

(Reports attached at bottom of minutes)

DG Bill called the meeting to order at 10am with 145 Lions in attendance representing 38 clubs and 1 guest from the EMO of HRM.

- (a) O' Canada
- (b) Lions Invocation
- (c) Lions Pledge
- (d) Moment of Silence for our deceased Lions and those around the world.

DG Bill welcomed everyone to this years Winter Cabinet meeting. Giving regrets from VDG Joyce for she was unwell. DG Bill thanked the Bedford Lions for hosting this years event and asked if any club was thinking of hosting a cabinet meeting to reach out to a club that has done it before.

DG Bill reminded all the club presidents and secretaries there to get their new officers for the next Lions year in place and submitted to MyLCI.

He also asked for clubs and zones to look for the new zone chairs for next year and thanked the Lion that stepped forward today to fill in for someone that had to step down as zone chair.

Lion Jamie Harper, the Winter Cabinet Chair welcomed everyone to Bedford and explained where the washrooms were and the protocols of the school.

### Voting Procedures – PDG Clyde Paul

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 provided there has been prior written, or e-mail notification to the CST, of all Chartered Clubs 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, no matter how many positions you hold in the district.

**Agenda** – Lion Paul Burgess motioned for approval of the Winter Cabinet agenda and seconded by PDG Frank Hartman. MC

Fall Cabinet Minutes – CST Jane asked for approval of the Fall Cabinet minutes as circulated. PDG John Stoddart moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by PDG John Macfie. MC

**Financial Report** – CST Jane reported that as of Feb. 10, 2023 that 5 clubs had not paid their second half of the semi-annual District dues (Two clubs paid that day) and 6 clubs have not paid for their NS Lion Ad. (Two clubs paid that day).

In the RBC account there is approx.. \$81,000, with one cheque. (Actual \$86,492.68 with one outstanding cheque for \$4376.66)

In the ECCU account we have \$24,899.91 in a 3yr Escalator, \$33,492.57 in a Personal HISA and \$5.39 in Equity Shares. Total of \$58,397.87.

Sage program is working well and will have everything in place for next years CST. Still working on getting a District Credit Card. Hopefully in place by Convention.

DG Bill asked for approval of the Financial Report. Moved by Lion Linda Baltzer, seconded by PDG Debbie McGinley to accept the financial report as presented. MC

### **Foundation Reports:**

- (a) LCIF PDG Susan Taylor reported on the LCIF Disaster Relief Grant for Glace Bay. She reported that she had participated in an LCIF retreat in Winnipeg and new material was shared and strategies worked out for the coming year. Full report attached.
- (b) LFNS PCC Peter Reid was not available, will have a report at the Spring Convention. DG Bill reported that an audited statement about the Foundations Funds was received and given to PDG Clyde Paul (Budget & Audit).
- (c) LFC Lion Linda Baltzer reported that PDG Rhonda Trickett is our District Leadership Campaign Chairperson for our province. The Capitol Campaign is being called the Difference Campaign. Training center hopefully being up and running by 2025. Her position is up next year and new replacement needs to be found, have received two applications to date.

Lion Linda presented the following clubs with a certificate and patches for their participation in the 2022 Walk for Dog Guides.

Antigonish - \$2525, Enfield/Elmsdale - \$3135, Kingston - \$4600, Musq. Valley - \$1000, Milford - \$1380, Shelburne - \$1268.50, Sydney/Glace Bay - \$805, Truro - \$621, Wolfville - \$427.25.

Donations made - \$4000 for a Hearing Dog from Mahone Bay & Area Lions Club.

### **District Committee Reports:**

- (a) GLT DG Bill Bruhm reported that due to illness the District Leadership team are working on organizing the Officer Training in May. Four officer training schools are being planned and more information will be coming out on this. Four different locations, one to be in Cape Breton area and the rest spread out throughout Nova Scotia. He also reminded all clubs to get all Club Officers in place for next year and recorded on MyLCI. Zone Chairs need to be in place as well.
- (b) GMT PDG Gordon Taylor reported a positive growth in membership for the district. Glad to report that 41 of our clubs have reported a growth in their clubs. Full report attached.

(c) GST – Lion Wendy Owen gave a brief report on how the Lions in District N2 are doing. That 68,427 people have been served and clubs have reported 881 service activities. Clubs in our district have reported 21,205 service hours since July 1<sup>st.</sup> Of those hours 1 club reported 4383 hours since July 1<sup>st</sup> 2022, the same club reported serving 13,305 people. Full report attached.

### **District Chair Reports:**

(a) Speak Out – Lion Pat Nixon reported that the Speak Out is a go for this year. So far, he has 2 potential speakers representing 2 zones. Lion Steve Butler questioned that the prize structure should be revamped. Lion Steve Butler moved that we get a motion of intent to have the Constitution & By-Laws look at changing the policy of prize structure for the Speak Out. Seconded by Lion Linda Baltzer. MC Report attached that had been circulated by Lion Sarah.

