


Local taverns a winner

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Michael McCarthy, Trent Dixon and Mark Dunphy.

MORE than 30 of the Moreton Bay region's licensed venues were recognised at the 2010 Safer Venues Awards held at North Lakes last week.

The Caboolture, Pine Rivers and Redcliffe Liquor Industry Action Groups (LIAG) came together to acknowledge their ongoing dedication to the safety of patrons, staff and the community through adopting and maintaining safety standards.

Venues were recognised with gold, silver and bronze awards.

The top awards went to Caboolture RSL, Beachmere Tavern, Narangba Valley Tavern, Bribie Island RSL, Caboolture Sports Club, Everton Park Hotel, Kallangur Tavern, Mango Hill Tavern, Lawnton Tavern, Ambassador Hotel, Deception Bay Hotel, Redcliffe RSL Club and the Redcliffe Leagues Club.

Caboolture RSL general manager and Caboolture LIAG chairman Michael McCarthy said he was pleased to see so many businesses receive awards.

“It's good for the region that we have so many gold venues here,” he said.

“It shows as a LIAG everyone is working well together to achieve the same objectives. We do take seriously the safety of members and guests.

“It's good for our staff to know they're getting that support.”

Redcliffe Leagues Club marketing manager and Redcliffe LIAG media spokesperson Trent Dixon said the club worked “very hard to provide a safe venue” for the Peninsula to enjoy.

“We're a place where the community likes to spend their leisure time,” he said.

Everton Park Hotel venue manager Mark Dunphy said it was a family-oriented venue, which was why it was crucial to be considered a safe environment by the public.

Redcliffe Police sergeant Richard Clark said the recognised venues had taken a “strong responsibility for their patrons”.

“It helps the police, we can deploy our resources in other places because the venues are doing such a great job,” he said.

Moreton Bay Safer Venues Awards 2010 winners

Caboolture Cooridor Liquor Industry Action Group (LIAG) award winners

Bronze Awards - Donnybrook and District Bowls Club, The Big Fish Tavern, Club Tavern, Kilcoy Exchange Hotel.

Silver Awards - The Surf Club Bribie Island, Pacific Harbour Golf Club, Blue Pacific Hotel, Woodford Hotel, Bribie Island Hotel, D'aguilar Hotel, Shauns Tavern

Gold Awards - Caboolture RSL, Beachmere Tavern, Narangba Valley Tavern, Bribie Island RSL, Caboolture Sports Club.

Redcliffe Liquor Industry Action Group (LIAG) award winners

Bronze Awards – Palace Hotel

Silver Awards - Captain Cook Tavern

Gold Awards - Ambassador Hotel, Deception Bay Hotel, Redcliffe RSL, Redcliffe Leagues Club.

Pine Rivers Liquor Industry Action Group (LIAG) award winners

Bronze Awards – Nil

Silver Awards – Albany Creek Tavern, North Lakes Tavern, Warner Tavern, Petrie Hotel, Four Mile Creek Hotel, Murrumba Downs Tavern, Gilhooleys Strathpine, Finnigans Chin Kallangur, and Norths Leagues & Services Club

Gold Awards – Everton Park Hotel, Kallangur Tavern, Mango Hill Tavern, Lawnton Tavern,

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