

## Newsletter: September 3rd -2007

### GTNT Field Officer stars off the job -Best and Fairest winner Peter Mayo

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Dragons skipper Peter Mayo was named as one of the joint winners of the Eric Johnston Medal at the Northern Territory Rugby Union awards. For Peter winning the NTRU's top individual medal for the second time was a positive start to grand final week." I'll enjoy a bit of a celebration before getting back to training and focus on the big one next weekend," he said." It's a nice way to start a big week for me and most of this club." Peter and his club went on to win the grand final for 2007.

Congratulations Peter from the Board, Managers and Staff of Group Training..

### Indigenous workshop a great success

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On the 14th August GTNT ran the first of its Indigenous School Based Apprentice Workshops. The Apprentices/Trainees came together to share their work & life experiences as a group. They

discussed issues that they have faced in the workplace and developed strategies to overcome them. The group was made up of Apprentices and Trainees from a number of regions across the Territory, including Vanessa Cooper who travelled 200km each way. These Apprentices/Trainees are undertaking a variety of qualifications from Business, Conservation Land Management to Air-conditioning and Refrigeration. They are supported by a fantastic

From Lisa Dodds

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Hello,

In this newsletter we have some great success stories about our staff and apprentices/trainees.

On a more serious note if you have been waiting for our major intakes in 2008, we are commencing our recruitment drive now. Keep an eye on the papers and also our website for further information and applications. Following are a few of our major Host Employers working together with GTNT: **PowerWater, ANZ Bank, Bridge Toyota, ConocoPhillips**

I will keep you posted through our weekly vacancy list.

Cheers  
Lisa Dodds

**Latest vacancy list**

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group of Host Employers who provide quality on the job training and are committed to providing opportunities for young indigenous people to develop a successful career and future. Well done you mob and we look forward to doing it all again.

## TCA Awards



The Board, Staff & Management of Group Training NT would like to congratulate all of the winners from the Territory Construction Association Awards 2007 including:

- James Bell Award-Alex Wie-GTNT/Territory Roller Doors
- NECA Electrical Apprentice of the Year-Richard Baldock GTNT/PowerWater
- Australian School Based Apprentice of the Year Alex Wie-GTNT/Territory Roller Doors
- Highly Commended Award-Matthew Wilson GTNT/Northern Stainless

## Today's Skills Tomorrows Leaders

## NT Representatives invited to Canberra



Twenty two of Australia's best and brightest apprentices and trainees gathered in Canberra on Monday 6 August to showcase their trade and leadership skills.

These outstanding apprentices and trainees have been selected from a network of 42,000 apprentices and trainees employed by group training organisations in metropolitan, regional and remote communities around the country. Brett Scott,

Please find attached to this newsletter the latest vacancy list from GTNT.

Call or [email Natalie Wane](mailto:Natalie.Wane@gtnt.nt.gov.au) our Recruitment Officer on 89412112 and book in our information session to apply for these.

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employed by GTNT and hosted to PowerWater and Norm Halliday, employed by GTNT and hosted to GEMCO were the Northern Territory representatives.

The Group of 22 also visited Parliament House for a series of meetings with Ministers and senior Opposition representatives.

Brett Scott said "The experience showed me how to put the ideas from my mind to paper. I now have a clearer plan for my life and feel it is definitely achievable"

Norm said "I now know the goals that I felt that were unachievable are very achievable. It helped me break down my perceived barriers and I feel like nothing is impossible if I set my mind to it."

### **Try'a Trade**

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Try'a Trade 2007, now in its fifth year in the Northern Territory, is an initiative coordinated by GTNT, CDU, TCA, & DEET.

Through the support of local industry, the event targets Year 9 students in Darwin and the outer Darwin region to encourage them to consider a career in a traditional trade. With the acute skills shortages being experienced Australia wide, it is important that industry plays a role in attracting more young people into trades.

This year's event will again be held at the Cyprus Community Centre on Batten Road in Marrara. The event, scheduled from 18th - 21st September, will be over four days to cater for the increased numbers of students that have expressed an interest in attending.

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