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## 2018: Issue 3 Newsletter Date: April 2018

Hello everyone, Some big changes in the business community this month with the resignation of Ray Mostogl from Bell Bay Aluminium and the merger of Heritage Isle Credit union. We wish Ray Mostogl well and thank him for all he has done with business and the Community of George Town. And Thank you to Lou Clark for her help with this newsletter.

### Ray bids Bell Bay goodbye

Bell Bay Aluminium farewelled its General Manager Ray Mostogl last week with a sea of well-wishers marking the end of an era.

Ray joined Rio Tinto more than two decades ago in July 1995, and in 2001, he was appointed Manager Site Services at Bell Bay. In 2006 he transferred to BSL but returned to Bell Bay in 2009 as the Carbon & Business Improvement Manager. But it was perhaps in 2011 where Ray was presented with his greatest challenge when he was appointed BBA's General Manager. Only a few months into the top job and Rio Tinto revealed its intention to divest the Australasian smelters and Pacific Aluminium was born.



(Caption, Brian Cooper COO, Pacific Aluminium. Image supplied by RobBurnettImages)

At a farewell function for external stakeholders on Tuesday 24 April, Pacific Aluminium's Chief Operating Officer Brian Cooper said: "Pacific Aluminium had to be stand-alone and cash positive which, for Bell Bay, meant turning the site around and doing so quickly. Some hard decisions had to be made, but there are 500 employees and contractors and their families in the Launceston Tamar Valley region who can be thankful for Ray's leadership of the Bell Bay team, as it saved the business and gave them a future."

Bruce Cox, Managing Director Pacific Operations also passed on his vote of thanks to Ray: "Beyond seeing Bell Bay through some of the most difficult times of the primary aluminium industry, I really appreciated Ray's focus on increasing female participation on the site and in so doing, improving the culture and productivity outcomes from having a more diverse workforce."

“Ray will be missed by all, not only for his contribution to the business and the community, but also because of his strong values and sense of doing what is right.”

Bell Bay Aluminium employees farewelled Ray on Thursday 26 April, his last day, with a morning tea on site where they wished Ray and his wife, Rose, the very best as they start the next chapter of their lives.



(Image supplied by RobBurnettImages)

Ray was interviewed by Brian Carlton on Tasmania Talks on his last day on site. Listen to the audio of the interview at <https://www.tasmaniatalks.com.au/the-show/27711-ray-mostogl-bids-the-smelter-goodbye>

Executive Member: Fiona Carmady

Role: Treasurer

Originally being from NSW and having a background in administration/accounts receivables/retail and now hospitality I have found my role as treasurer with The George Town Chamber of Commerce extremely diverse and interesting. Those of you who do not know my husband Darren & I run The Signature Cafe in George Town. We had such a warm welcome into the George Town community & The Chamber of Commerce which has been fantastic.

Being a small business owner and George Town community member I was immediately interested in the George Town Chamber of Commerce. How they could assist our business and other businesses in my own municipality.

I think that The George Town Chamber of Commerce has a highly beneficial role not only in an advisory manner but with the Business Excellence Awards/What, When, Where publication/Christmas Promotion etc....

I hope to continue my association with The Chamber of Commerce and look forward to new experiences that the year ahead may bring.

