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Graduate students of the Diploma of Arts (Ceramics) presented their work at an exhibition from Tuesday 2 to Sunday 7 December, at Gallery 314 in the Clifton Creative Arts Centre, Richmond.

One of the exhibiting students, Valissa Butterworth, had her work selected as part of the annual Craft Victoria Fresh! Awards. Each year a team of professionals visit graduates in over 35 art and design departments within universities and TAFE providers around Victoria. The works range from the fields of ceramics, jewellery, glass, fashion, textiles, industrial and furniture design.

The panel recently visited the Ceramics Department at Holmesglen and Valissa's work was selected for inclusion in the awards. Students from Holmesglen have achieved great success in these awards over a number of years.

An image of her work was also selected to be used as the invitation and promotional vehicle for the exhibition.

Two of Valissa's works have since been selected for the Filippo Raphael Fresh! Award. This prestigious award is worth \$5000 and forecasts emerging crafts people and designers in the Victorian tertiary sector. Details of the exhibition and award, including Valissa's work can be found at <http://www.craftvic.asn.au/gallery/2008/fresh.html>.

Written by Jenny Horwill, Acting Teaching Centre Manager - Design, Multimedia and Arts and Michele van Eeden, Course Co-ordinator - Ceramics Programs

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Holmesglen Nursing degree gains Nurses Board approval



Leone English, Associate Director, speaks at the 2008 Awards Festival

Nursing education in Victoria has received a boost, with the accreditation of Holmesglen's Bachelor of Nursing by the Nurses Board of Victoria.

The accreditation means Holmesglen can offer its newly developed degree in mid 2009 or early 2010, with graduates eligible to apply for registration to practice in Victoria.

The curriculum, developed by Holmesglen with input from highly qualified nursing academics, undertook a stringent approval process to receive the approval from the Nurses Board. The outcome is a contemporary and innovative program, as compared to the current higher education offerings in Victoria.

Holmesglen Chief Executive, Bruce Mackenzie, says the accreditation "Opens up the potential of Commonwealth supported higher education places to non-traditional providers - of which Holmesglen is leading the way - and reflects positively on the quality of Victoria's vocational education system and the integrity of our state's accreditation and education systems."

"The accreditation of such a degree to be offered by a non-university reflects a trend towards a diversified higher education system and will provide access to high demand courses for a mature age student cohort who find access to higher education difficult," says Mr Mackenzie.

The decision paves the way for a Centre for Excellence in Health Sciences that will provide a suite of programs, including the

Bachelor of Nursing, to meet workforce demands in nursing, dental and allied health areas.

The three-year full-time course will provide an excellent pathway for Holmesglen's Certificate IV in Nursing graduates to articulate into the degree and continue to study in a familiar environment in which they feel comfortable and supported. It will also provide pathways for graduates of the Certificate IV in Nursing from other education providers.

The degree will be offered at Holmesglen's Moorabbin campus, providing students with access to existing specialist nursing laboratories and a purpose built facility for health science education, to be completed in 2010. Students will also benefit from the already strong relationships with industry, in particular, key partnerships with Ramsay Health Care and Epworth Health Care.

These partnerships will facilitate the student clinical experience throughout the course with a number of experienced clinical education staff teaching the program. Both Ramsay Health Care and Epworth Health Care will also provide fellowship positions for selected students.

Written by Leone English, Associate Director – Health, Human and Community Services

South African Delegation

Holmesglen recently hosted a delegation from the University of Cape Town (UCT), South Africa, to work with the building degree staff.

The oldest and leading university in Africa, is ranked in the world's top 200 higher education institutions. The university has opened its doors to previously disadvantaged students and is playing a significant role in addressing the legacy of apartheid. However, many of these students do not have well-developed academic skills, which has made it difficult for them to progress through their courses or graduate with high quality expertise.

The university has therefore allocated significant resources across its faculties to identify, develop and implement strategies that will improve this performance.

The university approached Professor Chen Swee Eng, Chair of Building and Property, and Academic Director - Higher Education at Holmesglen, to advise and assist on the provision of problem-based, student-centred learning. This resulted in an invitation for the university to visit Holmesglen and find out first hand about the "next generation" of student-centred learning, using problem-based techniques with sophisticated structuring and on-line support.

