



Italian Chamber of Commerce & Industry QUEENSLAND

ICCI QLD NEWSLETTER

11th March 2016

Message from the President, Comm. Hon. Santo Santoro

Dear Members, Friends and Supporters of ICCI (Qld),

As you will see from the contents of this newsletter, ICCI (Qld) continues to power along and provide much good service and value to its members, friends and supporters.

We are particularly pleased to announce the details of the ICCI (Qld) April Networking lunch to be held on **Friday 15th April** at the Gambaro Hotel on Caxton Street, Brisbane and at which the very special guest will be The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane. This will be a lunch with a difference, for His Grace will be a speaker very different to those that we are used to hearing at our lunches. Given recent events in relation to the Catholic Church, the address by the Archbishop will undoubtedly prove to be both fascinating and insightful.

Within the newsletter, we also feature two of our very distinguished members and their businesses, these being wine importer and distributor extraordinaire, Filippo D'Arrò and the multiple award-winning restaurant/catering/hotel group, Gambaro's. These two ICCI (Qld) members do us proud and we are very honoured to have them as members within ICCI (Qld) ranks.

Please also note that the Annual General Meeting of ICCI (Qld) will be held on **Monday 21st March**. All members are welcome to attend the Annual General Meeting, the details of which are included elsewhere in this newsletter.

I am sure that you will also enjoy the extensive article in relation to a very good friend of ICCI (Qld), this being the Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC). We very much enjoy our special relationship with QPAC, its CEO, John Kotzas and his very friendly and efficient team.

I hope that you enjoy this newsletter and again encourage and welcome your involvement in all that ICCI (Qld) does.

With best wishes to all,

**Comm. Hon. Santo Santoro –
President**



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Lunch with The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane – 15th of April

ICCI Qld. kindly invites you, your friends and colleagues to enjoy a **Lunch with the Most Reverend Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane** on Friday, the 15th of April. Archbishop Coleridge will enlighten us with a speak about his time in Rome, his love for Italy, and will also weave into this a little about Pope Francis and the direction of the church.

A lunch with the Most Reverend Mark Coleridge *Archbishop of Brisbane*

“Rome, Then & Now”



Please find below some information on the lunch, so that you can put it in your agenda. On this regard, please find attached to this newsletter the invitation and booking form for the event, that you can scan and return to our Event Desk by email at events@icci.com.au or by fax to **(07) 3392 1022**

When	Friday, 15 th of April 2016
Where	Gambaro Hotel – 29 Caxton St, Brisbane QLD 4000
Time	From 11.30am for 12pm to 2.15pm
Dress	Lounge Suit
Price	Members \$120 – Non Members \$140 – Table of 10 \$1100
RSVP	Friday, 8 th of April 2016

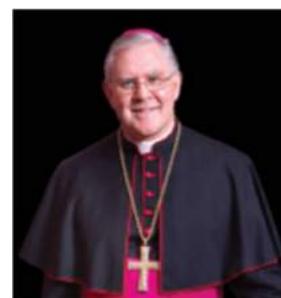


For reservations and further information, please contact Silvia at
events@icci.com.au or call **(07) 3392 2499**

Invitation and RSVP form are attached to the newsletter

About Archbishop Coleridge

An accomplished speaker, a fine preacher, a born teacher, a learned Scripture scholar: each and all of these apply to Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane. Born in Melbourne in 1948 and ordained a priest in Melbourne in 1974, he served as an Assistant Priest in various Melbourne parishes before studying Scripture at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome. He taught Scripture in Melbourne, where he was eventually made Master of Catholic Theological College. In late 1997, he was appointed to work in the Holy See's Secretariat of State for four years. He was ordained Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne in 2002 and named Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn in 2006. In 2012 he was appointed Metropolitan Archbishop of Brisbane where he currently serves.



ICCI (Qld) Members' Profiles – Filippo D'Arrò



It's a privilege to profile in this newsletter board member, wine importer and distributor, **Filippo D'Arrò**.

As I have said on many occasions, Fil's generosity towards the Chamber is legendary and we are very grateful for all the support that he provides to the Chamber.

Fil is without doubt one of the most renowned, recognized and in many instances, exclusive importer of prestigious Italian wines. He is motivated by the personal and professional satisfaction of – as he puts it – *“bringing the joy of Italian wine products to Italian people and continuing to live the dream of what it is to be Italian”*.

In particular, he is very keen to replace in the marketplace wines that purport to be Italian wines with genuine Italian products that he describes as 'True Italian'.

