



MDRT AUSTRALIA

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MDRT Events Provide Inspiration & Milestone Achievements

Thursday August 20, 2009. In an extraordinarily difficult year for the financial services industry, Million Dollar Round Table, The Premier Association of Financial Professionals® (MDRT) has resolutely devoted its resources to providing its members from across the globe with innovative, practical and inspirational concepts and ideas that can be applied and adapted to assist clients through this challenging time and new financial world.

In June, over 40 Australian MDRT members and special industry guest invitees travelled to the USA to attend the first of the professional international association's two high profile yearly events, the Annual Meeting that was held in Indianapolis, Indiana USA.

The next major event will be the Top of the Table Annual meeting in October that will be held in Kauai, Hawaii.

Commenting on MDRT's activities, MDRT Australia Chairperson Stuart Farrell said the organization's membership continues to attract new members globally in growing numbers, reflecting the high industry standing of MDRT as a dynamic and progressive association.

The base of MDRT Australia was strengthened this year with 11 new members—

Ralph Czichon	NSW	Suzanne Gibbs	SA
Raymond Gibson	NSW	Hamish Harvey	NSW
Jonathan Hoyle	NSW	Brad Isaac	VIC
Alan Lake	NSW	Vanessa Limbach	QLD
Paul Mollica	NSW	Andrew Shakespeare	NSW
Jim Taggart	NSW		

In their first year, Brad Isaac and Alan Lake qualified for Court of the Table and Vanessa Limbach qualified for the prestigious Top of the Table.

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“All MDRT events, from the spectacular Annual Meeting, the Top of Table, the regional MDRT Experience events – together with the local networking meetings that are conducted by the Australian State Chairpersons are dedicated to providing attendees with techniques, ideas and concepts to help them operate their practices more efficiently and enhance their high level of client service and support,” said Stuart Farrell.

“By bringing together the collective knowledge and experience of financial services practitioners from across the globe, business improvement experts and lifestyle specialists to deliver main platform and focus session presentations at the Annual and Top of the Table meetings, MDRT members learn from the very best and adapt the innovative ideas and concepts within their practices at a local level.”

MDRT members are also acknowledged and respected for their longevity within the financial services industry. This year, 18 Australian MDRT members celebrated significant anniversary milestones.

10 years	Troy Collins	QLD
	Michael Murphy	SA
15 years	Phillip Burke	QLD
	Lawrence Foley	VIC
	Peter Sarai	QLD
	Alan Swan	QLD
20 years	John Gibson	SA
	Roger Paul	VIC
	Rob Pedersen	NSW
	Robert Winch	NSW
	Zelton Zinman	NSW
25 years	Rob Leverington	VIC
	Peter Moyle	SA
	Robert Musgrave	QLD
	Godfrey Phillips	NSW
30 years	Graham McDonald	VIC
35 Years	Pat Roberts	WA
40 years	John Hunter	SA

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Also, this year 26 MDRT Australia members attained Top of the Table status and they will be invited to attend the Top of the Table Annual Meeting in Hawaii.

Embrace Change is the theme of the Top of the Table Annual Meeting and the four day program has been developed to provide an intensive learning experience together with many opportunities for the attendees to network together and exchange personal experiences, ideas and activities that they have applied with great success.

The Top of the Table Annual Meeting will be preceded by the Association of Financial Advisers (AFA) Annual National Conference on the Gold Coast and MDRT Australia will participate with its Breakfast on Monday October 5 to which MDRT members and non members will be most welcome to attend.

“MDRT is a unique organization with a long standing commitment and tradition of sharing, learning and dedication to the highest levels of professional and personal development.”

“I encourage Advisers to qualify for MDRT membership and experience the many benefits of membership for themselves. This includes the opportunity network with industry professionals from across the world; to learn from each other; to exchange knowledge, ideas and experiences; and to make lifelong friendships with fellow financial services professionals,” concluded Stuart Farrell.

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