UCT sent a delegation of senior academic managers so they could use the visit to make decisions regarding their own curriculum immediately. Those who attended were:

- Professor Paul Bowen, Associate Dean, Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment
- Associate Professor Keith Cattell, Head of Department of Construction Economics and Management
- Associate Professor Kathy Michell, Deputy Head of Department of Construction Economics and Management
- Jonathan Marks, Senior Lecturer, Department of Construction Economics and Management
- Ellen Hurst, Lecturer, Department of Construction Economics and Management

Associate Professor Sid Newton, Head of Building Construction and Property from the University of New South Wales (UNSW) also visited during the workshops, as he was interested in using some of the techniques in his own courses. Professor Newton was a member of the professional accreditation panel that evaluated Holmesglen's courses earlier in the year and was impressed by what has been achieved with the building degrees. Chris Cheers, Holmesglen's Academic Development Manager and Professor Chen showcased the building degree programs, rationale and developments underpinning the educational design and delivery. Workshops followed, and evolved to look at possible solutions and applications to the UCT courses. Of particular importance to the UCT team is to develop a good understanding of the principles so that the experience and knowledge could be shared back in Cape Town with their colleagues.

According to Professor Chen, "The visit has provided recognition of Holmesglen by a leading international university for being leaders in particular aspects of teaching and learning in higher education".

As a result of the visit, Holmesglen has developed an on-going relationship with UCT and UNSW that benefits all parties. This relationship will enable UCT to receive on-going advice from Holmesglen's building degree group enabling them to innovate and improve teaching delivery of their building programs.

On their return to South Africa, the UCT study team have received approval to develop significant changes to their course, based on the ideas generated while visiting Holmesglen.



Bruce Mackenzie, CEO, with Professor Chen and the UCT delegates

Something Old, Something New



Guests discuss the matching of food and wine

The delicious lamb main course

The November Sommelier's Dinner applied was themed of "Something Old, Something New". The dinner is arranged as a final assessment for the Certificate IV in Hospitality Supervision (Sommelier) students, whereby they source wines and negotiate complimentary dishes with the chefs.

By offering two wines of different vintages, with each course in the menu, patrons experienced the unusual variations of taste between wine and food. Whilst the general view is that a mature wine is always best, this dinner proved otherwise – depending on the food matched. A younger wine of the same variety and the same vineyard came up trumps with scallops served for entrée.

The main course of lamb was served by using two different cooking methods and two different cuts – one grilled loin, the other braised shoulder. Patrons faced an interesting challenge as the two red wines seemed to change characteristics in both aroma and taste. This highlighted to the guests and students the complexities of being able to match good wine with good food and how wine interacts with different cooking methods from the "old and the new world" wine regions.

The event was held at Waverley's Zest restaurant and was coordinated through teacher Geoffrey Lindsay, who is acknowledged for his ongoing support of the course and the students, as well as his extensive subject knowledge.

Holmesglen chefs Nick Blackmore and Stan Soares, with support from Kate O'Beirne, were closely involved in the preparation and sourcing of specialty food ingredients and discussions with sommelier students leading up to the showcase dinner. Emad Akhnoukh and Dino Kapetanakis, and their students, are commended for excellent service.

The Wine Service Guild of Australia acknowledges the best Sommelier student with a perpetual; which is keenly contested.

Placements for the 2009 sommelier course are extremely limited, email Emad Akhnoukh at emada@holmesglen.vic.edu.au to register.

Mosaic unveiled

The Diploma of Visual Arts students recently unveiled a stunning wall mosaic, the culmination of a year long project to complement the landscape revitalisation work in the Atrium Garden at the Moorabbin campus.

The business component of their studies required that they tender a proposal to create an artwork at the Moorabbin campus, and seek funding for the materials for design.

Arts teacher Karen Lokerse spoke about the development of the project and the evolution of the work over the last two semesters, thanked Tony Woolrich, Jenny Horwill and Jelle Jager for their support, and Frank Virik for commissioning the art work. Karen also thanked Liz Jansz and the transitional education students for the new atrium garden space.

Frank Virik officially opened the mosaic wall for Holmesglen, and thanked the class and their teachers for the hard work put in to create a lasting legacy and stunning feature wall.



Business Administration students campaign for a safer Melbourne

On Monday 27 October, Holmesglen's Diploma of Business Administration students held a conference in the auditorium of the Holmesglen Conference Centre to address some of the safety concerns currently gripping the city.

