

Where to invest locally

Have you always wanted to invest and make money but you don't know where to start? Do you need more information or advice on investing?

Hunter Investment Forum has the answers.

With extraordinary growth in the Hunter there are extraordinary opportunities for you.

For that reason a number of local Maitland businesses have teamed up with the Maitland Business Chamber and Maitland City Council to deliver the informative Hunter Investment forum.

This free information evening will be held at The Mercure, Rutherford, at 7pm on Thursday 24 March 2011.

It promises to give a thorough insight into the developments and opportunities in the local area.

You will be informed about the growth and proposed developments in the area, what is happening in the property market, investment opportunities and how to finance your investments.

Peter Hogan, the general manager of Tony Cant Real Estate, has been involved in property investing for more than 30 years and said: "I have seen property values sky rocket over the past 30 years, putting millions of dollars into the pockets of investors.

"Investment properties that were previously sold are now selling for 10 times their original value and growth will continue in the future."

Mr Hogan has seen the rental crisis grip the area and "there are up to 50 applications for any given rental property, there are qualified tenants desperately needing more houses to move into every day," he said.

"It is equally important to understand how best to structure any investment for maximum tax effectiveness," Michael Minter, partner at Farrow Wyatt, Chartered Accountants and Financial Planners, said.

"It is critical that people understand what options they have for investing; for example, self managed super funds are popular and tax efficient structures."

Excluding the rental crisis, growth prospects for the area and business security is increasing.

Maitland and the Hunter Valley continue to grow and move forward at a rapid pace.

Pennie Kearney, the president of the Maitland Business Chamber, said: "Maitland has now launched its Big 10 Ideas. These ideas coupled with increased interest in the area means that the Hunter is growing in population,



professionalism and opportunity." So it is a prime time to capitalise and secure investments for maximum returns.

The Hunter Investment Forum is on March 24 at the Mercure Maitland, New England Highway,

Rutherford. It is open for anyone interested in attending, however RSVPs are essential because seating is limited.

Please RSVP by email to admin@hunterinvestmentforum.com.au or call 4931 6000.

IN THE KNOW: Pennie Kearney, Peter Hogan and Jennifer Leslie, from Farrow Wyatt, say the free seminar is a chance to learn how to invest wisely in this city.

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