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QUEENSLAND'S LICENSED clubs have received a big tick from the state's Tourism Minister, Jann Stuckey. Ms Stuckey believes clubs play a vital role in looking after visitors to the State, and she wants to see them become even more involved. In an exclusive interview with Club Management in Australia Magazine, Ms Stuckey, who is the Member for the Gold Coast electorate of Currumbin, was emphatic that her Liberal National Party (LNP) Government recognised the value of community clubs as part of the tourism industry ...



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GAMING FEES are going up, which has Victoria's club managers hopping mad given many clubs are still experiencing 'down-time' with their gaming machines. Stephen Hodge, the CMAA Education Officer in Victoria, is disappointed by Intralot's most recent fee hikes, which include a 2.2% CPI increase and deployment charges for new machines. He finds these changes outlandish, considering the monitor's system is still unreliable ...





Federal Election result has positives for Club Industry

President's Perspective with BILL CLEGG, ACCM

AUSTRALIA HAS been to the polls again, after what felt like a three-year election campaign.

And, for the second election in succession poker machines and gambling were not mentioned in the mainstream policy issues.

It's easy to recall just three years ago that, suddenly, poker machines were central to the formation of Government and the gaming industry was the subject of a needless campaign that could only damage the community's view of the Club Industry.

The overwhelming election of a Coalition Government will provide our Club Industry with some certainty in the direction of policy and, importantly, returning policy decision-making back to the states and territories.

With a State Government that is prepared to be advised by club, hotel and gaming industry experts and representatives, policy determination to address the expectations of the community and to fulfill our responsibilities for providing gaming services, will have a greater result and policies supported by all that care for the long-term viability of the Club Industry.

Almost certainly, Industrial Relations reform will eventually be on this Coalition Government's agenda.

Generally, the Coalition's policy confirms that it "will work with, and improve, Labor's Fair Work Laws".

Importantly for many club managers, Individual Flexibility Arrangements (IFAs) will retain the 'Better Off Overall Test'.

The new Government's commitment to continue with the reforms to Registered Organisations is also recognised as a positive step towards an improved Industrial Relations system and, again, the CMAA will support and proactively work towards any reforms that improve accountability and transparency.

Requirements relating to training and financial reporting and accountability have already commenced, although it is not unreasonable to expect that a Coalition Government will have a stronger view, in particular, regarding unions and they have already foreshadowed higher expectations.

With a Government that has promised 'no surprises' and made such an issue of the Leaders keeping promises, I'm sure everyone is looking forward to a significant time of certainty so that all managers – and their clubs – can plan for business stability and future growth.

EVERYONE SHOULD be aware that there were recent joint announcements by the CMAA, ClubsNSW and Clubs Queensland regarding a National Exhibition (trade expo) for the Hospitality Industry from 2015.

The duplication of expos and trade events has been a concern of the CMAA for many years and it was for that reason that the trade expo attached to the CMAA Mid-Year conference was dropped several years ago.

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The National Exhibition will be supported by a National Clubs Conference where all Club Industry bodies will come together to provide the first truly National Club Industry Conference – see page 13.

The proposed changes that will come into effect in 2015 will necessitate a review of our own conferencing agenda.

In the interim, planning is progressing well for our 2014 AGM Conference & Hospitality Expo at The Dome at Sydney Olympic Park on March 3 and 4.

It was appropriate that the National Exhibition for Hospitality Industry announcement was made through the first edition of *my*CMAg.

From the positive comments I have received, I want to reinforce the appreciation of all for the efforts of the CMAA team under the guidance Peter Sharp.

myCMAg will continue to provide members with the latest information that is important them in a convenient electronic email-delivered format.

MUCH HAS been made of the relationships that are shared between RSL Sub Branches and their tenant licensed clubs.

More and more, RSL Clubs continue to close and properties are sold.

The lowest point came, on a senior leadership level, with comments about clubs just before this past ANZAC Day.

Rightly, many of the clubs that support the values of the RSL movement were offended by these comments.

It was an honour for my club – Randwick Labor Club – to be invited to attend the recent Eastern District Meeting of RSL Sub Branches, hosted by Kensington Sub Branch at Randwick Labor Club.

This was the first time the meeting was hosted at a venue other than an RSL club.

The invitation was to acknowledge the support that Randwick Labor Club had provided to the Sub Branch since an amalgamation.

More importantly, the meeting heard the story of a young veteran from Afghanistan that related, in his own words, the trauma from losing two mates on the battlefield to his ongoing fight with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

It's important for us all to, wherever possible, support the initiatives of industry partners such as the RSL & Services Club Association and ClubsNSW with the Securing Our Veterans' Future program – see page 48.

This is a valuable and important initiative for men and women prepared to sacrifice everything for our nation and for other peoples around the world in need of Australia's strength and support. ■

BILL CLEGG, ACCM, is the CMAA Federal President, a CMAA Life Member & General Manager at Randwick Labor Club



The Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Club Managers' Association Australia will take place at 9am on Tuesday, March 3, 2014.

The Annual General Meeting will be conducted in the Conference area of The Dome at Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush Bay.

Members will receive 10 Activity Points for attending the Annual General Meeting and signing the

Members' Register.
- ALLAN PETER, ACCM

Federal Secretary, CMAA







Planning essential to get the most out of 'vanishing' 2013

The Executive Officer's Desk with RALPH KOBER

CMAA Strategic Plan

As is the norm, a formal strategic planning session was attended by the new Federal Executive and Federal Council at the start of the new Executive's three-year term following the CMAA tri-annual elections in March.

The three strategic priorities that the Executive and management will be focusing heavily on in this term will be the areas of ...

- training and professional development;
- industrial representation;
- membership.

These areas are core to the strength of the Association and each in part and whole attract managers to join it.

Members, in the upcoming months, will be advised as to the detail of the Strategic Plan, its areas of action, tactics and deliverables.

Members will see a shift in the branding that carries the CMAA's member communications – e.g. ...

- the myCMAg eNewsletter, launched in September;
- the personalisation of the Zone Newsletters;
- myassociation information regarding professional development;
- mycareer ... and more.

A targeted approach to the way Head Office communicates and provides products and services to the differing age demographic of Members will help the Association to be seen as being more inclusive and relevant to the needs of all Members.

Mandatory Training for CMAA Board & Zone Committees

Further to earlier advice given to Members by the CMAA Federal Secretary and Head Office, all office bearers of the Association are now required to undertake the mandatory financial management training course by the end of 2013, pursuant to the *Registered Organisations Amendment Act 2012.* The Association has been approved to deliver the training course to CMAA Office Bearers, including the Federal Executive and the State Executive, the Federal Council and all Zone Committees.

The Association will schedule sessions in Sydney initially and all Zone Committee Members are welcome to attend the Sydney events. The course will be four hours in duration and members can choose from a number of sessions that best fits in with their needs. CMAA Regional NSW, Queensland, ACT and Victoria Zone Committees will be advised of scheduled sessions during October.



 What to expect when the CMAA Hospitality Expo moves to The Dome at Sydney Olympic Park in March.

CMAA Queensland Education Officer Appointed

Queensland members are advised that Zoe Clegg, the Training & Compliance Risk Manager at the Kedron Wavell RSL Club in Brisbane has been appointed as the CMAA Queensland Education Officer effective from October 1, 2013. Zoe also is the CMAA Brisbane Zone Education Officer. The primary objective of the CMAA Queensland Education Officer role is to be ...

- Queensland Members' first point of contact and inquiry with respect to training and professional development;
- career consultation regarding the Active Certified Club Manager (ACCM) Award;
- booking CMAA courses;
- the liaison between Queensland Members and CMAA Head Office.

Advice regarding new membership and the CMDA Affiliate Program also can be sourced initially through Zoe and further by the CMAA Head Office Membership team, headed by Chris Keeble, the CMAA Sponsor & Membership Manager – P: **02 - 97464199** or

E: chris@cmaa.asn.au

This position – CMAA Queensland Education Officer – replaces the CMAA Queensland Membership Liaison Officer role carried out by Justin McGurgan with respect to all CMAA education and membership matters. I want to acknowledge and thank Justin for his professionalism, time and effort in raising the profile of the CMAA in Queensland.

Zoe Clegg can be contacted on P: **07 - 3359 9122** or E: **zoe@cmaa.asn.au**

2013 - What's left to do?

The impending close to the year seems be upon us sooner than we realise. With only three months to go before Santa swings by, there is still time to achieve those goals you may have set yourself at the beginning of this year – particularly if they are relate to your or your team's professional development needs. A strong surge in attendance in the CMAA's industry summits and courses in the second half of 2013 has been gratifying, culminating in the *Finance Management* Summit for CEOs and CFOs to be presented at the Revesby Workers Club and Campbelltown Catholic Club in November. I encourage all members to review the remaining calendar for 2013 to make sure you get to as many events as possible - including your Zone's meetings and activities - before the New Year rolls in. You can refer to the CMAA Diary Dates posted on our website -

www.cmaa.asn.au ■





CMAA Membership Update - September 2013

Background

Club Managers' Association Australia (CMAA) members are professional managers of registered clubs and hospitality licensed venues. Membership of the CMAA, a registered trade union and registered training organisation, provides managers with many benefits not available to management in other industries.

Benefits

Notable benefits of CMAA membership include ...

- Industrial representation and advocacy for employment-related matters;
- Opportunity to develop professionally through management training and development courses offered to gain qualification or 'best practice' industry information;
- Being part of a national network of professional managers;
- Discounted conferences, training courses and industry events;
- An array of educational bursaries including overseas study tours and national qualifications;
- Recognition as a Certified Club Manager (CCM) under the CCM award offered only through the CMAA.

Frequency & Payment of Membership Fees

CMAA membership is from January to December each calendar year. Memberships are renewed in January each year.

For members joining after January, payments are made on a monthly basis with the option of paying a full year the following January, or continue with monthly payments. Clubs who pay for their managers, and individuals who pay their own fees, now can pay membership fees via direct debit automatic payment, credit card and cheque.

- **Note** that CMAA Membership fees **are tax deductible**. Payroll at your club will be advised of the changes.

Membership Fees Increase

Membership fees are integral in subsidising the various services that the CMAA provides to members to keep them affordable and accessible for every member. When benchmarked against similar organisations for fees and for the level of benefits received, the CMAA membership fees are comparatively below the market rate.

For example membership comparison (GST incl.):

Currently	Yearly	Weekly
CMAA management	\$ 495.00	\$ 9.32
United Voice <i>line staff</i>	\$ 540.80	\$10.80
Public Sector Union <i>general staff</i>	\$ 660.00	\$12.69

To keep pace with the increase in the cost of providing members services, the Federal Executive has determined that from **January 1, 2014** fees for a Member paying yearly will increase from \$495p.a. to \$550p.a. or, if paid monthly \$49 per month. Fees for a Trainee Manager member paying yearly will increase from \$335p.a. to \$390p.a. or, if paid monthly, \$35 per month.

Pay Yearly and SAVE! Full members who pay yearly can save \$40, while Trainees will save \$20.

From 2015, membership fees will rise annually in alignment with the Consumer Price Index increase brought down in the first quarter of each year.

One Time Amnesty for Lapsed and Ex-Members Wanting to Re-Join the CMAA

Members lapse in the payment of their membership fees due to various reasons. Many lapsed and ex-members don't realise that under the Association Rules it is up to the member to formally resign their membership in writing to the Association to ensure membership fees do not continue to be debited against them.

