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Showcase Your Business

Kia ora tatou,

Throughout what has been and still is a very challenging economic climate for many members with the latest Official Cash Rate (OCR) announcement due out today, BNH has consistently encouraged people to shop locally and to utilise locally available services. So, would you like to increase the exposure of your business at no cost? Then all you have to do is add your business to the Business Directory on the BNH website.

This is an opportunity to showcase your business and attract more customers and it's completely free to BNH members and associate members. When people are searching online for a 'business' in our area, BNH is often the first thing that pops up, so don't miss out on this free marketing opportunity. Contact our Office manager Kate Thorpe admin@businessnh.org.nz for more information on how to showcase your business.

A little later in the year there will be another excellent opportunity to showcase your business by being part of the Business North Harbour Business Excellence Awards which were an outstanding success last year. We're introducing some new categories this year meaning that there'll be more chances to celebrate the successes of our local business community, so look out for more information before entries open in mid-July.

Ngā mihi mahana,

Kevin O'Leary

General Manager, Business North Harbour

Upcoming Workshops & Events



Business After Five

Global Opportunities: Current and Potential Importers and Exporters Information Evening

Thursday 11th April 2024, 5.30-7.30pm

Business North Harbour

Join us for an exclusive evening hosted by Business North Harbour, dedicated to unlocking the vast potential in importing and exporting goods. Whether you're new to global trade or a seasoned navigator, our event offers invaluable advice and support tailored to your specific needs. Our team of experts is committed to guiding you through the complexities of international trade, ensuring our BID Members succeed. Explore potential collaborations, stay updated on regulatory changes, and grasp market trends crucial for your business' international success. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with like-minded professionals and gain the knowledge needed to thrive in the global arena.

Our Team of Experts Includes Representatives from:

MFAT (Confirmed)

MPI (Confirmed)

British Chamber of Commerce (TBC)

New Zealand China Trade Association (TBC)

[Register now to secure your spot!](#)



Business After Five

Thursday 2nd May 2024, 5.30-7.30pm

MSD Albany Service Centre

44 Corinthian Drive, Albany

The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) is hosting a Business After Five event at their Albany Service Centre premises and invites all BNH members to attend. In particular, MSD is keen to meet as many business owners from within our area and have the opportunity to discuss with them the wide range of training and employment assistance that is available to their businesses, including wage subsidies and post-placement support and training.

Join us for an informative event and hear how MSD can support your business!

Joining us from MSD are:

Denise Bayne - Manager Regional Employment for the Auckland North area. Denise's team is made up of Work Brokers and Employment Coordinators that support business with recruitment services and government funding to secure employment opportunities.

Marie Collins - Regional Manager Employment Early Response who supports business with redundancy / restructuring and retention of staff.

Lynley Mani Jobs and Skills Hub Operations Manager, who supports large-scale construction and infrastructure projects by building community workforce capability and capacity, enabling us to provide the right people, with the right skills, at the right time.

[Register Here](#)



SME climate resilience workshops

April 18th, 2024 – 10:00-12:00PM
Futures Lab, 12 Madden St, CBD

April 22nd, 2024 – 11:00-12:30PM
Online

Climate Connect Aotearoa invite you to join our upcoming workshops, which are designed to provide SMEs with a roadmap for climate adaptation and to engage you in developing tools and resources tailored to your specific needs. These sessions are for learning and exchanging knowledge – no sales pitches, just support. These short, collaborative workshops offer you an opportunity to gain insights into climate risks and how to address them, including:

- Potential support available
- Emergency management
- Longer-term planning

This will put you at the forefront of adaptation and resilience planning, ahead of any potential requirements from buyers.

[Register your interest](#)



