



## District 112 Director's Report

District	<b>112</b>	District Director	<b>Sharon Kerr-Phillips</b>	Report date	<b>August 2020</b>
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### District Vision for the year

As advised in the previous report, our vision is to be there for our members in a very practical way, to have transparency and accountability and to provide growth and stretch opportunities.

### District Success Plan and Goals

Please refer again to attached addendum.

### Thank You

A big thank you to our amazing team for all the hard work done so far. The effort displayed by our District Officers already, to ensure we started the year on a strong footing has been impressive and is much appreciated and valued.

### COVID

The COVID environment presents its own set of challenges. As a District, we look to find opportunities during this difficult time, as well as the best ways to help our members. We will be holding an online **Town Hall meeting** on the **22<sup>nd</sup> of August from 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm** for members to bring questions they would like addressed, whether about COVID or any other matter. Zoom ID: <https://zoom.us/j/95238570631> Meeting ID: 952 3857 0631

Our members are welcome to email us with any questions in advance - [Trio2020@d112tm.org.nz](mailto:Trio2020@d112tm.org.nz)

We encourage clubs to hold virtual meetings. Where clubs are still able to meet in person, we would recommend that hybrid meetings be held, so as not to prejudice those members who are unable or unwilling to meet in person at this time. We are happy to assist clubs in becoming comfortable with meeting online.

Link to assist with setting up virtual meetings:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL2znbrwG7gOBwc8rzPqHFa8D8TUslqYOO>

We ask clubs to please respect and follow the government requirements for the COVID alert levels.

Alert Level 2: <https://covid19.govt.nz/covid-19/alert-system/alert-level-2/>

Alert Level 3: <https://covid19.govt.nz/covid-19/alert-system/alert-level-3/>

### Club Proxies for the Toastmasters International Annual Business Meeting

A few Corporate Clubs have chosen to close, which means we will not attain 100% of Clubs submitting proxies for this meeting. It is, however, Important we have 100% of our active Clubs submit their proxies so that we, as a District, have our voice heard in shaping the future of Toastmasters International.

## Amy Davidson – World Championship of Public Speaking Semi-finals

We congratulate Amy and are extremely proud that she is representing Region 12 at the **World Championship of Public Speaking semi-finals being held on Thursday, 27 August, from 6:00 to 7:30 a.m.** (New Zealand Standard Time). As this event is being held online for the first time, our members have the wonderful opportunity to watch and support Amy virtually.

## Toastmasters International Convention

This year we have the excellent opportunity to attend the Toastmasters International Convention online at no cost. We look forward to hearing from our District and Club officers and members as to what your best Convention experience was.

## District Website

The District 112 website is currently being redesigned with the goal of having a website that attracts guests and is easy for visitors, members, Club officers and District officers to use. A developmental website is being created behind the scenes. To date, we are a little behind our goals in this area. We will be making interim updates shortly. We welcome everyone's input as to what you would like to find on the website and encourage you to please share your good quality photographs, ideas and other material that you feel would add value to our District website.

## District Officer Training

As Auckland has moved to Level 3, District Officer Training on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of September will now be held online.

## Virtual District Council Meeting

Our Virtual District Council meeting is being held on the **18<sup>th</sup> of September from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**. It would be appreciated if **all Club Presidents and VPs Education** and District officers please register to attend this meeting. This meeting provides Clubs with the opportunity to **help shape the future of the District**. We want your voice to be heard. Our Zoom licence has the capacity for everyone to attend so that we can screen share the budget and other details with you. As **Toastmasters International is restricting funding substantially this year**, we need your buy into the District's budget. We will email and provide a link to all documents to you once they are available online. It would be appreciated if you could please read these documents prior to this meeting. You are welcome to email us or call us with any questions ahead of time too.

## Recognition and Awards

As a District we believe District Recognition and Awards are crucial. As we would like to recognise our members in person, we have postponed our Awards Dinner to November, where we are hoping the whole District will be in Alert Level 1 or 2. The exact date, location and venue will be advised closer to the time.

## Proxy for the Toastmasters International Annual Business Meeting

136 Clubs have submitted their proxies, the deadline for completing proxies is the 18<sup>th</sup> of August. Division Directors have been asked to ensure, that with the support of our Area Directors, the remaining 29 clubs that have not submitted their proxies do so within the next few days.

## **District Conference 30<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

The Waipuna Conference Committee is well ahead with their planning, this will be an outstanding Conference. This is a great opportunity for our members to experience the opportunities available to members outside of their clubs. Please register now: [Registration](#)

## **Trio Availability**

As a trio. we are committed to being available to our members and District Officer. Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time, your opinion is extremely valuable to us.

*Sharon*

**Sharon Kerr-Phillips, DTM**

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