The Federal Executive has determined that an amnesty where lapsed and ex-members who have been purged or been deemed un-financial and owe fees in arrears be reprieved from paying those arrears upon re-joining the CMAA under this **One Time Amnesty** offer. If you know a lapsed member, please alert them to this opportunity.

Managers who want to take up the offer to re-join the CMAA can contact the CMAA Administration Officer Carol Quirke P: 02 - 9746 4199 or E: carol@cmaa.asn.au



There is no perfect time to launch anything new

The Business End with CHRIS KEEBLE

HERE, AT the CMAA, we are changing many things.

Streamlining, increasing efficiencies and introducing a new look.

I often wonder when and how you pick the best launch time a new product, or new service.

Every day, I think of something else to add to the collateral, or another idea for us to introduce.

And, I keep thinking ... well, if I add this to that, then will we be ready 100% with everything?

The answer is always going to be 'no'.

That's why, sometimes, it's best to get cracking and get the stuff happening – even if it's not the complete end product.

Because there will always be another idea.

Sometimes, there is never going to be the right time.

And, sometimes, you don't know until it's launched the direction it could go, or the opportunity it throws your way.

I love these 'curve balls' ... they always offer something interesting to think about.

I recently read some words of wisdom by Red Hoffman, the founder of LinkedIn, who said ... "You shouldn't wait until your product or service or website is perfect. You should get the 'minimal viable product' out on the market ASAP, then get their feedback."

Mr Hoffman is right on the money.

It's so important to create a viable product first and test it before spending a cent on anything – especially not a website

If you start with a website, you will no doubt want to change its functionality within a year as you understand more of what your clients want and what you can provide.

A simple instruction is as follows ... "Create a product in its rawest sense and get it in front of your target market.

"See if there is interest and seek feedback.

"Use all of the information that comes your way to improve, develop, grow, change ... even stop."

Having said all of the above, I believe we have developed a great new branding and position statements for the CMAA.

Yes, there is still work to do and growing membership is a task not unfamiliar to every club manager reading this.

The idea is to incite and reignite interest and passion for what we deliver.

The benefits need to be relevant to each member.

One size does not fit all and, with this mindset, we are introducing the 'my' series of brands to CMAA products and services.

You will start to see a change in look; a change in the message; and some fresh, new vision.

The CMAA is not just your Industry Union representation ... it's much more.

It's career pathways; your networks; your Association; your membership.

I hope you like the new look.

CMDA Sponsorship

Please take a moment to review our national-level CMDA sponsors.

They are all relevant and related companies who have the best interest at heart for CMAA Members, club managers and the Club Industry.

Many of these companies come along to Zone Meetings and add short presentations that offer great ideas and savings for you to consider.

These presentations are not platform selling and, indeed, the requirement is that industry representatives only present topics that can genuinely help club managers with various decisions and communicate latest legislation, trends and regulations.

In most cases, these industry experts have their finger on the pulse of change in their particular sector – long before we do.

Make sure you take a look at the CMDA Sponsors Update on page 14 that profiles our latest CMDA National Bursary Sponsor company, SolarPV Commercial.

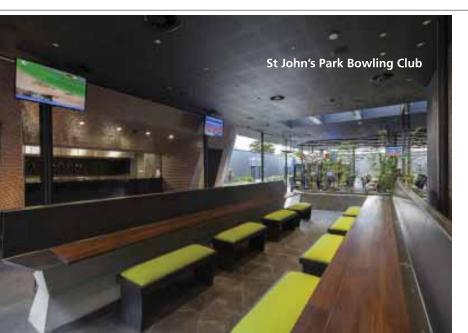
Until next time, enjoy the spring, the CMAA's new look and I look forward to meeting up with you soon at an upcoming Zone Meeting or CMAA event.■

▶ CHRIS KEEBLE is the CMAA's Sponsor & Membership Manager.

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■ The CMAA's annual Hospitality Expo at Darling Harbour is the Club Industry's premier products and services trade event. The CMAA, ClubsNSW and Clubs Queensland have announced they will join forces to present a National Club & Hospitality Expo in 2015.

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This is further enhanced by education and networking opportunities for those attending – CEOs, Secretary Managers, Directors and key management, along with the industry generally.

Outside the Australasian Gaming Expo (AGE), the three main annual trade Expos are conducted by the **Club Managers' Association Australia** (CMAA), **Clubs Queensland's** (CQ) *Hospitality & Gaming Australasia 'HGA'* and **ClubsNSW** (CNSW).

These successful events have been well supported by the Club Industry for many years.

However, these Expos service similar markets and, as a result, there is a degree of duplication which creates additional cost for clubs and the trade, alike.

Not only are businesses trying to save costs in an increasingly competitive environment, but technology is

changing the way products and services are marketed and sold.

The CMAA, Clubs Queensland and ClubsNSW have recognised this changing landscape, listened to the views of Club Industry suppliers and decided that the industry would be better served by a single National Expo that provides an improved experience for everyone at the 'front end' of the calendar year.

By merging three events into one, the Club Industry will create Australia's first **National Club & Hospitality Expo** that will deliver enhanced business and networking opportunities for the industry and hospitality, generally.

The Associations are pleased to be collaborating on this exciting initiative and have established a working group to progress matters – determine the venue, timing and program for the first **National Expo**.

The first **National Expo** is expected to be held in early 2015 in Queensland and industry updates will be provided as the planning progresses for this exciting industry initiative.

This development will lead to changes in the format of related events currently run by the Associations, and these changes will be communicated progressively.

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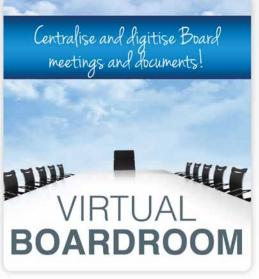
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LISA CASWELL is the General Manager at The Bay Sports Club on the NSW Central Coast and came to the Club Industry as an apprentice chef. Lisa is the Secretary of the CMAA Central Coast Zone and was a more than handy soccer player in her day. This month we get to know Lisa a little better in our CMAA Profile feature, which also appears in the new myCMAg eNewsletter ...

Name: Lisa Caswell.

Title: General Manager.

Club: The Bay Sports Club, Bateau Bay on the NSW Central

Coast.

Membership: 7,500.

Where do you live / how long have you been there: I live at Narara on the Central Coast and have been there for 13 years

How long have you worked in clubs: I started at Castle Hill RSL Club in 1987 as a third-year Apprentice Chef.

Other clubs where you have worked: Castle Hill RSL Club, Gosford RSL Club and Club Marconi.

Jobs you have worked in outside the Club Industry: I haven't work outside the Club Industry, except for my first two years as an apprentice chef in a restaurant.

What do you do for relaxation: I support the Central Coast Mariners in the A-League (soccer), I enjoy the outdoors with my dogs and I play Lawn Bowls with the Bateau Bay Women's Bowling Club.

What would you like to be doing if you were not in clubs: I'd like to be involved in a coaching / administration role with a sports organisation.

The best piece of advice you ever received: Enjoy life and everything in moderation.

The biggest challenge for the Club Industry: Industrial Relations and minimising risk.

The biggest challenge for club managers: Implementing 'change' and having a competitive advantage.

What are you reading: 'The Great Gatsby' and every month, the NSW Women's Bowls magazine.

Sports played now / growing up? Anything specific / interesting: I'm currently playing lawn bowls for Bateau Bay Women's Bowling Club, representing the club in Pennants and playing in the Club Championships. I played Women's all-aged first division soccer for eight years – for Kariong Cougars – on the Central Coast. We won the minor premiership and grand final in 2011 ... I then decided to retire!

What does professional development / education mean to you: It's very important to me. I am dedicated to the Club Industry and continual development gives me many opportunities within my role and the industry.

Favourite food / beer / wine: All Asian food and I enjoy a red wine from Hunter Valley Hope Estate called 'Cracker'.

Thanks, Lisa. ■

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 ABOVE: Bay Sports Club General Manager Lisa Caswell has moved from a chef apprenticeship to club senior management.

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Venue I.D. scanners raise privacy concerns

MORE THAN 50 hotels and clubs, including Marquee, the Ivy and the Coogee Bay Hotel in Sydney, have introduced I.D. scanners, many of which take photos of patrons on entry.

But the use of scanning devices – installed to stop alcoholrelated violence – are putting people at risk, says Bill Rowlings, head of Civil Liberties Australia.

"There must be signs at entrances that clearly establish what will happen to your information and how the photos will be treated," Mr Rowlings said.

The Sydney Morning Herald reported that, under the *Privacy Act*, hotels and clubs must comply with national privacy principles – rules that restrict how businesses handle personal information. "Pubs should only be taking I.D. from people if it's absolutely necessary," Mr Rowlings said.

Patrons who hand over licence details and have their photos taken are effectively 'trusting' bouncers and hotel staff with personal information, he added.

I.D. scanning company Scannet gives venues the rights to their own databases, and supplies machines that take 'real-time' photos of patrons which are then stored for up to 28 days.

Scannet Director Joel Sheehan said hotel operators had the 'option to activate' the camera setting. "Photos on drivers' licences are often five or 10 years old," Mr Sheehan added.

"If you take an updated photo of someone you can cross match it to the CCTV footage if you're trying to find them."

At the Star's Marquee nightclub, I.D. scanners have been in use on Friday and Saturday nights since March last year.

Photographs of patrons and licence details are stored on an internal database and are kept on file for up to 28 days, unless a patron is 'flagged' as a security risk.

"Customers are aware that if they do the wrong thing they can be traced back to their entry and identified," a Star spokesman said.

The Australian Hotels Association (AHA) said taking photos was a "far better option" than relying on I.D. only.

But the AHA said the photographs, like the information recorded, should be "stored off-site in accordance with the Privacy Commissioner's guidelines immediately after a person is scanned into a premise".

QikID, a start-up scanning system used by Coogee Bay Hotel and Slip Inn, manages databases from a central service so no data is held at the venues.

"As a general rule, all information is kept for 30 days, unless the patron is added to a banned or a watch-list," said QikID CEO Paul McGrath.

But Mr Rowlings said keeping photos and information for up to month was unnecessary.

"What these clubs are doing is assuming everyone is guilty," he said.

"And you have to prove your innocence by not doing anything at all that conflicts with their rules." ■

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FWC finding challenges management prerogatives

UNFORTUNATELY, REDUNDANCY has been a common feature on the CMAA industrial landscape for the last couple of vears.

The critical matters of concern for the Association are to establish that the loss of a position is a genuine redundancy based on the operational requirements of the organisation and that the process is open and transparent.

On this latter point, the Association actively represents our Members being provided with the opportunity to consult and discuss the redundancy with the employer.

Within the Award and legislative framework the process is 'all over the shop', as opposed to previous industrial instruments where the full process is set out in the one Award clause.

The steps to be followed start with Clause 8, then jump to Clause 14 of the Registered & Licensed Clubs Award and, finally, reference the Fair Work Act 'NES' ... e.g.

Consultation & Dispute Resolution 8 - Consultation Regarding Major Workplace Change

8.1 - Employer To Notify

Where an employer has made a definite decision to introduce major changes in production, program, organisation, structure or technology that are likely to have *significant* effects on employees, the employer must notify the employees who may be affected by the proposed changes and their representatives, if any.

Significant effects include termination of employment; major changes in the composition, operation or size of the employer's workforce or in the skills required; the elimination or diminution of job opportunities, promotion opportunities or job tenure; the alteration of hours of work; the need for retraining or transfer of employees to other work or locations; and the restructuring of jobs. Provided that where the award makes provision for alteration of any of these matters, an alteration is deemed not to have significant effect.

