

Media release

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Cradle Coast Authority hosts Electric Vehicle Association meeting and launches new Electric Vehicle Charger.

On Wednesday, 29 January 2020, the Cradle Coast Authority (CCA) will host a group of electric vehicle enthusiasts, when the Tasmanian branch of the Australian Electric Vehicle Association (AEVA) holds their bi-monthly meeting at CCA's Burnie building. The meeting coincides with the launch of CCA's Electric Vehicle (EV) charger, now available for public use in their carpark at 1-3 Spring Street, Burnie.

CCA CEO, Daryl Connelly, said that he is happy that the organisation can offer a simple-to-use EV charger for early adopters of this new and important technology.

"The EV charger we have installed at our offices is an EO brand and is currently free to use. Download the EO App to your smartphone, plug in your charging cable, and fill up your vehicle!" said Mr Connelly.

"Local government is 'leading the charge', so to speak. Some of our Member Councils have already installed chargers, and most of the others have plans to do so" he said.

The charger was installed after CCA obtained a Charge Smart grant from the Tasmanian Government, who are supporting local electric vehicle users and visitors who wish to tour the state. The network of EV chargers is spreading around the state, and AEVA members are putting them to good use.

Christopher Walkden, Secretary of the Tasmanian Branch of the AEVA said that it is great to see electric vehicle usage growing, and that more chargers are becoming available.

"The AEVA is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to switching Australia's transport networks to electric drive as quickly as possible. We aim to provide an official source of information about EVs in Australia, and to build a community of EV users.

"Everyone is welcome to attend our meeting, whether you have an electric car or bike, or are interested in future EV opportunities. Or just come along to the 'Show and Shine', see the vehicles on display and meet the people who drive them." said Mr Walkden.

CCA's recently appointed Future Energy Facilitator, Tanya Denison, will talk at the meeting about the region's Future Energy Hub, and how electric vehicles will fit into this initiative.

Event details:

Date: Wednesday, 29th of January 2020

Time: 5:30pm "Show and Shine" in the CCA carpark, including launch of EV Charger, followed by AEVA meeting at 7pm

Location: 1-3 Spring Street, Burnie



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