



RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

- **Youth Jobz-ready project.** Congratulations to Uniting Care Wesley for winning the contract to roll out our youth engagement project. Venues to be set up in Clare, Burra and Eudunda with outreach strategies to engage young people at risk in smaller centres. There are a lot of stakeholders and partners in this project. Good luck for a successful project.
- **Workforce Development Forum Tues May 4th 6.30 pm Clare Country Club.** Part of the 'Looking Ahead' project, for employers of quarry, drilling, mining and transport businesses. To raise awareness about planning for skills and workforce needs in the future. Guest presenters from 2 National Skills Councils. **Spread the word!**

INTERESTING PROJECT NEWS

- **'Skills for 4 Seasons' (S4S):**
Viticulture —6 people commenced work at Kirribilli vineyards for vintage after doing the bin-driving course. 4-5 did Pick grapes, and 6 have recently learnt to Operate Tractors. Broad-acre farming — 4 have done on-farm placements hosted by local farmers who are passionate about their industry. We are very grateful to them. Very positive outcomes for participants so far.



- **'Just Add Water'**
Has been more of a struggle to get farmers from Mid North involved than from Southern Flinders. A new promotional effort planned for the Goyder region should bring results. Employment outcomes have been achieved. **Lifting of the EC Declaration is expected to put more farming families under stress.**

'MY JOB' SUCCESS STORIES



Congratulations to the following for their achievements while registered in 'My Job'. For some it is a 'work in progress' to achieve their goals.

JERRY has always relied on his mum to voice his opinion and sometimes it is hard to meet the real "Jerry". Upon commencement in My Job he has gained some freedom and independence as he has passed his Driving License (only 8 lessons). His hours at a local building supplies store has increased as now he can do deliveries.

SALLY has been trying to get into administration work. She has been working with her case manager on resumes, letters and a plan to get into admin work. She is going to commence study in Business Administration, but aims to get some part-time work to gain customer service and computer skills while she is studying.



RONALD is a recent immigrant with qualifications in Land Management, but has been finding it difficult to get work in that field. My Job has paid for him to do a Pool Operations course, as he now aims to start his own pool business. Good luck Ronald!

- **'Pre-Voc Trades'**

Engineering course has commenced at the New Life workshop. There are still vacancies in the course.

Negotiations to bring Hair and Beauty training into the region are progressing steadily. **This will be a very exciting development!**

Hospitality short courses are under way, as usual with good participant numbers.



TRAINING OPPORTUNITY!

'Predicting the Unpredictable'

Where are those training needs we hadn't predicted in our Plan?? We have \$10,000 available. ESF members, employers, and industry groups can put forward suggestions.

ESF NETWORK NEWS

6 months funding i.e. \$150,000 for the Mid North!

Each region has been given half of their current funding for training projects over 6 mths. (and half of current KPI's). The Network is discussing options e.g. extending and rolling over projects for a short time. But we are also looking at some exciting new initiatives such as **commercial cookery**. Please submit any ideas!

Next meeting Thursday 17th June 10.30 am. Venue TBA.

