

CCLLEN Bulletin

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2017 Upcoming Dates

27 & 30 October—VET Awards Interviews
1 November—VCE Exams Commence
9 November—Beacon AGM
14 November—VET Excellence Awards Night
16 November—Echuca College ICT Day

Youth Expo Wraps up Term 3

It was an action packed Term 3 for us at the LLEN. We had events on every week!

We held careers events, the Murray River Culinary Challenge, mock interviews and the Youth Expo. We have been receiving nominations for the VET in School Excellence Awards, recruiting mentors for a new mentoring program, and setting up Pop Up Libraries. And early in the term we delivered School Friendly Business calendars for Semester 2.

All of this is only possible through the support of our many partners. Thank you

for your contributions of time, expertise and funds.

I hope you enjoy reading about all the events and activities in this edition of our Bulletin.

Farewell

Best wishes to Brigid Dullard who is leaving us to take up the role of Youth Engagement Officer with the Shire of Campaspe. We are proud to have assisted Brigid on her career journey and look forward to working with her in her new capacity.

Anne Trickey—Executive Officer



CCLLEN Staff supporting R U OK? Day at the Echuca Moama Youth Expo

Echuca Moama Youth Expo: Bridging the Gap 2017

More than 1000 students filled the Echuca College Stadium on 12 September for the third Echuca Moama Youth Expo organised by Campaspe Cohuna LLEN.



Year 8, 9 & 10 students from our local secondary schools attended throughout the day interacting with the 45 stands from youth services and organisations, sporting clubs and community groups.

The exhibitors had fun and engaging activities such as cricket bowling, footy handballing, stress ball making, martial arts, shooting soccer goals, push up and pull up challenges, eating bugs, a pig drawing personality quiz, carpet bowls, golf putting and lots of competitions.

The students left the sessions with a show bag full of information on services available for young people and how



to sign up for volunteering opportunities and to sporting clubs and community groups.



We were entertained by musical performances throughout the day from students and these were well coordinated by the St Joseph's College Cert III Technical Production students. The art exhibition was a great display of our local talent with the People's Choice competition proving popular. The Expo was sponsored by Moama Bowling Club.



Echuca Moama Youth Expo: Writing Competition

The winner of the writing competition, Dale Costello from River City Christian College, shares his experience at the Expo.

The stadium caught fire, then exploded... Just kidding! What actually took place on the 12th September was that all year 8-10 students from Echuca College, St Joseph's College, Moama Anglican Grammar School, Echuca Specialist School and River City Christian College were lucky enough to attend the Echuca Moama Youth Expo which was funded by the Moama Bowling Club and Campaspe Cohuna LLEN.

At the Expo I learnt that there are a lot of businesses which support the youth of the Campaspe Shire. I also became aware of ways to improve our community. The sensation of the live music mixed with the joyous smiles and thrilled face made the Echuca College stadium feel warm and welcoming.

A major highlight for me was seeing the photos and drawings that the students created, I love how most of the stalls involved you doing something out of your comfort zone.

We are so thankful that we had this opportunity to learn more about our community. We eagerly await the next Youth Expo!

Dale Costello – River City Christian College



Strengthening School Industry Engagement Project

The Murray River Culinary Challenge has established a fine reputation within the schools and industry as an example of how strong school – industry partnerships can develop people, employment and industry capacity.

The Department of Education has chosen the Culinary Challenge as a focus of one of the case studies for the Strengthening School Industry Engagement Project.

The film crew for the SSIE Project team joined the Culinary Challenge Regional Final in August at Echuca College, capturing interviews with judges, students, support people and kitchen action footage.

The completed film will be available by November.



VET in Schools Excellence Awards

The VET in Schools Excellence Awards are held every year to showcase local VET Students who are excelling in their field of study.

Finalists will be notified shortly and judging interviews will be held on 27 and 30 October.

Students, teachers, trainers, families, host employers and sponsors will all be invited. Tickets will be on sale soon.



7pm, Tuesday 14 November
Moama Bowling Club

Let's Read Campaspe

Our Let's Read Campaspe early childhood Pop-Up Libraries continue to be rolled out.

