

## Projects Undertaken 2006 to 2009

### North West Metro Careers Opportunities Expo

#### Peter Moyes Anglican Community College

A Career Expo was held at Peter Moyes Anglican Community College in August 2009 with representatives from business, Industry, University, TAFE and the Employment Directions Network (EDN). Year 12 students from Peter Moyes were given the opportunity to partake in a breakfast panel discussion facilitated by BJL about the resilience of Gen Y's in the global economic downturn. Students from nearby schools attended the Expo throughout Friday and parents and the wider community were invited to attend on Saturday. The Expo was very successful, giving students and parents in the North Metro region the opportunity to access further education and training information along with meeting industry and business people. Peter Moyes is keen to make the expo an annual event.

This BJL programme was facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations).

**In partnership with** Peter Moyes Anglican Community College; EDN North Metro; WA Chamber of Commerce & Industry; Hospitality Group Training; Ramsay Health; Excom Education; Police Academy; Career Information Centre; SAE Institute Perth; Automotive and Engineering Australia Training; Edith Cowan, Curtin, UWA, Murdoch and Notre Dame Universities, Central, Swan and West Coast TAFE; Australian Defence Forces; Plumbing and Painting Training Company (MPA); Apprenticentre; Chamber of Minerals & Energy Australia; Australian Institute of Fitness; Australian Quarantine Inspection Services; CareerLink; WA Aviation College; Australian Institute of Commerce/Technology; Australian School of Tourism and Hotel Management; Paramount College of Natural Medicine; MEGT Australian Apprenticeships; Bunnings; Electrical Group Training, Metals and Manufacturing Training Council, Telstra Shop, Joondalup; Western Australian Aviation College; Woolworths; Chocolate Drops.

### Career Carousel

#### St Stephens School

150 Year 10 students met with industry representatives at a breakfast forum. Representatives from the same industry area were seated at tables and students chose 3 industry areas which they visited in sessions. Students were able to ask the visiting industry people questions, relating to career pathways, day to day experiences on the job, what is expected of them in the workplace, what training and education they would be required to undertake and what skills they would need to initially break into a particular field. This was a valuable project which was very much enjoyed by both industry reps and students.

This BJL programme was part funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations).

**In partnership with** St Stephens School; JobsWest - Regional Industry Careers Advisor (RICA); Ging Mo Academy; West Coast and Central TAFE; Hospitality Group Training; Macmahon Holdings; Housing Industry Australia (HIA); Edith Cowan University (School of Nursing); Engineers Australia; Aurecon Group; Professional Services Training Council; Bunnings; Freehill Lawyers; Finance and Professional Services Training Council; KPMG Accountants; Hospitality Group Training; SAE; (Physiotherapist, Paramedic, Dental Nurse, Lawyer, Accountant –provided by school parents).



## Building Project for Flexible Learning Centre Students

### Padbury SHS – Adopt A School Project

A small group of Year 11/12 students from the flexible learning class participated in this project where students researched a building project involving the upgrade of the student kitchen facility in order to gain hands-on experience in tiling and carpentry skills. Students were accredited with learning outcomes achieved through Curriculum Council endorsed modules in Maths, Life skills, Workplace Learning and Career & Enterprise and had an opportunity to apply their skills in a real work situation.

This BJL programme was delivered through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations).

**In partnership with** Odin Ceramics, Swan TAFE and Padbury Senior High School.

## Jigsaw Mentoring Project – “Putting the Pieces Together”

### Yanchep District High School

Students from Years 9 & 10 who have been identified as ‘at risk’ will participate in a workshop based project delivered by Community Development Staff from the City of Wanneroo to assist young people to develop resilience, positive behaviours and attitudes and employability skills.

This BJL programme was part-funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations).

**In partnership with** City of Wanneroo, School Volunteers and Yanchep District High School.

## Belridge Green Project (Earth Assist Project)

### Belridge Senior High School - Education Support Unit

BJL undertook this project with Belridge Education Support Students during 2009, where students engaged in introductory horticultural activities involving potting seedlings, planting and maintaining vegetable plots.

The LCP brokered a partnership between Belridge Ed Support and Conservation Volunteers Australia to further develop the project in 2010 to allow students to participate in “green” conservation projects being undertaken within the local area and develop generic employability skills and skills relating to horticulture in a realistic setting.

**In partnership with** Conservation Volunteers and Belridge SHS Education Support Unit.



## Breakfast Forum to Connect Students with Industry

### Woodvale Senior High School

Year 11 students met with industry representatives at a breakfast forum, where representatives from the same industry area were seated at tables and students chose 3 industry areas which they visited in sessions. Students were able to ask the visiting industry representatives questions, relating to career pathways, day to day experiences on the job, what is expected of them in the workplace, what training and education they would be required to undertake and what skills they would need to initially break into a particular field. Held at AQWA at Mindarie, this was another successful breakfast forum with our Business and Industry representatives.

