



HONG KONG-AUSTRALIA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION LTD

**NATIONAL OFFICE** 

June 2014

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

19 July HKABA-SA Food

& Wine Appreciation

29 Aug HKABA-VIC Business

**Awards Dinner** 

20 Sept HKABA-SA Business

Awards Dinner

10 Sept HKABA-QLD Business

**Awards Dinner** 

2-3 Dec Hong Kong Forum

4-6 Dec World SME Expo

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## **About HKABA**

The Hong Kong-Australia Business Association Limited (HKABA), initiated by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, was established in 1987 aiming to promote a positive image for Hong Kong and to reinforce economic ties between Hong Kong SAR/China and Australia. Members are local businessmen with strong Hong Kong connections or those interested in doing business with Hong Kong and Hong Kong organizations based in Australia. The Association provides networking opportunities on which strong trading and investment links are built between Hong Kong companies and Australian companies. It also provides an effective channel of communications for information on economic development and trade opportunities in Hong Kong SAR/China.

The HKABA is a member of the "Federation of Hong Kong Business Associations Worldwide" established in November 2000, comprising 35 Hong Kong Business Associations in 24 countries. Total membership of worldwide is over 11,000.

### **Our Mission**

To promote global co-operation, communication exchange and synergy among the Hong Kong business associations worldwide.

To provide a unified global voice that will enhance business and investment opportunities in and through Hong Kong.

# 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 National HKABA / Cathay Pacific Business Awards Dinner The Westin Sydney

The 3<sup>rd</sup> National HKABA / Cathay Pacific Business Awards Dinner was held on 10 June at The Westin Sydney and was well attended with over 300 guests.

The Awards recognizes companies that excellence in all aspects of international trade between Australia and Hong Kong SAR and/or China. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> National event which all the Chapters in Australia will participate. The winners from each Chapter's Business Awards in 2013 were invited to attend a Gala Dinner in Sydney.

The Awards, widely regarded as a prestigious badge of honour, were presented to winners at a ceremony held his evening at The Westin. Some very special Guests of Honour included The Hon. Philip Ruddock MP, The Hon. Mike Baird MP, Premier of NSW, The Hon. Andrew Stoner MP, Deputy Premier of NSW, The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, NSW Minister for Transport, The Hon. Matt Thistlethwaite MP, The Hon. Ernest Wong MLC, Member of the NSW Legislative Council, Mr Steve Barclay, Director of HKETO, Government of the HKSAR, Ms Bonnie Shek, Director of HKTDC Australia and New Zealand, Mr Dominic Perret, General Manager, South West Pacific Region, Cathay Pacific and Mr David Lawson, State Director of Austrade NSW & ACT.

Congratulations to the winners at the Third National Business

Awards. The event was very well organised and attended by local
and foreign dignitaries including the Premier and the Deputy Premier
of NSW.", Simon Pho, Victoria

This year the Keynote Speaker was The Hon. Philip Ruddock MP, Chief Government Whip, Federal Member for Berowra.

The Award categories include the below

- Export of Goods/Services
- Import of Goods / Services
- Business Excellence
- Business Development



Mr Peter Sinn, the National President of Hong Kong Australia Business Association said "this is the third time we are hosting the National Awards and we have seen some great entries from all over Australia. It's great to see so many small businesses excelling in trade links with Asia in particularly with Hong Kong and China". Peter adds "we have had many sponsors support this National event and we are grateful for having Cathay Pacific again on board as our National sponsor".



The finalists invited to the Hong Kong-Australia Business Association's (HKABA) National Awards for 2014 were:

Adelaide Festival Centre BannerSHOP Holdings Limited China Bar Clenergy International Confucius Institute, University of Adelaide Emperor's Garden Pty Ltd Flavio Sandstone Institute of Continuing & TESOL Education (ICTE-UQ) Insync Surveys **Pitcher Partners** Rockman (Australia) Pty Ltd Sasy n Savy Pty Ltd **Sirromet Wines** ThomsonAdsett TVB (Australia) Ptv Ltd **Vuly Trampolines** 

The winners were:

HKABA National / Cathay Pacific Business Award for Export of Goods/ Services ThomsonAdsett – QLD

HKABA National / Cathay Pacific Business Award for Import of Goods/ Services Rockman (Australia) Pty Ltd – NSW

HKABA National / Cathay Pacific Business Award for Business Excellence Emperor's Garden Pty Ltd – NSW

HKABA National / Cathay Pacific Business Award for Business Development Institute of Continuing & TESOL Education (ICTE-UQ), The University of Queensland – QLD



# 14<sup>th</sup> May 2014 HKABA National/HKABA NSW Wine Tasting & Frequent Flyers Evening Hong Kong House, Sydney

The first Wine Tasting and Frequent Flyers Evening hosted at Hong Kong House in Sydney was very popular and insightful.

The wines were provided by Winestate. Peter Jackson and Peter Simic were on hand to guide our taste buds into the finer side of Australian wines. Zeeman Brothers, a producer of organic wines also showed the difference to their wines.

Steve Hui of iFLYflat talk on how to maximize frequent flyer points from every day spending. Ever since he discovered his business model, Steve has flown only Business and First class. It is a model which most of us would surely enjoy learning.



## 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2014 HKABA-WA Business Awards Dinner The Pan Pacific Perth

It was dark and stormy night but HKABA-WA held its own and delivered a Business Awards worthy of excellence. Guests that braved the storm were from Cathay Pacific, Citic Pacific Mining, ANZ Bank, Westpac, Konica Minolta and from the eastern seaboard of Australia

The Awards, widely regarded as a prestigious badge of honour, were presented to winners at a ceremony held this evening at The Pan Pacific Perth.

The independent judging panel was chaired *by* Ms Sarah Kay, Business Development Manager of Cathay Pacific, Mr Charles Bellow of Local Chambers of Commerce & Industry (Inc.), and Mr Graeme Rector of Austrade WA.

Entrants included Ideal Legal Services, Linkar Wine Pty Ltd, Alaw Group Pty Ltd, Hospitality & Kitchen Needs Pty Ltd and Stanley College International.

The winner of the Exports of Goods and/or Services was Ideal Legal Services. Stanley College International was acknowledged in the Business Excellence Award.





# 13<sup>th</sup> June 2014 HKABA-VIC Food & Wine Appreciation Dinner The Gold Leaf, Melbourne











