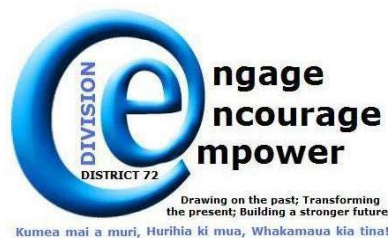




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A word from our Division Governor

Greetings Division E Toastmasters.

Since I last wrote many Division E members have attended the Tauranga Convention, and what a great time we had. If you have seen the convention news on the New Zealand Toastmasters website you will see that Division E did very well and we are now home to the 2010-2011 Toastmaster of the Year, Peter Scholtens; and the Division Governor of the Year, Diane Isherwood. Wellington Professional Toastmasters also did very well, taking home five trophies being the first club to meet the various DCP milestones during the last Toastmasters Year. Rob Julian of Ohariu and Capital Toastmasters is now the current New Zealand Humorous Speech Champion and Stuart Marshall represented us very ably as part of a strong field of table topic contenders. You can read about all these events in greater detail in this edition of E to You.

Closer to home, Division E hosted a very successful Leadership Clinic on Saturday the 19th of November, with the Leadership track demystified, and some great presentations about the real nature of Leadership.

Club Leadership Training was recently held on the evening of Tuesday 6th December and again on Saturday 10th December. While attendance is aimed at club executives, we would be very pleased to see as many club members there as possible. Further sessions will be run in February 2012. For those of you looking forward to the upcoming International Speech and Evaluation Contests, a judging workshop will be held on the 28th of January – further details to be provided.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind regards and happy Toastmastering,

Sarah Bate,
Division E Governor, DTM



With Christmas only days away, it's an ideal time to reflect on the last 6 months, rest up large with loved ones, before then planning with renewed vigour and enthusiasm the next 6 month's goals and aspirations. If you set and achieved any personal or club Toastmaster goals these last 6 months, a huge congratulations to you all and best of luck in your quest for achieving your next lot of goals!!

This combined November/December bumper issue showcases some pretty amazing stories using a simple format of our Division E Governor's theme for the year of being *engaged, encouraged and empowered*.

The New Year promises a similar format that will combine both our District and Division Governor's themes so 'watch this space'.



No reira, ngā mihi mō te kirihimete, ngā mihi o te tau hou ki a koutou katoa. *Fellow Toastmasters, here's wishing you all a very happy Christmas and a happy new year.*

Hirata Harris, Division E PRO

In this issue, like Christmas, four key themes are covered throughout this newsletter that focus on:

1. A word from our Division Governor
2. Being engaged!!!
3. Being encouraged!!!
4. Being empowered!!!

2012 Dates at a Glance
Sat 28 Jan, Judging Workshop, venue TBA
Tue 7 Feb, Club Leadership Training, St Johns in the City, Wellington, 5:30pm
Sat 11 Feb, Club Leadership Training, Wesley Centre, Upper Hutt, 9am
Sat 18 Feb, Club Leadership Training, Mana College, Porirua, 9am



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Be Empowered !!!

Geoffrey Moss DTM in my opinion embodies the first line of our international Toastmaster vision to the point where it could easily be re-written to say - "*Geoffrey Moss DTM, empowers people to achieve their full potential and realise their dreams*".

My first encounter with Geoff was when he supported an event I organised in June 2011 for Kingi Biddle's quest to win gold at the Toastmasters World Championship of Public Speaking. The handmade antler gavels and personally published books which he donated, fetched handsome sums of money which were much appreciated. And if that wasn't enough, Geoff attended the event, with his young granddaughter in tow. I soon learnt that she was eager to hear and learn from the best in public speaking. What an insightful grandfather for providing his granddaughter with this kind of opportunity, and what an inspiring Toastmaster! But wait there's more – word on the street is that Geoff has also been instrumental in mentoring many Toastmasters over the years that have gone on to do well both personally and professionally. A 'Distinguished Toastmaster' indeed!



Geoff, why did you become a Toastmaster?

When the Wellington Club was set up in February 1966, an advertisement was put in the Evening Post seeking members. Joyce, my wife cut it out and said, "*This wouldn't do you any harm*". We had just moved to Wellington from Taranaki and the New Plymouth

Toastmaster Club had a good reputation. It was the third club to be established in New Zealand and Wellington became the fourth club. The Wellington Club is the 'mother club' for the district. The first Toastmasters Club was formed in Dunedin, then Auckland then New Plymouth.

