



District Leadership Committee Report

2025/2026

The District 112 Leadership Committee has nominated the following candidates:

Role	Candidate	Edu
District Director	Marlene Krone	DTM
Program Quality Director	Mark Tweedale	DTM
Club Growth Director	John DiLeo	DTM
Club Growth Director	Sandeep Kinge	DTM
Manukau Division Director	Derek Hiscoke	PM5
Southern Division Director	Paul Jacobs	IP3
Harbour Division Director	Steve Vale	PI5
Western Division Director	George Ham	DL1
Western Division Director	Cedric Marie	
Central Division Director	Vacant	
Northern Division Director	Vacant	

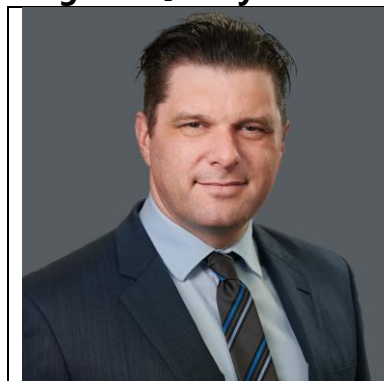
District Director



Marlene Krone DTM

It will be an honour to serve our district through the 2025-2026 term. My vision is to cultivate strong, capable leaders who will help us fulfil our district's mission—chartering new clubs and empowering existing clubs to achieve excellence. We will also continue strengthening our membership through our current focused marketing and public relations efforts. None of this would be possible without the dedication of our leaders on the ground. Our incoming Area and Division Directors are the backbone of our success, and they deserve every ounce of support we can provide. As District Director, my focus will be to **lead with confidence**, ensuring that our leaders feel equipped, empowered, and inspired to make a lasting impact. I invite you to join me in this vision, because true success comes from the collective efforts of all. Together, we can achieve something truly remarkable.

Program Quality Director



Mark Tweedale DTM

The role of Program Quality Director is one I am particularly looking forward to as I have a passion for showing individuals what they can achieve and how to go about doing so – seeing individuals grow once they realise their potential is one of the most rewarding things. I would like to continue the incredible work our current PQD has done, keeping the methods that are working well but looking to enhance others that could be more comprehensive and engaging.

Club Growth Director – There are two nominations (alphabetical on surname)



John DiLeo DTM

Since joining Toastmasters in 2007, John has been active in several clubs in the US (District 22) and NZ (District 72/112), has been an officer (Pres, VP-Ed, VPM, Treasurer) in several clubs, and has served as Area Governor/Area Director, Division Governor, in the District Trio (Lt. Governor-Education and Training [LGET], District 22, 2011-2012), and as a Pathways Ambassador. Last year, John served as District 112's Club Retention Chair. He has served as a Club Coach, Club Mentor, and Club Sponsor, and is currently leading the formation of a new club at Gallagher in Hamilton.

A key objective for each Toastmasters District is to ensure **everyone** within its geographical boundaries who could benefit from Toastmasters knows about the program and has the opportunity to become a member. An essential element of achieving this objective is ensuring there are thriving clubs in every community, and the Club Growth Director and their team have primary responsibility for helping the District get there.

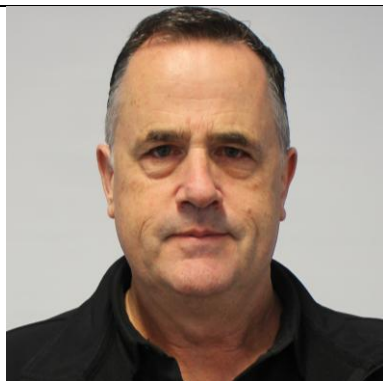


Sandeep Kinge DTM

Over the past 12 years, Sandeep has developed numerous skills and formed many friendships within the Toastmasters fraternity in India, Qatar, Dubai (UAE), and now New Zealand. He has earned Competent Communicator (CC), Competent Leader (CL), and Advanced Leader Bronze (ALB) through the previous education program and the Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) award from the Pathways education program.

Sandeep has volunteered in various leadership roles, ranging from Sergeant at Arms to President at the club level, and served as Area Director and Division Director at the district level. He strongly believes in "Servant Leadership" and consistently takes action selflessly to support others.

