



Schooled in etiquette

WHEN Duncraig's Shari Linney went to the Paramount Hotel earlier this year for a few drinks, she never expected that she would end up on a reality TV show in England.

Ms Linney was one of seven Australian girls who journeyed to Hereford Hall Finishing School for etiquette training and to test their manners for *Ladette to Lady*, beginning on October 20.

"I was just drinking at the Paramount when they were looking for people, but I wasn't interested at first," Ms Linney said.

"They convinced me to sign up, because I thought I could act against the trend I saw in the past series."

Filming took place throughout May, with Hereford Hall teachers attempting to transform the girls' drinking, smoking and swearing with lessons in good manners.

Ms Linney, who described herself as 'loud, proud, sick and fun', said she attracted the ire of teachers for her attitude, but the tasks weren't things she was interested in anyway.

"I didn't really try



Local ladette... Shari Linney. Picture: Bruce Hunt

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too hard - I got yelled at a lot," she said. "But I don't think any of the activities relate to my life here - I would never go on a picnic or anything like that."

Appearing in the se-

ries had its benefits, though, with the girls introduced to new people through the school's social events.

"We met heaps of people during the show - there was one func-

tion where 50 people came to visit us," Ms Linney said. "The experience has made me think about travelling, since I've never really visited other countries before."

Yanchep's green goal

Festival of ideas for city centre

By EMMA BRENNAN

PLANS to create a sustainable "green" city centre for Yanchep will be explored in a festival of ideas this Saturday.

Yanchep Beach Joint Venture (YBJV) economic development advisor Ian Martinus said the event would give residents access to accurate information about plans for the area and would highlight green ideas that were central to the YBJV development.

"It is the only way that the city could realistically sustain itself," he said. "Working in the same old ways that we have in the past just would not work."

"It is all about leveraging the natural assets of the area such as the national park and the ocean."

Dr Martinus said the Yanchep Festival of Green Ideas, which will take place at Club Capricorn from 10am to 3pm, would promote Yanchep as a healthy and interesting place to live. It will feature companies and organisations involved in solar and green products, future technology and communications, and sustainable energy.

Market stalls will sell fresh local produce, while demonstrations of a

new battery-powered bicycle and five-a-side soccer featuring members of Perth Glory, will promote the healthy living message.

Wanneroo councillors recently approved local structure plans for the Yanchep city centre for release for public comment. The development will include a mix of commercial, retail, residential, education, hospitality and community uses.

Dr Martinus said the festival would demonstrate YBJV's commitment to creating a sustainable community in Yanchep Two Rocks.

"I can appreciate why local people might be a little sceptical because the development has been talked about for so long, but things will really start to take off now," he said. "Residents and businesses are very supportive of what we are doing, and this festival is designed for those who are not yet aware or have just moved in."

An invitation-only evening for stakeholders and local businesses has been arranged for October 31, when a DVD of the city centre and a new YBJV website will be launched.

Among the attractions on Saturday are an iron chef competition, a health and wellness corner and live music throughout the day.

Remembrance service

PINNAROO Valley Memorial Park in Padbury will host a remembrance service for lost loved ones on All Saints Day, Sunday, November 1, at 2pm.

Priests from northern suburbs parishes

will celebrate the non-denominational service, which is co-ordinated by Our Lady of the Missions Catholic Church in Craigie. Worshippers can place a single stem or bunch of flowers on the altar.

Resolution to wheelchair dispute

A BELDON woman will not have to pay for repairs to her manual wheelchair after Joondalup MLA Tony O'Gorman raised the issue in Parliament last week.

Osborne Park Hospital and the woman had been in a

stand-off about who should foot the bill for repairs to a wheel on her wheelchair.

Mr O'Gorman said the woman, an amputee with diabetes, requires two chairs because the powered chair was too wide to use in her home.

He said the hospital had loaned her the chair but asked her to pay for repairs to the wheel, which the woman said she could not afford.

The woman's daughter raised the issue with Mr O'Gorman. The dispute was

resolved last week after Mr O'Gorman brought the issue up in Parliament.

Health Minister Kim Hames said a meeting would be arranged to discuss home modifications that will allow her to use the electric chair.

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