What opportunities have Toastmasters opened up to you along the way?

Toastmasters have given me confidence and skills to do things I was not capable of doing before I joined. I have travelled widely and worked in many countries and have had many

exciting adventures. For example, I have carried out 10 missions in Sri Lanka and 10 in Bangladesh. I have flown to Singapore 32 times to run workshops for Asian managers at the Singapore Institute of Management. I worked in Vietnam before it was opened up for tourists. (If you are interested, my adventures have been written up in a book called 'Rolling On' available from your local library or any good bookshop).

Table topic skills have helped me get out of many embarrassing situations. Often I have been asked to rise and give a speech without warning. This seems a common practice in many Asian and Pacific countries.

Who are current Toastmasters you have been involved in mentoring?

I would prefer not to name New Zealanders in case I embarrass them. Two names I remember. One was Julaihi Ismail who later became Director of Agriculture in Sarawak and the other was Don Treadwell (an orphan lad from the top of the Waitotara River Valley) who is now a professor at Westfield State College, Massachusetts. He and his wife write text books on communication for US universities.

What are your views on the Toastmaster programme of today?

I think it has never been stronger. Toastmasters teaches a far wider range of skills these days. It teaches how to give and take helpful constructive criticism. I believe Toastmasters Clubs are having a big influence in this country. In my own club we have had an Auditor General (Brian Tyler), a Cabinet Minister (Hon. Annette King) and a number of very senior public servants and business people.

What key piece of advice would you like to share with everyone?

Toastmaster Clubs were set up during the YMCA movement. It was an all-male club when I joined. Evaluations were harsh and scared off potential members. The day we opened our club up to women, and perhaps we were the first to do so, was a good day for our club. We now have a more balanced perspective on life, higher standards and no vulgar jokes to embarrass people.

When I write articles, I write as if I am giving a speech. I aim to have an opening, a body and a conclusion. It seems to work. I have had over 40 articles published in 'Today's Manager' the official bi-monthly magazine of the Singapore Institute of Management. I am putting many of these articles together into a book, to be titled 'Secrets for New Managers'. We plan

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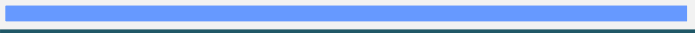
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to launch it in Wellington in the New Year. Hopefully it will become another ebook and sold by Amazon.com for downloading into your ebook reader.

Because Toastmasters builds confidence as well as teaching skills in a supportive environment it can change many lives. It has certainly changed mine and given me an interesting and at times exciting retirement.

These were both wonderful opportunities for Toastmasters to branch out in the speaking world, use the skills we have learned at Toastmasters, providing feedback to eager speakers and parents, while having a lot of fun and be thoroughly entertained.

Carol and Peter will certainly be signing up for an opportunity such as this again in the future.



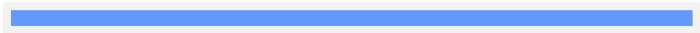
Be Empowered !!!

Newlands Intermediate experienced a taste of Toastmasters in their very own school yard when a number of local Toastmasters judged two school speech contests.

The first contest was made up of 5 central city schools with children competing across 4 year levels, with a speech of their own choice and a time of approximately 3-5 minutes. The topics were wide ranging, with the typical “kiwi” thoughts on why rugby is better than soccer, why I should rule the world to more cerebral thoughts on kiwis, whaling and the price of milk. The judging panel of Peter Scholtens, Darrell Phillips, Natalie Elephans and Carol Mitchell were really impressed with the speaking skills of these students and the common thread of moral tales that emerged throughout the evening. It certainly provided a bit of debate in deciding some of the category winners.



The second contest at Newlands Intermediate consisted of the top 9 speakers from the school, delivering a persuasive speech in 3-5 minutes. The standard was incredibly high with some very fine orators that managed to persuade and entertain, while showing some great vocal variety, gestures and supportive material to back up their points. Peter and Carol were very impressed with this contest and after some discussion awarded first place to a speech on “Why you shouldn’t smoke”, closely followed by a speech on a very topical subject of Bullying at school.



Be Encouraged...to achieve your club goals in 2012

Distinguished Club Program Goals

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- 6** goals achieved: **Distinguished Club**
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- 9** goals achieved: **President's Distinguished Club**

Be Encouraged...to attend next year's District 72 Convention for many self-enriching reasons





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Be Encouraged !!!

Congratulations all winners and participants who did Division E proud at the District Convention held in Tauranga in November!

