Central Division Report District Council Meeting (DCM) - 22 September 2024

Cassie McMullen, Central Division Director

Area Director Updates

Area 4 – Neil Hoy

Neil is working with his clubs to organise his club visits as Area Director. Neil is working on his Area Conference.

Area 10 – Chris McLean

Chris has scheduled all four of his club visits and has conducted and submitted two to date. His Conference planning is well in hand and an official flyer has been distributed to members in the Area.

Area 16 – Anthony Spark

Anthony is working with his clubs to organise his club visits as Area Director. Anthony is making great progress towards the organisation of his Speech Conference.

Area 22 – Cynon Lowe

Cynon has scheduled all of her club visits and three of these have been completed and submitted. An official Speech Conference flyer has been distributed to all members of the Area and planning is well under way.

Area 28 – Dawn Smith

Dawn Smith has completed and submitted all of her club visits as Area Director. Dawn is working with Trevor Stead of Area 28 as he completes his HPL project around the Speech Conference, and final preparations are in progress.

Club Membership

Membership renewals are almost upon us, due 30 September 2024. Area Directors are working with club executives to ensure all members are encouraged to renew their membership as soon as possible, that guests are converted to members in line with the new membership period. The goal for each club is to ensure the renewal of at least 8 members in order to remain a club in good standing, however, there are some clubs that show cause for concern. Unfortunately, it appears likely that Maryborough Toastmasters Club of Area 10 will fold, however, this has not yet been made official. It appears unlikely at this point that a new club would be chartered within Central Division.

Club Officer Training

We had an impressive turn out at our latest round of COT run by previous Central Division Director, Alex Smith. We are working on finalising the numbers of attendees for input into the Club Officer Training report, however it was a very successful round of training by all accounts.

Dates for Area Conferences:

Area 4:	5 October 2024 – time TBA Coco Brew, 114 William Street, Rockhampton
Area 10:	27 October 2024, 12:30pm – close Kawungan State School, Grevillea Street, Kawungan
Area 16:	26 October 2024, 9:15am – 3:00pm North Shore Community Centre, 701 David Low Way, Mudjimba
Area 22:	12 October 2024, 9:00am – 3:00pm Church on the Rise, 27 Beerwah Parade, Beerwah.
Area 28:	12 October 2024 – time TBA Venue TBA

Moving Forward

Area Directors are working hard to finalise their Speech Conferences.

The proposed date for the Central Division Speech Conference is 22 March 2024. More details are to follow.

This is a challenging period in the Toastmasters year, and we are hopeful for success in maintaining club membership levels as we move into our new renewal period.