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Skylab Anniversary draws to a close

The Shire of Esperance would like to thank all those involved in the celebrations of the Skylab 40th Anniversary Community Program.

Over 1000 guests walked through the doors of the Esperance Museum during the school holidays, 6-21 July. This is more than quadruple the July average experienced over the last few years. All events were well attended, with over 300 people attending the Searching for Skylab Premiere at the Civic Centre and 'Skylab Redux – Out of Orbit' exhibition at the Cannery Arts Centre respectively.

Hosting events of this nature are made possible with collaboration and support from local organisations and businesses. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our event sponsors and partners: Freight Lines Group, Retravisio, Cannery Arts Centre, International Centre for Radio and Astronomy Research, 103.9 Hope FM Community Radio, Esperance Library Friends, Apex Club of Esperance, Esperance Bay Historical Society, Rotary Club of Esperance Bay and Shire of Esperance - Waste Revolution.

The Skylab Styles Night at the Museum saw some spaced out, creative designs and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended. The crowd of over 100 people congratulated the winners with the judges' choice for most outstanding outfits awarded to:

Comet Category – Big Bang Prize (1st): Layla Bowkett
Comet Category – Shooting Star (2nd): Ezra Boucher
Meteorite Category – Big Bang Prize (1st): Amy Clarke
Meteorite Category – Shooting Star (2nd): Caitlyn Edwards

The Skylab Styles entries went on display in the Museum for Community Choice voting, along with 40 Re'Space'Cycle entries from local primary school students. Over 500 voting cards were received which resulted in prizes being awarded to:

Skylab Styles: Isabel Trneny
Re'Space'Cycle Primary up to Year 2 Category: Laura Plunkett
Re'Space'Cycle Year 3 & 4 Category: Luca Baines
Re'Space'Cycle Year 5 & 6 Category: Fien Loones
Re'Space'Cycle Lucky Launch Draw: Mitchell Guest
Visit, Vote and Win entrant: Tayler Crawford

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CEO Matthew Scott said, "We would like to extend a warm thank you to our sponsors and partners, without their support the event would not have been so successful. It was great to see all the entries for the competitions and the number of people attending all the different events. Thank you to everyone who entered and congratulations to the winners!"

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