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## Finance and New Technologies to Improve Productivity Industry Workshop



Looking to Improve Your Energy Productivity?

Find out about finance options and government incentives

Understand your energy bills

Benefit from the latest gas efficiency technologies

This event focuses on saving gas including free gas productivity training.

**When:** April 4, 2017

**Where:** Wagga Wagga City Art Gallery

**Duration:** 8am – 3pm

**Cost:** FREE

**Register:** [www.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.eventbrite.com.au) and search RDA Riverina under 'Browse Events'

[Click here for more information](#)

## Attracting Investment and Employment to the Region - Development Officer Forum

**March 23, TAFE – West Wyalong**

**Theme:** Attracting Investment to the Region

**Presentations Now Available on the RDA website.**

- [Framework for Regional Development](#)
- [Deloitte's: Purpose of Place](#)
- [CSIRO SME Connect](#)
- [Majors Mulch](#)



**Riverina Economic Development Forum**  
9.30am, Thursday 23rd March 2017  
West Wyalong TAFE RI, 96 Wootton St West Wyalong *Attracting Investment*

**agenda**

8.20am Morning Tea and Networking  
9.00am Welcome and Introduction  
Diana Gibbs, Chair - RDA Riverina  
9.05am Rural Shire Council Overview  
Rachel Whiting, CEO - RDA Riverina  
9.10am Key Speaker: Attracting Investment - Opportunities for the Riverina Region  
Sue Kennedy - The Regional Development Corporation  
9.15am Speaker 2: The Calleen Project  
Ryan O'Leary, Project Manager - Grain Processing (Calleen)  
9.20am Speaker 3: Farming for the Future A Garden to a Business  
Sarah Curry - Major Match  
12.00pm Lunch & Networking  
12.45pm Round Table Discussions  
Attracting Investment in the Riverina, Chair Sue Kennedy  
1.40pm Speaker 4: Innovation R & D for Small to Medium Businesses  
Dr Jacqui Hall - CSIRO, Canberra  
2.30pm Speaker 5: Evolution Council - Social Responsibility  
Anne Bolton - Evolution Mining Council  
3.00pm Forum Close

**who should attend?**  
Economic & Community development officers from:  
- local government,  
- government departments and agencies,

## Start Up Muster 2016 Annual Report on Australia's Start Up sector



Startup Muster has released its latest report, Startup Muster 2016, surveying thousands of founders, potential founders and businesses like accelerators, incubators and educators.

[Click here for full report.](#)

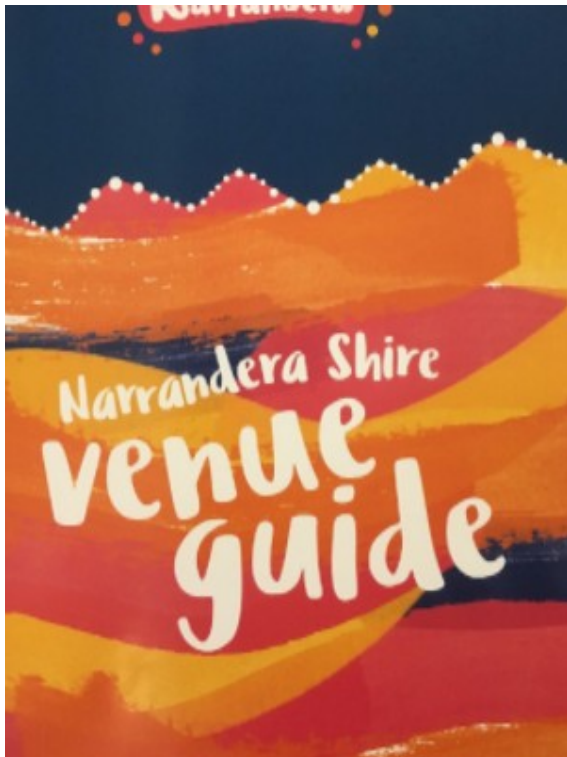
**Round Three of the Bridges Renewal Programme Now Open**



The Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, the Hon Darren Chester MP has now launched Round Three of the Bridges Renewal Programme. The Minister's press announcement is available in the link below.

[Click here for more information.](#)

## Narrandera Shire Venue Guide



Just released!

Need help planning your next event, workshop or training activity in Narrandera Shire? This guide will make your job easy with over 30 event and function venues to choose from in Narrandera Shire including Bimnya, Barellan and Grong Grong.

If you require further assistance

P: 69595547 or

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[Click here for full guide](#)

## Workplace Update - FREE Seminar





Can your business afford to miss this opportunity?

This free Workplace Update Seminar highlights the latest changes that affect business, as well as how you can improve your business management.

You will also be discussing the 10 biggest mistakes you are making when managing staff.

[Griffith](#)

**Date:** Wednesday 5 April 2017

[Albury](#)

**Date:** Wednesday 5 April 2017

[Wagga-Wagga](#)

**Date:** Thursday 6 April 2017

## Top tips for new businesses



**visit**  
**business.gov.au**

Are you considering becoming your own boss rather than returning to the daily grind?

You may be thinking of starting a new business, buying an established business or perhaps you've decided to turn your passion into a business venture? Whatever it is, starting a business is an exciting time with a lot to consider.

**[Business.gov.au has 10 top tips for business start ups here](#)**

## Youth Jobs PaTH Prepare Trial Hire



Australian Government



Youth Jobs PaTH helps employers find and recruit the right young person for their business. Through Youth Jobs PaTH, you can trial a young person in your workplace. And you could receive a wage subsidy of up to \$10,000 if you hire them.

**[Click here for more information](#)**

## Law Week



## Law and justice in your community

15-21 May 2017



Grant applications are now open for Law Week 2017.