In keeping with Community Safety Month, they focussed mainly on topical areas of interest such as cyber bullying, night life safety and transportation.

Sponsored by 13CABS, the conference presentations included *Step Back Think* of the JMB Foundation, who alerted the audience to the tragic consequences of alcohol fuelled violence and thus imploring the audience to "Step Back, and Think".

Representatives of Victoria Police gave tips on safe travelling and avoidance of potentially volatile situations. Students created a fun skit depicting the clubbing aspect of night life. A healthy

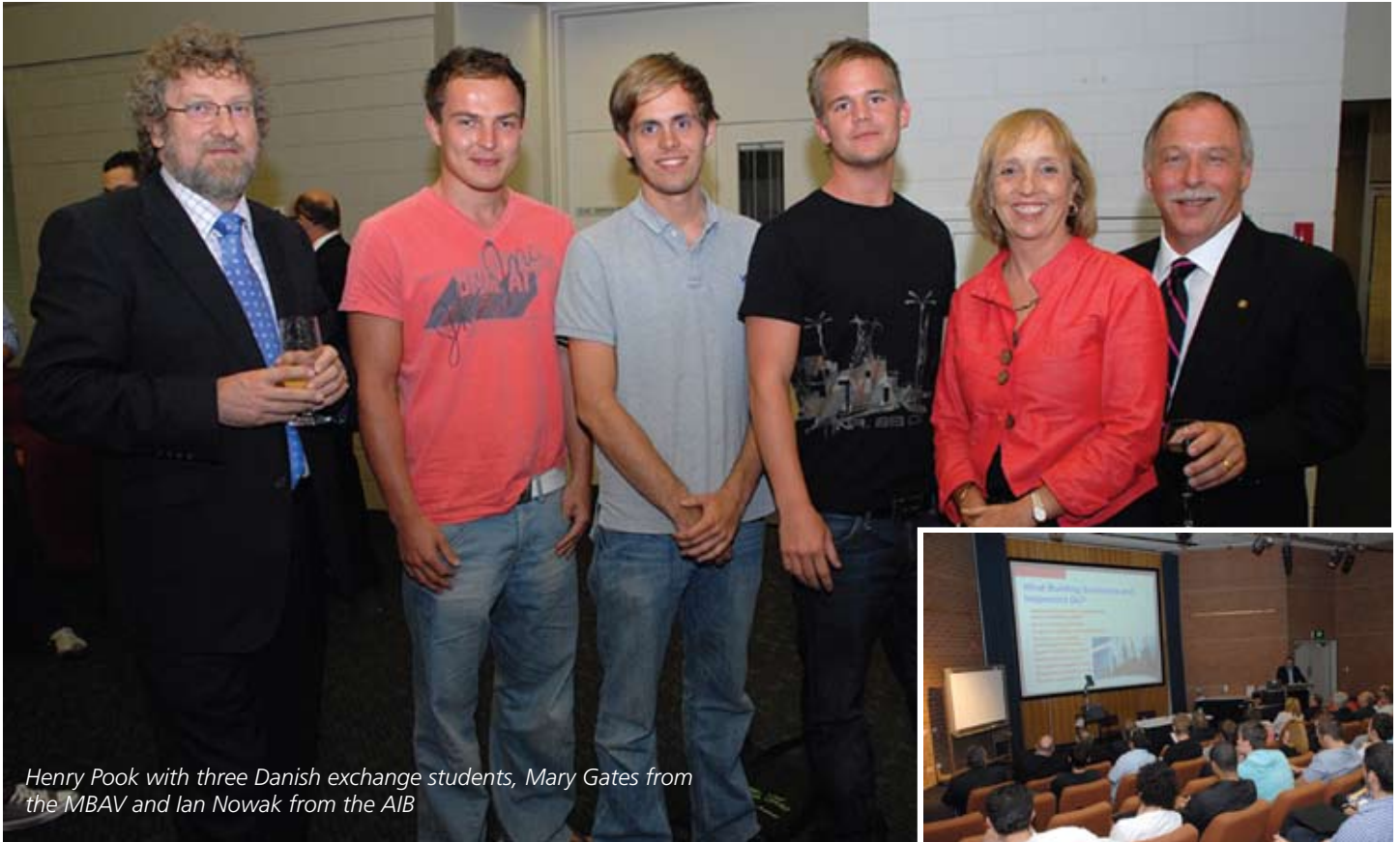
debate ensued between students, police and adults on what is causing the crisis, how to deal with it and what are the possible future solutions. Holmesglen students stated they believe it is the age group above 25 years of age - not the 18 to 25 year olds, who are perceived as being the perpetrators and thus coping much of the blame.

