HACKCQ / Think outside the box

Friday 21 September – Sunday 23 September 2018
McIndoe Function Centre, Opal Street, Emerald

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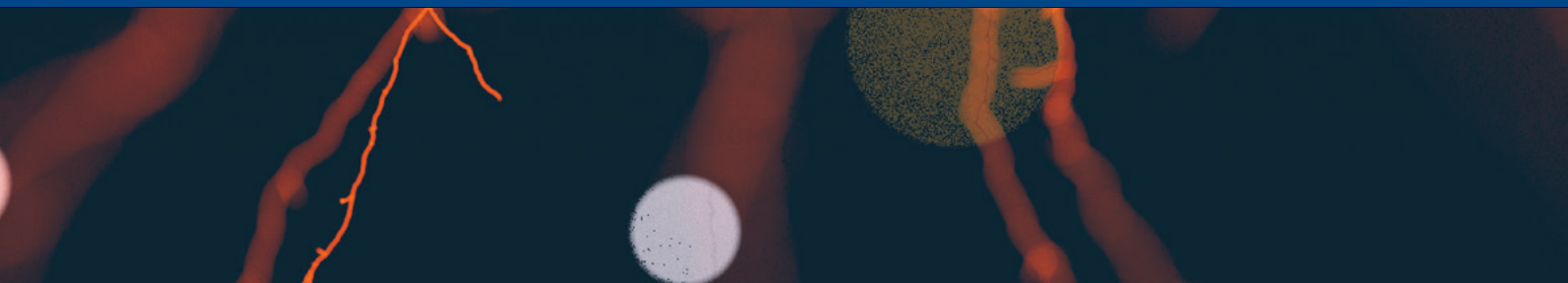

Do you have a vision, an idea?

Or maybe you'd like to start your own business but you're not sure how, or what, to do?

Most importantly, do you think outside the box?

TOPICS

We are going to be looking at how technology aids service provision and growth in four key areas:

Resources

Agriculture

Advanced Manufacturing

Environment

WHAT IS HACKCQ?

Join CHDC and River City Labs for Central Highlands' first ever hackathon: 54 hours over one fun-filled, action-packed weekend where you get the chance to pitch, brainstorm and develop business plans that launch real, working startups. You bring your enthusiasm and a laptop, and we'll supply the mentors, knowledge and fuel to keep you powering through the weekend.

You must be passionate about technology and solving problems. You must be able to collaborate with like-minded individuals and mentors. You must be focussed on education, action and innovation.

HACKCQ will provide the environment in which you can test ideas and take the first steps towards launching your own startup by getting feedback on concepts, and linking you up with business founders, specific skill sets, or a team to help you execute a high-growth business plan.

Come along, get hacking and think outside the box.

Register now: chdc.com.au/hackcq

HACKCQ TICKETS AND TIMES

Your ticket includes:

- Workshops, one-on-one mentorships and presentations from skilled entrepreneurs and mentors
- Access to our expert mentors and facilitators
- All meals, snacks and drinks for the entire duration of the hackathon
- All materials required (excluding a laptop)
- A HACKCQ t-shirt & name badge

The schedule for the three days will be confirmed closer to the date, but the proposed schedule is:

Friday 5pm–10pm
Saturday 8am–10pm
Sunday 8am–5pm

Please note that students under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult/guardian. Guardians attending with underage students are able to purchase reduced-rate tickets.

Ticket Prices (include GST):

Professionals: $40
Students and Accompanying Adults: $20

Registrations close **5pm Friday 14 September**.

MEET OUR MENTORS

Caroline Yassa | **R&D Specialist, Ernst & Young Australia**

Caroline Yassa oversees EY's startup engagement in Brisbane. She helps a range of startups and scaleups across QLD access the various funding opportunities to accelerate their growth and works with a range of companies from single founders to multinationals.

Lucio Piccoli | **Chief Executive Officer, SiteSee**

After enjoying software development and team leadership over a 20+ year career, Lucio was motivated to pursue his entrepreneurial dreams after seeing friends and colleagues achieve success in their startup journeys. Lucio is the Co-Founder and CTO of Sitesee which empowers infrastructure owners to make more informed decision on their assets using advance Machine Learning and Reality Modelling. He found success with his company and team after successfully applying to the River City Labs Accelerator program.