8.2 - Employer To Discuss Change

The employer must discuss with the employees affected and their representatives, if any, the introduction of the changes referred to in Clause 8.1, the effects the changes are likely to have on employees and measures to avert or mitigate the adverse effects of such changes on employees and must give prompt consideration to matters raised by the employees and/or their representatives in relation to the change.

The discussions must commence as early as practicable after a definite decision has been made by the employer to make the changes referred to in Clause 8.1.

For the purposes of such discussion, the employer must provide in writing to the employees concerned and their representatives, if any, all relevant information about the changes, including the nature of the changes proposed, the expected effects of the changes on employees and any other matters likely to affect employees provided that no employer is required to disclose confidential information the disclosure of which would be contrary to the employer's interests.

Redundancy

Redundancy Pay Is Provided For In The NES **Transfer To Lower Paid Duties**

Where an employee is transferred to lower-paid duties by reason of redundancy, the same period of notice must be given as the employee would have been entitled to if the employment had been terminated and the employer may, at the employer's option, make payment instead of an amount equal to the difference between the former ordinary time rate of pay and the ordinary time rate of pay for the number of weeks of notice still owing ... etc ... continued through to Clause 14.5

Fair Work Act - National Employment Standards (Sections 117 to 123)

S119 Redundancy Pay

Entitlement to redundancy pay

- 119(1) An employee is entitled to be paid redundancy pay by the employer if the employee's employment is terminated:
- (a) at the employer's initiative because the employer no longer requires the job done by the employee to be done by anyone, except where this is due to the ordinary and customary turnover of labour; or
 - (b) because of the insolvency or bankruptcy of the employer.

There has been a long-held doctrine within Industrial Tribunals that the IR Commissioners will not interfere with management prerogatives in the manner in which an enterprise wishes to structure and run their business after being satisfied that the position/s is bona fide and not a contrite method of termination an individual's employment.

In short, the Commission may hear evidence that the employer's decision to restructure makes little or no business sense.

At the end of the day, the employer has free range either to mismanage or succeed in their business affairs.

A recent decision of Deputy President Gooley, of the Fair Work Commission (FWC) found that an employee's dismissal

AGE venue confirmed for 2014 to 2016

THE AUSTRALASIAN Gaming Expo (AGE) this year celebrated 24 years of presenting its world-class Expo at the Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre at Darling Harbour.

However, the venue is about to undergo a major redevelopment through 2014, 2015 and 2016.

For those three years, the Australasian Gaming Expo will be on show at a

specially built interim exhibition facility -Sydney Exhibition Centre @ Glebe Island which has absolute water frontage on three sides to Sydney Harbour and features spectacular views of the Anzac Bridge, the Sydney Harbour Bridge and many other harbour icons.

Fully serviced exhibition facilities including a range of pop-up bars and restaurants will be provided for the Australasian Gaming Expo.

Complimentary ferry services will operate from Darling Harbour and complimentary shuttle buses will operate from Central Station during the event across the next three years.

More information about the new venue is available at

http://sydneyexhibitioncentre.com.au

Event owner and operator, the Gaming Technologies Association, has confirmed that the dates for 2014 will be Tuesday, August 12 to Thursday, August 14 and that the Australasian Gaming Expo will be larger than 15,000 square metres.

More information, including an Expo venue floor plan is available at www.austgamingexpo.com

 was harsh and unreasonable, awarding compensation as the applicant's dismissal was unfair because her position was not redundant.

The Deputy President said ... "the employer, like any other company, is entitled to decide that it wants different roles performed by its HR staff and, if they did not have the competency to do the work, to restructure its HR team".

However ... "a desire to do things differently is not enough. To establish that there were changes in the operational requirements of the business, there needs to be more than assertions".

Deputy President Gooley said ... "there was no evidence that the new HR Director had considered whether the new position could have been added to the existing team or any explanation as to how he determined there were competency gaps within the existing HR team within one day of commencing work".

The company also failed to provide any evidence that the Director analysed the training needs of the business, or assessed the competencies of his existing employees before making the changes.

"The onus is on the employer to establish, on the balance of probabilities, that there were operational reasons. The evidence presented falls well short of what is required to meet that standard of proof. In this case, the employer has failed to meet that onus," Deputy President Gooley said.

The Deputy President also made a clear finding on the employer's obligations under the Agreement (same as the award requirements mentioned above) to consult with the employee, Ms B.

"The Agreement contains the model consultation clause and the employer accepts it had an obligation to consult". "Mr S told Ms B that the position of Trainer was being made redundant and that a new position of Learning and Development Lead would be created. He told her she could apply for that position and that she would be offered participation in the redeployment program. But, if no suitable position was found, her employment would be terminated. There was no suggestion in Mr S's evidence that this conversation involved consultation about the decision.

"Consultation is not perfunctory advice on what is about to happen. This is a common misconception. Consultation is providing the individual, or other relevant persons, with the bona fide opportunity to influence the decision maker.

"In this case, there is nothing in the evidence that suggested that Mr S consulted with Ms B after he had made the decision to make her position redundant.

"While I accept that Mr S told Ms B when he had made the decision, there is no evidence that he 'discussed' this change with her.

"What was being discussed was the implementation of the decision and the consequences for Ms B.

"There was no real opportunity for Ms B to change his mind.

"I therefore conclude that the Employer did not comply with its obligation to consult with Ms B."

As illustrated in this decision, it is not merely a case of 'ticking all the boxes' in respect to procedural fairness, but to be full engaged with the employee and their union prior to the person losing their livelihood.

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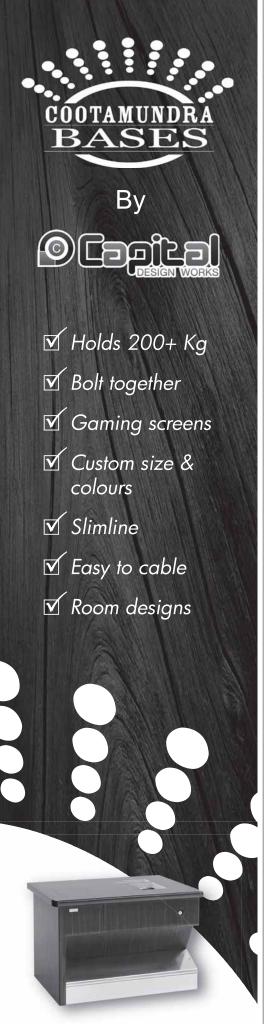


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Minister says clubs share a vital role with Queensland tourism

By HENRI LACH

QUEENSLAND'S LICENSED clubs have received a big tick from the state's Tourism Minister, Jann Stuckey.

Ms Stuckey believes clubs play a vital role in looking after visitors to the state, and she wants to see them become even more involved.

In an exclusive interview with *Club Management in Australia Magazine*, Ms Stuckey, who is the Member for the Gold Coast electorate of Currumbin, was emphatic that her Liberal National Party (LNP) Government recognised the value of community clubs as part of the tourism industry.

"They play an important role throughout the many regions across Queensland, providing friendship and hospitality to locals and a 'home away from home' to countless visitors," the Minister said.

She also believes that this has developed into a two-way traffic.

"More and more tourists are seeking an authentic Aussie experience and our clubs supply that wherever you go in our great state," she added.

Ms Stuckey is convinced that her Government and licensed clubs can work together in developing the state's tourism.

"We have an ambitious goal for the Queensland tourism industry to double annual overnight visitor expenditure from \$15 billion to \$30 billion by 2020,

and clubs can play a significant role in assisting us to reach this target," she said.

Surf clubs have come in for special mention by the Minister.

"Like all mostly volunteer-based organisations our surf clubs are a unique, iconic and enduring part of our culture," she said.

"Each one of them is different, but all serve hearty meals and all have a terrific family atmosphere. Maintaining active club membership is always a priority and strong clubs at a competition level are also well supported by the local community."

Ms Stuckey also displayed an incisive business-like view of the Club Industry, with some tips for club executives.

"All licensed clubs have a responsibility to look after their patrons and most do this exceptionally well. Forming close partnerships with residents and businesses and supporting local events and activities is a great way to promote a club. A friendly atmosphere brings people back time and again," she said.

"Clubs that are focused on building relationships with their communities and show they are truly connected to the people who live, work and play around them will prosper. Prominent advertising, a modern website, membership in tourism organisations and word of mouth from satisfied customers will attract non-residents to their doors," she added.

▶ Jann Stuckey's appointment to the Tourism portfolio would appear to be an obvious choice. Her Currumbin electorate lies in the middle of one of Australia's best-recognised tourist destinations. However, the appointment also carries the burden of Minister for Major Events, Small Business and Commonwealth Games. But tourism is the core of her responsibilities.

Earlier this year, she hosted 14 workshops across the state to gauge the perspectives of more than 430 tourism operators and industry representatives. The workshops culminated in a forum – 'DestinationQ' – at the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre on August 27 and 28. This was the second forum of its kind since the LNP State Government took office.

Ms Stuckey said discussions centred on how tourism could be more competitive and successful in the long term.

"Our tourism industry is vital to Queensland's economy, and its long-term success is something that requires longterm planning," she said. "That's why it's so important we have the industry involved in developing and delivering the plan, and licensed clubs certainly need to be in the mix."



Minister Jann Stuckey confessed she's a club 'junkie'.

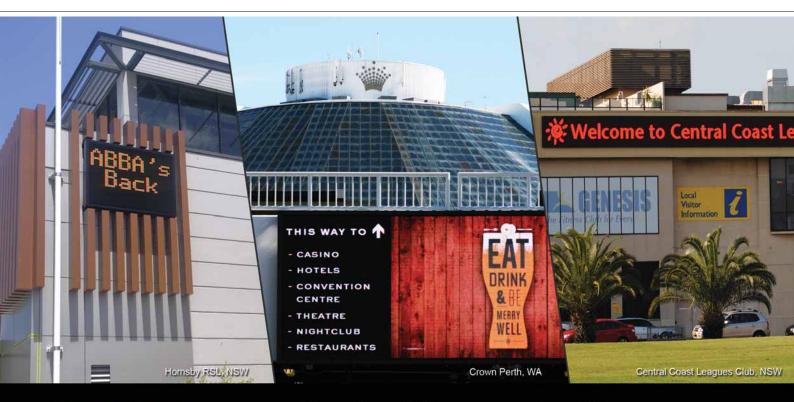
"I'm an avid supporter of a number of licensed community clubs within my electorate," she said with a smile. "As we know, this area is home to eight surf lifesaving clubs, as well as the award winning Palm Beach-Currumbin RSL Club. That's where I hold my events and community meetings."

It's not just lip service to the surfers.

As Vice-Patron of Point Danger Branch Surf Life Saving Club since 2004, she donates a surf board each year at the club's annual awards night in July. ■

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- PREVIOUS PAGE: Tourism Minister Jann Stuckey gets together with volunteer lifesavers from the Gold Coast's Currumbin Beach Vikings Surf Club.
- ABOVE: Queensland's Minister for Tourism Jann Stuckey.





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These are chefs who know that being a successful chef involves a whole lot more than using the knives well and producing mouth-watering, fabulous dishes.

It was exciting and energising to be in the company of enthusiastic, passionate professionals. Generosity flowed as they all opened up and shared.

Creative thinking and new ideas landing on fertile ground were just the beginning.

The content for this year's event was developed around the feedback and requests from the chefs who attended the 2012 Summit.

