

ShireBiz Bulletin

The Shire Economic Development Alliance Newsletter

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ANSTO to manufacture new radiopharmaceutical at Lucas Heights

The Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO) and medical device company OncoBeta GmbH are to partner to manufacture a <u>new radioisotope</u> at Lucas Heights in New South Wales for the treatment of non-melanoma skin cancers (NMSCs). They have signed a Letter of Intent to establish manufacturing and distribution in Australia for OncoBeta's novel Rhenium-SCT therapeutic utilising ANSTO's Open Pool Australian Lightwater (OPAL) reactor.

The \$3b NBN fibre upgrade we had to have

The government will upgrade half of Australia's fibre-to-the-node NBN network to full fibre as part of a <u>\$3 billion plan</u> to make faster internet more widely available, in what former Prime Minister Kevin Rudd labelled a "mega backflip". Communications Minister Paul Fletcher announced the new plan on Wednesday, which is a significant shift from the Coalition's emphasis on a mixed-technology approach to the NBN.

ARA: Retail Therapy Podcasts

Episode 7: The importance of being customer-centric <u>LISTEN NOW</u> Welcome to another episode of Retail Therapy, where we delve into the heartbeat of the retail industry. In this episode, we are thrilled to have a distinguished guest with us – Mark Ronan, the visionary CEO of Adairs. With over 15 years of diverse leadership experience within Adairs, Mark's journey is a testament to his profound understanding of the retail landscape.

CEDA: Housing and care sectors loom as key intergenerational challenges

Delivering the services older Australians want and need will not happen without concerted effort from both government and industry. The recent release of the Intergenerational Report (IGR) highlights <u>Australia's changing demographics</u> and the future forces that will shape our economy and community. The CEDA team has been out and about in the media discussing the IGR and what it means for the future economic and policy landscape.

Peer-review validates Dincel's Waterproof System Warranty

An industry expert has peer-reviewed Dincel's Waterproof System Warranty, confirming <u>Dincel Structural Walling</u> has produced an effective way of waterproofing basement walls using its wall panels and accessories. Steve Darwell, COO at Dincel Structural Walling and chairperson of the Permanent Formwork Industry Council. Conducted over six months, ACOR Consultants has reviewed in detail Dincel Structural Walling's (Dincel) investigations and technical development of the Dincel Waterproof System and the associated warranty to determine the validity of the claims and the effectiveness of the system.

TAFE NSW teacher appointed to key advisory board for the first time in eight years

as it helps guide TAFE NSW through recommendations to the Minister on services, priorities, and operations. Metal Fabrication and Welding Teacher Stuart McKinder's appointment to the <u>TAFE Commission Board</u> has been welcomed by Deputy Premier, and Minister for Skills, TAFE and Tertiary Education Prue Car. Mr McKinder has a long affiliation with TAFE NSW after completing a five-year apprenticeship in 1992, and becoming a welding and metal fabrication teacher in 2008. He currently teaches at TAFE NSW in Wetherill Park.

Realise Business: Are you eager to unlock the secrets of creating an exceptional website for your business?

Your website serves as the digital doorway to your business—the storefront where potential customers learn more about you and often make their crucial buying decisions. The impact of a website on your business cannot be overstated. <u>A well-crafted website</u> that effectively addresses customer needs, showcases ideal products or services, and streamlines the purchasing process can be the key to boosting sales and revenue.

Service NSW: Having a break during the school holidays know the rules and stay safe

It's been a tough year so far. A holiday is a great way to recharge. While you're relaxing it's vital you keep doing what works to protect the community. If you're planning a getaway in regional NSW <u>please stick to the rules</u>. Indoor spaces can be high-risk for the spread of COVID-19. If you're holidaying with friends and extended family, handwashing and physical distancing rules still apply.

On line Shopping Report 2023 The Consumer behaviour trends shaping eCommerce

Fashion is now the most desired category to buy from <u>multichannel retailers</u>, reflecting the experiential advantage of re-fitting, replacing, and refunding fashion items in-store versus online-only ordering. Fashion also holds the top spot for the most ordered product category, following the "Other" category. In line with the rising popularity of variety stores and online marketplaces, the order frequency of "Other" items has increased steadily over the last three years

Smart Manufacturing Conference Sydney Showground 20 Sep 2023

Join us at the <u>Smart Manufacturing Conference</u> and gain invaluable insights from industry experts, network with peers, and discover new solutions and strategies to stay ahead of the competition. From automation and data analytics to artificial intelligence and the Internet of Things, the conference will cover all the hottest topics in smart manufacturing.

Drive electric NSW Sep 2023

Electric vehicles (EVs) now make up 8.4% of all new cars sold in Australia. Now is the time for local governments to install <u>kerbside EV chargers</u>. Waverley, Woollahra and Randwick councils were convinced of the need after public consultation in 2021 showed: • 80% of surveyed respondents agreed that increased availability of public chargers would influence whether they purchase an EV • 86% of surveyed respondents agreed that councils should provide or facilitate EV chargers in the community

Australian authorities urgently checking if 'crumbly concrete' poses risk to buildings

Australian governments are urgently checking public buildings to see if they contain aerated concrete that could be dangerous after dozens of UK schools had to close classrooms built with crumble-risk concrete that can suddenly collapse. The buildings of concern in the UK were built of lightweight concrete panels called <u>reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete</u> (Raac) – more commonly known in Australia as autoclaved aerated concrete (AAC).

About Shirebiz

ShireBiz is a not for profit organisation dedicated to the Economic Development of Southerrn 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*

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