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THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

Things turn out best for those who make the best of the way things turn out.

ECOTRAINING AUSTRALIA AND CHARLES DARWIN UNIVERSITY INDIGENOUS TOUR GUIDE TRAINING PROJECT

EcoTraining Australia is working in conjunction with Charles Darwin University to deliver the nationally accredited Certificate III in Tourism (Guiding). EcoTraining Australia will be running 4 one-week block-training sessions. Three one week block training sessions will be conducted at the Swim Creek training camp over the following months, Feb, March and May. This project specifically targets Indigenous people in the Katherine region to expand the much needed recruitment pool of tour guides. It provides an opportunity for Indigenous people coming off CDEP (Community Development Employment Program) to find work that still allows them to live in their homeland and travel for specific tours. The project team will use partners and key stakeholders to promote the project through the Katherine region. Interested people will be invited to register and participate in the initial 'induction' and assessment-training week. This project builds on the current Tourism Northern Territory Indigenous Development Strategy, which focuses on "the expansion of the range of indigenous cultural experiences" that visitors to the Northern Territory can access, to explore opportunities for sustainable Indigenous economic development through tourism, and to build capacity for Indigenous people to understand tourism and contribute to future decisions about tourism in their capacity as traditional land owners, protected area managers or business owners".

EcoTraining Australia will be running its first public course on 31st March to 27th April 2009.

ANOTHER NEW REGISTERED TRAINING ORGANISATION

EVOLUTION is an exciting innovation in training for the food industry. Three professionals from the hospitality industry, with a collective experience spanning 80 years, are uniquely positioned to offer industry-oriented training. Whether your interest lies with hotels, catering operations or award-winning restaurants, EVOLUTION can provide you or your staff with top-quality practical and theoretical training necessary for success in today's hospitality industry. Much as a masterchef cuts and cleans the raw materials of the food before adding the delicate finishing touches that turn it into culinary art, we aim to take our trainees and mould them into culinary artists. We actively support enrolments from people returning to work, mature students, long term unemployed, single and "back to work" parents or anyone wanting to re-skill. As a training company that is new to the training industry, but has over 80 years of experience ranging from award winning restaurants to international hotels and catering operations, Evolution has the knowledge and skills for both the practical and theoretical components to train commercial cookery. Evolution trains from its own kitchens, has its own trainers, which allow a new approach to where you can send you trainees. For further information, email: info@evolution.edu.au

TRAINING PLACES BITE INTO SKILLS SHORTAGES

In less than four months more than 1,600 job seekers have completed training under the Productivity Places Program and are now beginning to take up jobs in skills shortage areas. Since 1 April 2008 more than 24,000 job seekers have enrolled in the program, with more than 14,500 already in training. There are currently 512 Registered Training Organisations participating in Phase II of the Jobseeker program, delivering more than 2700 qualifications from Certificate II to Diploma level. The Productivity Places Program aims to address industry skills shortages. Through the program job seekers can apply to undertake fully funded training in qualifications that lead to rewarding careers in community services, retail, hospitality, transport and logistics and construction, to mention just a few.

As more Registered Training Organisations apply to participate in Phase II of the Productivity Places Program, which commenced 1 July 2008, more qualifications will become available. The program will also be expanded to provide training for those in the existing workforce. Through the Productivity Places Program, the Rudd Government will invest \$1.9 billion in 630 000 new training places over the next five years to meet the increasing demand for skilled workers. This includes up to 238 000 training places for people currently not in the workforce and up to 392 000 training places for existing workers. For more information visit www.productivityplaces.deewr.gov.au

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