

## 202E - Sea to Shore Convention



## Rangitane Cultural Centre, Grovetown, Blenheim $15^{th}-17^{th}$ March 2024

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DECICEDATION	The contraction for any and stable at the NOW place had a see that
REGISTRATION FORMS	The registration forms are available on line <b>NOW.</b> Please book as early as possible to help your convention committee with their planning.
	https://202e-lionsclubs.nz (to complete an online form)
	or via the MD website <a href="https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/conventions">https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/members/conventions</a>
	Registrations are confirmed once your registration costs are deposited in the convention bank account. You should receive a receipt within a few days. Please check with the convention secretary if you do not receive a receipt.
	Bank Account: details are on the registration form
PARTNERS PROGRAMME	The Seddon Lions Club is hosting the partner's tour which will take in the highlights of the Awatere Valley. Tour cost includes: travel by mini van, morning tea, lunch and tour activities.
MOTELS	PLEASE BOOK NOW as Blenheim is a popular venue for events and tourists during the summer. A motel proprietor advised to book direct via phone to get the best price. There are also several motels in the CBD as well as on Middle Renwick Road (Springlands) and also Main Street (southern entrance to Blenheim)
CBD Motels	Blenheim Palms Motel – 03 577 8845
	<b>Bella Vista Motel</b> – 03 579 3117
	<b>171 On High Motel</b> – 03 579 5098
	Ashleigh Court Motel – 03 577 7187
	Ellena Court Motel - 03 577 8277
	<b>Centre Court Motel</b> – 03 577 7203
	The Marlborough Riverside Motel – 03 579 4500
Motor homes	Vans can be parked at the Waterlea Racecourse - entrance off Linton Street, Grove Park Motor Lodge and Spring Creek Holiday Park
Friday opening programme	The focus is on an informal opening including the flag ceremony, entertainment and time to renew old friendships and make new ones.
Saturday programme	As well as our AGM and the election of our District Officers, we have now confirmed our key note speaker for the mid morning session. The International Director candidates who are present will each be given a 3 minute speaking slot.
Saturday evening dinner / dance event	You are invited to "Come dine at the Captain's table." This is an opportunity to dust off your 'glad rags' from the wardrobe (whatever the era) and glam up for a fun night. The best dressed couple and the best dressed club trophies will be up for grabs. There will be a cash bar with eftpos available. You may like to use the local taxis / shuttle services. The distance from CBD to the venue is 3.5 km.

	Blenheim Shuttles 0800 577 527 or 03 577 5277
	Marlborough Shuttles 0800 20 20 27
	Blenheim Cabs 03 777 1072
	Marlborough Taxis 03 577 5511
	There is no Uber service in Blenheim
Sunday programme	Starting at 9am the remembrance and rededication service and the transfer of flags will precede a brunch.
Raffles	A range of prizes will be available to the lucky winners. Multiple draws. \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5.
Tourist Attractions	Wine Tours – there are many to choose from – half day or full day or by bike
	Omaka Aviation Museum and Vintage Car museum
	Gardens – Pollard Park and Seymour Square are public gardens with free entry
	Walking – Centre of town to Burleigh Bridge along the Taylor River, Wither Hills Farm Park has many public walking tracks
	Swimming – Stadium 2000 pool and gym complex
	Retail Therapy – many established fashion and homeware stores as well as the main chain stores in Market Place and the Forum
	Library and Art Gallery – visit our newest asset in High Street, CBD.
	Cafes – Raupo Café overlooking the Taylor River, Karaka, Ritual Café, Urban Fare, CBD Eatery, Herb & Olive, Dolce, CPR Coffee Co. to name just a few in the CBD
	Restaurants – Raupo, Dolce, Dobson's Beer Garden, Mango, Bamboo Gardens, Lemon Grass, Eat Thai, Speights Ale House, Fairweathers, Thai9 among others – there is something for everyone and every budget.
	Winery Cellar Doors – Wither Hills, Wairau River, St Clair, Lawson Dry Hills, Nautilus, No 1, Hunters Wines, Cloudy Bay, Forrest Winery and many more.
	Marlborough Sounds – enjoy a ride on the mail boat into either the Pelorus Sound or the Queen Charlotte Sound
Blenheim iSite	Visitor Information Centre, 8 Sinclair Street (Blenheim Railway Station Carpark),
	03 577 8080
FURTHER INFORMATION	If you require further information please contact the convention secretary, Ian Cameron, <a href="mailto:202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz">202e.convention@lionsclubs.org.nz</a> or convention chair, Helen Williams, <a href="mailto:202e.conchair@lionsclubs.org.nz">202e.conchair@lionsclubs.org.nz</a>
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