

Chamber of Commerce Focus on China

The Chamber is delighted to be hosting a special luncheon next month, which focuses on New Zealanders doing business in China, and observations on the Chinese marketplace. Our guest presenter is Peter Townsend, a director on the board of New Zealand Trade and Enterprise and also the chief executive of the Canterbury Employers' Chamber of Commerce.



Guest presenter Peter Townsend.

Peter has recently visited the Shanghai World Expo as part of a NZTE trade mission, and he will share his observations on China from a business perspective, and also as an observer of the rapidly changing economy. Peter will provide insight and food-for-thought on how New Zealand exporters should approach the Chinese market to be successful. "We're pleased to be hosting Peter in Timaru, as his feedback on the World Expo in Shanghai is particularly interesting to those involved in trade with China, but beyond that, his observations about China as a huge world

power are relevant to all New Zealanders," says Chamber chief executive Wendy Smith. "Peter is a fascinating speaker and his role as a director of New Zealand Trade and Enterprise is critical to business right around the country. He will be able to answer questions both about his Chinese trade mission, and also anything relevant to NZTE," says Mrs Smith.

Date: Wed, August 18, from 12 Midday – 1.30pm
Venue: The Grosvenor Hotel.
Cost: \$30 per person incl gst
To Register: Email commerce@timaru.biz

For more information please contact Di Hay on 687 2734 or Donna Smith 687 2732.

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- We are the biggest business network in South Canterbury.** With more than 400 members and plenty of opportunities to meet like minded business people you won't look back.
- Networking.** Meet new business contacts and grow existing relationships with a range of networking events per year.
- Strength in numbers.** We lobby local and central Government on issues of concern to our members and are representatives of the whole business community.
- Credibility.** Being a Chamber member, with a financial certificate on your office wall, provides you with credibility and respect in the eyes of customers and others.
- Discounted training workshops.** Half day and full day training workshops are available to improve your business knowledge and skills with a wide range of training events every year. For information email commerce@timaru.biz
- Promotional opportunities.** You can promote your business to other members and the wider business community in many ways including hosting events such as Business After 5.
- News Bites.** Get the latest in employer news each month through our email newsletter, News Bites.
- Free Business advice.** Available on the 0800 freephone number. Specialists include HR, employment law, ACC and health and safety.
- Business Advice Centre.** Run each month, you can get access to a wealth of knowledge and experience and grow your business.
- Additional member benefits.** There are numerous other membership benefits - call 03 687 2733 or email chamber@timaru.biz

BA5s coming up:

October 13 South Canterbury Hospice
November 17 CRT

New Members

Peter Batchelor
Home Ventilation Direct Ltd
PO Box 874
Timaru 7940
Main business activity: Home ventilation, heat pump cleaning, thermal imaging.

Karen Sandford
Eastern Coal Supplies Ltd
22 Treneglos St
Timaru 7910
Main business activity: Coal Yard

Gabrielle Waldron
c/- 196 Evans Street
Timaru 7910
Main business activity: Project consultant to Smith and Sons

Timaru Occupational Health Services
407 Rolling Ridges Road, RD4
Timaru 7974
Main business activity: Occupational Health

Business Excellence Awards



Entries close tomorrow – Friday July 30 – for the 2010 South Canterbury Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Awards. There is still time to enter – for an entry form check out our website www.sccchamber.org.nz

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