

Family hotel business makes a Clare move

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FAMILY-owned hotel operator Matthews Hospitality has expanded into the Clare Valley with the acquisition of The Bentleys Hotel.

The character hotel on Clare's main street features several dining areas, a gaming room and beer garden, and there are plans by its new owner to refurbish its 10 accommodation units.

The purchase of The Bentleys boosts the Matthews Hospitality group's workforce to about 350 employees across 11 venues, and it is currently recruiting for a venue manager in Clare and potentially more bar and restaurant staff.

Matthews Hospitality chief executive Andrew Kemp said the acquisition formed part of the group's focus on boosting its presence in the state's regional areas.

"We want to maintain everything the locals enjoy about The Bentleys Hotel while enhancing its accommodation, function packages and strengthening links to local tourism," he said.

"With state and international borders now open we are pleased to be part of driving



Matthews Hospitality's Katy Sargent with The Bentleys head chef Gary McCulloch.

the visitor economy in the regions through showcasing local produce and tourism experiences."

Matthews Hospitality recently completed a \$1m-plus refurbishment of the Mount Gambier Hotel, while an up-

grade of the Eyre Hotel in Whyalla will begin early next month.

Other venues in the Matthews portfolio include the Salisbury Hotel, which it acquired last year, and the Buckingham Arms, Gilberton.

The Matthews family has its roots in country pubs. Family patriarch Seymour Matthews and wife Doris (Dossie) acquired their first pub, the Hotel Bay View in Whyalla, in 1942, before going on to operate up to 27 hotels by the 1960s.

Warehouse ready for a new owner



OWNER-OCCUPIERS and investors are expected to compete for an office warehouse property in Adelaide's inner south-west.

Offered with vacant possession, the property comprises of 572sq m of office and warehouse space on a 794sq m site in Keswick.

Leedwell senior executive Jamie Forwood said that the property was likely to attract interest from a broad range of groups, including businesses currently located on South Rd who were facing compulsory acquisition due to the Torrens to Darlington motorway project.

"Favourably positioned in close proximity to Anzac Highway, Richmond Rd and South Rd, this property has recently been refurbished and is ready for new occupiers," Mr Forwood said.

"The property has been maintained to a high standard,

FAST FACTS

KESWICK

KESWICK
Address: 59 Hampton Rd
Type: Office warehouse with vacant possession
Agent: Leedwell Property - Jamie Forwood 0450 959 032 Cameron Giles 0405 885 811

having been occupied by the current owner for their printing business.

"There is almost a 50:50 ratio of office to warehouse and features of the warehouse includes clear span construction and refrigerated reserve cycle air-conditioning. The office/production area is a converted character dwelling and provides an efficient configuration with excellent flexibility."

The property will be auctioned on-site at 11am on March 15.

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COMMERCIAL

SALE BY AUCTION ▶ Mawson Lakes 18-24 Light Common

AUCTION THIS SATURDAY

LAND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY

- ▼ TOTAL LAND AREA OF 1,727 SQM*
- ▼ Three (3) Street Frontages - 50.9m from Light Common and Station Lane with a 33.7m frontage on Main Street
- ▼ Urban Neighbourhood Zone - Mixed Use & High Density Residential Development
- ▼ One of the last available allotments with this type of development potential within the Main Street Precinct close to Woolworths, Aldi and a 24 Hour Gym

AUCTION ▶ Saturday 12th March 11am onsite

For further information or to inspect please contact
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Leedwell

Sale

Auction onsite
Tuesday 15 March
at 11am

59 Hampton Road
Keswick

Jamie Forwood
0450 959 032

Cameron Giles
0405 885 811

City Fringe Gem!

Auction
next Tuesday

Improvements 572sqm*

Site 794sqm*

Zoned - Urban Corridor (Boulevard)

Highly functional +
versatile improvements

Strong investment potential

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Sale

Auction onsite
Thursday
31 March at
10.30am

322 Unley Road,
Hyde Park

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0411 691 169

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0477 098 153

Invest or Occupy on Unley Road

Stylist Commercial Building

Two separate tenancies
147sqm* GBA

One leased, one vacant

Rear access - 6 onsite car parks

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