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1 October 2011 : The District 74 "Humourous Speaking" contest for 2011 was won by Lizo Bango from Cape Town Toastmasters (Area D2).

6 September 2011 : The Division D "Humourous Speaking" contest for 2011 was won by **Lizo Bango** from Cape Town Toastmasters (Area D2). He will represent Division D at the [District 74 contest](#) on Saturday 1 October 2011 in Vanderbijlpark.

24 August 2011 : Good Hope Toastmasters in Tokai hosted the annual "Humourous Speaking" contest for Area D1. The winner was **Michael Fawcett** from Good Hope Toastmasters ; he will represent the 4 clubs in Area D1 at the Division D contest on Tuesday 6 September 2011.

20 August 2011 : **Jock Elliot** from Queensland in Australia won the **2011 World Championship of Public Speaking** contest at the annual Toastmasters International convention in Las Vegas, USA. District 74's contestant, **David Cairns**, was unfortunately not placed.

17 August 2011 : Toastmasters International unveiled new branding for the organization.

6 July 2011 : The first meeting of **The Breakfast Club** was held at the Mugg & Bean restaurant in Claremont. This is a new club that will meet every Wednesday morning at 7:30 AM, thus introducing a rather different concept to the South African Toastmasters scene - meetings once a week in the morning, rather than once (or perhaps twice) a month in the evening.

4 May 2011 : Two Oceans Toastmasters held their **20'th Anniversary Meeting**, an enjoyable and festive occasion attended by many distinguished guests (click [here](#) for details and photos).

16 April 2011 : District 74 held their annual speech contests. **David Cairns** from Centurion Toastmasters won the International (or prepared) speech contest with former 5-time winner **Douglas Kruger** placing second. **Cathy Angus** (The Sages Toastmasters) won the Evaluations contest and **Nozipho Mbanjwa** (Midrand Toastmasters) won the Impromptu Speaking contest. David Cairns will represent District 74 at the Toastmasters International "World Championship of Public Speaking" contest in Las Vegas, USA in August 2011.

17 March 2011 : Division D held their annual speech contests ; amazingly, all three contests were won by **Bill Russell** from Ernst & Young Toastmasters! He will represent Division D at the District 74 contest on Saturday 16 April 2011 in Johannesburg. **Alana Byrne** of Two Oceans Toastmasters

was third in the International Speech contest.

23 February 2011 : The annual speech contests for Area D1 were held at Good Hope Toastmasters in Tokai. Two Oceans Toastmasters excelled by winning both the International (prepared) speech contest (**Alana Byrne**) and the Impromptu Speaking contest (**Paul Kilfoil**). **Marge Kruyt** was the demonstration speaker for the Evaluations contest (won by **Sarah Rossouw** from Good Hope Toastmasters). Alana, Paul and Sarah will represent area D1 at the Division D contest on 17 March 2011.

2 February 2011 : Two Oceans Toastmasters held their [annual speech contests](#), and the winners were **Alana Byrne** (international or prepared speech) and **Paul Kilfoil** (who won both the evaluations and impromptu speaking contests). They will represent Two Oceans Toastmasters at the Area contest on Wednesday 23 February 2011.

9 September 2010 : The Division D "Humourous Speaking" contest for 2010 was won by **Charmaine Sparrow** from Winelands Toastmasters (Area D5). **Dale Robinson** from Two Oceans Toastmasters (Area D1) was second. Charmaine will represent Division D at the [District 74 contest](#) on Saturday 2 October 2010 in Pretoria.

25 August 2010 : Two Oceans Toastmasters hosted the annual "Humourous Speaking" contest for Area D1. The winner was **Dale Robinson** from Two Oceans Toastmasters, with **Andrew Huisamen** from Grove Toastmasters second (he had won this contest in 2008 and 2009). Dale will represent the 4 clubs in Area D1 at the Division D contest on Thursday 9 September 2010.

14 August 2010 : **David Henderson** from San Antonio in Texas won the **2010 World Championship of Public Speaking** contest at the annual Toastmasters International convention in Palm Springs, USA. District 74's contestant, **Ryan Ebedes**, was unfortunately not placed.

4 August 2010 : Two Oceans Toastmasters held their annual "Humourous Speaking" contest. The winner was **Dale Robinson**, with second place going to **Alana Byrne** (amazingly, an exact repeat of the result of the 2009 contest). Dale Robinson will represent the club at the Area D1 contest on 25 August 2010 [[View photo](#)].

