

NEW ZEALAND-THAI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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August 2007

Dear Member

This month signals the end of the 2006/07 financial year for the Chamber and one that certainly has travelled by very quickly. Our end of year accounts will now be reconciled and submitted to Grant Thornton for auditing and presentation at our AGM at the end of October. During September, membership subscriptions for the 2007/08 year will be sent out - and as we remain keen to strengthen the Chamber through increased membership, we would appreciate your assistance in referring interested parties, who could be keen to join, to one of our committee members.

On Friday 5th October the Chamber is hosting its second eastern seaboard networking event down at Pattaya. This time it is being held at a great venue in the Sheraton hotel and we will be joined by our ambassador, Brook Barrington, who is traveling to Pattaya to attend. The event is being sponsored by SCI Double Impact and for members from Bangkok who would like to attend, but don't have transport, we would again be prepared to organize transport on a shared cost basis to and from Pattaya, on the Friday evening,

Around Waitangi day in February 2008, the annual NZ Ball is again being held. This is a high profile occasion in Bangkok, and the reason for mentioning at this stage is that several different sponsorship packages are still open. If there are any Chamber members who would like to sponsor this event please contact our executive director for relevant contact details.

During the month we saw that the proposed amendments to the FBA, concerning management controls by foreign directors have been approved by the NLA. However we remain uncertain as to the date that these will be effective. We do know that the government intends to meet with representatives of the foreign chambers of commerce very soon to discuss this further and it may be that with the recent positive outcome of the constitution vote and new elections looming, issues with the FBA may not be resolved until after a new government is formed.

This month's CK sponsor is Barry Petersen from Lang Suan House. Barry is a long-standing member of the Chamber and he provides valuable assistance to the foreign business community by representing the NZ Chamber on various employment and immigration subcommittees of the JFCCT. With the of number issues that have arisen over recent months, Barry has enabled us to keep our members posted with up to date information on changes to policy or on the introduction of new work and immigration regulations relevant to foreigners working or living in Thailand. Lang Suan House also assists the "older" generation obtain permanent residency status and retirement visas in Thailand.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Sheraton on the 30th.

Kind regards
Cris Dunning
President

Kiwi NEWS

**August 2007
Corporate Knight Function**

**30th August 2007
6:30pm - 8:30pm**

Venue: Sukhumvit Room, Sheraton Grande Sukhumvit Hotel
(hotel sponsor)

Corporate Sponsor:
Lang Suan House Co Ltd

About our Sponsor:

Lang Suan House Co. Ltd is a Thai limited company, which was registered in 1995. Since 1959, the company's Managing Director, Barry Petersen has lived and worked with locals throughout the region for a total of 28 years living and working in Southeast Asia.

Lang Suan House Co. Ltd can provide full and cost-effective administrative and accounting support for companies not wishing to go to the expense of setting up and maintaining their own office facilities. Such support includes:

- Provision of Registered Office for foreign firms.
- Setting up and registering business entities in Thailand, including obtaining Thai work permits for expatriate employees.
- Full secretarial support (including the preparation of correspondence, invoices, receipts, cheques and the maintenance of a filing system).
- Full accounting (including preparation of correspondence, invoices, receipts, cheques and the maintenance of a filing system).
- Banking and full payroll support for client's employees.

New Member:

John Allison Monkhouse Co, Ltd.

Chamber Representatives:
Mr. Clive Allison, Khun Apple
Kaewprasert
Tel: 02 382 5345-7
Business Type: Export/Repatriation

**Membership Fees
are due in
September. Please
support the
Chamber by paying
your membership
renewal fee
promptly**

**Chamber Events/
Dates for Your Diary**

Thursday 27th September
**September's Corporate Knight
Function**

NZTCC's monthly business
networking evening at the Sheraton
Grande Sukhumvit Hotel

For full details: www.nztcc.org

Friday 5th October
**NZTCC's Eastern Seaboard
Networking Event**

Sheraton Hotel, Pattaya.
From 6.30pm

Corporate Sponsor:
SCI Double Impact

Cost: Members Baht 200
Non-members Baht 300, (on
condition of pre-registration).
Free Flow NZ wine, beer and
delicious food.

For bookings please email
director@nztcc.org

*The Chamber will be arranging
transport to and from Bangkok.*

Sunday, 2nd September
**Bangkok Hospital Medical Center
seminar on "Healthy Living in
Thailand".**

Time: 9.30 - 14.30

Location: 7th Floor, Rehabilitation
Building, Bangkok Hospital, Soi
Soonvijai, New Petchburi Road
Admission: Free of charge.

Email:

corporatemarketing@bgh.co.th

14th-16th November
Royal New Zealand Show
Hosted by the Canterbury
Agricultural & Pastoral Assoc.
Venue: Canterbury Agricultural Park.
To coincide with the Royal Show
**The Canterbury Chamber of
Commerce is running**

International Connections

A two-day programme to assist
organisations with making contact
with potential buyers/suppliers
full details

www.cecc.org.nz
www.theshow.co.nz