



## Our Quintet



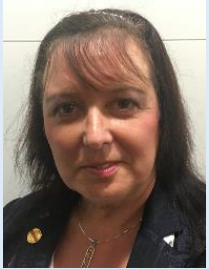
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## Welcome back to Toastmasters after the seasonal break and best wishes for 2018...

We have a busy time ahead of us for the remainder of the 2017-2018 Toastmasters year.

**January - District Leader Training** - The District quintet attended District Leader Training in Lisbon, Portugal on the 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> of January. Region 12, being Australia, Papua New Guinea and New Zealand shared training with Region 11, being Europe, Southern Africa and some of the Middle East. If you are interested to know more about the composition of the Toastmasters International Regions just follow [this link](#). We received two full days of training which were presented partly in our full group and partly with our District Director, Programme Quality Director and Club Growth Director counterparts from other Districts. It was great to meet other District Officers and share ideas on attracting new members, growing new clubs, training District and Club Officers and managing the administrative workload.

**Contests** - In February Clubs will be staging their International Speech and Evaluation contests with Area events held in March and Division events held in April, with the District 72 contests at the May Conference in Auckland. Please ask your Area and Division Governors for assistance when necessary. Your Programme Quality Directors Toni Sharp and Celina Templeman can help with queries about speech contest rules. PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT AREAS WITH FOUR OR LESS CLUBS MAY HAVE **TWO** REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH CLUB IN THE AREA CONTESTS FOR BOTH INTERNATIONAL SPEECH AND EVALUATION.

**Pathways** - PQD Toni Sharp is the Pathways Chair for District 72. Toni, along with Dave Young the Chief Ambassador for Pathways and the dedicated team of Pathways Guides have been presenting the Toastmasters Pathways Programme to Clubs throughout October and November. The District and Region met Toastmasters International's requirements for the full roll-out to commence, and now all members have access to Base Camp and their first path. The District already has seven awards achieved as of the 29th of January. Congratulations to:

- Alun Chisholm Level 1 - Visionary Communication
- Naomi Takeuchi Level 1 - Strategic Relationships
- Naomi Takeuchi Level 2 - Strategic Relationships
- Sharon Kerr-Phillips Level 1 - Leadership Development
- Sharon Kerr-Phillips Level 1 - Innovative Planning
- Sharon Kerr-Phillips Level 1 - Dynamic Leadership
- Allister Laurent Level 1 - Dynamic Leadership

If you have questions about Pathways please contact the Pathway Guide allocated to your club or PQD Toni Sharp, or Chief Ambassador Dave Young.

**DTMs** - A big congratulations to Lisa Morris of Three Kings Club in Area A6 and Theunie Wiid of Northrise Toastmasters Club in Area F3 on attaining their Distinguished Toastmaster Award.

**Reformation** - Realignment Committee Chair, PQD Celina Templeman is working with PQD Toni Sharp and the Division Directors to process the District Reformation realignment proposals. Hopefully you all will have heard about Division discussions and have been able to comment on the proposals and process. If you haven't please talk to your club executive and sent comments to your Division Director.

I wish you all the best with your continuing Toastmasters journey and look forward to meeting many of you at Division Conferences in April and the District Conference in May in Auckland.

*Sarah Bate*

District Director, District 72

### District Mission

We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence



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**Pathways Reminders**

Now that Pathways is up and running in District 72 and awards have already been registered it is timely to remind all Basecamp Managers that your Pathways Guides are still on hand to support you through Virtual Support Sessions. These sessions are designed to offer a platform for Q&A and for the sharing of best practises and guidelines.

Your Pathways Guides are available to support you directly but please do know that your Programme Quality Directors are also available to offer guidance, we can be contacted directly at: [programquality@toastmasters.org.nz](mailto:programquality@toastmasters.org.nz)

For Toastmasters who were a member of more than one club as at 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017, you are able to receive a second Path free of charge. In order to secure this Path an email is required to be sent to: [supplyorders@toastmasters.org](mailto:supplyorders@toastmasters.org). Doing this will enable the manual activation of your second, final, free Path.

