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Horticulture	Information Technology
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Primary Industries	Retail
Tourism	Women's Education

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INFORMATION SESSION:

Course: Business Services
 When: Tuesday 13th January
 Where: Murray Bridge Campus of TAFE

For further information phone Murray Bridge Campus on 8535 6555, email tonic@tafe.sa.edu.au or call in to our office on Swanport Road.




The party: (Front) Youth workers Kerry May and Rose Boswell with Murray Bridge people Duane Adams, Harden Trae Hills, Kelly Anne Hills, Chris Thompson, Tony Langton and Josh May.

COMMUNITY Health Adolescent Murraylands Peer Support forums for young people had their final celebration of 2003 at Edwards Crossing Community House on Wednesday night.

As the year comes to an end there were many achievements to celebrate including eight youth forums, the regional youth camp, a regional youth newspaper and school based workshops.

The Youth Festival in April was a big highlight - it is now time for Murraylands youth services to move forward.

As part of this, they have decided to move out of 'The Hangout' - a temporary provision contributed by the Rural City of Murray Bridge.

Murray Mallee Community Health Service youth workers Rose Boswell and Kerry May said while it was disappointing to be leaving the colorfully designed

hang out, it was also exciting to think of what was to come.

"It will be an exciting new chapter for the youth in the Murray Mallee," Ms Boswell said.

There are currently pre-emptive discussions among interested youth organisations in the region to decide on the best direction for young people.

"We are aiming to provide a realistic outcome for youth issues ... and empower youth," Ms Boswell said.

"We want to help the youth to recognise that they are a valuable part of the community ... and give them a sense of belonging."

MMCHS director Viv Hazel and Rural City of Murray Bridge human services manager David Wade will be meeting the youth forum to talk about a future direction for youth services, including the need for premises.



The hang out: The old CHAMPS building.

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TUESDAY CLASSIFIEDS
 ON ITEMS FOR SALE UNDER \$75
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HOW TO PLACE YOUR AD
 1. Bring to the office at Mannum Road, Murray Bridge
 2. Posted to PO Box 244, Murray Bridge
 3. Faxed to 8532 6607

From the River Murray Catchment Water Management Board

River Murray youth teach key water allocation lessons

Hundreds of Australian and overseas students and teachers recently took a lesson in water allocation from members of the South Australian River Murray Youth Council.

The council members gave the lesson at the International River Health Conference held in Mildura during National Water Week in October. The conference attracted 450 students and 210 teachers from around Australia and from 14 overseas countries.

The River Murray Youth Council staged a workshop on environmental flows looking at how water is allocated throughout the Basin for domestic usage and irrigation. They covered the key messages of ensuring enough water for the environment and the ecological importance of the Murray Mouth.

The group used an imaginative concept of a train to represent water flow and supply. Students taking part in the workshop were required to get off the train when water was allocated to irrigation or domestic use. The train demonstrated how water is allocated to various uses within the Basin and those participating saw the overall effect of there not being enough flow for the environment.

Teachers attending the workshop said they were interested in using the concept themselves in their own classrooms back home.

The Youth Council, which was set up two years ago by the River Murray Catchment Water Management Board is headed by an elected Chair - Sara Bray, a year 11 student from Karoonda Area School.

The other members attending the River Conference were: Peter Tittley and Robert Rich (Coomandook Area School); Lars Wannop, Kate Baddams, Karoline Wulf, Melissa Nichols (Mount Barker High); Erin Kerber, Stacey Marks and Victoria Barolo.

The River Murray Catchment Water Management Board, which has a strong commitment to youth involvement, also sponsored Renmark High School students to attend the conference.

For information go to the website <http://www.rivermurray.sa.gov.au/work/youth.html> or contact Rachael Siddall on 8582 4477 or 0439 824 477.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Board Meeting, Adelaide, December 18 2003



Rev heads ready for race



Off and racing: The Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology car in action.

YESTERDAY the Tailem Bend Mitsubishi test track got a taste for what is ahead as university students warmed-up for the Formula Society of Automotive Engineers Australasia competition.

The competition, which began today, sees 21 Universities from all over the world compete in areas of design, building and competing in a small high-performance race car for the next four days.

According to SAE executive director Stuart Charity the teams develop a car aimed at the amateur autocross driver market, which could be manufactured on a small-scale production line at a cost of less than \$50,000.

Yesterday competitors were warming up with cars racing around the tracks at high-speeds and testing endurance.

Today will be registration and a welcome barbecue for people competing.

On Friday there will be static events with design, cost, presentation and scrutineering on the agenda.

Saturday will showcase the dynamic events such as acceleration, skid pad and autocross racing.

Finally on Sunday will be the endurance event, with heats beginning in the morning.

Presentations of the winners will be on site after the endurance event.

The public is welcome to attend from 9am to 5pm from Friday through to Sunday for an entry fee of \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

DELIVERING RIVER MURRAY WATER PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSIONS

The River Murray Catchment Water Management Board invites interested community members to an information session on the availability of water and the introduction of water restrictions during the drought and background information on the First Step (500 Gigalitre decision) to restore the health of the River Murray.

BERRI HOTEL

Monday December 8, 2003 7pm to 9pm

MURRAY BRIDGE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CENTRE

Tuesday December 9, 2003 2pm to 4pm

GOOLWA CENTRAL MOTEL

Wednesday December 10, 2003 3pm to 5pm

RSVP by Friday December 5, 2003

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Ready, set: The driver of the University of Braunschweig, Germany, car in action on the track.