Holmesglen Update to Careers Practitioners

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY
- **8-11** The Age VCE & Careers Expo
  - Caulfield Racecourse
- **Wednesday 21 May** - Open Day
  - All campuses

JUNE
- **Wednesday 18 June** Open Day
  - All campuses
- **Thursday 19**
  - Experience Holmesglen
    - Waverley & Chadstone campuses

AUGUST
- **15-17** Herald Sun Careers Expo
  - Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre
- **Wednesday 20** Open Day
  - All campuses
- **Thursday 21**
  - Experience Holmesglen
    - Moorabbin & City campuses

OCTOBER
- **Friday 31**
  - Careers Practitioner Seminar
    - Design @ Holmesglen
    - City campus

DECEMBER
- **Wednesday 17**
  - Change of Preference Expo
    - Chadstone campus

Holmesglen TEACHER
MASSAGE AND MYOTHERAPIST TO THE STARS!

Students treating basketball players

Holmesglen prides itself on having teachers with industry experience who can share their knowledge with students. The Complementary Health department boasts a variety of industry professionals including Trent Harris, a massage and myotherapist with over 15 years experience.

Trent has worked for sporting teams both locally and internationally and his client list includes top golfers, Olympic cyclists and Luke McKenzie, second best Ironman in the world. The past month has seen Trent work with some of the world’s top skateboarders taking part in the Tony Hawk and friends skateboard demonstrations; collaborate with Formula One drivers and Grand Prix medical staff (tasked with keeping the drivers fit and healthy for their race); and assist some of Australia’s and world’s best Ironman Triathletes prepare for Ironman, Melbourne.

With Melbourne’s numerous high profile sporting events, there are plenty of student opportunities for work and industry networking. Practical experience is important and Trent has made sure it is incorporated into the Diploma of Remedial Massage, giving students the opportunity to work with elite basketball players as part of their studies.

“If it’s great when you see students enjoying the practical aspects of the program and getting excited about learning, I always remind students that Roger Federer’s therapist of several years was a Melbourne massage therapist, when Roger asked him to travel on tour with him. For up and coming therapists with an interest in the sports market, the opportunities are infinite.”

Holmesglen massage and naturopathy courses are delivered in stages, meaning a student can find themselves registered and working after completing a six month Certificate IV. They can then choose to continue their studies in the Diploma of Remedial Massage or the Advanced Diploma of Myotherapy, after which students will be qualified as a high level practitioner, specialising in muscular dysfunction.

For more information on massage and myotherapy courses:
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Lincoln Watson

With a family background in the trade industry, Lincoln always knew he wanted to be a tradesman. He chose Vocational College because it offered him a hands on learning experience.

Throughout his studies in intermediate VCAL, Lincoln completed both senior and advanced senior numeracy. By undertaking the advanced numeracy course, Lincoln was able to apply his knowledge successfully to his trade certificates, which included; Electro Technology, Automotive Electrical and Engineering. Lincoln was awarded the 2013 Bayside, Glen Eira and Kingston Applied Learning Award for Certificate III in Engineering Studies (Electrical/Electronic).

His hard work and dedication did not go unnoticed by Holmesglen staff and he was also awarded Outstanding VCAL Student at the Holmesglen Awards Festival in March.

Lincoln is now one step closer to realising his dream of being a qualified Electrician, as he begins his apprenticeship at Appselec, Electrical and Communications contractors.