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The ITC Launches its New Website

The Transport and Storage ITC is proud to launch its new website, which has been designed to cater for all those involved in, or wishing to become involved in the transport and logistics industry. We have also included the ideas and suggestions submitted by our readers when we requested feedback earlier in the year.

Some of the new features include:

- Easy to find list of training providers servicing the transport and logistics industry
- Calendar of important events happening in the transport & logistics industry

- Dedicated careers page
- Links to important websites
- Transport & Logistics Industry Fund
- List of sponsors and supporters of the ITC.

Our aim is to keep the website up-to-date and relevant to the industry. We would like your input so if you have details of any upcoming events or changes which are relevant please email the information to norma@tsitc.asn.au so they can be included.

T&L 2012



AUSTRALIAN LOGISTICS COUNCIL

The Australian Logistics Council has been commissioned to develop a new five-year national industry strategy for T&L by the Hon. Mark Vaile MP.

It is envisaged that the strategy will be a considered and practical industry view and will directly influence:

- AusLink II and its plans for investment in T&L infrastructure
- The regulation reform agenda being developed by the National Transport Commission (NTC)
- The plans and investment decisions of State Governments
- The plans and investment decisions of individual companies
- Investment in training and skills development

A considerable amount of work has already been finished including the development of

four 15 year scenarios that will provide essential context for the 5 year strategy, establishment of a T&L Futures Steering Group and Consultation Group. These groups are made up of senior industry representatives and will guide the strategy's development on behalf of the Industry.

Over the next three months consultation workshops are being run around Australia.

The workshop in Perth will be held on

Wednesday 26 September 2007

8.30 am to 12.30 pm on

Fremantle Sailing Club

151 Marine Terrace, Fremantle

If you would like to attend please phone Melinda Buker from the Australian Logistics Council on (07)5562 6704 or email

melinda.buker@austlogistics.com.au.

For more information:

www.austlogistics.com.au

AUSTRALIAN APPRENTICESHIPS

An Australian Government Initiative



Cross Dress for Red Cross is a fun, light-hearted day to support the work of the world's largest independent humanitarian movement by throwing aside usual daily attire

and swapping it for that of the other gender. It's a bit like a fancy dress fundraising event – with a twist!

[Nominate yourself](#), or [dare a colleague, boss, coach or friend](#) to participate on Friday 7 September by registering via the website. – it's all for a great cause!

www.redcross.org.au/crossdress



ITC UPDATE

Membership of the ITC

The ITC is inviting all those companies who are involved in the transport and logistics industry to become members of the ITC. Whilst the ITC is not a member-driven organisation, it does need strong industry backing and input to provide the industry with a voice on training.

The cost is \$50 for corporate membership, with \$25 for additional members and \$30 for individuals. If you are interested in becoming a member of the ITC, please go to the following link to download an application form or phone the ITC on 08 9388 8781.

<http://www.tsitc.asn.au/participate/member/>

There are many benefits to becoming a member of the ITC. You can have a say about what the ITC should do to best represent the industry on training issues. You also get discounts on ITC services and access to information sharing and networking opportunities through membership of the ITC's Assessor Network.

Remember, we are the only fully independent organisation supporting the transport and logistics industry on all training matters, so please support the ITC.

Assessor Network

The Assessor Network provides an opportunity for communication relating to all aspects of training and assessment. This includes introducing new assessors and providing the opportunity for existing assessors to share knowledge and resources, as well as discuss with the relevant regulatory bodies the requirements that assessors are required to meet to adhere to the standards of the AQTF.

The Assessor Network is available to members of the ITC, and participants can attend two meetings before committing to membership of the ITC. For details of how to

become a member of the ITC go to <http://www.tsitc.asn.au/participate/member/>

If you would like to attend a meeting please contact Norma on 9388 8781 or email norma@tsitc.asn.au.

Meetings run from 7.30 am to 9.00 am with a light breakfast served at 8 am.

