



**Liquor Accord General Meeting  
Circular Head Council  
Council Chambers  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

Meeting Opened: 10.30am

**1. Attending:**

Maree Airey, (Marawah Tavern), Kathleen Kay (RSL), Shelley Nicholls (Smithton Country Club), Anthony McConnon, (THA), Bruce Horton (Smithton Club), Mary Allen (CHCRC), John Dabner (Tall Timbers), Julian Jacobs (Stanley Hotel), Greg Squires (Liquor & Gaming Branch), Louise Maynard (DIER Road Safety), Inspector Shane Le Ferve, Matt Solty, Andrew Dare (Licensing – TAS Police), Deb Mainwaring (Circular Head Council).

**2. Apologies:**

Stuart Gale (Redpa Football Club); Kelli Neilson (Bridge Hotel);

**3. Confirmation of Minutes:**

Moved Bruce Horton seconded John Dabner that the minutes are a true and correct record  
Carried

**4. Business Arising**

**a) DES Program Update**

Bruce (Smithton Club) advised there has not been a lot of interest in the DES cards. As the Smithton Club provides a \$5 taxi voucher for patrons this appears to be more popular and the members are used to this system.

It was discussed that perhaps the program was having an effect with many patrons organising a designated driver prior.

It was resolved to promote the program to reinforce the message via the media prior to the Christmas / holiday season

**b) Incident Book**

Greg provided copies of an Incident Register from the NSW Government (Communities Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing).

Discussion was held on the value of the document; could assist with providing information for change over of staff and Police.

Another incident reporting mechanism could include using the Crowd Controller Book which is utilised by security guards.

Shane suggested the Incident Register be taken back to venue staff for their input.

Greg will investigate the printing firm for a copy of the document.

### **c) Taxi operator invitation**

Shelley advised that she has still been unsuccessful in getting the Taxi operator to attend a meeting.

It was resolved that a letter be sent inviting Mr Gillie to attend a meeting and outline the Accord members would like to have formal discussions in regards to available transport for their patrons.

### **d) Security Firms**

As Kelli was an apology for the meeting this item was held over.

### **e) Courtesy Bus (Banana Bus)**

Deb advised that contact was made with the operators of the 'Banana Bus' which operates within the Devonport area. The privately operated bus service provides patrons with transport options e.g. 6 seater, 22 seater and 2 x 49 seaters: prices are set per bus destination not per person.

Bookings must be made in advance therefore not conflicting with taxi services.

Currently forming partnerships with Football Clubs for events; the Clubs add an additional cost to their event to cover the cost of the bus.

It was resolved this would require further discussion following the meeting with the taxi operator.

### **f) Hoodies signage**

John advised that the template for the 'hoodies signage' is available from All Com printing if other venues were interested in obtaining signage. John tabled the example signs.

## **5. Correspondence**

Nil

## **6. Finance Report:**

John tabled the finance report (attached)

Invoices to be forwarded to members that are not financial

Discussion was held on extending the membership to include seasonal sporting groups e.g. football, hockey, bar managers of CRC during their relevant seasons. This would assist with promoting safe selling and usage of alcohol for their members.

In 2013 changes to the Licensing Act will see a greater commitment from clubs to have an Alcohol Plan and Safe transport Plan in place prior to gaining a liquor license.

It was also noted that 15hour/occasional permits did not require RSA trained staff.

## **7. Reports**

Tasmania Police

Matt Solty/Andrew Dare

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A fake I.D. was circulated for viewing demonstrating how professional the fake card was. Also a timely reminder to be vigilant about alcohol in open containers leaving licensed venues e.g. glasses

### Tasmanian Hospitality Association (THA)

Anthony McConnon

Anthony advised about the Breath-Easy Vending; this company is willing to provide breathalyser units to venues with 5% of profits returning to the licensee and 5% forwarded to the Tasmanian Road Safety Advisory Council and the Tasmanian Road Trauma Support Team.

Breath-Easy representatives are willing to attend an Accord meeting to do a presentation

In NSW – funds from State 10k to look at Accords

There is a possibility of organising a meeting of National Liquor Accords. This may provide Accord chairs the opportunity to meet and discuss relevant issues.

