



DIARY DATES

4 JULY 07 – 3:30pm

NATIONAL CERAMIC INDUSTRIES SITE TOUR
175 Racecourse road
Rutherford

9 JULY 07 – 5:00PM

PORT WARATAH COAL SERVICES SITE EXPANSION UPDATD & AUSTRALIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE - HUNTER (ATC-H) INFORMATION SESSION
Hunter Trade & Investment Centre
Level 3, 251 Wharf Road
Newcastle

11 JULY 07 – 4:30PM

HUNTERNET BOARD MEETING
R.C Whan Pty Ltd
379 Lake Road
Argenton NSW 2294

17 JULY 07 – 5:00PM

HUNTERNET GENERAL MEETING
Priestley Electrical
Unit 2/8 Nelson Rd
Cardiff NSW 2285

WELCOME

Welcome to the **July** Edition of 'What's On?'

June has been an extremely eventful month and not just for HunterNet and its Members, but for everyone in Newcastle and surrounding areas. The recent floods have certainly made a huge impact on all of us in one way or another, but it's been great to see everyone pulling together and helping each other out.

On a brighter note, HunterNet commenced June with the Annual Patrons Dinner on 7th June which was held at the Newcastle Club once again. The evening was very well attended by all of our Patrons, together with a mixture of dignitaries, and a great range of topics were discussed.



On 19th June HunterNet held its General Meeting at [TEMMCO](#). [Arno Schneller](#) and his team were extremely hospitable to all of our Members and guests (approx 60) who braved the cold weather to make it along to their

facilities at Rutherford. Arno provided Members with an extremely informative and interesting presentation on their history and capabilities, which was followed by a site tour and some great networking.

On 26 June, Members were invited to attend a NSW Mining Industry Update presented by [Ken Raymond](#), Industry Capability Network together with Joe Clayton, General Manager Anvil Hill Project. This was another extremely informative session which again was very well attended.



WELCOME NEW HUNTERNET MEMBERS

HunterNet are happy to announce several new Members this month. **Twojays Promotions Pty Ltd** accepted their Membership kit at the General Meeting on June 19. Twojays are a family owned company providing professional heavy equipment maintenance, refurbishment, sales & service. Their workshop is based in Branxton. For more information please contact [Daniel Connolly](#) on 4938 3733

HunterNet also welcomed two new Associate Members – **Power Control Engineers & Futorus Pty Ltd**. **Power Control Engineers** are based at Kooragang Island and are an electrical engineering applications, consulting, design and project management company serving customers in utilities, industry and mining. For more information please contact [Brian Ness](#) on 4928 1511

Futorus Pty Ltd is an Australian owned and based company located in the Hunter region, which has been established to design and develop new technology in the field of software and electronics. To find out more about Futorus, contact [David Edwards](#) on 0432 535 746

Another Member introduced in June was Sponsor Member **Austrade**. Julianne Merriman, Export Advisor, has written the following note to all Members:

Dear HunterNet members,

Just a quick note to say on behalf of Austrade Newcastle that we are very pleased to have become a sponsor member of Hunternet. Without a doubt there are many and varied ways in which HunterNet and Austrade can work closely together and increase the level and number of companies exporting out of the Hunter Region. With a focus on innovation, progressive/collaborative marketing and regionalism I am sure that together we can add value to the reach of businesses looking to grow offshore.

As Regional Manager of Newcastle and the Hunter, please feel free to contact me at any time for information on our programs and to access our assistance offshore. I look forward to hearing from you,

Julianne Merriman

Regional Export Manager, Austrade Newcastle

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TELSTRA ASSISTANCE FOR CUSTOMERS AFFECTED BY STORM DAMAGE



Telstra's network and services were significantly impacted as a result of the floods and storm that hit the Hunter Valley and Central Coast from Friday 8 June 2007.

Up to 28,000 customers were without a fixed telephone service, 528 Telstra sites lost mains power and 130 mobile base stations were also impacted, largely as a result of the significant power loss throughout the

region.

Subsequently, Telstra recently announced a relief package for its residential and small business customers in the Hunter Valley and Central Coast regions whose phone services have been affected by this storm damage and floods. [READ MORE>>](#)

PWCS – SITE EXPANSION



[Port Waratah Coal Services](#) (PWCS) recently announced details of a long-term commercial framework intended to provide greater certainty for PWCS and its long term customers.

PWCS

PWCS is seeking the consent and agreement of the NSW Government to amend the 'common user' lease provisions at PWCS' Kooragang Island facility to have similar provisions to those in PWCS' Carrington lease. The new system will enable PWCS to give preference to those customers who may not be able to obtain access to coal handling services from incoming coal loading operator, the Newcastle Coal Infrastructure Group (NCIG).

PWCS recently lodged a request with the Newcastle Port Corporation (NPC) to allow the changes to take effect from January 1, 2010. PWCS has asked the NPC for formal feedback for the next PWCS Board Meeting in late July.

If approval is given, long-term contracts between PWCS and the relevant coal customers would be signed almost immediately, providing the customers with preferential access and operational certainty and security from 2010. [READ MORE>>](#)

DON'T FORGET TO COME ALONG FOR AN UPDATE ON JULY 9 – 5:00PM!

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

5-6 September 07

Hunter Business Expo
Newcastle Entertainment Centre

*Come and visit us at the
HunterNet & HNGTC Booth.*

Further details will follow -

Watch this space!

22 – 26 October, 2007

Land Warfare Conference 2007

Adelaide Convention Centre

North Terrace ,Adelaide

<http://www.dsto.defence.gov.au/corporate/conferences/landwarfare/>

WARATAH ENGINEERING HAVE MOVED!



Waratah Engineering have moved to new, much larger facilities at Argenton.

All telephone, fax numbers and email addresses remain the same.

Their new contact details are as follows:

SITE: 537 Lake Road Argenton NSW 2284

POSTAL: PO Box 35 Boolaroo NSW 2284

Contact [Mark Kingshott](#) if you would like more information.

NIS ENGINEERING HAS EXPANDED!



NIS Engineering has expanded its operations and relocated to a new workshop at 56 Gardiner Road Rutherford.

The new location has centralised the business between the Valley's coal industry and Newcastle's heavy industry precinct and has provided them with the ability to take on larger electrical and engineering projects. Their large workshop with Franna access and extensive stand-down area, allows for the biggest projects to continue in all weather conditions.

Please contact [Trish](#) on 4968 4600 if you'd like further information.