There was no doubt that the program

answered many questions and the feedback was unanimous ... "A brilliant success and I would refer others to this event!"

The presentation team assembled high achieving chefs and operators offering a wealth of information, including ...

- **Brad Whittaker** from Tweed Heads Bowls Club;
- **Paul Rifkin** from Campbelltown Catholic Club:
- **Mark Normoyle** from The RACV City Club:
- Marc Edwards from Warilla Bowls & Recreation Club;
- Mark Gavinel, Operations Manager at Canley Heights RSL Club;
- **Harry Zantiras**, Head Chef at Canley Heights RSL Club;
- Jeff Cox, Operations Manager at C.ex Group;
- **Garry Burgoyne**, industry consultant.

Industry experts **Brian Lennox** from Universal Foodservice Design; **Neil Willis**, from Sydney Commercial Kitchens; and **Xavier Poirier** from Fagor had a captive audience with their revelations about new and sustainable equipment, technology and kitchen design.





The popular 'Lamb Masterclass' with Doug Piper from Meat & Livestock Australia and a lunch menu incorporating delicious and economical lamb recipes using meat provided by Top Cut on Tuesday, ran head to head with Sam Gordon and Sue Devlin's 'Blue Harvest' seafood session, and the amazing seafood lunch on Wednesday.

Carmel Murphy, 'The Communication Queen', delved into effective communication while Michael Bennett from HTN, Ry Cunningham from SWIT, Mark Normoyle, the Executive Chef at The RACV City Club, and Michelle Koski, Apprentice Chef explored the fraught path to attracting, retaining and getting the most for young apprentices, who simply don't share the values and behavioural patterns of older generations.

Some of the stand-outs which were taken from the various sessions and identified by participants, for immediate implementation to improve productivity, profitability and performance in their kitchens were:

- REVISIT STOCK CONTROL minimise stock. Keep two day's supply, instead of a week.
- MAKING v BUY IN large consumption? Explore making in-house.
- **MEAT & LIVESTOCK** keep in touch with the experts for inspiration.
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When you get so many chefs in one place, swapping notes and ideas, there is no doubt of the value.

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Jack takes GMDC prize as John hands on big opportunity

MANY UP-AND-COMING 'stars' of the Club Industry shone through as the 14th year of the Gaming Management Development Course (GMDC) concluded in late June.

The graduation presentation, hosted by Leagues Clubs Australia's Education Sponsor Aristocrat, was attended by clubs CEOs and Gaming Managers along with course presenters and participants. Aristocrat Marketing Director Ben Brien congratulated the 52 participants on their dedication in completing the course.

Leagues Clubs Australia CEO Peter Turnbull thanked Aristocrat for their investment in the future of the Club Industry by sponsoring the GMDC. In that time, close to 750 students have completed this highly respected program.

Jack Desborough from Goulburn Soldiers Club took first place and won the GMDC David Costello Bursary to study at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Jack started work as a casual bar tender at the club aged 18 and completed a four-year traineeship, gaining experience in finance, marketing, operations, gaming and human resources. He has just finished a Bachelor of Business in Club & Gaming Management through the Southern Cross University, Lismore Campus. In 2012, Jack was appointed Operations Manager where he is responsible for the professional and efficient management of the club's day-today operations. Jack's goal is to build a successful career in the Club Industry and believes his GMDC experience will help him achieve his ambition.

High-profile club executive John Rafferty, from C.ex Coffs Harbour, was in second place. John started in clubs in February 1987 as an administration officer who looked after gaming, payroll, general ledger and accounts. He moved on to be Assistant Manager at Goulburn Workers Club in 1990 before moving to Catalina Country Club in 1993 as the CEO. In 2006, he undertook his current role as CEO of the C.ex Group. Although vastly experienced in all facets of the Club Industry, John decided to do the GMDC and was supported by the C.ex Group's Board - to maintain his gaming knowledge and keep pace with change. John says the GMDC is the best course he has completed in his time in clubs and wishes he had been given this opportunity previously.

Although he won a three-day study tour to Melbourne, John decided to pass on the trip to fourth-placed Adam Lewis from



Canada Bay Club. John will take up the offer of a place in the next Executive GMDC Group. At the presentation ceremony, Adam publicly thanked John for his generous gesture.

The third place winner, also travelling to Melbourne later this year for the three-day study tour is Brendan Bates from Campsie RSL. The son of a publican, Brendan lived and worked in hotels until he was 21, when he moved into clubs and a Duty Manager role at Fairfield RSL Club in 2001. He moved to Campsie RSL Club in late 2008 and eventually to the role of Gaming & Operations Manager. Through the club's amalgamation with Club Belmore last year, Brendan was promoted to COO.

All participants acknowledged the generosity of their clubs in affording them the time and opportunity to undertake the course, along with the efforts of Aristocrat in putting together the program. Those clubs include Mounties, Canterbury Leagues Club, St Marys Leagues Club, Wests Campbelltown, Wests Newcastle, Sutherland Tradies and Bankstown District Sports Club. Participants also heard from presenters such as Tim McAleer, Lindsay Verdon, Jonathan Brain, Jenny White, Caroline Lumley, Mary O'Neill and John Willis. Sessions covered as part of the course included the History of Gaming in Australia, Cashflow Analysis, Floor Layout & Design, Customer Service & Ethics and Compliance. Participants on the 2012-2013 GMDC agreed that it was a great opportunity to visit each venue, and all expressed how appreciative they were to each presenter who shared so much of their time, knowledge and experience with the class.

■ (from left) Peter Turnbull (CEO, Leagues Clubs Australia) with Krystal Lees (GMDC Facilitator), Jack Desborough (Goulburn Soldiers Club), John Rafferty (C.ex Goffs Harbour), Brian Cook (GMDC Facilitator), Ben Brien (Marketing Director, Aristocrat) and Brendan Bates (Campsie RSL Club).



As gaming fees rise, machines are still down

By KATIE CINCOTTA

GAMING FEES are going up, which has Victoria's club managers hopping mad given many clubs are still experiencing 'down-time' with their gaming machines.

Stephen Hodge, the CMAA Education Officer in Victoria, is disappointed by Intralot's most recent fee hikes, which include a 2.2% CPI increase and deployment charges for new machines. He finds these changes outlandish, considering the monitor's system is still unreliable. "Intralot is still having a lot of problems with links," Mr Hodge said. "I just had a machine down for four days, but I still have to pay those fees."

Despite the high outgoings, Mr Hodge says gaming revenue is up at his Italian Australian Club at Morwell with a \$3 million turnover in the last four weeks for the club's 42 machines.

That's a monthly gross machine revenue of \$334,000 for August – a jump of more than \$132,000 based on the monthly takings for February.

"I haven't seen figures like that for the last three years," Mr Hodge added.

Other Victorian clubs are struggling with cash flow, with up to six clubs unable to make their August tax payment to the Government, says CMAA Federal Secretary Allan Peter.

"About half a dozen clubs couldn't get the cash at that time, so the Government just put it on to the end of the term, which is more sensible," he said. "A lot of the profit base is going to these fees."

The Napthine Coalition Government's decision to assign the voluntary precommitment system to Intralot without a tender also has the Club Industry worried, particularly given Intralot's poor performance

in its first year as the monitor.

Victorian CMAA President Chris Byrne says Intralot's track record doesn't instill confidence.

"They haven't been as successful as the industry would have liked in rolling out the monitoring," he said. "The Government really needs to look at what is 'Plan B', and what are the measureable benchmarks they're going to put in place to deliver first-class standards."

"I don't know how they're going to have this mob [Intralot] do it, to be honest," says Mr Peter, who is on a working party committee for pre-commitment implementation.

The requirement for compliant machines by 2015 means many existing machines will be made redundant and worthless, yet another cost burden for venues, which Mr Byrne says continues to waylay progress.

"Every offshoot and supplier seems to be wanting to put a charge here, another charge there, and having the profits cut into makes it harder to make ends meet," he added.

With pre-commitment looming, club managers hope the unification efforts of the two peak industry bodies – Clubs Victoria and Community Clubs Association of Victoria – will reach fruition, with meetings between the two associations chaired by Clubs Australia.

Neill Murray, CCAV's Chief Operating Officer says: "CCAV is continuing negotiations with Clubs Victoria in good faith regarding the possible 'unification' of the two associations and progress is being made albeit slowly."

Clubs Victoria CEO Richard Evans is positive that the unification of the two associations is the right move for the industry: "Unification is a 'no-brainer'. The market is too small to have two bodies replicating services. The issues surrounding the split are no longer relevant and cool heads have determined the scant resources can be better used increasing and improving the services already delivered. To speak with one united voice is very powerful. And, while there may have been resistance to the idea initially, there appears a strong willingness to ensure clubs maximise their representation now."



 CMAA Victoria's Education Officer STEPHEN HODGE.



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Zoe adds CMAA Queensland role to busy club schedule

CMAA EXECUTIVE Officer Ralph Kober has announced the appointment of Zoe Clegg to the new position of CMAA Queensland Education Officer.

Zoe is the Training & Compliance Risk Manager at the Kedron Wavell RSL Club in Brisbane and her new role takes effect from October 1, 2013. Zoe, who is working towards her ACCM Award in 2014 and is researching whether she is related to CMAA Federal President Bill Clegg, also is the CMAA Brisbane Zone Education Officer.



Ralph said this new role, with respect to all CMAA education and membership matters, replaces the CMAA Queensland Membership Liaison Officer role carried out by Justin McGurgan.

"I want to acknowledge and thank Justin for his professionalism, time and effort in raising the profile of the CMAA in Queensland," Ralph added.

Ralph said the primary objective of the CMAA Queensland Education Officer role is to ...

- be the first point of contact and inquiry for Queensland Members with respect to training and professional development;
- provide career consultation regarding the Active Certified Club Manager (ACCM) Award;
- to book CMAA courses;
- be the liaison between Queensland Members and CMAA Head Office.

Zoe started her hospitality career almost 17 years ago in a range of different venues, from small fine-dining restaurants to large function centres, to hotels across Australia. When she moved to Queensland, Zoe managed a Brisbane north-side tavern before going on to manage the Hendra Bowls Club, which was her first experience in the Club Industry.

"Around 2008, I moved into training and assessment as a contract trainer, training business, retail and hospitality for a number of different training organisations in Brisbane," Zoe said.

"I was appointed training manager of a large RTO (Registered Training Organsiation) where I managed the trainers and their fully operational training restaurant."

In 2010, Zoe came to work at Kedron-Wavell Services Club as a trainer for the club's small RTO. From that role, she progressed to become the club's Training & Compliance Manager and is responsible for all staff training in all areas of the club.

"We run a mixture of accredited programs and non-accredited professional development workshops," Zoe added. "We also do all our own compliance training, RSA, RSG, AML etc. The compliance aspect of my role is constantly changing, as is the world of regulation."

