



Newsletter

July 2022

Hello District Member,

Welcome to the District 91 newsletter!

This is the first newsletter of the new Toastmasters year. We're are excited to get started. First and foremost it is a big District 91 welcome to you from the new District Leadership team. Just to introduce ourselves we are:

- District Director - Rupa Datta
- Program Quality Director - Diane Richardson
- Club Growth Director - Debbie Williams
- Finance Manager - Eddy Quah
- Admin Manager - Amy Jones
- Public Relations Manager - Chris Arning
- Immediate Past District Director - Helena Boden-Brewer

You can meet us in person by viewing the video below! At the start of the Toastmasters year this is a time to think big. It's a wonderful time to learn and explore, to get trained and to set the high-reaching goals for the year ahead.

So you can get to the right content quickly. What this newsletter contains is:

- Introducing the new District Leadership Team
- A message from our District Director, Rupa
- A message from Programme Quality Director, Diane
- A message from Club Growth Director, Debbie
- Our Dan Magill going to World Championships!
- Our Laughing TM - Sonia Aste on 'Achievement'
- D91 District Calendar – Events in July / August
- Join us. Help us get to 5000 Members –Vacancies
- July 2022 Toastmasters Magazine is Out Now!

Meet your new D91 District Leadership Team!

Before we go any further it is important for us all to think about our Why's for joining this organisation especially if you are a Club Officer. So we thought we would lead by example as a District Leadership Team at our first team building meeting and share our WHY!



Message from our District Director, Rupa



News from Diane and Debbie



Happy New Year!

It always seems strange to say Happy New Year in July, but as the new Toastmasters year starts it seems apt. Many of us want our clubs to run and fun meetings and hope to become a Presidents Distinguished Club. Others want to grow their membership, giving them the opportunity to gain distinguished status.

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Come on a Journey!

I would like to invite you on a journey. How would you like to gain more club members for your clubs and the district? How can you make a difference?

We have ambitious goals to grow our membership base this Toastmaster year. We would love you to talk about your Toastmasters experience outside your club. Why not invite a friend or colleague to your club and let them enjoy the experience and pure fun of being a guest?



Debbie Williams
Club Growth Director

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Dan Magill: World Championship of Public Speaking

Firstly, congratulations to Dan Magill, our International Speech champion who is going to the World Championships of Public Speaking for 2022 along with 27 other contestants – great job, Dan, and we are all behind you when you get on stage in Tennessee in August! I caught up with Dan, briefly on WhatsApp😊on Sunday night to ask him how he felt about his achievement; he had this to say:

“After winning the District International Speech Contest at the start of May, it was a two-month wait to find out if I’d be selected to go forward and compete in the World Semi Finals in Nashville this summer. When I received the email from World Headquarters, confirming I’d made it through, it was an amazing feeling. Of course, my big ambition now is to go a step further and finish as high as possible, but I’m also just extremely excited and privileged to have the chance to go and speak on the world stage in Nashville.

It’s a huge honour to represent District 91 at the finals and I’m more than a little humbled to represent a district that’s packed full of outstanding speakers and highly committed members.”

That’s great. Dan, who I have learned is District 91's first semi finalist since the

Regional Quarterfinals were introduced a few years ago. The fun fact I found most amazing watching his progression at contest is Dan had reached Division Finals 4 times before this year finally progressing, that's incredible! So, 5th time lucky Dan's talent, tenacity perseverance should be inspiration to us all.

Our Laughing Toastmaster: Sonia Aste



When Chris Arning (new PRM for District 91) asked me to write on 'Achievement' I was thrilled! At the same time I thought, 'Shouldn't he ask someone who has actually achieved *something*?' Like the Dalai Lama, Bill Gates or ... Andre Ortolf ... You know... that genius? The record holder for eating most Marmite? [Read More...](#)

D91 Events This Month

District Program Quality team is working hard to ensure useful and interesting events are there for you. Get the links to register in [our District 91 Calendar](#).

New events are being added frequently so please check the calendar regularly.

Club Officers Training

- 5-11 July - Corporate Club Officers Training
- 16 July - Division H Toastmasters Leadership Institute
- 16 July - Division K Club Officers Training



Events

- 12 July - Dan Magill in person Event, London Bridge
- 18 July - Table Topics work shop London Cardinals (with Andrew Bennett)
- 30 July - Hall of Fame in Central London (venue TBC)

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2022-2023 Incentives Updates (bear with us!)

Many Clubs may be waiting on our District Incentives for Clubs. The current

District leadership Team is still deliberating on these but will be in contact by the end of the month. Please note that the Incentives currently on the D91 website are for the 21-22 season, still up as the final figures for last year tally.

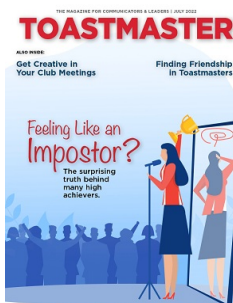


2022-2023 District 91 Vacancies

Do you want to grow your talents while supporting a club, area, division or even district? Then explore our vacancies! Various previous experience and time commitments needed. Vacancies currently available to serve alongside Amy in the Admin or Chris in the PR team. Click on the link to see what's available!

[Choose an Exciting Role](#)

July Magazine Available Now



The July issue of the [Toastmaster magazine](#) is full of news, advice and inspiration.

- A Surprising Truth Behind High Achievers
- Give Your Club Meetings a Summer Refresh
- Register for the Toastmasters online convention.
- Finding Friendship in Toastmasters
- Club Coach to the Rescue

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