

TRIABUNNA
DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL



Living and learning
on the East Coast

Students go exploring

Active after school

STUDENTS at Triabunna District High School have been exploring the coast through an optional course introduced by teacher Sean McCarthy this year.

The Explore the Coast program was developed in consultation with Surf Life Saving Tasmania and aims to promote safe aquatic practices, knowledge of the marine environment and participation in water-based recreation.

The Explore the Coast program is for Grade 9 and 10 students who opt in. They have been involved in practical activities such as surfing, bike riding, kayaking and snorkelling.

There have also been excursions to Spring Bay Seafoods, Oyster Bay Oysters, Maria Island and the local beaches.

Recently the students went on a three-day intensive training camp to achieve their Surf Bronze Medallion and Surf Rescue certificates.

At the end of this month the students will train for a dive certificate and be in the final stages of getting their provisional boat licence.

Classroom theory lessons have focussed on science topics and learning first aid and surf rescue techniques.

The students have studied taxonomy, coastal and surf conditions,



BEACH PATROL: Triabunna District High School, students Josh Gray, left, Lyndon Fazackerley and Jake Wilson prepare for a surf rescue lesson.

conducted investigations on the marine environment and have established aquariums and small scale hatchery operations.

Students are enjoying the learning experience, and for some it will provide future work and leisure prospects. "We want students to be challenged, but to have fun and realise and

appreciate the value of the opportunities they will have," teacher Sean McCarthy said.

Triabunna District High School is seeking to extend this project next year with the introduction of an optional Outdoor Education class for Grade 9 and 10, offering a broad range of offsite activities including camping,

kayaking, surfing, mountain biking, orienteering, fishing, snorkelling, rock climbing, water skiing, wake boarding and more.

It is hoped these programs will assist in the establishment of a Spring Bay Surf Life Saving Club, with suitably qualified students becoming founding members.

THE Active After Schools program has been running at Triabunna District High since Term 2 in 2009.

The program is federally funded and provides opportunities for primary school students to take part in physical activity after school.

In 2010, Triabunna won the State Super Site award for excellence in delivering fun, safe and inclusive sport for children.

Students have been involved in surfing, soccer, basketball, cricket, football, golf, lawn bowls, a triathlon and many other physical activities.

The program is run twice a week for students from Kindergarten to Grade 6, and is successful due to the commitment of staff and community sporting groups.

The Active After Schools program will be run again in 2012 and it is hoped that it will continue in future years.

Thanks

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Seafest to celebrate East Coast lifestyle

EAST Coast lifestyle and environment will be celebrated at a new festival at Triabunna this weekend.

Seafest is an initiative of the local community to bring people together to celebrate coastal life with entertainment, education, fine food and more.

The event has developed from an initial partnership between Triabunna District High School and the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council.

The three-day festival will run from this Friday with a program of water sports, marine-inspired drama and performance, local seafood and a



commemoration of the history of whaling in the area.

Triabunna school staff and students will organise and present activities on

Friday — the "schools day" for students from the East Coast. This will include bike rides, kayaking, board paddling, painting and fish stencils, lifesaving demonstrations and a slippery pole.

Students will also be raising money by selling sausage rolls, milkshakes and oysters.

Other groups including Catchment to Coast, Birds Tasmania, Surf Life Saving Tasmania, Marine and Safety Tasmania and the Australian Maritime College will be represented.

A highlight on Friday will be the

evening entertainment, which is open to the public. This will include a community performance featuring an audio and light show called *Whale Song* at the Old Stone Barracks.

Oyster Bay Oysters has donated 4000 oysters which are being processed by Cameron of Tasmania Pty Ltd, and will be available for sale on Friday evening.

On Saturday at 11am there will be jet ski race leaving from Triabunna and going entirely around Maria Island. Saturday's program will also include displays and art exhibitions,

trailer and wooden boat show, cooking demonstrations with Waji, musical entertainment and a second *Whale Song* performance.

On Sunday, the Derwent Storms Dragon Boat crew will have demonstrations and the opportunity to go on a dragon boat, while *Hook, Line & Sinker* hosts Andrew Hart and Nick Duigan will be in town to present the prizes for a fishing competition. To enter phone Noel Burnell on 6256 4777 by the close of business on Friday.

The full program is available at www.seafest.net.au



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