Subnote: It was noted that not all clubs were getting the information being circulated by the District and so many Lions were missing out on events and information. DG Bill asked all club secretaries to circulate the information being sent through Lion Sarah.

- (b) Long Range Planning PCC Scott MacKenzie had the questionnaire Part One about information gathering and Part Two about the district awards the district gives out and how we move forward with them, passed out to each person present. He asked everyone to fill it out and pass it in when completed today. Copy of the questionnaire is attached.
- (c) Lions Quest DG Bill explained ways that we can support Lions Quest. Approximately 12,000 in the Lions Foundation of NS earmarked for training. One of the ways you can support Lions Quest is for example the Child ID Kits and had some for clubs take back to their clubs to see if it was something they would be interested in. Lion Paul Burgess reported that the Windsor club held a Safety Day and had the RCMP, Fire Department help do the fingerprints and had pictures taken for the parents to keep of their child getting it done. DG Bill explained briefly what Lions Quest was about and that he is working with the South Shore School Board, trying to get it into the schools there. For more information contact him.
- (d) Lions Memorial Park PID Len Giffen reported that a total of 15 new Lions Memorial walk stones have been installed since July 1, 2022 representing 4 clubs, bringing the total to 59 stones representing 17 different clubs in Nova Scotia. A full report is attached.
- (e) Diabetes Canada 2VDG Karen LaVigne reported that Diabetes Canada are in the planning stages of an event called Pump Couture Fashion Show. Funds raised from this event will go to Camp Lion Maxwell. More information will be sent out later via Lion Sarah. Lion Karen also reported that Friendship Night & Calvacade for Diabetes will be held again this year, mark your calendar for May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. It will begin at the Wolfville & District Lions Club and Fun Night will be at Canning District Lions Club. This is being hosted by Zone 5 Lions Clubs. The meal will be a turkey dinner. Report attached.
- (f) Stamp Project Lion David Baugil report that he has passed in \$160 to the CST for the stamps that were sold since the Fall Cabinet. He explained how stamps should be collected and passed in. (1/4" of paper around the stamp. Don't cut to close to the stamp or they cannot be used).

Zone Chair reports were emailed out. CST Jane received from the following zones which are attached below. Zone 4, 8, 12 and 14

Break for Lunch – 12pm

Lion Jamie Harper introduced our Guest Speaker – Haley Jeffery, assistant manager coordinator for EMO Halifax.

Explained who is responsible for the different parts of EMO and how they work together. Haley mentioned Comfort Kits, which could include soap, shampoo, razors, toothbrush, toothpaste, emergency blanket, formula, diapers, etc. Which typically the Red Cross provide. She explained different programs they have and how the Lions could help. She explained about comfort, warming and evacuation centres and who could open them. After her presentation DG Bill presented Haley with his DG pin and thanked her for her coming out to share with us. Lion Jamie stated that he would circulate Haley's presentation to everyone via Lion Sarah.

### **Correspondence:**

(a) International Convention – DG Bill asked if anyone was interested in booking a bus to travel to the convention. If interested reach out to him.

50/50 winner – Lion Dale Clarke - \$391.50 (donated ½ of his winnings back to Breast Cancer Awareness)

#### **Old Business:**

- (a) NS Lion Lion Jane Gregory reported that there had been a mix-up with the printer, and they thought we were just doing online issues only. And that she had 100 copies of the November/December issue of the NS Lion to hand out that day. Moving forward we will have to decide what we need to do with getting them printed and mailed out. The District Team will be meeting to discuss this, and the district will be notified of what is going to happen.
- (b) Fall Cabinet Report PDG John Macfie read his report for the Fall Cabinet expenses and revenue. Full report attached.

### **New Business:**

(a) Spring Convention – DG Bill reported that the Spring Convention was to be hosted by his home club, Bridgewater & District but due to the rise in costs they could no longer do this. Lion Jane Gregory then reported that the Lawrencetown, Middleton and Kingston Lions Clubs were going to co-host this event. It will be on April 28-29<sup>th</sup> and full details will be sent out via Lion Sarah. The Meet & Greet theme is a Sports Theme, essentially a Tail Gate party.

**Tail Twister** – proceeds going to Breast Cancer Awareness. Total collected \$591.00 and the winner of the 50/50 draw donated half of his winnings to the Breast Cancer Awareness.

(b) 50/50 Proposal – DG Bill reported that he had finally heard back from George who is the contact he has for this project. DG Bill read the letter of intent that he had received, and some discussion was done. It was decided to move forward and find out more information, he will let the district know when he knows.

