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GTNT Newsletter

Hello Again

The month has passed so quickly and the nominations for the NT Training Awards are due on the 21 June. I have the information in this newsletter again for you; applications can be downloaded from the link.

Indigenous Graduates Work Ready

We have 12 young enthusiastic Indigenous jobseekers that have recently been successful in completing their Certificate II in General Construction with IST. Some of these students have completed electives in plastering and some in concreting. They have all been interviewed by industry and found to be work ready to pursue either an apprenticeship or trades assistant work.

Don't miss the chance to gain an employee who has already received training and exposure in your industry. Call Lisa Dodds or Natalie Wane for more details.

DCIS and Group Training NT are recruiting for the NTPS

DCIS and Group Training NT are recruiting for the NTPS midyear intake and the advertisements with full details and applications are available on www.nt.gov.au/jobs or by calling 1300659247.

Apprentices are employed on a contractual basis as a temporary employee for the duration of their apprenticeship. While employed by the agencies of the Northern Territory Public Sector, apprentices are provided with the opportunity to obtain a qualification that has national accreditation and may lead to future employment.

Group Training NT has vacancies for apprenticeships and traineeships available so if you are looking for a career please give Natalie a call on 89412112

Alice Springs Desert Park Apprentice Guide Wins GTNT Trainee of the Year Award



The Alice Springs Desert Park is happy to announce that one of its Guides has won Group Training Northern Territory's Trainee of the Year Award for the Central Australian Region.

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RECRUITMENT

We have approximately 12 jobs at the moment including Finance, Chef, Retail, Business and IT.

DOWNLOAD LATEST VACANCY LIST

Call Natalie our recruitment officer on 89412112 and book in for our information session to apply for these.

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TERRITORY CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION (TCA) APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Nominations are now being sought for the TCA awards. Nomination forms can be found on the TCA website

www.tcant.com.au

The nominations close on the 2 July and the awards will be held on Friday 17 August on the Sky City lawns.

ASDP Specialist Guide Regena Medhurst said that since Matthew Turner's first day as an Apprentice Guide with the Alice Springs Desert Park he has been firmly in the public eye.

"His effervescent personality and charming demeanor have made him an instant hit with visitors and colleagues alike," Ms Medhurst said.

"There is no doubt that Matthew has added an extra spark to the Desert Park Guide team."

Ms Medhurst said that Matthew has a voracious appetite for knowledge about the flora, fauna and culture of Central Australia and has been an integral part of the Guide department Witchetty Grub rearing project.

"He has provided much of the day to day husbandry (ie. feeding, cleaning, etc) and note keeping," Ms Medhurst said.

"He is currently developing a new presentation entitled 'Wicked Witchetty Grubs', about the life cycle of the grubs and his experiences with them. We expect him to be independently delivering this to Park visitors in the near future."

Matthew Turner says that he has definitely grown as a person in the last nine months of his apprenticeship at the ASDP and does not let anything stop him from getting on with his job.

"I could let things get in my way and of course there are things that I can't do, but everything I can I do my best at and make sure I am always smiling," Mr Turner said.

"Also as a young person I think I have bought a different perspective to the work crew and I am a much more confident team member."

Matthew has presented numerous talks with each of the guide staff and says his favourite presentations include Incredible Edibles and Desert Rivers Discovery Walk. (photo of Mathew here)

Group Training Northern Territory (GTNT) employed Matt on 12 February 2006 when he began his Cert III in Tourism - Guiding.

Emaly Josif, Field Officer with Group Training Northern Territory said she had no hesitation in nominating Matt for the GTNT Trainee of the Year Award because he never took his Apprenticeship for granted; "Apprentices like Matt make my work very rewarding," Ms Josif said.

"Everyone has something to offer the workplace but I have never known someone to offer themselves so wholly.

"Matt has told me that he feels without this Apprenticeship he would not be the person he is nor where he is in life today."

School Based / Workready Program

Toni-lee Kirby is yet another one of Sanderson's success stories. She is an Indigenous student who came to us from Port Augusta and enrolled in the WorkReady Program in Term 2 last year. As a result she was not able to complete the required units of the NTCE that year. However, Toni-Lee was sufficiently motivated to return to school this year and finishing her studies this semester. Last year Toni-Lee was fortunate to secure a School Based Apprenticeship through Group Training NT at Gold Medal Services, where she has received extensive one to one mentoring by her supervisor training in Business Administration and General Office Procedures. By the end of this semester Toni-Lee will have completed her NTCE, Cert II in Financial Services and DTAL and already has completed her Senior First Aid Certificate. Once again many thanks to Gold Medal Services and her supervisor for their willingness and good will in taking the initiative to ensure that another young person has the opportunity to participate in a vocational training program and therefore be better prepared to work in that industry in the future.

For further information on Schoolbased apprenticeships or the WorkReady program please call Paul McConnell or Bob Chapman on 89412112

DEET Northern Territory Training Awards

The NT Training Awards is the Department of Employment, Education and Training's annual premier event recognising training excellence and achievements by territory businesses, training organisations, apprentices, trainees and students. The awards are presented annually as official recognition of merit and excellence contributing to high standards of training and for personal achievement through the vocational education and training (VET) sector.

The DEET NT Training Awards consists of two categories, student and organisation, with twelve awards in total. Winners of 10 of the award categories will go on to represent the Northern Territory at the **Australian Training Awards** in Hobart on 8 November 2007. The NT Training awards gala presentation dinner will be held in Darwin on the 8 September 2007.

Career Expo

The careers expo website is up and running and you will find all the information you need at www.careers.expo.nt.gov.au

Don't miss this opportunity to invest in the future of your industry by exhibiting at this year's Northern Territory Careers Expos, the leading careers events in the NT.

The Careers Expo is an exhibition for students, parents, teachers and other young people in the NT. The Expo provides organisations with a unique opportunity to speak with potential employees and to promote educational and employment information about your business.

Today's students are tomorrow's workforce! Seize the opportunity to inspire, enthuse, excite and above all, inform students about your industry and their future options

Try'a Trade

Try'aTrade is a WorldSkills Australia initiative aimed at encouraging Year 9 students to consider a career in the trades and take on vocational education and training (VET) subjects in their senior years. The event is an interactive program that provides students with an opportunity to "have-a-go" at various skill and trade occupations. The activities are entertaining, informative and offer interested people access to some of the basic skills involved in a range of trades. The WorldSkills Australia Try'aTrade events seek to:

- Motivate students and others through hands on experience
- Share information about future career choices
- Encourage participants to appreciate that skill education and training offer more choices for the future.

WorldSkills Australia Try'aTrade allows young people to meet and talk with people who are recognised as leaders in their trade, apprentices, vocational education, and training (VET) teachers and local business people.

The committee for the Darwin Try'aTrade event is CDU, Group Training NT, Territory Construction Association, and DEET. We are holding it over 4 days in Darwin 18 - 21 September. Our goal is 16 industry groups and 760 year nine students.

If you have any information that you would like me to consider for our monthly Newsletter please email me at lisa.dodds@gtnt.com.au

Have a fantastic month and I will talk to you all in July.

**Kind Regards
Lisa Dodds**

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