

Report of the Toastmasters Leadership Institute Chairman

Divisional TLI Co-ordinators with their Division Governors have done a sterling job to provide access to Club Leader Training across District 69. The LGET has submitted all the training results to Toastmasters International. She reports that 54% of clubs achieved Goal 9 (at least 4 executives trained at both rounds of club officer training).

80% of clubs achieved 4 or more club officers trained in Round 1 and 55% of clubs achieved 4 or more officers trained in Round 2. It is always wonderful to see how well newly elected officers respond to the initial training opportunity. Significantly fewer officers respond for the second round. In second round of training TLI co-ordinators work very hard to provide additional training experiences for leaders and members to enhance their skills in the performance of each specific club officer role but also access information and develop skill in a broader range of Toastmaster fields. These have covered such topics as: Enhancing meeting agendas; Applying Judging Criteria; Mentoring New Members; Mentoring Experienced Members; Developing Evaluation Skills; Attracting New Members; Discussion of the Proposal for Reformation & Aspects of Moments of Truth.

Club Leader Training Days also provide fantastic opportunities for individual members to share expertise/knowledge and apply the skills they have developed as trainers. TLI co-ordinators have enlisted the services of a range of presenters to ensure that training days allow members to refresh and recommit to their roles.

Following this month's club elections, the Presidents elect and VPEs elect with their outgoing presidents are invited to attend Presidents Elect Training (PETs). The District has budgeted to deliver this programme which funds key executive to forward-plan for the club's success in the new Toastmaster year. The initiative to expand last year's programme to include the Immediate Past President and VPE will mean participating officers are well prepared to work with their incoming teams during the first round of leader training.

As we meet at this Council Meeting to elect our Division Governors, I encourage each member to consider possible nominations for the role of TLI coordinator in his/her division to submit to the incoming Division Governor. Many divisions require a team of coordinators. At this convention, some members are accessing training as Webinar presenters. This is a marvellous initiative to expand the suite of training opportunities for leaders and expand the trainer skills across d69.

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