

# DISTRICT 4-C5 CONTESTS AND AWARDS

## TOP CLUB CONTEST

**CONTEST PERIOD:** APRIL 1st through MARCH 31st

**SUBMISSION DATE:** *APRIL 3rd*

**CHAIR:** Lion Lorene Euerle  
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**Club Categories:** Large Club - 40 members or more  
Medium Club - 21-39 members  
Small Club - 20 members or less

### **TOP CLUB CONTEST RULES**

**RULES:** Information must be reported in a timely manner on the Monthly Membership Report (MMR) and Club Activity page(s). **The activity pages are the online with the totals given.**

**\*\* For contest Purposes, AN ADDITIONAL COPY OF THE MMR AND ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY PAGES must be sent DIRECTLY to the CONTEST CHAIRS.** These reports replace the single report previously used by Lions International.

In order to qualify for the Top Club Contest a club **MUST** remain in good standing and **HAVE COMPLETED** each of the following within the contest period.

1. MMR and Activity page(s) submitted for each month within the month it's due.
2. Top Club Contest Reporting Form available on the District 4-C5 website, submitted for each month within the month it is due.
3. President and Secretary attended and officer training seminar. (Only the DG can excuse the Lion from the training seminar.)

**OFFICIAL POINT SYSTEM:** Scoring is based upon the Club MMRs, summarizing Activity page(s) and Top Club Contest Form, electronically submitted or mailed each month, by the Club Secretary. Points will be calculated on a percentage of the club membership attending or participating in projects and activities compared to the previous year (April) membership.

**\* Ten Percent (10%) of club's participating members means, 34 members or less you need three (e) members; 35 members or more require 10% of their Club roster as of April 1, for points to be awarded for items marked with an asterisk (\*).**

**Contest Chairs** will make the final determination of points earned. Club fund raising activities receive **NO CREDIT** until the funds are actually expended.

### **CLUB ADMINISTRATION**

#### **1. Club MMR and Activity Page(s)**

- a. Reports postmarked or electronically transmitted no later than the last day of the month, each month (#) .....500 points

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- b. Annual PU 101 (Report of Club officers) submitted before April 15th .....500 points
- c. International Activity Report submitted monthly .....500 points (600 max/yr.)
- d. A grace period from April to August 1st will be allowed for Top Club Contest reports to be sent to the Contest Chair due to changing of Club Secretaries and/or Contest Chair

### 2. Financial Responsibility:

- a. International Dues and MD-4 Per Capita Dues paid in month due as verified by International and MD-4 reports .....500 points
- b. Submit the three documents, the annual 990, 990Z or 990N, annual CALFTB 199/199N and RRF-1 Charitable Trust Registration, as required and on time  
.....500 points per document (Annual max. 1,500 points)

### 3. Publicity & Communication:

- a. Publish a bulletin or newsletter. Each month .....100 points
- b. Publish a club informational brochure, one time in year .....300 points
- c. Establish or maintain a Club Web page, one time in year .....300 points
- d. Promote activities in news media (other than meeting notices),  
Per article .....50 points  
Maximum per month ..... 250 points
- e. Appoint a Club Publicity Chair, develop club publicity plan and submit plan to District Public and Media Relations Chair .....250 points
- f. Club Chair attends Lion sponsored public and media relations, Training .....250 points

### 4. Visitations: (Per District Directory Visitation Rules)

- Official Club visitation, each club .....\*25 points

### 5. Club Programs: Have programs presented at regular club meetings by District or MD-4 Committee or Endorsed Project representative.

- a. Each program presented.....200 points  
Annual max.....1,000 points
- b. Global Membership Team (GMT) and Global Leadership Team (GLT)  
Each.....300 points  
Annual max.....1,000 points
- c. Camp Ross Relles.....300 points
- d. LCIF.....300 points

### 6. Meeting Attendance: Club President, any Vice-President, Membership Chair, Secretary or Treasurer attending official Zone or Cabinet meetings.

- a. For each meeting, each received..... 100 points  
Max per meeting for officers..... 400 points
- b. 10% of club members each meeting.....\*250 points

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**7. Training Attendance:** Club President, 1st Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer or Membership Chair attending their official school or instruction for each officer.

- a. Each officer trained.....100 points
- b. Bonus for all 5 officers attending school of instruction .....500 points

**8. Leadership:**

- a. Member attending an LCI or MD-4 Leadership or Membership Forum, each .....100 points
- b. Member serving at District Level or above as Committee Chair, Cabinet Officer Foundation Board of Directors, .....20 points per position, per member  
Max. 100 points per member per month. (List each member and their position(s))
- c. Completion of the Club Excellence Process (CEP).....150 points per component  
.....Additional 500 points for completing all 3 components

**9. Membership:**

- a. New or transfer member, each.....200 points
- b. Each reinstated member (out 6 months or more .....250 points) or  
(out less than 6 months .....300 points)
- c. New member sponsored into another club, each.....200 points
- d. Dropped member (except transfer or deceased, each ..... (minus).-300 points
- e. Charter or organize to near charter strength, a new Lions Club .....1,000 points
- f. Charter or organize at least one new Branch, Campus Lions or LEO Club in 4-C5  
.....500 points
- g. 10% net increase in club membership at the end of the contest year .....1,000 points
- h. Club under Charter strength (20 members) at the end of the contest year  
..... (minus).-1,000 points
- i. Completion by new Lion of Proud Lion Award requirements .....each.....100 points
- j. Completion of Proud Sponsor Award requirement in accompanying Proud Lion  
.....each.....100 points

