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ICHCA Lunches Draw Leading Speakers

The ICHCA lunch program will continue in Victoria and Queensland soon with leading speakers engaged for both events.

In Melbourne, the Managing Director of Qube Holdings, **Maurice James**, will speak at The Stamford Plaza, 111 Little Collins Street on 14 October.

Mr James will talk on Current Challenges for Logistics Operators. This will include an overview of the activities of Qube Holdings Limited and especially some of the challenges faced by logistics services providers in the current economic climate in Australia.

The lunch will start at noon for 12.15 and conclude at 2pm. The RSVP date is 8 October to Kathy Richards on 03 9653 8339 or Kathy.Richards@aecom.com. **ICHCA Members** \$85 per person / **Non Members** \$100.

Mr James has over 30 years of experience in engineering, ports and logistics industries. His early career was spent at the Port of Melbourne Corporation commencing as a civil engineer moving through various roles to Manager Commercial Operations.

He was an integral part of the executive team of Patrick Corporation between 1994 and 2006. His last position at Patrick was Executive Director Ports which included responsibility for Patrick's container terminals and port logistics businesses.

Since 2007 Mr James has had various roles in the Qube related group of companies and on corporatisation of Qube on 1 September 2011, became Managing Director. He is also a Non-Executive Director of the Coates Hire group and sits on the NSW Freight Advisory Council. He holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) and a Master of Business Administration.

He was appointed as a director of Qube in March 2011.



**Maurice James – Managing Director,
Qube Holdings Limited**

Meanwhile, Queensland ICHCA will be holding a lunch in November (date still to be set) at which the guest speaker will be **Steve Lewis**, CEO of North Queensland Bulk Ports Corporation (NQBP). Steve commenced as NQBP's CEO in July 2014.

NQBP is the Port Authority for the Ports of Hay Point, Mackay, Abbot Point and Weipa. These ports are primarily major bulk export facilities, which together are responsible for around 150 million tonnes of exports annually with a value in excess of \$20 billion. NQBP is a major player in the planning of port infrastructure which supports Queensland's resource sector.

Steve has extensive knowledge of Australian ports, having previously served as the Port of Dampier's CEO for 11 years. He has had over 30 years of involvement with transport, which includes involvement in federal and state committees on transport and is strongly focused on business development, customer service and operational efficiency.

He currently sits as a Director on the Board of Ports Australia.

Further information will be provided once a date is set.

An advertisement for Terberg equipment. On the left, the Terberg logo is displayed above the text "The preferred choice for Australia's leading terminal operators". Below this, contact information for Clark Equipment is provided: "Call Clark, they make it happen", "T 02 9477 8446", "E terberg@clarkequipment.com", and "W www.clarkequipment.com/terberg". The Clark Equipment logo, which includes the text "Construction Infrastructure Agriculture Mining Materials Handling and Logistics", is also present. On the right, a yellow Terberg YT220 truck is shown in a port setting.

ICHCA Victoria - SPECIAL EVENT

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EVENT Luncheon Meeting

DATE **WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2015**

TIME 12:00 noon for 12:15pm start - finishing at 2:00pm

VENUE **The Stamford Plaza Melbourne, 111 Little Collins Street, Melbourne**

SPEAKER



MR MAURICE JAMES
Managing Director, Qube
Holdings Limited



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TOPIC

CURRENT CHALLENGES FOR LOGISTICS OPERATORS. QUBE'S POINT OF VIEW

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Luncheon Proudly Sponsored by



COST

ICHCA Members \$85.00 per person / **Non Members** \$100.00 per person (includes 10% GST)
(Charge includes limited wine for each table)

RSVP

Thursday 8 October 2015 – Registration Form attached
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Old Faces in New Queensland Ports Board Appointments

Some old faces have re-emerged in government-owned ports board appointments recently announced in Queensland.

Former Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) chairman and CEO, **Leo Zussino**, has returned as chairman of the GPC board. Mr Zussino replaces **Mark Brodie**, who was chairman for one term. Mr Zussino has had an association with the port of Gladstone for decades and oversaw much of the initial growth in trade and infrastructure at the port.

