Lions Den: June 2024

Lions and the MI Emergency program

Several Lions attended the public forum at the Firehall on May11th. Did you know that having your phone number listed in the directory makes it possible for your local Emergency Program to contact you through their Neighborhood Contact representatives in the case of an Island emergency? The Directory white page phone numbers are re-sorted by street/neighborhood and is the only source that the representatives have to use in the event of an emergency.

The Lions Directory working committee, often hear from Islanders that they prefer Google to search for Island contacts and product/services listings, and don't need to be listed in the Directory. Our response to that is to please remember, Google will not call you in case of an emergency. Neither do they support your community with literally 1000's of dollars of direct contributions to Island groups, projects and individuals. So please, for your own safety, make sure your correct (land or cell) phone number is listed. The Mayne Island Lions can assure you that the Emergency Services Neighborhood contacts are the only ones that we share the listings with.

Off Island trips in May

Our annual Boat trip to join the Saturna Lions for their Charter night dinner was attended by ten M. I. Lions and sixteen of us responded to an invitation from The Salt Spring Lions to visit for a discussion on how they might join us and Saturna for the annual Santa Ship event. Lions Brian & Colleen Dearden volunteered use their Nordic Tug as Santa's vessel when Covid put pay to the annual event originating in Bellingham Wa. Those Lions attending were mightily impressed by the Lions Lodge on Salt Spring. Mysteriously, both the Saturna and Salt Spring Lions meeting gavels appeared at our May General meeting. Strange how items belonging to other clubs, find their way to our Island following our club visits. These items were returned to their rightful owners when several Lions from both groups attended our annual Steak night picnic in Dinner Bay Park on May 22nd. Inter-Island Lions Club interaction is something that we plan to promote more in the future. It is great to share ideas and see how other clubs serve their community. We liked the Salt Spring logo'd Sweatshirts stating, "Where there's a need there's a Lion".

Dog Show July 1st

We are very enthused over the positive feedback that we have received since announcing the return of the very popular Island Dog Show. The working committee have been meeting and a program put together where the focus will be on FUN! See the separate ad in this Mayneliner for details and Facebook postings closer to the event.

Disc Golf event a big success

Close to 100 burgers were cooked and appreciated by all participants. Thanks to those Lion cooks who helped at this event.

April service hours

17 Lions reported 208 hours of service for April.

Allen Slade, past president M.I.Lions