

# NORTHERN BEACHES TOASTMASTERS CLUB MINUTES

Club No: 609136

Area 8 Hawkesbury Division

District 70

**Meeting No:** 186

**On:** 28 March 2017

**At:** Bored Monkey

**Meeting Opened:**

7.00pm

**Theme:** Speechcraft Inductions

**Sergeant At Arms:**

Brian Paull opened the meeting and included the Mission Statement

**Present:**

Sharon Austin, Errol Byrnes, Luke Donabaeur, Sue Loucks, Deanna Morpurgo, Brian Paull, Talal Rossi, Mandy Spooner, Kathy Stewart, Reg Stewart, (10)

**Apologies:**

June, Steve, Graham, Tanuja, Denise, David, Muriel, Gail (8)

**Inactive Mbrs:**

Jan, Keren, John, Graham (4)

**Quorum:**

yes

**Guests:**

Gary Melikian (Area 8 Director) and Alison (2)

**Speechcrafters:**

Laura Rogers, Giselle Vasconcelos, Nicola Power, Dominic Hardiman

**President's Opening**

Sharon welcomed our Area Director and our speechcrafters, thanked Sue for running another successful Speechcraft course, informed current DCP Status (Select Distinguished with 7 points). Noted that it was a very full meeting so timing would be important.

**Chairman:**

Brian chaired with humour.

**Welcome:**

Laura welcomed all to the meeting, outlining the meeting and mentioning guests, speechcrafters and members.

**Toast:**

Dominic stepped in at the last moment and delivered a toast to Speechcraft

Speaker	Title	Manual	Evaluator
1 Giselle	To Go or Not To Go	Last S/C speech	Nicola
2 Mandie	Good Food Guide	Last S/C speech	Giselle
3 Dominic	SMS	3 <sup>rd</sup> last S/C speech	Talal
4. Deanna	It's all about the Teeth!	(7.05)	Reg

**Entrée break:**

Wonderful entrees of prawns and scallops was served.

**Table Topics Master**

Reg became the impromptu Table Topics Master and gave an exemplary performance – introduced the evaluators, instructed the timer, explained the proceedings for guests and gave an over-arching

theme of "Tell us about". He then asked a range of excellent questions aimed at each individual member – and which resulted in some very humorous responses.

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| 1) Yoga.                  | Kathy   |
| 2) Queensland?            | Mandy   |
| 3) Bored Monkeys          | Sue     |
| 4) South Africa           | Nicola  |
| 5) Iguazu Falls (Brazil)? | Giselle |
| 6) Kids at school?        | Laura   |
| 7) Armendia               | Gary    |
| 8) Northern Beaches.      | Talal   |
| 9) Snail Mail             | Dominic |
| 10) Iceland               | Sharon  |

**Dinner Break:** Reg and Brian amended the agenda to have dinner between questions and evaluations.

**Area Directors Rpt:** Gary spoke about Service Leadership and encouraged members to consider club executive or district roles to gain the leadership experience available through TM. He praised the club and its leaders for a vibrant club meeting goals and holding excellent meetings.

**Speechcraft Presentations:** Sue presented certificates to Reg, Kathy, Brian, Luke and Sharon (Dennise and David in their absence) for the educationals they presented during speechcraft. She then presented certificates and gifts to Errol, Luke and Sharon for their unwavering support before and during the entire course, acknowledging that it was a team effort.

**Member Inductions:** Talal inducted Laura, Giselle and Nicola into the club and all members supported their membership. After completing their speechcraft program all three ladies have 3 speeches completed in their CC Manual. (Dominic has two more speechcraft speeches to complete and then he may also join the club).

**Reports:**

Grammarian	Kathy ??
Listening Post	Sharon (picked up "So" as the new 'um' word)
Timer	Mandie

**Awards** **Dominic** was awarded Best Speech for his 'standing in' Toast; Excellence Award went to **Mandie** for an outstanding Timer's role..

**Guests comments:** Alison enjoyed the meeting – it was her first experience of Toastmasters, she hopes to attend again. Gary thanked us all for a wonderful meeting and an entertaining evening.

**Next Meeting** Next month's meeting to be hosted by Deanna on 25 April.

**Meeting Closed:** 9.30

**Secretary:** *Sue Loucks*

**President:** *Sharon Austin*