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News

Shirebiz Update September 2024

On September 16th Shirebiz held an EGM which approved the updated Constitution which

was subsequently approved by the Department of Fair Trading. A face-to-face Board meeting on 27th September confirmed the [establishment](#) of the following sub-boards linked to local industry, Health, Education, Marine and Infrastructure, each sub-board headed by a Board member and incorporating local industry members where appropriate. The revised constitution can be accessed [here](#). Industry members are always invited to provide feedback and input into Shirebiz activities.

Events

Energising Opportunities in Property and Renewables Oct 3rd 4:30-8pm Sydney
Ready to shape the future? Nearly 75% of property leaders are already embracing renewable energy. Where are they focusing? Where are the [biggest opportunities?](#) Join us at the exclusive launch of "Power Play: Energising Opportunities in Property and Renewables," a must-attend event co-hosted by Procore and the Property Council of Australia

My Business Tender Writing Insight Series Starting Oct 14th

Due to the success of our recent session, Fundamentals of a Tender Strategy, we are thrilled to announce a [new masterclass webinar series](#) hosted by our esteemed partner, Tender Plus! Informative, easy to understand, and led by one of Australia's most experienced Tender Specialists. Join us for these engaging sessions designed to empower you in the tendering process. As a valued My Business member, you're eligible for an exclusive member discount when you register today.

Asialink Business: Introduction to doing business in China Oct 16 1-3pm AEDT

China remains Australia's largest trading partner. The China-Australia Free Trade Agreement (ChAFTA) has given Australian businesses [unprecedented access](#) to Chinese markets. The rapidly evolving middle class is expected to account for 40 percent of this market's population by 2030, representing a lucrative commercial opportunity.

Join Us for the Salvos Symbio Sleepout: Make a Difference for those experiencing homelessness in the Sutherland Shire Oct 26 2024 5:30pm

Why Your Participation Matters: Every night, people in our community face the harsh reality of homelessness. By participating in the [Salvos Symbio Sleepout](#), you'll experience a small part of what they endure, while raising crucial funds to support those in need. What is the Salvos Symbio Sleepout? The Salvos Symbio Sleepout is a fundraising event where participants will sleep out under the stars at Symbio Wildlife Park to raise awareness and funds that will directly benefit those experiencing homelessness in the Sutherland Shire, providing them with essential services, including shelter, food, and support programs.

Articles

NSW Government: Free personalized business support Oct 2024

To celebrate Small Business Month this October, the Service NSW Business Bureau is making it even easier for you to [access personalised business guidance](#). Book a face-to-face appointment at your local Service NSW Centre for help with your everyday business needs. We can help you with: • navigating government regulations and processes • applying for licences and permits • expanding your business locally and internationally • winning NSW

Government contracts • resources for workplace wellbeing

ACCC authorises collaboration to support cash-in-transit services

The ACCC has granted authorisation to allow the Australian Banking Association (ABA), its member banks, Australia Post, retailers, supermarkets and other industry participants to collaborate so they can ensure there is continuity of [cash-in-transit services](#). The ACCC's authorisation allows the parties to collaborate and prepare for any suspension or disruption of cash-in-transit services. "It is important that in the event of any interruption to cash-in-transit services there are safeguards and measures in place to protect businesses and consumers," ACCC Deputy Chair Mick Keogh said

Defence launches new science and technology strategy

The Department of Defence has released an [Innovation, Science and Technology \(IS&T\)](#) strategy, aimed at leveraging Australia's scientific capability in defence. Accelerating Asymmetric Advantage – Delivering More, Together is Defence's 10-year vision for the Defence IS&T ecosystem. Chief Defence Scientist Professor Tanya Monro said: "This vision integrates and aligns the Defence IS&T ecosystem to meet the Government's strategic IS&T priorities, Defence's long-term objectives and the ADF's immediate operational needs

CEDA: Slowing economy sounds a warning on private-sector growth

The weak [June quarter results](#) point clearly to the big shifts needed in our economic and policy landscape. Put simply, governments need to ensure their policies help encourage private sector led demand and growth. While there was a significant boost from public spending in the quarter, new business investment barely increased and consumer spending was also soft, notwithstanding strong population growth. These figures are backwards looking, and the stage 3 tax cuts had not hit household bank accounts in the period covered. But so far, initial signs suggest the tax cuts are mostly being saved, not spent.

Flat pack tubes pop up to make building materials

Engineers at RMIT University have designed an [innovative tubular structural system](#) that can be packed flat for easier transport and pop up into strong building materials. This breakthrough is made possible by a self-locking system inspired by curved-crease origami — a technique that uses curved crease lines in paper folding. Lead researchers, Dr Jeff (Ting-Uei) Lee (pictured) and Distinguished Professor Mike (Yi Min) Xie, said bamboo, which has internal structures providing natural reinforcement, inspired the tube design.

Heart Research Institute: Heartbeat Spring 2024

[Includes:](#) Meet the Team; Science spotlight – Heart Rhythm & Stroke Prevention; Microvascular Research, Vascular Complications and the Centre for Peripheral Artery Disease; Patient Story and Lifestyle Modification suggestions.

MP's Reports

Member for Heathcote, Maryanne Stuart Newsletter September 2024

[Includes:](#) Road infrastructure upgrade; Paralympics silver medallists; Heathcote social media

summit; Austi Dance Hall; Boosting access to fast convenient Healthcare in NSW and Parliamentary Wrap up.

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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