

# District 72 Newsletter December 2023

Connecting 91 clubs across the South Island and lower North Island of New Zealand



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## Marketing Challenge Reminder

The District is running a marketing campaign in February 2024 “**Next Step to your Goal**” and we challenge you to submit an advertisement and/or a video for this purpose.

If you are successful you will have your masterpieces showcased and each will receive **USD\$50** worth of gift certificates for your club.

**Get in quick as entries close Sunday 17  
December 2023**

Please go to our News Page for details.

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

## Club Officer Training

The second round of Club Officer Training will be hosted by the Divisions of District 72. We will have four online sessions and one in-person training.

Topics for this training are Peaceful Communication (to help overcome club conflicts) and Marketing (for club growth).

We will also have breakout rooms for the various officer roles. You'll be able to choose the breakout room you would like to attend and will be able to switch to other rooms if you want to.

If you hold multiple roles in a Club, all your roles will be counted for the Distinguished Club Program - just make sure you list your roles on the registration.

Talking of registration, you will need to register in advance to attend and get credit for your training.

Here are the dates and times:

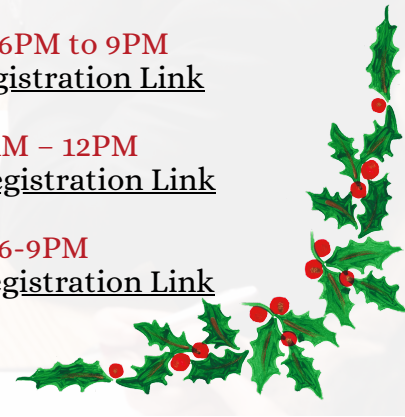
**Wednesday, December 6, 2023, 6-9PM**  
(hosted by Division C). [Registration Link](#)

**Saturday, December 9, 2023, 2:15pm- 5:15pm**  
(hosted in person by Division G) @ Collective Hub Johnsonville. Members of Division G and J are welcome to register. [Registration Link](#)

**Thursday, Jan 18th, 2024, 6PM to 9PM**  
(hosted by Division J). [Registration Link](#)

**Saturday, Jan 20, 2024, 9AM – 12PM**  
(hosted by Division D). [Registration Link](#)

**Wednesday, Jan 24, 2024, 6-9PM**  
(hosted by Division G). [Registration Link](#)





# District Trio Reports

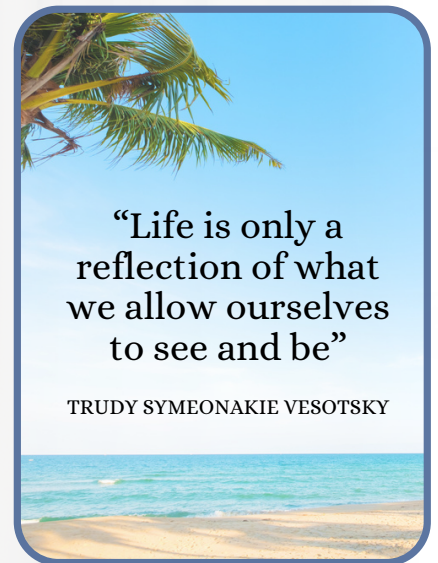


## Glen Pearce, DTM District Director

Kia ora koutou, 2023 is fast coming to a end!

How are you going 'Stepping up to your Toastmasters goals' so far?  
Before we have a well deserved break, it is the perfect opportunity for Reflection and Reset.

Reflect on what you have achieved so far!  
Every small step helps you and the club.



## Mary Jaksch Program Quality Director

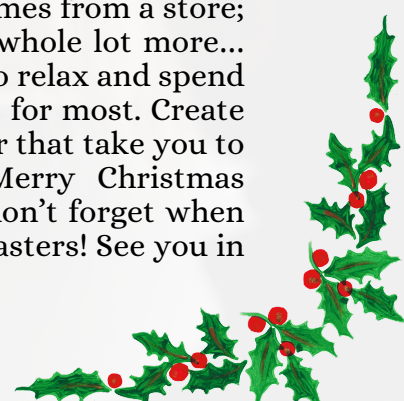
As we approach the end of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my warmest wishes to you and your families. I hope that this holiday season brings you joy, peace, and happiness.  
Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## Kayleen Gilder, Club Growth Director

### A Christmas Message

Dr Seuss, How the Grinch Stole Christmas, 1957  
"Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!  
What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store.  
What if Christmas... perhaps ... means a little bit more!"

Yes, Christmas is more than something that comes from a store; It's time spent with family and friends and a whole lot more... My wish for you is that you get some time off to relax and spend memorable moments with the people you care for most. Create lots of fun stories to bring back in the New Year that take you to the next step on your Pathways galore. Merry Christmas everyone, take care, have a safe holiday, and don't forget when you are out there socialising to talk up Toastmasters! See you in the New Year.