Essentially, Zoe says she monitors the club and advises the Secretary Manager Lyndon Broome on issues that may affect the club, which covers anything from liquor reform to new

Day	Date	Meeting	Venue	Zone					
OCTOBER									
Tuesday-Wednesday	01-02/10/2013			Clubs+ Social Media Summit					
Saturday-Tuesday	12-15/10/2013		Gold Coast Convention Centre	ClubsNSW Annual Conference & Trade Expo					
Monday	07/10/2013		LABOUR DAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY (NSW, ACT & SA)						
Monday	07/10/2013		QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY (QLD)						
Sunday	20/10/2013	11:00	Sunshine Coast Turf Club	Combined Brisbane Zone & Sunshine Coast Zone Race Day					
Friday	25/10/2013	11:00	Dapto Leagues Club	Illawarra Shoalhaven Zone AGM & Lunch					
Thursday	31/10/2013	09:30	Sydney Olympic Park	CMAA Federal Executive Meeting					
	Oct/Nov			Clubs+ October Webinar Series - Xmas Social Media Campaign					
	'	,	NOVEMBER						
Friday	01/11/2013	11:00	TBA	ACT Zone Meeting, Lunch & Bowls Day					
Friday-Sunday	08-10/11/2013		Sheraton Mirage, Gold Coast	Leagues Club Association Annual Conference					
Friday	15/11/2013	12:00	East Leagues Club	Brisbane Zone Christmas Lunch					
Wednesday	13/11/2013	10:00	TBA	Wide Bay Zone Meeting					
Wednesday	22/11/2013	12:00	Breakers Country Club	Central Coast Zone Christmas Lunch					
Wednesday	27/11/2013	15:00	Narromine RSL	Mid State Zone Meeting, Workshop & Dinner					
Thursday	28/11/2013	11:00	Carlton Brewhouse, Abbotsford	Victoria Zone Meeting, Workshop & Lunch					
Thursday	28/11/2013	11:00	TBA	Manly Northern Suburbs Zone Meeting & Christmas Lunch					
Friday	29/11/2013	09:30	Drummoyne Sailing Club	CMAA Federal Executive Meeting					
Friday	29/11/2013	09:30	Drummoyne Sailing Club	CMAA Federal Council Meeting					
Friday	29/11/2013	09:30	Drummoyne Sailing Club	CMAA Sponsors Appreciation Lunch					
Friday	29/11/2013	12:00	Stockton Bowling Club	Hunter Zone Christmas Lunch					
			DECEMBER						
Tuesday-Wednesday	03-04/12/2013	11:00	West's Diggers Tamworth	North West State Zone Meeting & Christmas Dinner					
Tuesday	03/12/2013	18:00	Story Bridge Hotel	Brisbane Zone Sponsors Cocktail Party					
Tuesday	03/12/2013	11:00	Matraville RSL Club	City & Eastern Suburbs Zone Meeting & Christmas Lunch					
Tuesday	03/12/2013	11:00	St George Motor Boat Club	St George Cronulla Zone Meeting & Christmas Lunch					
Tuesday-Wednesday	03-04/12/2013	18:00 & 09:30	Mittagong RSL Club	Far South Coast Zone Christmas Dinner & Meeting					
Wednesday	04/12/2013	11:00	Hawks Nest Golf Club	Great Lakes Zone Meeting & Lunch					
Friday	06/12/2013	11:00	Club Helensvale	Gold Coast Zone Meeting & Christmas Lunch					
Friday	06/12/2013	12:00	TBA	Inner West Zone Christmas Lunch					
Friday	06/12/2013	11:00	Collegians Balgownie Club	Illawarra Shoalhaven Zone Christmas Lunch					
Wednesday	11/12/2013	11:00	TBA	Far North Coast Zone Meeting & Xmas Lunch					
Thursday	12/12/2013	11:00	Mounties Club	Nepean Zone Christmas Lunch					
Friday	13/12/2013	11:00	TBA	Sunshine Coast Zone Meeting & Christmas Lunch					
Thursday	19/12/2013	09:30	Sydney Olympic Park	CMAA Federal Executive Meeting					
Wednesday	25/12/2013		CHRISTMAS DAY – PUBLIC HOLIDAY						
Thursday	26/12/2013		BOXING DAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY						
Tuesday	31/12/2013		NEW YEAR'S EVE DAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY						

Workplace Health & Safety laws.

"Keeping up to date with industry changes, both legislated and best-practice initiatives, is a large part of my role," Zoe added. "I also do a lot policy and procedure development and I am the club's Fire Safety Advisor."

Along with her Training & Assessment Certificate, Zoe holds a Diploma in Hospitality, a Diploma of Management and, since taking on the compliance role, she has completed certificates

in Workplace Health & Safety and Fire Safety.

Advice regarding new membership and the CMDA Affiliate Program also can be sourced initially through Zoe and further by the CMAA Head Office Membership team, headed by Chris Keeble, the CMAA Sponsor & Membership Manager –

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Zoe Clegg can be contacted on P: **07 - 3359 9122** or E: **zoe@cmaa.asn.au** ■



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THE CMAA's 2014 AGM, Conference & Hospitality Expo will be presented - for the first time - at The Dome in the heart of the Sydney Olympic Park.

The change of venue is due to the demolition and rebuild of the Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre at Darling Harbour, the recent home of the CMAA Conference & Expo.

This is probably not surprise information for most CMAA members and our industry service providers, however some of the hidden gems in and around Sydney Olympic Park might be a pleasant surprise when they visit for the 2014 Conference & Expo.

If your main reason to visit the area in the past had been the Royal Easter Show or an event such as a concert or the footy, you may be surprised at exactly what the precinct has to offer.

When the CMAA's offices moved to Sydney Olympic Park from Auburn, there was a dazzling amount of infrastructure that had gone into the precinct since the Olympic Games in

Did you know?

Cathy Freeman Park is probably the best known area within the park however, even this venue has hidden fun. Apart from the original cauldron used to light the Olympic flame, which is now an enormous water feature for kids to get soaked on a hot day, there is Cathy Freeman's 'Stride', which is situated along the southern side of the park. Precisely 400 metres in 49.11 seconds are the statistics of 'our Cathy's' Olympic gold medalwinning effort. But, it's not until you attempt matching her strides spaced along the length of the course that you fully appreciate her remarkable athletic ability.

For the statisticians out there, Cathy's average stride length is 2.25 meters ... give it a try when you get there.

The park itself is one of the largest urban parks in Sydney covering a staggering 430 hectares next to 210 hectares of sporting venues and the town centre.

This includes first-class dining and accommodation options along with the major sporting arenas and function centres.

One of the most enjoyable ways to see the park is to hire a bike, which is another way to see the out-of-the-way attractions that can be 'hidden' to the average visitor.

The Newington Armoury is one such attraction with construction started back in 1897. It has an impressive and lengthy military history with many historic buildings throughout the site.

A small-gauge rideable railway that was once used to transport torpedos and armaments around the depot, and the

Road To The Dome ... What's in store at Sydney Olympic Park?



■ ABOVE: Cathy Freeman Park at Sydney Olympic park with the imposing ANZ Stadium, where Cathy achieved her 200 Olympic Games gold medal masterpiece.

Armory Wharf Café is a great place to pull over on the bike.

The children also will have a ball on the double flying fox, tunnel slides and water play facility in nearby Blaxland Riverside Park where barbecue facilities are available.

Newington Armory is open from sunrise to sunset every weekend and on public holidays, while Blaxland Riverside Park is open daily from sunrise to sunset.

Over the next few issues we will look closer at Sydney Olympic Park's many facilities and attractions, offering tips and hints to enhance your visit, revealing some of the lesserknown areas and, hopefully, detail some opportunities to indulge or entertain yourself on your next visit for a CMDA course, or at the 2014 Conference and Expo.

All of the information provided in these lead-up articles can be found at www.sydneyolympicpark.com.au along with a full schedule of opening hours, tours and access times for specific attractions.



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Progress and growth for CMDA and students

AS MANY members will be aware, the CMDA went through some trying times earlier in the year due to an ongoing audit process with ASQA, our federal governing body for all Registered Training Organisations (RTO).

The CMDA was audited again in early June as a standard follow-up procedure – and was successful yet again in its audit findings.

However, as a result of this ongoing process, the CMDA was forced to put on hold a number of initiatives it had planned for 2013

I can now happily say that since our most recent audit, the CMDA has been moving forward full steam ahead to bring its members the most recent and up-to-date training programs available, and to expand upon the number of training products we have available for you.

At the beginning of July, the CMDA was successful in its registration of our new **BSBWHS401 Implement and Monitor WHS policy** course, with the first of this course successfully delivered on the July 27.

Given the nature of this particular course, it is sure to appeal to many people in the industry whose focus is on safety in the workplace, as well as playing a core role in the new Diploma of Human Resources Management that the CMDA is developing.

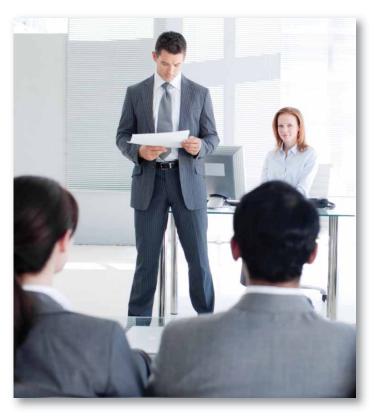
Therefore, a number of these courses will be schedule in the near future. Keep a close eye on the CMDA course website – **www.cmaa.asn.au** – for further details.

The CMDA also applied to have another Diploma of Human Resources Management subject – **BSBHRM501B Manage Human Resource Services** – added to its scope on August 26. At the time of compiling this article, we are still waiting to hear the result of this submission.

In the meantime, we have a further two units from the Diploma of Human Resource Management course in their final stages of development and should be ready for submission to ASQA over the next few weeks.

As for our Hospitality units, the CMDA submitted a proposal to ASQA on August 19 to upgrade 12 out of 19 units, while removing two pre-requisite units from our **Analyse and report on gaming machine data** course.

What this means for our 'gap' course is the removal of the need to undertake RPL against the two pre-requisite units,



allowing the CMDA to focus its time and energy on the topic at hand – an impressive move by the Industry Skills Council (those responsible for writing the Training Package used by the CMDA) and a huge relief for everyone involved.

The remaining subjects from our Hospitality range of courses require further attention before submission, with the intention to submit this before the end of this year.

All in all, after some delays and hiccups in the later stages of 2012 and early 2013, the CMDA now is primed for a clear run home in 2013 and is in great a position to bring in 2014 with the most up-to-date, compliant and expanded range of courses that will be of great benefit to CMAA members, club managers and their clubs.