Yes fellow Toastmasters, you ought to feel encouraged about this major haul of achievements for several reasons. Firstly, these Toastmasters all started their toastmaster journey doing their icebreaker speech from the Competent Communicator manual, and from there the rest is history. Secondly, some have made the most of the programme by achieving their goals while others continue to give back to a programme that has contributed to making them better leaders and better communicators. This is Toastmasters at its best!



(Rear-Front – the traditional banner parade which features Division E representatives – Neville Isherwood, Chris Manson, Stephanie Chung, Tania Sales, Carol Mitchell, Diane Isherwood)

Check out who put us on the District Toastmasters map in November over the next lot of pages.

I'd also like to commend fellow toastmaster Steve Preston E2 Area Governor, who I thought summed up Division E's achievements perfectly with this update that he gave to his four clubs upon returning from the District Convention.

1. We are the home of the District 72 2011 Humorous Speech Winner, Rob Julian DTM.

2. We are the home of the District 72 2010-2011 Division Governor of the Year, Diane Isherwood DTM.

3. We are the home of the District 72 2010-2011 Toastmaster of the Year, Peter Scholtens DTM.

4. Wellington Professional Club won all five trophies for member, education and leadership awards.

5. Gourmet Club was the best represented club in attendance at the Convention, taking home that same award with an enormous 90% attendance rate.



And not to forget, our very own, Division Governor, Sarah Bate, received her DTM with bar (her second DTM) - a hugely notable achievement while juggling the role of our esteemed leader! Not to be outdone, Diane Isherwood received her third DTM then kept it in the family with her husband, Neville Isherwood, clocking up his first DTM and her daughter, Tania Sales, doing the same.

We were also very well represented in the Educational sessions with Steve Preston and Peter Scholtens letting people know what's what in Speechcraft, and Hirata Harris presenting on 'Use or Lose it' regarding the benefits of the automated software tool, easy-Speak.

It was lovely to see those of you who made it there. The keynote speakers were inspiring, the Table Topics contest was entertaining and the Humorous contest was side-splitting. Stuart Marshall represented us very well in a very even line-up in the table topics and, as mentioned above, Rob Julian won the humorous".

Again, well summed up Steve!



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2011 District 72 Humorous Speech Winner, Rob Julian DTM



The previous "E To You" newsletter featured recently crowned Division E Humorous Toastmaster Rob Julian wowing us with his passion for 'simply giving Toastmaster competitions a go and never giving up'. Then what do you know, Rob went on to win the District 72 2011 Humorous Speech contest!

And what a contest it was! Rob had his speech cut out as he was up against some pretty hilarious and memorable contestants. The crowd was suitably humoured and not to mention, entertained. This was one tough contest where you were rapt if you weren't one of the Judges – they had a tough contest on their hands from the time the first contestant spoke, to the time the final contestant sat down.

Here's a partial excerpt of the Media Release that was sent out to all the local Wellington newspapers about Rob's success.

"Wellingtonian Toastmaster wins national speech contest

ROB JULIAN. DTM, November 2011 - Rob Julian from Capital Toastmasters recently won the National Finals of the Toastmasters Humorous Speech Contest in Tauranga.

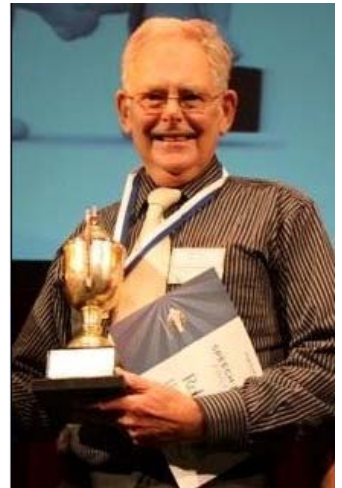
In his speech '*Memory? What Memory?*' Rob had the audience in fits of laughter over his descriptions of problems we all have in remembering things. Who on earth is the person greeting us in the Supermarket? The problems we all have in remembering passwords and pin numbers and the difficulties in renewing them. The audience roared with laughter at his

description of the troubles he had in taking his grandchildren for a swim at the Keith Spry Pool in Johnsonville.

"I had tears streaming down my face", said one Toastmaster. "I have exactly the same problems".

In accepting the cup for winning the contest, Rob observed that with some 3,600 Toastmasters in NZ, even getting to be one of the 7 finalists involved more competition than for a senior rugby player becoming one of the 30 All Blacks.

