



Club Member News

Dates to Remember

2023	
30 June	Oz-Clubhouse Website Closure
7 July	2023 International Convention
11 August	Committee Vacancy Application Deadline
8-10 Sept	2023 ANZI Pacific Forum – Christchurch New Zealand



<https://lionsclubs.org.au/members/faq/#tab-id-4>

Closure of Oz-Clubhouse

Lions Clubs using Oz-Clubhouse should consider alternative options.

Background

The Oz-Clubhouse system has been provided free-of-charge to Lions Clubs and Districts in Multiple District 201 for a decade. It was put in place to provide a simple website for Lions Clubs, at a time when there were few low-cost alternatives.

Oz-Clubhouse was designed and built at no charge, by an Australian Lion.

In the intervening period it has been upgraded once and is currently being maintained by the Multiple District. As a custom-built system, it is costly and difficult to upgrade and it is now plagued by ongoing 'bugs' and has become impossible to maintain. The Lions Multiple District

Council has resolved to retire the system in the coming months.

What are the alternatives?

E-Clubhouse

E-clubhouse is a simple website for your club that can be provided by Lions Clubs International. You can find details on how to set up your e-clubhouse site here.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/create-e-clubhouse>

Facebook

For clubs that are seeking a free alternative for promotion and member communication, we are recommending the Facebook platform. To replace the function of Oz-Clubhouse, we recommend that Clubs maintain two Facebook sites.

Public site: – If your club wants to promote its activities in the community, you will need a public

Facebook site. A public site needs to be carefully managed and maintained, just like your Oz-Clubhouse site. The Lion who manages the site needs to regularly update and manage it, remembering that no private or confidential information should be included. You should also be careful to consider if you will allow commenting on posts. If you do, you should hide or delete any inappropriate posts and comments if they appear. Club members should be reminded that the public site is not the place for private communication between members. It is the face of your club to the community.

Private group: – In addition to the public page, a private Facebook group can be used for private conversations between members. You can use this group to discuss your service activities with your members, notify about upcoming events and meetings, and share club photos. Facebook groups also allow you to save documents like meeting agendas and minutes for club members to view.

Each member must be approved to join the private group, and you should not give access to non-members. It is also important that you give access to all your club members to this group and not exclude anyone.

Note: Detailed information about Facebook groups and public pages will be listed in the FAQ section of the Lions Australia website in the coming months.

For more information about managing your Social Media, please review the Lions Australia Social Media Policy .

Commercial websites

Since the establishment of Oz-Clubhouse there has emerged many simple and effective commercial offerings for your club website. With a little training they can provide a great public face for your club on the Internet.

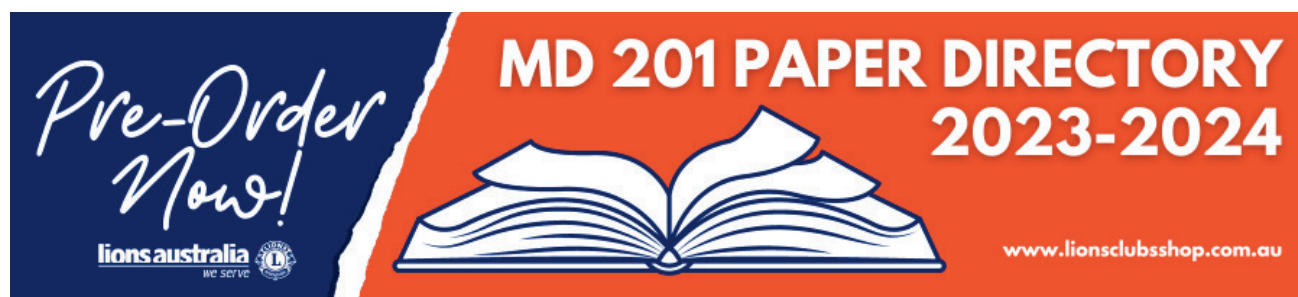
Most of these have free offerings, although a fee is charged for higher level services. Some examples include:

- Wix – <https://www.wix.com/>
- WordPress – <https://wordpress.com/>
- Weebly – <https://www.weebly.com/au>

How you can help

The Multiple District is currently paying a fee to store Oz-Clubhouse data on a public server. If your club decommissions its Oz-Clubhouse website, please advise the National Office so that the data can be deleted to reduce costs.

On 30 June 2023, Oz-Clubhouse websites will be deactivated. Redirection from Oz-Clubhouse websites to other websites will be retained. On the 30 September 2023, all data will be deleted.



2023/24 Directories - Pre Order now!

We are now accepting pre-orders for hardcopies of the MD 201 23-24 Directory.

Please note that each Club will be emailed a link to download the electronic version in July, but if you would like to secure a hardcopy visit - <https://www.lionsclubsshop.com.au/category/406-directories>

Committee Vacancies

The Council of Governors advises applications are invited from Lions in good standing to fill the following vacancies.