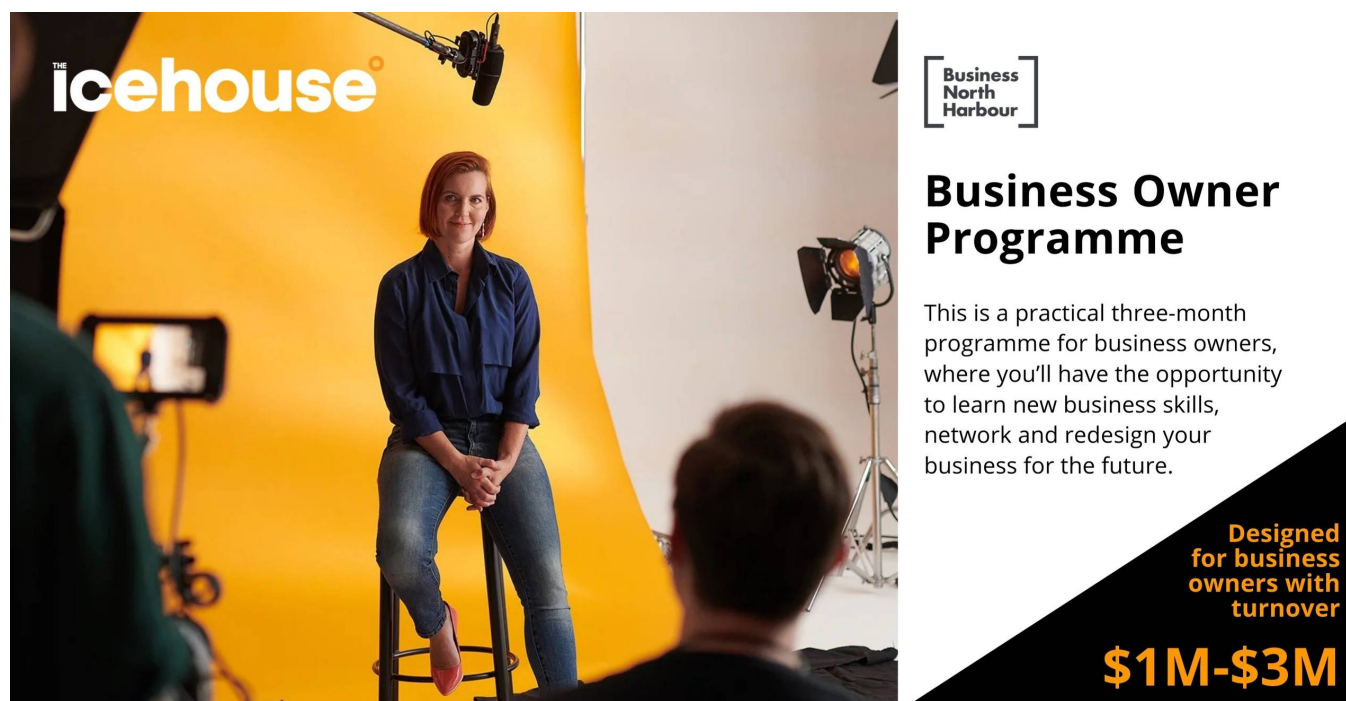
North Shore Schools Careers & Pathways Expo
Wed 12th – Thurs 13th June, North Harbour Stadium
Cost: \$450 + GST per site

It is a great opportunity to engage with the next generation of career starters. 3000+ senior students from 19 North Auckland schools will be attending. Parents, whanau and anyone interested in Careers is also encouraged to attend. I would love to see you there.

As an exhibitor you can raise the profile of your organisation or industry, advertise employment opportunities and be careers advocates! By purchasing a stand, you will have the chance to showcase your business and the range of career opportunities your industry offers. You will be able to connect with Schools and their students directly, network with other businesses and training providers, advertise your entry level jobs, internships, graduate programmes, and summer jobs!

[Click here](#) to register or contact [Ines Roberts](#) for more info.

The Icehouse Business Owner Programme Exclusive Offer To BNH Members



The Icehouse offers a unique learning experience designed for business owners, spanning three full days over three months. Tailored to owners of businesses with revenues between \$1M and \$3M and a staff of three or more, this practical programme equips participants with essential tools, support, and connections for driving progress and enhancing their businesses.

The programme commences with the use of our Centrigrade™ online tool, guiding participants to identify strengths and growth opportunities in their businesses. Over the following three months, attendees engage in three interactive full-day workshops, where they apply their newfound knowledge to their businesses and exchange experiences and ideas with fellow owners. Beyond the monthly workshops, participants can opt for focused one-on-one sessions with an Icehouse business coach for an additional fee, aimed at accelerating progress in their Business Growth Plan.

The programme addresses crucial aspects, such as deciding the future of business operations and strategies for success, instilling leadership, mindset, and resilience for top-tier growth, building high-performing teams and cultivating a positive business culture, transforming sales approaches to become customer-centric, and harnessing digital and social media channels for growth.