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Clubs+ Social Media	03/10/2013 - 04/10/2013	Cliftons – Sydney	Standard	\$695.00	8.30 - 5.00
Marketing Summit		Level 13, 60 Margaret Street.		+GST	0.50 5.00
It is no longer 'if' a club, hotel the social media challenge l	# Buy 2 get one free	Until 31 st August	8.30 – 5.00		
General Management Summit -Toowoomba	09/10/2013 - 10/10/2013	Toowoomba City Golf Club	Standard	\$450+ GST	9.00 – 5.00
This 2-day event is open to se F&B Trends, Contracts & H.R., content and array of speakers	Non-Member	\$490+ GST	9.00 – 5.00		
SITXHRM001A Coach Others in Job Skills	14/10/2013 -15/10/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$330.00	9.30 – 5.00
	n needs certain skills and abilities elow an acceptable standard, 'co ques now.	Non Member	\$365.00	9.30 – 5.00	
SITXGLC001A Develop & Update Legal Knowledge	21/10/2013 – 20/11/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$880.00	9.30 – 5.00
Required for Business Compliance			Member	\$880.00	9.30 – 3.00
· ·	rimination & Equal Employment.	gligence, Licensing, I.R., Taxation, Delivered by a solicitor working within	Non Member	\$970.00	9.30 – 5.00
Duty Manager Development Program	21/10/2013 & 13/11/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$1560.00 +GST	9.30 – 5.00
			Non Member	\$1690.00 +GST	9.30 – 5.00
SITXHRM003A Roster Staff	21/10/2013 – 22/10/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$330.00	9.30 – 5.00
, -	ivered over 2 days. This course r d and how it applies to your staff	now includes an in-depth, half-day scheduling.	Non Member	\$365.00	9.30 – 5.00
NSW OLGR Mandatory Management Training	23/10/2013 – 24/10/2013	Coffs Harbour	Member	\$320.00 +GST	9.00 – 5.00
, ,	ger Training. Two full days of factorized provider. For full details of	Non Member	\$380.00 + GST	9.00 – 5.00	
SITHFAB009A RSA	28/10/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$135.00	9.30 – 5.00
Don't forget, if you completed 30, 2014. Don't be caught ou	· ·	2008 your certificate will expire on June	Non Member	\$140.00	9.30 – 5.00
SITHGAM006A RCG	29/10/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$95.00	9.30 – 5.00
Remember, if your course wa certification.	s in 2007 or 2008 , you have unti	Non Member	\$100.00	9.30 – 5.00	
NSW OLGR Mandatory Management Training	30/10/2013 – 31/10/2013	Ingleburn RSL Club	Member	\$320.00 +GST	9.00 – 5.00
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Monitor WHS Policies,	12/11/2013				
Procedures & Programs to meet Legislative	13/11/2013 09/12/2013 – 2hr	Club Coffs – Coffs Harbour	Member	\$600.00	9.30 – 5.00
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SITXMPR005A Develop & Manage Marketing Strategies	12/11/2013 – 04/12/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$880.00	9.30 – 5.00
Marketing is an essential part or are not convinced to give it	of business, the best products w c a try. In this unit you will learn ss environments; Develop Marke tion.	Non Member	\$970.00	9.30 – 5.00	

Leadership Behaviour & The Impact on Company Culture	12/11/2013 – 13/11/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$480.00 +GST	9.30 – 5.00
This course is part of the Duty Nathose who are not able to attern of Lead & Manage People.	Non Member	\$580.00 +GST	9.30 – 5.00		
SITXHRM006A Monitor Staff Performance	19/11/2013 – 20/11/2013	Member	\$550.00	9.30 – 5.00	
Businesses that run effective per between management and staff work. Don't be left behind by y	Non Member	\$605.00	9.30 – 5		
SITXFIN007A Manage Physical Assets	25/11/2013 – 27/11/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$440.00	9.30 – 5.00
	classify assets, what depreciation s effect your bottom line reporting?	Non Member	\$485.00	9.30 – 5.00	
SITXCOM003A Deal with Conflict Situations	25/11/2013 – 26/11/2013	CMDA – Sydney Olympic Park	Member	\$330.00	9.30 – 5.00
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A new face and more changes for CMAA administration line-up

THERE IS a new face at the CMAA's administration offices at Sydney Olympic Park.

With the departure of Events Administrator Tegan Cain in early July, and the arrival of new Sponsor & Membership Manager Chris Keeble in mid-June, Executive Officer Ralph Kober decided to restructure the department, creating new roles for existing staff.

- Evonne Bosnich switched from Administration Officer to support Chris Keeble as Sponsor & Membership Co-ordinator
- Carol Quirk replaced Evonne, moving from the reception desk to Administration Officer.

That meant a new person to replace Carol as the CMAA's Receptionist and Julie Conlon is that new face in the office at Sydney Olympic Park.

Julie comes to the CMAA with an impressive resume in administration in an interesting range of roles and locations.

A mother of three adult-age sons all living in Queensland, Julie supports the Broncos in the NRL premiership and has worked and travelled around Australia and overseas with her husband during his career.

Some of Julie's more interesting roles have included ... Personal Assistant to the Football Manager of the Western Reds Rugby League franchise in Perth in 1997; Administrative Assistant at the South Sydney Rabbitohs Rugby League Club in 2007; owner/operator of a contract cleaning business on the Gold Coast in 2009.

Although Sydney is now her home, Julie was born in Brisbane and has lived on the Gold Coast.

Two months into her new role, Julie says she is very happy living is Sydney, that she found the CMAA – and the CMAA found her. "The time has gone so quickly. I love working here and we have a great team," Julie said with a smile



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Tourism dumped from new Govt Ministry

AUSTRALIA'S NEW Government will be without a dedicated Tourism Minister for the first time in more than 40 years with Prime Minister Tony Abbott's new Cabinet, announced on September 16. Andrew Robb has been appointed the Minister for Trade and Investment, where responsibility for Tourism Australia falls, while domestic tourism will be under the control of Ian Macfarlane in his Industry Ministry portfolio.

However, neither will carry the Tourism Minister title held by Labor predecessors Gary Gray and Martin Ferguson. Former Shadow Tourism Minister Bob Baldwin has been appointed the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry and will assist Mr Macfarlane with domestic tourism.

In his time as shadow minister, Mr Baldwin was vocal in backing the tourism industry and pushed through a number of Coalition policies to benefit the industry.

The leading industry associations have had a mixed reaction to the news.

Tourism Accommodation Australia would not comment on the Cabinet announcement, while the Accommodation Association of Australia said it was too soon to discuss the new positions. "Until the Ministers are sworn in and administrative arrangements are place, it is too premature to make public comment about the announcement of the new federal ministry," Accommodation Association of Australia's CEO, Richard Munro said.

The Australian Tourism Export Council (ATEC) slammed the decision not have a Tourism Minister. ATEC Managing Director Felicia Mariani said the tourism industry "must be recognised for its \$A28 billion contribution to the national economy". "This is the first time in more than 40 years that Australia has not had a tourism Minister and our members, and the industry more broadly, are concerned by this significant omission," she said.

The Tourism & Transport Forum (TTF) welcomed the new cabinet with open arms, saying it was ... "excited about the potential benefits that arise from aligning international tourism with foreign affairs and trade". TTF Chief Executive Ken Morrison said aligning international tourism with foreign affairs and trade "makes good sense". "TTF is pleased to see Tourism Australia positioned under the umbrella of foreign affairs and trade," he added. ■



ACCM the realisation of a lifetime of work and dedication

THE CMAA has invested a lot of time and resources in reviewing and updating the status, relevance and pathway of the Active Certified Club Manager (ACCM) Award for CMAA Members.

While the ACCM has become a preferred criteria for many clubs advertising to fill a senior management role, the Award also has again become a significant goal for CMAA Members.

In 2011, 12 Members achieved their ACCM Award, while that number grew to 19 in 2012, with more managers achieving this status in 2013.

Six CMAA Members have received their ACCM Awards in recent months ...

- John Campbell Assistant Secretary Manager at Gunnedah Services & Bowling Club;
- Colin Murphy Gaming Manager at Wallsend Diggers Club;
- Lyndon Broome Secretary Manager at Kedron-Wavell Services Club;
- Gerard Keane Duty Manager at Barham & District Services Club;



- Tracey Evans Marketing & Promotions Manager at Nerang RSL & Memorial Club;
- Robert Aldous Secretary Manager at Club Kurrawa.

CMAA Division E Federal Councillor Phil Wheaton, ACCM, presented John Campbell with his ACCM at the North West State Zone Meeting at Glen Innes Services Club in May.

Barham & District Services Club CEO Paul Biddlestone presented Gerard Keane with his ACCM Award.

Lyndon Broome received his ACCM from CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober at the Brisbane Zone Meeting on August 29, while Ralph also presented Colin Murphy with his ACCM Award at the Hunter Zone Meeting at Club Lemon Tree on August 28.

Rob Aldous and Tracey Evans received their ACCM Awards at the CMAA Gold Coast Zone Meeting, Workshops and Lunch at Burleigh Bears Club. Steve Condren, the CMAA Federal Executive Member and Gold Coast Zone President, made the official presentations to Tracey and Rob over lunch with members, CMDA sponsors and guests.

With applications now open for the 2014 CMDA National Bursary program – and more than \$100,000 in education, professional development and conference attendance opportunities available – the CMAA is offering six



bursaries of \$5,000 each to assist Association Members to achieve their ACCM

The ACCM Award is made up of three components ...

- Education
- Experience
- Participation in ongoing CMAA and other approved industry activities.

The latter two components are driven by a points accrual system.

The CMAA formulated a concept that would address the varying sources of education and training that were eminent in the Club Industry, but also demand a minimum set of formal education criteria upon which to base a number of optional pathways to ACCM.

The mandatory set of accredited courses provides coverage of five critical baseline skills required for all managers as they progress through their careers in clubs ...

- Legal
- Financial
- People
- Marketing
- Gaming.

These criteria can be satisfied from a variety of qualifications of equivalent content and academic level or higher. The CMDA can deliver these five accredited courses for those who wish to attend formal vocational training.







Brisbane Meeting, Workshop, Barbecue & Barefoot Bowls

WHEN WE say there was a good roll-up for the CMAA Brisbane Zone Meeting, Workshops, Barbecue Lunch at Club Pine Rivers on August 29, it carries a few meanings. There was an impressive number of Members for the Zone Meeting at 10.15am where Zone President John Limbrick invited CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober to present the Head Office Report and fielded questions from the floor. Numbers further increased for the first of two business and professional development workshops, with Mark Cannon, the National Sales Manager for CMDA National Bursary Sponsor company Total ATM, taking managers and directors through the challenging future of legislation for ATMs for clubs and hotels with the Coalition's likely success in the then-upcoming Federal Elections. The Coalition has forecast handing back most of the compliance and legislation back to the states and territories and Mark underlined the importance of managers and clubs fully understanding the terms of their ATM contracts. In Workshop 2, Amy Conroy, who has worked in executive gaming roles with Balmain Tigers, Panthers Group and City Tattersalls Club, investigated strategic business planning, general club management and gaming operations. Following the workshops, host club manager Wayne Moffat, the Zone Vice President and CMAA Division G Federal Councillor, welcomed CMDA Sponsor representatives - including Nathan and Kim Koina from Queensland Major Sponsor, Mailezy - and industry associates to join Members for a barbecue lunch on the Deck before many guests slipped out of their shoes and socks for an afternoon of relaxation and a roll-up of barefoot bowls. Brisbane Zone's next events will be a Combined Zones Race Day with Sunshine Coast Zone at Corbould Park, Caloundra, on Saturday, October 12; followed by the Christmas Lunch celebrations at Easts Leagues Club on Friday, November 15; and the annual Sponsors Cocktail Party at the Story Bridge Hotel on Tuesday, December 3. ■





























Hunter Meeting & Lunch

IT'S A big day in the life on any CMAA member to achieve the Active Certified Club Manager (Award), but it's more special when you receive it in front of your professional colleagues at a Zone Meeting. That was the scenario for Colin Murphy, the Gaming Manager at Wallsend Diggers Club, when he received his ACCM Award from CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober at the Hunter Zone Meeting and Lunch at Club Lemon Tree on August 28. Colin accepted his award during the Zone Meeting where he acknowledged the support of the CMAA, the Zone and his club during his studies and his colleagues acknowledged Colin's impressive and dedicated path to the achievement. Zone President Paul Cousins welcomed Members when Ralph and CMAA Sponsor and Membership Manager Chris Keeble combined to deliver the Head Office Report. Jon Shevket, from CMDA National Major Sponsor HOSTPLUS spoke to Members about the consequences of the new regulations surrounding employer responsibilities to staff and the opportunities through HOSTPLUS to simplify the process. Following the Meeting, Members joined guests and representatives from many other CMDA Career Development and National Bursary Program sponsor companies for a delicious lunch in sight of the bay at picturesque Lemon Tree Passage. Hunter Zone's next event will be the Christmas Lunch at Stockton Bowling Club on November 29. ■

Central Coast AGM, Workshops & Brunch

CMAA CENTRAL Coast Zone conducted its Annual General Meeting at Club Wyong (Wyong RSL Club) on Friday, September 9. CMAA Membership & Sponsor Manager Chris Keeble and *CMA Magazine* Editor Peter Sharp presented the Head Office Report and conducted the election of office bearers for 2013-2014. The new Zone Committee is ...

