

WHY YOUR ORGANISATION SHOULD BE REPRESENTED AT THE RCCIWA MEMBERS FORUM 2022

JUNE 16TH & 17TH, PERTH

Overview

The two day twice annual RCCIWA Members Forum features a well-designed program founded on member feedback and input, that gives our members the opportunity to connect with their fellow regional business organisations, amplify the voice of their membership, learn and share information, meet with key stakeholders and decision makers as well as develop a strong network of supportive people and organisations with a collective common purpose.

What's in it for your organisation?

- Represent the issues and concerns of your membership to our state Parliamentary Leaders
- Be part of a supportive and passionate community of elected and employed representatives from Chambers of Commerce, Business Networks or Business Associations of all sizes. From large fully staffed organisations to 100% volunteer run organisations, whether you are brand new to your role or have been involved for a while you will have plenty to offer and plenty to gain
- A good mix of both employed and elected representatives attend the forums, which provides an excellent opportunity to share all perspectives of being part of a regional business organisation and sets up a great platform for support and mentorship
- Learn from your fellow regional business organisations – sharing ideas, problem solving, finding common solutions
- Connect with your regional peers to build a strong network of regional business communities
- Hear from experts – covering issues such as local procurement, WA's economic outlook, governance and more
- Meet Members of Parliament, key stakeholders, and regional influencers
- Be armed with practical and relevant takeaways – ideas and actions you can implement straight away

Day One – Hale House Meeting with Ministers – Thursday June 16th

A privilege we have been afforded since 2002, RCCIWA is now the only organisation that holds their regular meetings at Parliament House and now across the road at Hale House – something that we value greatly. On this day we meet with Members of Parliament, including Ministers and often The Premier in individual sessions to discuss issues and concerns of our regional business communities as well as offer ways we can work together to deliver positive outcomes. This day is a well-coordinated program with pre-delivered questions as well as the opportunity to ask questions directly of each speaker. The opportunity this day provides to advocate for your membership and amplify their voice is invaluable. Details of confirmed speakers will be known closer to the meeting. In recent meetings we had The Premier, numerous Ministers and the Leader of the Opposition attend.

Day Two – Operational & Strategic Day – Friday June 17th

A mixed program of industry experts presenting, dynamic workshops and member presentations, day two is the day to learn new information, share your success and challenges and work collectively on areas and topics that are important for all of our members. This is both strategic and operational and really gives you an opportunity to connect with your fellow members whilst gaining inspiration and terrific ideas you can bring back to your organisation. Some of the items on the agenda at this stage are:

- Key member activities and projects – learn from and share with each other
- Hear from guest speakers
- Group discussions and workshoping



Business After Hours – June 16th 5.30pm to 7.30pm

We all love a Business After Hours and our RCCIWA BAH's are quite legendary! Bringing our members, a variety of stakeholders and key regional representatives together for an evening of quality networking. There will be the opportunity for us to include some of your members on the invitation list as well. This event will be hosted by Telstra Regional Australia WA and Accor Hotels WA and will be held at The Mercure Hotel Perth, 10 Irwin St.

What our members say about the Forum

I never ceased to be inspired by the innovative solutions and revenue-generating ideas that chambers design and implement and are willing to share during these sessions. [Peter Taylor, President Broome CCI](#)

Why Re-Invent The Wheel'.... There are so many synergies between regional chambers of commerce and the RCCIWA Forums have created a fantastic platform for us to collaborate and shared ideas and lessons learnt along the way. When OCCI first attended these forums it was an eye opener to see the amount of resources available around the room and we continued to connect with almost everyone on a regular basis as we established OCCI in to the strong organisation it is today. Now we find OCCI supporting other regional chambers along the way which we are proud to be a part of because as I mentioned at the start... 'why re-invent the wheel'! [Chantelle King, CEO Onslow CCI](#)

Last November was the second RCCIWA Forum I have attended. Each Forum has been invaluable as other Chambers share their ideas and initiatives. It is an opportunity to learn new ways of doing things and to engage with other Chambers, as we all want our members to succeed and grow. It is a forum I will continue to attend and highly recommend to every Chamber if it is possible to attend. [Bronwyn McLeod, EO Esperance CCI](#)

The Regional Chambers Forum was excellent. Great to catch up with the other Chambers and hear of their successful stories. It is so valuable being able to learn from one another. They are an exceptional bunch of people! [Simone de Been Kalgoorlie Boulder CCI](#)

The RCCIWA bi-annual forums are an incredible opportunity to not only access senior Ministers and members of Government, not provided to any other industry group, but to also share and learn from your Chamber peers. [Andrew McKerrell, GM Peel CCI](#)