# DISTRICT 72 CONFERENCE

## ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN, 3-5 MAY 2024

**Early bird registrations open to 31 January 2024: \$140 for three days**

For more information go to the Conference website [toastmasters.org.nz/conference](https://toastmasters.org.nz/conference)

For Conference updates follow Facebook@ToastmastersD72Conference

Your 2024 conference marks the centenary of Toastmasters International by taking you back to where it all began in New Zealand. Established in 1962, Dunedin Toastmasters club was the first of many clubs in Dunedin and across New Zealand. Where better then, to reflect on the past, present and future than in Dunedin!

Based at Tūhura Otago Museum, your conference venue provides a perfect backdrop to take you on a journey through time. Not only will there be a full conference programme of contests, educationals, and keynote speakers, but there are seven free galleries in the Museum for you to explore in your spare time.

While you are there why not take a few days extra to explore Dunedin. A centre for arts and culture, and the wildlife capital of New Zealand, there is plenty to do. Friends and partners are welcome at the Friday night social and the Dine and Dance too, just add them to your registration.

### Friday Night Social \$50

Your social event registration gives you entry to the Tūhura science centre\* where you can play to your heart's content on the many science interactives, and if you dare, take a trip down the double helix, three storey slide. You will also have a 20-minute planetarium experience where one of the Museum's fantastic Science Communicators will take you on an incredible astronomical adventure. Food by Precinct included in the price. Cash bar available. Add the Friday Night Social to your conference registration!

\*note the Tropical Forest is not included in this experience.

### Educationals - extend your skills

We will have a range of educationals to give you new perspectives on improving your speaking skills, being a better leader, or helping your club to be more successful. More information will be posted on the Conference website as speakers are confirmed.

### Saturday Night Dine and Dance \$105

At the Dine and Dance you will experience three Dunedin favourites: the venue will be the Museum's iconic Atrium, a favourite venue for weddings and business functions; catering will be by Precinct café, one of Dunedin's favourite cafés and catering companies; and, you can dance the night away to Charma, a band that is a special occasion favourite and one of the most energetic, entertaining and successful private function bands in the South Island. Don't miss out on the fun! Add the Dine and Dance to your conference registration!

### Contests - see the best of the best!

Be excited and inspired by our best speakers who have all made it through from club level contests to Area, and Division to compete at the conference for the top awards in the Division 72 contest finals. Who will be the person to go forward to represent our District in the Regional finals, the next step towards competing for the title of World Champion of Public Speaking 2024 to be held at the International conference in Anaheim, California next year?



## A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

D72 Conference | 3-5 May 2024 | Tūhura Otago Museum, Ōtepoti Dunedin





# District Leadership Roles 23-24



## Kura Kōrero Toastmasters club

Kia Ora koutou Katoa

If you haven't heard about Kura Kōrero Toastmasters Club yet, we are a newly forming online club. We are very close to chartering. Currently we have 18 members, and we meet every Thursday evening from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm.

We are looking for two more enthusiastic members to join our amazing online community.

Could this be you? We want to hear from you if you are interested. Email us at

[kurakorero@gmail.com](mailto:kurakorero@gmail.com)

First come, first served.

From the team of Kura Kōrero Toastmasters club, wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2024!

Meri Kirihimete me ngā mihi o te Tau Hou 2024.

Ngā mihi nui

Kura Kōrero team

Thursdays 5.25pm

Zoom meeting link:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82074176283?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82074176283?pwd=Ty9HUUxncm1uSnNCdmJNdGNYN0ljdz09)

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Meeting ID: 820 7417 6283

## District Leader Nominations

Calling for nominations! Have you been thinking of serving as a leader for our district?

As a district leader in you can gain a variety of skills that can help you in your personal and professional life. Some of the skills that you can gain as a district leader include:

- **Leadership skills:** As a district leader, you will be responsible for leading a team of volunteers and managing various projects. This can help you develop your leadership skills and learn how to motivate and inspire others.
- **Communication skills:** Toastmasters is all about improving your communication skills, and this is especially true for district leaders. You will need to communicate effectively with your team, other district leaders, and club members in order to achieve your goals.
- **Organizational skills:** District leaders are responsible for organizing events, managing budgets, and ensuring that everything runs smoothly. This can help you develop your organizational skills and learn how to manage your time effectively.
- **Problem-solving skills:** As a district leader, you will encounter various challenges and obstacles that you will need to overcome. This can help you develop your problem-solving skills and learn how to think creatively to find solutions.
- **Networking skills:** Toastmasters provides a great opportunity to network with other professionals and like-minded individuals. As a district leader, you will have the opportunity to meet and work with people from all walks of life, which can help you expand your network and build valuable relationships.

