

ACCI's vision is to be a significant force in the development of a vibrant and sustainable business environment in the region.



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Message from Gary Cutler



President of the Executive Committee

Spring has sprung, the votes are in, the count is complete, and the winners are:

Trevor Cosh (re-elected),
Gary Cutler (re-elected),
Jerome Ryan,
& Paul Terry.

Congratulations to all, especially to Jerome and Paul on their successful election joining the ACCI Executive Committee for the first time. We look forward to their respective experience adding further strength to an already outstanding executive. A big thank you to John, Hayley, and Ubik for also nominating for the Executive, and to all members who completed ballot papers...it's your participation that provides ACCI with the strength that it enjoys.

A big thank you to Jack and Rose Spaanderman and their team at Allroad Motor Body Builders for hosting August's Business after Hours. It was great to see so many members and guests witness the official opening of their impressive new premises. We look forward to being hosted by the team at the refurbished Stirling Club for this month's September Business after Hours.

August was a very busy month with numerous events including the ever popular 9 + 1 P's of Marketing where members gained important insights into developing a

comprehensive and innovative Marketing Strategy for their respective businesses; a Business Luncheon with Andrew Forrest speaking on his Australian Employment Covenant that attracted 150 guests to the Albany Entertainment Centre; a Business Breakfast with new member Jack in the Box who stimulated our thinking on the topic of "Better Brands vs. Better Products"; plus three successful well attended Great Southern Women networking events.

Registrations are coming in fast for the Albany and Great Southern Women's Leadership Forum scheduled for Tuesday 27th September. This year's line-up of speakers will deliver outstanding value to attendees. They include ENJO Australia founder Barb De Corti, Tourism WA Chair and successful restaurateur Kate Lamont, newly announced Australian Rural Business Woman of the Year Caroline Robinson, renowned nutritionist and dietitian Julie Meek, ordained Buddhist Priest Cate Kodo Juno, and internationally accredited and recognised image consultant Natasha Di Ciano.

And finally, please make note that Sunday 25 September and Sunday 30 October have been declared general retail trading days to accommodate the first two cruise ships of the season.

Gary Cutler
President

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