

DISTRICT 72 DIVISION DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Division	D	Division Director	BAILEY WOOD	Report date	05.10.2017
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Division Goals for the year

Functionary:

- Appoint Areas Directors to the two unassigned Areas (D1+D8)

Division:

- Of 25 clubs, to lower the number that have membership under 15 from 13 clubs to 7 clubs or less.
- Work with all Area Directors to achieve **Select Distinguished** or better.
- Support Area Directors in their year of growth to ensure they experience the full benefit and opportunities of their term.

Division Celebrations & Successes

- CLT was well participated in during June and July with only two clubs not meeting the minimum requirement.
- D2 has held two successful open meetings as an Area, with the first meeting attracting ten guests and the second one attracting seven. This has resulted in an increase in membership in the Area.
- Rotorua had a very successful open day where over four hours a “meet and greet” session was held during an exposé day at the local arts village (where two of the seven clubs meet). Members representing six of the seven local clubs made an appearance.
- At the close of all the Area contests representation in speakers from the clubs was very good across the board and we are looking forward to an exciting Division contest on the 7th of October.
- Members in Gisborne have been doing great work with membership building and there are potential plans for two new clubs are in the pipeline.
- The appointment of 4 club coaches has been made to two struggling clubs:
 - Rotorua Club - has also since gained a member
 - Geyserland Club

Division Challenges, Issues & Solutions

- Areas D1 and D8 are still without Area Directors.
 - Members have been contacted and a few leads followed up but no one as of yet is willing to take up the role.
 - Club reports may be personally done by the Division Director.
- Tauranga-based club Katikati is looking to close its doors as membership has been waning for some time now.

Club Membership

<i>12 or Fewer</i>	<i>13-15</i>	<i>16-19</i>	<i>20+</i>
Kawerau – D1	Eastland – D1	Whakatane – D1	Napier – D2
First City – D1	Bay City – D2	Achieve – D8	Pania – D2
Corkers – D3	Lunch Time – D4		Hastings – D2
Arawa – D4	Rotorua – D6		Havelock North – D2
Geyserland – D4			Tauranga – D3
KatiKati – D8			City Early Start – D3
Kiwi Toasters – D8			Taupo – D4
Whitianga – D8			Pioneers – D6
			Lake City – D6
			Geyser Gourmet – D6
			Kickstart – D8
<i>8(-2)</i>	<i>4(+1)</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>11(+1)</i>

Total number of clubs: 25

New Clubs Progress

- Thames Toastmasters (in formation) – Current membership is at 16 paid
 - The club is on track to charter before the year end
- Nigel Michels is still looking to build a new club in Taupo. Efforts at the “Cosmopolitan Club” were unsuccessful, the first demo meeting held attracted no guests and there has not one been since due to the venue being unable to offer a consistently fixed day/time for regular meetings
 - More research is being done by Nigel into alternatives for another Taupo club, possibly a breakfast one is on the cards.
- Helen Hunt has advised of two potential clubs in Gisborne she is currently building
 - A Bi-Lingual club – Interest for this has been registered.
 - Another community club – Work is already being done here.

Division Events and other newsworthy items

- Division Table topics and Humorous contest to be held on Saturday 7th October in Rotorua.
- Excitement is building around Pathways and the feeling is becoming more positive as more information is coming through and visits are being scheduled.