1 July 2010 : **Theo Potgieter**, a member of Two Oceans Toastmasters, assumed the role of Area Governor for the 4 clubs in Area D1. His term of office is from July 2010 to June 2011.

30 June 2010 : Two Oceans Toastmasters achieved **President's Distinguished Club** status by attaining 9 of the 10 Distinguished Club Program (DCP) goals that were set by Toastmasters International for the period July 2009 to June 2010.

15 May 2010 : District 74 held their annual speech contests. **Ryan Ebedes** from Transformers Toastmasters won the International (or prepared) speech contest, **Ian Bratt** won the Evaluations contest and **Vincent Geldenhuys** won the Impromptu Speaking contest. Ryan Ebedes will represent District 74 at the Toastmasters International "World Championship of Public Speaking"

contest in Palm Springs, USA in August 2010.

5 May 2010 : Isabel Walker, Two Oceans Toastmasters' Vice-President Public Relations, was the recipient of a special award from the area governor for area D1 (Michael Fawcett), honouring her for her extraordinary dedication and commitment to promoting Toastmasters over the past ten months [[View photo](#)].

21 April 2010 : Isabel Walker, Two Oceans Toastmasters' Vice-President Public Relations, was interviewed on CCFM, a community radio station based in Muizenberg, Cape Town.

17 April 2010 : Division D held their annual speech contests. **Frank Janse van Vuuren** (Stellenbosch Toastmasters) won the International (or prepared) Speech contest, **Hugh Solomon** (Cape Town Toastmasters) won the Evaluations contest and **Glenn Simpson** (Ernst & Young Toastmasters) won the Impromptu Speech contest. The winners will represent Division D at the District 74 contest on Saturday 15 May 2010 in Johannesburg. None of Area D1's representatives won their contests but all three were placed : **Sean Collard** (Two Oceans Toastmasters) was third in the International Speech contest, **Lorne Sulcas** (Two Oceans Toastmasters) was third in the Evaluations contest and **Steven Cannoo** (Grove Toastmasters) came second in the Impromptu Speech contest.

10 April 2010 : The annual speech contests for Area D1 were held at Achievers Toastmasters in Westlake. Two Oceans Toastmasters excelled by winning both the International (prepared) speech contest (**Sean Collard**) and the Evaluations contest (**Lorne Sulcas**), as well as having third place in the Impromptu contest (**Marion Thomas**). Sean and Lorne will represent area D1 at the Division D contest on 17 April 2010.

3 March 2010 : Two Oceans Toastmasters held their [annual speech contests](#), and the winners were **Cecily Froud** (international or prepared speech), **Lorne Sulcas** (evaluations) and **Marion Thomas** (impromptu speaking). Unfortunately Cecily will not be able to attend the Area contest on Saturday 10 April 2010, so the club will be represented at the area contest by **Sean Collard** (who replaces Cecily), **Lorne Sulcas** and **Marion Thomas**.

20 February 2010 : A FaceBook "group" for Two Oceans Toastmasters has been created ; the group can be found at www.facebook.com/groups/361944725936.

25 November 2009 : **Dale Robinson** from Two Oceans Toastmasters won the 2009 "Humour HopAbout" contest, hosted annually by Table Bay Toastmasters [[View photo](#)].

17 October 2009 : **Ben Brown** from Bedfordview Toastmasters in Division B won the 2009 District 74 "Humorous Speaking" contest.

19 September 2009 : The Division D "Humorous Speaking" contest for 2009 was won by **Lizo Bango** from Cape Town Toastmasters (Area D2). **Andrew Huisamen** from Grove Toastmasters (Area D1) was second. Lizo will represent Division D at the [District 74 contest](#) on Saturday 17

October 2009 in Johannesburg.

12 September 2009 : Achievers Toastmasters hosted the annual "Humourous Speaking" contest for Area D1 [[View photo](#)]. The winner was **Andrew Huisamen** from Grove Toastmasters (who had won this contest in 2008 and thus successfully defended his title) ; he will represent the 4 clubs in Area D1 at the Division D contest on Saturday 19 September 2009. Runner-up was **Christel van Zyl** from Good Hope Toastmasters. **Dale Robinson**, Two Oceans' contestant, was unfortunately not placed [[View photo](#)]. **Lorne Sulcas** from Two Oceans was the contest chairman [[View photo](#)].

2 September 2009 : Two Oceans Toastmasters held their annual "Humourous Speaking" contest. The winner was **Dale Robinson**, with second place going to **Alana Byrne** (who was a new member and had not yet even given her first speech). Dale Robinson will represent the club at the Area D1 contest on 12 September 2009.

