

Zone Chair H7 Carolyn O'Dell

Carolyn O'Dell joined the Oak Harbor Lions Club after her Insurance Agent Fred Sheppard; also, her sponsor introduced her to the world of Lionism in 2006. At the time, she was the youngest Lion Club Member in the Oak Harbor Lions Club and still had a young family of her own to raise and had to drop membership in 2008. As fate would have it, she was drawn back to the Oak Harbor Lions Club in 2010 -2018. While with the Oak Harbor Lions Club, she served on the Board of Directors for several terms and as their Membership Chairperson as well as various leadership roles in many service projects and programs before transferring to help charter a New Lions Club with the Whidbey Island Lions. As one of the Whidbey Island Lions Club Charter Organizers and Charter President, Carolyn gained confidence to pursue other leadership opportunities within Lions by attending the Lions Leadership Institute and becoming a Guiding Lion. Carolyn is also an Associate Member of the Anacortes Lions Club since 2016 to present, where she earned a Melvin Jones Award. Along the way, she had several mentors to thank for being in the position of the H-7 Zone Chairperson of 2021-2022 and again for 2022-2023. She is married to PZC Bob O'Dell and they have one son and five grandchildren. Carolyn is both honored and humbled to serve the District as well as every Lions Club in the H-7 Zone along with each Lions Club Member.

