

Narrogin apprentice wins top State award

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NARROGIN-based carpentry and joinery apprentice Jesse Charles has been named the most outstanding second year apprentice by the Master Builders Association.

Employed by LR Sims and Co, Mr Charles said the process leading to the award began when he was nominated by his employment agency.

"From there it all happened pretty quickly, as I received tickets to the evening in the mail, was announced as a top-three finalist, and then finally winning the award.

"It all happened pretty quickly and I was quite shocked when it was announced, but having time for it to sink in, it feels nice to be recognised

for the hard work I have put in."

LR Sims and Co owner Lindsay Sims said the award was just the start of a successful career.

"Jesse is a good, young, stable hard working bloke," he said.

"He shows initiative, is reliable and, if he continues the way he is currently going, he will be successful in the industry."

Mr Charles paid tribute to his boss, and said he had been grateful for the opportunity he was given.

"Lindsay and everyone at work have been great for me," he said.

"They have been very supportive and I would like to repay the faith shown in me by Lindsay, and work for him when I finish my apprenticeship, before hopefully starting up a business of my own."



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