Rob belongs to Capital Toastmasters which meets at Turnbull House off Lambton Quay every second Wednesday from 5.30pm – 7.30pm and to Ohariu Toastmasters in Johnsonville every second Tuesday from 6.00pm - 7.45pm. Toastmasters is the fastest growing voluntary organisation in New Zealand. Everyone wants to overcome their fear of public speaking, especially in these troubled financial times. More information can be accessed through www.toastmasters.org.nz.



If you are wanting to improve your contest speaking skills or simply hear more about Rob's win, you will find him at his Ohariu Toastmaster Club.

If you need any help on how to best showcase your club or one of your club members' achievements to the local media, contact me for some time-saving tips on hirata_harris@yahoo.com.





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**2010-2011 District 72 Division Governor of the Year,
Diane Isherwood DTM**

There's something simply humbling when you hear about how the Toastmaster programme helped shape Toastmaster Diane Isherwood's personal and professional life. To know that Diane could barely communicate effectively in a crowd of more than three people, to what she has achieved through Toastmasters, is undoubtedly a testament to her sheer determination and self-belief that this was a programme that could help her to gain confidence in her communication and leadership skills.

In 2010/11 Diane led a team of Area Governors, mentored and supported various Toastmasters, prepared to charter the now successfully operating ToastHealth corporate club, and attends more clubs on one hand, than anyone I've ever met! On top of that she managed to achieve a Distinguished Toastmaster award (DTM) – but this wasn't her first, or her second. Yes fellow Toastmasters this latest one (photographed next column) is her third!

Here's a partial excerpt of the Media release that was sent out to all the local Wellington newspapers in November, about Diane's success.

“Outstanding Toastmaster scoops three Awards at national convention

DIANE ISHERWOOD, DTM, November 2011 - Diane Isherwood is a member of more Toastmaster clubs than you can count on one of your hands, scooped three coveted awards at the recent Toastmaster District Convention held in Tauranga.

First there was the **club award for the Gourmet Toastmaster Club for the best represented club** in attendance at the convention with a 90% attendance rate. This is one of Diane's six clubs that she belongs to as a Toastmaster. Gourmet Toastmasters a Central Wellington Club meet monthly to help people speak confidently in public and then conclude the meeting with dinner at different local restaurants. Their next meeting is on 1 December. For more information go to www.gourmet.wellington.net.nz.

Then Diane took out the coveted 2010-2011 **Division Governor of the Year award** that recognized her commitment, leadership and willingness to go that extra mile in assisting other club members and her community. From 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, Diane led a team of 47

Toastmasters clubs (Division E) located in Wellington, Kapiti Coast, and the Wairarapa who strived to achieve the majority of their club objectives.

Thirdly, Diane was awarded her **third Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) award** which recognizes those who complete *both the Communication and Leadership tracks of the Toastmasters International Programme*. Most Toastmasters are happy to complete their first and only DTM, but to be awarded their third DTM says a lot about Diane's character and her belief in the Toastmaster programme that can provide anyone with the communication and leadership skills to confidently lead others.



(L-R) Immediate Past District Governor Denis McCord DTM, and Diane Isherwood DTM

Diane first joined Toastmasters in the 1990s to gain confidence in speaking to a room of more than three people. It took her several more starts to join a club and 'find her voice', plus a number of other uncovered talents. Today Diane is not only a confident speaker, but she is also a prominent member of six Toastmaster clubs and relishes every opportunity to mentor others to 'find their voices'. For more information go to www.toastmasters.org.nz".

Diane's latest string of achievements is nothing short of inspiring. Congratulations Diane and here's hoping you put your feet up over the Christmas period – or will it be a time for more speeches to share in the New Year!

If you want to find out some tips about how you can achieve your DTM, go online to <http://www.toastmasters.org/ToastmastersMagazine/ToastmasterArchive/2011/January/Departments/How-To-Achievina-Your-Educational-Goals.aspx>

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**2010-2011 District 72
Toastmaster of the Year
Peter Scholtens DTM**

We're lucky to have in our Davison a Toastmaster of Peter Scholtens' calibre because he is an inspirational Toastmaster who truly leads by example by simply 'doing'. Peter works hard at giving back to Toastmasters via his community and corporate speechcraft sessions. He also mentors and supports not only his own clubs but other members and their clubs.

Here's a partial excerpt of the Media release that was sent out to all the local Wellington newspapers in November, about Peter's recent success.

