



Immediate Past District Director – Wendy Wickliffe - Report – April 2024

The role of the IPDD (Immediate Past District Director) is to support district leaders to achieve the district mission. I have strived to do that over the last twelve months but I can't believe how quickly the year has gone.

In reflecting on the Toastmasters year for 2023-2024 here are some of my highlights and thanks:

1. Watching the growth of the outgoing trio team, District Director, James Hippolite, Program Quality Director, Richard Perkins and Club Growth Director, Marlene Krone. Their commitment and hard work to ensure the district runs smoothly is appreciated. It is not an easy task especially when you hold full-time jobs and have a home life – thank you!
2. I was also impressed by the division and area directors supporting each other, by holding joint events and helping each other with club officer training. Many of you also put in long hours and gave up weekends to support our members – thank you!
3. Organising the District Dinner and Awards night on 16 September 2023, at Waipuna Hotel was fun and stressful at the same time. Thank you to those who attended (including my sister Cherie) and congratulations to the award recipients from 2023. <https://d112tm.org.nz/district/roll-of-honour/roll-of-honour-2023/>
4. The district leadership nominations review was completed competently by the district leadership committee in March. The committee took their role seriously in finding future leaders for our district and we look forward to the upcoming district leader candidate showcase in person on Friday 3 May 2024. (also to be live-streamed – details will be on the district calendar on our website soon).

All the best to the incoming district team. My advice create a support network early don't try to do it all by yourself. Be organised and know your deadlines/key dates (less stressful) but of course, enjoy the experience even the ones that take you out of your comfort zone.

Wendy Wickliffe – IPDD 2023-2024