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MBG BULLETIN

The recent easing of restrictions has given many of our Maroondah Business Group members and local businesses a welcome boost, especially over the recent holiday long weekend where many businesses were able to open for trade again. This is a very positive sign and provides hope for the much needed economic recovery.

We look forward to a further easing of COVID-19 restrictions starting with the second phase on June 22nd. This will provide further opportunity and support for businesses to re-start, re-invigorate and re-build on the long road to recovery.

It is important to realise the business community is in a unique position to help ensure there is a gradual and permanent lifting of restrictions by maintaining current protocols for social distancing and cleaning within their businesses. The last thing we want is for a new wave of restrictions coming out of a second wave of infections.

Maroondah Business Group is committed to increasing our efforts & dedication to supporting our members, we will not slow we are committed to adapting, growing and supporting businesses now and in the future. We hope the information we are providing will assist you during this time as we start to rebuild and adapt to our "new" normal lifestyles.

Maroondah Council has committed to making important changes to slow the spread of coronavirus, by cleaning the areas where we frequent. Maroondah Business Group is encouraging our Local Residents & Businesses to do their part in supporting local businesses wherever possible over the coming months.

MBG cannot stress enough how important it is at this time to support local, this can range from purchasing gift vouchers to be used at a later date, buying food from businesses now offering takeaway options & supporting your local stores & locally owned or operated produce suppliers.

If you need any services please look Locally first, Printing, Flowers, Hair, Accountants, Tradespeople, Real Estate, try to support those who have like you done the hard yards to keep their businesses operating and now need support from us to grow.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our next ZOOM Meeting 16th June at 5 pm.

Please book through [Eventbrite](#)

Don't forget to see what BizHub Maroondah are also offering.
<https://www.bizhubmaroondah.com.au/Pub/pStart.asp>

REOPENING BUSINESS

The advice from the [Department of Health and Human Services Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) website](#) **continues to evolve regularly, please monitor their website for regular updates.**

A range of sectors/industries are subject to COVID-19 Restricted Activity Directions, and the following is provided to protect staff and patrons and to comply with the government's current restrictions.

The current easing of restrictions will enable a range of sectors/industries to resume and/or expand their scope of business. The following guidelines from the Business Victoria website have been developed to assist businesses prepare to safely resume operations in accordance with the easing of restrictions, while also ensuring the public feels confident that their health and safety is being protected:

For all businesses, [Safe Work Australia](#) also has numerous resources to assist complying with WHS laws and to protect staff and patrons, including:

- [Industry information on COVID-19](#);
- [COVID-19 in your workplace](#) - What action should I take if I suspect someone at my workplace has the virus or has been exposed?; and,
- [COVID-19 resource kit](#)

HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY GUIDELINES FOR COVID 19



Guidelines and resources to assist cafes, restaurants and other food and drink facilities to reopen



TOURISM INDUSTRY GUIDELINES FOR COVID 19

Guidelines and resources to assist tourism businesses to reopen

[Read More](#)

AUSTRALIAN MADE CAMPAIGN

Australian Made urges all to buy Aussie now

'It's never been more important to buy Australian than right now'— is the tag line of the new promotional initiative from the Australian Made Campaign Ltd (AMCL), the organisation responsible for administering and promoting the famous Australian Made logo.

According to Australian Made Chief Executive, Ben Lazzaro, Australian Made is throwing its support behind Australian manufacturers and growers, as they continue to lead the way in Australia's recovery from COVID-19.

"By calling on Australians to buy Australian right now, not only will we get products made to some of the highest quality and safety standards in the world, we can create local jobs and economic activity that will aid in the recovery process, while also strengthening our local manufacturing capabilities," he said.

The new campaign spans TV, radio, out-of-home, print, online and social media with a value of more than half a million dollars, as it seeks to impact the purchasing decisions of all Australians.

"A coordinated push to 'buy local' has the potential to play a big part in getting Australia back online," said Mr Lazzaro. "So, whether it's doing the weekly grocery shopping, buying online, sourcing supplies for business or procuring products for major projects, let's make sure we look for the trusted Australian Made logo to be sure it's authentically Australian."

The new TV advertisement features footage from AMCL's 'Australian Makers' video series, which showcases a number of Australian manufacturers and growers that proudly carry the Australian Made logo. "We were lucky enough to go behind the scenes and into the local factories, workshops and farms of some of the country's most innovative manufacturers," said Mr Lazzaro. "These are real businesses, people and products that make up Australia's diverse and evolving manufacturing sector."

The Australian Makers series can be viewed here: www.australianmade.com.au/ausmakers

A message from your Committee

Members, Past Members and those who have yet to join, please consider renewing or becoming a Member the cost is minimal \$100 per year, it means we can continue to operate and support you and your businesses. [This link](#) will take you to the member page on our website where you can join.

We are a voluntary group and the Committee works hard in their own time to ensure we provide you with valuable content.

If you have any content or information you would like us to address or feature please let us know.

We would also like to ask everyone if they could invite a non-member to come along each meeting so we can grow our numbers and increase our voice.

Remember – Belonging is *GOOD* Business!!