



Gold Coast Business Honours CATEGORY WINNERS 2009

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Kenton: Stirring work distribution awards in previous years.

Kenton Campbell - Business

AS the entrepreneur behind the Gold Coast's fastest growing coffee chain, Kenton Campbell is naturally upbeat about life but last night he had more cause for celebration than usual after winning the Gold Coast Honours Business award.

As the founder and director of Zarraffa's Coffee, Kenton turned a roasting house operating in the back streets of Southport in 1996 into a multimillion dollar business that now has 34 stores across southeast Queensland and Sydney.

The concept of building a coffee empire came after the US-born entrepreneur witnessed the success of coffee brands such as Starbucks in North America.

After moving to Australia, he started work with a \$9000 personal loan and some 'good old-fashioned leg work'.

Zarraffa's was named in BRIT's Fastest Franchises in 2009 - coming in at number 20 of 100 companies - and 2009 Gold Coast Business of the Year in the Gold Coast Business Excellence Awards after taking out retail, wholesale and