So far boxes have been set up in the following places:

- Echuca Court House
- Echuca Moama Family Medical Practice
- Kyabram Community Learning Centre
- Rushworth Bakery
- Campaspe Community Children's Centre
- BYL Espresso
- Echuca Police Station
- Café 3561 Rochester

Each Pop-Up Library box contains at the outset, 24 high quality preloved books suitable for the 0 – 5 year old age range. Members of the public may either keep, return or swap a book wherever they see the logo. We want the books to be used to help children develop a love of reading, so important for pre-emergent literacy.



LET'S READ
Campaspe
Anywhere, anytime

Pop-up library



To host a Pop-Up Library or to donate books
contact CCLLEN on 5482 6055

Kyabram Industry Day

Local industries and services gathered at the Kyabram Bocce Club to present workshops to the Kyabram P-12 College Year 9 students.

Students heard personal stories of career journeys with the chance to ask questions and enjoyed some great interactive moments in a number of the workshops.

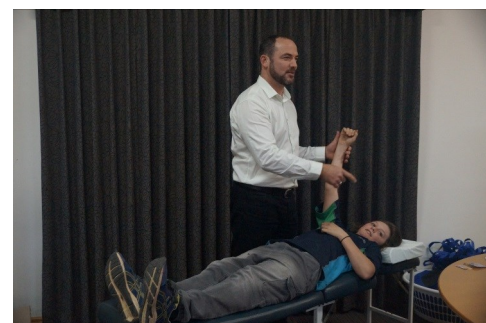
Businesses that joined us on the day included lawyers from Dawes & Vary Riordan, Murray River Chiropractic, Physiotherapists from Kyabram District Health Services, Nutritionist from Warramunda Village, Edwards Electrical, Hairdressing presented by Donna Campbell, Sarina Russo Apprenticeships and a strong presentation from Victoria Police.

All students participated in an O H & S workshop, presented by the Shire of Campaspe, to better prepare them for

entering the workplace and gain an understanding of workplace safety.

Jacq Campbell and Brigid Dullard delivered an Interview Technique session in the afternoon to compliment students' careers classes in resume writing and covering letters.

The Kyabram P-12 College Life Skills group cooked and served a delicious morning tea and BBQ lunch.



Kyabram Youth Partnerships

Twelve Junior Park Rangers from Kyabram P-12 College, St Augustine's College and Echuca Specialist School celebrated the completion of the 12 week program in August at the Kyabram Fauna Park. They were joined by parents and staff as they reflected on what they had learnt from the program, visited the koala enclosure and had a party with egg and spoon races. The next group of primary aged students are already half way through the program and have taken on some hands on projects including the making of bird seed feeders and feeding the animals.

Our MATES mentoring program continues to support five secondary aged students at St Augustine's College and Kyabram P-12 College. They meet with their mentor once a week developing a trusting relationship. The mentors

provide the students with a positive role model and offer guidance and encouragement.

The I CAN Network mentoring program is currently running on a fortnightly basis supporting our young people on the spectrum. The participants are enthusiastic to participate in each session and are gaining more confidence in team work, socialising and public speaking. The group of 15 secondary students from St Augustine's College and Kyabram P-12 College are planning their Presentation Night to be held on 30 November.

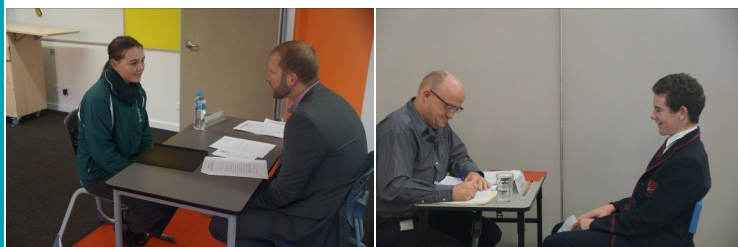
The Management Group are presently looking at plans for I CAN in Kyabram 2018 and investigating the possibility of developing I CAN in Echuca.

Beacon

We can all relate to the nerves and anxiety associated with a job interview. Now imagine you are a Year 9 student and you have never had an interview before. That is how the students from Moama Anglican Grammar School and St Joseph's College felt getting ready for the Beacon Mock Interviews last August.

