Central Division Report Dawn Smith on 17th March 2022

I don't think "interesting" covers the last 9 months with 3 to go – however it has been an eye opener and steep learning curve.

Starting off with on line training all weekend on developing teams, growth and our role expectations and the planning started – not so easy to fulfil.

Area Directors and team appointed and dates set.

Zoom meeting planned monthly for District and Division, supporting them all elevated the learning, weakened the eyes and enhanced the listening.

Division and Area contest dates set - now the planning to support all.

Judges training planned for 7 August – great response. Club coaching on line for 17 August, Speechcraft training for 19 August, and Base Camp training for 29 August. – Then help judging at club then area levels planned over September and October. Started 2 youth leadership programs over 5 months in August, and another planned for March. Speechcraft program also planned for March – April.

Hall of Fame on line in September – we all missed the face to face.

Then every weekend Area conference in October to 7 November. Missed 1 on 23rd as Thomas Kraft came to do marketing facebook training for us.

Booked for Cairns to celebrate in October.

Area 10 Director resigned and I encouraged him to see his conference through as so much had been planned and he had a team to help. So instead of nominating another Deb Barnett and I decided we could do the remainder of the year visits and support.

Then first round Club training and encouraging all clubs to register and complete the training – easier on line.

With Area 10 and 28 low in numbers I planned a combined Christmas Gathering at Kondari for over 50 past and present members.

In December helped M'bro club MC the Christmas Party for Maryborough in the town. Then back to some normality for 2 weeks – still planning and encouraging Area Directors to do reports (you could say nagging depends on who you talk to).

February saw the second round of on line training and once again a bit of nagging happening. Not as good an outcome this time but worth it.

Division conference looming up and prepared with few last minute hiccups.

Now over, done and dusted just finish off finances and minutes.

Time to concentrate on own club members with support on pathways.

Area 10 reports to complete as first visit shambles so asked to attend another time and for them to be more prepared.

Area 10 and Area 28 combined Showcase planned for 9th April face to face.

Going to Townsville to assist on 25th March, then Cairns in April.

Elections of new officers for clubs and unwind in June.

No new clubs, struggling to maintain the ones we have.

Support and encouragement throughout the year was wonderful so Thank You for the opportunity.

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