Fil is proud of the brands for which he has exclusive distribution, including Ferrari Trento Doc which has just been awarded Best Winery in Europe and Best Sparkling Wine in the World 2015. Ferrari Trento is a genuine Italian treasure, of which Fil is very proud. This sparkling wine is challenging the very best of champagnes around the world and is winning award after award.

Meleto is one of the other great brands that Fil promotes. Meleto is one of the great producers of Tuscan wine which are produced in vineyards that have been producing wine since the 12th century. The vineyard boasts a 12th century castle which welcomes thousands of visitors through its doors every year.

Amongst many other exclusive wines that are currently being introduced into the Australian market is Franciacorta which together with Ferrari Trento, Fil believes will become the next big things in terms of Italian wines in Australia.

Fil's background in the wine and liquor industry a formidable one. He started his wine business in 2007 and prior to that was the Trade Relations and Sponsorship Manager for Castlemaine Perkins. His responsibilities involved looking after the needs of the State of Origin competition and those of the Broncos, Cowboys, Queensland Bulls, the Reds, Wallabies and Kangaroos. He worked at Castlemaine Perkins for 15 years before striking out on his own.

Key customers of Fil are Star Entertainment Group, AEG Ogden, QPAC, Spirit Hotel Group, Weller Hotel Group and the Oz Pub Group. Fil also supplies top Italian restaurants in Queensland such as Tartufo, Bucci, Bella Cosi and Donna Bionda. He also services key retail customers such as Cru Br and The Wine Emporium.

We are proud to have Fil D'Arro on board as a member of the board of ICCi (Qld). Whenever I make this statement, he always reminds me that his greatest joy is to simply be an ordinary rank and file member of ICCi (Qld)

Fil is so, so, capable yet so, so modest...

Filippo D'Arrò

Director

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ICCI (Qld.) Member Restaurants - Gambaro Group



The Gambaro origins in Australia date back over 60 years.

From humble beginnings as a single fish and chip shop, to developing a successful seafood business, Gambaro have always focused on offering guests a five-star hospitality experience. **Gambaro Seafood Restaurant** has been a Brisbane institution for years, offering the finest seafood in the

city and beyond. This tradition continues with the award winning **Black Hide Steakhouse** by Gambaro and the luxury 5 star **Gambaro Hotel**, Brisbane.

The very first Gambaro establishment opened in Brisbane on Caxton Street in 1953, by the late Giovanbaptista Gambaro after he moved to Australia from his hometown in Calabria. From this time, and for more than three generations, Gambaro have pioneered Brisbane's hospitality industry.

For decades, Gambaro has won industry accolades and continues to honour its fundamental purpose to provide its guests with the best customer service experience possible. Now run by father Michael Gambaro and sons John, Frank and Donny Gambaro.



Recent awards include:

WINNER - Gambaro Hotel – Boutique Luxury Hotel of the Year – Luxury Travel Guide 2015

WINNER - Gambaro Hotel – Best New Accommodation Hotel - QHA 2014

WINNER - Gambaro Seafood Restaurant - QLD Seafood Restaurant - Restaurant and Catering Savour Awards 2014

WINNER - Black Hide Steakhouse - Steak Restaurant – Formal - 2015 Savour Australia Restaurant & Catering Awards for Excellence QLD/NT

WINNER - Black Hide Steakhouse - Chef Hat - Good Food Guide 2014/2015/2016

WINNER - Black Hide Steakhouse - QLD Steak Restaurant - Restaurant and Catering Savour Awards 2014

WINNER - Black Hide Steakhouse - Restaurant of the Year Brisbane/Darling Downs - Restaurant and Catering Savour Awards 2014

WINNER - Black Hide Steakhouse - National Steak Restaurant – Restaurant and Catering Savour Awards 2014

ICCI (Qld) and the project Ospitalità Italiana 2016

ICCI Qld renews its campaign for the 2016 edition of the “**Ospitalità Italiana – Ristoranti Italiani nel Mondo**” Seal of Quality award. We therefore invite members and supporters to send in new nominations for 2016/2017.



