



# Christchurch Toastmasters' Spread

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## March 2019 News

### Division Contest

The Division D contest will take place on Saturday 23 March 2019. This is usually an entertaining event and is a good opportunity to meet people from other clubs. The location is 68 Harewood Road.

Helen Fitt will be representing our club and area in the Evaluation Contest.

### District Conference

It is not too late to register for the District 72 Conference. This will be taking place from 10 - 12 May 2019, at the Burns Lodge (89 Church Street, Mosgiel).

Lark Doley (the International President of Toastmasters) will be attending this event. This does not happen often!

Your friendly local Club President will also be attending, if anyone considers that to be a selling point...



**Lark Doley**

### Membership Renewals

Our Toastmasters International memberships need to be renewed on 31 March 2019.

Now is a good time to check that you are up to date with payments.

We can only renew members who are in good financial standing with the club.

### Pathways Training

The next club Pathways Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday 26 March, starting at 6.30 pm in the usual meeting room.

As always, we will display Pathways onto a screen and walk through all the essential functions. We will also cover Easy Speak and explain how it works behind the scenes.

### Big Surprise

Keep an eye out when you next walk through the Cashmere Club entrance. You may notice something new!



## Being the Toastmaster

The Toastmaster role is fundamentally important to the success of a meeting and offers tremendous personal growth to all members.

As a club, we are going to take a new approach for scheduling this role. From now on, we will try to alternate between experienced and less experienced Toastmasters.

We want to encourage more mentoring from one Toastmaster to the next.

If you are experienced in this role, please take the time to mentor the less experienced person that follows you. Check in with them and ensure that they are comfortable with all the tasks.

Likewise, if you are new to the Toastmaster role, observe how the person before you approaches it. Take the opportunity to ask questions.

## MOT Summary

On Tuesday 19 February, we held our annual Moments of Truth Workshop. The purpose of this evening was to reflect on how the club is performing.

Attendance was not great and there was plenty of food leftover. However, the discussions were of high quality and many insights were gained from it.

😊 **We are really good at first impressions**

😞 **We still need to work on mentoring**

😊 **The Toastmasters' Spread should be continued**

😊 **We are good at attracting members**

😞 **We are not good at retaining members**

😞 **We need a low maintenance way to display educational progress**



## Club Details

### **Christchurch Toastmasters**

Club 1866

District 72

### **Meeting Location:**

Cashmere Club

50 Colombo Street

Christchurch

### **Meeting Times:**

Every Tuesday at 7.30 pm

### **Website:**

[christchurchtoastmasters.co.nz](http://christchurchtoastmasters.co.nz)

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## Club Mission

We provide a supportive and positive learning experience in which members are empowered to develop communication and leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth.



**EST. 1965**

## Have You Heard of the DCP?

There are many acronyms in Toastmasters and DCP is perhaps the most common one. This stands for Distinguished Club Program and is a series of ten goals that all clubs work towards each year.

If we achieve five or more goals, we become a Distinguished Club and receive a ribbon for our banner. This is how many of our ribbons were obtained.

Below is a summary of the ten goals:

### ► **Education Goals:**

1. Four members complete Level 1

2. Two members complete Level 2

3. Two more members complete Level 2

4. Two members complete Level 3

5. One member completes Level 4

6. One member completes Level 5

### ► **Membership Goals:**

7. Four new members

8. Four more new members

### ► **Admin Goals:**

9. A minimum of four club officers attend each of the two leadership training events

10. On-time payment of membership dues and on-time submission of the club officer list