He is also a former Chairman of Ports Australia and AMSA.

Former CEO of North Queensland Bulk Ports (NQBP), **Brad Fish**, also very well known in the Queensland and Australian ports industry, returns to the organisation as the new chairman. He resigned from the CEO position about 18 months ago after having been in the role for 13 years.

He replaces **Peter Milton** who was in the role for one term. Mr Milton is well known in the Australian grain industry.

At Ports North in Cairns, the previous chairman, **Brett Moller** has been replaced by commercial lawyer, **Russell Beer**.

Michael Klug will continue as the Queensland Rail chairman.

The other transport-related board director appointments are:

Ports North: **Michael Huelin** and **Victoria Cuda**.

Gladstone Ports Corporation: **Peter Corones**, **Peta Jamieson**, **Grant Cassidy**.

NQBP: **Annabel Dolphin**, **Craig Walker**.

Queensland Rail: **David Marchant**.

ShredTheRed Drives Business Transport Reform

Western Australia's 200,000-plus businesses will be able to process vehicle registrations and update details online by the end of the year under the State Government's red tape blitz. Transport Minister, Dean Nalder, said the advance meant improved efficiencies for all businesses but particularly for the transport sector, which would drive productivity.

"We want to reduce red tape for businesses, cut their administrative burden and lower their costs," Mr Nalder said.

Improvements driven by Main Roads WA and the Department of Transport include:

- a new 'one stop shop' for the heavy vehicle industry for the processing of permits and over size, over mass movements, rather than having to deal with four separate agencies

- replacing the two most common permits for restricted access vehicles with a single gazette notice, removing a \$50 fee and saving industry \$250,000 a year
- a new team of traffic escort wardens, allowing police to return to frontline duties
- undergrounding of power lines to improve truck driving safety and reduce costs
- new pullover and layover bays to allow for efficient changeovers
- changes to the accredited mass management scheme to allow loading in a network approach, rather than individual approvals
- extending the online payment system DoTDirect - currently available to individuals - to businesses by the end of this year.

"About 40 billion tonnes of freight are transported by road in WA each year, so it's important to ensure hurdles are removed so the industry can function efficiently," Mr Nalder said. "This approach also helps keep down prices for consumers. For instance, obtaining a heavy vehicle permit now takes about 24 hours in WA, compared to up to two months in the Eastern States."



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Tender for Mount Isa/Tennant Creek Railway Scoping Study

A potential new rail project linking Tennant Creek to Mount Isa has taken another step forward with the Northern Territory Government awarding a tender for a scoping study on the project to Port Jackson Partners.

Chief Minister, Adam Giles, said the scoping study would investigate the opportunities and benefits the line could provide and how to give the project the best chance of success.

"The 600km line could provide enormous economic opportunities, potentially opening up new mining projects and boosting development in our regional and remote areas. Preliminary investigations suggest a number of mining companies in the Mount Isa area could be interested in exporting through the Port of Darwin, instead of Townsville.

"We don't need a feasibility study to tell us that we should open opportunities to develop the significant resources we know exist in this region.

"This piece of enabling infrastructure would join to, and benefit from the existing railways between Adelaide and Darwin and from Mount Isa to Townsville, providing an efficient route to market for potential new projects in the region and a new logistics option for those who currently use both these lines."

Mr Giles said Port Jackson Partners would deliver an initial report to Government in November with the scoping study to consider the economic and business case for the project, where trade might come from, ownership of the railway and the impact on new and existing freight users.

New Live Export Strategy Released

Minister for Agriculture, Barnaby Joyce, has launched the Meat Industry Strategic Plan 2020, which frames the strategic focus of all aspects of the production, processing and live export sectors of Australia's beef, sheep meat and goat meat supply chain for the future.

Mr Joyce said the plan would put the red meat sector in a strong position to take advantage of extremely favourable international conditions. "2015 is a great time to be an Australian red meat producer, global demand is booming, prices are high and the dollar is low," Mr Joyce said.

