

Report of Southern Division Governor

Southern Division's Conference was well attended with 130 members attending either for the full day or part day. The Area Governors and members of the Division all worked together to assist in ensuring that the day was a success.

So far this year 106 of our members have achieved and exceeded their educational goals, well done. 17 of our 32 Clubs have achieved 5 or greater Club goals. Membership is an issue in some of those Clubs so they haven't formally achieved any recognition for this great work.

We currently have one Distinguished Area, Area 24. Well done Area 24 and Area Governor Nerelle Penberthy. The biggest Area in our Division Area 34 contains two Select Distinguished Clubs and also a new Club. So well done and welcome BeChange your Charter dinner was a very enjoyable event. Well done Mark Hunter Area 34 Governor.

Area 30 members have worked hard and two of their Clubs have achieved 7 Club goals. Great work Area 30 members and Area Governor Donna Kildea. Area 35 members can also be very proud of their achievements as all the Clubs in their Area have achieved 5 Club goals or greater with one on 8 and two on seven. I am sure that by the end of June they will have the members and will achieve Select Distinguished status. Well done to Area 35 members and their Area Governor Bronwyn McPherson.

There have been several Speechcraft courses held throughout the Division with Area 6 holding 3 with a 4th planned. Jackie Hamilton Championed those assisted by other committed members and Area 6 Governor Phoebe Greening. Great effort.

Several of the Division Clubs have hosted Moments of Truth to assist their Clubs to move forward. We have further growth within our Division with another Club Wyndham Toastmasters in formation and very close to chartering.

On the whole Club Officer training has been well attended with sessions being held in both the North and South of the Division to assist with travel issues our members may have had. The TLI coordinators Teresa Brake in the North and Tarja Kelly in the South have assisted with the planning and success of our Training days. PETS training is scheduled for May 25th at Kirra Hill and I know that this have even greater attendance that last year as our incoming Leaders realise the benefits of such training not only for themselves but for the health of our Clubs, Areas and Division.

Having been fortunate enough to serve a second term as Southern Division Governor I have gained so much. I have had a supportive and helpful team of Area Governors. Our bonding as a Team has assisted all of us and the members of Southern Division as a result.

Southern Division Treasurer Ron Steffan has looked after and monitored everything financial. Janet Coleman Division Secretary has kept the correspondence in order. Mary Ford-Speechcraft Coordinator, Gary Davis- New Clubs, Janet Coleman – Club Support Coordinator have also worked hard to ensure that our members have the best environment in which to meet and exceed their goals, ensuring that Southern Division continues to flourish. It has been an honour to be the Southern Division Governor and this has ignited in me the desire to share my knowledge further and grow more in a leadership role.

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Southern Division Governor 2012-2013