

Welcome New Members

Peter & Mark McIntyre – Richmond Henty
Bevan Ford

Marketing

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Networking

The Committee for Portland has been represented at the following gatherings.

- Alcoa Foundation Month of Service Community Partner Event Wednesday 22nd October 2008 at The Spiegeltent, the Art Centre, Melbourne.
- Glenelg Shire Council Portland Community Consultation Meeting on the 6th November 2008.
- Southern Grampians Employment Skills Community Learning Partnership – Major Projects in the Southern Grampians Thursday 13th November 2008. Update on the latest timelines for plantation timber harvesting, the Lakes Edge residential development, increased mineral sands mining, alternative energy projects and transport industry opportunities in the Southern Grampians Shire and the neighbouring region.
- Portland District Health Annual General Meeting. 20th November 2008.
- Great Ocean Road Sustainability Framework – Industry Workshop. 21st November 2008.

Lobbying/Funding

The Committee for Portland is excited to hear that The Victorian government has thrown the state's flagging industry and manufacturing sector a \$245-million lifeline to help secure local business and jobs.

Victorian Premier John Brumby announced the long-awaited industry and manufacturing strategy, saying it would help stimulate jobs and make the sector internationally competitive in the face of tough economic conditions.

A key point of the strategy is the government's commitment to favor local bidders for state contracts over offshore tenders.

"The Victorian government is taking action to ensure industry and manufacturing can turn the rapidly changing global economic conditions into opportunities to build future growth, secure and create new jobs and develop more innovative industries," Mr. Brumby said.

The Committee for Portland will lobby the State Government to ensure that Portland receives its share of funding



tuesday 16 december

Committee for Portland warmly invites you to our Member's Dinner
6pm at Sandilands

RSVP Anita Rank anita.rank@ymca.org.au by 12/12/08
You are welcome and encouraged to bring a guest

Guest Speaker: **Justin Giddings**
Commercial and Operations Manager
Essendon Airport