**Club Promotion Fund for Existing Clubs and New Clubs**

District 72 has funds available to support the events, projects or promotional activities of existing Clubs, or new clubs that are in the process of chartering. These must be designed to increase brand awareness and grow Toastmasters membership throughout New Zealand. Apply for funds by completing and submitting the [application form](#). Up to two-thirds of the total project cost with a maximum of \$400 per club per year is available for existing clubs, and maximum of \$500 or \$300, dependant on timing, for new clubs. Conditions apply, as outlined in the application form. Examples of what the funding can be used for:

- Reproduction costs of posters, brochures, leaflets and fliers which have been approved by District 72 and, where required, Toastmasters International.
- Sandwich boards or rigid plastic signs to direct people to the club venue, which have been approved by District 72 and, where required, Toastmasters International.
- Small advertisements in local newspapers, where they are supported by a news article about Toastmasters or a member of Toastmasters
- Room hire for the initial demonstration meeting (for new clubs only)

**Talk Up Toastmasters**

Gain 5 new members in February & March! All Toastmasters clubs in the world will compete to gain the much coveted and prestigious "Talk Up Toastmasters Award" during February and March. Only 2% of clubs in NZ earned this award last year, so by gaining it your club joins an élite group of the friendliest and most welcoming clubs!

In order to get it, all you need to do is to recruit 5 new members to your club between 1 Feb and 31 Mar 2018. Numerous resources to grow your club are available – see ideas on Page 3.

All clubs winning the Talk-Up Toastmasters Award will be presented with a FREE Toastmasters Selfie-Stick by the District as recognition for their efforts!



**Quote**

*"Communication to a relationship is like oxygen to life. Without it... it dies."*

**Tony Gaskins**

Public Relations Manager



Stephen Preston

Finance Manager



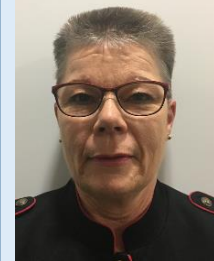
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Immed. Past District Director



David Templeman





# Div. Directors



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Director



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Division B  
Director



Kathryn Duncan

Division C  
Director



Bailey Wood

Division D  
Director



Timothy Law

Division E  
Director

## Club Open Meetings

The District is encouraging all clubs to organise an Open-House in March. Open Meetings are heavily promoted meetings with a fun, interactive and engaging agenda designed to raise a club's profile and inspire many guests to become members. When you have your Open Meeting scheduled, please send details, or a link to your event on Facebook if you have one, to Steve at [prm@toastmasters.org.nz](mailto:prm@toastmasters.org.nz) so that the District can help you promote it.

## On The Buses

Have you seen these buses in Auckland? They have been transporting people around the streets throughout January and will continue to be on the road in February.



## Healthy Clubs

The distinguished club programme (DCP) is a health check for all clubs and an opportunity to gain recognition for the level of service your club delivers to your members. This is measured in a 10 point programme, with an additional requirement that any qualifying club has at least 20 members as at 30 June 2018, or a net growth of 5 members if the club started the year with a base membership of 14 or less at 1 July 2017. Clubs who achieve either 5 or 6 points are recognised as Distinguished Clubs. Those who achieve 7 or 8 points are recognised as Select Distinguished Club. The pinnacle achievement is Presidents Distinguished, which is awarded to any club that achieves 9 or 10 points.

While we still have 5 months to go in the current Toastmasters year, there are many clubs who have already made significant headway in showing the health of their clubs. In fact, one club has already received the maximum of 10 points – **congratulations to Three Kings Club, Auckland**, who is the only club who has reached Presidents Distinguished Club level so far.

