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Free digital tools workshop at South West Rocks

Join your local Business Connect Advisor, Julie Humphris, for a workshop in South West Rocks to discover how digital tools can simplify tasks, enhance customer engagement, and streamline projects. With hands-on exercises and expert insights, you'll learn to save time, cut costs and drive business growth.

Wednesday 14 August | 9.30am - 12.30pm

Seabreeze Beach Hotel, South West Rocks

Secure your spot



Are you a local change maker?

Social challenges are everywhere, but solutions need to fit each place.

Council is offering three scholarships for community members to attend the Social Impact in the Regions conference in Kempsey for free from 4 - 6 September 2024.

This conference will teach you tools and techniques to make a difference in your community. Apply now to learn how to create positive change where you live.

Applications submitted before 11:59pm on Tuesday 6 August will be considered.

Find out more and check out the program



Service NSW Business Bureau

The Service NSW Business Bureau provides free, ongoing and personalised support for every stage of your business.

The Business Bureau helps businesses access government services, information and advice to support them to grow in the NSW economy.

Businesses can:

- talk to a Business Concierge over the phone, in person or online
- get advice from an independent advisor or access a range of events, webinars and online resources through Business Connect
- engage with a multicultural advisor for in-language support
- create a Business Profile to make it easier to manage government transactions and business licences

 download the free Service NSW Business Bureau app to access support on the go

Find out more

Regional Tech Hub

The Regional Tech Hub believe all Australians, regardless of where they live, should have access to affordable and reliable internet and voice services.

This free service can help your business have reliable and efficient connectivity.

Find out how



Trim business waste and reduce costs

The Bin Trim Rebates Program offers small to medium-sized businesses free waste assessments and rebates for installing on-site recycling equipment. Eligible items include:

- · Cardboard and plastic balers
- Expanded polystyrene compactors
- · Source separation bins
- Shredders

Discover how <u>business owners have used the Bin Trim program</u> to increase recycling, save money, and conserve resources.

Register for Macleay Grants Hub to receive email alerts for new grants like the Bin Trim Rebates program, save your favourites and access tips to help you apply for grants. <u>Sign up here</u>

Learn more and apply



Connect with your local business chamber

Macleay Valley Business Chamber

South West Rocks Chamber of Commerce

Macleay Valley Business Women's Network

NORTEC Business Connect Events

NORTEC Business Connect hosts several free events, both online and in person, designed to help you and your business.

Check out what's coming up

Mental health support

NewAccess for Small Business Owners is a program that provides free and confidential mental health support to small business owners.

Over 6 sessions, a NewAccess coach will work side by side with business owners to overcome difficult issues and provide practical skills to help them manage stress.

Find out more and apply

Reminder: changes to casual employment

Don't forget, changes to casual employment laws come into place from 26 August this year.

Find out what this means for employers

Opportunities update

Macleay Grant Hub

Macleay Grant Hub is a free resource available to all local businesses, community groups, not-for-profits, and individuals. This site provides a comprehensive list of grant and funding opportunities available to you.

Register to receive email alerts for new grants, save your favourites and access tips to help you apply for grants. <u>Sign up here</u>

\$1,000 SafeWork small business rebate

If you are a small business owner in NSW, this \$1,000 rebate will help you purchase safety items to improve work health and safety for you and your workers. <u>Learn more</u>

If you have any questions, please contact our Economic Development Team at business@kempsey.nsw.gov.au

