

Looking for engineers

Covey offers a diverse range of services

TO PARAPHRASE the great American engineer of the 1950s, NW Dougherty, the ideal engineer is a little of everything — a scientist, a mathematician, a sociologist, a writer; engineers borrow from all these professions to create modern marvels.

Engineers look to nature for man-made solutions, finding inspiration in bamboo, the swell of the ocean or the wings of an insect.

If you understand this, then Covey Associates wants you.

With more than 20 years' experience, director Kevin Covey continues to base his head office on the Sunshine Coast, but demand for his team's services has enabled offices to open in New South Wales, Papua New Guinea and the burgeoning centres of Central Coast to cover Rockhampton, Gladstone, Biloela and Emerald.

By offering a cross section of engineering services, project managing and planning, costings and evaluations, Covey Associates can guarantee quality, staying with the project every step of the way.

Their offices in Rockhampton and Gladstone are seeking dedicated and innovative engineers who cherish a challenge and embrace opportunities to be part of something unique.

"We are currently working on a number of leading

master-planned communities and a diverse range of projects in Central Queensland," Mr Covey said.

"We have history in Central Queensland; our Rockhampton office has been open for several years and it is because of our reputation and our investment in the region that demands grew to this extent where we had to open an office in Gladstone as well.

"We haven't just reacted to the current boom in the region, we have known what this part of Queensland has been capable of for many, many years.

"They are well-thought out projects which have spent years in the developmental phase ensuring every aspect is covered.

"It's our job to make them a reality, which is why we are looking for engineers who are ready for a challenge and want to leave their mark."

Covey Associates doesn't discriminate on the size of the job.

"We are engaged in both large and small scale projects as far inland as Biloela and Emerald," Mr Covey said.

"We are also working on the Kinka Shores project which will not only fill the growing need for homes on the Capricornia Coast, it will also give a much-needed economic boost to the area."

Mr Covey said the consulting engineering firm had a low staff turnover and high client retention rate.

"We value our staff, their opinions and their thoughts and we reward them because they are such a huge part of our success," Mr Covey said.

"We have been open 21 years and some of our staff has been with us almost as long. Communication is crucial. It is what keeps things turning. And that is as true with our clients as it is our staff."



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Getting back into the workforce

THE Regional Economic Development Corporation's Getting Back into the Workforce and Finding Flexibility event returns to Mackay on Wednesday.

REDC project officer Alison McRae said the success and proven results of the event earlier this year had allowed it to expand to two sessions at a larger venue at Souths Leagues Club, where free child-minding services would also be available.

"There is a hidden workforce out there in Mackay of people who would like to work but aren't able to get back out there because of barriers such as a lack of confidence, long absences from the workforce, lack of training or an inability to find employers who will offer flexible working hours," Ms McRae says.

"This event provides a unique opportunity for jobseekers to speak to employers in a relaxed and casual environment and there will also be a selection of organisations showcasing a range of free programs and initiatives designed to assist with issues, including job readiness, gaining qualifications, writing a winning resume and much more."

Kellie Duncan, who now works as an administration assistant and tour guide with Reeforest Adventure Tours during school hours, said she got her new position after attending the March event.

"It was fantastic to meet people who had been in the same situation as me and had come out the other side at the event and I was lucky enough to meet someone who linked

me with this fantastic flexible opportunity with Reeforest Adventure Tours," Kellie said.

"I'd encourage anyone even contemplating finding a job to head along and check it out, even if you're just testing the water before you dive in to a full on job search."

Event details

GETTING Back into the Workforce and Finding Flexibility

Where: Souths Leagues Club, Bridge Road, Mackay

When: September 7 (9.30am-11.30am and 6.30pm-8.30pm)

RSVP or for further information: contact REDC on 4953 2655 or info@mwredc.org.au.

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