



# Division J Director Report

9 April 2021

## Division J Area Directors

J1 Pauline Cook

J2 Gary Nicholson

J3 Carol Wald

J4 Genevieve McLachlan

J5 Rose Wyse

## Clubs at Charter Strength

J1 – 1/5 club is at charter strength.

J2 – 2/5 clubs are at charter strength.

J3 – 0/4 clubs are at charter strength.

J4 – 3/3 clubs are at charter strength.

J5 – 1/4 club is at charter strength.

Our core values are Respect, Integrity, Service, Excellence, trust, honesty.

My principles are:

- An environment where all members feel safe, enabling members to work at their own pace.
- Encouraging all members to embrace Pathways.
- If any members are struggling, to ask for help.

Obstacles to success are:

- Clubs who feel the Distinguished Club Program is a “tick the box exercise”, when the aim of this is to show the strength of the clubs.
- Club officers who cannot see the value of Club Officer Training.

Goals for the Division are:

That all the clubs achieve Distinguished Club Status by April 2021.

## Commendations:

- Thank you to all those who helped with the online judging. It was a small group of members who helped week after week as the contests were being held.
- Congratulations to the contestants who had the courage to compete online. Best wishes to our contestants who will be competing at the District contests.
- Congratulations to Ohariu Toastmasters, Hutt Valley Toastmasters and Cup Cake Communicators for having all committee members attend both Club Officer Training sessions.

## Recommendations:

- Give each Area funding to have an Open Meeting for the whole area. Concentrating more on what the benefits are to those who join, including Table Topics and an Ice Breaker speech. Also, an educational going through Pathways, from picking a path and then how to register in Toastmasters International.
- Deliver an online workshop on how all the contest roles work on Zoom. More training for those taking on the Vice President Education role in the next Toastmasters year.

## Division J Director 2020-2021

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