

Creating partnerships between industry, education and the community that develop positive futures for young people



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#### **Regional Achievement and Community Awards**

Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN has taken home the top prize in the Awards Australia, Community Group of the Year Award. Executive Officer, Tim Shaw and Committee of Managment Chair, Wendy Bywaters travelled to Melbourne to recieve the award at the presentation evening on 26 October. The award is an acknowledgment of the strong community support in our region for vulnerable young people. Many of the LLEN's initiatives involve bringing together businesses, organisations and members of the community to develop positive futures for our young people.



Pictured: Wendy Bywaters and Tim Shaw with award sponsors at the presentation evening

#### Youth Affairs Council of Victoira (YACVic) Awards

Congratulations to the Horsham Youth CAN (Changing Alcohol Norms) project for being one of five finalists in the 2018 YACVic Rural Youth Awards. The Horsham Youth CAN was nominated in the category of 'Innovative youth projects or programs in rual or regional Victoria'. Being a finalist in this category is acknowledgement of the innovative approach to find ways to reduce risky behaviour among young people regarding their use of alcohol.

#### **VET Induction Day**

Approximately 270 secondary students from schools in the Wimmera Southern Mallee VET Cluster have already enrolled in Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses for 2019.

An Induction Day for first-year students was held on 31 October, providing an opportunity for students to familiarise themselves with transport arrangements and their study environment before commencing their course in 2019.

Students from secondary schools across our region will travel to Horsham one day a week in 2019 to attend their chosen courses, with some students travelling from as far as Kaniva, Hopetoun and Edenhope. Eighteen courses were offered to students for 2019.

#### **VET Health - New Course**

There has been high interest in Certificate II in Health Services Support among secondary students enrolling in Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses for 2019. This new course being offered by Federation University in 2019 will provide young people with a stepping stone into a variety of careers in areas of job shortages in our region. The health sector is a major employer across our region. This new course aims to address shortages in an area of jobs growth.

As part of their VET course, students are required to undergo a work placement with a health service provider. Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN Structured Workplace Learning coordinators will be seeking suitable work placements with local health services.

#### Salon Assistant Students Support Look Good, Feel Better

The Salon Assistant students raised a total of \$190 for the 'Look Good Feel Better' organisation as part of their gold coin donation from clients attending at the Unistyle Salon FedUni Horsham Campus this year for wash and blow dry services. The students choose this particular charity to raise money for at the beginning of the year and it will enable 3 cancer patients to access the 'Look Good Feel Better' services that are available - https://lgfb.org.au. Well done to all students and staff on a fantastic job.

#### **Careers with Agriculture Victoria**

Agricuture Victoria have developed some videos about the types of careers available at Agriculture Victoria.

View the videos by clicking on the images or via the links.

You can also find the videos via their Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/agriculturevictoria/



Working as a bio-security officer https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZC42EVfARs&t=0s&list=PLFDdaBaOVmBC1X5uhflKwcA8rSF6H1vLL&index=3



Working in bio-security emergency response https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLFDdaBaOVmBC1X5uhflKwcA8rSF6H1vLL



Working in plants, chemicals and invasives compliance https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GxWCR7IdKbs&list=PLFDda-BaOVmBC1X5uhflKwcA8rSF6H1vLL&index=3

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#### **Ready for Work Award**

Michael Dunn from Kaniva College has received an Excellence Award for his achievement in the 2018 Ready for Work class. The course is delivered by Federation University and provides training in a range of competencies that are aimed at preparing young people for the workplace. The award was sponsored by Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN and was presented by Melissa Powell.



Pictured: Michael Dunn and Melissa Powel

#### 2018 Victorian School Garden Awards

Congratulations to students at Horsham Primary School Rasmussen Campus who are finalists in the 2018 Victorian Schools Garden Awards. Representatives from the school will be travelling to Melbourne on 15 November for the awards presentation. A special thank you to Bunnings for their generous support for the school's gardening project.

