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Savvy science students put to the test

The Tasmanian heats of the national Science and Engineering Challenge will be held at three locations around the state during the next two weeks.

The Challenge involves teams of Year 9 and 10 students from 34 Tasmanian schools racing each other to complete tasks involving principles of science, engineering and technology.

Heat winners from the three regions will go on to the state final to compete for the chance of representing Tasmania at the national Challenge at Bendigo in October.

The Challenge program is highly regarded as a means of promoting career opportunities in science and engineering. The Challenge was awarded an Engineering Excellence Award in 2003 and has been recognised by the International Institute of Physics based in London.

The Science and Engineering Challenge is conducted by the University of Newcastle, and presented with the help of UTAS, the Department of Education, Rotary and Engineers Australia.

Dates and venues for the Tasmanian Heats of the Science and Engineering Challenge are detailed below:

Launceston

8 & 9 July, 2009 at 10am-3pm

Elphin Sports Centre, Racecourse Crescent, Elphin

Hobart

13 & 14 July, 2009 at 10am-3pm

Moonah Sports Centre, 17 Gormanston Road, Moonah

Burnie

16 July, 2009 at 10am-3pm

Marist Regional College – Harcombe Centre, Paraka St, Burnie

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