- (c) New Members Portal DG Bill informed the secretaries and club administrators present of a change with MyLCI. It is changing to Salesforce, a new portal which will make it easier to enter information regarding your clubs. The conversion date is July 15, 2023 and all member information needs to be updated on MyLCI by June 15, 2023 for the new officers to be able to use the Portal. Make sure all your data is correct, check with your members to be sure. This portal will allow the use on tablets and phones. Asking for each secretary to print off your current list of members and get them to check and make sure information is correct. Make sure the birthdates are correct, this was a glitch in the current program. If you do not get your information corrected by June 15<sup>th</sup>, then your new officers will not be able to get into the program until late next Fall.
- (d) MDN Spring Convention Lion Dorothy reported on behalf of PDG Rhonda that the MDN Spring Convention will be hosted by the Eastern Passage CowBay Lions club on May  $12^{th} 14^{th}$ . She has flyers there today and it will be circulated via Lion Sarah. The Meet & Greet will be held at the EPCB Lions Hall and the cut-off date is April  $30^{th}$ . The guest speaker will be ID John Youney.
- (e) Presentation PDG David Hunter presented PCST Martyn Foreshaw a plaque for all he had done for him during his term.
- (f) Fundraising Opportunity Lion Michael Hart (St. Margaret's Bay Lions) informed the members present of an opportunity to help raise money for the Fiona folks that were effected in Glace Bay. He belongs to a band called Cruiser's Rock n' Roll. Reach out to him if you are interested.
- (g) SWOT Analysis DG Bill asked everyone to participate with this and to be honest with your responses. **S**trength **W**eaknesses **O**pportunities **T**hreats

**Closing Remarks** – DG Bill thanked everyone for coming out today and for all your patience. Wishing everyone safe travels.

Adjournment of the Winter Cabinet, moved by Lion at 3:12pm

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### Winter Cabinet Financial Report February 10, 2023

As of, February 10<sup>th</sup> there are 5 clubs that have not paid their second half of their semi-annual District Dues. Not including those that paid them today, thank you.

And there are 6 clubs that have not paid for their NS Lion ad. Please reach out to me if you have any questions regarding your invoices.

Remember you can pay by e-transfer using the <a href="mailto:cstdistrictn2@gmail.com">cstdistrictn2@gmail.com</a> email address.

In the RBC account there is \$81,000 and there are no outstanding cheques. Actual is \$86,492.68 with one cheque outstanding - \$4376.66 MDN dues.

In the East Coast Credit Union we have \$24,899.91 in a 3 Year Escalator and \$33,492.57 in a Personal HISA and \$5.39 in Equity shares. A total of \$58,397.87

The Sage program is going strong, will have it all inputted by the end of this Lions Year for next years CST.

At the Fall Cabinet I had mentioned that it would be good to get a credit card for the CST to use throughout the year. I am still working on it.

I have reached out to RBC for an appointment to discuss how to get one, but they do not do those appointments in house. You must get a phone appointment, which I did but no one called at the appointed time. I will try once again and hopefully by the Spring Convention it will be in place.

Respectively Submitted, CST Lion Jane Gregory

LCIF Winter Cabinet Report

PDG Susan Taylor librariansue@gmail.com 705-875-0251

DG Bill, Fellow Cabinet members:

This is my second report to Cabinet this Lions Year.

In early October we requested and received and emergency grant from Lion Clubs International Foundation for \$10,000 (CAD\$13,711.25). After DG Bill had contacted Lions Clubs in the affected areas, the District Governors Team decided to focus our efforts in Glace Bay. The Glace Bay Lions immediately stepped forward and held a "Lions Shopping Day to Replenish the Pantry. Working with local churches, the school and a community group, a list of 130 clients was created. Each of those folks were contacted and asked if they wanted to participate. Eventually there was even a waiting list of people who contacted the Lions directly. This was a great success. The publicity on CBC Radio and in the Cape Breton Post increased the recognition of Lions in Cape Breton and specifically Glace Bay. Well done, Lions!

In November, I participated in an LCIF for Canadian District Coordinators retreat in Winnipeg. New LCIF material was shared and strategies worked out for the coming year.

LCIF information updates have been shared with our Lions and Clubs in September, January and February. In September I requested the name of the club LCIF Chair. To date I have received the names from 2 clubs. If there is no LCIF club chair at this time, the Immediate Past President should fill that roll. Please send the name, and contact information to the me at <a href="librariansue@gmail.com">librariansue@gmail.com</a>.

Our donations to LCIF are considerably lower this year. I realize that many clubs are just getting back on their feet after 2 years of Covid, however, we need to be mindful of the need in the world especially with recent current events. Our community is not only the one around our homes, but includes our Province, Country and the world. Please give what you can. All club and personal donations a also count as credits towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Remember to make all contributions to Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF, and send to PDG Stan Durward at Box 38, SUNDERLAND, ON LOC 1C0

In the mailing that I sent to clubs, I included notification for clubs with dollar credits over \$1000 US and close to that amount, and can assist clubs who wish to recognize Lions or community members who have provided humanitarian service to others. Call me for the appropriate forms and information. Its time to celebrate service.

The proposed project with the IWK is not continuing because the IWK Foundation was able to raise the funds to purchase all the CO2 machines during the holiday campaign.

We entered the process too late, and with our constitutional requirements and restrictions, we would not be able to begin until after the convention in April. This makes a District project bleed over into a new District Governor's year and in this case our opportunity to make a difference was lost. The IWK always needs assistance and Lions can always donate at any time.

