to the future of our organization – especially in recruiting new members.

Leo Clubs also provide valuable skills for students in running a meeting, planning and executing events. Clubs don't have to be large to have successful events. Having students who want to help out in their communities is the only attribute needed. Everything else can be taught and modeled for them.

So I encourage all clubs to plan for the future – create a Leo Club!

District Diabetes:

**Diabetes Awareness Report
Fall Cabinet Meeting
October 3, 2020**

DG Jane, 1st VDG David, 2nd VDG Bill, CST Peter

This is the fifth year of Diabetes Awareness Newsletter to continue bring awareness of diabetes to the District N2. This year newsletters I hope to continue provide interesting articles, up and coming event, recipes and answer any question you may have.

Lions Cavalcade '20 pins have been ordered and received for the Lions Cavalcade May 2020 but due COVID-19 the Lions Cavalcade was cancelled. Each year the Lions Cavalcade pins are sold at the NS Convention and at the Cavalcade also tickets are sold on Camp Lion Maxwell bundle. With funds that come from the sale of pins and tickets each year is used to pay for the pins for the next year. Without the sale of pins and tickets there will not be Lions Cavalcade pin for the coming year due COVID-19. Have started to try to sale as many of the 2020 pins to recoup the cost of the pins. Will have the pins at the Fall Cabinet Meeting for sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Karen LaVigne
Diabetes Awareness
District N2 2020/21

District Speak out:

DG Jane Gregory:

“You have to give a speech” or “tomorrow you have a public presentation to give”, words and phrases that strike fear into the hearts of a vast number of Canadians. Yet, it is skill, particularly in today’s challenging and competitive career market, that can mean the difference in an interview and in career progression. The ability to speak in public bolsters self-assuredness and makes a lasting impression on others.

Public Speaking skills can help a young adult succeed both in post-secondary education as well in professional and community involvements. Confidence in one’s ability to stand in front of a crowd and deliver a speech builds self-esteem, helps to clearly and effectively convey one’s ideas, opinions and beliefs to others, can expand one’s career opportunities and increase marketability.

This is why we conduct a District Speak Out Competition. We have been truly captivated and educated by the youth competing in our Speak Out Competitions over the years.

However, this is a very different year.....COVID-19 has impacted us in so many ways, changing the way we conduct business. So it is with our Speak Out competitions. With many clubs not meeting yet and some of those that do are restricting outside attendance, we must have a close look and evaluate whether a District Speak Out Competition is viable this year. Especially given that we are not yet assured of having a Convention next year.

So, what now? Very shortly I will be contacting the Zone Chairs in the District with a questionnaire to be distributed to the clubs in their zones. I will be asking the clubs to send the information back through their Zone Chairs to me. The information provided will permit an informed decision to be made regarding the District Speak Out competition this year. **THOUGHT**; could the competitions be held using technology? Give me your thoughts when you return the questionnaires.

The Lion's year is still young, and much could change before February 2021, the suggested date to have club Speak Outs completed by so that Zone Speak Outs could be held in time for the Convention.

I ask that all the clubs take the time to fill out the survey when received and return it when completed. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



Lion Pat Nixon
Speak Out Chairperson
District N2



District Recycle for Sight:

Lion Walter Illsley
District N2
Recycle For Sight Chairperson
2020-2021

October 2, 2020

District Governor Jane,

While Covid-19 continues to affect how we as Lions are able to do our service projects there have been just over 1900 pairs of glasses turned in so far. Three batches were tagged as to which clubs they came from and the rest were not, my best guess is that five clubs have turned glasses in so far.

Some clubs are still sending in soft cases and glasses that are not suitable for recycling, I will send a letter out to all the clubs in the district once Lion Scott McKenzie and I have a chance to sit down so that I can find out more details about the program.

I know that more glasses will be coming in at the Fall Cabinet Meeting and look forward to receiving them.

Yours in Lionism
Lion Walter Illsley

District Lions Quest:

**Lions Quest Canada Report
Fall Cabinet Meeting
October 3rd, 2020**

DG Jane, 1st VDG David, 2nd VDG Bill, CST Peter

Lions Quest Canada – as you have heard me say many times it takes a village to raise a child and we are the villagers.

It has never been more important time to focus on the social & emotional well-being for students and staff.

