

## Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Town Meeting

This year's AGM will be held on August 11th at 7pm at the Central Hotel followed by a town meeting at 7.30pm Please note the date change. The date change was made to suit the LEADA's guests who will be speaking at the town meeting.

Both these meetings are important for LEADA and the town so please come along and bring your friends. Finger food and drinks from the bar will be available.

The AGM will be brief with the main business being the election of the new committee and receiving LEADA's annual report and annual financial report.

The town meeting as in previous years is a chance to hear about the progress being made on current projects and future plans for Lakes Entrance. It is important to maintain the momentum and pressure for improvements to the town and the organisation of events. Darren Chester Local Federal member, Arthur Allen local Councillor and Anthony Basford CEO East Gippsland Shire Council will speak and then there will be the opportunity to ask the panel questions and to express your priorities for the town.

LEADA's Business and Tourism committee has commenced work on developing a town logo and a town website. Fiona McColl will outline what has been achieved so far. LEADA is keen to get community views on this work.

# **Annual General Meeting**

The Agenda items for the AGM will be

- Welcome by Chair Alison Brewer
- Apologies
- Minutes of previous AGM
- Annual Report
- Financial Report
- Election of Committee members
- Annual subscription and Joining Fee
  The LEADA Committee proposes that the joining fee for 2022 remain at \$10 and that annual subscriptions to LEADA remain at \$0
- Meeting closure before 7.30pm

The nomination form for members to nominate to be on the 2022-23 committee will be sent out with this newsletter. Nine members will be elected at the AGM. The new committee can decide whether to coopt up to an additional two members.

Please consider nominating. It is desirable for the new committee to consist of some continuing members and some new members. The strength of LEADA largely relies on the size and involvement

of its membership and the commitment given by its committee members to implement LEADA's annual action plan.

LEADA's sub committees will be seeking members shortly after the AGM. The sub committees are: Business and Tourism, Events, Infrastructure, Walks and Trails and membership.

The chair for the evening Alison Brewer must receive committee nominations by 6pm Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August. Nominations can be emailed to Alison at events@leada.com.au or left at Marshall Brewer Welding and Fabrication, 45 Whiter St Lakes Entrance any weekday between 9am and 12 noon up to the 7<sup>th</sup> August.

## **Town Meeting**

7.30 Developing a town logo and Website - Fiona McColley President LEADA's Business and Tourism Committee will speak followed by questions and comments from those attending.

7.45 Future Plans for Lakes Entrance

Short speeches on future plans for Lakes Entrance will be given by

- Arthur Allen Local Councilor and Lakes Entrance resident
- Anthony Basford CEO East Gippsland Shire
- Darren Chester Local Federal Member and Lakes Entrance resident

Panel Discussion: Panel members Darren Chester, Arthur Allen, Anthony Basford, Bruce Hurley, Fiona McColley will answer questions and respond to comments from those attending

Meeting Closes by 9.00pm. Finger food will be available, and drinks can be bought from the bar. A \$2 to \$10 donation will be sought to cover the costs of the meeting

## **Proxy Forms**

Proxy forms will also be sent out with this letter. If you cannot attend the meeting and you wish to authorise someone to vote on your behalf, then you will need to fill out the form and make sure the chair of the AGM Alison Brewer receives the proxy form prior to the meeting. The proxy form has the details.

#### **New Committee**

The elected new committee is scheduled to meet on the following Thursday, the 18<sup>th</sup> August to elect LEADA's President, Secretary and Treasurer, receive an update on activities and to start planning for the year ahead.

#### **Annual Donations**

Finally, members are encouraged to give LEADA an annual donation that will be used to cover expenses such as insurances, printing and room hire. The suggested amount is \$10 though larger donations are welcomed. The easiest way to donate is to visit LEADA's website <a href="www.leada.com.au">www.leada.com.au</a> or alternatively give your donation to a committee member. The grant money that LEADA receives from time to time is for specific projects and is not able to cover general administration costs.

This will be my final member's newsletter. I greatly appreciate the support many have given to LEADA over recent years.

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