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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CHAMBER?

President's Comments:

2015 was a year where we saw the business community, both small and large, hardened by previous tough years, knuckle down and go about their business in a positive frame of mind, and in doing so creating a positive vibe throughout our community.

The formation of the Bell Bay Industrial Development Group headed by Ray Mostogal has been a much welcomed prospect for the area and in the relatively short period that it has been operating, we are already seeing some great work coming from this group with expected long term benefits, not just for our local community, but for the whole state in general.

Another group recently formed, the "Collective Impact Group" headed by Anne Blythman from the George Town Community Hub, was created to look at and address the issues our local community faces. This group although still in its infancy, I believe will become a major asset to our community.

We are also seeing a new pro-active council who are doing some great work around our community: they are making this municipality a more pleasant place for those who live and work in the area, as well as an attractive destination for our increasing number of visitors. The involvement the council has now adopted in working with other community groups and the public in general, has been a positive step in the right direction and we are already starting to see the results. With all groups working with a common goal in mind—I can see our town progressing in leaps and bounds in the years ahead of us.

The 2015 Business Excellence Awards as well as our "Shop locally Christmas promotion" were a huge success with both events continuing to gain momentum and proving to everyone that our businesses have adopted a positive outlook and that our community has, and will continue to, support our local businesses.

How our community is perceived throughout the state is entirely up to us and if we continue to work together with a positive outlook and always talk our town up then the future of our community will be a bright one. We still have a lot of work to do to catch up with our sister towns however we are now progressing in the right direction.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for supporting the Chamber of Commerce over the last 12 months and a big thankyou to all those who have volunteered their time.

Andrew Michieletto

President: George Town Chamber of Commerce

Annual General Meeting—2016

When: Tuesday February 9th 2016

Where: Bass and Flinder's Centre

Time: 6:00pm for 6:30pm (meeting 6:30pm to 7:00pm)

Drinks and finger-food will be available; please consider joining us: there was a great turn-out last year. If you are interested in joining the Executive Committee please contact Terri (details at side of page)



TCCI Chamber Alliance

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all of you, that as Members of the George Town Chamber of Commerce, each of you has free associate membership to the Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Background:

The majority of Tasmanian Chambers of Commerce have joined forces to create a strong state-wide representative group—the Chamber Alliance.

Initiated by the Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the smaller, regional Chambers signed an MOU that will ensure regional Chambers are able to offer valued and unique services to their members which in turn builds membership and support.

All financial members of a Chamber Alliance member, will receive a Subsidiary base level (currently Blue) membership of the TCCI. Subsidiary member benefits include:

- Workplace relations support: two (2) free calls to the TCCI Workplace Relations Helpline; workplace relations consultancy at base member rates.
- Member rate access to TCCI events and TCCI training.
- Member rates for advertising in TCCI newsletters and/or the Tasmanian Business Reporter.
- Linkages to ACCI and international bodies.
- Future potential to access overarching ICT solutions.
- Access to new products and services as available

Members of the Chamber Alliance:

- Burnie Chamber of Commerce
- Central Coast Chamber of Commerce
- Devonport Chamber of Commerce
- George Town Chamber of Commerce
- King Island Chamber of Commerce
- Northern Midlands Business Association
- Orford/Triabunna Chamber of Commerce
- St Helens Chamber of Commerce
- Swansea Chamber of Commerce
- West Tamar Chamber of Commerce



TCCI Skills and Training can help you achieve all the skills you need by providing access to the following:

- Customised training
- Accessing training grants
- Accredited training

Do you need industrial support and/or advice? TCCI Workplace Relations provides:

- Workplace Compliance assessments
- Workplace Relations Helpline—1300 765 123
- Training and Education.

We would like to remind you to use these entitlements if the need arises. Not all entitlements are mentioned here—you can contact the Membership support team for further information/details.



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