This BJL programme was facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations).

**In partnership with** Woodvale SHS; JobsWest - Regional Industry Careers Advisor (RICA); Macmahon Holdings; HIA; Core Surf; Joondalup Beauty Therapy School; WA Shipbuilders Association; Edith Cowan University (Nursing School); WA Police; Financial, Administration & Professional Services Training Council; MITA; IBM; Bunnings Whitfords; MPA; Hospitality Group Training; Ging Mo Academy; Aurecon.

## “Making Tracks”

### Clarkson Community High School

This project involves working with disengaged students at Clarkson CHS and is part of a wider strategy to engage students in a number of other programs at the school. “Making Tracks” will engender leadership skills and assist to engage a cohort of students who are “at risk”.

Students undertook:-

- School based engagement activities
- Communication Skills Workshops
- 2 night, three day hike along the Bibbulman Track
- A debrief session to reflect on learning experiences and discussion of future industry visits
- First Aid Training
- Industry visits to a range of sites to give students an idea of the range of career options open to them including (Police Department, Nurseries, CSIRO, Dept of Environment and Conservation, Yanchep National Park, Kings Park, Claisebrook Train Depot, Gngangara Pine Plantation and other industry areas in the Malaga/Osborne Park area)
- A celebration to mark the end of the project with schools, agency and industry representatives.

This BJL programme was funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations).

**In partnership with** Clarkson CHS; Police & Citizens Youth Club (PCYC); Department of Environment and Conservation; Yanchep National Park; Naturalist Marine Discovery Centre.



## Bluecard Attainment

### Warwick Senior High School

Fourteen students took part in this project, and all attained their Blue Card. Initial feedback from teaching staff indicated that the training itself was very worthwhile and well organised. Students gained valuable knowledge of the workplace and of Occupational Health & Safety in a work context. Students have been registered with the Housing Industry Association and are able to participate in Work Place Learning in this area.

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## Workskills Workshop

### Warwick Senior High School

Teaching staff generally find it difficult to relay information to students in relation to Employability skills. To assist with this Bjl facilitated two workshops, "Employer Expectations" and "Induction to Work Environment". These were delivered to nineteen Year 11 and 12 SSEP students at the West Coast District Education Office, where lunch was provided. This workshop was delivered by the North Metro Employment Directions Network.

Students gained valuable insights into how to conduct themselves whilst in a workplace and what employers expect from them in the workplace.

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## Workplace Learning De-Brief

### Warwick Senior High School

After some discussion with VET staff from Warwick SHS, LCP staff suggested that we give Workplace Learning students the opportunity to discuss and consider what their WPL gave them; for them to feel there was follow up from their experience; to hear what their peers had to say about their experiences and to be able to share anecdotes and to discuss and consider their future career pathways.

A total of 22 WPL students took part and shared their experiences. A number of students commented that they got bored undertaking repetitive tasks; they all understood the importance of their log books and development of their portfolios; they enjoyed meeting new people and learning new skills; some students indicated that they would like to try a different industry area and many said they would be happy to stay in the same industry area. Armed with the feedback from this de-brief – Bjl has provided Warwick with some suggestions as to how they can improve their WPL program.

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## Community Begins with “Y”

### Warwick SHS; Greenwood SHS; Shenton Park College; Mt Lawley SHS; Lakeside SHS; Willetton SHS

This collaborative project involves working with schools across three Local Community Partnership (LCP) areas (Swan, Central and North Metro) that have a Senior Schools Engagement Programme (SSEP's). Forty five SSEP students were enrolled in Certificate II Community Services at Central TAFE Mt Lawley for a period of 30 weeks during 2009. Initially based at HQ in Leederville where they gained the underpinning skills and knowledge to transition to on site work placements at Aged Care, Child Care, Emergency Youth Accommodation and Sport & Recreation facilities.

Students gained first hand knowledge of services in the community for people, including youth at risk; they also learnt how to support each other and gained valuable experience working with older people.

Western Careers Alliance and the YMCA sought SSEP funding through the Participation Team from West Coast District Education Office and formed a working partnership with BJI, Swan Alliance, to deliver the project.

This BJI programme was part-funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations).

**In partnership with** Western Careers Alliance, Swan Alliance, Central TAFE and the YMCA.

## CaLD Mentoring Project

### Girrawheen Senior High School

BJI facilitated a mentoring program for at risk Structured Workplace Learning students involved in the ACCESS program. Girrawheen SHS is in a low socio-economic area and the student population is multicultural. The LCP provided each student with a trained mentor who met with the student on a weekly basis over a period of 7 months.