During the summer the District Chairs from across Canada would get together every two weeks, and we still meet every month via zoom. We get together and learn from each other, and build on our strengths.

People may think that due to the pandemic, that there is nothing going on with Lions Quest Canada, but due to the pandemic, they have adapted the way they do business. Lions Quest Canada, now offers virtual training for the Lions Quest Social Emotional Learning Program. Programs are limited to 20 participants, at a cost of \$350.00 per person. The fee covers the training, & the curriculum resource package for one grade level.

There are free webinars and workshops for any lion who wishes to attend.

Due to the pandemic, our total donations have decreased for the 2019-2020 Lions year. For the Lions year 2018-19 the District donated a total of \$ 5,360.00 and last year the donations were \$ 2,280.00. I want to personally thank the 9 clubs who made donations. Donations will be very important, as they will not be doing the ticket fundraiser this year.

Remember, every little bit helps. If any one would like more information, please let me know. I am working on doing a community-based workshop for youth leaders in the Province, I will try to include some First Responders as well.

Respectfully submitted,

PDG Rhonda
Lions Quest Canada Chair

Zone 7:

Zone 7 Report
Fall Cabinet, October 3rd, 2020

District Governor Jane, 1st VDG Dave, 2nd VDG Bill, CST Peter, & fellow Lions:

Zone 7 is starting to recover somewhat since covid-19 hit us all in March and forced all clubs to shut down.

Zone 7 has 133 members within the 6 clubs.

We are starting to resume some activities & events within the zone such as;

Radio Bingo, in house bingo, Rafflebox 50/50 online, Northwood In Touch, take out meals, newsletters, alert program, 50/50 tickets being sold on 2 wooden flowers, food bank, etc.

Donations are still being made to our Lions programs that we support:

Eyeglasses, hearing aids, CPAP machines, stamps, ink cartridges, LCIF, LFC dog guides, collecting can tabs to help buy wheelchairs.

We are also making donations to clients in need of fuel, power bills paid, rental, eyeglasses, dental, & medical assistance, etc.

We advertise ourselves by newsletters, wearing our lions clothing, newspaper articles, social media (facebook), road side signage, billboards, etc.

I had to postpone our first zone meeting, which will be rescheduled for early November.

For the year 2019-2020, zone 7 decided to do a project together with \$2,000 as my goal for the zone and we were to make a presentation at our 3rd zone meeting last March, but because of covid-19 as you all know, our lives and social gatherings changed for all of us drastically. Our project was to raised monies for the "Special Olympics Annapolis, which a cheque was presented to Melissa Wade, Regional Coordinator, totalling \$2,101.58 on August 24th at the Middleton & District Lions Club, with proper protocols followed. I would like to say a very big Thank You to zone 7 for their contribution to this great project and for the amount they raised considering how the last half of our year went.

It is not an easy year for sure, bur we must all reman positive, we can and will get through this pandemic, and come out the other side a much stronger and greater Lion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Zone 7 Chair, Lion Linda Baltzer

Zone 9:

ZONE REPORT FALL CABINET MTG.

Zone 9 Clubs include, Bridgewater &Area, Chester Basin New Ross Chester, Liverpool &Area, Lockeport , Mahone Bay Area, New Germany &Area, Shelburne & Area and Riverport & Districts Lions Clubs.

Clubs have been slowly returning to having meetings.

Some have been carrying out Fund raising projects. Like Apple sales, take out meals and some eat in with all COVID-19 special measures being followed. BBQs have proven successful, as working outside makes social distancing easier.

Adopt A Highway, a great environmental project was completed taking advantage of the outside.

Radio Bingo has been a constant Fund Raiser of many of our clubs. It was shut down from March until July 1st wiped out a lot of those funds. But the It has been exceptionally good since the restart.

Clubs have plans to continue with important projects as the Year progresses.

We need to be safe, especially during COVID-19. Protecting ourselves as well as the people that we serve.

Funding raising has become difficult and probably the biggest challenge that clubs are facing. Some of the Clubs are participating in the Lions 50/50 Lotto.

Service projects to provide Hope to those in need have never stopped. Requests have been dealt with, and needs have been met. Providing electric wheelchairs Scooters, helping with eyeglasses, medical supplies, Clubs have performed special needs caused by the isolation that the Virus has created. making masks for the first line workers and others in need. Shopping for the elderly, driving people to medical appointments and performing other necessary Chores. Demand at food banks was high and Lions were there to assist.