Restaurants that are interested in being considered and assessed for the Ospitalità Italiana Award should contact the Acting Secretary General of our Chamber at **07 3392 2499** or write to **info@icci.com.au**

For full details on the award, eligibility criteria and selection process, please visit **www.icci.com.au/Ospitalita%20ita.aspx**

Restaurants that have received the ICCI Qld sponsored Ospitalità Italiana Award are:

-  *Il Locale*
-  *Tartufo*
-  *MarioSarti*
-  *Colle Rosso*
-  *Il Posto*
-  *Gusto da Gianni*
-  *Viale Canova*
-  *Fellini*





The Tuscan Estate Project: “Sunrise in Tuscany”



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Sunrise in Tuscany is a private Lifestyle Development Project located in the hills above the village of *Pescaglia*, right in the middle of the world famous Tuscan Region of Italy. The Estate area is 50 acres and includes a 500 years-old Farmhouse which will be converted to a Spa & Restaurant. Developers now plan to build the First Stage (Four Villas) and offer Equity and Mezzanine Funding Opportunity – Investment of \$65k relates to 22% ownership and Mezzanine Funding of \$650k first mortgage security 12 % interest – repaid at end of construction.

Apartments selling from \$298,500



*For further information
about this exciting project,
please contact*

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Internet Marketing Seminar: Digital Marketing & Mobile Optimisation with Ben Bradshaw



The Valley Chamber of Commerce would like to invite members of the ICCI (Qld) to attend its **Internet Marketing Seminar** on Wednesday 16th March 2016.

ICCI (Qld) members are offered the VCC member rate of \$40. To receive this discount, our members will just need to use the coupon code: ITALIAN when purchasing the ticket(s).

Details of the seminar can be found at valleychamber.com.au, as well as the link to purchase tickets. For enquiries, contact admin@valleychamber.com.au

When	Wednesday, 16 th of March 2016
Where	Cloudland – Moon Room 641 Ann Street, Fortitude Valley
Time	2.30pm for 3pm – 5pm
Cost	\$40.00- Members \$55.00- Non-Members Includes Tea/Coffee and Afternoon Tea

In the seminar you will learn:

- *about micro-moments and how capturing your customer during these crucial times determines the purchase*
- *the importance of mobile optimisation across all smart devices (not just one)- the future of digital marketing according to Google*
- *the top 5 digital trends to watch in 2016*
- *tips on how to tackle your digital marketing for 2016*

QPAC – The Queensland Performing Arts Centre



Queensland Performing Arts Centre (Photo courtesy of Brisbane Marketing)

The Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) located within Queensland's vibrant cultural precinct at South Bank is focused on creating a world where the performing arts matter to everyone. Welcoming more than 1.4 million visitors and presenting around 1250 performances annually the QPAC experience extends beyond the theatre with a range of unique spaces to eat, drink, and enjoy free live entertainment.

Visitors are the heart of QPAC, influencing and providing vital support for everything the Centre does. With this in mind the Centre recently launched QPAC Membership. Membership benefits include zero transaction fees on ticket purchases, priority booking and savings on dining and parking. Gold Membership includes 12 months digital subscription to The Courier-Mail or other News Limited titles, Digital magazine subscription to your choice of titles including Vogue Australia, GQ and Donna Hay and free monthly eBooks, as well as many bonus rewards and offers.

In 2016 QPAC will present its signature Out of the Box festival for children 8 years and under. This longstanding biennial event is a highlight on Brisbane's cultural calendar for both schools and families alike.

Taking place 21 – 28 June 2016 at QPAC and across the Cultural Precinct and South Bank, Out of the Box provides a rich arts-based program. It has been curated by QPAC for 24 years and is the only arts festival in Australia dedicated to children 8 and under and one of only a few in the world. It's also the nation's largest early childhood arts festival and had more than 103,000 participants in the 2014 festival.

Recently QPAC also announced together with the Dainty Group that the Centre will welcome the return of Australia's favourite Neapolitan pop crooner, Patrizio Buanne for one night only in QPAC's Concert Hall on **Monday 13 June 2016** in Bravo Patrizio with **tickets on sale from 9.00am on Monday 7 March 2016**.

Patrizio will revisit some of the biggest hits from his back catalogue of well-loved albums and debut some new classics to coincide with the release of his upcoming album Bravo Patrizio (in stores 22 April, 2016).

For further information on QPAC and the items above go to qpac.com.au or phone **136-246**.



2016 Out of the Box Festival for Children 8 Years and Under (Holi Throw)



2016 Out of the Box Festival for Children 8 Years and Under (Gazillion Bubbles Show)



Patrizio Buanne

Major Fairs and Conventions

ICCI (Qld) renews its assistance and support to its members and friends in organizing their attendance at the above and other Italian trade conventions and fairs, including the organization of a specifically tailored program of meetings and introductions.



An historical event for the world of agriculture in central and southern Italy, a reference for dealers-manufacturers of agriculture machinery and economic exchange meeting point for farmers and operators. The research and the new cultivation and livestock techniques will have a key role in the event: conferences, seminars and workshops will show the way forward for operators in the sector and the huge development potential that it offers.