Students gained a great deal from this project as they benefited from a one-to-one relationship with a caring adult who provided encouragement and support in their SWL placement and were supported in their work placement by a mentor who could advise and help when needed.

To quote an observation made by the Vet and Careers Teacher. “The student’s language and social skills have increased remarkably. Most noteworthy is the confidence these students have gained in their communication skills and the positive self image that they have developed.”

This BJI programme was funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations) in 2008.

BJI worked in partnership with the School Volunteer Program and the Girrawheen Senior High School.



## Capricorn Project

### Yanchep District High School

This project involved round table discussions to engage with Yr 10 students with different industries, and to engage youth in the Yanchep and Two Rocks area to feel ownership of their region and be part of future developments. Concerns regarding the shift of young people away from the area prompted the developers to engage with young people from Yanchep High and encourage them to take advantage of the developments and the opportunities associated with them and create a thriving and stimulating community in which to work and live.

This BJL programme was funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations) in 2007.

BJL worked in partnership with Yanchep District High School, Creating Communities; Capricorn Village Joint Venture; AngloGold Ashanti, Wanneroo Botanical Gardens, West Coast TAFE; WA Food and Beverage Industry Training Council; Australian Fitness Institute; Yanchep National Park .

## Moving on Starting Out - MOSO

### Government and non government schools in Western Australia

The main focus of this festival was peer education, where creative resources on issues associated with Career Development and the Management of Life, Learning and Work were designed by young people for use with young people in the school community. Some of the key aims of MOSO were to raise the awareness of the critical national and WA state government career development agenda and providing schools with a creative vehicle for focussing their career development delivery to students.

Within a high school setting there was an evident need for a creative platform to encourage and inspire high school students between the ages of 12 and 18 to engage in dialogue and reveal their key issues surrounding managing life, learning and work. We used media because of its significant and importance in young people's means of expression and communication.

MOSO was a creative, interactive shared learning experience. It was designed to encourage students to express themselves and share their learning and work experiences. This meant that they had to be open to learning from their teachers, peers and access learning from government, industry and community. MOSO was also incorporated into the curriculum. MOSO was aligned to the Australian Blueprint for Career Development and Western Australia Education Curriculum outcome based assessment – so all students from year 8 to 12 could get their work accredited.

It was an opportunity for young people to “Tell their story through a choice of mediums - short film (camera); super short film (mobile phone, digital camera, web cam); visual art (storyboarding); and captioned photography.



Students across Western Australia were asked to explore and communicate their issues, opinions and views surrounding one of the following:-

- What is work?
- What makes me who I am and what I become?
- When and where does learning begin and end?
- What is education?

To further assist students, short clips from previous year's winning film entries could be found in the "Clips" section of the MOSO website – developed by WestOne and hosted through Get Access website (<http://getaccess.westone.wa.gov.au/moso>).

To showcase student's skills to a wider audience, photographs and storyboards were exhibited to the general public and films screened at the annual Screening and Awards Night. Access 31 televised the events which were hosted by Edith Cowan University.

During the 5 years, the following schools took part in the festival;

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| - Ballajura Community College                     | - Mt Lawley Senior High School                         |
| - Broome Senior High School                       | - Mirrabooka Senior High School                        |
| - Corrigin District High School                   | - Ocean Reef Senior High School                        |
| - Duncraig Senior High School                     | - Padbury Senior High School                           |
| - Foundation Christian College, Mandurah          | - Rossmoyne Senior High School                         |
| - Frederick Irwin Anglican School, Mandurah       | - Sacred Heart College, Sorrento                       |
| - Girrawheen Senior High School                   | - Scotch College, Swanbourne                           |
| - Hamilton Senior High School                     | - Seton Catholic College, Samson                       |
| - Hedland Senior High School                      | - Shenton College                                      |
| - John Curtin College of the Arts, East Fremantle | - St Brigid's, Lesmurdie                               |
| - Lumen Christi College, Martin                   | - Warwick Senior High School                           |
| - La Salle College, Middle Swan                   | - Woodvale Senior High School                          |
| - Lockridge Senior High School                    | - Wanneroo Senior High School                          |
| - Mercedes College, Perth                         | - Yanchep District High School                         |
| - Mandurah Baptist College                        | - Yandeyarra Remote Community School,<br>South Hedland |
| - Mandurah Senior College                         | - York District High School                            |
| - Mindarie College                                |  |
| - Mercy College, Koondoola                        |  |

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (2007 to 2008).

The Festival was delivered through the EDN and LCP Programs and in partnership with; Edith Cowan University; WestOne Services; Access 31; Nova 93.7; Film and Television Institute; Workplace Services; S & T Graphic Designs; Custom Create; Civic Video; Woodvale Art Frames and City of Stirling Youth Advisory Committee.



