



Tourism Awards 2018 - Entrants Workshop #2

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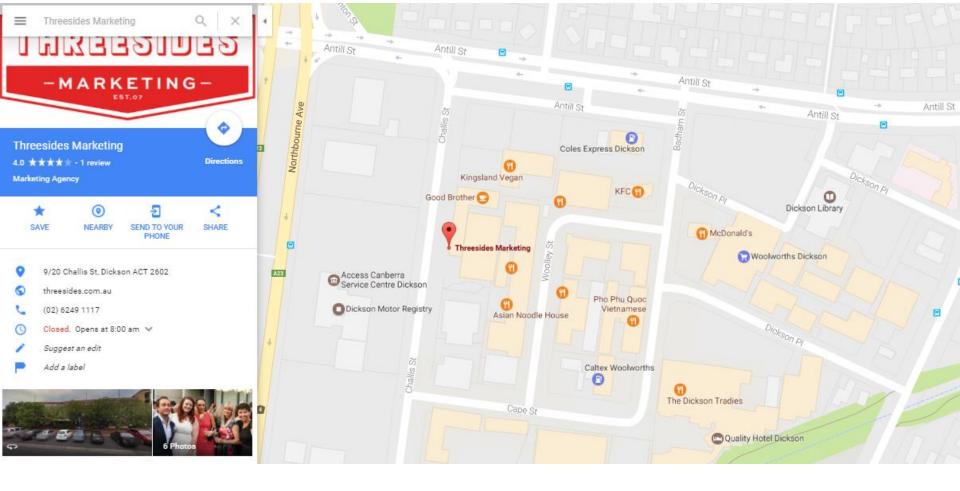






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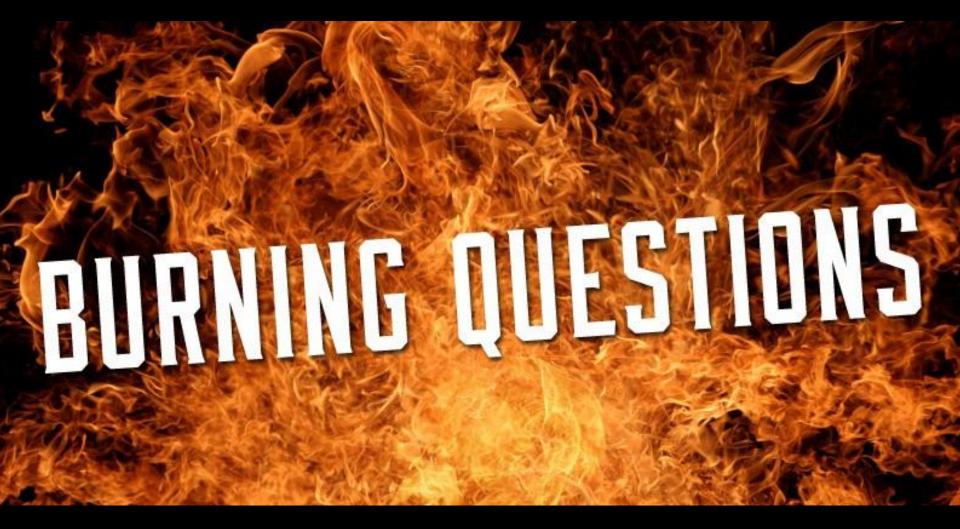




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Your name, business, and how far along (in %) you are on your submission.



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Overview

- Recap
- "Burning Questions"
- Important dates
- 'The portal'
- Your Written Submission
- The winning formula

We're happy to provide advice but...