In addition, former crowd controllers Patrick Goldsworthy and Francis Makaus gave self defence demonstrations as part of the conference.

Kirsty Hughes, of 13CABS client services, highlighted the dangers taxi drivers face on a daily basis, how their security has been improved and outlined safety and security tips for passengers.

Written by Diploma of Business Administration students

Professions and Industry Night



Henry Pook with three Danish exchange students, Mary Gates from the MBAV and Ian Nowak from the AIB

The 2008 Building Industry Training Centre's Professions and Industry Night was celebrated at the Holmesglen Conference Centre on the Wednesday 29 October. Over 100 guests attended, including representatives of the building industry's leading professional and industry associations, together with building degree students, staff and invited guests. This function, now a regular feature on the BITC calendar, has served to introduce the diploma and degree students to the aims and objectives of various professional associations and industry organisations serving the building industry.

Representatives from the Australian Institute of Building, The Australian Institute of Building Surveyors, Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors, the Australian Property Institute, the Building Commission of Victoria, the Facilities Management Association and the Master Builders Association of Victoria spoke briefly about their respective organisations and invited students to consider the benefits of professional membership.

Professor Patrick Toomey, President of the Australian Institute of Building (AIB) gave the keynote address on the future of the building professions in Australia. Other speakers included Bruce Mackenzie, CEO of Holmesglen, and Professor Swee Chen, Head of Building and Property Degree Programs.

The finale to the evening was the announcement of the George Dore Award, a joint initiative by Holmesglen and the AIB to recognise an outstanding student from the building degree program. The award recognises the longstanding contribution of George Dore to Holmesglen, both as Council member and as a proponent of building studies education. Announcing the award, Henry Pook (Associate Director, Building Industry Training Centre) acknowledged the outstanding contribution of George, not only to Holmesglen, but also to the development of the building degree program.

Written by Henry Pook, Associate Director, Building Industry Training Centre

Sail away



Travel lift at the Sandringham Yacht Club

Profile: Alex Newman

Alex started sailing small dinghies at the age of 12 and after learning the basics around various waterways of Victoria, Alex decided it was time to pursue the sport of sailboat racing. At the age of 15 he had already placed at national championship level.

Alex won numerous state championships and placed regularly at national championships. In 1995 Alex finally received his chance to compete at highest level by competing at the "Olympic 470" class World Championships. Although placing 55th at the 170 boat event, Alex has since competed in two world championships and placed 18th (1999) and 17th (2006) in the same size fleets.

He has also placed several times in the Top 5 at National Championships and Alex is again training for National Championships this Christmas/New Year period, aiming for the World Championships, Sydney Harbour, next year.

Co-ordinating the Certificate I and II Boating Services course has given Alex an opportunity to use his vocational experience and blend it with his strong interest in boating activities.

The Engineering Department, in partnership with the Sandringham Yacht Club, recently commenced delivery of the Certificate I in Boating Services.

This course is for students interested in the recreational boating industry - working as a yard hand or marina hand. It covers maintenance, service and repair of boats and trailers in marinas, boat building facilities and marine dealerships. The program has a heavy focus on welding and is delivered as Year 10 or 11 VET, leading to further studies in engineering.

As with many Holmesglen courses, student work placements often lead to further work – some at the yacht club - with a range of excellent contract employment opportunities throughout the industry.

For more information contact Alex Newman, Engineering, on 9209 5690.



Alex Newman/Derek Layfield competing at National Championships in Geelong in 07

Community Live Projects



Morning tea with Certificate IV in Business Administration students and Shirlene Standish, Volunteer Program Officer at Monash Volunteer Resource Centre.

Chadstone's Certificate IV in Business Administration students undertook a series of 'real skills in the real world' projects engaging in Community Live projects with not-for-profit organisations.

Some of the organisations they worked with included:

- Monash Volunteer Resource Centre, Glen Waverley. A volunteer referral service and program provider for the aged, people with disabilities, and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds
- Wavlink, Glen Waverley. A neighbourhood house for the disabled and training facilitator in disability awareness
- The Sri Lankan Elders Welfare Association (SEWA), Doveton. Pastoral care program providers for the members aged 55+, celebrating its 10th anniversary
- Sussex Heights Primary school, Mt Waverley. The school recently survived a fire but many resources were lost.

