
ARIP Darling Downs & Maranoa - Innovation Tour of Brisbane

This tour is open to any interested individuals across the Darling Downs and Maranoa. You might be:

- Starting your own business,
- Involved in community groups,
- Already in a business you launched,
- Work for a business,
- A combination of some of the above, and want to find out what is happening, and meet interesting people!

This trip will provide the opportunity for participants to extend their network in Brisbane with businesses and government across small business and innovation. It is also an opportunity to engage with Little Tokyo Two who will be working with Food Leaders Australia delivering hackathons across the Darling Downs and Maranoa later this year. P.S if you don't know what a hackathon is, don't worry, this trip will help with all the innovation/ start up lingo that is around! Little Tokyo Two is hosting us while we are in Brisbane.

You will also meet with others from across the region who will be on the tour, as well as other innovators and startup businesses who are keen to meet with rural businesses like yourselves.

Travel is being organised, and all participants will travel together from Toowoomba on a Stonestreeets bus (thanks Stonestreeets!). There will be no cost for travel.

Participants are asked to cover the cost of accommodation for the 2 nights in Brisbane. This will cost \$149, and is organised as shared accommodation. Single rooms can be arranged, and will cost more. You will also need to pay for some meals.

We want to make sure that cost is not a barrier for people attending, so we have planned accordingly.

Monday 18 June

Time	Activity
12.00pm	Everyone meet in Toowoomba from various locations
12.30pm – 1.30pm	Making connections in Toowoomba: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Toowoomba Surat Basin Enterprise & Food Leaders Australia• Toowoomba Chamber of Commerce• Toowoomba Startup & Canvas Co-working
2.00pm – 4.00pm	Travel Toowoomba – Brisbane on bus together, check in at: Ibis Styles Brisbane 40 Elizabeth Street
4.00pm – 5.00pm	How I Built This – LT2 Style! Hear from Little Tokyo Two members about how they built their business; the ups, the downs, and all the fun in-between!
5.00pm – 7.00pm	Drinks and networking with guests
7.00pm – 9.00pm	Dinner with guests

Tuesday 19 June

Time	Activity
8.30 – 9.30am	Entrepreneurship 101 – Jock Fairweather This workshop will focus on the basics of starting a small business.

9.30 – 10.00am	VIP tour of Little Tokyo Two and Fishburners by Joshua Manion
10.00am – 11.00am	Investment 101 – Jason Andrew This workshop will focus on the basics of looking for investment. Participants will gain understanding of what investors look for and what information they should present to potential investors.
11.00am – 12.00pm	Travel to 186 Brunswick St, Fortitude Valley
12.00 – 1.00pm	VIP tour of Arc Coworking by Victor Vicario
1.00 – 2.00pm	Walk to 315 Brunswick St + grab lunch on the way
2.00 – 3.00pm	VIP tour of River City Labs by Dette Ede
3.00 – 4.00pm	Travel to 155 Queen St, Brisbane City
4.00 – 5.00pm	The Future of Work. This session will focus on upcoming themes (e.g. impact of AI, digital nomad generation) that may impact small business owners
5.00 – 7.00pm	Drinks and dinner with guests

Wednesday 20 June

Time	Activity
8.00am	Check out of Ibis Styles Brisbane
8.30am – 9.30am	Meet with Queensland Small Business Champion and members of the Office of Small Business : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programs and grants are available - Understand the advocacy work that is happening on the state and federal stage
9.30am – 10.30am	Debrief of tour: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What does this mean for your business - What are the next steps
10.30am	Travel to Toowoomba together, then home

Please circulate this with anyone in your networks who might also be interested in attending. We want to make it a useful, interesting and enjoyable few days that also ensure you come away with ideas and actions to implement in your business!

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