Shaun Restorick-Barton | **Associate, LawSquared**

Shaun has been with Law Squared since early 2017 and oversees the Brisbane office. He draws on his broad corporate and commercial experience to assist, mentor and guide startup, entrepreneurial and high-growth business clients reach their full potential. When not working directly for his clients, Shaun can be found presenting to entrepreneurs at various co-working spaces and universities.

Mark Phillips | **International Business Mentor, Business in Bare Feet**

Mark is an Australian Entrepreneur, Investor & Business Mentor who has launched 5 startups and is a firm believer that innovation is the key success factor for high growth businesses. Known for his business creativity, IT aptitude and relaxed style Mark is a digital nomad who works while travelling. He has travelled & worked in over 100 countries and keeps motorcycles on 3 continents.

Justine van der Werf | **Manager Maintenance, KMA Blackwater, BHP**

Justine moved to Australia from Northern Germany. She grew up in rural Australia doing most of her schooling by correspondence until studying Mechanical Engineering at the University of Queensland. She has worked in maintenance and production roles in the power industry, hard rock and coal mining; in locations including SE Asia, Africa, and throughout Australia. Justine moved back to the Central Highlands in 2014 and works at Blackwater Mine as Manager Maintenance.

FAQS

How do I register?

Head to **chdc.com.au/hackcq**, select your ticket and purchase!

Is HACKCQ for teams or individuals?

We recommend that you come as an individual. We will be mixing up participants into teams to ensure that your creative ideas flourish. Please note that underage participants will be supervised by their guardians so will not be separated.

Do I need to have a pitch ready to go?

No! Hackathons work best when you come with a completely open mind and just act on whatever ideas pop into your head. You don't need to have a business plan or pitch prepared.

I won't be able to make it for the full weekend, can I still come?

Yes, but we recommend you are available for the whole weekend in order to get the most value from your ticket. If you cannot make one of the days, please let us know in advance.

What do I bring?

Just yourself, your enthusiasm and a laptop (optional).

I'm a teacher attending with a student. Do I get a discount?

Absolutely. If you are a parent or guardian of any underage students, your ticket price is only $20. Please note that for the entire duration of the weekend you are responsible for all students you list as being a guardian for – you cannot be available for part days. You must list the students you are responsible for at the time of registration.

I'm a high-school student and/or under the age of 18. Can I come?

If you're in grade 11 or above, then yes. Please note that you must be accompanied by a teacher, parent or guardian for the entire duration of the weekend. You will need to nominate your guardian at the point of registration, so please don't register until you have a guardian confirmed for all three days.

Who owns what we make at the event?

You retain full ownership of what is created during the event, barring any prior agreements you might have with employers, universities, etc... You own 100% of the IP that you create!

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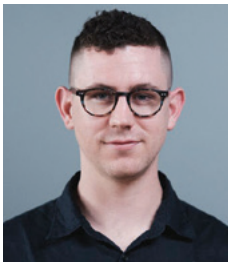
FACILITATOR

River City Labs

River City Labs fosters the growth of startup companies wanting to solve big problems. Since 2012 over 700 startup founders have called RCL home. Through their events program, RCL have welcomed more than 29,000 guests into their community by hosting over 1,000 events aimed at supporting founders on their entrepreneurship journey.



Your HACKCQ Faciltitator is Sam Joyce. Sam is the Partnerships and Programs Manager at River City Labs, and oversees corporate engagement within the space while running multiple programs including; corporate-sponsored pre-accelerator programs, Australia's premier pitch event RiverPitch (for startups raising a Series A round of $1m and above), and school-based innovation programs.

Sam has an academic background in Innovation and Technology Management and has been a lifelong student of entrepreneurship. He started his first business in his teens and ran a service business while completing his studies.

The opportunity to connect individuals motivates Sam. He is passionate about startup strategy and can often be found in deep discussion with an RCL member on how they are addressing their current issues in the business.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HACKCQ

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