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Welcome to the new look of our Business and Industry E-newsletter. We're excited to be delivering this during *Small Business Month*. Make sure to join a local event, it's a great opportunity network in person and have some fun whilst learning something new.

## It's Small Business Month

There are a number of events taking place across the shire to celebrate Small Business Month. Celebrating this year's theme "Rebuild – Recharge – Renew", a calendar of small workshops and events will provide an opportunity for businesses to reconnect.



Find out what's on during Small Business Month



# Would you like to win council work?

This workshop is designed to help small businesses win more council work. Come along and talk with Council staff to find out what opportunities are available and how to get involved.

The event is on 15 March, from 5:30-6:30pm in the Council Committee Room.

### Find out more

# **Small Business Expo**

The Macleay Valley Business
Chamber is holding two events as part of Small Business Month. Enjoy a night of networking on the 25th March at the Garden Bar or attend the Business Expo on the 26th March, 2022.



### Find out more



# Get Ready for the Future with futurist Gus Balbontin

Wouldn't it be nice if you had the ability to disaster-proof your business? According to some experts, it just might be possible. Lock in the 30th of March, 6pm in your diary now! RSVP's required.

### Find out more

# Break the Bias International Women's Day

Join the Macleay Valley Business
Women's Network to celebrate
International Women's Day on
Thursday 10 March at the Macleay
Valley Community Art Gallery in
Gladstone. There will be a special
viewing of the International Women's
Day Exhibition followed by guest
speaker Cr Kerri Riddington.



### Find out more



# Small Business Support Package closing soon

Applications have opened for the NSW Government's Small Business Support Program, which provides financial assistance for small businesses hit hard by the disruption caused by the wave of Omicron cases. Applications close on 31 March 2022.

### **Find out more**

If you have any questions, please contact our Economic Development Officer, Kristy Forche-Baird on <u>0434 164 357</u> or <u>kristy.forche-baird@kempsey.nsw.gov.au</u>.