



Onehunga Toastmasters Club
Club # 670123
Area A6, District 72

Visitors Information Sheet

Welcome, and thank you for visiting our club. We hope that your experience will be a positive one and that you may consider being a member of our club or another Toastmasters Club in the near future.

What are the benefits of joining Toastmasters?

This is one of our most frequently-asked questions.

Toastmasters provides the tools that enable you to become an effective communicator and leader in both your business or professional life, as well as in your personal and community life.

Toastmasters can help you:

- Develop self-confidence when speaking in public
- Give effective presentations to all types of audiences
- Speak off the cuff on a variety of topics

Why Join Toastmasters?

- You will learn by doing, in a supportive club environment, amongst friends
- You will receive ongoing feedback and encouragement
- Find out why others joined Toastmasters by reading their personal stories on the Toastmasters International website: www.toastmasters.org

In your working life, you'll be able to:

- Hone your management skills
- Work better with your colleagues and customers
- Develop and present ideas clearly

In your personal life, you'll be able to:

- Accept feedback more objectively
- Offer constructive feedback
- Conduct effective meetings

You'll enjoy the fellowship of Toastmasters as you learn how to:

- Research, prepare and deliver speeches on a wide variety of topics
- Design and use visual aids to enhance your message
- Host and speak at family and social occasions

Some common questions asked by visitors

- 1. I have really enjoyed the meeting, however I would like to come to another meeting before making a decision on membership.**

You certainly may! The club would love you to come along for another meeting or two; that way you can experience a wider range of speakers and learn more about our meeting procedures.

- 2. The speakers I have heard seem so good; I don't think I could ever be that good.**

Every member learns at a pace that suits him/her self. Remember that everyone in this room was in this room—or one like it—for the first time at some time.

- 3. How frequently are meetings held?**

Onehunga Toastmasters meets at 7:00 p.m. every alternate Wednesday at the Onehunga Community Library, 85 Church Street, Onehunga. The dates and weekly roster are listed on our website www.onehunga.gen.nz

- 4. Are mentors available for new members?**

Yes. All new members are allocated a mentor to assist with their progress.

- 5. What do I need to do in order to become a member of Onehunga Toastmasters club?**

All you need do is fill out the Application form and pay the joining fee. The original signed application form should be handed to the club's membership officer, who will register you with Toastmasters International. Contact details are listed at the end of this information sheet.

- 6. When are the fees due?**

Fees are payable on a six monthly cycle. These include a payment to Toastmasters International, and club fees which cover such costs as room hire, refreshments and educational materials. Membership of Toastmasters International entitles you to receive a monthly magazine, The Toastmaster, which goes out to the more than 250,000 members World-wide.

Dues are payable on the 25th of March and September each year. If you join outside of this cycle period then the fees will be based pro-rata on the remaining period left in the six-month cycle. The Club's membership officer will advise you further.

- 7. I am interested in becoming a member, however I am not comfortable in presenting a speech straight away. Can I attend a few meetings before committing to a speech?**

Certainly. You will not be pressured into presenting a speech until you are comfortable with undertaking this role. There are many other roles within a meeting that will help to enhance your confidence.

"If you get out of Toastmasters everything you can get out of Toastmasters, you will never get out of Toastmasters." – Helen Blanchard DTM, Past international President.

What does it cost to become a Member?

The club fee equates to \$18.35 per month. Club fees are payable on a six-monthly cycle, on the 25th of March and September each year. If you join outside of this cycle period then the fees will be based pro-rata on the remaining period left in the six-month cycle.

Fees

1. Toastmasters International new member joining fee \$45.00

The joining fee is payable only once and covers the first four manuals: Competent Communication and Competent Leader, and two advanced manuals of your choice. You will be eligible for the advanced manuals after completing the Competent Communication manual. If you have been a member of another Toastmasters club in the past, or if you are renewing your existing membership, you will not need to pay this fee.

2. Onehunga Club Dues

Joining Month	Fee Due	+ Joining Fee	Total
January	\$55.00	\$45.00	\$100.00
February	\$36.00	\$45.00	\$81.00
March	\$18.35	\$45.00	\$63.35
April	\$110.00	\$45.00	\$155.00
May	\$91.70	\$45.00	\$136.70
June	\$73.35	\$45.00	\$118.35
July	\$55.00	\$45.00	\$100.00
August	\$36.70	\$45.00	\$81.00
September	\$18.35	\$45.00	\$63.35
October	\$110.00	\$45.00	\$155.00
November	\$91.70	\$45.00	\$136.70
December	\$73.35	\$45.00	\$118.35

Payment is payable by bank transfer only. Please make payment to :

Onehunga Toastmasters Club

ANZ Penrose branch

Account : 01-0242-0064904-00

Particulars : Insert your name as a reference.

Members are encouraged to approach their employers to find out if they would be willing to subsidise membership as part of ongoing training.

Membership Officer contact information

For Membership and Enquiries contact:

Tania Engles

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Websites

Onehunga Toastmasters website: www.onehunga.gen.nz

NZ Toastmasters website : www.toastmasters.org.nz

Toastmasters International website: www.toastmasters.org