"These favourable conditions create a springboard for the red meat industry to advance and build an even stronger future - but it is essential the industry takes the lead in understanding its dynamics and setting its own direction.

"This plan is a great example of an industry showing that commitment - and bringing together businesses and producers from across the supply chain in these sectors is a significant achievement. We're equally committed to a prosperous red meat sector. It's a sector that supports rural and regional communities across the country.

"The Agricultural Competitiveness White Paper has set out the government's vision for a more profitable agriculture sector - an investment in the future of agriculture to the tune of \$4 billion.

"The White Paper sets aside a further \$100 million for the Rural R&D for Profit Programme, to fund innovative research partnerships up to 2020-21. This is on top of the almost \$50 million the government provided to red meat R&D last financial year.

"We know trade underpins the profitability of the red meat sector. Australia exported more than \$13 billion of red meat and offal to 123 countries in 2014-15.

"That's why we've allocated \$30.8 million to boost access to premium markets overseas and appoint five new agricultural counsellors in key markets."

Meat Industry Strategic Plan 2020, visit <http://rmac.com.au>.

New Australian Grape and Wine Authority Directors

Meanwhile, Mr Joyce has announced four new faces will join three current directors and the Chair of the Australian Grape and Wine Authority (AGWA).

"I want to thank outgoing directors - John Casella, John Forrest, Ian Henderson and Janice McDonald for their work in establishing AGWA and providing strong leadership and clear strategic direction during the stand-up phase," Minister Joyce said.

"I equally want to welcome the new directors who were selected through a merit-based process by a selection committee nominated by AGWA's representative organisations.

"I am confident the blend of experience of the current directors and fresh perspectives of the new directors will ensure AGWA invests in research and development and marketing aimed at producing the best results for its levy payers."

The new directors are:

- **David Dearie**, VIC, Managing Director of Eastwind Consulting Limited and former CEO of Treasury Wine Estates Limited
- **Edouard Peter**, SA, Chairman of Duxton Capital Singapore with extensive experience in international agricultural investments
- **Mary Retallack**, SA, Managing Director of Retallack Viticulture and third generation viticulturist
- **Keith Todd**, SA, General Manager Global Operations, Accolade Wines with over 25 years international experience in food, beverage and agricultural processing industries.

They join continuing directors:

- **Brian Walsh**, SA, current AGWA Chair
- **Eliza Brown**, VIC, CEO of All Saints Estate and St Leonards Vineyards
- **Brian Croser AO**, SA, Chairman of Tapanappa Pty Ltd and Tunkalilla Vineyards Inc
- **Kim Williams AM**, NSW, Commissioner, Australian Football League and member of Executive Channel International Pty Ltd.

For more information about the work of AGWA, visit agwa.net.au.

Darwin Port Trade Results

Trade results show the Port of Darwin had significant increases in key trade lines and was well positioned to drive economic growth and job opportunities for the Northern Territory. Chief Minister, Adam Giles, said the Port of Darwin was on track to become a major distribution hub into Asia and a first class port in Australia.

"The Northern Territory Government is working hard to create opportunities to deliver more jobs, better services and improve our unique way of life," he said.

“One way we are laying the foundations for economic growth for the Territory is by exploring opportunities for increased private investment in the Port of Darwin through a long term lease.

“The government is currently considering binding bids to determine if a partnership arrangement can be reached that delivers on the vision for the future economic growth and development of the Territory.

“These results show the Port of Darwin is already firmly established as Australia’s northern gateway of choice for trade, and there are strong prospects for the future, particularly if the right private sector partner can be found to operate and grow our port.”

Key figures from the Port of Darwin 2014/15 Trade Report include:

world record cattle exports – 613,473 head, up by 51%

125% increase in cement imports

36% increase in rig tender visits, supporting the off shore oil and gas fields

increased cruise ship visits

imported cargo increased by 5%

China was the top trading partner with 48% of total cargo trade, including all dry bulk mineral exports.



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