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### Toastmasters International Online Convention **23 – 28 August**

Want to learn from the best speakers in the world? Make sure you register for the 2021 Toastmasters International Convention! This year's event will be held entirely online – making it easy for us to experience it from home. This is being held from 23 – 28 August and has an attendance fee of only \$25 USD.

The World Championship of Public Speaking is sure to be the highlight of the event and starts on Saturday 28 August at 8am Eastern Daylight Time (UTC -4). Unfortunately for us, this will be Midnight in New Zealand!

Visit the [Toastmasters International website](#) to learn more.

### Toastmasters International Annual Business Meeting **Assign Proxy Votes by 16 August**

The Toastmasters Annual Business Meeting will be held on 26 August at 8am Eastern Daylight Time (UTC -4). This is where the incoming International Directors are elected. All clubs have voting rights in this election and can assign their proxy in one of three ways:

- Designate a delegate from the club to cast your club's votes.
- Designate another active member to act as your club's proxyholder.
- Designate the 2021-2022 District Director to act as your club's proxyholder.

Proxy votes are assigned via Club Central. This needs to be done before 16 August 2021 by either the Club President or Secretary. Information about the candidates can be found [here](#).

### Contests

Clubs should now be planning their contests. To find out when these need to be held, it would be best to contact your Area Director.

If you are thinking of competing or will be involved with organising these contests, it is important that you read the [Contest Rulebook](#). Every year, there are changes to the rules, which are indicated by small diamonds.

### District Council Meeting **12 September**

A District Council Meeting will be held on Sunday 12 September. These meetings are held twice per year and are where we make decisions that affect our District. All members are welcome to attend this meeting, but only Club Presidents, VP Educations and District Officers will be able to cast votes. If you are one of the people who has voting rights, it is very important that you attend.

This will be a hybrid meeting, with Club Presidents and VP Educations attending via Zoom. More information will be sent out about this soon.

### District Website

Access lots of helpful resources via the **Members Section** of our website: [toastmasters.org.nz/news](https://toastmasters.org.nz/news)

## Smedley Award

Is your club up to the challenge of adding at least 5 new, dual or reinstated members between now and 30 September? Any club that achieves this will receive the Smedley Award Ribbon, named after Ralph Smedley, the founder of Toastmasters.

If you are not sure where to start, there are lots of useful club marketing resources in the members section of our District website. You can access those here:

[toastmasters.org.nz/club](https://toastmasters.org.nz/club)

## Club Officer Training

Have you registered for the first round of Club Officer Training? There are seven sessions remaining throughout August. See the dates below. To receive credit in the Distinguished Club Program, clubs need to have a least 4 officers attend one session for each round of training.

### Online Sessions:

- Thursday 5 August – 6:00 to 9:00 pm
- Tuesday 10 August – 6:00 to 9:00 pm
- Saturday 21 August – 9:00 to 12:00 pm
- Friday 27 August – 6:00 to 9:00 pm
- Monday 30 August – 6:00 to 9:00 pm

### In-Person Sessions:

- Saturday 14 August – 1:15 to 4:15 pm at the Tawa Community Centre (Organised by Division J) - ***This is now at maximum capacity***
- Saturday 28 August – 9:00 am to 12pm at the Riccarton Community Centre (Organised by Division D) - ***23 spaces remaining***

### You Must Register!

Make sure that you register if you are planning to attend one of these sessions. For the ones that are being held online, the Zoom link will be emailed 24 hours before the starting time. Please register using this [Google Form](#). Find out more via the [Training page](#) of our website.

## Website Building Workshop 15 August

Want to create a new website for your club but not sure where to start? Make sure you attend our Website Building Workshop on Sunday 15 August 2021 from 7 - 9pm. This will cover setting up a website, choosing a WordPress Theme and customising it using Elementor.

This will be held on Zoom and will be recorded. Attend using this [Zoom link](#).

## Pathways Drop-In Session 26 August

If you have questions about Pathways, the District Trainers will be running a drop-in session on Thursday 26 August at 6pm. Attend using this [Zoom link](#).

## District Zoom Accounts

The District Zoom account is now being managed by Kayleen Gilder, the District Administration Manager. If you want to use this account please contact her at [admin.d72@toastmasters.org.nz](mailto:admin.d72@toastmasters.org.nz)

Please be aware that we now only have one account and will be prioritising District events. For club meetings, we recommend using the free version of Zoom.

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## 2022 Conference

Attend our 2022 District Conference and help us celebrate 60 years of Toastmasters in New Zealand. Meet new people from across our District, learn and have fun.

This conference will be held from 13 – 15 May 2022 at Rydges Latimer, Christchurch.

Learn more and register via our conference website:  
[d72conference2022.org](https://d72conference2022.org)

## Facebook Group

Have you joined our District 72 Facebook Group? This is a great way to stay up to date with everything that is happening in the wider Toastmasters community. It is also a place where you can share ideas and learn from other clubs.

Join the group using this link  
<https://www.facebook.com/group/s/729184510847991>

This group is for members only. To be admitted, simply provide your Toastmasters membership number.

# Awards Extravaganza!

## District 72 Review Night

All members are invited to join host, Immediate Past District Director - Rob Woolley, as we recognise the winners of the prestigious District Awards for:

- District Toastmaster of the Year
- Division Director of the Year
- Area Director of the Year
- Distinguished Clubs, Areas and Divisions
- District Professionalism Award and more...

Plus hear from our special guests including:

- Triple District Champion - Karen Lynley
- Stand-Up Comedian and Toastmaster - Laura Bruce
- Mayor of Lower Hutt - Campbell Barry
- and others

This event will be held at the Angus Inn, Lower Hutt, on Saturday 11 September. Arrive by 6:30pm for a buffet dinner (\$49.50 per person).

This is your opportunity to recognise excellence, be entertained, get tips on speaking and leadership and mix and mingle with the current District 72 Leadership Team.

To register, visit

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfoJ\\_k0UQhXD0BWfbOT39zPjCxlslYGQ84QnMASt1jXWXIXlw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfoJ_k0UQhXD0BWfbOT39zPjCxlslYGQ84QnMASt1jXWXIXlw/viewform)

Registrations close Friday 5pm, September 3rd, 2021.

For full details, agenda, and enquiries, visit

<https://www.toastmasters.org.nz/reviewnight>

**Saturday 11 September**