Blood donor clinics were streamlined but a must and lions helped them along.

During these times Lions have stood tall and operated with the Motto of all Lions "We Serve".

Zoom meeting have been offered as an alternative to in person with mixed results. They served as a great alternative way to operate a club during these times.

With the make up of the Clubs, I personally cannot see them replacing in person meetings. We need the Human contact.

Our Clubs have held at least one club meeting. Our first zone meeting CONDUCTED using Zoom. Our Lions participated in the Virtual DGO.

Social Media has been used to do necessary business around meetings of either format. Personally, I consider Phone calls as social media.

As Lions we do what we can, the best way that we can.

Becoming Sponsors of the Walk Your Way in support of Autism Nova Scotia was selected as a Zone Project. A Virtual Auction has been planned to provide Funds to enable the society to carry out special programs for those with this condition.

We are encouraged to practise Diversity and we must be as effective as is needed.

Membership is on the increase for 20/21 Lion's year and I predict that with continue.

Lions continue to serve their communities providing Hope in their Random Acts of Kindness.

Yours in Lionism
ZC Lion Peter

Zone 10:

ZONE 10 REPORT TO FALL CABINET MEETING

All Clubs except the Dalhousie Campus club have reported at the recent zone meeting. Clubs reporting have submitted payment for their district and international dues. Clubs are back to regular meetings but are not visiting. There are still concerns by some members with attending in person meetings. A zone meeting was held at the St Margaret's Centre on September 16th, 2020. Six clubs were represented in attendance and submitted reports. Two clubs not in attendance sent in their reports. The Dalhousie Campus did not attend or send in a report. This is likely due to students doing distance education via the internet and are not actually on campus.

Armdale Fairview Rockingham Lions Club

Reporting 7 members -1 of which is a Life member, 1 new member to be inducted in near future, International and District Dues have been paid. Collect used eye glasses, donation of \$200 to Ronald MacDonald house, purchased a new bed for the IWK Hospital. Continued partnership with Northwood in Touch.

Beaver Bank Kinsac Lions Club

Reporting 43 members, International and District Dues paid by October 1st, collects eye glasses stamps and c pacs, current addition to hall 1. Donated food and \$250.00 to food Bank, Delivered 160-10lb bag of potatoes to people in the community. Donated \$900.00 to help a person in the community. Donated \$8,000.00 in gift certificates to Beacon House. Donated \$5,000.00 in gift certificates to Gateway Food Bank. Donated \$2,000.00 in gift certificates to Church of the Good Shepherd. Donated 23-\$50.00 gift certificates to members in the community. Donated 2-\$1000.00 bursaries. Chase the Ace every Thursday night. Inducted one new member. Have Treasure Chest 50/50 Draw.

Bedford Lions Club

Reporting 37 members, one of which is a new member and one a transfer member, International and District dues have been paid. Donations \$100 to Police Association \$1000 to Ronald MacDonald House. Offering \$100 grants to any organization in the community doing a project to benefit community. 50/50 Fund raiser. Two members participating in Bedford Residents summer cleanup. Collecting used eye glasses. Sponsor school breakfast program. Provides use of Den to community groups. Added four members and lost one to death,

Fall River / River Lake Lions Club

Reporting 13 members, International and District dues have been paid. Held a 9th Annual Golf Tournament on August 21 2020 and was very successful. Held BBQ for TIMS Camp Days. Thursday Night Wings restarted on June 11 2020 and has been very busy, best night 136 dozen wings along with lots of other menu items. This is a weekly

project. Continue to provide medical equipment -wheelchairs-walkers etc. to the community. Continue to collect eye glasses. Presented four-\$750.00 bursaries /scholarships to students at LOCKVIEW HIGH SCHOOL. Reporting 13 members, two of which are Life members, one is a member at large and ten are regular members.

Hubbard's and Area Lions Club

Reporting 25 members The Hubbard's & Area Lions Club made the difficult decision on March 15th to close due to the first reported cases of COVID-19 in the province. Since then we have continued to loan out hospital equipment to community members when needed, provide food to our backpack buddies and help out our local food bank through donations. We have also installed an AED in our lions club which we will share with the Aspotogan Fitness Centre located on our lower level, and as well have partnered with the St Margaret's Bay Lions Club to donate an AED to our local high school, Sir John A Macdonald. Lastly, we have just completed our project of becoming a true COMFORT CENTRE. We are very excited to be able to provide this "safe haven" to our community. Moving forward, we plan to continue with our take out fish fry's. Our August one was a huge success. Also, we plan to do another road toll in October. Again, our August one was very successful.

