

ShireBiz Bulletin

The Shire Economic Development Alliance Newsletter

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About ShireBiz

ShireBiz is a not for profit organisation dedicated to the Economic Development of Southern Sydney to enable sustainable business development which provides employment opportunities for the local community.

Our strategic pillars are:

- **Job Creation** through projects such as *Supporting the development of the ANSTO Innovation precinct*
- **Advocacy** such as *Improving Shire transport links*
- **Connecting the Community** through regular *newsletter*, and ZOOM and in person *events with prominent speakers*
- **Shirebiz supporters** are invited to continue to support Shirebiz by becoming members. [Join at](#)

You are invited to view the new Shirebiz [website](#)

Realise Business: Mental Health support for small business

That's why earlier this month, Realise Business teamed up with Mel Novak and Tim Hoopman from **Beyond Blue** to discuss the unique challenges that small business owners are currently facing. Mel and Tim provided some expert tips around managing your mental wellbeing and shared with us Beyond Blue's [NewAccess program](#) specifically developed for small businesses. NewAccess is a free and confidential mental health coaching program structured over six sessions with a mental health trained coach with a small business background.

[Origin Energy launches startup program Originate](#)

Energy provider Origin has launched a [program in partnership](#) with Stone & Chalk to connect the corporate with startups which can help it make energy “easier, smarter and cleaner for millions of customers.

[CSIRO - Advanced recycling: turning plastic waste into resources](#)

Advanced recycling technologies could turn problematic plastic waste destined for landfill into valuable resources, according to a new report by CSIRO, Australia's national science agency. [The report](#), *Advanced recycling technologies to address Australia's plastic waste*, which was released today, evaluates the ways to convert plastic waste that can't be recycled with existing methods, into new resources to build Australia's circular economy.

[Mark Speakman: COVID-19 Update Aug 2021](#)

From 12.01am, Monday, 13 September: • For those (like us in the Sutherland Shire) who live outside the 12 local government areas of most concern, [outdoor gatherings](#) of up to five people (including children, all adults must be vaccinated) will be allowed in a person's LGA or within 5km of home.

[New welding course addresses the local skills shortage](#)

The South East Melbourne Manufacturers' Alliance (SEMMA) has received \$200,000 in funding from the federal government to launch an industry-led [welding skills](#) short course program, designed to provide a continuity of skills needed for the future of manufacturing.

Enhance safety, communication and connectivity with rugged tablets in the workplace

Efficiency is critical in industries such as logistics and materials handling that utilise field and warehouse services. To get maximum value from your investment, [rugged tablets](#) are a must. Here are six ways they are helping operations in transportation, logistics, field services, and warehouse management.[rugged tablets](#)Efficiency is critical in industries such as logistics and materials handling that utilise field and warehouse services. To get maximum value from your investment,

Why it's now a good time to think about quantum mechanics

Quantum computing is coming sooner than most people expect. To understand further about quantum computers, it is desirable to understand about the key issues such as quantum mechanics, which is a most mysterious subject. [This article](#) attempts to unravel some foundations of quantum mechanics and why various top scientists are still trying to fully understand about this subject. In quantum mechanics, don't keep asking: Why could it be like this? Because, no one knows!

EPIA: Electricity generation and emissions reduction in Australia: we need a coherent policy to foster technology development and investment"

Science and public opinion is forcing governments around the world to commit to major reductions in emissions over the next several decades. This creates a problem for

Australia: we lack a credible national policy for energy and lack a national technology-based energy plan to guide investment in electricity generation and emissions reduction

Eftpos by mobile growing at record rates in Covid's wake

Australians are choosing to pay by eftpos on their mobile phones at record levels in the wake of the Covid-19 crisis. The places where consumers are most often using eftpos by mobile are grocery stores and supermarkets, fast-food outlets and restaurants, with their spending averaging \$31 per transaction. .

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