

### **Offenders excel at Borallon**

Thirty offenders at Borallon Correctional Centre have successfully completed a variety of secondary and tertiary education courses through the prison's extensive education program.

The courses included various Literacy and Numeracy programs, a Tertiary Preparation Program, an Engineering Certificate and a Year 10 Certificate.

An Award Ceremony to recognise the achievements of offenders was held at the prison on Wednesday 22 September. Certificates were presented to students by State Member for Ipswich West, Wayne Wendt.

Borallon Correction Centre Education Manager, Liesl Turley said the Centre's education program is dedicated to providing offenders with the necessary skills to assist with their rehabilitation.

"We are committed to enabling our offenders to reach their potential. The Education courses that we provide not only address individual needs but also enhance their employability skills."

Many offenders achieved exceptional results through the education program, with one receiving a 'high distinction' for his Year 10 certificate.

"This is an outstanding achievement. The young student only commenced his studies last year and initially, had very poor literacy and writing skills," Liesl said.

The offender is now completing his Tertiary Preparation Program and is tutoring other offenders in the Centre's 'Making up for Lost Time in Literacy' (MULTILIT) program.

The Offender Education and Personal Development Log Book was also launched at the awards ceremony.

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The Log Book allows offenders to track their education achievements and personal development activities.

“Creating an environment in which adults can learn and excel is very important to us. This Log Book reminds offenders of their potential and encourages them to take control of their education and to plan for their future,” Leisl said.

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