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DIVISION D GOVERNOR (2002-2003)

I began the term as Division D Governor (2002-2003) with 6 areas and 24 clubs.

Our Division goals were to bring out the best in every toastmaster and to work together with other Divisions for the benefit of all toastmasters. Therefore we had chosen our Division Motto: ***Make Members Matter.***

The term started well with strong membership growth as a result of successful Speechcraft conducted by two clubs, NBS TMC and CPA TMC. SIA TMC also registered strong growth in membership.

Led by Dayal Khemlani, President of SRC TMC and Area D5 Governor Mike Rodrigues we had our first ever Division D Bowling Carnival held at Tanah Merah on 5th October'02. There was great camaraderie amongst the toastmasters present in Division D clubs as well as guests.

At the end of the term two new clubs emerged. Money Mastery TMC (8816) & Raffles Town TMC (8113), both of which I am truly proud were President Distinguished Clubs in 2004-2005.

Two of my Area Governors, Mike Rodrigues and James Lim became Division Governors for term 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 respectively.

My term as Division D Governor was indeed an exceptional one. The term 2002-2003 was a challenging year - the Iraq War, the SARS epidemic and the resultant economic downturn BUT WE SURVIVED. Division D was again President Distinguished Division and District 51 was No. 1 for five consecutive years. As the saying goes "when the going gets tough, the tough gets going". The ability to overcome adversity and adjust to prevailing environment proved one thing – TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN. The whole team became closer and stronger through those experiences. It was truly a year befitting the District Theme "DARE TO EXCEL".

I ended my term with great satisfaction - no club loss and two new clubs added to the Division D family. Bracing all odds we survived due to the great teamwork. As for me, it was also a record year of personal achievements. Truly in the spirit of DARE TO EXCEL....MAKE MEMBERS MATTER.



A picture paints a thousand words.....reflection of term 2002-2003
Dare to Excel....Make Members Matter