

Business Awards highlight successes

This year's South Canterbury business awards held in Timaru last week, were the best yet, says Chamber president Steve Lyttle.

"The award event is now a must on the business calendar. Each year the calibre of entrants has shown a marked improvement and it's a privilege to attend and for the Chamber to have the opportunity to help showcase some brilliant businesses by being the principle sponsor," he says.

The South Canterbury Chamber of Commerce Hospitality and Tourism Awards was a new format for the year to highlight the hospitality and tourism sector during the Rugby World Cup year.

Next year the awards will return to cover the entire business community enabling entry from businesses ranging from plumbers and electricians to global exporters, and everything in between.

"The awards night is a real celebration of business and for those fortunate enough to make it through to the finals, it is a significant opportunity for promotion, both during the event and afterwards," says Mr Lyttle. "We are absolutely delighted to be part of this."



Supreme winners Havoc Pork owners Ian Jackson and Linda McCallum-Jackson. Havoc Pork also won the Local Food Producer Category and the Sustainability Award.



This year a People's Choice Award featured where votes were made online for the respondent's favourite business from the list of finalists. Artrio Café was the winner – with three times the number of votes of its nearest competitor. Pictured is the Artrio team receiving their award for Restaurant and Café Experience (from left) Mike Yong, sponsor Kim Haack DB Mainland brewery manager, Danny Tan and Wei Tat Tang. Artrio was a joint winner of the Restaurant and Café Experience with Fusion Restaurant Café and Bar.



Training

Chamber Training - High Achievers Business Growth

Outstanding presenter and business coach Craig Rust is returning to Timaru to offer a special 3-part workshop series, with additional one-on-one coaching for business people who want to take their companies to the next step. This is a great opportunity to gain some valuable ideas, and focus on setting some strategies and goals for your business.

The workshops will cover Business Development, Sales Skills and Marketing and Finance. The workshops will be held from 9am- 12pm on 15, 22 and 28 September, followed by one on one coaching in the afternoon. Venue: ADBT Training Room
Cost: \$700 + gst. NZTE vouchers may be available for 50% or 100% funding.

Success Academy - Individual Professional Development Programme

This proven individual professional development programme is designed for anyone who has the drive and passion to be successful in their professional or personal lives – from business owners and their staff, through to business leaders. The modules include Time Management Skills, Goal Setting and Achieving, Leadership Principles and Motivation.

Starts Tuesday, 4 October – running each Tuesday until 22 November, 5.30pm – 7.30pm. Venue: ADBT Training Room
Presenter: Gerard Gallagher, Gallagher Grant
Cost: For all 8 modules, \$680 + gst, or \$105 + gst for individual modules

New members

Aaron More
Xtreme Clean
26 Grants Road
Timaru 7910

Peter Swaney
Autoworld Timaru
PO Box 333
1 Grants Road, Timaru 7940

John Brickle
180 Degrees NZ
PO Box 4027
Timaru 7940

Rochelle Castle - Wilson
Needagirlfriday.com
10 Bristol Road, RD1
Kingsdown
Timaru 7910

Robert McDougall
Water Coolers and More
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Table Top Expo

Chamber members will be exhibiting at the Table Top Expo on:

Wednesday,
September 21,
at
The Function Centre
George St.

5:00pm - 6:00pm
Open to the general public
Table Top Expo
& Networking

6:00pm - 7:30pm
Chamber members only

Come and view some fantastic South Canterbury businesses.

WHAT YOU GET FROM CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP

- The **"ONE STOP SHOP"** – South Canterbury's leading business information centre comprising the Chamber of Commerce and Aoraki Development Business and Tourism.
- LOBBYING WITH** Government and Local Government on issues of concern to local business.
- SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT** of new business opportunities by preparing feasibility studies, business plans etc.
- FREE** accounting, legal or employment advice via an 0800 number – intended for short question / answer type queries.
- GROW** your business by networking at the very popular 'Business After 5' functions and other events.
- NEWSLETTER / NEWSBITE EMAILS.** To keep you better informed, our monthly newsletter covers local and national business topics and Chamber activities.