- President: Jason Willis Club Wyong;
- Vice President: Tony Thomas Club Tuggerah
- Secretary: Lisa Caswell The Bay Sports Club
- Treasurer: Michael Kowaliw Diggers @ The Entrance
- Education Officer: Daniel Brian Central Coast Leagues Club
- Publicity Officer: Maureen Horne Gosford RSL Club.

There was a presentation on the latest superannuation legislation by Jon Shevket from CMDA National Sponsor HOST**PLUS** and workshops presented by Danielle Rayner from Gobsmacked Loyalty, a CMDA National Bursary Sponsor and by Daniel Saade from Micropower, a CMDA Career

Development Sponsor. Some of the more fortunate managers were able to move on to the Wyong Race Club as guests of Carlton United Breweries, a CMDA Career Development Sponsor, for the annual Wyong Gold Cup race meeting. Central Coast Zone's next event is the Christmas Lunch at Breakers Country Club at Terrigal on Wednesday, November 22. ■











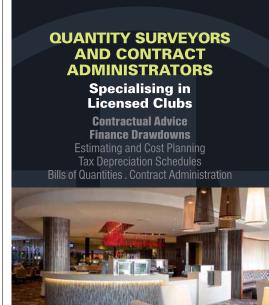
North West State Meeting & Dinner

NORTH WEST State Zone welcomed a new member to its August Zone Meeting at Quirindi RSL Club. Host club manager Margaret McGrath, also the Zone Secretary-Treasurer welcomed Zone President Tim Palmer, Committee members and 22 members for the Meeting on August 7. In opening the Meeting, Tim welcomed CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober and new Member, Wayne Patch from Tamworth Bowling Club. Ralph presented the Head Office Report and discussed many of the issues facing the Association and the Club Industry, including the CMAA's

focus on membership relevance and recruitment. The previous night, at the combined CMAA-ClubsNSW dinner with more than 80 guests, the Zone raised more than \$23,000 at its annual auction for education and professional development. Many of the Association's CMDA Career Development and National Bursary Program sponsor companies were represented at the dinner or having donated to the auction. North West State Zone's next event will be the Meeting and Dinner at Wests Diggers in Tamworth on December 3 and 4. ■



■ The CMAA North West State Zone Committee (from left) Paul Gordon, Tim Palmer, Kellee Anderson, and Margaret McGrath with new Member Wayne Patch, from Tamworth Bowling Club (second from right).





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Nepean Meeting, Workshop & Lunch

ATTENDANCE WAS down across the board for the CMAA Nepean Zone Quarterly Meeting, Workshop and Lunch at St Marys Band Club on Thursday, September 19. Zone President John Turnbull, also a member of the CMAA Federal Executive, welcomed 40 members, including CMAA Division C Federal Councillor Michael Wiezel, for the Meeting where CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober and CMAA Sponsor & Membership Manger Chris Keeble combined to present the Head Office Report. Before the Meeting, Commercial Managers Mark Swindell and Austen Bamford from EP&T Global, a CMDA National Bursary Sponsor company, presented a workshop, attended by 24 guests. Established in 1993, EP&T Global has a long and distinguished track record of delivering pioneering energy management and environmental solutions in Australia. Following the workshop and Meeting, Members joined other CMDA sponsors and industry representatives for lunch. Nepean Zone's next event will be the Christmas Lunch at Mounties on Friday, December 12. ■

Gold Coast Meeting, Workshops & Lunch

CMAA GOLD Coast Zone hosted its quarterly meeting at Burleigh Bears Club on Tuesday, September 10. Steve Condren, the Gold Coast Zone President and CMAA Federal Executive Member, welcomed 27 Members, including four managers attending their first Zone Meeting ...

- Rebecca Finnegan, from North Burleigh Surf Club;
- Ken Finlay, from North Burleigh Surf Club;
- Michael Ryan, from Lions@Springwood
- Chris Philp, from Nobbys Beach Surf Club

CMA Magazine Editor Peter Sharp presented the CMAA Head Office Report, while Mark Cannon, from CMDA National Bursary Sponsor company Total ATM spoke to members about the implications of the Federal Election for the ATM industry and for clubs. Business and marketing expert Dave Staughton - 'The Business Improvement Guy' - also presented a business development workshop following the meeting and backed up with an entertaining presentation during lunch. Steve Condren presented Active Certified Club Manager (ACCM) Awards to Club Kurrawa CEO Rob Aldous and Nerang RSL Club Marketing & Promotions Manager Tracey Evans in front of 80 managers, industry trade representatives and guests during lunch. Gold Coast Zone's next event will be the Christmas Meeting & Lunch at Club Helensvale on December 6. ■











Victoria Business Briefing, Zone Update & Lunch

CMAA VICTORIA Zone conducted a Business Briefing and Zone Update networking event for Members, CMDA Sponsor company representatives and industry associates at The Brewhouse in Abbotsford on Friday, August 23. It was a 10am gathering for 10.30 start with CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober and CMAA Federal Secretary Allan Peter, ACCM, providing a CMAA Head Office Report and an assessment of the Club



Industry in Victoria. Ralph and Allan discussed the outcomes of the CMAA Federal Executive and CMAA Federal Council's tri-annual Strategic Planning Session at Jupiters in early July along with the role of the CMAA's new Membership & Sponsor Manager Chris Keeble in relation to strategies to grow CMAA membership and member participation in Victoria. The session also focused on Club Industry issues specific to Victoria. CMAA Industry Professional Development Manager Geoff Meston contributed to the busy agenda with an hour-long workshop -**Business Strategy In Turbulent** *Times'*. Following the reports and the workshop, CMDA Sponsors and industry



associates joined Zone Members for a light lunch and drinks. Victoria Zone's next event will be another Business Briefing and Christmas Lunch at The Brewhouse on November 28. Don't forget to visit the Victoria Zone's Facebook page and like us at: https://www.facebook.com/



Great Lakes Zone Meeting, Workshops & Lunch at Port

THE STAR of the show became the main scratching for the CMAA Great Lakes Zone Meeting, Workshop and Lunch at Port City Bowling Club in late August. Len Ainsworth, the living legend of the gaming industry in Australia, now 90 years old, has, as they say ... forgotten more about poker machines than most people know. Mr Ainsworth, the founder and Executive Chairman of Ainsworth Game





Technology was to be the Keynote Speaker for the day, but had a fall, suffering a minor injury, the previous day. Zone Secretary Damian Clements informed everyone possible by email but there was great disappointment that Mr Ainsworth was unavailable. The day moved on with a 30-minute presentation from CMAA Industry Professional Development Manager Geoff Meston who spoke about CMDA Career Development and the new format for the Certified Club Manager (CCM) Award. Zone President Larry Collins welcomed Members and special guests to the Meeting where Geoff also presented the Head Office Report. Following the Meeting, CMDA National Bursary Sponsor company Treasury Wine Estates gave a 'Market Insights' presentation along with a well-received wine tasting. CMDA Sponsor company representatives and industry trade then joined members for lunch and an Asian banquet. Great Lakes Zone's next event will be a Zone Meeting and Christmas Lunch at Hawks Nest Golf Club on Wednesday, December 4.



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St George Cronulla Sutherland Zone Meeting & Golf Day

SEPTEMBER WAS a busy month for Ian Todd and the CMAA St George Cronulla Sutherland Zone Committee. First, there was a Zone Meeting and Lunch at Engadine RSL Club on September 3, followed by the annual Zone Golf Day at Kogarah Golf Club on September 17. Jon Shevket, from CMAA National Major Sponsor HOST**PLUS** kicked off the Zone Meeting workshops, informing Members about the latest developments in the world of superannuation and how HOSTPLUS now is able to simplify the collection and distribution of employee superannuation contributions - see story on p45. Mark Cannon, the National Sales Manager for CMDA National Bursary Sponsor company Total ATM, followed Jon with another important session dealing with the intricacies of ATM contracts, terms, conditions and rebates. The ATM space is a potential 'minefield' for managers and clubs and Mark's information at Zone workshops around Australia has grabbed the attention of the industry. Following the workshops, Ian Todd, the Zone President and CMAA Division B Federal Councillor. welcomed members and invited CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober and CMAA Sponsor & Membership Manager Chris Keeble to present the Head Office Report. The golf gods were not smiling when a massive storm swept across Sydney on the eve of the annual golf day later in the month. The overnight wild weather and heavy rain left all but the most passionate golfers in bed, but 19 teams of 76 golfing 'tragics' enjoyed a first-class day of golf and friendship. Winners of the 4-person Ambrose event were the Independent Gaming team of Paul, Luke, Keith and Paul with a score of 527/8 by three shots from the Kingsgrove RSL Club team on 557/8, while the Aristocrat team picked up the scratch trophy with a score of 66. Drinks Sponsors for the day included Coca-Cola, Tooheys, CUB, Global Coffee Solutions and Schweppes, while Hole Sponsors included Ainsworth, Aristocrat, Banktech, Coca-Cola, CUB, Independent Gaming, Kingsgrove RSL Club, MaxGaming, Meridian Constructions, Moorebank Sports Club, Scent Washrooms, SHFL entertainment, St George Motor Boat Club, Tradies, Earlwood Bardwell Park RSL Club, Global Coffee Solutions, Good Guys Rockdale, Orion Art, Schweppes, St George Rowing Club and Tooheys. ■





















- 1: Jason, Mitch, Peter and Blake from Tradies.
- 2: Mark, Adrian, Cec and Damien from St George Motor Boat Club.
- 3: Graeme, Allan, Simon and Michael from Carlton United Breweries.
- 4: The Winners ... the Independent Gaming team of Paul, Luke, Keith and Paul with Ian Todd (right).
- 5: Abbey Cadell refills the drinks cart after breaking down on the 9th hole.





Far South Coast Zone **Meeting & Dinner**

CMAA FAR South Coast Zone conducted a high-profile Meeting of members at the Ulladulla Ex-Services Club on September 11. CMAA Federal Vice President Michael O'Sullivan, a Zone Member, was able to walk up 'the hill' from his Milton Ulladulla Bowling Club. CMAA Executive Officer Ralph Kober collected CMAA Division F -Illawarra Shoalhaven Zone and Far South Coast Zone - Federal Councillor David Hiscox, also the Illawarra Shoalhaven Zone President and CEO at Dapto Leagues Club on his drive south from Sydney for the Dinner and Meeting. More than 80 guests attended the combined CMAA and ClubsNSW Dinner, which is always the perfect social occasion bringing together all supporters of the Club Industry in the region. The Zone Executive - President Daryl Bozecevic, Secretary-Treasurer Graham Wise and Education Officer Tony Casu - presented their reports before Ralph delivered the Head Office Report with comments from Michael and David. The Far South Coast Zone's next event will be a Zone Meeting and Christmas Dinner at the Mittagong RSL Club on December 3 and 4. ■









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Anger from clubs after merging of task force

THE HEAD of ClubsACT says the territory's clubs and hotels were kept in the dark about changes to an alcohol crime force that patrolled the city's licensed venues.

