Calendar of Events

July
3  Design Taster – Teacher PD
13-15 International Students Visit
24  Healthy Canteens
25 & 26 Wimmera Careers Expo
26  Books, books and more books
31 Westvic Portland Careers Expo

August
1  Community Forum- Sheepvention
24  Hamilton Research Seminar

Semester 2 - Teacher Professional Development

3 Jul – Design Taster
24 Jul - Healthy Canteens
16 Aug - Hip Hop
17 Aug - 5th Annual Childhood Conference
13 Sep – Are you Googlesmart?
22 Oct – Powerpoint for Teachers

Publications

The annual Hamilton Update highlighting the activities of RMIT University in Hamilton and the Semester 2 Course Guide have been produced.
Copies are available through Carol Burger Ph: 03 720 500.

Community Advisory Group

A meeting of the CAG was held on Monday 25 June. Professor Alan Cumming, Dr Leone Wheeler and new Director of Research, Professor John Fien, updated members on current teaching and learning and research projects at Hamilton.
Kerry McMullin, Coordinator of Nursing at RMIT Hamilton, gave an informative presentation on the degree and postgraduate nursing programs.

Hamilton Research Seminar

24 August – RMIT Melbourne.
The seminar presents an opportunity to raise the profile of Hamilton to Melbourne academics and provides a platform to outline business and research opportunities in the Southern Grampians Region.

Bachelor of Nursing & Post Graduate Nursing Courses

Students will resume their studies on 16 July after a well deserved mid-year break.
Multicasting video conferencing plans are progressing well in preparation for the 2008 academic year.
We will be opening the University to the community on 16 and 30 August to showcase our Nursing programs and facilities. For further information come along to site 314 (inside the entrance to Trade Marquee 1) at Sheepvention, phone 5572 0500 or search our website at www.rmit.edu.au/hamilton

HEALTHY CANTEENS

The ‘Go for your life’ Healthy Canteens Advisory Service, in partnership with Nutrition Australia, invite … Primary School Canteen Managers & School Representatives to attend a FREE canteen workshop…Even if your school does not have a canteen you will gain useful and healthy tips on Healthy Eating for school students.

HEALTHY KIDS, HEALTHY PROFITS!

A practical workshop on developing a Healthy School Canteen and The ‘Go for Your life’ Healthy Canteens Kit.
Date: Tuesday 24 July 2007
Time: 8.45am – 2.30pm

HIP HOP

The Hip Hop style of dance greatly appeals to both boys and girls. Following on from Lee Anton-Hem’s popular semester one dance workshop, this Hip Hop Dance unit is aimed at teaching students this style of dance through a sport education approach. Participants will be involved in a practical dance session requiring appropriate footwear and clothing. It is also recommended that participants bring a water bottle.
Date: Thursday 16 August
Time: 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Short Courses

Books, books and more books or “I know it’s here…somewhere…under a pile”
Tips for managing your home library – recording and arranging your collection so you can find THAT book.
The workshop, run by an experienced and qualified librarian will guide you through some basic skills for cataloguing and classifying a home collection, methods of arranging your books and magazines, what to keep, rare and old books and storage.

Presenter: Shelagh Krummel has a degree in science (geology) and postgraduate qualifications
in librarianship. She has extended her knowledge as a librarian to encompass information and records management, and has many years' experience in managing knowledge sources in large and small organisations. Her own and her family’s love of reading has led to an ever-growing collection of books, to which she has applied some basic principles of library organisation.

### Occupational Health & Safety

**A 5 Day Program for Health and Safety Representatives, Managers and Supervisors.**

This practical skills oriented program is designed to provide health and safety representatives (and their deputies), managers and supervisors with the necessary skills and knowledge to complement their roles in the workplace.

The program will show participants how to deal with requirements under the new and revised amendments of the updated Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004 as well as give them the knowledge to develop the necessary skills with which to carry out their respective functions. The program also shows participants how to communicate effectively and resolve conflict in the workplace with regard to health and safety issues. New provisions relating to Authorised Representatives from Registered Employee Organisations (ARREO’s) are also included. This OHS training program is approved by WorkSafe Victoria (The Victorian WorkCover Authority).

This 35-hour program is primarily designed for health and safety representatives, managers and supervisors. However, other people involved with health and safety in the workplace would also benefit.

On completion of this program, participants should be able to:

- demonstrate knowledge of occupational health and safety legislation, compliance codes and standards
- identify, assess and control hazards in the workplace or associated with occupations or tasks
- investigate illness, injuries and incidents
- communicate effectively with all parties involved in occupational health and safety.

### Date:

Thursday 26 July, 4.30 pm – 6.30 pm

### Fee:

$800.00 includes a comprehensive manual, morning and afternoon tea.

### International Students Visit

13 – 15 July

International students studying “Australia Society Studies” will visit the region on a study tour as part of their ‘Introduction to Australian Society’ course. The aim of these visits is to provide the students with valuable and practical insights into Australian rural culture.

The students will join with local singing group ‘Footprints in the Custard’ and community members in a lively cultural exchange at the Grampians Retreat.

While in the region, the students will visit the Hamilton Art Gallery, Brambruk and a working farm at Woodhouse/Nareeb. People interested in joining in these opportunities for cultural exchange can ring RMIT Hamilton for further information on 55720 500.

### Community Forum Series

A special forum to herald Sheepvention 2007.

**Wednesday 1 August, 7.30pm.**

Speakers are;

- **Diana Klein** – Fashion Lecturer, RMIT University
  “The Intimate Habitat – Exploring the links between textile and wellbeing and wool”.

- **Marius Cuming** – Rural reporter
  “The Changing Face of Rural Media”

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