“Hardworking Toastmaster acknowledged by his peers

PETER SCHOLTENS, DTM, November 2011 - Peter Scholtens is a highly regarded and respected Toastmaster who 'walks the talk' and is an exemplary example of what Toastmasters the world over should aspire to be like. Competing with over 3,000 Toastmasters for the **District Toastmaster of the Year award**, what set Peter apart was his unfailing commitment to mentor and assist the youth within his communities; and the myriad of speechcraft workshops that he has mainly facilitated or assisted with. These workshops comprise of fast-track public speaking courses that are targeted at people of all ages and from all walks of life. Peter has run over 30 speechcraft workshops. The most recent one he facilitated was for TradeMe and judging by the feedback from everyone involved, Peter deserves this award.

Peter has been a member of Toastmasters for 15 years and currently belongs to four Clubs. He achieved Toastmasters highest individual award – Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) – in June 2008 and has served Toastmasters outside of the club environment as an Area Governor, Division Governor and District Treasurer. He has also been a Division contest winner in both the Table Topics and Evaluation Contests.

Outside of Toastmasters Peter works at the Ministry of Fisheries (now part of MAF) where he is a Forensic Accountant, and also lives and works on his 10 acre property at Te Horo where he and his partner Christine own six Scottish Highland Cattle.

For more information about Toastmasters go to www.toastmasters.org.nz.



(L-R) District Governor Education and Training, Murray Couatts DTM, and Peter Scholtens DTM

Congratulations Peter and we have an enjoyable break over the holiday period.

Don't forget to check out Peter's article about Speechcrafts in this issue on page 9.

Please note – there are a bunch of more worthy winners and achievers who did very well at the District Convention. Their stories will feature in the next issue due out around 21 January 2012.





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Be encouraged !!!

Some of your Division Team were on hand to provide some encouraging words of wisdom, reflection, and Christmas cheer while away in Tauranga in November. Their New Years resolutions will feature in the New Year. Stay tuned.



Highlights from Sarah Bate DTM, Division Governor

Bringing you regular educational workshops on a monthly basis to help you achieve our personal and club goals and leading a dedicated and enthusiastic team of Division team.

Highlights from E2 Area Governor, Steve Preston DTM

Two of Steve's clubs successfully moved premises over the past 6 months, some have been involved in delivering successful speechcrafts, and all clubs are focusing on running quality meetings. Stuart Marshall from Harbourside won the 2011 Division E Table Topic contest and Roland Tuck from Business Breakfast placed third in the Humorous contest of which both were run in October. Steve's Area alas ran a very successful Area Contest and clubs like Business Breakfast are trying innovative ways of improving their toastmaster skills having run a successful microphone session where Toastmasters got the opportunity to get training on using a lapel microphone, and a handheld microphone.



Steve hopes all Toastmasters have the opportunity to spend quality time with their loved ones and look forward to 2012 with renewed energy and fervour.

Highlights from E7 Area Governor, Carol Mitchell

Carol's clubs have had every reason to celebrate these last few months. Firstly, Island Bay Club got their first DTM in Maree Cullen and they achieved their first ever President Distinguished club ribbon. The same club also celebrated their very first and well sought after Toastmaster of the Year Award in the form of a new Toaster!



Other highlights have included a well run Area contest, the people in Carol's area are fantastic, and she is working hard to charter Progressive Toastmaster Club which meets monthly on a Friday evening at a different Toastmaster's house for an ongoing pot luck dinner (hence the name 'progressive').

Carol's message to all Toastmasters is to have a safe and festive season and if you get the opportunity, practice your table topics skills at Christmas dinner time!

Highlights from E10 Area Governor, Erin Daldry

Erin has had a number of wins in her Area with a national radio visit and recording to one of her clubs, plus Te Aro celebrated 20 years of Toastmastering where they first charged on 9 November 1991! Erin's also been busy encouraging her clubs to 'share the love' by facilitating inter-club debates.



A key highlight for Erin has seen her Area's contests run really well and fun was had by all.

Erin's Christmas message to you all is something one of the key note speakers said at the Tauranga Convention "there's a lot of untapped potential that's yet to be uncovered"... and she looks forward to being instrumental in uncovering a lot of that with her Area in 2012.

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Be Empowered! Take the fear out of speechcrafts *(part 3)*

In October you read about Toastmaster Leanne Gibson's experiences with speechcrafts that included highlights like the infamous rugby Ranfurly Shield. In this feature we learn from another experienced speechcraft facilitator, Peter Scholtens DTM, and District 72's current District Toastmaster of the Year.

