

## Beckett Scholars' annual weekend meeting – June 2007

**Pumped up and raring to get back to business was how one of the Beckett Scholars described the effect of their annual weekend meeting at the end of June 2007.**

Scholars found their visit to Hatton Country World - where the owner candidly explained its philosophy, development and future - nothing short of an inspiration. The national president of the YFC movement revealed his fascinating story and the tricks of the trade behind his biomass operation and in between Scholars were introduced to Birmingham's history via visits to the canal centre in the Gas Basin and the Black Country Museum. Finally Simon Beckett gave a presentation on his company's continuing development.

Scholars were hosted by their sponsors, Alan and Anne Beckett, in the Birmingham area.

Caption: Heather Gorringe polishing up on her interviewing technique