15 August 2009 : **Mark Hunter** from District 69 (Queensland, northern New South Wales and the Northern Territory in Australia) won the **2009 World Championship of Public Speaking** contest at the annual Toastmasters International convention in Mashantucket, Connecticut, USA. Second was **Mary Cheyne** (District 31) and third was **Erick Rainey** (District 7). District 74's contestant, **Douglas Kruger** (who has won the District 74 International Speech Contest five times since 2001), was unfortunately not placed.

14 August 2009 : Toastmasters International created a new region (Region 11), which in future will include District 74 and many other non-American districts that previously were not allocated to a region. This means that for the first time ever the districts outside of North America will have the same status as those in North America, and is thus a huge step forward for Toastmasters Southern Africa.

12 June 2009 : Two Oceans Toastmasters' web site was moved from GeoCities (where it had been hosted for 9 years) to <http://TwoOceansTM.webs.com>.

3 June 2009 : No less than **sixty one** people attended Two Oceans Toastmasters' [annual dinner meeting](#), including **Lois Strachan** (District 74 Governor), **Craig Strachan** (District 74 Lt Governor Education & Training), **Jurgens Pieterse** (Division D Governor) and **Francois Rossouw** (Area D1 Governor).

20 May 2009 : The first meeting of **Black River Park Toastmasters** was held in Mowbray (a suburb of Cape Town). This is a new club that is hoping to be chartered before the end of 2009.

16 May 2009 : District 74 held their annual speech contests. **Douglas Kruger** won the International (or prepared) speech contest for the fifth time, **Liz Dewing** (from Division D) won the Evaluations contest and **Marlene van Wyk** won the Impromptu Speaking contest. Division D's other two contestants (David Katerere and Paul Barnard) respectively came second in the International speech contest and third in the Impromptu speech contest. Douglas Kruger will represent District 74 at the Toastmasters International "World Championship of Public Speaking" contest in Mashantucket, USA in August 2009.

12 May 2009 : The first meeting of **Kalahari Toastmasters** was held in Upington in the Northern Cape. This is a new club that is hoping to be chartered before the end of 2009.

9 May 2009 : Division D held their annual speech contests. **David Katerere** won the International (or prepared) Speech contest, **Liz Dewing** won the Evaluations contest and **Paul Barnard** won the Impromptu Speech contest. The winners will represent Division D at the District 74 contest on Saturday 16 May 2009 in Cape Town. None of Area D1's representatives won their contests but all three were placed : **Harry Thomas** (from Two Oceans Toastmasters) was third in the International Speech contest, **Paul Kilfoil** (from Two Oceans Toastmasters) was third in the Evaluations contest and **Ericka Allison** (from Good Hope Toastmasters) came second in the Impromptu Speech contest.

25 April 2009 : The annual speech contests for Area D1 were held at Francois' Restaurant in Fish Hoek. The winners were **Harry Thomas** from Two Oceans Toastmasters (international or prepared speech), **Paul Kilfoil** from Two Oceans Toastmasters (evaluation) and **Ericka Allison** from Good Hope Toastmasters (impromptu speech). They will represent area D1 at the Division D contest on 9 May 2009.

4 March 2009 : Two Oceans Toastmasters held their [annual speech contests](#), and the winners were **Harry Thomas** (international or prepared speech), **Paul Kilfoil** (evaluations) and **Mary Honeybun** (impromptu speaking). They will represent the club at the Area D1 contest on Saturday 25 April 2009.

3 March 2009 : **Lois Strachan**, Toastmasters Southern Africa District Governor, was interviewed live on Good Hope FM, a popular Western Cape radio station.

1 March 2009 : **SMI Toastmasters** (which was in area D1) closed down. There are thus only 4 clubs left in area D1 : Two Oceans (Fish Hoek), Achievers (Westlake), Good Hope (Tokai) and Grove (Newlands).

16 February 2009 : **Harry Thomas** delivered his CC 10 at Achievers Toastmasters and thus set a new record at Two Oceans Toastmasters for the shortest time taken to achieve Competent Communicator (CC). He gave his CC 1 on 3 September 2008, meaning his CC took only 167 days from start to finish. Harry delivered 3 speeches in January 2009 and another 3 in February 2009 at 4 different clubs (Two Oceans, Winelands, Achievers and Cape Town).

11 February 2009 : A new Toastmasters club opened in **Woodstock**, just outside Cape Town's city centre. Called **GV.comm**, they meet every second Wednesday evening of the month at 8 PM.

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