Firstly Peter, tell us a bit about yourself? I have been in Toastmasters for 15 years and currently belong to four clubs - Capital Chatterers for 15 years, Terrace@12, Statistics New Zealand, and Wellington Toastmaster Club. I achieved my Distinguished Toastmaster Award in June 2008, and have held the following Division roles – Area Governor, Division Governor, and District Treasurer. I have also been a past Division E Table Topics and Evaluation contest winner, and am a regular facilitator/presenter at Speechcraft Courses

Outside of Toastmasters and work at the Ministry of Fisheries (now part of MAF) where I am a Forensic Accountant, I work with Christine on our 10 acres at Te Horo where we have 6 Scottish Highland Cattle.

How long have you been delivering speechcrafts? About 10 years.

How many speechcrafts in total have you delivered? Delivered / involved in around 30 courses.

How many public or corporate courses have you delivered? Of the 30 courses, 3-4 for the public and the rest have been corporate courses.

If corporate-specific, what companies have you delivered speechcrafts to? Dompost, Interger, Trademe, House of Travel, Southern Cross, Remax.

Why do you believe in speechcrafts? Makes money and also spreads the Toastmasters message and skills for both the presenters and the participants.

When do you decide to put on speechcrafts? When I get asked or when I have received quite a few requests for public courses.

Name three things you enjoy about delivering speechcrafts? Seeing the growth and development of the participants;

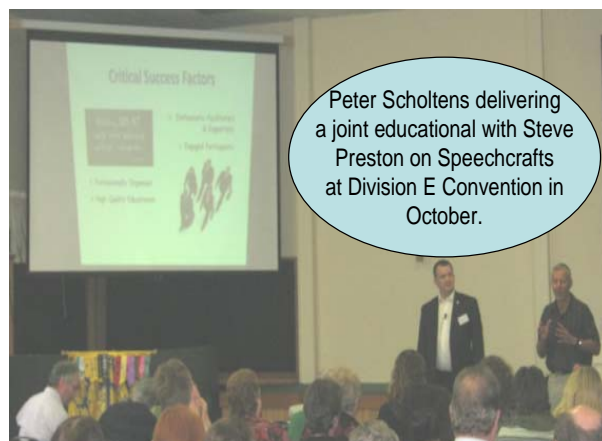
satisfaction of delivering a professional course; and giving people a chance to deliver educationals.

Share with us your most memorable speechcraft experience and why? Seeing a participant survive a course even though she burst into tears every time she got up to speak. All the others on the course were also very supportive for her and she joined and is still in Toastmasters.

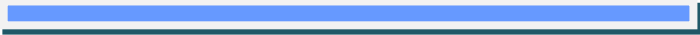
If someone was keen to put together their first ever speechcraft what 5 key "do and don't" tips would you give them? Decide why you are holding the course, get a great team to help you, have professional well organised sessions / educationals and venue and be supportive / positive throughout the course.

Is there anything else you'd like to add? Share the profits at the end.

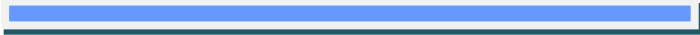
I can send you my data show that I used for my last D72 Convention Speechcraft session if you would like it...



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**Be Engaged!
By learning more about Area Governor E7**



Carol Mitchell
E7 Are Governor
Cook Strait, Island Bay, Mt Victoria, Peninsula Presenters, Turbine Talkers

Why did you join Toastmasters?
 I thought it was about toasting and drinking wine.

How long have you been a member? Around 4 years now.

Which clubs do you belong to and what do you like about them? Island Bay which is my home club and is full of talented speakers, with amazing energy, humour and support. Porirua Central, which is really developing into a club with some great speakers and has a wonderful atmosphere and Progressive in formation, which is top class Toastmastering around a fun, social theme with amazing food!

What do you do for a living? I am the art programme director for a cruise line.

How have your communication and leadership skills grown since joining Toastmasters? I am comfortable speaking to large groups now in a lecture style environment and have learned to tailor my leadership style more to suit the group with which I am working.

How have these skills benefited you personally and professionally? Being able to speak in a group situation and in a very impromptu manner contributed so much towards me getting my current job.

What are your goals in Toastmasters? Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM)!

What is your favourite thing about Toastmasters? The people!, I am lucky enough to be in clubs with people I really like a lot and would choose as friends outside of toastmasters, and coming away from a meeting pumped and thinking about a speech topic. Other incidentals such as being fortunate enough to help Peter Scholtens in judging a children's' school speech contest, which was fun and funny!

