

Rebekah chosen as a Young Business Leader

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MOUNT JAGGED - Alexandrina Cheese Company's Rebekah McCaul is one of 20 young entrepreneurs across South Australia chosen for the 2008-09 Young Business Leaders (YBL) program.

Run by the Royal Society for the Blind, the program is a 10-month intensive professional and personal leadership course.

Participants complete two projects, in business improvement and community service, achieving a Certificate IV in Business (Frontline Management).

Rebekah said she was very excited to begin the challenging program, which includes the task of raising \$4,000 for the Royal Society for the Blind.

"There is a big focus on benefits being made for the whole community, and particularly the vision impaired."

As a YBL finalist Rebekah will be in the running for several awards and prizes, including Young Business Leader of the Year, judged by an independent panel.

"I'm really looking forward to working with a mentor - Wayne Beaumont, and a 'buddy' - Felicity Van Der Heul, who was the overall YBL winner last year," Rebekah said.

The 2008-09 YBL program was officially launched at the National Wine Centre on July 28.

"The launch was amazing, with past winners and partici-



WORKING TOGETHER ... Coordinator of the Royal Society for the Blind Victor Harbor office, Lynda McCarty with Rebekah McCaul who has been chosen as a Young Business Leader.

pants going back 10 years.

"There will be so many opportunities to learn and network."

Rebekah is particularly looking forward to working closely with the Victor Harbor branch of the Royal Society for the Blind.

"It will be great to have an energetic and enthusiastic local like Rebekah work with us and support the Low Vision

Support Group and craft group," the coordinator of the Victor Harbor office, Lynda McCarty said.

Anyone who would like to help Rebekah with her YBL program can contact her on 8554 9666 or email doing-good@alexandrinacheese.com.au

To contact the Royal Society for the Blind, Victor Harbor phone 8552 9774.