



McDonald's® Logan 2008 Christmas Lights Competition

Join in the spirit of Christmas and light up your home to win up to \$900 cash.

Entrants are required to have their displays illuminated for judging between 6.30 pm and 10.30 pm from 3 December to 10 December.



McDonald's® Logan 2008 Christmas Lights Competition Entry form

Category 1: Best Residential Display

1st, 2nd and 3rd places awarded in Logan North, South, East or West.
 1st prize: \$400 2nd prize: \$200 3rd prize: \$100
 City wide winner prize: \$500 (1st only)

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Getting on with it

Job placement helps residents



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FOR many people, going to work can become a chore and something they do grudgingly.

Not so for seven staff members of Coles at Logan Shopping Plaza.

All of them have some form of disability, but not one of these employees would allow this to stand in their way of hard work and good times.

Marsden resident, Matthew Diaz, who suffers from seizures, has been working at the Coles for about two and a half years stocking shelves, and said he has never had a problem with another employee or customer.

"I've been working here for a while, and it's good, I'm not given a hard time," he said.

"This is my first job and I'm planning on working up the ladder.

"I haven't let my disability affect my life."

Then there is 21-year-old Jodie Hall, who struggles with a learning disability.

She has just finished her first month of work, learning the ropes of shelf presentation.

She said her job consisted of



Matthew Diaz hasn't let a disability get in the way of work.

tidying the shelves and pulling the items forward to fill in gaps.

"I'm excited to be working," she said.

"I'd like to work on the check-outs one day."

Both Ms Hall and Mr Diaz were helped into their positions by Job Placement Limited, a free service which helps people with disabilities into the workforce.

Duty manager, Wendy Dhillon, said Coles had been working with Job Placement Limited for the past four years.

"All our staff are very suppor-

tive (of the new employees)," Ms Dhillon said.

"They usually begin with the tidying and presentation of the store before moving onto bigger and better roles within the store."

Job Placement Limited employment consultant, Tri Pham, said the service helped people with disabilities into employment all over the Logan area.

■ For more information about Job Placement Limited and their services, call 1800 804 236.