

WELCOME TO

Chamber Chat



How is your business running? What would a seasoned business person tell you if they looked at your business?

Applying for the [South East Business Awards](#) is a great way to:

- Get feedback on your business
- Do an assessment before you sell your business
- Reflect on what is working well
- Determine what you will stop doing and what you will start doing
- Acknowledge your successes to date, and as a consequence create momentum and motivation
- Connect with other business owners and senior leaders as part of the awards process.

[Past winners](#) have identified that winning an award helped them to:

- Cement their status as a high quality business partner and supplier to clients
- Generate new business leads
- Celebrate with and acknowledge staff for their contribution and results
- Affirm how they are doing in the marketplace against other competitors.

Curious about the awards and what past winners have to say? Join us at the [South East Business Awards Launch Party](#) and hear from past winners and others' business stories.

Lisa Moore

CEO, Greater Dandenong Chamber of Commerce

2023 South East Business Awards



2023 CATEGORIES

Business innovation award
Environmental & sustainability
Community impact
Business citizen
Emerging business
Employer engagement
Micro business
Leisure, tourism & wellbeing
Retail/wholesale
Professional services
Building & construction
Advanced manufacturing
Overall business award

The **South East Business Awards** inspire and reward businesses by celebrating business excellence.

The awards validate and celebrate businesses that model leadership, results, and connection in their long-term business strategy.

Nominations are now open.

Submissions close Tuesday 1 August

Winners will be celebrated at the Gala Dinner in October in front of colleagues, partners, business leaders and mentors from all industries in Victoria's South East.

[Learn more about the awards, the 2023 categories and the terms of entry.](#)

See you at the awards launch party!

We are excited to celebrate the launch of the 2023 awards at Brick Lane Brewhouse (one of the 2022 winners).

Come and experience Brick Lane hospitality, network with other attendees, and learn more about the awards from Chamber representatives and past winners.

Drinks and grazing boards provided and we have a great MC who will keep you entertained!

Date: Wednesday 10 May

Time: 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Location: Brick Lane Brewhouse

Tickets: Members \$39, Guests \$59



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Tools and templates for your business

Are you aware of the business tools and templates available on the [Business Victoria website](#)? You can find useful downloadable templates and checklists for many key business documents, including:



- Financial policies and procedures
- Marketing Plans
- Email templates
- HR policies and procedures
- Job description templates, and
- Working from home safety and wellbeing checklists.

Find these templates and many more on the [Business Victoria website](#).

It's not too late to win a hotel stay!

Until Wednesday 17 May, every person who posts in Chamber Connect or comments on another person's post, will go into the draw to win an overnight stay (including breakfast and parking) at Dandenong's fresh, new hotel - the [Holiday Inn Dandenong](#), opening in May. The more posts and comments you make, the more chances you have to win!

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Chamber Connect is an online community of more than 1300 business people from Greater Dandenong and across the South East of Melbourne. It's a wonderful way to build on connections made in person at one of our events, or make all new connections!

If you're already registered for Chamber Connect, [sign in today](#) and start posting and commenting to increase your chances. If you're not yet registered, it's easy. [Fill in the form](#) and we'll get you set up. We look forward to seeing you there!

Upcoming events

9 May 2023

Keeping your business cyber secure workshop

Hosted by Ashfords Digital



Learn all about cyber security and receive specialised advice from Ashfords Digital experts.

Date: Tuesday 9 May

Time: 9.30am to 11am

Location: Ashfords, Dandenong South

Tickets: Free, but registration is essential

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10 May 2023

SE Business Awards Launch Party



Let's network, meet past winners, and celebrate the launch of the SE Business Awards 2023.

Date: Wednesday 17 May

Time: 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Location: Patterson Cheney Toyota

Tickets: Members \$39, Guests \$59

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17 May 2023

Networking evening at Patterson Cheney Toyota



Come along for drinks, canapes, and networking at the Chamber's Platinum Partner, Patterson Cheney Toyota.

Date: Wednesday 17 May

Time: 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Location: Patterson Cheney Toyota

Tickets: Members free, Guests \$29

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25 May 2023

SAFETalk half day workshop

In partnership with LivingWorks



Learn skills and strategies to reach out to people you are concerned about. Help keep your community safe from suicide.

Date: Thursday 25 May

Time: 8.30am to 12.30pm

Location: The Drum Theatre

Tickets: Free for members, limited places

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Thank you to our Platinum Members



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