All Multiple District Committee positions are honorary, & every Lion is encouraged to apply.

1. Applications will only be considered if submitted on the current Nomination Form & received at the Lions National Office by the closing date.

2. Intending applicants must obtain a Nomination Form, Position Statement & Person Profile in relation to the position from the Lions National Office or website.

Website:

<https://lionsclubs.org.au/members/resources/committee-vacancies/>

Email: info@lions.org.au

Phone: (02) 4940 8033

3. All candidates for Multiple District positions shall submit:

- current standard Nomination Form
- Curriculum Vitae

- Statement covering the issues outlined in the Position Statement. - This supporting Statement with CV shall not exceed three single sided A4 pages.

4. **Nominations must be received by the National Office by email or post no later than 5.00 pm FRIDAY 11 August 2023**

Late nominations will not be considered. - Valid nominations will be considered at the Council Meeting held in **September 2023**.

All applicants will be advised via the following methods:

1. All successful applicants will be contacted by SMS.
2. All unsuccessful applicants will be contacted by text message as the preferred method, or by e-mail if no mobile phone number is offered.
3. Following the close of the Council meeting, the appointments will be confirmed by letter. A list of Appointments will be available on the website following the meeting.

Portfolio	Program	Position <i>Click for Position Descriptions</i>	Term Start	Term Exp.	Advertising Description
Management Group	Fundraising & Partnerships	National Coordinator	1/07/2023	30/06/2026	To coordinate and report on Fundraising & Partnerships Programs as directed by the Multiple District Council.
Administration	MD Convention	2025 Chairperson	1/10/2023	31/08/2025	Responsible to MD201 Council, through the Executive Officer for the achievement of the Council's Objectives as they relate to the organisation and operation of the MD Convention.
Fundraising & Partnerships	Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF)	Chairperson	1/02/2024	31/01/2027	The occupant of this position will be responsible to the Council for managing ALCCRF.
		V District Trustee	1/02/2024	31/01/2025	Responsible for promoting the activities of ALCCRF within the designated State/Area.
		C District Trustee	1/02/2024	31/01/2025	
		N District Trustee	1/10/2023	31/01/2025	
		Q District Trustee	1/02/2024	31/01/2027	
		T District Trustee	1/02/2024	31/01/2027	
	W District Trustee	1/02/2024	31/01/2027		
	Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation	Treasurer	1/02/2024	31/01/2027	Responsible for coordinating all matters pertaining to the activities ALCMF within their designated area.
C District Trustee		1/02/2024	31/01/2027		

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	Product Development Committee	Member	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	The Product Development Committee member is responsible to the Product Development Committee Chairperson, for identifying, developing, and recommending potential products that may be used for Club fundraising or for sale to Lions Clubs.
Finance	Insurance, Risk Management & Child Safe Committee	Child Safe Resource Officer - NSW	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	Provides advice to the MD201 Child Safe Officer, District's, and Clubs on the requirements for Child Safety in their home State or Territory.
		Child Safe Resource Officer - NT	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	
		Child Safe Resource Officer - QLD	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	
		Child Safe Resource Officer - TAS	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	
		Child Safe Resource Officer - VIC	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	
		Child Safe Resource Officer - WA	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	
Finance	Insurance, Risk Management & Child Safe Committee	Insurance & Risk Committee Member	1/10/2023	30/06/2026	Responsible to the Chairperson for input and counsel in relation to insurance and safety matters pertaining to the Multiple District.
		Insurance & Risk Committee Member	1/10/2023	30/09/2026	
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Global Leadership Team (GLT)	PNG	Committee Member	1/10/2023	30/06/2026	To guide the development of membership in Papua New Guinea to enable residents to take a full role in the work of Lions within that country
		Committee Member	1/10/2023	30/06/2026	
Global Membership Team (GMT)	GMT	Extension Committee Member	1/10/2023	30/06/2026	This committee has special emphasis on the development of members, the establishment of new clubs, club membership growth and membership maintenance.
		Membership Communications	1/10/2023	30/06/2026	
Global Service Team (GST)	GST	MD 201 Environment Coordinator	1/10/2023	30/09/2026	Responsible to Council, through the Global Service Team National Coordinator to achieve the Council's Objectives as they relate to the Environment as one of the major planks in Lions Clubs International "Five Pillars of Service"
Youth & Community Projects	Leo Committee	N District Coordinator	1/02/2024	31/01/2027	Reporting to the Leo Committee Chairperson and responsible for promoting Leos within their state.
		V District Coordinator	1/02/2024	31/01/2027	
	Youth Exchange	Program Coordinator	1/10/2023	31/01/2026	Responsible for the organisation of an allocated portfolio within the YE Program.
		Program Coordinator	1/02/2024	31/01/2027	
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	Youth of the Year	V District Coordinator	1/10/2023	30/06/2026	Responsible for promoting the Youth of the Year and Committee objectives within the designated State.