ClubsACT CEO Jeff House lashed out at "an increasingly arrogant and isolationist approach" from ACT Policing after *Fairfax Media* revealed that police chiefs had quietly merged the Alcohol Task Force with the city's Beat Police to fill a dangerous shortfall in staff.

The *Canberra Times* newspaper reported that Mr House has also attacked the ACT Government for 'slugging' licensees with massive fee increases to pay for the Task Force but then allowing for the amalgamation to occur without notifying the industry.

"It's fair to say we are furious," Mr House said. "It's just an appalling decision. The Government just sees the hospitality sector as a source of revenue."

Fairfax Media reported that police chiefs had 'tolerated' dangerously low staff numbers in the territory's city Beat Police teams, despite written complaints from officers every month for two years.

Police management responded last month by merging the beat teams with the alcohol crime squad, which was established in 2010 under new liquor laws and partly funded by hotels and clubs through higher fees

The ACT Budget, in June, cut \$15 million over four years from ACT Policing. The Alcohol Task Force was set up to curb alcohol-related violence and funding the squad led the fees for some venues to rise to more than \$10,000 under a risk-based licensing scheme.

"When the community and the industry have a clear and well-established interest in the issue of alcoholrelated incidents and police resourcing, it is totally unacceptable for such a decision to be made without consultation or even an announcement," Mr House said.

ACT Policing defended its failure to consult or inform the industry about the merger of the two units. "The merging of the two teams was an operational decision within ACT policing," a representative said. Police said the licensed premises would have the same level of services through the regional targeting team.

"The team will not be restricted solely to the CBD but will routinely patrol licensed premises and entertainment precincts throughout the ACT," she added.

Mike Dawn, the licensee of the Civic Pub and the Uni Pub, said the presence of the Liquor Squad had made Canberra's licensed venues safer. "It was their job to regulate the industry and get out on the beat on the busy nights and actually have a presence in the clubs, targeting alcohol crime and intoxication," he said. "My concern is they've disbanded or amalgamated the team and we're now back to a normal City Beat team."

Opposition Leader Jeremy Hanson said this was "a disgraceful situation worsened by deceitful alterations to crime prevention". "We're calling on the Government to reinstate the Alcohol Crime Taskforce, retain numbers in the City Beat, stop robbing Peter to pay Paul and properly fund our police force," Mr Hanson added. ■

Tabcorp wins play for \$3 billion mobile punt

TABCORP HAS done a better job than rival Tatts Group in stemming the flow of wagering dollars to online-only bookmakers as more punters choose to bet on mobiles than in-store, or from their personal computers.

The Financial Review newspaper reported that new research from Macquarie gaming analyst Lachlan Fitt shows the amount bet via mobile devices almost tripled to \$3 billion in 2012-2013, up from \$1.1 billion in the previous year. But the research paints a contrasting picture for the two incumbent operators. Tabcorp is the industry leader in mobile, with its two brands, TAB and Luxbet, accounting for 33% of bets from smartphones and tablets. Tatts has a 5% share of mobile wagering turnover.

Tabcorp chief executive David Attenborough said the company's 100-day digital development cycles, underpinned by a willingness to invest, had helped the company to keep up with the move to online. Tabcorp originally blundered in relaunching its **tab.com.au** website in Flash, which can't be browsed on mobiles, but has since produced a mobile-optimised **tab.mobi** website, as well as iPad and iPhone apps. "But we're never going to stop. You'll see continual upgrades," Mr Attenborough said.

Sportsbet, which is owned by London-listed operator Paddy Power, has the largest share of the online-only operators at 21%. The three brands controlled by British wagering giant William Hill – Sportingbet, Centrebet and TomWaterhouse.com.au – account for 22% of mobile bets.

Of the \$26 billion bet across all channels, Tabcorp has 54% of the market, compared to Tatts's 18%. Tabcorp's dominance is a result of its larger retail network across Victoria and NSW. Mobile wagering now accounts for 26.7% of all digital turnover. Mr Fitt expects this to grow to about 70% in the next two to three years. High levels of smartphone ownership and an improved user experience have grown the mobile market, he said. "So far, there is evidence that mobile platforms are growing the pie for wagering, as well as delivering above average yields," Mr Fitt said. "We expect both these factors to be enduring."

CCA brings A-Team to 'alcohol strategy'

COCA-COLA AMATIL (CCA) has unveiled an 'alcohol strategy' ahead of its return to the beer and cider market in mid-December. The plan to "leverage [its] complete portfolio to win customers" aims to target the premium and craft categories, align with national and state sales channels, and successfully leverage brand partners. The initiative will roll out under the direction of the new Australian Executive Team role of Director - Licensed/Alcohol, as part of a leadership structure of alcohol spanning category strategy and general management of national on-premise and off-premise customers. Shane Richard has been appointed to this position. Mr Richardson, the former Managing Director of Campari Australia & New Zealand, which he reportedly "accelerated... into one of the top 10 liquor suppliers in the country". In a CCA memo to account holders, Australian Beverages Managing Director John Murphy wrote: "Shane will assume responsibility for developing the strategic direction and business outcomes for the CCA licensed channel in Australia, to a market leading position across our total premium beverage portfolio." The new structure will retain Paul Gloster as Head of Category & Channel - Beer & Cider; and Mark Filmer as General Manager On-Premise through the National Business Manager portfolio. Also, Alastair Miller has also been appointed to the role of Head of Category & Channel - Spirits & RTD and off-premise strategy. CCA reports that customer management for its Grocery Licensed channel will transition to a new role - GM Off-Premise - to be appointed soon. ■

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In line with this standard, employers and superannuation investors also will be required to make payments electronically.

The important dates are ...

- If you have 20 or more employees, you should start using the new data and e-commerce standard from July 1, 2014.
- If you have 19 or fewer employees, you should start using the standard from July 1, 2015.

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Qld clubs lockout to go

QUEENSLAND'S CONTROVERSIAL 3am 'lockout' for hotels and clubs will be scrapped and trading hours wound back under a plan being considered by the Newman Government.

The *Gold Coast Bulletin* newspaper reported that an expert panel assembled by Attorney-General Jarrod Bleijie to help overhaul the state's liquor licensing has recommended the change in a move it says will curb alcohol-fuelled violence.

The panel – made up of police, the clubs and hotels industry

and community groups – have recommended that all clubs close at 3am in a compromise between commercial interests and community safety.

The change also would make the 3am lockout, introduced by the Peter Beattie-led Labor Government in 2006, which has made little difference to the rate of drunken assaults.

About 100 Queensland clubs and hotel are licensed to trade past 3am, but customers cannot enter new venues after that time.

The panel also recommends an education program be combined with extra police and public transport to deal with the change, which will result in customers being asked to leave venues at the same time.

Clubs Queensland CEO Doug Flockhart, the panel spokesman, said the panel had also recommended a moratorium on extending trading hours be scrapped.

"The trading hours issue is probably one of the most contentious social issues," Mr Flockhart said. "Currently, there's a moratorium on applications for extended trading hours and that will expire at the end of December this year. If the Government does nothing, it means that the existing

legislation will kick back in, which will allow hospitality operators across the state to be able to extend trading hours again, anything up to 5am."

Mr Flockhart said the panel had strongly debated the recommendation to wind back trading hours to 3am but was chosen as "fair to all and commercially it still allowed operators to have viable businesses".

"We had police sitting with us around that table and others who were very comfortable with 3am [as a closing time]. "There was opinion shared around the table that between 3am and 5am there's a significant amount of lawlessness and

assault that actually happens in that time," Mr Flockhart added.

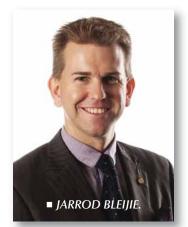
The only exception to the proposed changes would be casinos which have a special licence enabling them to trade 24 hours

The recommended changes partly mirror the Newcastle model which slashed the rate of alcohol-fuelled assaults by more than one third

The change in trading hours and the scrapping of the moratorium also means clubs and hotels previously prevented from opening later will have a chance to apply to extend their closing time until 3am.

But Mr Flockhart said it did not mean every licensed venue in Queensland would start trading until 3am. "It's about flexibility and commercial reality comes into it," he said. "Even though you might apply to trade until 2am, that doesn't mean you are going to do that seven days a week because there's just commercially ... more often than not, no market for it."

Queensland Attorney-General Jarrod Bleijie said no decision had been made on the recommendation. "I am considering the report and recommendations," Mr Bleijie added. ■



Clubs offering bright future for war veterans

FORMER MEMBERS of the Australian military, including those who have served in Afghanistan, can expect a smoother transition to the civilian workforce with some help from the NSW Club Industry.

Canberra's Northside Chronicle newspaper reported that the Securing Our Veterans' Future Program – an initiative of ClubsNSW, RSL & Services Clubs and the NSW Government – aims to provide work to veterans who are looking for a new career, wanting to gain further skills, or simply wish to undertake employment while studying or considering their next career move.

ClubsNSW CEO Anthony Ball said the Club Industry had a proud tradition of supporting veterans and their families.

"The next decade will see more young Australian combat veterans in our community than at any time since the end of the Vietnam War," Mr Ball said. "Clubs recognise that our young veterans were leaders overseas, and that

these men and women are ideally placed to become community leaders at home."

Mr Ball said NSW clubs could provide a diverse range of jobs and training for young veterans that were not available in other industries.

"While the not-for-profit Club Industry is leading this initiative, we'd like to see other businesses take up this program as well," he said. "What local clubs see, and what businesses should see, is that the skills and strengths that former defence force personnel have, thanks to their time in the military, can be assets to civilian businesses as well."

Queanbeyan Leagues Club General Manager Jeremy Wyatt noted the high levels of representation of defence personnel in the Queanbeyan and Canberra region. Mr Wyatt said his club intended to support the initiative, as it would benefit the club and the broader community, and would offer a range of potential jobs.

"Anything from chef work through to managerial positions ... once you look at skills people have learned in the defence force, while they might not specifically be getting certificates, the skills themselves are quite transferrable into most workplaces – not just clubs," he said.

Mr Wyatt said the Queanbeyan Leagues Club already employed several casual employees who also served in the Australian Defence Force, along with a chef who had previously served. "It's a good initiative – we'd be more than willing to have a look at people's resumes and see where we can fit them into club operations," he said.

Member for Monaro John Barilaro welcomed the initiative, saying it would assist ex-Australian Defence Force personnel with moving back into civilian life. "As our troops return from Afghanistan, it is important to show that the community is listening to the needs of veterans and helping them connect with the society they have served," he added.

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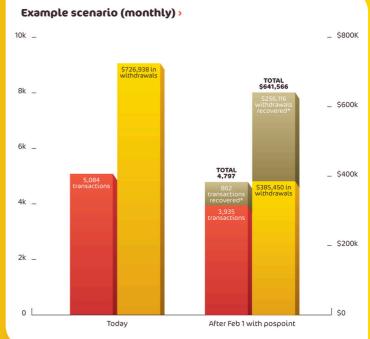
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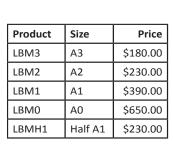
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Product	Description	Price
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BINDB	Black Dome Bin 72 Litre	\$145.00
BINES	Silver Euro Bin 12 Litre	\$28.00
BINEB	Black Euro Bin 12 Litre	\$28.00

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Product	Size	Price
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LBMB2	A2	\$230.00
LBMB1	A1	\$390.00
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LBMBH1	Half A1	\$230.00

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Product	Description	Price
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