



# Notice to Clubs

## Procedure for the Election of International Director

Dear Lions

Multiple District 201 will conduct an online election for a candidate to stand for election as International Director at the Lions International Convention in Hong Kong 2026. There are five candidates that have been nominated at District Conventions, presented here in alphabetical order by last name.

Megan Butler	District C1
Peter Ho AM	District Q1
Phillip Johnson OAM	District V2
Vin Pang	District N5
Ann Reed	District N2

The candidate elected in Hong Kong will serve on the Lions International Board for 2 years, representing the Lions of Constitutional Area 7, incorporating Australia and Papua New Guinea, New Zealand and the Islands of the Pacific, and Indonesia.

Each Lions Club in Good Standing may vote in the election. The number of delegates eligible to vote is specified in the International Constitution and will be shown in the Portal. A Club may only vote if it is financial, that is, club dues and any Lions International accounts have been paid.

### Procedure

Please note the dates in the schedule below.

1. Club Secretaries or Administrators must nominate their delegates on the Portal no later than **6 March 2026**. (See the information overleaf on how to do this.)  
The Club delegate must be authorised at a club meeting or otherwise as determined by the Club Board. The number of delegates will be shown in the Portal, or advice can be sought from the Cabinet Secretary.
2. A video recorded speech by the candidates, and their nominated introducer will be available on the Lions Australia YouTube channel from **2 March 2026** at this link.  
[Candidate Videos](#).
3. PDF brochures about each applicant will be e-mailed to the club e-mail address on **2 March 2026**. Please ensure your club secretary forwards this e-mail to members.
4. The vote will be conducted by an online voting system.
  - a. Voting will open on **Friday 20 March 2026 at 5pm and close on Monday 30 March 2026 at 9am**.



- b. Delegates will receive an e-mail on **20 March 2026 at 12noon** with their voting login information. **If you haven't received these credentials, please check your 'junk e-mail' folder first.** If you haven't received those credentials, please e-mail [info@lions.org.au](mailto:info@lions.org.au) and ensure that the words "VOTING CREDENTIALS" are in the subject line of the e-mail.

**Note:**

- i. An SMS reminder will be issued a few days after the e-mail with login details.
  - ii. **Delegates must have a unique email address and mobile phone number. Please do not nominated delegates that share an e-mail address or use the club e-mail address.**
  - iii. Paper ballots will not be permitted.
- c. One reminder will be issued before the voting closes.

**SAMPLE NOTICE**

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You are invited to vote in the MD201 of Lions Clubs International - Election of Candidate - International Director 2026-28.

The voting deadline is Mar 30 2026 9:00am GMT +10:00, Sydney.

We are using an online election system to tabulate the vote. You have been assigned a unique access key which can only be used to vote once and your voting choices will remain anonymous. Do not forward this email. Do not reply to this email to vote, as your vote will not be registered.

If you have questions or want to be removed from notifications regarding this vote, please email MD201 of Lions Clubs International at [info@lions.org.au](mailto:info@lions.org.au).

To vote, visit:  
<https://secure.electionbuddy.com/1234-ABCD-5678-EFGH>

Or copy and paste the link into your web browser.

You can also visit <https://secure.electionbuddy.com/ballot> and enter "1234-ABCD-5678-EFGH"

5. Voting – The voting will be conducted on a preferential basis. Each delegate will vote for candidates, ranking them 1 to 5, with 1 being the most preferred candidate, and 5 being the least preferred. It is not possible to abstain.  
 Note that the order of candidates on the ballot will be randomised. The order will be different for each delegate voting to ensure that ballot order does not influence the outcome.
6. After voting, the delegate will receive an e-mail receipt confirming that they have voted.

**Election Schedule Summary**

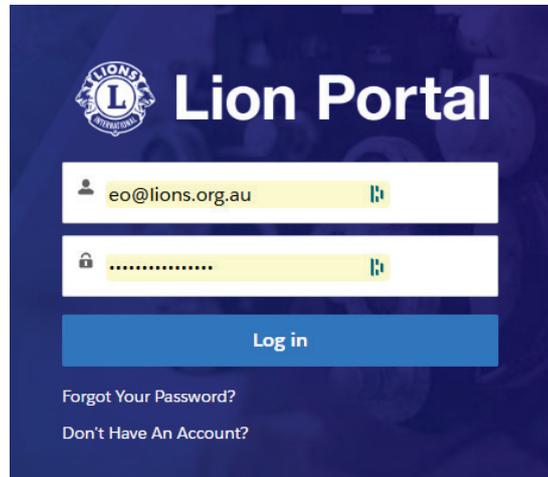
Candidate Speech available on YouTube	2 March 2026
Candidate brochures distributed by e-mail	2 March 2026
Club Delegate Registered on the Portal	6 March 2026
Voting Credentials e-mailed to delegate	20 March 2026
Vote opens	20 March 2026
Vote closes	30 March 2026
Successful Candidate announced	1 April 2026

See overleaf for instructions on registering your delegates on the Portal.

