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1. ACAL has a new email address

It's info@acal.edu.au

Please change your address book now.

Other email addresses with @pacific.net.au will cease to function next month

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2. ACAL Conference

Last chance for early birds

Earlybird registration for the 31st Annual ACAL Conference closes on 19th August

Register now at <http://www.astmanagement.com.au/qcal8/Background.htm>

Session details <http://www.astmanagement.com.au/qcal8/Abstracts1.htm>

Program <http://www.astmanagement.com.au/qcal8/Programme.htm>

Pre-conference Forum – Oct 2,

Adult literacy, numeracy and lifelong learning: a cross-sectoral dialogue

Senator Ursula Stephens, Parliamentary Secretary for Social Inclusion

Dave Tout (ACER) – Implications of ALLS data for different sectors

Panel members from health, industry and welfare sectors.

Register <http://www.astmanagement.com.au/qcal8/registration.htm>

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2. Aboriginal Literacy: Bridging the Distance to Learning •

Literacy Live

ACAL Literacy Live Room Tuesday 19th August at 8pm

The Sioux Hudson Literacy Council is making groundbreaking strides to reach adult Aboriginal learners who reside in 35 remote, isolated communities of Northwestern Ontario, Canada, often only accessible by plane in the summer months and ice roads during the winter.

Over the last three years, the Sioux Hudson Literacy Council has been offering solutions for the literacy learner at a distance with a unique website with direct links to synchronous online classrooms and offers a solution to the growing number of Indigenous learners who have little or no education. See it at <http://www.siouxhudsonliteracy.com/>

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Presenter: Michelle Eady is the Distance Projects Coordinator for the Sioux Hudson Literacy Council in Sioux Lookout, Ontario, Canada and a Ph D Candidate at the University of Wollongong, NSW.

More details and registration at <http://www.acal.edu.au/litlive.htm>

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3. Listen to Literacy Live

Recordings of many recent Literacy Live sessions are now available at <http://www.acal.edu.au/literacylive/recordings.htm>

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4. CD and radio programs

South Australia continues its innovative work in adult literacy with the launch during Adult Learners Week of the CD **Let's Talk Secret Codes: Building Lifeskills Through Literacy**. The CD and radio programs complement the statewide focus on the importance of multi-literacies, by providing topical information for radio listeners through up to 20 community radio stations around SA, as well as providing discussion starters for training and/or community organisations on the role of literacies in developing skills for life. Topics include health literacy, financial literacy, visual literacy, literacy and the world of work, and a broader perspective on literacy in Australia today and the challenges faced as we engage with recent OECD survey data on Australia's lifeskills. Material is produced and presented by Tony Ryan, PBA FM – 89.7 FM in Adelaide, with support through the ACE and Community Partnerships Unit of DFEEST. Available online as mp3 audiofiles, from Monday 15 September – <http://www.learningworksradio.com/>

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5. Sharing on WELL funded resources

The Agri-Food Industry Skills Council would be keen to hear from anyone that is using, has used, or is planning to use the following WELL funded resources with learners:

- The Get Real Factor - a model for language, literacy and numeracy training in the agri-food industry.
- Henry Sprays it Safe - a CD-ROM resource to assist market gardeners with chemical spraying.
- Communicating in the Horse Racing industry – online resource to support Cert II

in Racing

If you would be willing to share your experience about the use of any of these resources please contact Louise Wignall (03) 9504 4811, louise@louisewignall.com

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