Respectfully Submitted PDG Susan Taylor, LCIF Chair

### **District N2 Global Membership Coordinator Report to Cabinet**

February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

District Governor Bill and fellow Lions,

I am pleased to report a positive growth trend in membership for the district. The last report from Lions International noted a net growth of 10 for the District. What is more positive in my mind is that 41 of our clubs report at least one new member. As a district, we have a total of 137 new members but a loss of 127 (10 of the members lost have been lost through death).

Reporting on the part of clubs has improved with 6 or 7 clubs still not up to date with membership reports to LCI. Twenty clubs filed the District Global Membership Report in January.

Unfortunately, due to illness before Christmas, the planned Zoom Workshop was cancelled. However, there are plans to offer in person workshops in a number of venues throughout the District in the near

future. I hope that any Lion that has an interest in Club Membership will join us at those workshops, not just Membership Chairs.

The Lions International Membership Publications have been distributed to all clubs either through the Zone Chair or by Canada Post. These documents outline ways to grow your clubs and should be viewed as a great asset.

My plan for the near future is to work with a club to assist with rebuilding and prevent the loss of a charter. This club faces what a number of clubs in the District face but perhaps have yet to recognize. Their membership has gotten older and are getting tired. The club last added a member seven years ago. The club is recycling its executive and although they have served their community very well, they have decided that they are not prepared to continue. I suggest that all clubs need to look at their membership and take note of who in their number will carry on the work and take on the leadership roles in the future. Hopefully, with Membership Recruitment efforts this club will continue to serve its community for years to come.

### Retention continues to be a concern.

I was recently contacted by a fairly new Lion that I had initially met over coffee to talk about her role in her club as a new membership chair. She contacted me by messenger in January to express her personal concerns and it brought home the need for clubs to examine the needs and satisfaction of their members and perhaps part of the reason why we have lost 120 members so far this Lions year. She states "some people really think they are Kings and Queens. This was not the case when I initially joined. I have been pushed out. I cannot connect with people of this mindset. I guess you might say I am a fired Lion because I do not have the same frame of mind with the ego attached......the same people chair all the committees and believe they are leaders in the community." Club climate and member satisfaction are issues that need to be reviewed in every club.

The Global Action Team set a goal of reaching the equivalent of one additional member for each club in the District by June. We have a ways to go but with effort in recruitment and retention we can reach that goal.

I am still available to speak or answer questions at Zone Meetings or to assist clubs with membership challenges. Feel free to contact me by email.

This report is respectfully submitted, PDG Gord Taylor

#### **GST Winter Cabinet Report**

Good morning, Fellow Lions

February 08. 2023

Lions in District have been busy. 68,427 people have been served and clubs have reported 881 service activities. Clubs in our district have reported 21,205 service hours since July 1<sup>st.</sup> Of those hours 1 club reported 4383 hours since July 1<sup>st</sup> 2022, the same club reported serving 13,305 people. Another club reported just 1 service hour in that same time.

I really enjoy looking at the reports on my Lion. The clubs in our wonderful District have had many wonderful ideas to service their communities. They have helped serve free Christmas dinners, provided food boxes for Christmas dinner, arranged for Santa to visit a Seniors home with gifts, prepared meals for the homeless, catered Remembrance Day services.

School supplies and new books have been provided to highschoolers; pop tabs have been collected. Clubs opened their doors to provided warming centers after Fiona. One of my favourites was organizing a puzzle exchange.

I am sure much much more has been done in this district but has gone unreported as only 36 percent of clubs in district N-2 have reported using my Lion compared to 51 % of Lions Clubs in Canada. 3 clubs have never reported via my Lion. It's been 24 months plus since 21 clubs have reported.

I think, no I know we can do better reporting. At the Spring Convention I would love to be able to say that District N2 has done better then the rest of Canada in reporting. If you need help reporting please reach out to me and I will do my best to help.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Wendy Owen GST Coordinator District N2

### District Speak Out Chairperson Winter Cabinet Report – 11 February 2023

District Governor and Lions!! There has not been much change since my report at the Fall Cabinet. The District Speak Out competition is a GO for this Lions Year. It has been over three years since the last competition was held. A reminder that speeches used at the club level should not have been used in any speaking competition before or been judged in competition. This would give an unfair advantage to a participant. The participant can use the same speech at the Zone and District levels that was used at the club level. Nothing prevents the participant from using a different speech at each level as long as each new speech has not been previously judged in competition as mentioned above. The rules for the District Speak Out competition can be found in the District N2 Policy Manual, Appendix B, which can be found on the District N2 Website. To date, as far as I am aware of, Zone 5 (Wolfville), Zone 8 (Yarmouth) and Zone 11 (Bedford) will have Zone representatives at the District Competition on April 29th . Zone 6 may have a representative by that will not be confirmed until the third week in February if a club or clubs in that zone are able to attract contestants from schools. Two zones in the district have failed to respond to both email and phone queries regarding Speak Out competitions at clubs in those Zones. I need know