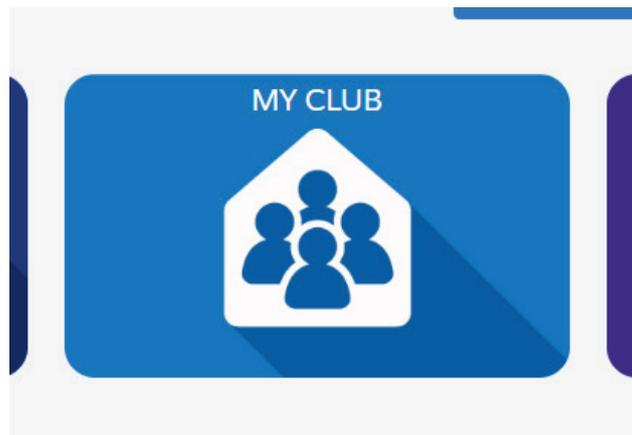


# How to nominate a delegate on the Portal. (Club Secretaries or Administrators)

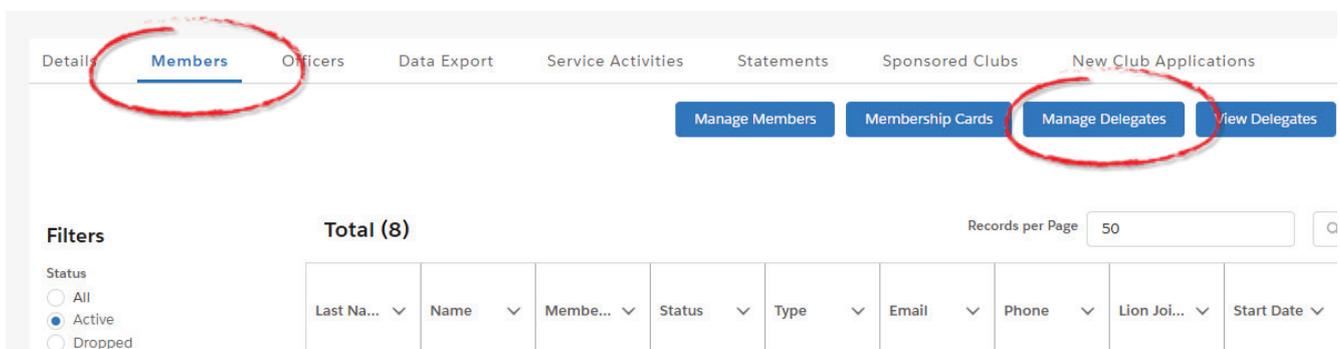
1. Navigate to the Portal by following the link on [lionsclubs.org](https://lionsclubs.org) or [here](#).
2. Open the Portal by entering your username and password.



3. Navigate to **“My Club”**



4. Select **“Members”** and then **“Manage Delegates”**



5. Under “Convention Type” select “Multiple District” and “March Virtual” then “Next”

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Delegates' interface. Under 'Convention Type', 'Multiple District' is selected. In the 'Conventions' table, 'March Virtual' is selected. The 'Next' button is circled in red.

6. Select “Assign a Delegate” then “Next”  
(Note the information advising the requirement that a Club be financial in order to vote).

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Delegates' interface for the 'March Virtual - 2025-2026' event. The 'Assign a Delegate' option is selected. The 'Next' button is circled in red.

7. Select your Club Delegate then “Next”

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Delegates' interface for the 'March Virtual - 2025-2026' event. A list of member names is displayed, with 'Mr. Murdo Macleod' selected. The 'Next' button is circled in red.

If your club is eligible to stand more than one delegate, you will have the opportunity to add additional.

8. **IMPORTANT!** – Please check that the e-mail address and mobile phone number are correct in the Portal for your delegate(s) as this will be used to issue voting credentials!

