

# Learn Local SMR eMentor News

## What's been happening??

conVerge<sup>11</sup>



### - Where education and training meet technology -

Well ConVerge was held on 24 & 25 November, and I'm sure all that attended enjoyed the multitude of presentations, and reviewing the 2011 Showcase – where all the funded projects come together to show and tell what they have done, and how it went. What worked and what didn't.

The eMentors were out in force during the Showcase, and our table was well attended by the other participants – largely TAFEs and Universities – wanting to know how our project is run, managed and how well the model works. Be assured that we spoke highly of all our eLeaders who make this project what it is.

We also had the opportunity to go around and see what the others have been up to this year, and some of the ideas are really good. Speak to your eChampion for some new ideas.

We have spoken to the organisers and have recommended very strongly that they look at their ticket pricing and encouraged one day tickets as an option. Hopefully next year more of you can join us.

For more on ConVerge 11, have a look at their website, and their drop box site where some of the presentation reports and slide shows have been stored.

<http://www.eworks.edu.au/converge>

Username: [converge@eworks.edu.au](mailto:converge@eworks.edu.au)

Password: conVerge11

Once you have logged in, please go to the 'Presentations' folder.

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## Christmas Reporting



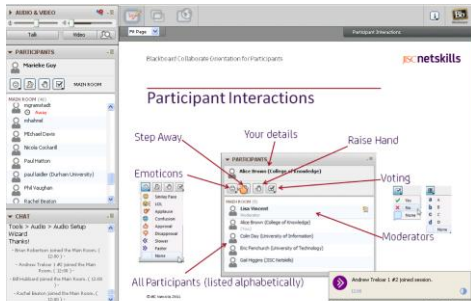
**Just a reminder that we have a report due on 19 December 2011.**

Please email Liz – [liz@coonarahouse.org.au](mailto:liz@coonarahouse.org.au) - or use the SMR eMentor website link to blog your update - <http://smrementor.acfe.vic.edu.au/Communication>. Either way, we need them ASAP.

Remember you should try and blog (record) your thoughts and progress of your project at least weekly, even if it is to say you have had too much else on your plate.

Katt will have instructions up soon, so keep your eye out on the communication page.

After your report is done, enjoy your break ☺



## Workshops in 2012

We will be holding regular workshops from 2012, to keep the communication and support flowing between us, and also offering short workshops on some tools you may wish to consider using in your “e” future.

We plan to use Blackboard Collaborate as an online meeting room as the medium to get together. This will be an introduction to many of you to the Blackboard Collaborate environment, but in attending these sessions it is hoped you will be able to give you some knowledge and some skills in the Blackboard Collaborate room, maybe even facilitate your own session later on. We can use the ACE Blackboard Collaborate room to gain some new skills, share your ideas, and become aware of some more opportunities.

It would be great if you could “visit” the room between now and then to ensure the software works on your computer, and we can hopefully iron out any issues you may have prior to the first meeting when we will show you how to use the room.

The ACE room can be accessed by clicking on this link (or copy and paste the address to your browser).

<http://tinyurl.com/cbcj95c>

## actual link -

<https://sas.illuminate.com/m.jnlp?sid=2008142&password=M.92E279703DCAFBD48A5199679364B2>

Any issues, please let us know.

*(I used [www.tinyurl.com](http://www.tinyurl.com) to change a really long web link/address to create a much shorter one (87 characters down to 26). Maybe this site could be of use to you at some point too.)*

## Time Line 2012

DueDate	Requirement	ByWho
19/12/2011	Project report	Liz
2012	SMR f2f - project update get together...	ALL
May 2012 ...	eMentor Project Showcase	ALL
15/7/2012	Project Report	Liz
31/7/2012	Close of project	

Have a wonderful, safe and restive Christmas break.

We will see you next year

Liz, Josie & Katt

