Students get a glimpse of success at awards

Two entrepreneurs of the future, Good Shepherd Lutheran College students Hannah Brennan-Silwood and Matt Oyston mingled with some of today’s top business women at Tuesday’s State finals of the Telstra Business Woman of the Year Awards, in Brisbane.

The Year 11 students, along with Laura Bethke and Luke Fuller, from Sunshine Coast Grammar School, won the Tomorrow’s Entrepreneur Awards for 2008, initiated by Karen Woolley from Noosaville-based ProScribe Medical Communications and Chris Cameron, from Rockcote, at Yandina – both previous Telstra Business Woman of the Year winners.

The students had to talk about who they admire, and why. They won tickets to the red carpet, gala Telstra Business Woman of the Year Awards, held at the Sofitel in Brisbane, travelling in a chauffeur-driven, stretch limousine. ProScribe Medical Communications and Rockcote partner with Telstra Countrywide to sponsor the award each year.

“As a past winner, I wanted to share the spirit of the awards with young students who could well be tomorrow’s entrepreneurs,” Karen said. “It’s not every day that students, particularly from regional areas, get the opportunity to be inspired by, and network with, the most successful business women in Queensland.”

Managing director of Noosa-based Regional Nursing Solutions, Sue Dunlop, was a finalist in the Business Innovation Award at the State finals.