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Joondalup Resort Apprentice Chefs The Best in the West

Joondalup Resort Apprentice Chefs have been awarded top honours at the Australian Culinary Federation (ACF) WA 2008 Apprentice Chef of the Year Awards. With nearly 100 entries into the awards our Apprentice Chefs came out on top.

Held on Sunday 6th of July at West Coast Tafe the ACFWA Apprentice Chef of the Year Awards is the most anticipated in the professional career of an Apprentice Chef. Joondalup Resort was extremely proud to see four of their Apprentice Chefs entered into the awards.

Stacey Donnelly won **Gold** for the category of **Final Year Apprentice** and Shane Middleton was awarded **Silver** in the category of **Second Year Apprentice**. The awards kept coming with Stacey Donnelly taking out the highest honour of the **2008 WA Apprentice Chef of the Year**, closely followed by Shane Middleton who was awarded **Bronze**. Two second year Apprentice Chefs were also in the finals for the category of Second Year Apprentice – Cameron Wetton and Mark Pearson.

Executive Sous Chef – Claire Lewis said “This is not an easy competition to enter it takes a lot of guts from the apprentices to put themselves out there. But through consistent motivation, encouragement and guidance, the apprentices always aim to win and take the experiences away with them to grow from. We are so proud of their achievements and know that this is just the beginning to a long and successful career”.

Joondalup Resort General Manager, Wayne Carroll said “Joondalup Resort is extremely proud of the Apprentice Chefs and all the hard work that went in leading up to the event. Congratulations to the Nigel Keen - Executive Chef, Claire Lewis - Executive Sous Chef and the kitchen team.”

The Australian Culinary Federation is a national organisation representing professional cooks, chefs and apprentices. Its purpose is to advise in the establishment of standards and to provide a network for chefs and other culinary workers to share ideas and social events. The Australian Culinary Federation is one of 72 member nations belonging to the World Association of Chefs Societies (WACS).

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Attachments: Joondalup Resort logo, list of achievements from Joondalup Resort Apprentice Chefs and Apprentice Chef and management photo (from the left Wayne Carroll – General Manager, Nigel Keen – Executive Chef, Stacey Donnelly, Shane Middleton, James Chan – Managing Director and Claire Lewis – Executive Sous Chef.