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ShireBiz Bulletin

The Shire Economic Development Alliance Newsletter

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[ANSTO Nuclear Science News March 2024](#)

**Australian Synchrotron goes solar; Award for recovery of missing capsule :[Includes](#)
in the desert; Waste characterisation drives ANSTO Synroc®; Self-healing ceramics
for nuclear reactors; Self-healing ceramics for nuclear reactors; We celebrate
.champions accelerating e empowerment of women**

[You're Invited - Sutherland Shire Council - 'Start and Succeed' a new business resources and connector event - 3 April 2024](#)

Here's what's in store for you: • Personalised consultations with experienced business
advisors for a comprehensive business health assessment. • Speak with key
government support agencies to assist in navigating regulations, licenses, and
permits. • Identify financial support avenues for your business, including vouchers,
grants, and rebates. • Network with like-minded local businesses, fostering
collaborating and growth. • Meet and interact with representatives from

organisations including Federal and State Government agencies, Sutherland Shire Council, Sutherland Shire Chambers of Commerce, and educational institutions. • Light refreshments will be served.

CEDA: Making better use of migrants skills

Ensuring migrants can use their skills within their first few years in Australia is crucial to addressing [ongoing skill shortages](#) across the economy. Weaker migrant English skills, lack of skills recognition and discrimination are preventing Australia from fully leveraging migrants' skills and experience, with many migrants still holding jobs beneath their skill level.

Investment NSW: The Orbital March 2024

In this edition: A Historic Australian Space Milestone • Industry Spotlight • Explore Italy-Australia Space Partnerships • More NSW Technology Successfully Demonstrated in Space • The Cap Vista Accelerator Solicitation • Australian Student Experiment Tested on the ISS • The Return of the AUKUS Forum.

Austrade: Export Update March 2024

Includes: Growing business between Australia and Southeast Asia; Australia brews barley and malt exports to Latin America; Introducing the ultimate guide to exporting Accelerate your export; Latest agri trade data and insights; Trellis climbs to export success with ESG platform and ResMed brings breath of life to millions in India

ARA: Retail Voice 13 March 2024

Includes: ARA responds to elimination of import tariffs; DIY improvements remain a popular activity this Easter; Sweet spending spree on Easter treats as Australia's population swells; ARA Retail Insights Report 2024 - Explore the Retail Performance Dashboard and ARA Retail Institute: SIR50317 Diploma of Retail Merchandise Management.

Business NSW: How does your internet quality compare

It's now easy to check the internet quality for [every suburb in NSW](#). The new NSW Digital Connectivity Index is a map-based tool that measures the quality of fixed and mobile networks as a score out of 100. The higher the score the more likely you'll have a reliable internet connection. If you're thinking of moving to or working from a new location, use this new tool to be confident local internet connectivity will fit your

needs

NSW Government: We are backing small business

We've just launched the [NSW Charter for Small Business](#), which outlines the government's plans for building a strong relationship with you. The Charter commits to a variety of key actions including: • making it easier for small businesses to bid for government contracts • improving the availability and accessibility of government support, guidance and advice.

Foodifox lockers deliver hot food to hungry students

Australian made Foodifox thermal food lockers have been installed at the University of NSW where they store hot meals ready for student pick up. The [high tech lockers](#) installed last week are allowing the more than 600 students dining at Goldstein Hall each day to access hot and fresh meals outside of core dining hours. Foodifox Chief Strategy Officer and Co-Founder Tim Pagram said the lockers allowed students to enjoy the food provided when they wanted to.

Digitisation and Automation: The Future of Manufacturing Apr 3rd 6-8pm

[Join Epicor](#) and [@AuManufacturing](#) for an insightful evening of networking with your peer manufacturers, as we deep dive into the current market conditions, challenges, and what's ahead for the sector in 2024. The second half of 2023 was a difficult one. The end of the year saw lowest sentiment since the GFC, with a net 41% of manufacturers expecting business conditions to worsen.

Webinar: Elevate your construction management workflow Apr 3rd 12 -1pm

[Join us](#) as we explore the findings from the latest "How We Build Now" benchmark report, which reveals insights from NSW construction companies in why they are increasingly investing in technology that improves sustainability, productivity and efficiency. PLUS, we'll showcase how you can transform the way you manage construction projects from initial project stages to defect resolution with Procore's Integrated Workflow.

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*

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