

Newlands Toastmasters

Guest Information Sheet

Kia ora. Do you want to develop confidence in public speaking? Would you like to take part in an enjoyable social group? Consider joining Toastmasters. It's a great investment you can make for yourself.

Newlands Toastmasters is a friendly group of people looking to improve our public speaking, and we always welcome visitors. We can give you the skills to be confident at public speaking. You can look more impressive when speaking at work, weddings and funerals. Toastmasters also helps you to develop the communication skills you need to become a successful leader.

Newlands has an excellent mentor programme which supports members as they develop. Each new member is paired with an experienced Toastmaster for as long as necessary to get advice on giving speeches and other roles within Toastmasters.

We are a multicultural club which includes native English speakers and migrants. We can help with your language skills – vocabulary, pronunciation and accuracy.

Toastmasters works because we all have the chance to practise our speaking and leadership skills. Everything we do is evaluated by another member. We receive feedback on what we're doing well and what needs improving. We are all helping one another.

Speak with confidence

Work

We can give you the skills to be good at public speaking, speak with confidence at work, and achieve the promotion to become a leader. If you are seeking a new job then the nervousness at a job interview is the same feeling you get before doing a speech – we can help you with that.

Private

Speak with confidence at weddings and other social events. Speak confidently in front of the people who matter the most in life: your family. You will have the ability to contribute at clubs and other social gatherings and be a respected member of the community.



Frequently Asked Questions

What is Toastmasters?

Toastmasters is a non-profit educational organisation that helps members develop public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of clubs. Toastmasters International is headquartered in Colorado, USA. Membership exceeds 364,000 people. Since 1924, Toastmasters has helped people from diverse backgrounds become more confident speakers, communicators and leaders.

How much does it cost?

It costs \$140 to join Newlands Toastmasters for 6 months, including a one off \$30 joining fee. So, it is \$110 per 6 months afterwards. We are a non-profit club. We only seek to cover our expenses.

What do I get if I join Toastmasters?

- You can overcome you fear of speaking and nervousness.
- You can learn how to speak confidently in front of the public. This is great for work, family and social occasions.
- You can make friends with the members in our club and gain a sense of belonging.
- You will have fun. Our meetings have a purpose, but they are also enjoyable.
- Be amazed and inspired by speeches.
- Toastmasters is a great networking opportunity.

Can I join if I am nervous about speaking in public?

Everyone in our club was a beginner once, but we are here to support you. Your nervousness will diminish or disappear with practice. You will have an experienced mentor to help you. We want you to succeed!

Can anyone come and visit?

Yes. You are most welcome to observe up to three meetings without any payment or obligation. Please contact us to confirm a meeting is on.

Is it all about formal speeches?

Not at all. At each meeting some members will give formal speeches, but we also practise short impromptu (unprepared) talks. Also, members have a different role at each meeting such as chairperson, setting speech topics, evaluator, host, and timekeeper.

When do you meet?

We meet on alternate Mondays. The meeting starts promptly at 7:30pm, so it is a good idea to arrive 10 minutes early. The meeting lasts for two hours.

Where do you meet?

We meet in the upstairs room at Newlands Community Centre, 9 Batchelor St, Newlands, Wellington.

What happens after you join?

When you are ready, we will give you a slot in a meeting to do your first speech. This is called the Ice Breaker speech, and it gives you the opportunity to introduce yourself to the club. At first you will also get comfortable with some of the easier meeting roles.

Contact Us

We are happy to answer any questions you might have.

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Check us out at our website

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Meeting Room Location



We meet at
9 Batchelor Street
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