Sackville Lions Club

Reporting 38 members, International and District dues have been paid. The main fund raiser at the moment is bingo. Planning to have a Thanksgiving supper. Ongoing prepare supper every six weeks for Hope Cottage. Donations \$1000 to Beacon House monthly, \$800 donated to Fall Rivers fund raiser. Social Services \$205. Collect stamps, eyeglasses and CPAC machines. Collect tabs for Kinsmen. Holding club meeting. Visitors are welcome but they need to pre-register. Hall rentals are discontinued presently due to COVID restrictions.

Spryfield Lions Club

Reporting 22 members of which 20 are active, two are members-at-large and one is a life member. International and District dues have been paid. We had suspended all revenues from the den, weekly bingo, road tolls and partnership with Spryfield Recreation Association for opening and closing. This has impacted the ability to offer scholarships at the local high school and reduced the support that can be offered to citizens in need within the community. Continue to support Lions Quest and other such worthwhile activities. Responded to calls for help with groceries, eyeglasses a scooter for a citizen in need. Holding regular meetings now but have delayed the bingo and are waiting for improvements to reduce the risks. Started den rentals and are following health regulation, social distancing, sanitizing and contact tracing. Catering food service functions is limited due to COVID health requirements. Conducted a barbeque on behalf of the Spryfield Business Association. Collect used eye glasses, hearing aids and CPAC machines. Advertise in the Chebucto News and Kijiji. Maintain two Lions highway signs and an A-frame sign advertising the weekly bingo.

St Margaret's Bay Lions Club

Reporting 21 members -1 of which is a Life member Administration: International dues are paid up to date by a bank draft in American funds. District Dues will be paid. All sponsorship's and commitments have been honored. Our membership now stands at 21 one of whom is a life member. Fund Raising: 1) Bay Treasure Chest \$ 1100.00 Show & Shine \$ 1800.00 Donations \$ 350.00 Service Project.

Our club continues to provide food vouchers to needy families. We operate a sick-room equipment loan-out service including wheel chairs walkers, canes & crutches, hospital beds, lift chairs etc. This effort is labelled as Social Services. There are two members on that committee. Recently loaned out a wheel chair to a lady in Yarmouth delivered by Lion Jan Deveau. Loaned a hospital bed to Lake Echo Lions Club to be loaned out in their area. Zoom Meetings were held in May and June. Regular in person meetings were resumed on Sept 3rd. Eyeglass Recycling. We continue to collect used eyeglasses, hearing aids, and CPAC machines. Donations: 1. I W K Hospital \$400 2. St Margaret's Bay Food bank \$3000 District Grief Kits 200 High school Bursaries for by 500 \$2000 Margarette Women's shelter \$300.

Outreach Community Service by St Margaret's Bay Lions Members

In the middle of the Covid- 19 First Wave three St. Margaret's Bay Lions endeavored to prolong a local man's continued wish and ability to remain in his own home. They worked in temperatures sometimes exceeding 29°C. They cleaned and removed large pieces of debris, appliances and garbage. They worked with HRM arranging a delivery of a dumpster. These members worked 464 hours in their in an herculean effort to epitomize the Lion's Motto. Despite this work not being in our area and unsanctioned at the time, we wish to recognize and acknowledge Lions Tammy Carew, Lions Blaine MacDonald and Doreen Mac Donald. "HOPE" in every act of kindness. Lions Motto We Serve.

Dalhousie Campus Club

No report submitted.

There have been two deaths in zone 10, one member of Bedford Club and one member of the Sackville Club.

I have assisted the Spryfield Lions Club secretary with regaining access to the mylci account and talked with the Fall River River Lake Lions Club to offer words of encouragement at a time when the executive needed district support.

I assisted the St Margaret's Bay Lions in tracking down a payment that was sent in without an accompanying invoice.

I am part of District Governor Jane Gregory's team and have been in contact with her to keep her up-to-Date on any Zone 10 Issues.

Respectfully Submitted,
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