

Good Morning

Friday, 31 July 2015.

REPORT ON THE MEETING Tony and I attended 29/072015 at The Gold Coast with the AUSTRALIAN SMALL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

We were invited to attend this meeting by Anne Nalder



In attendance at the meeting were some high flyers indeed, Guest Speaker: Lawrence Springborg.

The meeting was mainly to do with Gold Coast issues; however the most positive result is that the association has received opportunities to put their foot into several doors to present our concerns; an invitation for your president below

Hi Tony,

It was good to make your acquaintance, albeit briefly yesterday at the Hilton. If you have some specific Transport matter, please let me know, and I can put you in touch with our Shadow Ministers, Fiona Simpson (Main Roads), and/or Scott Emerson (Transport). I have also copied in the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Opposition.

Best wishes

JPL

JP Langbroek MP

Member for Surfers Paradise

Deputy Leader of the Opposition

Shadow Treasurer

Shadow Minister for the Commonwealth Games

THE OPENING HAS BEEN MADE.

The next most positive achievement is contact has been made with the AUSTRALIAN SMALL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION. I consider the Small Business Association's role is to have representation of all industries and the reason we were invited to attend is, *hopefully*, they could see us as a NATIONAL representation from the Trucking Industry. This is an opportunity to jump onto the running boards of their Association to support us to be a tiger with some teeth.

Gina Rinehart is their patron and below is the list of sponsors.

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Part of the ride is we could attract some form of sponsorship from their membership.

Anne Nalder is CEO of the Small business Association of Australia. Below is an extract of an email to me.

- . Brief info re our Think Tank. This is the core of our association. We have a local committee and we work on certain areas such as education and how it needs to interact with SMEs, taxation, red tape and the list goes on. Our national think tank will be launched in Melbourne in 2016. We will have a number of projects so we are not a talk fest but very pro active. We engage with all stakeholders including different sides of politics as we are non-political. Our first victory as you heard is the public endorsement of our economic zone which now goes that step further. I would be delighted to come up to Rocky to discuss the think tank and how it works etc. what I would need from you though is a gathering of interested persons that can include business, government at all levels etc.
- 5. I would also need to come up to Rocky to have a look at your venue for our event in November 2016 with Gina Rinehart as special guest speaker.

I think you all know Anne, she is a very positive person who rubs very closely with the who's who of the people we need. Lining ourselves with Anne and her associates would be a definite benefit.

Note the word non-political in her guidelines: consideration should be given into stepping into the offices of the present governments. After all our present government, whether we support them or not, are the ones who make the decisions.

IS THIS THE WAY TO GO?