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Important dates

Site Visits: July-August

 Submissions close: 5pm, Wednesday 5th September

Online Judging: September

Canberra Region Tourism Awards Gala
 Event: Friday 23rd November



You have plenty of time left :)

- 20 days, 7 hours, 45 minutes
- 2.9 weeks (rounded down)
- 1,755,900 seconds
- 29,265 minutes
- 487 hours (rounded down)
- 5.57% of 2018



Site Visit

Site Visits (20% of your local mark)

Judges will ask to see the following:

- Customer Service Policies
- WHS and Risk Management Policies
- Human Resources Policies
- Sustainability Policies
- Marketing Plans
- Business Plans

Collect, Plan, Practice, Deliver



The Portal

https://online.qualitytourismaustralia.com/

Written Submission

Judges are looking for...

- Evidence of a strategic approach
- Demonstrated flair and innovation
- Awareness of your marketplace & industry
- Measurable goals, outcomes with quantifiable results
- Financially, well managed sound business Passion, enthusiasm
- Sense of humour
- Structured and easy to read submission
- A business deserving of being recognised
- Leading best practice and an exemplary example for others



Pick your writing style

Set the scene, grab attention and position the reader into the feel and emotion of where you are taking them.



We all know Australians love a good pie. Whether it's a gourmet pie with chunky steak, buttery flaky pastry and home-made tomato relish enjoyed with a wine at a fine dining restaurant; a steaming pie with a dollop of sauce to warm you up at the footy; a pie bought on the run from a bakery and enjoyed on a family car trip; or a slice of your Grandmother's tried and true apple pie served up with a scoop of vanilla ice cream and a good dash of love, the affection for a really good pie is ingrained into us Aussies, and these simple yet tasty food favourites are definitely well loved by everyday Australians around the country.

Including the Southern Highlands of NSW.

In fact, perhaps nowhere else in Australia does a tourism destination have such a large saturation of quality pie producers than in the Southern Highlands – with everything from your top-notch gourmet pies, to family winter warmers and deliciously sweet dessert pies. They're all here, and in abundance.

And these Southern Highlands pies, their makers and where they come from were the inspiration for an original destination marketing campaign for the region - *PIE TIME.* The humble pie became the platform for the marketing of the destination, and was used as a hook that brought together local tourist attractions, event organisers, pie makers, restaurants, cafes pubs, cellar doors and hotels to create their own events, activities and festivals with Destination Southern Highlands (DSH) leading the charge with a new an innovative approach to destination marketing.

Finish Strong

So what does a single sale of a humble pie tell us about the success of a destination marketing program - plenty! Every pie loving tourist from outside of the region is travelling, spending, engaging, and experiencing the region and returning home to inspire their friends and family to choose the Southern highlands for their next trip away.

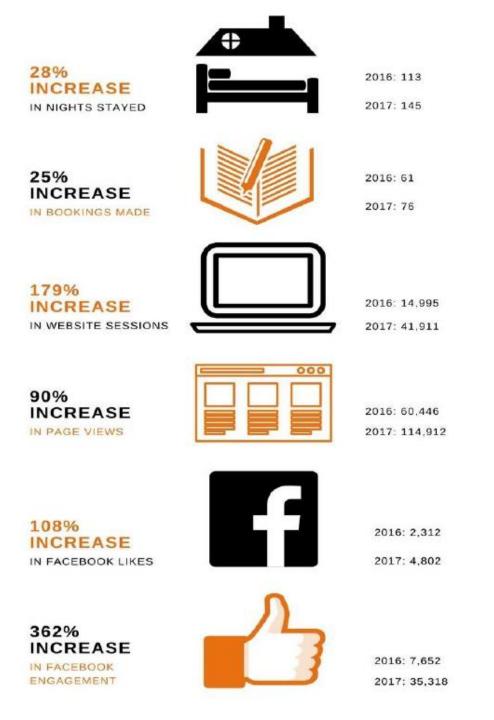
Together we can grow the visitor economy pie for the Canberra Region, NSW and Australia.

What's that you can smell wofting through the judging portal right now?

That's the Pie's for *PIE TIME 2018* in the oven... as Destination Southern Highlands cooks up the next chapter in Australia's best destination marketing campaign.

