



SA Science and Engineering Challenge 2013

Thursday 25th and Friday 26th July at Flinders University
and
Monday 29th July to Friday 2nd August at the Super-Drome, Gepps Cross

Call for Volunteers

Volunteers are sought to help supervise this popular, fun competition for schools.

What is the Science and Engineering Challenge?

Science and Engineering Challenge is an outreach program conducted nationally by the University of Newcastle, designed to inspire high school students to study science and engineering at a senior level and to increase their awareness of related careers. Students compete in school teams, participating in a series of exciting activities that are designed to demonstrate the varied and practical elements of the science and engineering industries. Now in its 13th year, the *Challenge* takes students out of the classroom and provides them with a memorable day of fun, teamwork and discovery.

See: <http://www.newcastle.edu.au/faculty/engineering/community-engagement/challenge/>

What does a Volunteer do?

It's the volunteers at the events who make it come alive. Volunteers not only help set up for the day, but encourage the students in their tasks. A little encouragement, without actually telling them the answers, helps the students get started on their projects and figure things out for themselves.

"With a little support via asking them questions in a way which enabled them to think it through for themselves, they succeeded without me showing them how to do it. To say they were over the moon is an understatement." Pat Christie – Rotary Volunteer.

About 24 will be needed each day, working in groups of 2 or 3 depending on the activity.

No prior experience is required. Full instructions will be provided. Lunch, tea and coffee will be provided. There is plenty of free parking.

Many volunteers enjoy it so much, and feel so well looked after on the day, that they come back year after year to do it again. It's a chance to see how focused, even intense, the young people become on their tasks, and how amazed they can be at what they achieve.

Interested?

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