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## Science and Engineering Challenge set to take off

Hundreds of year nine and 10 students will take part in a day of high-energy competition at the Hobart section of the Science and Engineering Challenge this Tuesday (8 July).

The Science and Engineering Challenge is a set of fun and competitive activities involving principles of science, engineering and technology.

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.

Schools enter teams of 24 to 40 students and eight different challenges are set for each day. Points are scored and the winning school on that day qualifies for the Super Challenge and may go on to the National Grand Challenge.

The Challenge program is highly regarded as a means of raising the awareness of students regarding career opportunities in science and engineering. The Challenge was given an Engineering Excellence award in 2003 and has been recognised by the International Institute of Physics in London.

The Challenge continues in Launceston later this week (Thursday 10-Friday 11) and in Devonport next week (Monday 14).

**What:** Hobart section of the Science and Engineering Challenge

**When:** Tuesday 8th July, 10am – 3pm \* **photo opps from 11 of activities**

**Where:** Moonah Sports Centre, 17 Gormanston Road, Moonah

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