



DISTRICT 91 UK SOUTH

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Fellow Toastmasters

Dear Nigel

Well after the busy spring period we get a little breather before the new Toastmasters year commences in July. That doesn't mean to say that we are still not busy at D91 HQ. As usual your DLT and District 91 officers are working hard behind the scenes, which, along with you help, makes us one of the most successful districts in the world and one of the first to become a **Distinguished District**.

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As usual, this newsletter represents a round-up of the website and social media posts issued over the last month. The information is all replicated on our website with more detail; just follow the [<Read More>](#) links. Also please do contact me, [Nigel](#) your District PR Manager, if you have any district level news to share.



Diary Dates

We have just 5 weeks to [Beat the Clock](#), a membership drive. To incentivise you, **Florian Bay** is offering ribbons, pizza and even timing lights or a projector (depending on the number of new members attracted).

Barry O'Connell has set up a new series of monthly free webinars providing Masterclasses in Marketing. Check out our [website](#), [Facebook page](#) or [D91 calendar](#) for details and sign-up on the booking site. The monthly *Club Strengthening & Rebuilding Forum* will run on the first Sunday of every month, see the [calendar](#) or [booking](#) site for details.

Division H are organising a Toastmasters Leadership Institute (TLI) in Edenbridge. Sign up on their [Eventbrite](#) page if you wish to attend this free event.

Area Directors remember that your club reports are due this week.

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DLT Dispatches



This month's [DLT Dispatches](#), is packed with lots of useful information from our DLT Trio.

- **Pedro Casillas** (District Director) provides the outcome of the DEC and District Council meetings, and the latest update on [GDPR](#). Pedro also refers to **Suzi Fish's video interview with Dan Rex**, the Toastmasters International, who said that: *"The culture of the members and the clubs, is what distinguishes the district here. There is an aura of excitement; of commitment; of passion for the organisation, in a way that I've not seen before."* That's quite an endorsement of our district.
- **Andy Hammond** (PQD) shares updates on Pathways and DCP. In a [separate article](#), Andy introduces next year's DLT: **Florian Bay** (PQD), **Arnaud Sartre** (CGD), **Violet Karamagi** (Finance Manager), **Seema Menon** (PR Manager), **Alison Morris** (Admin Manager) and **Pedro Casillas** (IPDD).
- **Florian Bay** (CGD) tells us more about [Beat the Clock](#) and his great incentives for growing your club. He has even made a fun and informative [video](#) sharing his ideas.

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In the News



Each month, one of our toastmasters writes an article which is then published externally in papers, journals and websites. We are always looking for new ideas for articles, so please contact [me](#) if you would like to write an article for District 91.

This month **Kay Heald** offers valuable advice and tips to the more introverted speaker, including gaining confidence and skills, and how to re-energise after a speech.

Also, **Karen O'Donnell's** article on avoiding communications issues attracts more national coverage

See our [press clippings page](#) for a full list of published articles.

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Meet a Leader



Each month I interview a leader within the district, someone who has gone the extra mile. I have interviewed contest winners, Division Directors and the District Leadership Team (DLT).

This month I caught up with the fabulous [Fabio De Sio](#), the winner of the District 91 International Speech Contest. I asked Fabio about his speech, his background and how it feels to be going to the International Contest in Chicago.

Next month I will be catching up with **Chinkata Okpara**, the D91 Evaluation Contest Winner!

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Awards & Recognition

The results are in from the [D91 International Speech and Evaluation](#) contests. Congratulations to our winners, runners-up and all our contestants.

International Speech Contest winners:

- 1st - [Fabio De Sio](#)
- 2nd - **Eric Skates**
- 3rd - **Mopani Mkandawire**

Evaluation Contests winners:

- 1st - **Chinkata Okpara**
- 2nd - **Jean Gamester**
- 3rd - **David Jackson**

This month we have one new D91 Distinguished Toastmaster - congratulations to:

- **Rick Cooper**, Voice of Wales

Also congratulations to all of this month's Triple Crown members:

- **Leela Bassi**
- **Kristian Clement**
- **Ramesh Halai**
- **Douglas Hart**
- **Johnathan Kaye**
- **Jacqueline Rosser**
- **Agnieszka Sielaf**

This month we have one newly chartered club - welcome to the family:

- **Oracle Toastmasters**, A46

Salisbury Speakers Chartered in February and their President **Karen Chapman** has [shared her experience](#) of starting a new club.

Congratulations to those clubs that have achieved President's Distinguished and join the 9 mentioned last month:

- **Berkeley Square Speakers**
- **Cardiff Toastmasters** (who I forgot to mention last month)
- **London Victorians**
- **Malvern Speakers**
- **Speakers of Croydon Club**
- **Wessex Speakers Club**

Do let me know of any awards or mentions missed off the above lists. You can find out more about members' awards on the [D91 Dashboard](#).

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Resources & Links



Check out our website for [useful resources](#) and tools. This month take a look at the following:

- [District Council meeting documents](#)
- [District Executive Committee documents](#)
- [Toastmasters dashboard](#)
- [D91 YouTube Channel](#)
- [GDPR update](#)
- [Pathways materials](#)
- [Beat the Clock incentives](#)

Do share with me any other useful resources.

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Please email any newsletter contributions to me and click on the icons below to follow us on our social media platforms. *Carry on Communicating!*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nigel".

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