Under the guidance of Programme Facilitator Jamie Brock, a seasoned Business Coach and Programme Director for various Icehouse programmes, participants will benefit from his expertise in enhancing business performance. Jamie has a wealth of experience as a senior executive, leading sizeable sales and marketing teams in New Zealand. His ownership of small businesses and involvement in successful start-ups locally and internationally adds valuable insights to the programme.

The Auckland-based programme spans three workshops on August 15th, September 12th, and October 24th, providing a comprehensive and dynamic learning experience for business owners seeking to elevate their ventures.

50% funding is available from Regional Business Partners Funding. For more information and to register your interest please download the [full brochure here](#) or email Bernadette Roberts @ Comms@businessnh.org.nz

Latest Information From Business.govt.nz



The business.govt.nz and other Government sources provide the latest information for businesses.

If you have any questions or need support please contact the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE)'s phone line for small businesses: Freephone **0800 424 946**

Free Admin Support Through Habit Health

Habit Health organises work experience for clients who are transitioning back into the workforce after an injury. Clients are fully rehabilitated by the time we look at sourcing a work trial and currently we are trying to secure an administration support opportunity in the local area (3- 6 weeks, unpaid work, and no impact on ACC levies for the employer).

Rubbish Collection Changes Are Coming



We are Standardising our rubbish services across the region. Here's how the changes affect you:

- From 6th May 2024, your council rubbish commercial collections will change to one collection per week, aligned with your recycling collection day.
- There will be no more night collections.
- Please put your bins out by 6am or the night before your collection day, and don't forget to attach a rubbish bin tag!
- Excess rubbish can be dropped off at a transfer station, however, charges may apply.

Alternatively, use a private contractor to remove your extra rubbish. For more information about your council rubbish commercial collections, visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/commercial-collections.

Together, let's protect our land and minimise waste.

Changes To Your Kerbside Recycling Collection - Get Across The New Standards



There's no doubt that recycling used items is much better for the environment than sending them to landfill where they can take hundreds of years to break down. However, until now, different councils across Aotearoa have had different rules when it comes to what types of items you can – and can't – put in your kerbside recycling bin.

Read the guide to what can go in your bin and what has changed, [click here](#).

450 Children On The Big Brothers Big Sisters Waitlist, Sponsor A Match Today



Join us in changing lives by becoming a Matchmaker.

We are searching for sponsors to support a match, between a child and their mentor for one-year, in Tāmaki Makaurau. At Big Brothers Big Sisters, we're dedicated to providing vital support and guidance to vulnerable children in our community. Right now, we're seeking a compassionate person or business to sponsor the match between Kendric, our Little, and Robert, our dedicated Big. Your sponsorship will not only support a profound bond between Kendric and Rob but will also pave the way for a brighter future filled with hope and opportunity. With over 450 vulnerable kids now on the waitlist, our tamariki need your help to thrive. Join us, let's make a lasting difference.

Contact us at auckland@bbbs.org.nz, or call us 022 379 7169 to become a sponsor. Read more [here](#).

Te Hononga a Iwi: Restoring Rosedale Park Needs Your Support



Te Hononga a Iwi: Restoring Rosedale Park is seeking IT investment.

If your organisation is beginning its sustainability journey, and would like to become a partner in our local environmental project, this is a great fit for you. Whilst some local businesses increase their sustainability by working at the restoration to restore the land and waterway, others offer value with loaning space, machinery, materials. We require support with our website costs, newsletter sending facilities (using Mailchimp) and need to upgrade to a Business Premium package to enable donations amounting to an annual investment in people and nature of NZ \$772.

Please contact Youth Business Activators, Liam or David on hello@restoringrosedalepark.org.nz if you can help the restoration. There are many ways you can help, [learn more](#).

Introducing The Express Sesh



Introducing The Express Sesh – your VIP ticket to transform business chaos into strategic success. What's an Express Coaching Session? It's a deep dive, hands-on session tailored to your business needs. In just 60 minutes, we'll clarify your current position and the next right steps to be taking. After our session, you'll:

- Have a clear plan for your next 10 steps
- Feel excited and ready to implement your plan
- Gain confidence in your business direction
- Rediscover your passion for your business

What's included:

- 60-minute Zoom call
- Customised action plan
- Full recorded call for reference
- Priority invitation to work together

Imagine the possibilities:

- Gain fresh perspectives and uncover overlooked cashflow opportunities
- Have the fast path to generating revenue and a plan to help your team to execute it
- Book your Express Sesh now for \$350 inc GST. <https://natalietoahopf.com/express-sesh/>

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