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Melvin Jones Fellowship Award

Lions Clubs International recognizes outstanding individuals by bestowing on them an award that is named for its founder, Melvin Jones. This Fellowship Award is the highest form of recognition, at the club level, and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism. This award is \$1000US.



LFC Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship Award

To recognize outstanding Canadian Lions and other deserving recipients, PIP Judge Brian Stevenson has endorsed this Fellowship. This recognition is one of the greatest honors that can be bestowed in Lionism in Canada. This Fellowship should be treated as recognition of achievement or involvement and the presentation ceremony will honour the person and their accomplishments. The recipient will receive a Judge Brian Stevenson medallion, lapel pin and signed certificate. The Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship is available to purchase for \$500 by a Club, district, multiple district, or an individual who wishes to honour someone. No personal purchases. Based on Judge Brian Stevenson's request, the funds are used to build an endowment fund to ensure a strong future for Lions Foundation of Canada as they continue to provide Dog Guides. There are a number of awards through Dog Guides, eg Life Membership and Lions Foundation of Canada and more, you can check out their website for more information.



There are many other awards available to honor deserving Lions members of your clubs, contact your District team for information. See page 2 for some of the awards that are available.

Editors Note: I have been informed that there is a 3+month backlog on ordering awards from International. So order early.

**"In Memory of Deceased Lion's District N2"
2024-2025**

Bedford
Lion Raymond Fredericks
PDG Alex Hancox

Berwick & District
Lion Mike VanDenhoff

Deep Brook/Waldec
Lion Sharon Gordon

Kingston
Lion Ron Osmond

Preston
Lion Lesley Hinds-Colley

Sackville
Lion John Campbell

Stellarton
Lion Mark McIntyre

Sheet Harbour
Lion Josephine Farris

Shubenacadie
Lion Betty James

Sydney
Lion Patsy Smith

Truro
Lion John Semple

Yarmouth
Lion Bobby Rodgerson



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Since the ending of the District Reports, I have not been receiving as many pictures and captions, any information to share. So, please, send me what your clubs are up to and future events also. This is your newsletter. What would you like to see in it?

Lions Foundation of NS

Honorary Sustaining Member, \$10.00 or more
Honorary Life Member, \$100.00 or more
Honorary Lions Fellowship, \$250.00 or more

Dog Guides Awards

Life Membership, \$100.00
Lions Foundation of Canada Fellowship, \$250.00
Lion Art Woods Golden Tree Fellowship, \$350.00

The Nova Scotia Lion

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Amherst



Well, Santa didn't come to the Thursday night (Dec. 19) bingo at the Amherst Lions Club - however Mrs. Santa (Lion Bonnie) came to deliver treats to all our wonderful bingo players. Some lively elves came to play bingo, too. Mr. Christmas and his side kick elf (Lions Emma and Frank) were on hand too with the friendly Christmas dog, Tilly. It was a fun evening and everyone was wished a Merry Christmas.



At Thursday night's bingo at the Lions Club, Dan won the Hot Ball prize. Here Bingo Chair Lion Frank presents him with his winnings of \$2300.00. Congratulations Dan.



The Amherst Lions Club made a donation recently to the Amherst Preschool. Here Lions Jean (center) and Rose present the cheque to Estella Perry from the Preschool.



The Amherst Lions Club made a donation to Amherst Minor Basketball recently. Here Paul, treasurer of the association accepts the cheque from Lions Jean and Frank.

Amherst



President Steve with four members of the Milford & District Lions Club at the Amherst Lions Club Dinner Meeting 21 Jan, 2025.



Lion Andy of the Amherst Lions Club, received a Diamond Centennial Award at the club's January dinner meeting. Here Lion Frank, LCIF Chair presents Lion Andy with his award.



Lion Frank, LCIF Chair, presented Lion Willie, of the Amherst Lions Club, with a Melvin Jones Fellowship award at the club's January dinner meeting.



