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TOASTMASTERS IN NEW ZEALAND SPEAK OUT

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Toastmasters International is proud to announce that due to the continued success of Toastmasters in New Zealand, the current 285 clubs throughout the country will, from Sunday July 1st 2018, reform into two districts. District 72 and District 112. Both meet along the northern boundary of the Wellington region.

The first New Zealand Toastmasters club was chartered on July 1st 1962, 56 years ago, in Dunedin. With 285 clubs in New Zealand to date, we are pleased the ever-increasing demand and popularity of this cost effective organisation in our communities has resulted in the operational need to create two Districts - District 72 and District 112.

Toastmasters enhances the skill sets of individuals from all walks of life including business people and students, to produce confident speakers, presenters and leaders, by practising with the tools of Listening, Speaking and Leadership, and using an experiential self-paced learning style. Members manage their own clubs and personal growth following the defined guidelines laid out by Toastmasters International.

With the introduction of the new Pathways Education Programme, and the added emphasis of online interaction and virtual attendance, club meetings continue to grow the confidence of Members to speak as Leaders, both today and in the future.



About Toastmasters International

Toastmasters International is a worldwide nonprofit educational organisation that empowers individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Headquartered in Englewood, Colorado, USA. The organisation's membership exceeds 352,000 in more than 16,400 clubs in 141 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people from diverse backgrounds become more confident speakers, communicators and leaders.

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