**DIRECT SERVICE ACTIVITIES & PROJECTS**

**10. Youth Programs:**

- a. Continuing sponsorship or support of a youth organization or Program  
Each Month .....50 points  
Annual max.....2,000 points
- b. Sending or hosting a Lions Youth Exchange student  
Per Student .....500 points  
Annual max .....2,000 points

**11. Student Speakers Contest:**

- a. Holding a Student Speakers Contest.....500 points
- b. Members and/or spouses attending another Lions Club, Zone or  
higher level contest, per contest .....200 points  
Annual max .....1,000 points

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### 12. Sight:

- a. Collecting and turning in eyeglasses to the District Chair, Blind Center, Folsom Project or to a Lions International sponsored program,  
One point per pair with max .....4,000 points
- b. Establishing a new eyeglass collection point each.....100 points  
Annual max .....500 points
- c. Providing eye exam/glasses to individuals, each .....200 points  
Annual max .....2,000 points

### 13. White Cane Days:

- a. Collection in the community .....\*300 points
- b. Submit White Cane Report to White Cane Chair by April 4th.....each.....100 points

### 14. Flag Day Participation:

- Members visiting one or more classrooms, .....each.....\*100 points
- Annual max .....\*500 points

### 15. International Peace Poster Contest or Blind Students Essay Contest:

- Holding contest per Lions Club International rules, each school or group .....500 points

### 16. Hearing Program:

- a. Collecting and turning in hearing aids .....each .....10 points  
Annual max .....500 points
- b. Establishing a new collection point .....each .....100 points  
Annual max .....500 points

### 17. Conducting or assisting in Community Services:

- a. Each completed project not otherwise credited .....\*500 points
- b. At least 25% of club membership participation in a new hands on Project  
Each project .....750 points  
Annual max.....1,500 points
- c. At least 25% of club membership participation in major hands on project. A project that involves planning, coordination and active involvement over an extended period of time. (ex: Medical Mission overseas, construction of a part, etc.)  
Each project.....750 points  
Annual max.....1,500 points
- d. Individual service hours not included elsewhere, per hour.....1 point  
Annual max.....1,000 points

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- e. Non financial support, sponsoring or assisting other organizations' charitable fundraisers (LEF, LPCCI, Wilderness/Camp Ross Relles Camp, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk, Autism Speaks Walk, My Sister's House Walk, CIM National Marathon for Blind Athletes, Race for the Cure, Relay for Life, etc.),  
Each event .....100 / \*500 points  
Annual max.....4,000 points

### FINANCIAL DONATIONS

- 18. Financial support to Lion or non-Lion sponsored blind or low vision related projects. (NCLSA, Folsom Project for the Visually Impaired, Guide Dogs for the Blind, Ross Relles Camp for Blind Children, Society for the Blind, UC Davis Health System Eye Center, United States Association of Blind Athletes, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Diabetes Youth Camp, etc.)  
2 points per dollar.....Annual maximum...2,000 points
  
- 19. Providing monetary support to non-sight related to individuals, groups, projects or organizations, for charitable or other community service related purposes, whether Lion or non-Lion sponsored, for donations previously claimed under #18 above.  
2 points per dollar.....Annual maximum...4,000 points
  - a. City of Hope ..... 100 points
  - b. District Student Speaker Fund..... 100 points
  - c. Lions Club International Foundation..... 100 points
  - d. Lions Education Foundation ..... 100 points
  - e. Lions Medical Emergency Fund..... 100 points
  - f. Wilderness Camp for Deaf Children..... 100 points
  - g. Youth Exchange Program Foundation..... 100 points
  - h. Autism Speaks ..... 100 points
  - i. Lions Quest ..... 100 points
  - k. Payment of NCLSA (VIP), Ear of the Lion or LPCCI dues as billed  
.....each.....500 points
  
- 20. Payment of annual membership fees to (NCLSA, LPCCI, Ear of the Lion,) .....each.....500 points
  
- 21. **District Governor's Bonus Points for 2018-2019:**
  - a. Having a club program presented on "Student Speaker Foundation" .....300 points
  - b. Additional points for financial contributions to "LCIF" over and above amounts claimed under #18 and #19 above. Minimum of \$2.00 per member to receive maximum points. Prorated for lesser donation.....100 points

**AWARDS:** Presented at the Convention for First, Second, and Third Place winners among the Lion entries; First Place among the Lioness and LEO entries.

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Only a club in good standing is eligible to be considered in any contest or district recognition. A club shall be considered in good standing with Lions Clubs International.

- a. When their reported financial standing to the District Governor has charges of \$50 or less and no more than 60 days in arrears and that the district and MD-4 dues are current or no more than 60 days in arrears; and
- b. The club shall be current with the monthly submission of their club's MMR and Activity page(s) no later than 30 days following the months due date to the District Governor or designee.