

YC Industry Link offers students a taste of the food industry

YC industry link intervened with a 'Cook Off' at this year's Flora Festival to tip the scale on rising youth unemployment.

Lisarow High hospitality students Matthew Smith and Taylor Attfield-Hammond and head Chef of *Fisherman's Wharf Edgewater Restaurant* at The Entrance Adam Turnbull took out the win with a mouth watering prawn ceviche and coriander salad and an impressive chicken galantine with garlic and herb butter and a sweet red pepper sauce.

The Cook Off partnered senior hospitality students from 10 Central Coast schools with head chefs from eight local restaurants.

Mr Turnbull has been a chef for the past ten years and said preparing industry-standard dishes with school students was a lot of fun.

"It was a great opportunity to work with youth keen to get into the industry," he said.

Federal member for Robertson Belinda Neil attended the event in support of this skills-first strategy and to award the winning *Master Chefs*.

Mr Turnbull has offered work placement to students Matthew Smith and Taylor Attfield-Hammond at *Fisherman's wharf Edgewater Restaurant* at the end of the year. "They could be professionals in the industry one day," said Mr Turnbull.

