



# CAIRNS YOUTH MENTORING SCHEME

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## Co-Ordinator's News

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Hello readers

Lots and lots is happening currently with the CYMS. As you are all aware we have been on a massive male mentor recruitment drive. There has been a TV Ad [a big thank you goes out to the actors for the ad], a Channel 7 news story, a article in The Cairns Sun, and this month we hope to have a article in The Cairns Post. All this in the hope of recruiting more male mentors to match with the many young men we have waiting for mentors. **I appreciate the patience and support from all the mentees waiting for a mentor.**

It is Celebration time again. This month it will be held at the Ten Pin Bowling center. All are welcome. Please read the invitation on page 2 for details.

Robert Dollery will be delivering an Astronomy Night on 16th October. It will be a fantastic opportunity to view the stars and beyond. There will also be a sausage sizzle. Please call me to RSVP.

A big thanks goes to Peter Goulding for organizing a mentor recruitment presentation at BDO Kendalls. We were able to recruit a few potential volunteers. Also BDO Kendalls made a donation to the Scheme, that will be utilized for mentor training and celebrations, and is very much appreciated.

There is a Mentor Skill Builder coming up this October. Please RSVP. I have not had much luck in the past year with skill builders as the first one was cancelled due to lack of numbers and the second one was cancelled due to a cancellation from the presenter. Skill Builders are a great opportunity to gain skills in a particular area that relates to young people and to also network with other mentors. I hope to have a great response. Please let me know your interest.

I will be on holidays from October 1st to the 9th. Please contact Helga on 4044 0130 or Tom on 4080 9220 with any urgent matters.

Kind Regards  
Anita Andacic—CYMS Co-ordinator

## *Important Notice*

**As a requirement of the program, we would like to remind all current mentors of the importance of notifying the office of any activities or communication between yourselves and your young person.**

**This is not only required for accountability with our funding but also for insurance purposes. Contact can be made by phone, e-mail or text message. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.**

Many Thanks  
Anita Andacic  
CYMS Co-ordinator

## **COMING EVENTS**

<b>September</b> <b>Saturday 1st</b>	Mentor Training
<b>September</b> <b>Wednesday 5th</b>	Action Group Meeting
<b>September</b> <b>Sunday 16th</b>	Celebration Time
<b>October</b> <b>Tuesday 16th</b>	Astronomy Night
<b>October</b> <b>Tuesday 23rd</b>	Mentor Skill Builder
<b>October/November</b> <b>Tues 30th Oct and Sat 3rd Nov</b>	Mentor Training

## **It's time for another Celebration!!!!**

Come for a fantastic afternoon of socializing, ten pin bowling, afternoon tea and be entertained by mentor/mentee couples with presentations of their projects and interesting recounts of their 6-month relationships.

**DATE:** Sunday 16th September 2007

**TIME:** 2.00—4.00pm

**WHERE:** Cairns GOLDPIN Lanes, 93 Pease Street, Manoora

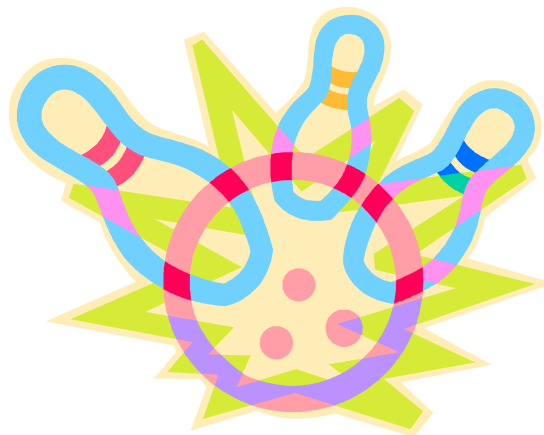
**COST:** For people who would like to play a game which includes shoe hire—\$9.00 per person. The second game will be charged at \$6 per person. It is to be paid at the venue.

Celebrating Mentees do not have to pay for their first bowling game.

So, whether it's to socialize with others, have a game of bowling, hear about the relationships, or to catch up with others from the CYMS community, it will be a afternoon to remember!! All are Welcome! Please come and support the CYMS community.

Please RSVP by Friday 7th September to the CYMS office on 4041 5844; we need to know for catering purposes. Please indicate whether you will be playing a game.