### Liquor and Gaming

Greg Squires

Greg advised that Nigel Garland (Department of Justice) is willing to meet and discuss security guard and crowd controller issues with Liquor Accords.

Discussions are still ongoing about sharing of information between Accord members regarding barred patrons. Confidentiality issues are still to be determined.

A Trespass Notice was tabled – this notice is more often used for permanently banned or long term (indefinite) offenders. Local Police are able to issue

Football Season – seemed to run well with no major incidents being reported.

It has been noted that some licensees are letting their 'out of hours' permits lapse.

Gaming – mandatory code – 1/3/12

24/11/11 – presentation in Burnie by Tas Gaming Commission

### DIER/Road Safety Operations

Louise Maynard

Release of Tasmanian Road Safety Strategy 2007 – 2016 Action Plan 2011/2012 funded by Road Safety Levy

The Action Plan - Alcohol Interlock Program – addressing serious and casualties in Tasmania and serious and repeat drink driver offenders

Learner Driver Mentor Program

This program assists drivers gain their hours as part of the graduated licensing program by accessing a car and supervising driver/mentor

Red Cross has established a Steering committee to seek funding for a coordinator (for 3 years) and vehicle to operate the program on the North West Coast.

Initially a group/organisation would house the vehicle and for this program to be sustainable each community would have to eventually take ownership of the vehicle and associated costs e.g. insurance, maintenance and vehicle replacement. Inspector le Ferve advised that the program operates in the St Helens district and the Council supports the successful initiative.

### Council

Deb Mainwaring

A Keys to Ps session was held 24/10/11 with 25 attending. This is an information session for learner drivers about to obtain their L Licence and their supervising drivers.

The Rotary RYDA Program for Grade Ten students is being held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011. CRSP has supported this program for a number of years.

Australian Safer Communities Awards 2011 will be presented at the CRC Hall of Fame on Thursday 3 November. Council entered a submission for the CRSP "Look out for your Mates" campaign. Some members of the Liquor Accord will have received an invitation to the presentation.

A Drug and Alcohol Forum is currently being organised by the Smithton High School. An invitation will be extended to the Circular Head Christian School to attend. A tentative date has been set 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011. TBC

## **8. General Discussion**

### **Licensees**

#### Maree Airey – Marrawah Tavern

Maree advised that she has an incident with an underage person who had taken medication and alcohol and consequently had an adverse reaction. The incident was discussed and Police advised to immediately call an Ambulance. Maree was pleased to hear that the SHS is organising a Drug and Alcohol Forum. (Please note: The person in question was not a patron at the Marrawah Tavern.)

Maree also advised that as a member of the local Fire Brigade she attending a MVA recently and due to lack of Road Name signage it was difficult to locate the accident.

Deb to request this item is included on the DIER/Council Traffic Management Agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

#### John Dabner – Tall Timbers

John raised the School Leavers 'parties' that will be occurring soon. Matt and Andrew attended the Smithton High School in 2010 to discuss safe partying. This was a valuable exercise and suggested this could be done again.

Deb will confirm the date of the Drug and Alcohol Forum as this may be an opportunity for Matt and Andrew to attend.

### Bruce Horton – Smithton Club

Bruce advised that some issues had previously occurred at past Christmas Parades with alcohol on the street. In 2010 plans were put in place to deter patrons taking open containers/glasses onto street. Continual promotion prior to the parade advising patrons not to take glasses outside and manning of doors saw a positive improvement in patron's behaviour. These initiatives will be in place for this year's event.

### Deb Mainwaring – Council

Logos

Deb tabled some mock logos for discussion

It was agreed to keep logo simple and be a standalone design

## **9. Action List**

Media	promotion of safe alcohol usage over holiday period/membership	Kelli
Taxi Operator	written invitation to meeting	Deb
Road Name Signs	Traffic Management Meeting agenda	Deb
Logo	Continue development	Deb
Incident Book	discuss with venue staff	All

## **10. Next Meeting**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2012, Circular Head Council Chambers

7pm

## **11. Meeting Closed 12pm**

***'Liquor accords seek to change, for the better, the way the community uses and thinks about alcohol'.***