

## Southern Division Director Report March/April- 2025

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**Division Summary:** The stats below are as of 2nd April 2025 when this report was written.

| AREA  | COT R1 | COT R2 | MEMBERSHIP | 2nd ROUND CLUB<br>VISITS COMPLETED | SEMI ANNUALS |
|-------|--------|--------|------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| 6     | 22     | 26     | 252        | 5                                  | 90           |
| 23    | 13     | 17     | 124        | 0                                  | 53           |
| 24    | 19     | 20     | 138        | 0                                  | 50           |
| 35    | 17     | 17     | 145        | 1                                  | 59           |
|       |        |        |            |                                    |              |
| TOTAL | 71     | 80     | 659        | 6/20                               | 252          |

### **Division Director Update:**

Despite a last-minute venue change and a scheduling conflict with the Eastern Division Contests, we successfully hosted a fantastic Southern Division Contest, thanks to the dedication and support of my team of volunteers.

The speeches were engaging and delivered to an exceptionally high standard. The upcoming District Conference promises to be an exciting event, and I look forward to seeing the Southern Division winners compete.

On another note, I believe the District may benefit from establishing a policy regarding volunteer gifts. It seems counterintuitive that the cost and number of gifts for volunteers sometimes equal or exceed the value of prizes awarded to competitors. Just something to consider moving forward.

## **Area Director Progress Update:**

### Area 6 -

Ron has completed visits to five of his six clubs with Robina Club to be visited in the next few weeks. Unfortunately he hasn't uploaded these to TI as yet so aren't showing on the graph.

He mentioned that all clubs seem to be progressing quite well having seen a few inductions, all the meetings were pleasant with a lot of humour and enjoyment of the members really showed through.

He has tried to promote the position of Area Director but have had no hands being raised at this point in time.

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### Area 23 -

Area visits booked:
Meeting Masters - 10th April
Murwillumbah - 3rd April
SCU - 1st May
TOTS - 6th April
Twin Towns - 10 April

Twin Towns has achieved a net growth:
Meeting Masters have 3 new members
Murwillumbah has 4 new members
SCU 3 new members - should reach 8 for 31 March renewal
TOTS 1 new member
Twin Towns 4 new members (reached 16 from 12 base)

#### Area 24 -

All visits are booked in with the clubs and presidents. Four will occur in April and one in the first week of May.

No lead yet for his replacement but he has been planting lots of seeds and will be pushing it heavily during his club visits.

Nicky contacted Tom about chairing the international contest at District level which he says he is delighted to do.

### Area 35 -

Area Visit Update -

PBC - completed Wednesday 26 March - report is finalised and submitted

EEM - Scheduled for 22 April

GCHub - Scheduled to attend 23 April

Kings - will make contact to schedule in the coming days to schedule

Unfortunately, I have hit a dead end for leads for her replacement.