## School Student Career and Transition Database

### Greenwood Senior High

BJL is working with Greenwood Senior High School to develop a student database that teachers can use to assist in ensuring efficient, effective internal organisation of the school's structured workplace learning and career and transition arrangements. Teachers and students will be able to use this database to plan, manage and monitor process. The database, which will be accessed by students, teachers and parents will aid in the development of an Individual Pathway Plan.

Developed for students to input their personal interests, semester grades, personal and career goals and individual study program, the database will develop in complexity through their years at high school to allow for self evaluation over that time, and to allow them to reflect on their personal aspirations and goals, their academic achievements and practical career decision making. The VET Coordinator and a Greenwood SHS student have developed a comprehensive database for use at the school. BJL are currently working on a more generic model that schools will be able to easily use in their own IT settings.

This BJL programme was facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations)

**In partnership with** Greenwood Senior High School, the WA Department of Education and Training EVE Coordinator and Pukuni Technology.

## Yanchep Project

### Yanchep District High School

The objectives of this project were to engage students with industry; enhance student's "sense of place" through a project that engaged them directly with the land; teach students the importance of land management and conservation; raise the reputation of young people in the local area; offer the opportunity to some project participants to learn basic journalism/report writing skills and; broaden the employment prospects of the students through exposure to a hands-on land management project.

Students from Yanchep District High School worked within Yanchep National Park to assist with regeneration/management. During this process students were mentored through land regeneration and instructed in the basics of land management.

This was a very successful project, the outcome of which led to students mentoring their peers in the following year.

Funded and facilitated by BJL Local Community Partnership (*funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations*) in 2007.

BJL worked in partnership with Yanchep District High School, Yanchep National Park (Department of Environment and Conservation), CALM and the City of Wanneroo.

## Career and Transition Decision Making

### Kingsway Christian College

This action research pilot project was designed to build the capacity of teachers to enable them to build the capacity of students in their ability to make effective career decisions.

The objectives of the project were to enhance young people's employability skills; assist the school to facilitate effective career and transition making with 30 students; evaluate the effectiveness of the Quality Decision Making Program as an effective tool for career decision making; and design a professional development program for teachers and participation coordinators utilising the Quality Decision Making Program.

This Bjl programme was funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations) in 2007.

Bjl worked in partnership with Kingsway Christian College, POWA Institute Ltd and the de Bono Institute.

## Compass Project

### Ocean Reef Senior High School

The Ocean Reef Compass Project connected 90 Year 12 Workskills students with industry through a series of speed dating forums, work experience and exit planning sessions to promote a realistic understanding of work and study operations. The "Speed Dating" involved students from Ocean Reef Senior High School moving from table to table asking questions to Industry representatives and gaining information on future opportunities.

The objectives of the project was to give students a "real" industry job seeking experience; bring industry into schools; improve the quality of work placements for students; broaden students knowledge of career pathways; broaden teachers understanding of industry and engage students with interesting projects/experiences.

This Bjl programme was funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations) in 2007.

Bjl worked in partnership with Ocean Reef Senior High School, Jobs West Regional Industry Career Advisor (RICA), Baroque & Roll; Mosquito Graphic Design; Suburban Design Construct; BCITF; RSL (WA); Retirement & Aged Care Association; ABC Developmental Learning Centres; Westpac Bank; The Compass Group; Burswood Resort Aqua Shades; Western Geotechnics; New Norcia Bakery; Precision Earthmoving Repairs; AngloGold Ashanti Australia Ltd; Universal Sodexo; City of Joondalup; City of Wanneroo; FESA; Police Cadet (Traineeship) Unit; Yanchep National Park (Department of Environment and Conservation); Australian Post - Joondalup Delivery Centre; Reece Plumbing.

## Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD) Project

### Mercy College

BJL worked with Father Sam, and Mercy College Community to develop knowledge, procedures and processes to assist the Sudanese and other refugee students and their families to understand, access and be more successful in the school environment, with an emphasis on Vocational Education and Training (VET) and Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) pathways.

This project engaged the Sudanese community in dialogue with Mercy College and successfully researched and developed more effective student intake processes for refugee students that provided information required to map an educational support plan (Individual Pathway Plan) for CaLD students.

This partnership also produced focused cultural awareness training and developed a plan to respond to issues raised by the school and the Sudanese community, an increased understanding of the school environment and school to work study options including the value of SWL.

This BJL programme was funded and facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations) in 2007

BJL worked in partnership with Mercy College, Father Sam, Parents and members of the Sudanese Community.

## Yanchep Land Management Project

### Yanchep District High School

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The aim was successful in training students to a level where in the following year they would be able to mentor their peers.

This BJL programme was facilitated through the Local Community Partnership (funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations)

**In partnership with** Yanchep District High School; Yanchep National Park (Department of Environment and Conservation); CALM; City of Wanneroo

