

Jobs market back at work

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EMPLOYMENT opportunities are looking up across our region, with the Search 4 Jobs organisation posting its largest Bundaberg recruitment advertisement list in months.

A Search 4 Jobs spokeswoman said the 54-job posting, published in the NewsMail on Saturday, listed almost twice the number of jobs the previous week, and indicated an up-turn in opportunities.

“It’s been sitting around 40,” she said.

“We had 59 back at the beginning of August (due to a special feature), but this is the highest in stand-alone jobs for a while.”

And the latest activity at Sarina Russo Job Access in Woongarra Street reflects that.

A Sarina Russo Job Access spokesman said although the upturn in employment opportunities has been noticed by people in employment

organisations, it had yet to be formally confirmed.

“There certainly has been an upswing in vacancies,” he said.

“We’ve been working with a lot of people (recently) to supply suitable applicants.

“There is a constant demand for training.”

Not only are opportunities available for trained and skilled employees, but interest in gaining those abilities seems to be strong, almost in anticipation of the upswing.

Meanwhile, Impact Make Your Mark deputy chief executive officer Tanya O’Shea said their business (employment, training and support), has had no shortage of interest.

“I can certainly say we have not experienced any difficulties in recruiting for courses,” she said.

“We’ve had extras in vocational areas, such as the aged-care training course — we had 80 expressions of interest for a 14-person course.



Prospects are looking positive for Bundaberg job-seekers.