### **Remember your Socks!**



## Welcome to the New CYMS Mentors

On July 14th, 10 new mentors attended the mentor training. Congratulations to Dina Bradshaw, Andy Bridgland, Gary Brinkman, Elizabeth Lewry, Luke Mannion, Melanie Schouten, Brian South, Nina Ansaldi, Lee-Anne Robinson, and Tuija Kielevainen for successfully completing the training.

I forgot to take the camera to the training, thus there is no picture attached. However I hope through other CYMS activities that you all get to say hello to our new mentors and welcome them to the program.

### Mentor Skill Builder: October 23rd 2007

Cathy O'Mullan, the Area Health Service Co ordinator HIV/AIDS for Hepatitis C and Sexual Health will be visiting the CYMS to present a session on "Communicating with Young People about Sexuality".

This is a free information session available to all mentors within the scheme.

**Where:** Flexible Learning Centre, Clarke St, Manunda

**When:** 23rd October 2007

**Time:** 6.00pm—7.30pm

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP:** to Anita by Friday 19th October.

Tea/coffee and light refreshments will be provided.

**Don't miss out on this learning opportunity.**

## Astronomy Night

Robert Dollery, President of the Cairns Astronomy Club, and previous Mentor, will be present with his telescope where everyone will be welcome to view the stars, planets and galaxy.....



All mentors, mentees and members of the CYMS community are invited to attend the Astronomy Night and BBQ.

**Where:** Flexible Learning Centre, Clarke St, Manunda

**When:** Tuesday 16th October 2007

**Time:** 5.30—7.30pm

**Cost:** FREE

**RSVP:** by 12th October for catering purposes

**Contact:** Anita on 07) 40415844 or [cyms@centacarecairns.org](mailto:cyms@centacarecairns.org)

### CYMS would like to thank the following for their support over the past few months:

- \* Far North Queensland Volunteers for assisting the scheme with volunteer interviews and mentor recruitment;
- \* The Cairns Sun for continual support of the Scheme;
- \* Channel 7 for the fantastic news story;
- \* 4CA for allowing CYMS collection tins to be displayed at outside broadcasts;
- \* Mel from Conceptual Graphic Design for the editing of CYMS marketing products; and
- \* Nicky Jurd from City of Cairns for maintaining the CYMS Website.

If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter please contact the co-ordinator as per the address on this page and your details will be removed from the relevant listing. PLEASE NOTE that the newsletter is now distributed every 2 months and will be emailed to all members and mailed to Mentees. In order to protect your privacy, the distribution list that has been compiled for this newsletter will not be used for any other purpose and your name and contact details will not be disclosed to any third party.

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**Please send info, photos and stories for the next newsletter. Any/all items of happenings, what you are doing, what you hope to do, what you missed out on doing.**

All items are of interest to other mentors and mentees. Email to the office at [cyms@centacarecairns.org](mailto:cyms@centacarecairns.org) or contact the office on 4041 5844.



## Please Donate.....

As the Scheme can not provide any financial support for activities we WELCOME donations from the public to be given to mentee and mentor couples to enjoy. The Scheme aims to give each couples one free activity. Donations can include meal vouchers, movie tickets, show tickets and discount vouchers to activities that mentees and mentors would enjoy together.

If you have access to such resources please consider the scheme as a avenue to donate.

Donations can be sent to: - CYMS, PO Box 201, Cairns QLD 4870.

## Mind Puzzles

### 1. The Bear Problem

A bear walks south for one kilometre, then it walks west for one kilometre, then it walks north for one kilometre and ends up at the same point from which it started. What colour was the bear?

### 2. The Government Subsidy Problem

The government pays farmers a specific fee for each row of four trees that they plant. An enterprising, but dishonest farmer found a way of planting five rows of four trees using only ten trees. How did he do it?

#### Answer 1:

The bear was white because it was a polar bear. The only place on earth where a bear can go south, west and north equal distances and end up where it started is the North Pole. Actually, the bear could go west two or five kilometres instead of one and it would not make any difference -- the bear would be making a *circle* around the North Pole. East and West you travel along parallels which are circles equidistant from the poles. North and South you travel along meridians which are circles that cross both the north and the south poles.

#### Answer 2:

The farmer planted the ten trees in the shape of a star to get five rows of four trees.

HAVE FUN

Puzzles from: [www.scientificpsychic.com](http://www.scientificpsychic.com)