



THE WINSTON CHURCHILL MEMORIAL TRUST

# 2010-2011

annual  
report



Financial year ending  
**31 JANUARY 2011**

*...rewarding Australians striving for excellence*



**COVER PHOTO:**

**Michelle GIBB - Eatons Hill, QLD**

Wound Management Nurse Practitioner  
Queensland University of Technology

*The Bob and June Prickett Churchill  
Fellowship to explore how a  
multidisciplinary wound care model  
could enhance wound healing services in  
Australia - Denmark, UK*

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The aim of the Churchill Trust is to give opportunity, by the provision of financial support, to enable Australian Citizens from all walks of life who, having exhausted opportunities within Australia, desire to further their search for excellence overseas.

Benefit to Australia is a significant factor.



## CHURCHILL FELLOWSHIP

A Churchill Fellowship can offer you:

- ∞ The prestige of being a Churchill Fellow
- ∞ The opportunity to enhance further work in a particular field of interest
- ∞ Overseas travel for 4 weeks to approximately 6 weeks
- ∞ Air travel expenses
- ∞ A variable allowance for internal travel
- ∞ A variable allowance to assist with living expenses while overseas
- ∞ Possible assistance with the cost of conference fees, tuition or course expenses

A number of sponsored Churchill Fellowships are also offered each year, usually confined to a particular field of endeavour.

## SELECTION OF CHURCHILL FELLOWS

There are no prescribed qualifications, academic or otherwise, for the award of most Churchill Fellowships.

Merit is the primary test, whether based on past achievements or demonstrated ability for future achievement in any walk of life.

The value of an applicant's work to the community and the extent to which it will be enhanced by the applicant's overseas project are important criteria taken into account in selecting Churchill Fellows.

Throughout Australia a short list of applicants is compiled by each State and Territory. The short lists are then submitted to the Trust's Board of Directors for final consideration.

In July each year the Board of Directors announces to whom Fellowships will be offered.

All Churchill Fellows are presented, at an appropriate ceremony, with a certificate and badge identifying them as such. These recognise that the recipient has the prestige of being a Churchill Fellow and while a Fellow is overseas, serve to open many doors that would not otherwise be opened to a private individual.

Applications are invited each year in November and close on the last business day of February.

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Winston Churchill died in 1965 and many Australians born since would not be aware that The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust was formed to perpetuate and honour the memory of Churchill.

The amazing success of the initial fund-raising appeal held shortly after Churchill's death was due to the gratitude that the Australians of that time felt for Churchill. However, the Churchill Trust also recognises that, with the passage of time, fewer Australians will now remember Churchill or the qualities that made him such a great statesman and arguably the most influential individual of the last century. It is appropriate, therefore, that we publish a short account of Churchill so that more of today's Australians are aware of who Churchill was and what made him such an inspiring individual.



When World War II broke out in September 1939 Winston Churchill, whose 65<sup>th</sup> birthday was then a little more than three months off, could look back on a long life distinguished by more success in more careers than could many men of his age. In the dark days of May 1940, when Hitler's Nazi war machine had overrun most of Western Europe and, with France about to fall, only the British Commonwealth countries stood against him. Winston Churchill became Britain's undisputed war leader as Prime Minister, First Lord of the Treasury, Minister of Defence, and Leader of the House of Commons. He was obviously undaunted by his assumption of this supreme power at a time of great peril for Western democracy.

From a seemingly hopeless position, Churchill, by his dauntless and vigorous leadership, rallied the British people to prepare to resist an invasion and to sustain the air attacks against their country during the Battle of Britain and then the Blitz. He inspired them through 'blood, toil, sweat and tears' to 'hold the ring' until the Commonwealth Empire and eventually American Forces built up the combined Allied strength to achieve final victory five and a half years later.

Those who lived through the years of World War II are unlikely to forget the vital role Churchill played in ridding the world of a tyranny the full magnitude of which was only revealed after the final victory was won. It is to be hoped that, with perpetual memorials like The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust, succeeding generations will come to appreciate the debt that they also owe to Churchill for the freedom they enjoy. It can be truly said of Churchill, as perhaps of no other figure of the Twentieth century, that he saved the Western world.

