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MORE THAN 150 JOBS ON OFFER AT THE DEVONPORT JOBS EXPO

More than 150 jobs and apprenticeships will be on offer at today's Keep Australia Working Jobs and Skills Expo at Devonport Recreation Centre

Deputy Prime Minister Wayne Swan is in Devonport today for the Jobs Expo along with Parliamentary Secretary for Employment Jason Clare, Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom and Member for Lyons Dick Adams.

"While we've done well to fight off recession and create 350,000 Australian jobs in the past year, we know there is still lots more work to do," Mr Swan said.

"So jobs expos like this one at Devonport are such an important and effective way of getting more Australians into jobs and bringing home pay cheques to support their families.

"The Gillard Labor Government is investing in the future drivers of economic growth that will deliver long-term, well-paid jobs for Australians.

"Part of the Government's job strategy is action at the local level and helping to break down barriers between employees and employers.

"It's pretty simple. We are putting local employers with jobs and local people looking for work in the one place."

"It's a jobs supermarket," Mr Clare said.

Around 40 exhibitors will take part in the Expo – including major local employers and training companies like:

- Randstad – 15 jobs;
- Mersey Leven Child Care Services – 10 jobs;
- Pure Tasmania – 9 jobs; and
- Cradle Mountain Lodge – 8 jobs.

Mr Sidebottom said some of the jobs on offer included receptionists, chefs, sales assistant, labourers, electricians, truck drivers and apprentice plumbers.

“It is a practical example of the action the Gillard Labor Government is taking to get local people back to work,” Mr Sidebottom said.

Mr Adams said the Jobs Expo would also provide a good opportunity for locals to look for training as well as jobs.

“The Jobs Expo will give locals a chance to find new skills or update existing skills to help them find the right job,” Mr Adams said.

So far the 24 Jobs Expos around the country have filled more than 11,100 jobs.

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