The Victorian Schools Garden Awards Committee 2018 Victorian Schools Garden Awards Presentation Ceremony

#### **Book Drive**

St Michael and John's Catholic School is conducting a book drive to collect and recycle pre-loved children's picture books. This initiative is to support the Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN's Let's Read Program.

Let's Read programs across the Wimmera continue to provide books for young families by placing pop-up libraries in public places throughout the community in waiting rooms, playgroups, child-care facilities and places where families with young children gather. Tubs of pre-loved books are made available in these places to encourage parents to read with their children. A total 115 libraries have now 'popped up' across our region with 31 in Hindmarsh Shire, 21 in Horsham Rural City, 16 in West Wimmera Shire and 47 in Yarriambiack Shire. Anyone who would like to donate children's picture story books, suitable for pre-school and early primary aged children can donate books at Ss Michael and John's Catholic School or at the Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN Office.

In this waste-conscious age, this is a great opportunity to recycle your pre-loved books to support the next generation of young readers.

#### Wimmera River Challenge



#### Introduction to the National Disability Insurance Scheme

This accredited new course is designed for future and current staff, who will be working with National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participants and its programs.

This course is designed for disability & mental health workers, community service workers, aged care workers, nurses, education support workers, childcare workers, trades, personal trainers or individuals with other qualifications, who work with people accessing the NDIS.

If you're a school leaver, returning to study or looking for a career change, this could be the opportunity you have been looking for. It is ideal if you are considering a career in these areas, and will offer an insight to various career opportunities.

#### 22469VIC Course in Introduction to the National Disability Insurance Scheme

Wimmera Campus (Horsham)

Friday 2nd November 2018

LLN Assessment required

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N/A

Not applicable



This accredited new course is designed for future and current staff, who will be working with National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participants and its programs.

Working in disability is a challenging and rewarding career. You will learn how to support NDIS participants in everyday life, helping them achieve their goals towards greater independence. You will also increase your knowledge of the sector, learning about industry processes and required documentation

This course is designed for disability & mental health workers, community service workers, aged care workers, nurses, education support workers, childcare workers, trades, personal trainers or individuals with other qualifications, who work with people accessing the NDIS.

If you're a school leaver, returning to study or looking for a career change, this could be the opportunity you have been looking for. It is ideal if you are considering a career in these areas and will offer an insight into various career opportunities. At the end of the program, you will be ready to apply for entry level positions in the disability sector, or you may choose to use this course as a stepping stone into further qualifications.

Career opportunities

- Disability support worker
- Personal carer
- Client service assistant
- Care assistant
- - Recreation support worker

#### Further study options

- Certificate III in Individual Support
- Certificate III in Community Service
- Certificate IV in Disability
- Certificate IV Mental Health
- Diploma of Community Services

For further information call 1800 FED UNI (1800 333 864) or visit www.federation.edu.au/ndis and click "Apply Now" to register. Registrations close Friday 26th October 2018.

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Please register your interest or contact FED Uni on 1800 FED UNI (1800 333 864). FedUni TAFE Course in Introduction to the National Disability Insurance Scheme Registrations close Friday 26th October 2018.

# FedUni TAFE

Find out how you can prepare for a career in Aged Care or Nursing at FedUni TAFE's information night.

DATE	Tuesday 20 November, 2018
ТІМЕ	6. <b>0</b> 0pm - <b>7.00</b> pm
LOCATION	<b>Auditorium</b> , Building C Horsham Campus Baillie Street, Horsham
INFORMATION	Find out about courses and careers in enrolled Nursing and Aged Care.

# AGED CARE AND NURSING INFORMATION EVENING



### Study in Horsham for a career in Nursing or Aged Care.

Our programs allow students to focus on both the theoretical and practical components of study and include industry placements.

Attend the information session to find out more about study options commencing in 2019.

We provide students with access to leading educators, technology and resources. Our teaching spaces include simulated hospital wards, plus extensive clinical placement programs allowing students to learn in the same places they will eventually work.

