

Division C Director Report

19th March 2024

Division C Area Directors: C2 – Vacant, C3 – Vacant, C4 – Glenys Forsyth, C6 – Kath Cherrie

Acknowledgements

I would like to start my report by giving some thanks to those who helped with the successful running of our area and division contests, it truly was a group effort, with help coming from far and wide, including a test speaker zooming in for an area contest from China! It was fantastic to see everyone come together to help make these contests happen.

Goals

Division C team goals are to aim for four distinguished clubs, to promote the DCP to our clubs and to support clubs in growing membership numbers. In setting these goals we are hoping to empower members to be better speakers and better leaders. Division C has seen 49 new members join; this is an increase of 6 new members across the division since January. The growth of new members has slowed down, and as we go into the cooler season, marketing will be important for Division C clubs. There is work to do to help support clubs through this.

Club Membership at a Glance

	Number of Clubs with 12 or fewer members	Number of Clubs with 13-15 members	Number of Clubs with 16-19 members	Number of Clubs with 20+ members	Number of new members Since Jan (total)
C2	2	1	0	1	3 (20)
C3	4	0	1	0	2(9)
C4	3	0	2	1	1(16)
C6	4	1	0	0	0(4)
TOTAL	13	2	3	2	6(49)

Challenges

Division C has two remaining area directors, which is making club visits more challenging for the second round. Going forward it would be wonderful to see some new faces giving the area director roles a go. If you are interested in an area director role, please contact our current area directors, or me. We would all be happy to have a chat with you further about this role. The area director role is very rewarding, and a great way to meet Toastmasters outside of your own club.

Another challenge for Division C is the progress being made through Pathways, which is broken down in the next table.

Educational Awards to Date

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	C2	C3	C4	C6	Total Number Completed
Level 1	4 (+3)	10 (same)	13 (same)	3 (+1)	30 (+4)
Level 2	4 (+3)	2 (same)	9 (same)	3 (+1)	18 (+4)
Level 3	1 (+1)	2 (+2)	6 (same)	2 (same)	11 (+3)
Level 4	1 (same)	0 (same)	3 (+2)	1 (same)	3 (same)
Level 5	0 (same)	1 (same)	1 (same)	1 (+1)	3 (+1)
DTM	-	-	-	-	-

Progress through Pathways has slowed further, with many of the awards sitting at the same level as they were in January – this may be due to clubs holding club contests prior to the area & division contests. With those now complete, and the end of the Toastmasters year approaching. Now is the time for Division C club members to look at what they want to achieve before the end of the year. If you only have a couple of speeches left to finish a level, I encourage you to talk to your Vice President of Education and book in a time to do them.

Contests

February was a busy month for Division C with the area contests here are the results –

<u>Area C6</u> contest was held online on the 3rd of February Congratulations to the winners as follows – <u>Humorous</u>

Speech = 1st Penny Coffey. <u>Table Topics</u> = 1st Penny Coffey, 2nd Ben McInnes, 3rd Dave Moore. <u>Evaluation</u> = 1st Dale Davey, 2nd Penny Coffey. <u>International Speech</u> = 1st Penny Coffey

<u>Area C4</u> contest was held on Saturday the 10th of February 2024 at the Mornington Presbyterian Church, Dunedin. Congratulations to the winners as follows – <u>Humorous Speech</u> = 1st Karen Squires. <u>Table Topics</u> = 1st Duane Donovan, 2nd Imogen Duncan, 3rd Jane Gregory. <u>Evaluation</u> = 1st Duane Donovan, 2nd Imogen Duncan, 3rd Karen Squiries. <u>International Speech</u> = 1st Sonya Fenton, 2nd Duane Donovan, 3rd Imogen Duncan.

Area C2 & C3 held a combined contest on Saturday the 17th of February being held at Hearing Association Rooms, Invercargill. Congratulations to the area C2 winners as follows - Humorous Speech = 1st Nell Hunter, 2nd Murray McClennan, 3rd Marzie Hastie. Table Topics = 1st Christine Livingston, 2nd Murray McClennan, 3rd Maria Burnett. Evaluation = 1st Wayne Christensen, 2nd Maria Burnett, 3rd Ross Dickie. International Speech, 1st Nell Hunter, 2nd Christine Livingston, 3rd Wayne Christensen. And congratulations also to the area C3 winners as follows - Humorous Speech = 1st Alister Smith, 2nd Janice Smith, 3rd Charlie Turner. Table Topics = 1st Charlie Turner, 2nd Sergiu Postica 3rd Raewyn Hunt. Evaluation = 1st Marie Fox, 2nd Margaret Whittington, 3rd Sergiu Postica. International = 1st Marie Fox, 2nd Charlie Turner, 3rd Justin Reid.

<u>The Division C Contest</u> was held on Saturday the 2nd of March at the Mornington Presbyterian Church, Dunedin. The quality of the speakers was outstanding! Congratulations to all the winners as follows -

TABLE TOPICS

1st Duane Donovan 2nd Christine Livingston 3rd Imogen Duncan

EVALUATION CONTEST

1st Marie Fox 2nd Duane Donovan 3rd Imogen Duncan **HUMOROUS SPEECH**

1st Nell Hunter 2nd Penny Coffey 3rd Janice Smith

INTERNATIONAL CONTEST

1st Sonya Fenton 2nd Marie Fox 3rd Nell Hunter

Good Luck to those going forward to the District Contests in May!

Club Visits Second Round

Club visits for the second round are starting. I have been in contact with the area C2 & C3 club presidents, and VP Educations about a work around for club visits, If you have missed this email or have any questions, please get in touch.

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