



Parra Natta

Theme

Front and Centre

Welcome

We are pleased to welcome our guests

- Ernest Jayaratne
- Marie Castro
- Srikae Sakhawupe
- Clare Walker
- Jessica Laxton

We look forward to your next visit.

Would you like to speak to a member about Parramatta Toastmasters?

Michael Said, the club's Vice-President of Membership is more than happy to take your calls or emails about attending a club meeting or general enquiries about the club

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or [Michael Said Email](#)

Contest Winners

International Speech

1st Place - David Griffiths

2nd Place - Alicia Denis

Contact

Do you have goals that you would like to achieve? Contact Kirisha, VPE to discuss your targets at VPE@parramattatm.org.au

Meeting No: 1222

Parramatta Toastmasters Club 2274

The Great Challenge - Front & Centre

They say Christmas is the time of giving, and part of gift giving is the element of surprise. It



was no surprise that we took-on this tradition during our meeting.

Prior to the start, our VPE gave a few members the opportunity to participate in a lucky dip. Their challenge was to perform their assignment (front & centre) with

only a few minutes of preparation.

Selvi J, took centre stage and gave a warm welcome to our five guests for the night.

Steve C, performed his 'Getting to Know You' assignment by interviewing Gary W. We learnt of how Gary's inquisitiveness for website development helped him build the Parramatta Toastmasters website.

Malkit B, gave an inspirational about WW2 leaders. Quoting General Patton, he said, 'No man ever won a war by dying for his country. He won it by making the other men die for his country.'

Tom W, gave his movie review on Taken 2. As a favour to us all, he said

don't waste our time and money to watch the movie.

Our newest member Tom C, gave us his point of view on building and construction. He believes that inspirations comes to us when all our stars align and everything becomes clear. He said, 'If you are like me, we should have built-in whiteboards in the shower for those bright ideas.'

David K, gave a toast to 'All the hardworking taxi drivers, who always gets us home.'

Julie J, took on the larfmaster role and spoke about her trip. She told us how her Bedouin guide ask for her hand in marriage with 50 camels as her dowry.

What happened at Michael's Bucks Party ?

We ate, formed great camaraderie, played dress-up, had speeches and resolved an overdue boxing match. Michael was a good sport throughout the night.



At a recent leadership training, your Parramatta executive team were ask to determine what kind of leaders they were and was showed some tips on how to work with the different types of leadership styles.

Many may have a mixture of leadership styles, however there is usually one that is more dominant than others. Some may have different leadership style in different environments. Do you know what kind of leader you are?

This educational will provide you some pointers on how to work with others leadership styles in your personal and professional lives.



North (The Go-Getters), have the following attributes with their approach to work;

- Assertive, active, decisive, courageous, ambitious, confident, tenacious, goal-oriented
- Likes to be in control and determine the course of events
- Enjoys challenging people and situations
- Thinks in terms of the 'bottom line'
- Hardworking leader who is comfortable being in front
- Value Words: Do it Now! I'll do it

Best Ways to Work with a North

- Use North's' to complete tasks that require motivation, persuasion and initiative
- Present your case quickly, clearly, with enthusiasm and confidence
- Let them know how they will be involved and their payoff
- Allow them plenty of autonomy
- Establish timelines and stick with them



East (The Visionary) have the following attributes with their approach to

work;

- Innovative, creative, idea-oriented, adventurous, spontaneous, free-spirited, unconventional
- Sees big picture, the future and takes risks
- Has insight into mission and purpose
- Appreciates a lot of information
- Likes to experiment and explore
- Value words: Options, Possibility

Best Ways to Work with a East

- Show appreciation and enthusiasm for ideas
- Listen and be patient during idea generation
- Avoid criticizing or judging ideas
- Allow and support divergent thinking
- Provide help and supervision to support detail and project follow-through



West (The Analyst) have the following attributes with their approach to work;

- Practical, dependable, thorough, careful, deliberate, logical, balanced, introspective, focused, reserved
- Uses data to make analytical decisions
- Weighs all sides of an issue
- Thoroughly examines people's needs in situations
- Works well with existing resources
- Finds the fatal flaw in an idea or a project
- Value words: Objective, Organised

Best Ways to Work with a West

- Allow plenty of time for decision

making

- Provide facts and figures that a West can trust
- Minimise the expression of emotion and use logic when possible
- Appeal to tradition, a sense of history and correct procedures



South (The Nurturer) have the following attributes with their approach to work;

- Friendly, likeable, supportive, nurturing, caring, peace-loving, sympathetic, helpful, process-centered, generous, non-competitive
- Allow others to feel important
- Willing to trust others statements at face value
- Is considered a team player
- Feelings-based, trust own emotions and intuition as truth
- Focuses on the present moment
- Likes to build on the ideas of others
- Value words: Right, Fair

Best Ways to Work with a South

- Keep the process in mind
- Pay attention to what is happening with the relationship between you
- Justify your decisions with values and ethics
- Appeal to your relationships with the South and his/hers relationships with others
- Listen closely
- Allow expression of feelings and intuition in logical arguments
- Be aware that South's may have a hard time saying 'no' and may be easily steamrolled
- Provide plenty of positive reassurance and likeability

Memorable Comments

1. David K: 'Some people say I sound like Hugh Grant.'
2. Alicia D: 'Fear is caused by our belief.'
3. Gary W: 'In total the Table Topics speakers took 9:30minutes, same as the 2 evaluators.'

D70 Announcement

Issue 2 of the 2012/2013 District 70 Directory has been released

[Click here](#) to download from D70 website. You will need to have both your member number and your club number available to start the download process.

Alternatively, speak to the Parramatta Toastmasters Club Secretary to review the club's copy .

Award Winners

Best Table Topics

David King

The Mission of a Toastmasters club is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which every individual member has the opportunity to develop oral communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth.

Find us on



Contact

To share any exciting news or to submit an article for Parra Natta, contact Jeeven Jayanathan VPPR vppr@parramattatm.org.au



Announcements



Date & Time: **20 December 2012—6:15pm**

Where: **Linden Room, Parramatta RSL**

Cost: **\$25**

your Parramatta Toastmasters Christmas

RSVP to vpe@parramattatm.org.au by **5pm, Friday 14 December 2012** to reserve your meal and seat.

invitation

This is a catered event, please advise your dietary requirements with your RSVP. Friends and family are welcome.

International Speech Contest - Picture Gallery



Winner: David Griffiths
with Contest Chairman, Christine Pizzuti and Area 13 Governor, Wendy Neilson



2nd Place: Alicia Denis
with Contest Chairman, Christine Pizzuti and Area 13 Governor, Wendy Neilson



Contestants: Melanie Wilson & Sam Ekinci with Contest Chairman, Christine Pizzuti

Parramatta Toastmasters Christmas Social Sun Day Invite

It is that time of the year for Parramatta Toastmasters Christmas to get together! Members & their loved-ones are invited to join us for a relaxed afternoon of social fun before the fat man arrives with our Christmas presents. For the energetic among us bring, footballs, cricket and softball gear, there is open space at our disposal.

When: Sunday, 23 December 2012
Where: Location to be provided upon RSVP
Time: 12:30pm start
RSVP by: 21 December 2012
RSVP to: Linda Snalam @ pres@parramattatm.org.au

*We will provide the meat, vegetarian options and cold soft drinks. Please bring either a salad or sweet to add to the table.
RSVP by Friday, 21 Dec to Linda Snalam with your salad or sweet option, so we don't have 15 potato salads!*



Join Us For Our Next Meeting

20 December 12— All I Want for Christmas