Students applied their computer skills to produce eye-catching posters and flyers, mail merge files for letterbox drops, and offered practical help in designing and producing a commemorative booklet and invitations. The primary school

students were presented with new classroom materials and Holmesglen students were thanked warmly for their contributions.

Another benefit of the program enabled interaction with the Sudanese community, enhancing cultural awareness by the students. In a joint project, business administration students produced a DVD on Sudanese living in Melbourne.

In appreciation of the great effort by Holmesglen students, representatives from all the not-for-profit associations held a morning tea for them. Their good work was endorsed with the offers of references from the managers.

Business administration students thoroughly enjoyed putting their skills to use for real clients. The hands-on experience reinforced and consolidated many skills learnt in class.

Written by Pauline Chew, Teaching Centre Manager, Administration and Management Studies

Plumbing hosts sustainable hot water demonstration



Mark Leopold, Teaching Centre Manager, with Manny Vella from Caroma Dorf (centre) and Guy Locke from Hardie Dux

A breakfast and technical information display for Caroma Dorf and Hardie Dux was held by the Plumbing Department on Monday 17 November.

Hardie Dux is a major manufacturer and research developer of solar boosted hot water systems, and Caroma Dorf is the largest Australian manufacturer of high quality porcelain bathroom fittings.



Both companies were displaying the latest developments in their respective fields and over 80 local plumbers and their apprentices attended the 7.00am breakfast, with representatives from each company on hand to demonstrate the displays. Employers and their apprentices were able to see the new systems in operation and questions were easily answered and explained using the well equipped display trailers.

Holmesglen's Plumbing team enjoy an excellent working relationship with both Caroma Dorf and Hardie Dux and look forward to the continued support of these two industry leaders in the future.

Employers and apprentices were able to see first hand the latest developments in solar boosted hot water units.

Get Frocked



Sarita Stella-Holland
pictured with
Deborah Vanderwerp



Small publishing
group pictured with
Sarita

Get Frocked is a book about fashion and costuming, a compilation of contributions by students of the Diploma of Professional Writing.

The book includes interviews with Sarita Stella-Holland (Ralph model and wife of Brodie Holland), Rose Chong, drag kings and queens, articles about football fashion, cosplay, shoes and much more. There is even an extensive list of ideas for fancy dress parties and where to hire costumes.

It is available at all campus Information Offices and also from Chadstone Room C1.1.06. *Get Frocked* is a great Christmas gift or stocking filler at only \$12.

Written by Deborah Vanderwerp, Coordinator Professional Writing and Editing

Excerpt from *Get Frocked*.

"Too Black - by Anthony Kakulas"

*To mum and dad and all my friends
get forks and frocks*

in black of course

it's in again

missed the sale it's on again

fork the jeans and in with socks

long and thin

striped of course

and in between the lines

obscene texta coloured

motifs

filling the cracks that blur my mind

to ward infinity

for the mini burn the jeans

this girl's taste is quite obscene

out with short in with long

something to hide the thong

I mean well

I love it black

Fork the friggin' brainiac

Long is in and you can all get frocked

Love is in

And it hasn't stopped

Holmesglen Institute of TAFE

BOARD MEETING 7/2008
HELD ON 19 November, 2008
AT 6.00 PM IN THE BOARD ROOM,
CHADSTONE CAMPUS

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT:

2008 VICTORIAN TOURISM AWARD

The Board noted that Holmesglen had won the 2008 Victorian Tourism Award in the category of Tourism Education and Training for the Year and will compete in the national finals to be held in Melbourne in February 2009. The Chief Executive said that the Institute's Sensation Dinners, the Farmers' Market and the Institute's reputation as the Crown's preferred training provider have assisted Holmesglen's entry as Tourism Educator of the Year. The Chairman requested that the Chief Executive convey the Board's congratulations to Mr Ross Digby and his staff at the Hospitality Department.

ABC LEARNING CENTRES

The Chief Executive advised that as ABC Learning has been placed in receivership, it is unclear whether the Institute's two child care centres licensed to ABC Learning will continue to operate in 2009 as ABC/Receiver Centres as the extent of government funding after December 2008 is unknown.