Fortunately, the students were well prepared through their school's career programs and complimented with Interview Technique sessions facilitated by Jacq Campbell CCLLEN's Structured Workplace Coordinator and Beacon.

With a completed resume and an application letter for a mock job, over 200 Year 9 students participated in a 20 minute formal interview with a business person or community member.



Thanks to our wonderful business partners who provided interviewers for Moama Anglican Grammar School on 9 August and St Joseph's College on 24 and 25 August

Agriculture Victoria, Beacon Board, Bunnings, C4EM, Community Living & Respite Services, Employment Solutions Inc, Eworks, Insurance House, Shire of Campaspe, Landmark, Lockwood Partners, Moama Bowling Club, Moama RSL, Mick Kenna, Murray River Council and Numanz Embroidery.



The value of the experience is captured in these quotes from the students.

I was a little nervous when I got there but when we got started I was really happy with how it went - Chloe

Was a good experience and helpful for life skills – Tanner

I think this was a good learning experience and is going to really help me in the future - Isabelle



Experience was worth it. I feel more confident for a real interview – Jenna

My interviewer was very understanding and helpful, I got great feedback and I will learn from this experience – Olivia

I enjoyed all the tips and realistic experiences I gained while doing the interview – Nixon

It was really good experience to practise interviews and it will help me in the future - Madelyn

Great experience for future interviews. Though it was daunting it wasn't as scary or difficult as I thought it would be – Catrina



It was daunting at first but once I got to know the interviewer it was great. I may have found work experience through a contact on the day - Max

I think that the experience was really helpful and I learnt a lot about how to sell myself – Erin

This opportunity has given me the knowledge I need to go to a job interview in the future - Annabel

It was useful for preparing me for a real job interview. The Tech session was helpful in preparing for the interview. - Abbey

The Beacon Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 9 November, 5.30pm-6.30pm, at Moama RSL. Come along and hear the reflections of the year by the Beacon Leaders.

Beacon Movie Fundraiser at Echuca Paramount in November. Details coming soon.

Murray River Culinary Challenge

The Murray River Culinary Challenge is over for another year with a total of 138 students from 19 schools across the five regions participating in the Challenge, overseen by 15 different judges.

The four schools represented in the regional final were Cohuna Secondary College, Echuca College, Rochester Secondary College and St. Augustine's Kyabram. Students progressed to the regional final after competing in teams within their schools.

The students that went through to the Campaspe Regional Final Competition were Archie Read and Kade Faulkner from Echuca College, Stephanie Crouch and Wallace Graham from Rochester Secondary College, Meg Roberts and Bronte Wren from Cohuna Secondary College. Jordan Pierce from St. Joseph's and Trish Pontejos from Echuca College joined together in a rare hybrid team. Anna Bray and Tamara Evans from St. Augustine's in Kyabram joined the Campaspe regional level competition.



Mahoney in the Echuca College training kitchens.

The students had 2.5 hours to cook and present their dishes to be tasted and scrutinised by the two judges on the day, Paul Cohen and Nikki Cohen both of Rich River Golf Club.

Students prepared three dishes which showcased the culinary skills they have been learning as part of their Certificate II Kitchen Operations under trainers Craig Danswan and Vanessa



Judges in each region and throughout each level of the challenge are sourced from local hospitality businesses.

The winners of the day were Wallace Green & Stephanie Crouch from Rochester Secondary College. Wallace and Stephanie were a first year team but Stephanie is the third



Crouch girl to be a part of the Challenge with both her sisters Paige and April winning in previous years.

The Rochester team progressed to the Grand Final in Swan Hill on 11 September 2017, held in the Orchard Training Centre at St. Mary MacKillop College with students from Campaspe, Murray Mallee, Goulburn Murray, Wangaratta and Wodonga regions competing.

The judges, Lynden Goulding from Cadell Trading Echuca, Brett Dobson from GV Health Catering, Rebecca Hart from Boo's Place Café and Provedore in Swan Hill and Megan Knapp from The Kitchen Door in Mansfield, had a really tough job selecting a winner out of all the amazing teams that competed.

For the first time in the 11 year history of the Challenge Goulburn Murray won the Grand Final. The team of Gabriella Pigatto and Hayley Tidd represented Notre Dame College and won the grand final by a considerable margin over the other four regions.