The next meeting will be held on

Friday 21 September
Wyllie Arthritis Foundation Building
17 Lemnos Street, Shenton Park
<http://www.tsitc.asn.au/ourservices/assessornetwork/>

Career Choices Expo 2007

The Career Choices Expo, run by the Department of Education and Training was held from Friday 22 June to Sunday 24 June at the Burswood Dome. An estimated 15,000 people attended the expo over the three-day period, including 6,000 students on the first day. Other visitors included families, educators and people looking at a career change.

The ITC invited transport-related companies to participate on its stand and those who joined us included Australian Railroad Group, Transport Training Centre, Workstar and Toll IPEC. The backdrop to the stand was Toll IPEC's new green hybrid environmentally-friendly truck which attracted a lot of interest.

A lot of people visited our booth to find out more about transport and logistics, and we received over 500 entries in our raffle for a \$400 MP3 player. The lucky winner was Pierre Le Grange a Year 10 student from Mandurah Catholic College.

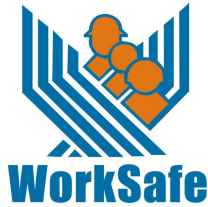


Toll IPEC's new hybrid truck



Visitors at the Expo

INDUSTRY UPDATE



New Requirements to Operate Forklifts

Important changes are occurring to the requirements to operate forklifts in WA.

From 1 October 2007, the National Standard for Licensing Persons Performing High Risk Work (the National Licensing Standard) will require operators of forklifts to hold a National Licence issued by WorkSafe.

Provision will be made for persons currently operating forklifts in accordance with existing requirements to continue to work consistent with the conversion timetable. This timetable identifies the dates when forklift operators are required to have converted their existing certificates or

approved qualifications to a National Licence, subject to meeting application and assessment requirements.

However, all persons operating forklifts for the first time from 1 October 2007 will need to obtain a National Licence before being permitted to operate a forklift.

WorkSafe is planning on conducting workshops during the next few months to advise trainers and employers of the changes.

For more information and to access the conversion timetable go to www.worksafe.wa.gov.au/newsite/worksafe/content/certreglicn/licnfork0005.html

New Dangerous Goods Code (ADG7)



New Australian Dangerous Goods Code 7th Edition (ADG7) regulations are scheduled to take effect from 1 January 2008. The 6th edition will continue to apply until 31 December 2008, allowing a year's transitional overlap between editions of the code for training and education.

ADG7 will align more closely with United Nations (UN) Model Regulations for the transport of dangerous goods across all modes while retaining Australian specific provisions.

According to the Chief Executive of the National Transport Commission, Nick Dimopoulos, the new code will reduce the cost and complexity of compliance for businesses. It will also give Australia's intermodal freight operators a single set of dangerous goods regulations, covering both road and rail transport for the first time.

For more information please go to the following website: www.ntc.gov.au

WA Road Transport Industry Awards 2007

Nominations are now open for the WA Road Transport Industry Awards 2007, so if you would like to acknowledge someone within the WA Road Transport Industry go to www.transportforumwa.com.au/ to download a nomination form.

The 2007 Awards cover the following categories:

- BP Professional Driver of the Year Award
- CGU School and Community Bus Driver of the Year Award
- Department of Consumer & Employment Protection, Resources Safety Dangerous Goods Safe Driver of the Year Award

- Transuper Operations Excellence Award
- Truckcentre Outstanding Contribution to the WA Road Transport Industry Awards
- NTI WA Transport Woman of the Year Award
- Professional Pilot Operator of the Year Award

The Award categories cover a variety areas within the transport industry and there are great prizes for the winner of each category - nominate someone you know today!

Award for Group Trainer

Terry Snell, Managing Director of WA Driver Recruitment was presented with the Quokka Press Outstanding Small Business



Nick Sertis, Manager, Quokka Press with Terry Snell, Managing Director, WA Driver Recruitment

Award at the recent Local Chambers Bartercard Commerce & Industry Awards 2007.