Content Format

| Objective | Target | Achieved |
|--|---|---|
| AWARENESS | | |
| Increase awareness of the Southern Highlands as Australia's Home of Pies and a short break destination - Pie Time – month of June - in media Via media stories / social media engagement | 25 Articles and mentions | 56 articles and mentioned that were available via monitored media |
| Increase website visitation (to southern-highlands.com.au) organic and paid | increase website visitation by 25% | 179% |
| ACQUISITION | | |
| Increase Destination Southern Highlands' database contacts | increase by 5% (Initial consumer database contacts – 8,000) | 427 additional contacts = 5.33% increase |



| Tables | Don't over do it |
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| Copy and paste your tables from Word | Tables can be unlimited but make it readable |
| Tables are useful in the business plan section and risk, to display target markets and when there is multiple or complex elements | Be smart with your use of tables. |

Tables

| Water issues | Sustainability Strategy | Outcomes |
|---------------|--|---|
| Potable water | Ensure supply to meet health/ statutory requirements | Provided in toilet blocks and taps convenient to stalls |
| Toilets | Recycled water system installation | Recycled water system completed by EPIC 2013-2014 |
| General | Encourage the use of rainwater by stallholders and management where possible | Five rainwater tanks collecting from shed roof installed in 2013- 14 - Total capacity 500,000 Litres |

Risk assessment table

| Risk Category: | Strategio | : | | |
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| Principle Risk | Level of Risk | Impact | Mitigation Strategy | Review |
| Owner incapacity to run business | Medium | Severe | Support staff on contract including relieving Manager. Comprehensive personal insurance. | Bi-annual (Jan/Jul) |
| Double booking of accommodation | Low | Medium | Utilise 'Roamfree Distribution Manager' technology to block availability to all other third party booking sites on confirmation of a reservation. | Annual contract review (Dec) |
| Marketing risks – Increased competition with new operator | High | High | Conduct regular competitor analysis Partner with like operators to package and market together. Secure contracts with key wholesalers and inbound operators Review product offering, deciphering from competition | |

Are we innovative?

- Improvement incremental change or upgrade to existing processes
- Innovation a change that adds value through a new method, idea or process
- Invention creation for the first time