The coveted trophy, a piece of highly polished red gum sourced from the Koondrook Forest, is now residing with the reigning champions in Shepparton. Well done to all students, trainers and judges involved in the competition for 2017.



ICT Days

Information Communication Technology is a booming global sector and has the potential to be the biggest contributor to Australia's national economy. Technology based jobs are growing at a high pace and there is a rising demand for young people with information and communication technology skills. There are many Technology based study courses and a variety of pathways into the field. CCLLEN facilitated 2 fun and informative ICT Careers events at Kyabram P-12 College and Rochester Secondary Colleges in July and August respectively.

Chris Motton from Advance Computing in Kyabram showcased some of the new technology they have developed to help district farming and agricultural businesses improve their processes at both events. At the Kyabram event The Brinary's NAO humanoid robot demonstration with Sam Kingsley was very popular. After a whole assembly of presentations students rotated around different interactive and engaging ½ hour workshops on offer from La Trobe University, GOTAFE, Campaspe Library, The Brinary, SPLAToon Cartoons, Advance Computing and Academy of Interactive Entertainment. The workshops demonstrated the variety of careers available based on technology including robotics, engineering, coding, app development, gaming, film, multimedia and cartooning. It was also great to have on board Goulburn Murray Water who demonstrated and explained their use of drone technology.

Before attending these events only a small percentage of the Year 9 students were considering study and / or a career in Information Communication Technology. Feedback after the events showed this had turned around.

Before attending this event, were you considering ICT as a possible career?



As a result of attending this event, would you consider ICT as a possible career?



Collated feedback data from the Rochester event

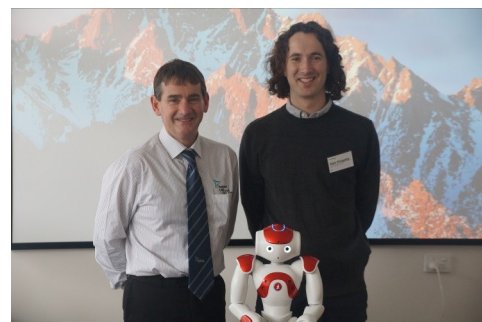
Things students said:

It gave me a broad range of choices and ideas of possible future jobs

Everyone was enthusiastic and energised to tell us what they knew

I just loved learning about technology as it's clearly a big part of the future.

I really liked how there was speakers who had many different types of jobs involving ICT. I also learnt new things



The New Work Smarts

The Foundation for Young Australians' (FYA) New Work Order research series has explored the ways in which automation, globalisation and flexibility are changing the way we work, and the implications of these shifts for young Australians.

The New Work Smarts is the fifth instalment in this series. It uncovers the 'new work smarts'. It explores which critical skills today's young people need to thrive in the future world of work. By matching the work-related skills required in more than 400 occupations with the actual activities performed in those jobs, this report offers unprecedented

insights into how many hours we currently use our skills at work and which skills will likely matter most in 2030. Its key conclusion is that the 'new work smarts' in 2030 will involve smart thinking, smart doing and smart learning.

Traditional education and training institutions will be required to transform their approaches well before 2030 to become the smart learning partners of these lifelong learners.

