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Your Future Tasmania

The first in a brand new series of events to help Tasmanians map out their career paths will be held at the University of Tasmania’s Newnham campus on Wednesday.

Your Future Tasmania is a collaboration between the University and TasTAFE in conjunction with the Career Development Association of Australia.

Project manager at the University, Brett Williams, said: “These events provide an opportunity for all Tasmanians to find out about work and training opportunities within Tasmania’s industries of the future: food, tourism, health and advanced manufacturing.”

Starting with Launceston, events will then be held in Burnie and Hobart on June 10 and 16 respectively. School students and the general public are invited to come and meet some of Tasmania’s leading employers; hear inspiring stories and get personal advice from local training providers and career advisers.

Your Future Tasmania in Launceston will showcase a fantastic line up of speakers including David Cox, Tasmanian Operations Manager for the Hawthorn Football Club.

Mr Cox is a firm believer in the future of Tasmania and is looking forward to sharing his thoughts at Your Future Tasmania.

“Across Australia and, increasingly, across the world, the word Tasmania is associated with quality, innovation, experimentalism,” he said.

“We have big ideas, but operate in small teams. We’re agile and quick thinking here in Tasmania because we have to be - remote we might be, but we've got some world leaders in many fields.”

“We need to be open to ideas, be ready to experiment, and embrace risk. Tasmania offers an exciting future, and is full of potential. There has never been a better time plant your feet here.”
Your Future Launceston: 3 June 2015
Sir Raymond Ferrall Centre, University of Tasmania, Newnham.

- School Session 9:30am – 11am
- Expo and Public talks from 5:30pm

Public Program

Expo open from 5:30pm to 8pm
Meet some of Tasmania’s leading employers and find out what jobs they currently have available. Sit down and get some personal advice from local career advisers. Chat with training providers to discover what courses are on offer, and get all the information you need to take that next step.

Public talks
Facilitated by John Harris, Entrepreneur. As a serial entrepreneur John has worked for and with 500+ companies, over the last 25 years.

5:30 Jobs of the Future: Advanced Manufacturing.
Presented by James Riggall, Bitlink. James will give an interactive presentation covering the latest trends in Tasmanian advanced manufacturing. Participants will learn about what it takes to succeed in this industry, and the key skills that employers are looking for.

5:45 Jobs of the Future: Food.
Presented by Mary-Ann Hortle, Dairy Tasmania. Mary-Ann is one passionate dairy farmer that you just HAVE to meet. She will inspire you to consider a career in the food industry and provide you with up-to-date information on the high-tech nature of agriculture in Tasmania. Come along to hear about the great need for workers on Tasmanian dairy farms, and how you can be a part of the future of this exciting industry.

6:00 Jobs of the Future: Health and Community Services.
Presented by Rachel Jansen, Liviende. Rachel Jansen is the Human Resources Manager at Liviende, Launceston based provider of residential, day support and individualised support services for people who are living with a disability. Come along to hear the latest trends and workforce needs in disability and more broadly in health and community services. Learn about what it takes to succeed in this industry, and the key skills that employers are looking for.

Presented by David Cox, Hawthorn Football Club. David is an extremely passionate Tasmanian who feels a personal responsibility to share the excitement around what the future holds here in Tasmania. He believes that across Australia and, increasingly, across the world, the word Tasmania is associated with quality, innovation, experimentalism, and wants to let you know that Tasmania offers an exciting future, and is full of potential. Come along to hear what he has to say, and to learn more about careers in tourism.
6:30 How do I get there? Success stories and training opportunities.
Facilitated by John Harris. Hear a range of inspirational stories from current and past students in an informal Q&A session. Learn about what support programs are out there to help you achieve your goals.

Photo opportunities:
• Prior to the event, David Cox with current students at the Newnham Campus
• During the event

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