BioEnergy is a unique exhibition that will present both the most recent technological features and the most innovative solutions and ideas in Energy production from renewable sources; Green Chemistry; Management and re-use of food industry waste products.



For five days, thousands of skilled professionals from all over the world will come to see the best woodworking technologies first hand, as well as the best materials and components for furniture manufacturing.



Prowinter provides a complete panorama of new products and services intended for an increasingly cross-cutting and demanding target of operators and professionals in the mountain tourism-sports sector.



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The exhibition area comprises 100,000 square meters of water basin surface and more than 200,000 square meters of pavilions and outdoor areas where exhibitors can exhibit sailing boats, luxury yachts, motor yachts, catamarans, sailboats and maxi yachts. The spectrum of industries includes all types of vessels, ship components, accessories, motors and electronics as well as water sports equipment, yacht leasing and financing.

The exhibition is accompanied by various seminars, lectures and discussion sessions on yacht brokerage, yacht charter, yacht transport and yacht delivery within the Mediterranean and worldwide.

Italian Trade Exhibitions' 2016 Calendar

Agriculture

Name INTERNATIONAL FAIR OF AGRICULTURE AND ZOOTECNHY

When 29 April – 1 May
Where Foggia

Energy, Fuel, Gas

Name BIOENERGY

When 20 – 22 April
Where Cremona

Industry & Technology

Name XYLEXPO

When 24 – 28 May
Where Milano

Sport & Leisure

Name PROWINTER

When 6 – 8 April
Where Bolzano

Transport & Logistics

Name INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW

When 20 – 25
September
Where Genoa

Azimut makes ninth acquisition in Australia

The Italian financial services company Azimut Holding SpA reinforces its presence in Australia by signing an agreement to acquire the entire capital of Wealthwise via its Australian subsidiary, AZ Next Generation Advisory Pty Ltd.

The agreement includes share swap of 49% of Wealthwise's equity for AZ Next Generation Advisory shares and buy back of these shares over next ten years. The remaining 51% stake will be paid to founding partners in cash over a period of two years.

After the acquisition of Eureka Whittaker Macnaught, Pride Group, Lifestyle Financial Planning Services, Financial Lifestyle Partners, Harvest Wealth ("HW"), Wise Planners, RI Toowoomba and Empowered Financial Partners, this agreement is a clear sign that Australia is a priority financial market for Azimut Holding.

(Azimut Website)

Neapolitan Pizza as a candidate for the UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list

Italy has put forward the Neapolitan pizza as a candidate for inclusion in UNESCO's cultural heritage list for next year. The national commission for UNESCO said it had voted unanimously to protect the Neapolitan pizza as part of the country's cultural and gastronomic tradition. If UNESCO accepts the bid it will win a place on the world body's list of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity as The Traditional Art of Neapolitan Pizza Makers.



Traditional Neapolitan Pizza has a relatively thin crust with the exception of the rim, which, when baked, bloats like a tiny bicycle tire. It is religiously made in a wood-burning brick oven and has two classic versions: Marinara (tomato, garlic, oregano and oil) and, the most famous, Margherita (tomato, mozzarella, oil and basil).

According to tradition, the Pizza Margherita was created in 1889 by a local chef in honour of Queen Margherita, who was visiting the city. It has the red, white and green colours of the Italian flag.

(Yahoo Finance)

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3 Saints Feast Brisbane Committee invites you to its event



Feast in honour of the martyred Three Saints: Alfio, Filadelfo & Cirino

When Sunday, 1st of May 2016

Where Holy Cross Church – Woolowin

Time From 9.30am for 6pm

- 9:30am SOLEMN MASS** celebrated by Fr. Jose Thekkemuriyil PP, Fr. Mauro Conte and sung by the St. Alfio choir.
- 12:00pm FOOD STALLS** Including BBQ Italian sausages, steaks, arancini, porchetta, roasted chestnuts, hot chips, granita, cannoli, sweets, coffee, tea and drinks. Children's entertainment; animal farm, pony rides, supa-chair swing, jumping castle and face painting. Music by the acclaimed duo **Jamie & Alexandria**.
- 2:00pm EXIT OF THE SAINTS & STREET PROCESSION**
- 3:30pm ENTERTAINMENT** Jamie & Alexandria continue
- 5:00pm** The celebrated Star with "The voice of an angel" **Nata Forte**.
- 6:00pm DRAWING OF THE RAFFLE** and end of the 2016 Feast.

For further information about the event, please visit
www.threesaints.org.au

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