

## DISTRICT 72 DIVISION DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Division	<b>B</b>	Division Director	<b>Georgie Templeton</b>	Report date	<b>30/03/2018</b>
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### Division Goals for the year

*Support those clubs that are struggling in any way. Encourage growth and strengthening of them and their club executives.*

*Support and encourage all clubs to achieve DCP goals*

*Achieve Distinguished District*

### Division Celebrations & Successes

*Katrina Hudson, Area B5 Director achieved her DTM late in 2017*

*Nicola McKenzie from Dawn Shakers has achieved a Triple Crown pin*

### Club Membership at a Glance

12 or Fewer	13-15	16-19	20+
5	2	5	8

### Division Challenges, Issues & Solutions

*The first and constant challenge is distance. There is 317 kms and 4 hours of travel from the northernmost club to the southernmost club in the Division. From my home it is a bit further, add another 15 mins. The Division is literally 'northern' and 'southern', with Areas B1 & B2 in the southern section and Areas B3, B4 & B5 in the northern section. The distance between the nearest clubs in each section is 2hr 45 mins.*

*How the Division works around this is to have smaller events in each section of the Division, then only the Division contests are held as a combined event. These rotate between each section so at least once a year each section does the travel.*

### New Clubs Progress

*One potential new club is in progress in Te Kuiti, having held an initial 'expressions of interest' social meeting and two TM themed meetings. Division Director Georgie Templeton and Area B5 Director Katrina Hudson had meetings with some of the interested parties in Te Awamutu late last year, then assisted with the running of the 'expressions of interest' meeting. Katrina with Area B3 Director, Heather Riches, assisted with the planning and running of the first proper meeting, bringing in other experienced*

*Toastmasters to assist. Heather has now taken over helping the Te Kuiti group with their regular meetings and calls upon other Toastmasters as necessary to help and foster the group.*

*There are currently two corporate groups in the Waikato looking into getting assistance to set up a Corporate Club, but to date they have not followed through from our offers to help with an initial meeting.*

*Earlier in the TM year, IPDD Ross Kennedy and past AD Ralph Connor were travelling to Tokoroa, in an effort to assist the previous Forestlands TM Club to reform. As this club becomes part of the current Division D once the realignment is finalised, it has been passed to them to further assist the group with reformation.*

### **Division Events and other newsworthy items**

*The second round of Club Leadership training workshops were held in Hamilton and New Plymouth in February. These were well attended and a good number of the clubs achieved full attendance for DCP requirements.*

*All the Division club speech competitions were held and Area Speech competitions completed with the Area B3 being the last, this year held in Taumarunui. The Area Speech contests were successful and well attended events. The Division B Speech contest will be held on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April in New Plymouth. A new venue is being used, The Te Henui Chapel Event Venue. It should be a good contest.*

*Three clubs in the Division are struggling to meet the minimum standards required to remain 'clubs in good standing'. This has affected one of the Area Speech finalists, whose club did not meet minimum requirements and the contestant had to withdraw from the contest. A sad state for both the contestant and their club.*

*A steering committee has been formed and plans are under way for the District 112 May 2019 Conference in Hamilton. Presentations are being prepared for releasing at the Waipuna conference in May 2018.*

*The Division is mainly in good heart with clubs continuing to work towards achieving their DCP goals and Area Directors helping their clubs where they can to focus and achieve these goals.*