



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:

- Advocacy for business investment, traction and job diversity eg projects such as supporting *the development of the ANSTO Innovation precinct*
- Advocacy for infrastructure investment, policy change and streamlining regulatory environments in the Sutherland Shire
- Engaging the community through regular *newsletter*, and *events*

Shirebiz would like to thank our supporters for your support over the last year

Shirebiz supporters are invited to continue to support Shirebiz by becoming members. [Join at](#) If you want to regularly receive this Bulletin Contact the Secretary at info@shirebiz.org.au. We would also appreciate feedback on the content.

Please note that the next edition of the Bulletin will be on 20th June as I will be away on vacation.

Education Pathways Forum 23rd May 2023

20 Education/Training Professionals together with representatives of Shire Businesses met at Loftus TAFE to discuss how to improve access to courses leading to employment. A full report will be published on the Shirebiz Website later this week.

\$227m NSW innovation grant programs 'on hold'

Applicants to New South Wales' industry and innovation grant programs worth more than \$227 million have been told their [potential funding](#) may never come, with the Minns government reviewing the programs for potential budget savings

Invitation to attend [The Elevated Entrepreneur Experience!](#) 7th June 10th June by ZOOM

At this [exclusive event](#), get ready to dive deep into the strategies that drive immediate and exponential growth, all while freeing you from the day-to-day operations of your business.

My Business Workplace. How it can assist your business

Workplace is an easy-to-use and affordable online platform for creating and storing employment records. [Your subscription](#) comes with phone advice from HR experts, plus contracts, templates and policies drafted by award-winning Australian workplace and employment lawyers.

Realise Business: Women's Business Bridging the gender gap to access finance

Lots happening in our [Women's Business program](#) this week, our latest blog in the series looks at two of the big players in the accounting software space, Xero and Hnry and some great events to keep your knowledge and skills fresh. This week we share some insight and tips on which accounting tool might be right for your business.

Skills and training ministers meet to negotiate new skills agreement

Federal, state and territory skills and training ministers met in Darwin to progress [negotiations](#) towards a new [National Skills Agreement \(NSA\)](#) to support a modern and responsive skills sector. Building on the success of Fee-Free TAFE which has delivered over 146,000 enrolments in the first quarter of this year, Skills ministers agreed to take action to achieve better outcomes for students and deliver more access and equity to the Vocational Education and Training (VET) system

through a number of priority reform initiatives.

Biden to push US 'domestic source' status for Aussie industry

United States President Joe Biden will ask Congress to [treat Australian companies](#) the same way it does local players in procurement, while the two countries continue working to soften defence technology export controls. Mr Biden made the commitment on the sidelines of the G7 in Hiroshima,

Youth Partnership: Unveiling Thriving Careers in VET: Construction, Business Services and Information and Digital Technology

As students start to consider subject selections, we thought we would investigate some of the [emerging careers](#) that await students who pursue VET subjects. Today, we focus on Construction, Business Services and Information and Digital Technology and identify some specific roles that are thriving in these industries, offering exciting prospects for students choosing VET pathways.

Shire Shark Dive Breakfast Wednesday 21st June 8qam Cronulla RSL

Keen to support local entrepreneurs and start-ups? Looking for your own inspiration from our expert sharks? Or would you just love to be part of our first ever [Shire Shark Dive Breakfast](#)? Yes? Then this is the event for you.

ANSTO's 'Sharpening the Focus' Summit

ANSTO commenced its 'Sharpening the [Focus](#)' [summit series](#) with a successful inaugural event last Friday, focussing on 'Advanced Materials for Extreme Environments'. The summit brought together a diverse group of stakeholders, including industry leaders, policy makers, subject matter experts, university researchers, and representatives from government and related scientific agencies.

Australian Government: Business Newsletter 25 May 2023

[Includes:](#) Free tools to help hire staff; End of financial year checklist; Shaping mental health services for business and & Industry and Intellectual Property and business: [learn more](#).

COSBOA: The Small Business Perspective Report

COSBOA this week released its report "[The Small Business Perspective Report 2023: Challenges & opportunities facing Australia's small business community](#)" – highlighting the emerging vulnerabilities and opportunities from another challenging year. This report draws on the results and insights from in-depth stakeholder interviews and an in-depth survey to understand the perspective of Australian small

businesses and provide a snapshot of the key challenges and opportunities affecting the small business sector over the past 12 months.

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