

# Media Release – Batchfire Callide Mine

## **New Era for Four Apprentices at Batchfire**

Batchfire continues the tradition of Callide Mine with its 2020 intake of four new apprentices. Noah Chapman (Electrical), Dylan Coulson (Fitter), Dylan Holland (Fitter) and William Tyson (Fitter) are all looking forward to the challenges that big industry offers.

Chris Coombes, Batchfire’s Callide Mine Head of Business said, “ The employment of apprentices is extremely good for the community and is the continuation of our commitment to Biloela, the Callide Valley and Banana Shire.”

“As Batchfire continues to upgrade its fleet these young men will have the opportunity to work on new and highly advanced equipment.” Mr Coombes said.

Patrick Cochrane, Manager Engineering and Maintenance said “ We have an excellent team of dedicated people to ensure that these young men obtain the skills that will make them sought after tradesmen in the future. Employed and trained through our strong partnership with GAGAL, our 16 apprentices have fantastic opportunities.”

Representatives from GAGAL, Apprentices & Trainees Queensland and the Apprenticeship Network Provider joined our Management and Maintenance teams for the signing of the commencement documentation finalising an extensive round of interviews and selection processes.

Michael Walz, CEO Apprentice & Trainees said, “ It’s fantastic to experience Batchfire’s sharing and supportive attitude, especially in the area of safety.”

Glenda Vasey, Snr Field Officer, GAGAL and the BEST Centre in Biloela said, “GAGAL has over 50 apprentices in the Banana Shire and it is fantastic to see businesses like Batchfire continue the 21-year partnership with us.”

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L-R: Glenda Vasey - Snr Field Officer, GAGAL, Clayton Tarry - Maintenance Supervisor, Will Tyson, Patrick Cochrane - Manager - Engineering & Maintenance, Dylan Coulson, Noah Chapman, Greg Groves - Maintenance Superintendent, Dylan Holland, Lorraine Jones - Field Consultant, Apprenticeship Network Provider, Michael Walz - CEO Apprentice & Trainees QLD