ASAP when your club and zone competitions are complete so that I can complete the planning process for this year's District Speak Out competition. As previously noted, the four District Governors in the Multiple District have decided that participants, if they choose, may complete the speeches in French if they so desire. As such, I need to know this ASAP as well so I can take the required steps to accommodate this at the District competition. Unfortunately, to date, I have been unsuccessful regarding having the Speak Out Competition recorded for broadcast. Eastlink has a busy schedule during the month of April with the QMJHL telecasts and to be frank, although scheduled in advance, they have either missed or forgotten about numerous scheduled Zoom meetings to discuss recording for rebroadcast or as a segment on their Eastlink magazine which has been problematic. I have not given up on this initiative in the long term but given the present reality regarding Eastlink and the small number of participants in the District Speak Out competition this year, I feel that a full recording a rebroadcast this year is not feasible. Perhaps a small segment on Eastlink Magazine is doable and I will pursue this. So please make your participants aware of this possibility as they may have to sign a release or permission form from Eastlink if they are to be on a broadcast. A copy of the wording of this release is included in the Information and Planning guide that was sent out previously. Feel free to call or contact me anytime. Respectfully submitted, Lion Pat Nixon - Speak Out Chairperson District N2

nixonpat@hotmail.com (902) 765-8011

**LRP - District N2 Questionnaire** CLUB NAME February 11, 2023 THIS IS A **CLUB SUBMISSION** INDIVIDUAL LION SUBMISSION PART 1 – Information Gathering 1) In any given month between 40 and 60 percent of our Clubs submit the District **Activities Report:** My Club reports regularly (go to Question 2) My Club does not report regularly (go to Question 3) I don't know if my Club reports and I am concerned (go to Question 4) I don't know if my Club reports and I don't care (go to Question 4) 2) My Club completes the District Activities report because: (Check as many as apply) It is important for the District Governor and their Team We want the Points

| We like to compare our Club to the other Clubs  |
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| Our Secretary completes it but I don't care   |
| I don't know  |
| 3) I believe our Club does not report because: (Check as many as apply)   |
| Our Secretary is too busy   |
| Our Secretary does not have a computer  |
| Our Club does not care about the District   |
| The Report is useless   |
| Our Secretary does not report and I am upset by this  |
| We need more training   |
| 4) LCI encourages Clubs to report on myLCI and myLion and the data helps to promote Lions with government bodies and other organizations around the world. Just over 1/3 of our Clubs report. |
| Our Club reports (skip to # 6)  |
| Our Club does not report but we should  |
| Our Club does not report and I don't care   |
| I don't know if we report to LCI  |
| 5) We could encourage more reporting on myLCI and myLion by:  |
| Doing more training   |
| Combining our District Activities Report, myLion and myLCI into a single report   |
| Awarding a trophy for good reporting  |
| Other:  |
| If you are currently or have been in the last 5 years a Club Secretary please answer Questions 6 and 7  |
| 6) I reported Club Activities on:   |
| District Activities Report  |
| myLCI   |
| MyLion  |

|       | None of the above                               |        |
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| 7)    | I did not report or found it difficult because: |        |
|       | I wasn't trained                                |        |
|       | I wasn't trained very well                      |        |
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# **Lions Memorial Park Society Winter Cabinet Report 2023**

Ownership of the Lions Memorial park was formally transferred to the Society on July 15<sup>th</sup> 2023 under the leadership of the Board of Directors:

- Chair Lion Jeanetta McGinley
- Secretary Lion Walter Tingley
- Treasurer Lion Tracy Etter
- Director & Official Agent Lion Clyde Paul
- Director & Project Coordinator Lion Len Giffen

A total of 15 new Lions Memorial walk stones have been installed since July 1, 2022 representing 4 clubs bringing the total to 59 stones representing 17 different clubs in Nova Scotia.

We are now starting to receive names of deceased Lions for the next installation of engraved stones this Spring. If your club is considering having a memorial stone placed please contact me by the April Convention.

With the help of grants from the Municipality of East Hants and the Milford Lions Club we were able to employ a summer student last summer for maintenance and landscaping as well as painting all structures on the property, installing a fence along the back of the driveway to prevent parking on the lawn, and we also installed the underground water and power supply for a new washroom which we plan to install this year subject to receipt of municipal and provincial grants to support a grant already approved from the Milford & District Lions Club.

We are also in the final stages of applying for charitable status for the Park from Revenue Canada and once received our fundraising ability will be substantially enhanced as we continue to develop and beautify the property.

We have already had Lions from the USA and other provinces in Canada stop to explore and picnic in the park and are working to achieve the status of a must stop site for Lions visitors from around the world.

Incidentally, if you are an average Lions service of 20 years and 1 hour per week at \$10 per. Those Lions already memorialized in the park represent 1,180 years and 59,000 hours and \$590,000 worth of community service just from these men and women in Nova Scotia.

Respectively submitted.