Manukau Division Director

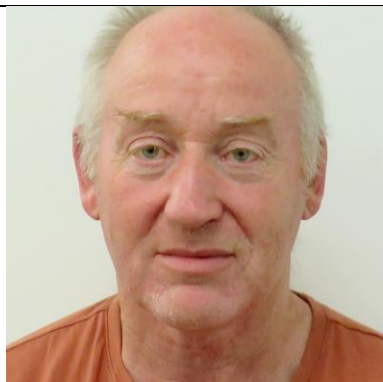


Derek Hiscoke, PM5

I've been a Toastmasters member for around seven years and currently belong to two clubs. Over the years, I've taken on multiple committee roles, including SAA, Treasurer, VPE, and President—some more than once—while often stepping in to fill gaps when needed. In 2023/24, I served as an Area Director for Division O, and after taking a break for some well-earned travel mid-2024, I'm gearing up for another term. Having completed two Pathways, I have five more in progress, giving me the flexibility to deliver the occasional impromptu speech.

Outside Toastmasters, if I'm not serving in a leadership role, you'd likely find me on the golf course—or mentoring a potential future Toastmaster (my grandson), who impressively avoids filler words but has mastered the art of saying "no."

Southern Division Director



Paul Jacobs, IP3

Why I applied for the Southern Division Director role

I have been in Toastmasters since 2019. I have performed many roles on various Executive teams in my journey.

Basically, I want to give back because Toastmasters as an organisation has assisted me in my career. I am an Operations Manager.

I believe that my experience as a coach and mentor will help grow and support the Division.

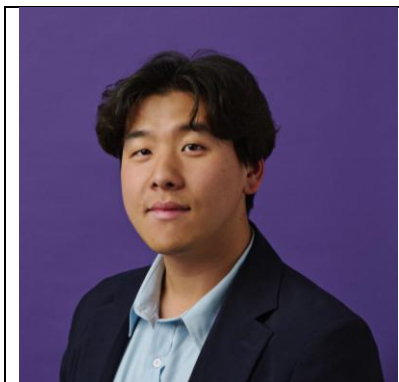
Harbour Division Director



Steve Vale, PI5

Steve Vale combines leadership, experience, and a passion for Toastmasters growth. As Club President, VP Education, and Area Director, he has empowered members and clubs through mentoring. Over the past six months, he has visited over 20 clubs to learn from their successes, challenges, and opportunities for improvement, and sharing ideas and best practices. His proven leadership and vision will empower Area Directors and clubs, strengthening the entire District.

Western Division Director – There are two nominations (alphabetical on surname)



George Ham, DL3, PM3

George is a driven individual yearning for continuous personal growth. Throughout his journey, he's had the privilege of competing at the District 112 Contest for International Speech and leading all his clubs to President's Distinguished status during his tenure as Club President. Along the way, George serendipitously discovered the joy of helping others unlock their potential and supporting fellow Toastmasters in their own personal growth journey. A strong believer in the balance between fun and self-improvement, George is committed to making Toastmasters an environment where both personal growth and fun go hand-in-hand.



Cedric Marie

Cedric Marie, a Toastmasters member since March 2021, holds a Bachelor of Commerce in Finance & Marketing from the University of Otago. He has served as VP Membership, Club President, and M4 Area Director. Awarded the 2024 Core Values Coin, he aims to enhance district membership and leadership growth as a Division Director, leveraging his expertise in strategic financial planning, communication, and leadership. His consulting background has helped him mentor new members, build trust and implement growth strategies that foster long-term success.

District Leadership Committee

A District Leadership Committee membership comprises the Chair plus a member representing each Division in the District.

District 112 Leadership Committee for this year:

Chair	James Hippolite	DTM
Division K	Robert McLaren	IP2
Division L	Stephen Lindsay	DTM
Division M	Serena Irving	DTM
Division N	Brian Shackleton	DTM
Division O	Ashlyn Hart	PM1
Division P	Melvin Powell	DTM
Division Q	Margaret McClintock	VC4
Division R	Amy Overington	DTM

Thank you to our District Leadership Committee for their valuable contribution.



James Hippolite – Immediate Past District Director
District 112 Leadership Committee Chair
26 March 2025