



GippsLeader

GCLP news, notes & events

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Congratulations to the 2004 Graduates!

The 2004 Graduation Ceremony at the Premiere Function Centre in Traralgon on Friday, November 26 was an outstanding success.

GCLP Executive Officer, Ian Gibson, and Chair, Barry Rogers, spoke about the role and importance of GCLP to the Gippsland community, while 2004 group members, Neil Lawson and Monique De Zwart, shared some personal reflections of their GCLP year.

A highlight of the evening (apart from the fine food and great company) was a video presentation of scenes from the program year.

Our newest graduates were presented with their certificates by Barry Rogers, and with a GCLP coffee mug, 2004 yearbook, and a Graduate Code of Commitment Card, by i-GAIN CEO, Jenny Hammett.

Photographs from the evening are now online and can be viewed by going to www.gclp.asn.au and following the Photo Galleries link.

Code of Commitment

The newly-printed Graduate Code of Commitment Card presented to 2004 graduates is a key step in reminding all GCLP graduates of your commitment to give back to the Gippsland community. The cards will be sent out to all graduates in the hard-copy newsletter early next year. They are business card size so you can keep them in your purse or wallet for easy access.

The card says:

“As a graduate of the Gippsland Community Leadership Program I commit to:

- Answer the call

Do what I can to help fellow Graduates – professionally and personally

- Do something for the benefit of the community

Use the GCLP network for the common good

- Do something for the Gippsland Community Leadership Program

Initiate a tangible contribution to the GCLP each year

- Live and tell the GCLP story

Externally: Be a proud and passionate ambassador of the GCLP

Internally: Share my professional and community involvements with GCLP”

SkillsBank Gippsland

Thank you to graduates who have responded to requests to work on SkillsBank Gippsland projects and also to those graduates who have recommended SkillsBank Gippsland to community groups in need of support.

Requests for assistance received at this time of year are being processed in the office, although applicants are advised that most graduates are not available to provide assistance until the New Year.

News from the GCLP office

The 2004 GCLP yearbook is now available! If you are in Morwell during business hours, drop into i-GAIN Quality Learning Inc at 58-60 Commercial Rd, Morwell to pick up a copy. Otherwise, you can send us a stamped, self-addressed A4 size envelope and we will post one out or be sure to attend the 2005 program launch in Sale in the second week of February where there will be copies available.

GCLP coffee mugs are now available for sale. Promote GCLP wherever you enjoy a cuppa, or use as a promotional gift. The mugs can be purchased from i-GAIN Quality Learning Inc in Morwell (home of the GCLP team) for \$6.00 each. Team members will also take coffee mugs for purchase at GCLP events and networking functions.

A new page has been added to the GCLP website under the GCLP Program link. The page acknowledges the valuable role played by i-GAIN in initiating and supporting GCLP.

GCLP will be easier to find in the very near future! Arrangements have been made to have GCLP listed in its own right in the next editions of the White Pages Directories covering Gippsland.

Remember that you can maintain your own bio notes on the GCLP website by logging in with your user name and password. Click on Edit My Profile, update your details and then click on Apply Changes to save them. If you have forgotten or misplaced your log in details, contact GCLP Project Officer, Tracey Matthies, TMatthies@igain.vic.edu.au, or phone 5135 4304. She will enter a new password and advise you.

Items of interest

Chris Notman (2003) has been appointed as Bass Coast Inspector, responsible for police in the Bass Coast and South Gippsland areas. His transfer takes place next Monday, December 13.

Craig Lamshed (2003) is celebrating a promotion. Craig will be principal of Kurnai College's 7 -10 campus in Morwell.

Chris Buckingham (1999) has played a key role in a major Gippsland promotion as a co-sponsor of more than 20,000 bumper stickers featuring the slogan 'Experience Gippsland – The Right Side of Victoria' The stickers are freely available to Gippsland residents and people visiting the region.

Experience Gippsland is a united tourism campaign encouraging visitors to all areas of Gippsland. It is operated in partnership between tourism bodies, local councils, and private operators, including Chris's business, Go To...Pty Ltd.

"The Experience Gippsland Campaign is an effective brand for the region - it allows people to make a positive statement about where they live, work and play. Gippsland really is a great region. One of the things we can all work on is how we promote ourselves to the rest of the world," Chris said.

Stickers are available from Employment Innovations Victoria offices and Visitor Information Centres or can be ordered online at www.goto.net.au

Do you know a young person with leadership potential? The Rotary Clubs of Warragul and Morwell are calling for applications for their 2005 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) camp to be held at Rawson Village next February. The RYLA program aims to provide young people with guidance and development in the areas of leadership, management, team building, motivation, communication, public speaking and personal confidence. For further information contact Rotarians Cleo Sahhar 5623 2251 (w) or Steve Harkins 0419 313 430.

There will be just one more edition of GippsLeader for 2004 so let us know if you have some news to share with your fellow Graduates!

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