Lion Len Giffen

### Financial Statement for 7 months ended January 31, 2023

| Revenues                    | ,           | •       |
|-----------------------------|-------------|---------|
| Donations – Lions Club      | \$5000.00   |         |
| Donations – Public          | 100.00      |         |
| Grants – MEH – Capital      | 4500.00     |         |
| MEH – Operational           | 1500.00     |         |
| Sale of Stone Pavers        | 4000.00     |         |
| Total Revenues              | \$15,100.00 |         |
| Expenses                    |             |         |
| Painting Project            | \$1,806.60  |         |
| Fence Project               | 1,774.06    |         |
| Washroom project            | 2,875.00    |         |
| Engraving                   | 13.80       |         |
| Payroll – summer student    | 3,325.42    |         |
| Payroll Withholding – CRA   | 418.58      |         |
| Stones – purchase of blanks | 597.50      |         |
| Maintenance                 | 254.62      |         |
| Miscellaneous               | 131.15      |         |
| Total Expenses              | \$11,196.73 |         |
| Surplus                     | \$3,903.27  |         |
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## Diabetes Awareness Report -Winter Cabinet Meeting February 11, 2023

DG Bill, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Joyce, CST Jane

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

Continue to be in contact Diabetes Canada, the contact person that I have been communicating with is in Ontario and have meetings every couple of months. They are in the planning stage of an event called

Pump Couture Fashion Show. It will be evening dedicated to understanding and highlighting issues surrounding wearable tech, body image and stigma in diabetes in the Halifax area. I will be taking part as a Lion and a Diabetic to bring awareness. If there are any other Lions that may be interested in this event please let me know.

District N2 Lions Cavalcade is back after so long which was May 2, 2019 and is now being planned and hosted by Zone 5 this year. Mark your calendar for May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. It will begin at the Wolfville & District Lions Club and Fun Night will be at Canning District Lions Club. The meal will be a turkey dinner. Looking for to seeing everyone.

Respectfully submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Karen LaVigne Diabetes Awareness District N2 2022/23

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### STAMP PROJECT Report

Received from Lion David Baugil on 11 February 2023 at Winter Cabinet Meeting in Bedford - \$160.00.

Reported he has passed in \$160 to the CST for the stamps that were sold since the Fall Cabinet. He explained how stamps should be collected and passed in. (1/4" of paper around the stamp. Don't cut to close to the stamp or they cannot be used).

A total of \$410 has been turned in so far this year.

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### **Zone 4 reports for the Winter Cabinet Meeting:**

We have been busy lately; the River John and Area have been busy doing projects in their club and continuing the construction of their club.

The Stellarton area lions Club are in the process of seeking a new venue for our club as the building that we are in has been sold and as such we are in the process of seeking another venue and we will contact the District Governor and district with our information.

The Stellarton & Area Lions Club are invited to meetings pertaining to the summer activities in the community to participate or input.

We also have had a Zone meeting consisting of revisiting our Code of Ethics, the structure of being a Lion, the structure of Committees, and also what Lionism is !!! plus being respectful to each other whether in a meeting or outside of a meeting. Personally, I take pride in our Lion members, we may all agree to disagree on items which is awesome for to keep communication going in our clubs with respect for each other. Pride that members who really notice and assist each other in Lionism.

We as a zone are continuing on being vigilant with Covid and the viruses that are going around.

Zone 4 is a great Zone! we continue to have meetings but also the fellowship aspect of Lionism in Lions. Please come and visit, everyone is Welcome.

### River John & Area Lions Club Activity Report:

- Our Club gave out treats and toys on Halloween Night to the children in our area which they loved
- We headed up the Christmas Dinners for Seniors and those in need on Christmas morning and gave out homemade fudge as a treat for them.
- We headed up the Christmas Decorating for the River John Park and had a tree lighting with different groups in our area
- We had our Chicken BBR in July which we do every year
- We catered to a Wedding in August with a chicken BBQ for them
- Our building is a place where our door is open to the different groups to hold their monthly meetings

### Pictou & Area Lions Club Activity Report:

### November 2022 / January 2023

- Fundraiser, Big Breakfast, raised \$285.00
- Donated \$1000.00 to Canada Dog Guides.
- Donated \$100.00 to Lions Diabetes Tag Day.
- Donated \$300.00 to a family in need for Christmas
- 8 Lions helped collected a truck load of food and \$3,500.00 for our local food bank.
- Donated \$300.00 to the West Pictou School Back Pack food project.
- Donated \$500.00 to two separate families who lost everything in a house fire.
- Honored a member with a Lions Foundation of N.S. life membership.
- Honored our yearly pledge to our local Air Cadets.

### Stellarton & Area Lions Club Activity Report;

- We held a 2day BBQs in Stellarton for the NS lop ball tournament in September for a fund raiser
- Also held Random BBQ's at various locations to raise funds.
- Held a Raffle and sold tickets on multiple items
- Held the ticket draw Sept 22/23 at the Stellarton town Hall.
- 4.On going collection of eye glasses ,hearing aids and C Pap machines.
- A few of our members sold poppy's for the Stellarton Legion.
- 6We donated money to the Heart and stroke Foundation in memory of one of our Members Mother
- We worked with the town of Stellarton to give out hot chocolate, candy to the children for the Stellarton Christmas Tree lighting.
- We donated 4 Christmas baskets 200.00 each with total of 800.00 dollars to homes in need.