WA Driver Recruitment, the first group training organisation in transport and logistics in Western Australia, has been

supplying quality employees to the West Australian transport logistics and mining industry for over seven years.

Last year the company, recognising the need to introduce young people into the industry, launched a new concept in traineeships. The initiative results in trainees being hired as permanent employees for 12 months of on-the-job training, resulting in a nationally recognised Certificate II in Transport & Distribution.

Terry says he is committed to trainees and in the past 12 months has provided thirty trainees to employers.

Congratulations to Terry and his team on this great achievement.

TRAINING UPDATE

Training Package Update

Maritime

The revised Maritime Training Package is now available for purchase and is in the process of being uploaded onto the National Training Information Service.

Road, Rail, Warehousing & Stevedoring

The revised Transport & Logistics Training Package is currently with the National Quality Council and is expected to be endorsed by the end of August.



Changes to the Australian Quality Training Framework

The Australian Quality Training Framework (AQTF) has been revised to improve the quality of training and assessment in the VET sector, effective from 1 July 2007.

Some of the principles underpinning the changes include:

- Reducing the regulatory burden
- Streamlining and standardising processes for national consistency
- Ensuring stakeholder confidence in quality skills outcomes
- Continuous improvement of training and assessment.

The new arrangements encourage greater participation of licensing and industry regulatory bodies in ensuring the quality of

training, and will also achieve greater national consistency through new standards for State and Territory registering bodies. Outcomes-focused audits will allow RTOs to focus more on the quality of the outcomes of their training and assessment, which in turn will give industry greater confidence in the outcomes of training.

Final versions of the following AQTF 2007 documents are now available at www.training.com.au.

- Essential Standards for Registration and;
- User's Guide to the Essential Standards for Registration

For more information go to www.training.com.au or www.tac.wa.gov.au.

Transcom Website Up and Running

The Transcom website was developed after consultation with the road transport industry to address gaps in knowledge and skills related to communication for employees at supervisor level.

The aim is to assist trainers in the industry to enhance the learning experience of students and workers to meet expectations in an increasingly competitive workplace with regard to occupational safety and health and underpinning language and literacy elements required at a supervisory level.

This will be achieved by:

- fostering a community of interested practitioners who can discuss on line various issues and approaches and share resources
- developing a library of online resources including transport industry news and events, communication resources and conversations.

The online environment allows learning resources to be accessed at any time, so

trainers can address skills gaps and continue to develop or identify further communication skills resources fundamental to performing successfully in a supervisory role. (<http://transcom.test.ktstudio.org/>)

Sources identified and explored included job descriptions, advertisements, TDT Training Package units, AFF indicators and Mayer key competencies/employability skills, to provide a 'map' of the connections between 'real world' issues and situations and communication skills needs.



Read-Write-Now!

Tutoring for Adults

Read Write Now! is a dynamic organisation with over 700 volunteer tutors throughout WA working with adults on a one-to-one basis to help improve skills in reading, writing, spelling and mathematics.

People looking for help may be:

- running their own businesses
- unemployed adults looking to enter the workforce
- people in the workforce who need additional literacy skills to gain promotion
- TAFE students needing help with courses
- parents who want to read to their children or assist with homework.
- migrants learning English for the first time, or perhaps needing help with reading and writing in English.

Read-Write-Now is always looking for both

new tutors and students. There is no cost to students, and tutors undertake a free four-day accredited training course. They are then matched up with a student, and they work together once a week for about 1½ hours on whatever goals the student wants to achieve. Tutors receive ongoing support and training with access to excellent resources. The rewards may not be financial but they are huge, as students express their thrill at finding new found success at being able to participate more fully in our very literary society.

If you know anyone who is interested in either being a student or a tutor in this very worthwhile program can contact Read Write Now! on 1800 018 802.

Website: www.read-write-now.org