A Nursing or Individual Support qualification opens up a tremendous range of rewarding career opportunities. Graduates are highly sought-after for their capacity to deliver high quality patient centred and evidence based care, directed toward improving patient outcomes and are prepared for a career in a variety of health care settings. Study with us at Federation University Australia and you'll gain more than a recognised qualification. You'll also have the opportunity to make a real difference to your community.

#### For further information, please contact:

Janet Lancaster t. 5362 2688 e. j.lancaster@federation.edu.au

1800 333 864 federation.edu.au

CRICOS Provider No. 00103D RTO Code 4909 This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth government funding



#### **Volunteer Mentor Drivers Wanted**



#### Are you:

- a shift worker
- a casual employee

or simply have some time to spare to help a learner driver?

The Licencing the Wimmera L2P program is seeking volunteer mentors to assist learner drivers in gaining the mandatory 120 hours of driving practice required to gain their Probationary Licence

#### Mentors:

- Must be available to attend mandatory VicRoads training
- May be required to drive after school and on weekends
- Must have a full driver's licence and a good driving history

L2P aims to match learner drivers, who don't have access to a supervising driver and/or vehicle, with mentors to assist the learner with driving skills and confidence.

"While getting the hours of practice is possible for most people, it can be a real challenge for those who live in regional localities and don't have access to a car or supervisor, no matter what age you are" -Fiona L2P Mentor

> To register your interest in becoming a mentor:

03 5382 5607 info@centreforparticipation.org.au





### Attend a FREE 2-day Youth Mental Health First Aid Course

Learn how to recognise the symptoms to give initial help to a young person experiencing mental health problems, in a mental health crisis situation, or in the early stages of a mental illness. Free and accredited training is currently available.



#### What is Youth Mental Health First Aid?

• It is the help given to someone developing a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis. The first aid is given until appropriate professional treatment is received or until the crisis resolves. The Youth Mental Health First Aid course (14-hours) is designed for adults assisting adolescents.

#### Do you have concerns about someone you know or love?

- Depression & Anxiety problems
- Panic attacks
- Psychosis & severe psychotic states
- Substance use problems
- Aggressive behaviours

- Suicidal thoughts and behaviours
- Non-suicidal self-injury
- Traumatic events
- Severe effects from alcohol or other drug use

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This course is FREE to attend.

## To register please contact

Lissy Johns on (03) 5362 1226 or felicity.j@grampianscommunityhealth.org.au

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Freebies and giveaways throughout the race and light refreshments will be provided at the finish line. This event is being held in conjunction with the Kannamaroo Festival.



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Saturday 24th November – 1:30pm

## WHERE

The Race will begin at Horsham Rural City Council Civic Centre (18 Roberts Ave, Horsham)

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The Youth CAN Amazing Race will consist of teams of 2 going on a scavenger hunt around Horsham, completing tasks, answering questions and solving clues. The race is open for 12-18 year olds!



Both members of the winning team will receive a \$100 gift card

# **REGISTER YOUR TEAM NOW VIA THIS LINK:**

https://goo.gl/forms/fNN6rRgjPtssp43U2

Registrations due by **WEDNESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER** and a limit on amount of teams will apply so get in quick!

### FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:





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Horsham is participating in the VicHealth Alcohol Cultural Change Initiative.

#### **Contributions to News You Can Use**

Anyone wishing to contribute news or information about events, is welcome to submit articles for inclusion in the WSMLLEN Newsletter. Articles can be forwarded to <u>info@llen.com.au</u>

WSMLLEN reserves the right not to include items deemed to be incompatible with the purpose of the LLEN.

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Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN is a recognised Gold Skilled Workplace with 100% of our current staff having completed the Youth Mental Health first aid training. We highly recommend YMHFA training for everyone who works with young people.

To find out more about being a skilled MHFA workplace, or to apply for recognition for your organisation, go the Mental Health First Aid website:

https://mhfa.com.au/cms/mental-health-first-aid-skilled-workplace-initiative

The Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN Newsletter is sent electronically to over 300 people across the region.