- Zone Chair Lion Catherine held a zone meeting in November with 2 other clubs visiting. A lunch was served
- We were visited By our District Governor in November and held a lunch after our meeting was over
- We held our Club Christmas get together on Dec 12<sup>th</sup> with games and a dinner that followed.

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I, Zone Chair Catherine humbly submit my ZONE 4 Report.

January 31,2023

Always in Lionism

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### Zone 12 Report Winter Cabinet Meeting February 11, 2023

All clubs in Zone 12 are back to meeting in person. All clubs continue to collect used eyeglass, hearing aid, CPAP, stamps, and ink cartridges. All clubs contributed to Zone 12 Annual Christmas Project.

Cole Harbour Lions Club – The club added 2 new members in November, bringing our total membership to eight. We meet once a month at the Cole Harbour Senior Citizens Club. The club continues to install and service InTouch Emergency Phone Systems. Members have completed seven Club visitations since the last Zone Meeting. The club made a \$1400.00 donation to LCIF, which is going towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship for Lion Karen LaVigne

Dartmouth Lions Club – Currently have 16 Lions (15 regular 1 at large) and working on increasing these numbers. They continue their recycle fundraising project, bottles pop cans, wine, liquor containers, still working on means to increase our efforts and their financial goal. Six Lions. Six bags of clothing for recycle to Salvation Army bins three bags, and Diabetes collection bins four bags. Four Lions. Christmas 50/50 draw to raise funds for food hampers a donation of \$450.00 to Parker Street Furniture and Food Bank. Their Lions members assisted the Royal Canadian Legion to display and market their locations for their fundraising Poppy campaign. On number of times at four different locations. Eight Lions and a helping spouse. They donated \$100.00 towards the Super Store at 670 Portland St Christmas Hampers for the less fortune. They have paid for eye exams for two seniors and eyeglasses for one, on order. Several Lions helped the Salvation Army to attend their Christmas Kettles. Four Lion. Spring Dance fundraising event on April 15, 2023 at the Mic Mac Boat Club on Prince Albert Road. Live band. There will be a 50/50 draw, and silent auction will be held as well. Look forward to full house as the band has great following at their events. Tickets will be presold, the word on the street is they sell out to a full house

Eastern Passage/Cow Bay Lions Club — They currently have a membership of 43 we have inducted 10 new lions, with two more that have been approved and three more prospective members. Since our last Zone Meeting the Eastern Passage / Cow Bay Lions Club continues to advertise in the local newspaper and on their FaceBook page. They loan out medical aids when required. They continue

doing their monthly breakfast on a regular basis, and their regular Tuesday night Bingo has picked back up. They continue to give the use of their hall to the Explore Church at no cost. At their November breakfast they had a diabetes day, where they had their King Lion present to do glucometer readings, and they had information on diabetes to pass out to anyone who came out for breakfast. They held a Community Children's Christmas Party that was very successful. There were 70 children in attendance. There were four families that this was their first Christmas in Canada. They helped out with the Community Food Boxes this year with an increasing number of families needing help. There were 164 children and 101 Food Hampers. They would like to thank Lion Jeff Parker for the boxes for our hampers. Then there was the New Year's Dance and Levee. Both well attended with a good time had by all. The New Year's Dance even had a designated driver for anyone in our area who wanted to use the service. Their December was very busy, very productive and they are not going to stop here. There are many other projects that we are planning. they are also starting preparations for the Multiple District Convention in May of this year. In February, they will be restarting the foot clinic as a Lions project. they will also be looking at Community Assessments this year to see if there is something else that they can be doing for the community. Looking at getting more positive exposure for their Lions Club. This has been a good start for the club while starting their next 50 years. Much more to come.

Lake Echo and Area Lions Club - They currently have 16 members and the Lady Lioness Branch club has 19 members for a total of 36 Lions. Each club has a prospective member. Their principal fundraiser continues to be our weekly Bingo. They now collect used prescription bottles, and eyeglasses at our weekly Bingos. They continue as founders by supporting the Dart League. They have move to one regular meeting a month (usually the first Thursday) and an abbreviated meeting usually the third Thursday has been successful. The abbreviated meeting has been enjoyed as they socialize for an hour or more: pass the ace, crib. They held our annual Community Christmas Tree lighting/Carol Sing followed by the Branch Club providing cookies and hot chocolate on Dec 1<sup>stv</sup>. On Dec 2 they held their annual Seniors FREE Christmas Supper catered to by Let's Grow Together, - Lady Lioness provided the dessert and assisted with setting up and final clear up. Branch members also did the calling to book reservations. 120 sit down meals were served and 43 delivered to shut ins. Assistance was provided to a family in need for Christmas at a local school. Both the Lake Echo and Area Lions Club and the Lady Lioness Branch Club donated \$500 (totaling \$1,000) to the Canadian Rwanda Open Heart Project.

