



# EASTERN DIVISION DIRECTOR REPORT

02 April 2025

## For District Executive Committee Meeting to be held 6 April 2025.

Compiled by Eastern Division Director – Suzanne Gogolin on 02 April 2025.

### Eastern Division Team

The table below outlines the 2024-2025 Eastern Division team.

Area	Director
Area 07	Christine Zimmer
Area 20	Sally Turner
Area 26	Melanie Surplice
Area 27	Javeria Khurshid
Support	Member
Administration Manager	Marina Bruno
Parliamentarian	Leonard Scuderi
Support Team	Leading Edge

The final Division Council Meeting has been planned for the following date:

- 25-May-2025 – Full Council meeting (AD's, Top Table, Presidents and VPE's) with reports, and introduction of the incoming team.

### Status of Eastern Division Conferences

Area and Division Conferences have been completed with the Division results submitted to The Trio. The Eastern Division Conference held on 23 March 2024 was a huge success, with over 60 attendees present for the entire afternoon, even though it conflicted with another division.

Area	Date	Location	Status
Area 07	Sunday, 26 October 2014	RACQ	Completed
Area 20	Sunday, 24 November 2024	Wynnum Library	Completed
Area 26	Sunday, 3 November 2024	Griffith Nathan Campus	Completed
Area 27	Sunday, 1 December 2024	Mt Gravatt Library	Completed
Eastern Division	Sunday, 23 March 2025	Wynnum Community Centre	Completed

**Status of Eastern Division Club Officer Training**

Club Officer Training R2 was successfully conducted online over February with weeks 56% of club officers trained. 12 clubs out of the 18 have achieved the COT Round 2 training requirements. Congratulations to Area 26 for getting all Clubs across the line on this goal.

**Status of Eastern Division Succession Planning**

Area Directors to approach members to step up for a challenge next term. Area Directors have been asked to be on the lookout for potential candidates for next term on their club visits. Club Executives are to be encouraging newer/hesitant members to step up by having a trainee or back-up member for their role.

**Status of Eastern Division Club's DCP Status**

Area	Club Name	Member Base	Active Club Members	Goals Met to Date	Will be Distinguished Status
<b>7</b>	<b>Christine Zimmer</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>23</b>	
7	Downunder Club	26	24	8	Members
7	Morning Stars Toastmasters Club	10	11	3	
7	RACQ	14	16	3	
7	Redlands Club	23	26	9	Yes
<b>20</b>	<b>Sally Turner</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>15</b>	
20	Bulimba Riverside Club	10	10	1	
20	Carina Toastmasters Club	20	18	2	
20	Leading Edge Toastmasters Club	21	22	7	Yes
20	Waterloo Bay Toastmasters Club	24	25	5	Yes
<b>26</b>	<b>Melanie Surplice</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>23</b>	
26	Brisbane Leaders Toastmasters Club	22	21	5	Members
26	Chelmer Speakers	8	9	1	
26	Mt Gravatt Toastmasters Club	21	26	7	Yes
26	Sunnybank Club	18	22	4	
26	Upper Mount Gravatt Toastmasters Club	12	14	6	Yes
<b>27</b>	<b>Javeria Khurshid</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>19</b>	
27	Algester Toastmasters Club	21	19	1	
27	Crest Toastmasters Club	18	20	5	Yes
27	Daisy Hill Club	12	14	4	
27	Jimboomba Club	11	12	4	
27	Mad Chatters Toastmasters Club	23	22	5	Members
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>Suzanne Gogolin</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>80</b>	

All Area 26 clubs are working towards the educational points component of the DCP program, and this (plus helping with member growth strategies) will remain the focus for the Area 26 Director in the remaining months. Discussions are underway with several potential successors for the role of Area 26 Director, and the Area Director has expressed interest in applying for the role of District PRM in 2025-26.

**Status of Eastern Division Formation & Growth**

Open to expressions of interest in forming new clubs. Demonstration meeting is being held 4-Apr-2025 12noon at the Cannon Hill School of Arts in April which is aiming to start a lunchtime club for the Southgate Business Park and Metroplex on Gateway (Murarrie) business hubs.

Bulimba Riverside Club has managed to increase their number base back up to 10. They have guests attending, which is promising.

Area 26 is seeing continued member growth, with 3 of the 5 clubs now at 20+ members, and total member growth of 11% (9 new members) since June 2024 - despite the Presidents of 2 of the clubs stepping down (and out of Toastmasters) in the first half of the year. The Area 26 Director has completed the second round of official club visits in the second half of the year.