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## Give Us Your Feedback

Kia ora tatou,

The new BNH financial year starts on 1<sup>st</sup> July, and we would like your feedback to help us shape our programmes and services moving forwards. We want to ensure that we continue to provide members with relevant information, programmes, services and opportunities to connect, communicate and collaborate, as we support the ongoing development of our local business district and business community.

Please take a few minutes (five at the most) to answer the questions in our annual member survey and be in to win a \$200 Prizzie Card!

We value your feedback, so please make sure that you have your say *here* before the survey closes on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

Ngā mihi mahana,

#### Kevin O'Leary

General Manager, Business North Harbour

# **Business North Harbour Member Survey 2024**



We invite you to participate in the annual Business North Harbour (BNH) Member Survey. This survey is an opportunity for all BNH Members including property owners, business owners, employees, and Associate members to have your voice heard and provide valuable feedback that will shape the decisions we make on how best to support you.

Your input is critical in helping us understand your needs and preferences, as well as identifying areas where we can improve our services and offerings. The survey will only take 5 minutes to complete, but the impact of your responses will be significant in guiding the future direction of BNH.

#### As a thank you for taking the time to complete the survey, we are offering a chance to win a \$200 Prezzie card.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the survey. We look forward to hearing from you and using your feedback to enhance the BNH experience for all members.

**Complete the survey <u>HERE</u>** – The Survey closes on <u>Tuesday 7 May 2024.</u>

## **Upcoming Workshops & Events**



# MSD ALBANY SERVICE CENTRE, 44 CORINTHIAN DRIVE

**Business After Five** Thursday 2nd May 2024, 5.30-7.30pm MSD Albany Service Centre 44 Corinthain 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** 



Women In Business Thursday 20th June 2024, 10:00-12:00PM North Shore Golf Club

Julie, also known as "that blind woman," has defied the odds to become an accomplished author, sought-after speaker, and empowering coach. She has captivated audiences worldwide with her story of resilience and the power of adaptation. From navigating single-blind parenting to embarking on adventures like walking every street in her hometown of Dunedin and visiting the Seven Wonders of the World, Julie's journey is one of triumph over adversity.

Join us to uncover the two small words that propelled Julie off the couch and empowered her to thrive amidst disruption. Learn firsthand what she said to those who questioned, "How can you sightsee when you can't see?"

Don't miss this opportunity to be inspired and empowered by Julie Woods' incredible story of courage, determination, and limitless possibilities.

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!

<u>Click here</u> to register or contact <u>Ines Roberts</u> for more info.



#### **Past Events**

Women In Business Business & Beauty with Natasha Bourke

Natasha Bourke, renowned figure in New Zealand's beauty industry, captivated over 100 attendees at Business North Harbour's Women in Business event. Reflecting on her journey from Dermalogica to CEO of Two Hundred Doors, Natasha shared invaluable insights on entrepreneurship, family business, and the importance of support networks. Caroline Parker's enlightening talk on menopause and skincare further enriched the event, fostering a sense of camaraderie among guests.

To learn more and view event photos, click here.

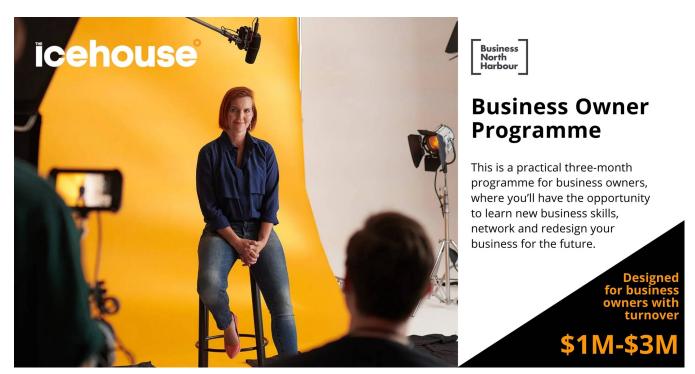


Business After 5 Unlock Global Opportunities: Importers and Exporters Evening

Unlocking global opportunities with expert guidance! At our event, experts from MFAT, MPI, NZBBC, and ExportNZ shared invaluable insights. Sanjay Prakash highlighted MFAT's role in FTAs, while Michelle Taylor emphasised MPI's regulatory guidance. Marcelo Menoita shared exciting plans to boost NZ-Brazil trade, and Ruth Boyes showcased ExportNZ's extensive resources. To learn more and view event photos, <u>click here</u>.



#### The Icehouse Business Owner Programme Exclusive Offer To BNH Members



Are you a business owner with a turnover of between \$1m-\$3m? BNH has partnered with Icehouse to offer a practical three-month programme where you'll have the chance to learn new skills, network, and redesign your organisation for the future.

