

Chamber Bulletin **August 2009**

The Chamber has news that can't wait for the next newsletter!

Office Premises

At the monthly committee meeting on 3 August, 2009 it was resolved to lease the premises at 6 Grant Street for a joint Chamber and Carnivale 2010 office. This is the same office that was used for Carnivale 2009 and is centrally located next door to The Newsport Daily office and across from the CBA. The opening hours and roster have yet to be resolved but the aim is to be available at least part of most weekdays.

Paula Johnson will be employed as Chamber administrator on a part-time basis and Susie Marr will be employed as part-time event coordinator for Carnivale 2010.

However, before we can open the doors for business we need some furniture and hesitate to spend too much of the Chamber's money until we are sure the office will be of benefit to the business community, the Carnivale community and the Chamber. So we're looking to relieve our members of unused desks, chairs, tables, bookcases, etc. We all have our own laptops and we purchased a photocopier/scanner/printer for Carnivale 2009. Please let us know if you can be of assistance.

AGM

In the August newsletter we said the AGM would be held in early September. We have now pushed that back to the 22nd of September 2009 because we were obviously keen to have the lunch with Joe Hockey at the Sheraton Mirage on 14th August. This year we are planning to combine a lunch with the AGM. Further details will be forwarded as soon as available.

Joe Hockey

Just a reminder that Joe Hockey, Shadow Treasurer, will be the guest speaker at a Port Douglas Chamber of Commerce lunch at the Sheraton Mirage on 14 August, 2009. The cost is \$45 for members and \$55 for non-members. Payment can be made at Tourism Port Douglas across from the Gazette, by Visa or MasterCard via email with number, expiry date and name on the card or by eftpos payment to PDCC-General Account, Bendigo Bank, BSB 633 000 Account 1373 75 788. Please RSVP to secretary@portdouglaschamber.com.au

Don't forget membership renewals have been sent out and they are due now. Our membership year ends 30 June.