The Amherst Lions Club welcomed a new member at their January dinner meeting. Here, Lion Dana Gould, inducts our new member, Rose Bennett, right, shown with her sponsor, Lion Jean Cameron.



Barrington



Walk to School breakfast. October 2.

Barrington Lions hosted Barrington Municipal High School's graduating class of 2025 for their annual "Walk to School" breakfast. Lions serve a full hot breakfast and the graduating class and then the students walked from the Lions Hall to their school.

Barrington Area Lions have started doing "pre-meeting" service projects. These are small projects that can be worked on before our general meetings. To date we have assembled Halloween treat bags that were donated to the local food bank, and Christmas cards for the residents of 2 long term care homes.



On December 22, the Barrington Area Lions Club did their annual visit to the Bay Side long term care home. Every year the club sponsors gift purchases for every resident. This year 62 residents received a gift purchased specifically for them with a monetary donation of \$45 +tax each.

Eastern Passage/Cow Bay



A good time was had by all at the Dec breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

EP/CB Lions sponsors one of the 4 monthly bingos held at the Ocean View Continuing Care Centre. We donate \$200 each month. We host on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.



The Lions who came in from the cold ... The Eastern Passage Cow Bay Lions, Seaside FM. and the Kin Club of Dartmouth held their annual toy drive on December 7. The warm sunny weather we wished for didn't happen but we were able to fill the wishes of lots of children, thanks to the generosity of our community and these Lions who braved the weather.

Sackville



KL Dale, Lions Jan and Peter presenting Beacon House with \$2,000.00 in gift cards.



Lion Jan, KL Dale and Lion Gilles serving supper at Hope Cottage.

KL Dale presenting Alice Sandall-Holt from Meals on Wheels with a cheque for \$2,000.00.





KL Dale and Lion Jan presenting Caroline from Freedom Kitchen with a cheque for \$1,000.00.



KL Dale, Lions Peter and Jan delivering \$500.00 worth of food to Gateway Food Bank

The new memorial at Sackville Lions.



Kingston

Get Your Dancing Shoes On! Join us at the Lions Club on February 14 from 8pm to 11pm for an unforgettable evening with The Last 2! This talented duo plays a wide variety of music that will have you tapping your feet and hitting the dance floor. If you haven't heard them yet, catch their live performances every Friday night on Facebook – they're absolutely fantastic! Don't miss this chance to experience them live in person. See you there!

Tickets are now on sale, \$20 each and you can purchase them from Lion Kellie, or at the Kingston Pharmasave or the Kingston Village Office. Hope to see some familiar faces.

New Germany



Santa (Lion Roger) and Mrs. Santa (Lion Betty Ann) presented Becca, Rec. Director at the Rosedale Home for Special Care, with a poinsettia for the lobby and a cheque for one thousand dollars for the Rosedale Bus Fund.



Lion Betty Ann presenting gift cards to Mike Wilson for the New Germany High School IWK Toy Drive. The gift cards are for parents of children in the IWK to help with gas and meals.



Lion President Donald presented Lion Brenton with his Forty Year pin. Lion Brenton is a Charter Member of the New Germany & Area Lions.



Lions Bernice and Betty Ann decorated a tree on Main Street as part of the Live Wires 4H group Christmas tree garden.

December 16, 2024

To All Lions Club Members
C/O Chezzetcook and District Lions Club
89 East Chezzetcook Rd. Head of Chezzetcook, NS
BOJ 2L0

Dear Lions,

I am writing to update you all on our granddaughter, Olivia but before I do, I wanted to again sincerely thank and call out to all the clubs that were touched by her story and kindly wanted to be part of her healing journey by supporting our fundraising efforts to get her to New Jersey to receive Dr Antonacchi and his team's pioneering, mobility saving and life changing Anterior Scoliosis Correction surgery. We were so thankful to receive assistance from the Antigonish Lions Club, Barrington and Area Lions Club, Beaver bank and Kinsac Lions club, Bedford Lions club, Chezzetcook and District Lions Club, Eastern Passage—Lions Bingo Lottery, Lake Echo Lioness, Lake Echo Lions Club, Lawrencetown and District Lions Club, Musquodoboit Harbour and District Lions Club, Musquodoboit Valley Lions Club, Pictou and Area Lions Club, Sheet Harbour Lions Club, Spryfield Lions Club, St Margaret's Bay Lions Club, Oxford Lions Club, Kingston Lions Club, Aylesford Lions Club and the Canning Lions club. Your care and support will never be forgotten!