Still not sure? How about reaching out to a member of the district who is serving in the role you are interested in? You'll find contact details and the 'district contacts' tab on our District 72 website.

District nominations will open **4th December 2023** and will close on **4th February 2024**

All forms will be on the website - under resources, in a tab called elections.

Please send questions & nominations to  
Kathryn Duncan  
[ipdd.d72@toastmasters.org.nz](mailto:ipdd.d72@toastmasters.org.nz)

Nominations are invited for the following roles:

- District Director
- Program Quality Director
- Club Growth Director
- Public Relations Manager
- Division C, D, G and J Director
- Area Directors



# Contest Dates Level 5 Pathway Achievers

## Contest Date Reminders

### Division Contests

Division C Saturday 2 March 2024  
Division D Saturday 9 March 2024  
Division G Saturday 16 March 2024  
Division J Saturday 23 March 2024

### Area Contests

C2 & C3 Saturday 17 February 2024  
C4 Saturday 10 February 2024  
C6 Saturday 3 February 2024

D2 Saturday 24 February 2024  
D4 Saturday 24 February 2024  
D5 International & Evaluation Tuesday 13 February 2024  
D6 Saturday 10 February 2024

G6 Evaluation TBC  
G6 International CANCELLED  
G7 Saturday 24 February 2024

J1 Humorous & TTs Thursday 15 February 2024  
J2 25th February 2024  
J3 Saturday 2 December 2023

### Level 5 Achievers for 23-24 (From July 1st - November 20th)

- Graeme N. Hunt, DTM, Dunedin Toastmasters Club
- Leanne M. Fox, DTM, Foveaux Club
- Leonie Wilkinson, Christchurch Club
- Jayson Elliott, Christchurch Club
- Pauline Jarvis, Kaiapoi Club
- Bruce Milsom, Kaiapoi Club (x2)
- Shirley Horgan, Bishopdale Club
- Jo Moar, Bishopdale Club
- Mark Nihoniho, Hornby
- Christine Early, Hornby
- Shuguang Huang, Turbine Talkers Club
- Samuel Treceno, Capital Chatterers Club
- Craig J. Tweedie, High Noon Bankers
- Mark MacCallum, Island Bay Toastmasters Club
- Christine Young, Wellington Professional Toastmasters Club
- Jack Snow, DTM, Newtown Toastmasters
- Nicola Grace, Te Puni Korero Toastmasters
- Karen Lynley, DTM, Upper Hutt Toastmasters Club
- Glen W. Pearce DTM, Ohariu Toastmasters Club
- Ann Swaby, Hutt City Toastmasters
- Katina Beauchamp, Spinnaker Toastmasters Club
- Helen Cartmell, DTM, Cup Cake Communicators

**Congratulations!**



Where  
am I  
visiting?

Please submit  
your answer  
to:

[newsletter.d72@toastmasters.org.nz](mailto:newsletter.d72@toastmasters.org.nz)

Did you know?  
If you complete 3 levels in a Toastmasters year  
you can earn the award of a Triple Crown!



# Toastmasters Christmas Song

## THE 12 DAYS OF TOASTMASTERS CHRISTMAS!

### On the first day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
A Contest with a small Fee

### On the second day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the third day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the fourth day of Christmas

my District sent to me:  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the fifth day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Five Online Clubs  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the sixth day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Six Coaches Coaching  
Five Online Clubs  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the seventh day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Seven Members Joining  
Six Coaches Coaching  
Five Online Clubs  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the eighth day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Eight Hands a Clapping  
Seven Members Joining  
Six Coaches Coaching  
Five Online Clubs  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the ninth day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Nine Speakers Speaking  
Eight Hands a Clapping  
Seven Members Joining  
Six Coaches Coaching  
Five Online Clubs  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the tenth day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Ten Lords a Leaping  
Nine Speakers Speaking  
Eight Hands a Clapping  
Seven Members Joining  
Six Coaches Coaching  
Five Online Clubs  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTM's  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the eleventh day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Eleven Judges Judging  
Ten Members Meeting  
Nine Speakers Speaking  
Eight Hands a Clapping  
Seven Members Joining  
Six Coaches Coaching  
Five Golden Rings  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMs  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee

### On the twelfth day of Christmas

my District gave to me:  
Twelve Leaders Leading  
Eleven Judges Judging  
Ten Members Meeting  
Nine Speakers Speaking  
Eight Hands a Clapping  
Seven Members Joining  
Six Coaches Coaching  
Five Online Clubs  
Four Triple Crowns  
Three DTMS  
Two Level Twos  
and a  
Contest with a Small Fee