**50% funding is available from Regional Business Partners Funding**. For more information and to register your interest please download the <u>full brochure here</u> or email Bernadette Roberts @ <u>Comms@businessnh.org.nz</u>

## Latest Information From Business.govt.nz



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

businesses.

- Emission trading scheme updates
- Tax toolbox for tradies
- Quiz: Can my customer return that item?
- Is your website working for you?
- <u>5 tips for a happy Mother's Day</u>
- <u>Using creativity and innovation to solve global problems</u>
- How to protect your business against ransomware

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** 

# **ANZAC Day Parades And Services 2024**



Anzac Day is a time to reflect on the servicemen and servicewomen, past and present, who have displayed courage and self-sacrifice serving our country. For details of parades and services across the region, <u>click here</u>.

# North Harbour Hyundai Supports Business North Harbour With Hyundai Tucson Hybrid



We're excited to announce our exciting collaboration with North Harbour Hyundai, who have generously sponsored two Hyundai Tucson Hybrid vehicles for our esteemed Ambassadors. As integral members of our business community, their advocacy for sustainability resonates deeply. The Tucson Hybrid's eco-conscious features are a testament to our shared values. We applaud North Harbour Hyundai's commitment to sustainability and community engagement.

Together, we eagerly anticipate advancing economic growth and innovation while advocating for responsible business practices in our region.

## Introducing The Ember Employment Talent Showcase

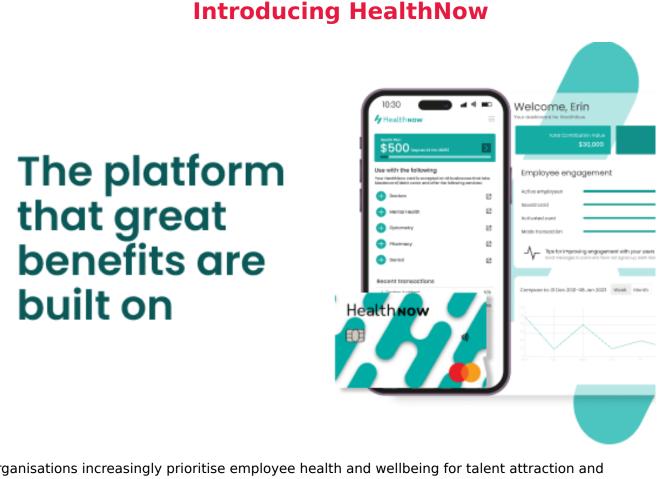


Are you looking for talented and enthusiastic people to join your organisation? Would you like access to a free employment service that supports jobseekers during the hiring process and after they're employed? We have the talent for the job you've got!

Ember Employment has a diverse range of talent ready to step into roles today. From cyber security specialists to data entry operators to early childhood workers, we have the people you need. Our employment consultants support people with lived experience of mental health challenges, harm from alcohol or other drugs, or intellectual disabilities to find the right job at the right time with the right organisation.

Ember is one of the largest NGO's in Aotearoa, employing over three hundred people. The majority of Ember staff have lived experience. They are living proof of the power of recovery when people are given the right support to succeed. Our vision at Ember is to create an Aotearoa where all people are supported to be who and what they want to be.

If you want to access this free employment resource or to learn more about it, contact Janey today at janey.housego@ember.org.nz



# Introducing HealthNow

Organisations increasingly prioritise employee health and wellbeing for talent attraction and retention. However, in New Zealand, benefits traditionally lag behind other countries. HealthNow addresses this gap with a platform allowing tailored health and wellbeing allowances, fostering equity and flexibility. Employees choose where to spend, enhancing community connection and engagement. Healthier, happier employees result in positive financial outcomes for businesses, as shown in the recent HealthNow ROI of employee wellbeing report. By embracing HealthNow, organisations can proactively support employee health journeys, fostering a more engaged workforce. Contact HealthNow to explore this impactful platform and enhance your role as a caring employer. <u>Click here</u> to watch case study.

#### **Opportunity For Small Business Owners Exporting To Australia**



The Australian Government is sending over a "taskforce" to meet with small business owners in Auckland to discuss ways to simplify doing business between NZ and Australia. If you're interested in being involved in these roundtable discussions on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May, from 11am – 1pm please contact Ruth.Boyes@EMA.CO.NZ\_, Find more details here.

# Join The Inaugural GKQ Championship For A **Night Of Fun And Fundraising**



Prepare for a wonderful night of fundraising, camaraderie, and friendly competition! Teams will battle it out for a chance to become the first GKQ Champions!

Tickets are sold per table (\$680 + GST and can seat up to 8 people) and include a delicious buffet dinner and a drink. The guiz will have some fun games and challenges, and we'll also have a live and silent auction. Optional dress-up with prizes up for grabs too!

We have an amazing MC-turned Quiz Master David Downs, who will put your team's knowledge to the test with stimulating quizzes. Find out more and get your tickets here!

Thank you to our 2023-2024 PLATINUM PARTNERS







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