

A Joint Networking Forum

Benefits of Independent Directors



Wednesday 13 September 2006 | Kooyong Lawn | Tennis Club | 489 Glenferrie Road | Kooyong | 7.30am – 10.00am

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Venue

Kooyong Lawn
Tennis Club
489 Glenferrie Road
Kooyong

Cost

\$40 for CPA Australia or
FBA or AICD Members
\$50 for Non-Members

Includes Breakfast.
Prices include GST.

Car Parking

Free parking is available
next door to the Vision
Australia building.

What are the benefits of having independent directors?

You are invited to a seminar jointly hosted by Family Business Australia, CPA Australia and the Australian Institute of Company Directors. This event will provide an opportunity for those in family business and in the SME sector to hear how they can reap the benefits of moving their business forward by employing independent directors.

The independent director, with their objective focus, can prove to be a steadying influence when family, or other, dynamics can affect the economic success of the business. When the independent director arrives, they possess a broad understanding of similar business circumstances and understand the strategic requirement to plan and control performance - and to evaluate risk. These traits are invaluable for the business – and can particularly be of help during difficult periods of transition or through other challenges.

Attendees at this seminar will profit from hearing from a qualified family business adviser, as well as from the daughter of a well-known Victorian family business founder - who will outline the benefits her business encountered when good independent directors were appointed. Participants will also learn useful information on how to find a suitable director for their business.

If you are committed to expanding your business networks and want to discuss strategies to help you gain a competitive edge, then this event is for you.

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PRESENTERS



Adele Levinge is the Director of The Dennis Family. Adele Levinge is a second generation member of her family's business the Dennis Family Corporation which was founded in 1960. After studying business at university and working outside of the family business, Adele formally joined her family's firm in 1983. The company, involved in land development, housing and community building employs around 250 people and operates in Australia and China.

Adele is a shareholder, Director and Board member. She is a member of two Board sub-committees – finance and sustainability. Adele is one of eight members worldwide of the international Family Business Network (FBN) Next Generation Working Group (NGWG). The NGWG was created by the FBN to provide a forum for discussion and experience for next generation business owners worldwide. In Australia, Adele was the inaugural Chair of the NGWG for Family Business Australia (FBA) and is also a Board member of Family Business Australia.



John Harte is a professional business manager and non-executive director. He specialises in investment management, superannuation, financial services, agribusiness, and biotechnology. John has over 15 years experience in business management in CEO, Head of business and directorship roles in companies ranging from multinationals to SME in Europe, Australia, and the US. John holds an honours degree in Veterinary Medicine; he is a member of the Chartered Institute of Public Relations and the Australian Institute of Marketing. John is a graduate of the Company Directors Course Diploma and has completed the Advanced Courseworks as an accountant with *J. N. Cooke, Foley & Co.*



Paul Geyer is the State Manager, Victorian Division, for the Australian Institute of Company Directors. He was the Chief Executive Officer, Australian Practice Nurses Association Inc (start up); General Manager Australia, Intrahealth Ltd (start up); Chief Executive Officer, Central Bayside Division of General Practice Ltd (start up); Project Consultant, Deakin Australia; Medical Education Coordinator, The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners – Victoria Faculty and the editor for London Docklands Business Directory, Dorchester Productions, London.

Paul has a Company Directors Diploma, Australian Institute of Company Directors, 2005; Master of Business Administration, The Melbourne Business School, The University of Melbourne, 1999; Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies, The Graduate School of Management, The University of Melbourne, 1995 and a Bachelor of Science, La Trobe University, 1987



Jon Kenfield LLB CA CPA FIAMA MBO, CEO, The Solutionist Group, Melbourne. Jon has provided mediation, facilitation and strategic problem solving services to a wide range of family businesses for over twenty years. He is widely recognised as one of Australia's most experienced and effective family business advisers, and his innovative approaches have helped many family businesses to achieve exceptional outcomes in meeting their challenges, preventing and resolving family conflict, and in handling succession planning and leadership transition challenges.

Jon chairs the Family Councils of a number of well-known family businesses; he also facilitates Family Forums, Meetings and Retreats, and mentors family members.

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YES, I WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND

SESSION:

Wednesday 13 September 2006 (Event Code: 6114)

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF HAVING INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS?

I AM ATTENDING AT THE (PLEASE TICK YOUR RATE)

CPA Australia or FBA or AICD Members – \$40

Non-member – \$50

Includes Breakfast. All prices include GST.

HOW TO REGISTER

Registrations to be received by Monday 11 September 2006.

ONLINE: Go to <http://www.cpaaustralia.com.au/cpd>
Enter the Event Code **6114** and follow the prompts

FAX: 1300 65 81 56

MAIL: Event Registration
CPA Australia
Member Services Centre
GPO Box 2820
Melbourne VIC 3001

Upon receipt of registration, you will be issued with a confirmation letter and tax invoice. Please check your confirmation letter carefully as entrance to the activity is by confirmation letter only. If you have not received confirmation or there are any discrepancies, please contact the Member Services Centre.

ENQUIRIES

PHONE: 1300 85 77 05

EMAIL: vic.events@cpaastralia.com.au
www.cpaaustralia.com.au

FAMILY BUSINESS AUSTRALIA

PHONE: 1800 249 357

WEB: www.fambiz.com.au

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF COMPANY DIRECTORS

PHONE: 9211 9255

WEB: www.companydirectors.com.au

REGISTRATION DETAILS

For additional registrants, or for sharing with your friends and colleagues, please feel free to photocopy this form.

CPA Member FBA Member AICD Member Non-Member

Membership Number

Title

First Name

Surname

Position

Organisation/Department

Address

Phone (Work)

Fax

Email

Signature

Date

Dietary Requirements

I wish to pay by (VI066114)

Cheque (Payable to CPA Australia) \$ Cheque Amount

Amex Visa Mastercard Bankcard Diners Club

Card Number

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Expiry Date

Cardholder's Name

\$

Amount

(GST Inclusive)

Signature

Full payment required prior to event.

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