LOCAL BAYSWATER RESIDENT WINS OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

Local Bayswater resident Rachel Engelhardt, won the Outstanding Diploma Student category at the Holmesglen annual Awards Dinner held on Friday 22 March 2013. The Awards Dinner was part of Holmesglen’s 16th Annual Awards Festival which celebrates, recognises and rewards outstanding achievement and excellence by students and staff.

Engelhardt was recognised for her hard work during 2012 while studying the Diploma of Sport Development/Diploma of Sport & Recreation at Holmesglen’s Waverley campus and received a $3,000 cash prize.

Engelhardt started a degree at university but decided it wasn’t for her. After working for a while as a tennis coach, she decided to return and study in the area of her passion, sport.

Engelhardt demonstrated a strong commitment to her studies and dedication to Holmesglen as a student. She was the Project Coordinator for the sport and recreation student group who travelled to Fiji to conduct coaching clinics for disadvantaged students. Engelhardt committed hundreds of hours towards organising fundraising activities and coordinating the other students needed to make the trip happen.

On top of her studies, Engelhardt worked part time in a number of roles, including working with the PE Department of Mount View Primary school organising the Grade 3 & 4 sporting program. In 2012 she also took on the prestigious role of Holmesglen Student Association President, representing the interests of the student body on the Holmesglen Board.

This year Engelhardt is continuing her studies in the Bachelor of Sports Management offered by the University of Canberra. After completing the additional two years required to complete the degree, Engelhardt aims to obtain her Masters in teaching.

Running since 1998, the Holmesglen Awards Festival, celebrates, recognises and rewards outstanding achievement and excellence by students and staff. In a turbulent time for the TAFE sector, the Holmesglen Awards Festival is a demonstration of the positive impact the vocational education and training has on the lives of its students.

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Caption: Holmesglen Outstanding Diploma Student, Rachel Engelhardt

Caption: Rachel Engelhardt with Holmesglen Chief Executive, Bruce Mackenzie

Caption: Rachel Engelhardt is now studying the Bachelor of Sports Management offered by the University of Canberra

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