NURSING DEGREE – NURSES BOARD OF VICTORIA ACCREDITATION

The Chief Executive advised that the Nurses Board will meet on Thursday, 20 November to determine the Institute's submission for accreditation. He said that the outcome is critical and central to the Institutes programs and activities in the Health Sciences proposal. Board members will be informed of the outcome.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES TENDER The Chief Executive advised that the process relating to the Commonwealth Employment Services tender has been an exhaustive one as the tender requirements are far more intensive than any previous employment services arrangements. He commented that Ms Avril Reagon and the HES staff has done an excellent job in leading and guiding the partners involved in the tender consortium with Holmesglen.

BUDGET MEETINGS

The Board noted that internal budget discussions are currently being held with teaching and administration centres.

Staff Movements

Welcome	Position	Centre / Department
BALOGH, Sher	Teacher – Building Design	BITC
CANNON, Krystal	Conference Centre Officer/Planner	Conference Centre
CUMMINGS, Jennifer	Industry Liaison Officer	HHCS
DAWES, Joanne	Secretary/Receptionist	Student Services
HAYES, Margaret	Receptionist/Administrative Assistant	HES - SA
JACKSON-McCONCHIE, Nicole	Serials Librarian	Information Commons
STILO, Karen	Teacher – Biotechnology	HHCS
TYNDALL, Paramjit	Research & Planning Officer	Directorate
WOANG, Steven	Administrative Assistant	CLP
WONG, Kin Hung (Gloria)	Administrative Assistant	CLP

Farewell to...	Centre / Department	Farewell to...	Centre / Department
BLACKMORE, Nicholas	Hospitality, Cookery & Bakery	MITCHELL, Paul	Horticulture, Tourism & Recreation
FRASER, Carol	HHCS - Nursing	PAPASTAMATIS, Tina	Finance - Payroll
JONES, Elizabeth	Holmesglen Employment	PARKER, Benjamin	Holmesglen Employment
McKENZIE, Margaret	Design, Arts & Science	SMITH, Amanda	Security

News in brief

Victorian Bakery Awards

Holmesglen's Bakery Students won the Victorian Bakery Awards W.A. Norman Memorial Trophy, for a 680 white block sandwich loaf (the loaf most people buy), presented at William Angliss in November.

This is regarded within the bakery industry as the highest award for any bakery product; the category receives more entries than any other category and is open to all classes of entrant.

Holmesglen also placed second in the Ciabatta category, and third in the Savoury Product category.

Congratulations to the students and to their dedicated teachers for such a great effort

Written by Hayley Ho, Hospitality Cookery and Bakery

Health and Wellbeing Seminar

Diploma of Business students, studying the 'plan and manage conferences' component of their course, organised a seminar on 19 November about health and wellbeing, with guest speakers Julie Wright and Sherry Strong. Julie specialises in Rolwing – a sophisticated and effective system of manual therapy and movement education designed to improve posture. Sherry is a chef and self-professed healthy food guru, who specialises in promoting life changing food choices - a very topical subject.

The night was sponsored by industry, and students actively canvassed businesses to raise \$884.37 for Challenge - Supporting Kids with Cancer.

Written by Patricia Lunt, Business Service Centre

Skills Victoria ISS Institute TAFE Fellowship

Scott Megee, 2nd runner up in the 2007 Australian Artisan Cup and competitor with the first Australian World Cup Baking Team to compete at SIGEP (Europe's expo focused on artisan production of Gelato, Pastry, Confection and Bakery), has been awarded with a \$10,000 Fellowship to travel overseas and conduct research in a number of areas. These include:

- Appreciation of the range of possibilities for the use of whole grains and specialty flours in artisan bakery
- The utilisation of retarding techniques in bakery
- The capacity to meet the needs of people with specific dietary requirements
- Advanced artisan bakery techniques to facilitate new products and outcomes.

With over 17 years experience as a chef but remarkably just four years qualified as a baker, this is great opportunity for Scott to hone his skills and bring back some great knowledge to share with the upcoming bakery apprentices. Scott has not yet decided where he will pursue these studies.

Scott has also been selected again, to compete on the Australian team going to SIGEP in Rimini, January 2009. Some of the categories include:

- Traditional bread matched with food and wine
- Innovation bread matched with food and wine
- Cake – yeast raised or dry, matched with food and wine
- Artistic bread sculpture with theme "Celebrating 30 years of SIGEP"

