

Business in Warringah

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President's Comments

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS OR IRRATIONAL REALITY?

Industrial Relations news is hitting the headlines regularly with a raft of sweeping changes to the National Workplace Relations System. No business has been left unaffected and grappling with the implications is exhausting for key stakeholders. My sources tell me the new meaning for IR is 'irrational reality'. For some businesses the changes make no sense of how they operate. However they know they need to implement the new legislation.

Employees are often just as frustrated as their employers on these new conditions and the issue of a minimum casual shift of 3 hours immediately comes to mind. The Retail Industry is objecting.

What should you be doing? Find out more about the new legislation. You can do this through Fair Work Australia www.fwa.gov.au and www.fairwork.gov.au. Be educated and attend seminars. Many are free or low cost. Talk with your employees about their concerns. Develop a plan for change and get some IR expertise on complex issues. If you find the changes significantly impact your business take the matter further. Call the help line at Fair Work Australia. As a member you can source some advice through the Chamber and you can speak with your local politician.

LINDA WHITE

President Warringah Chamber of Commerce

March Chamber Events

NETWORKING AFTER HOURS

Come and network in a relaxed and informal environment at one of our members premises.

DATE: Weds March 17

VENUE: Make it Happen, Suite 2/22 Narabang Way, Belrose

TIME: 6:00pm – 7:30pm

COST: \$10.00 for members and \$20.00 for visitors

INTERVIEWING SKILLS FOR SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

In this workshop you will learn effective interviewing techniques, how to be prepared, ask the right questions, using proven techniques to recruit the right people to match your business!

DATE: Weds March 17

VENUE: Lifestyle Working, Level 1, 117 Old Pittwater Rd, Brookvale

TIME: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

COST: \$25.00 FOR MEMBERS AND \$60.00 for visitors

NETWORKING SKILLS WORKSHOP

If you are new to networking or need to brush up on your skills, these small workshops are for you.

DATE: APRIL 6 – BOOKED OUT

Next available MAY 4

VENUE: Lifestyle Working, Level 1, 117 Old Pittwater Rd, Brookvale

TIME: 6:30pm – 8.00pm

COST: Free to members and \$25.00 for visitors

To book for any of these events please book online at www.warringahchamber.com.au or phone 9938 3006.

What's In It For You?

- Regular newsletter. Updating members on issues affecting business locally & nationally.
- Training opportunities. For local business including business forums covering: sales/marketing, work place safety, legal, industrial relations, taxation business creativity, accounting, start up advice, basic management.
- Opportunities to meet with key decision-makers in the community
- Networking After Hours: Weds March 17 2010
A monthly function, held at a different member's premises each time. Great networking opportunity also gives function holder a 10 min presentation on their business.
- Business Breakfast: Tues April 13 2010
Bi-monthly breakfast with a guest speaker covering relevant business topics
- Networking Skills: A monthly workshop to assist business people to learn the art of introductions at networking events.

Funding from NSW Government to Help Local Business Owners Grow their Business

The NSW Government are funding a Mentoring Program called "Young Entrepreneur Stepping-Up Program" for business owners aged between 18 to 35.

It is a 5-week program of workshops and 1:1 mentoring designed to help businesses grow. Each participant pays \$200+gst and the NSW Government contributes \$1250 per participant. With a maximum of 16 participants, the program will fill very quickly. For more information, contact Kerry Gee on 888 333 47 or kerry@binarix.com.

Visit <http://www.binarix.com/young-entrepreneurs-stepping-up-videos.html> hear how the Program has helped past participants.

Warringah Wine and Food Fair

Sun. 25 & Mon. 26, April 2010
Dee Why Beach

Stall holder applications are now open for local restaurants, cafe's and caterers to promote their quality food and services to an extensive Northern Beaches audience.

For all enquiries please contact Damian Percy
02 8004 2103 or damian@fundingwineservices.com.au



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