I also wanted to include a published "Thank You" from Olivia and her family as many of the clubs from outside of our local area may not have seen it.



THANK YOU!

We are overwhelmed with gratitude and joy as we write this note to thank family, friends, our community, local businesses, the Lions Clubs, and everyone who tirelessly organized and supported the many fundraisers for Olivia. We are deeply grateful to all who donated towards her life-changing Anterior Scoliosis Correction surgery in New Jersey. Your generosity has meant the world to us and has made a tremendous difference in Olivia's journey towards better health.

Thanks to your kindness, Olivia has successfully undergone her surgery and is now on the path to recovery. She was able to return to school in September alongside her peers. Olivia has also partially resumed her dance activities and is working towards being able to compete again in the spring. Your donations not only provided the financial assistance we needed but also lifted our spirits, knowing that we are surrounded by such a caring and supportive community.

Words cannot fully express how grateful we are for your generosity. Every donation, big or small, played a crucial role in making this surgery possible. We are deeply touched by your compassion and willingness to help during this challenging time.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for being there for Olivia and our family. We will always remember your kindness and support.

With heartfelt thanks,

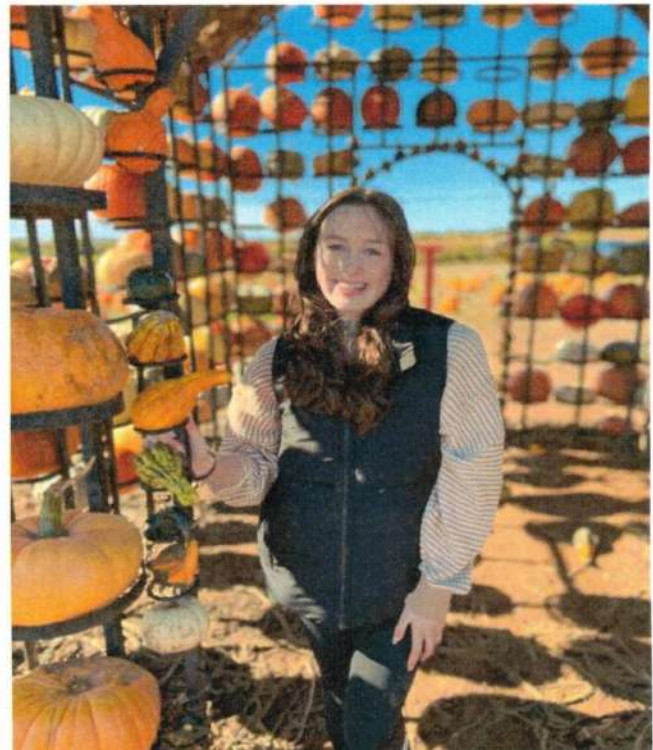
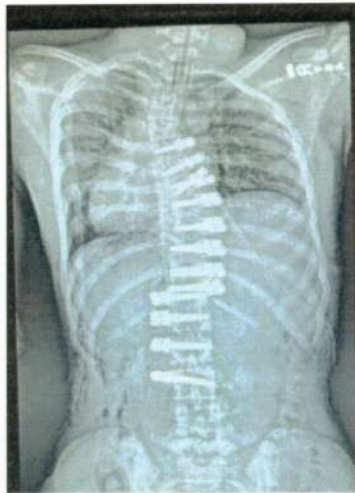
Todd, Kelly Ann, Michael & Olivia Cousins

As mentioned in the thank you note from Olivia and her family, after her surgery she was able to return to school in the Fall and is enjoying her last year of Jr High. She also returned to dance and has been working towards regaining her skills and competing again in the Spring. Olivia is still healing and working on her recovery but as you can see below in the photos I've attached from the results of her surgery; she has been given such hope and is so thankful for the mobility it has saved for her.

