

DISTRICT 72 DIVISION DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

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Division Goals for the year

- Of 20 clubs, to lower the number that have membership under 15 from 7 clubs to 4 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

- Steady Club membership growth at a few Division Clubs reducing the Clubs with 15 or Fewer members and increasing the Clubs with 16+ members since the previous Division D Report.
- Round 2 Divisions D&E Club Leadership Training was held on 30th January 2020 and 1st February 2020.
- Division D Conference with all 4 x Contests was held and well attended on 14th March 2020.

Club Membership at a Glance

12 or Fewer	13-15	16-19	20+
ACE – D1 Bay Harbour – D3 Chch Speechcraft – D3 Civic – D2 Leadership Ac. – D4	Athenians – D4 Dollan House – D2	Ashburton – D5 Avon – D2 Pegasus – D3 Shoreline – D3	Alphabet Athletic – D2 Alpine – D5 Aranui – D3 Boaters – D1 Christchurch Club – D4 Liffey – D5 Lincoln – D5 Spreydon – D4 Sunrise – D1 Victoria – D1

Division Challenges, Issues & Solutions

- With the current global Corona Virus pandemic eliminating face to face Club Meetings, Clubs are currently in the process of either moving meetings to an online Zoom platform (ideal), merging, suspending or, as a last resort, closing. District have been rapid in their response with online training, Zoom Accounts set up to support Clubs in carrying on with their club meetings where they are happy to continue on this platform.
- Despite ongoing Pathways learning and promotion via Workshop, Webinar and Club Educationals, the Adoption Rate across the Division needs improving. This should pick up in the new Toastmasters year once the Legacy education comes to an end.

New Clubs Progress

- Aranui Toastmasters Club are progressing well and have held their second Zoom meeting on the 1st of April which has not affected the enthusiasm and energy of members. Club Contests were held in late January and winning members progressed on to Division Contest where a member won the Area International Speech Contest and progressed through to Division D Contest where they won at that level as well and awaiting date for District level Contest.
- No further progress updates on Rolleston at this stage.

Division Events and other newsworthy items

- Area Director Reports: The second round of club visits are in progress.
- Given the current challenges faced by Clubs caused by Corona Virus, District have rapidly responded with a series of online webinars to support, encourage and assist Clubs in transitioning to an online platform from which to hold meetings in the interim and further Zoom Accounts have been made available to ease the financial cost to Clubs.
- Upcoming online training and webinars to be delivered by District in the next few weeks following an announcement and call out for feedback from Clubs via their Area Directors.