What surprised you most about Toastmasters? There was no wine! Also the great support you can get from some very experienced Toastmasters who really want to help you despite being very busy with their own Toastmaster roles, I am very lucky to have some wonderful role models and mentors who are inspirational to me and help me along the way all the time and especially this year with my AG role and working on my HPL – couldn't do it without the help of Steve Bullock, Joy Ackrill, Diane Isherwood, Judy Love, Sarah Bate and Michelle Gerwitz.

What's next for you in Toastmasters? Just focusing on surviving the year at this point!

Is there anything else you would like to share with us about yourself? I don't like chocolate.

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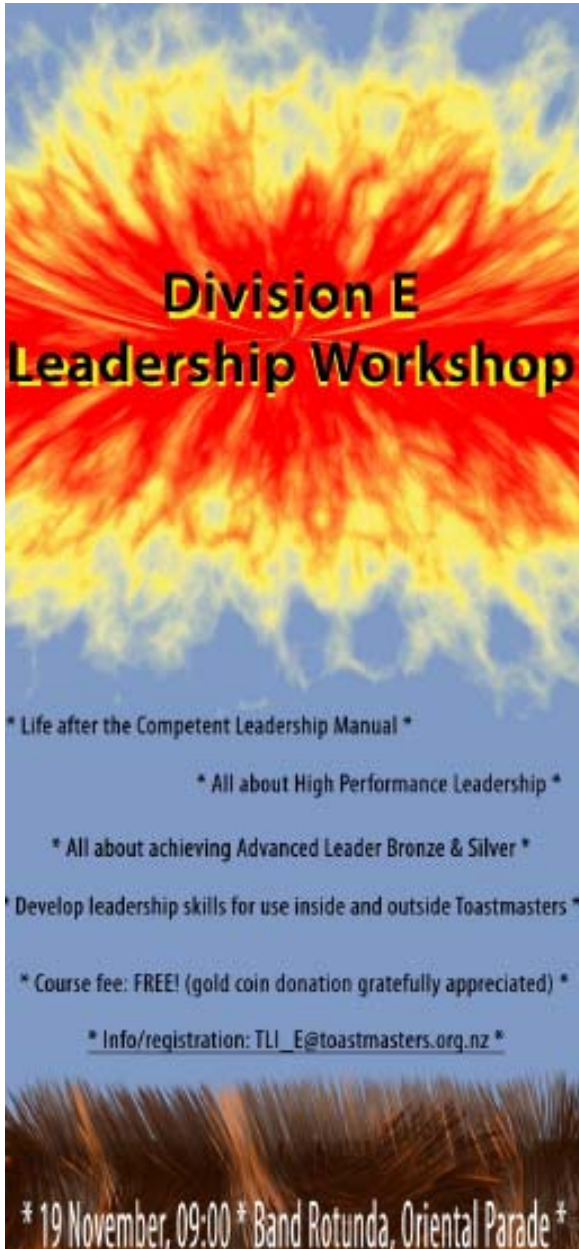
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Got a goal setting or goal achievement story to share? Contact me on hirata_harris@yahoo.com



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while out and About in Wellington**



The focus was on understanding the Toastmaster's Leadership Track and the following presentations were given:

- **Competent Leader (CL);** by Pamela Snow, E1 Area Governor;
- **Advanced Leader Bronze (ALB);** by Mary Clarke, E5 Area Governor;
- **Advanced Leader Silver (ALS) by:-**
 - Area Governor Role by Michelle Gerwitz;
 - High Performance Leadership Project by Sarah Bate plus panel of Diane Isherwood, Judy Love, Erin Daldry and Pamela Snow;
 - Club Mentor by Mark Garnham;
 - Club Coach by Neville Isherwood;
 - Club Sponsor by Diane Isherwood.

After a delicious morning tea, we then talked about coaching (Steve Preston E2), qualities of leaders (Michelle Gerwitz) and different types of leaders and what kind of leaders we each were and what kind of leaders we aspired to be (Sarah Bate).

Michelle and Sarah thanked everyone who presented at the course as well as those who attended.



Michelle Gerwitz (TLI) and Sarah Bate (Division Governor) facilitated the first ever Division E Leadership Workshop.

They were ably assisted by several of the current Division Team and supported by many of Division E's past leaders.

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Be Encouraged.....by TOASTING the following special Toastmasters!