Lake Echo and Area Lady Lioness Club Branch - Currently have 19 members & one perspective member. Cards sent to community members, special birthdays, anniversaries, deaths, get well, etc. Run the bingo canteen on Sunday nights. 50/50 ticket sales at bingo & darts. Food Bank – Members bring donations to their meetings, they bought 50 boxes of chocolates for them at Christmas time to go with their Christmas hampers and one of their members was chairperson. Donations were made to Kids Help Phone, Alice Housing, IWK, Lung Association of N.S; Phoenix Youth, Eastern Shore Legion Poppy Fund, Ronald McDonald House, Brigadoon Village & Rwanda Open-Heart Project. Remembrance Day Parade – Members participated in the ceremony. Craft Fair – Event was held on Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, they set up the evening before (tables, canteen, Christmas tree). Bell Park Academic School & O'Connell Drive Elementary – Purchased hats & mittens for both elementary schools. Tree Lighting (Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>) – Provided cupcakes & hot chocolate. Seniors Christmas Supper (Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>) Provided the desserts & one member led the gift draws. Christmas/Winter basket – sold tickets in November & December among members, at Craft Fair & at bingos.

Preston and Area Lions Club - Currently have 14 members. They held an induction ceremony in December for 2 new members. They have held Saturday meetings to accommodate more member

attendance. They are planning for a diabetes awareness session in February, skit night March 21<sup>st</sup>, and planning for a 46<sup>th</sup> anniversary gathering in June. Members have expressed interest in attending the International Convention in July. They held their Christmas gathering and wake a thon in December raising \$450.00. Their club gave a \$500 scholarship to a community student in November as well as a \$200 donation to NSCCs Africentric Early Childhood Education Program and donated \$375.00 to the Ronald McDonald House Charities in January. Their club website has been created, their membership and attendance has increased. They are continuing to share the journey of lionism

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Paul LaVigne Zone 12 Chair

### Zone Report - Zone 14

The clubs in Zone 14 have had a busy fall/winter so far. We continue to work towards getting projects back to pre-pandemic levels. Some clubs had fewer members attend meetings regularly than normal, but things continue to improve. Most clubs were very busy leading up to the holiday season. Fundraisers were held in many communities in conjunction with Christmas Festivals. Lions were busy with bingo's, toy bingo's, tree sales, craft and food sales. We saw clubs participate in community parades and lend helping hands where necessary. The funds raised have been put to good use in our zone. The clubs have helped many people during this tough time. The help comes in many different forms. There were days when wood was delivered and stacked for seniors. Gift card for grocery stores have been provided. Assistance with oil, electricity and even insurance bills have been provided throughout our zone. These are some of the hardest situations to deal with but are the most important and something we should be proud about. Helping those in need both near and far are what Lions do best. We continue to hold fundraisers and we make these happen while making sure we keep each other and our communities safe. Our communities continue their strong support of our clubs and are always in awe of what we do for our area. We hope that we can turn this support into new members. It's was a tough task during the pandemic to try to grow membership, but we are hoping that as winter passes we will be able to see some member growth. We did not have a winter zone meeting. This was more my fault than the clubs. My personal responsibilities have changed which has taken some of my time from Lions. I am planning to meet with the clubs in the coming weeks and work on securing a new zone chair for next year.

Respectfully, Lion Jeff Crowell

Zone 14 Chair

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# FALL CABINET MEETING OCTOBER 1, 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

### Hosted by Lake Echo and Area Lions Club and Lady Lioness Branch Club

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| CASH | IVECTIV       | $^{\prime}$ |

| FLOAT                  | \$  | 500.00  |
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| REGISTRATION AND MEALS | \$2 | ,013.00 |
| PRODUCT SOLD           | \$  | 82.00   |
| PRODUCT RETURNED       | \$  | 39.00   |

SALE OF GAS CARD \$ 100.00 GAS CARD DRAW \$ 514.00

50/50 DRAW \$ 595.00

TOTAL CASH RECEIVED \$3,543.00

**EXPENSES** 

50/50 Draw Payout \$298.00
Dedicated to Lake Echo Food Bank \$298.00
HOTEL ROOMS (DG &CST) \$562.52

GAS CARDS \$200.00

TICKETS FOR 50/50 & GAS CARD DRAWS \$ 8.10

INK CARTRIDGE \$109.24

FOOD \$761.95 GAS \$35.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$2,274.81

PROFIT \$1,268.19

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### **DISTRICT HISTORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

**February 11th, 2023** 

DG Bill, 1st VDG Joyce, 2nd VDG Karen, PDG/CST Jane & Fellow Lions:

The District History can be found on the Hantsport & District Lions Club website at <a href="https://www.hantsportlionsclub.com">www.hantsportlionsclub.com</a>. Just click on the link in the Heading marked "District N2 History".

Lions, this is our history and your history. We are always looking for more information about District N2 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 still not provided me with a brief history of their Club and we would appreciate receiving the information so your Club is included and your history is not lost over the years.

Lions!! Remember this is your History. but we can't record it without your assistance.

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