



Chamber Activitiy Update to end of March 2017

Dear Members,

We have not had a web site for some months while developing a new website. Our new website will to go live within the next two weeks.

In the interim I would like to summarize the Chambers major activities over the past 3 months.

1. NSW Ports Strategy Workshop submission for integrated infrastructure on the bays interface
2. Meetings with state ministers re: request for Floating pontoons in the CBD for recreational boats, PWCs and Seaplanes – see attached.
3. New Website with capability of commercialisation, automating membership renewal, member forum and integration for our social media.
4. Chamber name change and branding change – see above.
5. Sculpture on Clyde is Chambers new sculpture event on Murra-Mia walkway held for 10 days from 24 August.
6. Establishment of permanent sculpture walk between the Batemans Bay Bridge and Corrigan's Cove – currently furthering our proposal with Council.
7. Batemans Bay Paddle Challenge is a new paddling event to be held on 5th and 6th May

8. Co-promoted webinars and web training programs with council.
9. Hanging Rock Pier proposal for a low visual impact and low environmental impact pier to service cruise ships is undergoing an economic feasibility study by council. Draft report will be released next week.
10. Batemans Bay Streetscape input. Survey of businesses affected by Streetscape roadwork's reported back to Council to assist mitigation of business interruption.
11. Submissions for Batemans Bay Vision and Growth Strategies. Various follow up meetings and collaboration on output.
12. Member of committee drafting new Destination Management Action Plan - complete.
13. Attendance and input to Community Strategic Plan update workshop.
14. Organised combined Chambers' of Commerce meeting for the Shire. Agreed to initiate shire wide Roads and Tourism Signage action.
15. With deregulation and respect to REX airlines valued Sydney slots, we have collaborated with Council and conducted talks with airlines with a strategy to encourage leisure/affordable passenger services through Moruya and reinstate the Moruya/Melbourne route. We have also suggested future proofing Moruya Airport to 3D capacity with a view of accepting ATR and Q400 aircraft.
16. Approved grant and preparation complete for Indigenous Art installation in Murra Mia Lane.
17. Submission to RMS on Iconic Bridge Replacement, Highway options and location, traffic congestion and interim slipways at Kings/Princess Hwy round-a-bouts.

18. Hosting of Eurobodalla Business Awards at Bay Soldiers Club in September.
19. Participation and Membership of McKay Park Sunset Committee. Await interim plans from Councils consultants which will be used for Private Public Partnership. No other known developments to date.
20. River of Art support, Chamber has facilitated the largest number of ROA events to now be held in Batemans Bay.