The pictures I've included are as follows... a picture of her spine before and after surgery, in hospital, on return to Nova Scotia 3 weeks post operation and the last one is of her this Fall.

Thanks so very much again,

From Rosemary & Gordie Duchesne, Helen & Roland Cousins, Todd, Kelly Ann, Michael & Olivia Cousins and all of our extended Family.



TRURO & DISTRICT LIONS
1100 Prince St

2nd Fri - Dinner Mtg 7pm
4th Fri - Business Mtg 7pm

Pres: Howard Horne
902-893-1146

Port Williams & Dist Lions Club
1st Wed. - Business 7:00pm
3rd Wed. - Supper 7:00pm
72 hrs Notice Required
Lions Den - Community Centre
1045 Main St. (Hwy 358)


Lion Randy Conrad
902-698-8695

 **BEDFORD LIONS CLUB**
NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA



1st & 3rd Thurs. at 7PM
36 Holland Ave, Bedford
secretary@bedfordlions.ca

Barrington Area Lions Club
Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday
both Dinner Meetings 7:00pm (72hrs notice)




President: Alvin Nickerson 902-635-1104
Secretary: Greg Waybret 902-745-3208


CANSO LIONS CLUB
1st Wednesday Dinner 6:30pm
3rd Wednesday Business 6:30pm

KL Barry Lumsden
902-366-2396
Sec Lion Catherine DeRabbie
902-366-2721

SHEET HARBOUR LIONS CLUB
Meeting 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7pm
Sheet Harbour Lions Centre
Apr to Dec
Eastern Shore Memorial Hospital Board Room Jan-Mar
sheetharbourlionsclub@gmail.com

Eastern Passage Cow Bay
1st Monday Business Meeting - 7pm
3rd Monday Dinner Meeting - 7pm

 **65 Hornes Road, Eastern Passage**



President: Wendy Dumas 902-461-2439
Secretary: Rhonda Trickett rhondatrickett2@gmail.com

ST. MARY'S LIONS CLUB
8004 Hwy 7, Sherbrooke
Meetings are 2nd & 4th(meal) Thursday 7pm
902-522-2949
Pres: Debbie Findlay
Sec: Nancy Chaston
Treas: Heather Laybolt

LIVERPOOL LIONS CLUB
Lions Hall 108 College St
Meetings are 2nd & 4th Mondays for 10 months 6:30pm
Jul & Aug meetings decided at the Jun meeting.
KL: Gordon O'Hearn
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liverpoolionsclub@hotmail.com

Beaver Bank- Kinsac Lions Club
40 Sandy Lake Road, Beaver Bank, NS
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3rd Tuesday - General Meeting - 7pm

President: Brian Britten brianbritten@live.com
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CHESTER BASIN-NEW ROSS-CHESTER LIONS CLUB
Meeting: 1st Monday of the month, except for statutory holidays and then meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month
Time: 7:00pm
Location: Chester Basin Legion 25, Hwy #12 Chester Basin

PUBNICO & AREA LIONS
2562 Hwy3, Pubnico Head
2nd Thursday - Dinner Meeting 6:00pm
4th Thursday - Business Meeting 6:30pm
President: Emerson McCullough
Secretary: Lyn Fabricius lynole75@gmail.com

WHYCOCOMAGH & AREA LIONS CLUB
Meetings
1st Wednesday each month 7:00pm
Whycocomagh Education Centre,
50 Norman McLeod Rd
902-756-2764

BADDECK LIONS CLUB
Meetings
2nd Thursday each month 6:00pm
Location TBD
KL Dave Baker
1-902-371-0140

MUSQUODOBIT VALLEY LIONS CLUB
2nd and 4th Wednesday 7:00pm
4th Wednesday Dinner Meeting

 **72 Hours Notice**

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