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# Regional Meetings dates have now been confirmed.

REMINDER: Please add the dates in your calenders.

- NELSON BAY REGIONAL MEETING Monday, 12 August 2019 at 10.30am Nelson Bay Co-Op, 6 Helm Close, Salamandar Bay
- **DIAL IN REGIONAL MEETING -** Thursday, 15th August 2019 at 6.30pm.
- VIETNAMESE SENIORS REGIONAL MEETING Monday, 19 August 2019 at 10.30am 44 Fairview Rd, Canley Vale
- CENTRAL REGIONAL MEETING Tuesday, 27 August 2019 at 6.30pm
   Redfern Town Hall, 73 Pitt Street, Redfern
- WESTERN REGIONAL MEETING Thursday, 29 August 2019 at 6.30pm Club Liverpool, 185 George St, Liverpool
- GRAFTON REGIONAL MEETING Tuesday, 3rd September 2019 at 11.30am Grafton Services Club, 105 - 107 Mary St, Grafton
- FORSTER REGIONAL MEETING Wednesday, 4th September 2019 at 11.00am
   Tuncurry Bowling Club, 21 Parkes St, Tuncurry

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### **DATES & LOCATION**

- Thursday, 21 June: Leaning & Professional Development Workshops
- Thursday, 21 June: Conference Dinner
- Friday, 22 June: Conference & Expo

### A professional development program of 3 workshops to choose from:

- Co-operative Governance and Management Presented by Sam Byrne
- Digital Media for Co-operatives Presented by Webgirl Consulting
- Mental Health First Aid Presented by Red Cross

Please see attached, an information sheet with further details.

All the best from the steering committee & on behalf of Mirjana Kreiselmaier

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HI EVERYONE,

JUST WANT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE HAVE A NEW TELEPHONE

SYSTEM. IF WE HAVE MISSED YOUR CALL, WE ARE SORRY, PLEASE LEAVE A

MESSAGE AND

IT WILL BE FORWARDED ON TO THE PERSON YOUR AFTER, TO RETURN YOUR CALL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.



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For all details regarding the Coop NSW Program please click on the Program's link to obtain further information <a href="https://conference.nsw.coop/">https://conference.nsw.coop/</a> or please contact Dianne Sakr at CENSW on Dianne@commonequity.com.au

### **Our participation**

We are hoping to participate this year again in the Conference. Our aim is to be able to attend with approximately 20 co-op members including CENSW staff over the two days and we have ordered tickets. Should some co-ops' want to attend with many of their members please call us to discuss a pathway for ordering additional tickets. A professional development Day is also

being offered this year, and should you wish to participate in any of the workshops please call (93569212) or email Dianne so that we can set tickets aside for you.

A small delegation of CE staff and two co-op members are in discussion with Co-ops NSW, organising our contribution and participation in the 2019 Conference. Our thoughts are:

- 1. We will have a Booth (3x3m) and are asking coops to become involved and to display promotional information from your coops. For all further discussions and information contact Dianne.
- 2. We have 20 Conference tickets for interested coop members to attend. Please contact us to secure tickets as soon as possible and this includes workshop tickets at the very latest by 12 June 2019.
- 3. We are organising a Forum for our sector members on Friday 21th June for two hours as part of the Conference. We have held a similar Forum at the 2018 Conference. The themes for presentations & discussions this year:
  - · Ageing members & ageing in place; and
  - Issues around using Contractors, 'Contractor Model'

We are currently working to locate a suitable speaker on Ageing bringing the latest research into focus and supporting our understanding of the issues and impacts of ageing on housing coops, members and Common Equity.

At the latest round of Regional meetings and in previous years, many coops have spoken about issues with the 'Contractor model'. We would like to take that issue up to discuss in more detail. Therefore, inviting two coops/members to give a presentation on the issues their coops are experiencing with contractors.

After the presentations, we intend to break into two groups to discuss the above-mentioned themes further. The aim is to provide a write up for the sector on the points of discussion and solutions. We hope this would lead to developing a discussion paper on sector development in future. This is not a complete list on sector development, but a start.

I hope this finds co-ops agreement. For all further details, discussions, suggestions and your nomination to attend the Conference please get in touch with Dianne. Dianne is collecting all inquiries and applications of attendance and forwarding to the steering committee.

On behalf of the steering commit we hope to welcome you at the Conference, and should you have any questions and suggestions please let us know.

All the best from the steering committee & on behalf

Mirjana Kreiselmaier