

Division “A” News – March 2010

Votes of Thanks

Thank you to all who have supported the Leadership and other training events so far this year – and to those who have entered and supported the contests. These are not just good fun – they also remind us we are all part of one large group.

Your area team still needs help to run the contests. If you've done contest roles at your club, why not take the next step and help out at Area?

Thank you, too, to all those Clubs that have helped their Areas and Division with the Donation payments in the first half of the year. For those still deciding, please bear in mind these are donations – but they do have an impact on your Division's ability to service its Clubs.

Coming soon

Area Contests

A5/A7 Saturday, March 20, 9am-1pm

A4/A6 Saturday, March 27, 9am -1pm

A1/A2 Tuesday, March 30, 6pm-9.30pm

You'll find all the contest information at www.toastmasters.org.nz. Read down until you see “UPCOMING EVENTS” and click on the black bar. For more news about an event, click the event.

Division Contests

Division F, Saturday April 10,
St George's Church Hall, The Terrace,
Takapuna

Division A, Saturday April 17, 9am-1pm
Ellerslie War Memorial Hall

Special “TLI Day” Event

Saturday, April 24, 9am-12.30pm
“Applied Toastmasters” – using your skills in daily life.

Provisional venue:
Jubilee Hall, Parnell

Watch for the flyer very soon!

What's Next?

Help your Club –

- It's renewals time – please don't keep your club waiting until the last minute, do it now. You know you want to!
- How close are you to that next award? Make sure your VP Education knows what **you** want to do!
- If you haven't served on the Club Executive – why not? Find out what's involved and put yourself forward; it's good learning and it's fun.

Situations Vacant

You're in luck – there are lots of **Area Governor** positions this year. If you've been President or VP Ed and enjoyed your year, you'll enjoy your year as AG even more. Your current AG would love to hear from you!

Are you looking to complete your Advanced Leader (Silver)? **Have I got a deal for you!** New Club Sponsors and Mentors are needed for (surprise) new clubs. Club coaches are needed to help Clubs needing guidance. All positions come with rich rewards and free mentoring. For more information, or just to get an idea of what's needed, contact me at division_a@toastmasters.org.nz or through the Club Finder's People Finder.

The Last Three Months of the TM Year

What sort of shape are you leaving your club in for the next Executive Team? Why not

- Tell your friends about Toastmasters – again. Nagging is a proven method of getting members!
- Make sure your new Executive gets a good start – register them as soon as you elect them

Above all- HAVE FUN!

Mike Diggins, DTM – Div. A Governor

Breaking News:

Rumours of a merger between Divisions A and F of Toastmasters New Zealand to form a “Super Division” have been hotly denied. “No way”, said Mr Q. Wyatt from the Ministry of Local Public Speaking. “They're already too loud”.

Both Divisions have rejected the proposal, arguing they are already “Super Divisions”. Negotiations on the merging of Clubs and the subsequent outsourcing of Club Executives to business-focused “Club Controlled Organisations” have similarly stalled, pointing out that Clubs did not need to delegate to “local representation” as they were already local in nature.