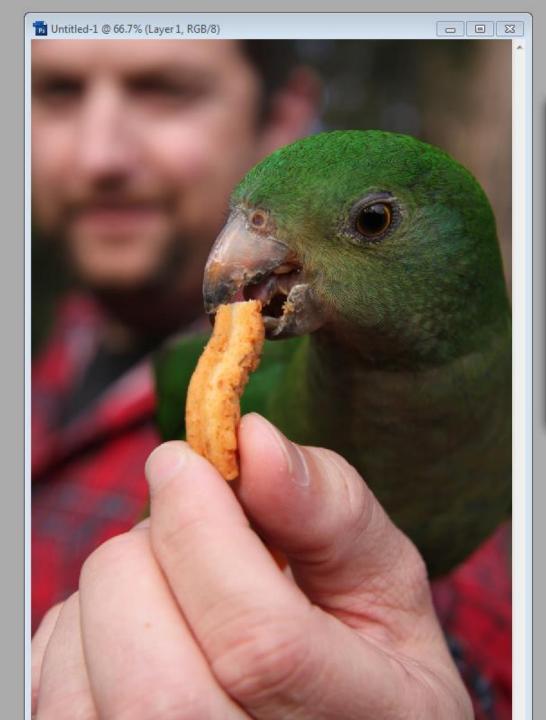




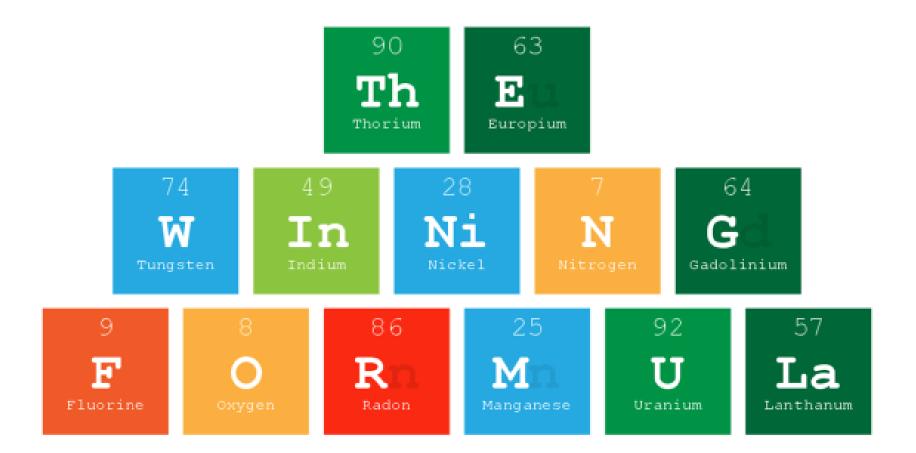
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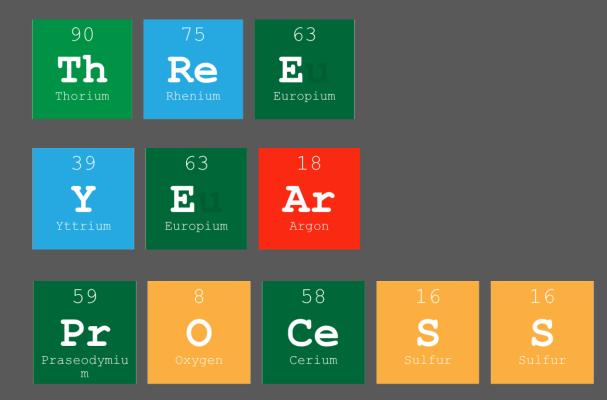


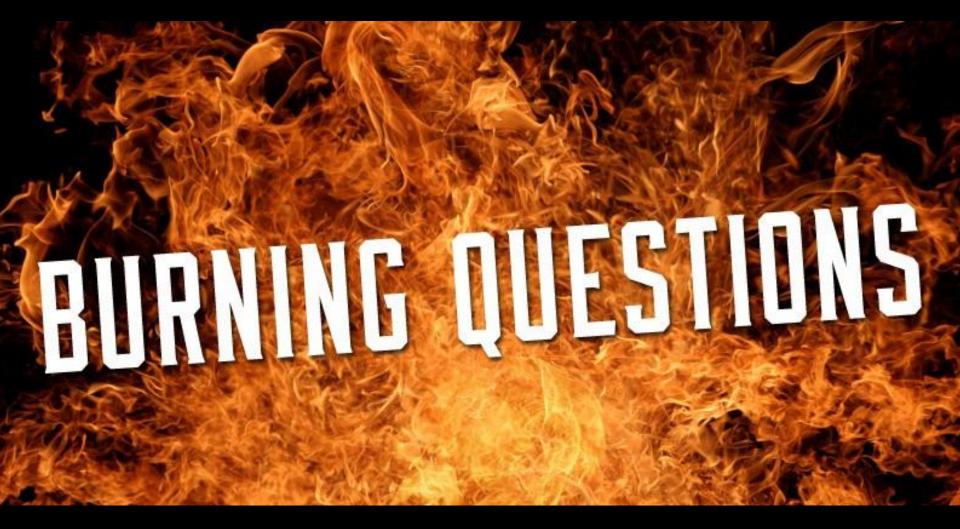
















Wrap up

- Get your planning right
- Step through the process Site Visit, Written Submission, Visitor Experience
- Get your written submission content right
- Put effort into your answers
- Use all the help on offer



Stay in touch

- Deb Support and direction
- Submission support program
- Mentors and reviewers
- Awards Website / Email

Thank you and Good Luck.

