



DISTRICT 91 UK SOUTH

# NEWSLETTER

January 2019

## Dear DLT

Welcome to the January 2019 newsletter. Wish you all a very fulfilling 2019 filled with abundant laughter. January is the time when we all introspect and set new goals. Some of these goals seem impossible at the start but if we dream big and strive towards it inch by inch, it becomes a reality. Create your own visualisation board and keep ticking off your achievements. As Zig Ziglar said "**You don't have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great**"....and so the adventure begins.

The Trio shares their experiences at the Training programme in Kuala Lumpur and their plans for this year in DLT Dispatches.

We did some videos with toastmaster members at the District Officer Training. These are personal stories of members on why they joined toastmasters. You will find them in our Toastmasters District 91 UK South You Tube page

This month, we share the stories from toastmaster members in Division H. Stories that speak of collaboration, trials and achievements. Stories that highlight the Toastmaster spirit.

In Meet a Toastmaster, we get a glimpse into the life of **Julie Kertesz**, Pathways DTM award winner.

If you enjoyed reading this newsletter, then do keep an eye out for February'19 newsletter from Division K with more inspiring stories.

*If reading this newsletter on a hand-held device, we recommend rotating it horizontally for better viewing. 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.*



## Diary Dates

**Find your Way Pathway webinar by Mark Snow** getting on the speed track with Pathway on 3 February 2019 at 20:30 hrs CET ie 19:30hrs GMT. Register [here](#)

### Toastmasters Leadership Institute (TLI)

Divisions B,C,L &K : on 16 February 2019. Register [here](#)

Divisions A & J : on 23 February 2019. Register [here](#)

**Debate Analysis Workshop:** on 12 February 2019 at 104 London Debaters. Register [here](#)

**District Executive Committee** meeting on 24 February 2019



D91 SPRING CONFERENCE

Gateway to Growth

3rd to 5th May 2019

Ashford International Hotel - Kent

[Click here](#) for more details on the Spring Conference.

**Talk Up Toastmasters** : 1 February 2019 to 31 March 2019  
COT 2 report submission due date: 28 February 2019

For more details [click here](#)

## DLT Dispatches



**Andy Hammond**, our District91 Director, shares all the exciting changes in 2019 including the training DLT had recently along with the WOW! Factor in [Change is Constant](#)

Empowering toastmasters and 1-70-100 vision has been reiterated by **Florian Bay**, our Programme Quality Director, in [Vision 2019](#)



**Arnaud Sartre**, our Club Growth Director, has started the 2019 by introducing new avenues for the clubs in his message [Awards Galore!](#)

[Read More](#)

## 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 external publications promoting toastmasters.

**Jean Gamester** receives good coverage on her article about making long lasting change in Dealer Support and Indezine

**Vinette Hoffman-Jackson** writes about effective usage of Props and gets more coverage in Network she

**Karen O'Donnell** is back in news with her article about Presentation Pitfalls to avoid if you want to close more deals in Family Friendly Working

**Richard Foster Fletcher's** article is still popular and has got exposure in Lid Radio

**Sudha Mani's** article on tips for successful presentations have got additional exposure in Accounting and Business Ireland edition and on ACCA

[Read More](#) to visit these articles

## Meet a Toastmaster (Division H)

Stuart Field, Division H Director gives an insight into the history and growth of the division in [Division H: Who are we?](#)

**Julie Kertesz**, President of Witty Storytellers Online shares her inspirational journey from Lewisham Speakers in Division H to achieving her Distinguished Toastmaster(DTM) award in Pathways.

A new club [Spirited Speakers-My Why](#) on the anvil of being chartered by Zariya Lufu

Next is an interesting journey of [Arun Speakers-30 years of Success!](#) as it celebrates its 30th Anniversary by Paul Branley-Jones



Working on Ralph Smedley's principle of inclusiveness and outreach, Lewes Speakers Club developed their community outreach programme. Read more in the article by Christopher Rye titled [Lewes Community Outreach](#)

In [Bring on an even better 2019!](#),

Peter Thomas gives us an insight into TPR Speakers, a corporate club, and its growth in the last 3 years.

**Jo Bentley**, Area Director H32 speaks of the corporate club [Clinical Communicators - a corporate club in rural Horsham!](#)

[New Clubs and New Beginnings](#) is an article by **Zainab Mohiuddin** VPPR AreaH15 based on her interview with Flavia McDonald, Founding President of Liberty Speakers.

## Awards & Recognition



**PR Awards** will be given out during the District 91 May 2019 conference. The last date for submitting your nominations is 31 March 2019. For more details on categories [click here](#)

Huge Congratulations to District 91 Toastmaster Steve Vear for being awarded the **Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE)** in the 2019 New Year's Honours list.

Congratulations also to the newly awarded Pathways DTM:

**Julie Kertesz**, Lewisham Speakers (Division H)

A warm welcome to **Speakerforce London Toastmasters Club**, the newly chartered club, to the District 91 toastmaster family.

## Resources & Links



Check out our website for [useful resources](#) and tools.

[Talk Up toastmasters](#)  
[Performance Dashboard](#)  
[Marketing materials](#)  
[Toastmasters Navigator](#)  
[#MyWhy videos](#)

[Read More](#)

## Stay in Touch

Please record your #MyWhy videos and share with [me](#). We will post it on Toastmasters District 91 UK South You Tube page.

There is a wonderful opportunity to try your speaking skills on radio. Our immediate past PR manager, Nigel, has recently started presenting on Radio Dacorum, as a follow on from his toastmaster journey. He has a section called "Fanfare for the Common Man". It is an opportunity for the listeners to make a 2-3 minute speech. It can be a rant, words of wisdom or pub philosophy (no swearing, politics or religion).

Toastmasters members could [email](#) a 2-3 min speech recorded on phone as an MP3 file. It's a good learning experience (focussing on vocal variety and pace). The shows could also be heard later on Mixcloud.

Please share the newsletter with any fellow Toastmasters who you think may have not received it. Back copies of the E-Newsletter are on our website.

Kindly do not hesitate to share written articles with [me](#), both for the newsletter and for the non-toastmaster world. Do click on the icons below to follow us on our social media platforms and spread the Toastmasters message.

Warm regards

Seema Menon  
District 91 PR Manager