Law Week is an annual event aimed at increasing public awareness about the law, the legal system and the legal profession as well as educating the community about the legal services available in NSW.

This year Law Week will run from 15-21 May.

Grants of up to \$1,000 are available to assist with the funding of Law Week events. Activities funded by grants may be held anytime between May 15 to December 1.

Applications close 28 April 2017

**[Click here for more information on the grant application process, including criteria, or to apply.](#)**

**Landcare in Focus out now!**





It's the National Landcare Magazine produced twice a year. This publication features a technical supplement and explores topics surrounding farming innovation and best practice land management.

**Check out this local Riverina Story!**

## **The Agrihack Challenge @agrihackaus**



### **2017 HELP US INITIATE POSITIVE CHANGE IN THE AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY**

A 2 day event next Thursday & Friday at CSU Convention Centre in Wagga where #Agri challenges are tackled by teams to create new and #innovative solutions. Teams will explore the likes of Dairy, Grain and Wool Challenges through tech and social models as well as on the ground farm to plate problems. Teams are given 48 hours to create a solution and best team pitch will win a cash prize of \$3,500 and the opportunity to further their idea through targeted networking opportunities and incubators. This is also an opportunity to look at social challenges affecting the rural area.



[Regos are still open - Click here for more information](#)

## Opportunities for Regional NSW Filmmakers



Createability 2017 – is a project that provides funded opportunities for professional filmmakers to profile artists with disability living and creating in regional NSW.

Now in its third year, Screenworks' initiative Createability 2017 will this year increase its total funding to \$40,000 to support regional filmmakers in NSW to produce eight short films.

[Click here for more information](#)

## Grants Calendar

### ARTS

#### Career Development Grants for Individuals

Australia Council of Arts | \$5,000 - \$25,000 | Closes 6th June 2017

### ARTS

#### Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups

Australia Council of Arts | \$10,000 - \$50,000 | Closes 6th June & 3rd October 2017

## **ARTS**

### **Arts Projects - Organisations**

Australia Council of Arts | \$10,000 - \$100,000 | Closes 6th June & 3rd October 2017

## **ARTS TOURING**

### **Contemporary Music Touring Program**

Australia Council of Arts | \$15,000 | Closes 3rd October 2017

## **BUSINESS**

### **Business Connect**

NSW Dept Industry | Service & Subsidy | Closes 30th June 2020

## **BUSINESS**

### **Bin Trim Rebates Program**

NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) | \$1,000 - \$50,000 | Closes Closes June 2017

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CITY OF WAGGA**

### **Economic Development Grants Program 2016 - 2017**

City of Wagga | \$3,000 | Closes 30th June 2017

## **ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

### **40-50% Discount on Fridge or TV**

NSW Office of Environment and Heritage | Closes 30th June 2017

## **ENVIRONMENT**

### **Environmental Education Grants**

NSW Environment Trust | \$10,000 and \$100,000 | Closes 10th April 2017

## **ENVIRONMENT & TOURISM**

### **Regional Growth - Environment and Tourism Fund EOI**

Restart NSW | min \$500,000 | Closes 6th April 2017

## **EVENTS**

### **Incubator Event Fund Round 2**

Destination NSW Regional Flagship Events Program | \$20,000 | Closes 3rd April 2017

## **RURAL WORKPLACE**

### **Quad Bike Rural Safety Program**

Safework | \$500 | Closes 30th June 2017

### SENIORS

#### Digital Literacy for Older Australians

Australian Government | \$Open | Closes 28th April 2017

### SMALL BUSINESS

#### Jobs Action Plan Rebate Scheme - Payroll Tax

NSW Office of State Revenue | \$6,000 | Closes 19th June 2019

### TECHONOLGY - URBAN SOLUTIONS

#### Smart Cities and Suburbs Program

AusIndustry | \$100,000 - \$5m | Closes 30th June 2017

## CLICK HERE FOR A LIST OF ONGOING GRANTS

**The following websites have information about many grant  
and funding opportunities**

- Community builders: [www.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au](http://www.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au)
- Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal: [www.frrr.org.au](http://www.frrr.org.au)
- Regional Arts NSW: <http://regionalartsnsw.com.au/grants>
- Business: [https://www.business.gov.au/search?  
q=&c=assistance&c=events&c=advice](https://www.business.gov.au/search?q=&c=assistance&c=events&c=advice)
- Our Community: <http://www.ourcommunity.com.au>
- Philanthropy: <http://www.philanthropy.org.au>
- Business: <https://www.business.gov.au/search?q=&c=assistance&c=events&c=advice>

For further assistance in locating grants for your projects

Email: [po@rdariverina.org.au](mailto:po@rdariverina.org.au)

You can also Like us on Facebook to get regular updates

Further information on grants and grantwriting [www.rdariverina.org.au](http://www.rdariverina.org.au)

## Calendar Dates



4 April - Finance and New Technologies

Workshop Wagga

18 May - Industry Tour Batlow/Tumbarumba

25 May - RDA Riverina Committee Meeting

14 – 16 June - Regional Events Conference

Wagga

24 August - RDA Riverina Committee Meeting

23 November - RDA Riverina Committee Meeting

## What's on in the Riverina Region?

- [Bland Shire](#)
- [Carrathool Shire](#)
- [Coolamon Shire](#)
- [Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council](#)
- [Griffith City Council](#)
- [Hay Shire Council](#)

- [Junee Shire Council](#)
- [Leeton Shire Council](#)
- [Lockhart Shire Council](#)
- [Murrumbidgee Shire Council](#)
- [Narrandera Shire Council](#)
- [Temora Shire Council](#)
- [Snowy Valleys Council](#)
- [Wagga Wagga City Council](#)



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