Seven clubs are already at Select Distinguished Club level – Airwaves Toastmasters Club (8); Te Papa Communicators (8); Auckland Toastmasters Club (7); Grand Club (7); Island Bay Toastmasters Club (7); MITe Speakers Club (7); and, Pukekura Toastmasters Club (7)

A further 34 clubs are at Distinguished Club level – Albany Toastmasters Club (6); Cup Cake Communicators (6); Dawn Shakers (6); Daybreak Leadership Club (6); Dinsdale Club (6); East Coast Bays Toastmasters Club (6); Emerging Leaders (6); Harrison Road (6); Lake City Breakfast Club (6); Silverdale-Orewa Toastmasters (6); Tauranga Toastmasters Club (6); Wainuiomata Toastmasters (6); Academic (5); Biztalk Toastmasters (5); Capital Club (5); Christchurch Club (5); Churton Park Toastmasters (5); Civic Club (5); Hamilton Club (5); Hutt Valley Club (5); IPU New Zealand Toastmasters (5); Moturoa Toastmasters Club (5); Nelson Madhatters Club (5); Northrise Toastmasters Club (5); Pioneers Toastmasters Club (5); Police Toastmasters Club (5); Riccarton Toastmasters Club (5); Silver Service Toastmasters Club (5); Sunbelt Speakers Club (5); Sunday Afternoon (5); Talking Heads Club (5); Terrace@12 Toastmasters Club (5); Turbine Talkers Club (5); and, Weekend Toastmasters Club (5)



### #RealPeopleRealSkills

An effective way of publicising our clubs is to appeal to potential members. #RealPeopleRealSkills is an initiative that we would like to encourage all clubs to participate in. Each week consider promoting a member from your club on Facebook and/or your website. A photograph and a short paragraph on what that member has gained from being part of Toastmasters, or perhaps a short video interview with a member. Something short, fun, real, and interesting that will pique the interest of others thinking about joining. If you could please use the hashtag #RealPeopleRealSkills it would be much appreciated. Remember to send a link to [prm@toastmasters.org.nz](mailto:prm@toastmasters.org.nz) and we will also promote this at a District Level on the [Toastmasters New Zealand Facebook](#) page.



## Div. Directors

### International Speech & Evaluation Contests



Clubs across the country will be in the process of running their Club International Speech and Evaluation Contests in the lead up to their Area Contests in March. We would like to encourage all eligible members to give it a go and challenge themselves in this slightly different environment. All paid up members in the club, with the exception of members the District Executive and any role holders at the contest, are eligible to enter the evaluation contest. In the international speech contest there is the additional restriction that any contestant MUST have completed at least 6 projects in the Competent Communication manual, OR must have earned a certificate of completion of Level 2 of any path in the Toastmasters Pathways learning experience. To find out more about how the contests run, find the Toastmasters Contest Rulebook for 2017/18 [here](#).

Stretch your comfort zone and say yes when you are asked if you want to enter your club contest. It will give you an opportunity to learn and grow more as a speaker, test the skills you have learnt, meeting other strong speakers and learn from their styles and speak in an unfamiliar situation. Give it a go, what's the worst that could happen? Remember you are in a supportive environment and your fellow members want you to succeed. Have fun and you never know, you may win and step up to the next level.

### Resources & Links

To add some spice to your meetings, raise standards or ease the management of your club. Plenty of resources are available for you to download here:



- [Visitor Pack](#)
- [Marketing Your Toastmasters Club](#)
- [Promotional Material from District Supplies](#)
- [Flyers and Posters](#)
- [Guest to Member Journey Flowchart](#)
- [Easy-Speak Guide](#)
- [Making Your Meetings Fun](#)
- [Guide to Social Media](#)

### Like Our Facebook Page

Keep up to date with what is happening in the District. Discover interesting tips, thoughts, ideas and posts. Find posts that you can **SHARE** to your club Facebook Page or your own timeline.

If you haven't already, then please check out the [Toastmasters New Zealand Facebook Page](#) and click the **LIKE** button! Then provide a **REVIEW** with your thoughts on what you have got from your Toastmasters journey so far.

Division F  
Director



Sharon Kerr-Phillips

Division G  
Director



Rob Woolley

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Scott Martins

Division J  
Director



Colin Leong