You can read the full report at <https://www.fya.org.au/our-research/>

By 2030 what we do in every job will change

There will be

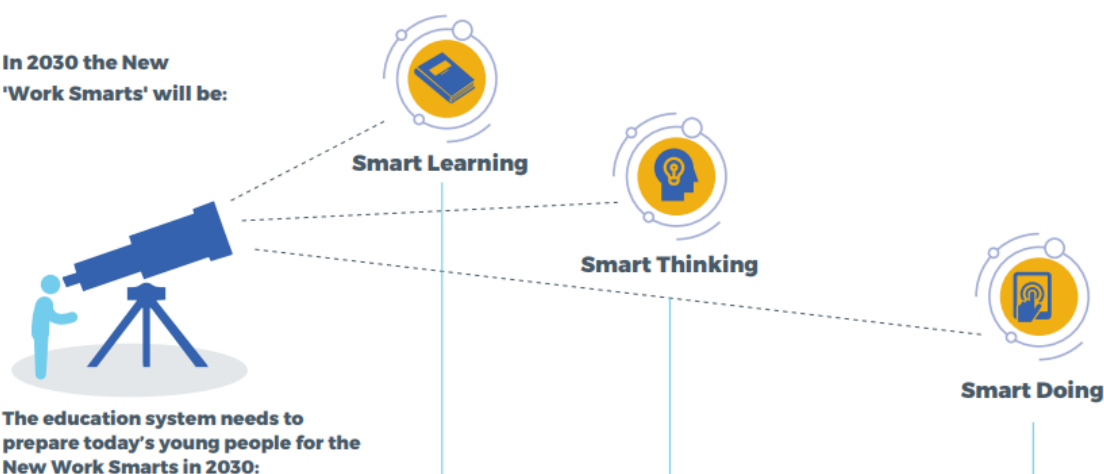


A reduction in
the need for workers to complete routine, manual tasks

An increase in
the time workers spend focusing on people, solving strategic problems and thinking creatively

The change in work means young people will need to be equipped with the New Work Smarts

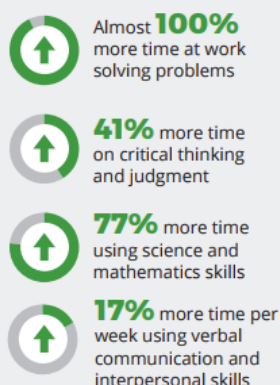
In 2030 the New 'Work Smarts' will be:



Workers will spend...



Workers will spend...



Workers will use...

Workers will need to develop an entrepreneurial mindset due to





We are looking for volunteer Mentors

MATES is a youth mentoring program which matches a young person (Mentee) with a volunteer (Mentor) from the local community.

Mentor: Provide an additional positive role model in the lives of young people

Assist: Assist and extend the positive life experiences of young people

Trust: Model a trusting relationship between the Mentor and Mentee

Engage: Engage young people more into their schools and local communities

Skills: Identify and enhance the skills of young people

We need volunteers who are:

- Over the age of 18
- Have a genuine concern or interest in young people
- Want to make a difference in a young person's life
- Are able to give one hour of their time once a week

For more information or to express interest contact the Campaspe Cohuna LLEN:

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Goulburn Murray Water Open Day

Goulburn Murray Water manages water storage, delivery and drainage systems involving 70% of Victoria's stored water.

Goulburn Murray Water currently employs approximately 600 people in various locations throughout country Victoria. GMW is a diverse workforce, with a wide range of educational qualifications, skills and knowledge. A strong emphasis is placed on occupational health and safety and a commitment to providing a safe and comfortable working environment.

GMW Tatura office invited groups of Year 9 students from the Campaspe Shire to join their team for an Open Day experience.

Echuca College, Rochester Secondary College, Rushworth P-12 College, St Augustine's College and St Joseph's College all were pleased to participate in the day, with students from across the Shire bussed in by the CCLLEN with a careers teacher for a day of water resourcing.

As we learnt first up there is a lot more to GMW than just water.

Students were divided into three groups and rotated through 3 different workshops each hosted by GMW staff showcasing the diversity of their work environment.

The Finance department gave a very amusing and interactive workshop about their role at GMW and some money management tips that the students could take away

with them.

The Catchment Workshop really gave students an easily understandable look at what this area of GMW does. The catchment, irrigation, water quality and rainfall were 4 different and important points of discussion as well as staff sharing some of the pathways they had taken in their career journeys.

The ICT crew shared some very innovative technology and the impact this is having on the modern day farmer and their water management for stock and feed. For the first time students were allowed access to specially built data room which runs all of the data and communications across the state!

The highlight for the day was at the Cussen Street depot where the students, under the watchful eyes of a group of civil engineers, had an hour to create a free standing tower that could support the weight of a water filled coffee cup. Each group had their own engineer guiding them to design and create their tower from icy pole stick, tape and paper. The end results were remarkable and allowed the students to experience and display team building and project management skills.

Feedback from the Careers teachers was very positive thanking the friendly and knowledgeable staff for giving their time and resources to expose the varied career choices in local industry.



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