Club	Division	Area	Award	Date	Member	Club	Location
409	E	1	CC	11/7/2011	Lankow, Ian	Capital Club	Wellington
9248	E	2	LDREXC	11/16/2011	Harris, Hirata	Business Breakfast Club	Wellington
7287	E	2	CL	11/7/2011	Turner, Heather	Capital Chatterers Club	Wellington
9248	E	2	LDREXC	10/31/2011	Jetly, Sanjiv	Business Breakfast Club	Wellington
3183	E	2	CC	3/11/2011	Chettiyar, Dhoddusamy	Capital Breakfast Club	Wellington
3183	E	2	CC	6/11/2011	Rodriguez, David	Capital Breakfast Club	Wellington
9248	E	2	ACB	2/11/2011	Daldry, Erin	Business Breakfast Club	Wellington
774	E	2	ACB	10/28/2011	Grabowski, Brigitte	Harbourside Club	Wellington
7287	E	2	CL	11/7/2011	Turner, Heather Denise	Capital Chatterers Club	Wellington
3183	E	2	CC	40613	Chettiyar, Dhoddusamy	Capital Breakfast Club	Wellington
1111298	E	3	ACB	2/11/2011	Smith, David	Wainuiomata Toastmasters	Lower Hutt
8851	E	3	CC	11/10/2011	MacLeod, Kirby	Gracefield Toastmasters Club	Lower Hutt
1403250	E	3	CC	10/23/2011	Wyse, Rosemary Patricia	Sunday Afternoon	Lower Hutt
3931	E	3	CC	11/29/2011	Knapp, Katie M	Petone Toastmasters Club	Lower Hutt
3839	E	3	ACB	11/29/2011	Harvey, David Frederick	Hutt Valley Club	Lower Hutt 5010
7506	E	4	CC	10/27/2011	Beddie – Geiser, Maya	Ohariu Toastmasters Club	Johnsonville
4775	E	4	CC	11/25/2011	Pilott, Marty I	Johnsonville Toastmasters Club	Johnsonville
980894	E	5	ACB	40797	Davys, Aaron	Porirua Central	Porirua
1679	E	5	CC	11/15/2011	Parr, Metua	Kapi Mana@Tawa	Tawa, Wellington
935480	E	6	CL	10/30/2011	Reyners, Jocelyn	DIALOGUE Toastmasters Club	Wellington
710654	E	6	CC	11/17/2011	Bidois, Tangey-Lee	Up Top Club	Wellington
935480	E	6	CL	10/24/2011	Ward, Cathy E	DIALOGUE Toastmasters Club	Wellington
798878	E	9	ACB	11/17/2011	Wong, Karen M.	Willis Quarter Toastmasters Club	Wellington
1461	E	9	ACB	10/20/2011	Filoche, Patrick	Five Crowns Club	Wellington
7422	E	9	CL	10/18/2011	Luetticke, Tobias	High Noon Bankers Club	Wellington
7422	E	9	CL	11/17/2011	Bock, Tiffany	High Noon Bankers Club	Wellington
7422	E	9	CL	11/17/2011	Macey, Gary Steven	High Noon Bankers Club	Wellington
586006	E	9	CC	40554	Park, Marilyn Edwyna	Victoria University Club	Wellington
1461	E	9	CL	11/27/2011	Wren, Christine	Five Crowns Club	Wellington
1461	E	9	CC	11/27/2011	Settinayake, Gamini	Five Crowns Club	Wellington
1461	E	9	CL	11/29/2011	Rose, Erin P	Five Crowns Club	Wellington
7422 E		9	CL	11/17/2011	Bock, Tiffany	High Noon Bankers Club	Wellington
8398	E	10	CC	11/16/2011	Chan, Kai Yam	Te Aro Toastmasters Club	Wellington
8398 E		10	CC	11/24/2011	Gresham, Scott	Te Aro Toastmasters Club	Wellington
650034	E	10	ACB	11/24/2011	Hepburn, John Jeffrey	ANZ National Wellington Toastmasters Club	Wellington

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Be Encouraged – to attend next year’s District Convention in Dunedin

.... where we will also be celebrating 50 years of Toastmasters in New Zealand. Need more encouraging? Check out the following photos that were taken at the Convention in Tauranga .

(Most pics below are compliments of Stephanie Chung, Wellington Professional Toastmasters)



Convinced to attend the next Convention, or even remotely curious as to what the Toastmasters above were up to at the last Convention? Log onto www.toastmasters.org.nz for your registration form for next year’s Convention and learn for yourself what happens on tour..... You won’t want to miss this special event! More details will feature in next month’s newsletter.

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