

Name of Business

Northnet Incorporated "Community Training Centre"

What category have you been nominated in?

Business Services

Address

9b Hall Street, Cessnock

Owner

The people of Cessnock LGA

Manager's Name

Bronwyn Musgrove

Number of Employees

12 Permanent Staff and 14 Sessional Tutors and Supervisors

Area of Speciality

Accredited Vocational Training
Community Enhancement Projects
Environmental Rejuvenation Projects

Brief History

Northnet Incorporated has been actively working for the community of Cessnock for over 28 years. The concept of a not for profit community based organisation helping the unemployed members of the Cessnock community was enacted in 1983, when some far-sight people came together to form Cessnock Youth Support Scheme. Over the years Northnet has been successful in gaining government support to enable it to conduct training programs relevant to the needs and interests of the Cessnock community.

In the past 28 years Northnet has been involved in many projects across the Hunter area. Renovations and restorations have occurred in many parks, community halls and playing fields in the Greater Cessnock LGA. Up skilling and training has seen many residents of the LGA gaining employment within the retail, tourism, business and community services sectors both locally and over the entire Hunter Valley.

Northnet has a wonderful community history and continues to assist people as far away as Muswellbrook and the Central coast in industry based programs, Environmental Initiatives and on the job traineeships. Northnet is growing it's business and can be seen as the premium provider of training in the Hunter.

Philosophy for Success**You need "The Perfect Package – the 6 P's"**

- Passion – have a passion for what you are doing. This will make you shine and attract success to you.
- Plan – plan your business path by listening to what people want.
- Proactive – be proactive in your business not reactive

- Push – push the business positively. Continuous effort and improvements will produce the perfect business outcomes
- Provide – provide a necessary service. Be prepared to serve your clients with integrity and professionalism. The more you serve the more valuable your business will become.
- People – ensure your working team love what they are doing. Create an aura of fun and energy and determination. They will take ownership and their actions will build the business.

Awards and Achievements.

- Hunter Region Awards of Excellence in Tourism 2000 - Award of Distinction "Industrial Training - Private Sector"
- Australia Day 2004 - Environment Award Green Corps - For outstanding Commitment to the care rehabilitation of our Environment in the Cessnock LGA
- Prime Minister's Work For The Dole Achievement Award - Highly Commended "Caring for the Environment Category 2003 for Mercy Market Garden Activity Maitland
- Regional Achievement & Community Awards 2010 – Employment & Training Award – Semi-Finalist\

Plans for the Future

“To continue to deliver a premium service which will enhance the lifestyles of the community by offering quality affordable training and community services to facilitate further employment opportunities for all.”

Anything Else?

Thank you to the BEC and all sponsors for offering this great Awards Initiative and naming Northnet as a finalist.