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# 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

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## **Dubbo's 3D-printed toilet block could open door to housing crisis solutions**

A groundbreaking development is taking place in Dubbo, western NSW, that could alter the housing crisis gripping regional NSW. Key points: • [The toilet block](#) is expected to be constructed in days • The concrete printer will build the walls, roof and internal structure • Dubbo council will consider using the same technology for housing. The toilet block is being constructed by Shire company Contour 3D..

## **NSW Government: This Business got hours of free tailored advice, so can yours**

Did you know you can get free, [tailored advice](#) in one-to-one sessions with a Business Connect advisor? In fact, we've supported 50,000 NSW businesses to-date, with 54% of these in regional NSW. Donna Burton, from Donna the Astronomer Stargazing Tours at the Milroy Observatory in Coonabarabran, took advantage of the free tailored support she received from her Service NSW Business Connect advisor to get guidance on how to create additional revenue streams.

## **FMCG – The ones to watch**

Inside FMCG have collated a [report](#) showcasing 10 exciting Australian brands with big ambitions for growth, while still showing that business can be a force for good in the world.

## **New app helps grocers, consumers reduce food waste**

Australian app [Gander](#) has launched with the aim of combating [food wastage](#) among retailers – and saving money for grocery shoppers. Gander, describing itself as an Australian first, connects shoppers with reduced-price foods nearing their expiration dates, offering discounts and reducing food waste in supermarkets and grocery stores.

## **ARA: How will retailers respond to our new permanent state of disruption**

The Australian Retailers Association's 2023 Retail [Insights Report](#) serves as a central point of information around our retail performance and outlook. It features insightful conversations with Australia's leading retail researchers and analysts.

## **Australia to join global industrial decarbonisation initiative**

The Climate Council has welcomed prime minister Anthony Albanese's announcement that Australia will join the [Climate Club](#), an international initiative focused on industrial decarbonisation and pursuing net zero emissions.

“International collaboration is key to achieving the emissions reductions we need to combat the climate crisis. But we need to see any new international partnerships backed with real action.”

## **NSW Roadshow: Australia India Trade Roadshow 25-28 July**

Are you an exporter that's interested in doing business with India? Or are you interested in learning about how the Australia-India free trade agreement could benefit you? Investment NSW, in partnership with Business NSW, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Consul General of India and the Australia India Business Council is holding a [multi-city roadshow](#) to present on the opportunities for exporters resulting from the Australia-India Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (AI-ECTA).

## **nbn new developments: Construction Industry Newsletter**

nbn's mission is to lift the digital capability of the country, and my team is doing that via the integration of smart nbn connectivity solutions within new communities across Australia\* . As part of our planned expansion of the range of connectivity solutions for new developments, nbn has released a new [Product Consultation paper](#) to seek feedback on a proposed new wholesale product called: nbn® Smart Communities.

## **COSBOA – July 2023 Update**

Artificial intelligence (AI) and emerging technology present both opportunities and risks for small businesses and in this month's spotlight from COSBOA's "[The Small Business Perspective Report 2023](#)" you can read more about the findings as Australian small businesses navigate the digital transformation

## **People-centric leadership: Unlocking your continuous improvement culture**

As many of those reading know, developing a mature culture of [Continuous Improvement \(CI\)](#) is a journey which some may feel is one they have been on for a lifetime. Those who have well-established CI systems will have likely developed a daily management system – integrating their work with improvement for employees, leaders and in turn, specialised support resources ensuring stable processes, and allowing a team to achieve sustained performance

## **Webinar: Scaling your eCommerce and wholesale business**

Australian men's grooming brand, [UpperCut Deluxe](#), went from operating out of a garage to selling in over 50 countries worldwide - all within a decade! In this [on-demand webinar](#), learn how this Aussie brand achieved global success with the right technology and strategies to drive growth, improve efficiency and reduce operational costs.

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