Churchill died on Sunday 24 January 1965, two months after his ninetieth birthday, after a remarkable public life in which, with only one break, he was a Member of the British House of Commons for nearly sixty years across the reigns of six sovereigns.

The Churchill Fellowships that the Churchill Trust provides today are awarded to Australians who, like Churchill, are innovative, filled with a spirit of determination, and who possess a strong ethos of wanting to benefit the community rather than themselves as individuals, and who recognise that 'with opportunity comes responsibility'.

## THE WCMT VISION STATEMENT

**To expand the benefit that the Australian community receives from the award of Churchill Fellowships to talented Australian Citizens from all walks of life.**

## THE WCMT MISSION STATEMENT

In accordance with the Constitution of The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust, to perpetuate and honour the memory of Sir Winston Churchill by:

- ∞ **encouraging** the further development of promising Australian Citizens in their field of endeavour, without discrimination, through the award of Churchill Fellowships for study, training or research overseas; and
- ∞ **enabling** through such awards Citizens from Australian external territories to study, train or conduct research in Australia or elsewhere overseas;

for the benefit of the Australian community.

## THE VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY:

- ∞ **promoting** an increased awareness in the Australian community of both the Trust and the Fellowships that it provides
- ∞ **awarding** of Fellowships to Australian Citizens of general promise or ability in their callings or occupations and, as far as is possible, fairly and reasonably across all the seven classification categories
- ∞ **ensuring** the selection process is fair and equitable
- ∞ **facilitating** easy access to the Fellowship Reports by the Australian community
- ∞ **encouraging** Churchill Fellows to utilise their project for the benefit of the community
- ∞ **implementing** corporate governance that is strategic and progressive with financial and compliance issues regularly addressed
- ∞ **ensuring** that the Trust's investment strategy and financial expenditure safeguards the perpetual nature of the Trust
- ∞ **seeking** further sponsorship and bequest opportunities through a consistent and ongoing programme
- ∞ **providing** a forum for Fellows for continued networking, personal development and the exchange of ideas in close consultation with the Churchill Fellows' Associations
- ∞ **valuing** those people whose contributions reflect the ethos of the Trust

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Miss Elizabeth Alexander AM  
National President, Director



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National Chairman, Director



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Honorary Treasurer, Director  
*(deceased 2 August 2010)*



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Director – NT



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Director – WA



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Director – NSW



Ms Alexandra Cannon  
Director – SA



Mr Gordon Dickinson  
Director – VIC  
*(resigned 23 June 2010)*



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Director – SA



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Director – WA



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Director – ACT



Mr Bill Turner  
Director – TAS



Hon. Justice Margaret White  
Director – QLD



Dr Jane Wilson  
Director – QLD

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Miss E. Alexander AM

### National Chairman

Dr D.B. Appleton OAM

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Ms J. Blokland  
Ms C.J. Brazier  
Ms T.A. Cain  
Ms A. Cannon  
Mr I. Castles AO  
*(deceased 2 August 2010)*  
Mr G.W. Dickinson  
*(resigned 23 June 2010)*  
Mr C.R. Fennell  
Mr L.F. Guthrey  
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## NATIONAL OFFICE

### Chief Executive Officer

Mr Paul Tys CSC

### Staff

Ms Jenny Freeman  
Ms Meg Gilmartin  
Ms Louise Stenhouse

**Name:**

Jonathon "Jack" Barnes,  
2010 Churchill Fellow

**Fellowship:**

To study timber  
conservation and repair  
techniques - UK

■ [Jack and Big Ben. View from Nave Roof, Westminster Abbey, London, UK](#)



Over the past 10 years I have been involved in the completion of St John's Cathedral Brisbane, the last Gothic Cathedral to be completed in the world. During this time, I have developed a strong interest in timber conservation and repair, an important facet of the heritage industry.

With the aid of a Churchill Fellowship, I travelled to the UK to gain a better understanding of how a well established industry functions with regard to the true philosophy behind conservation and repair.

The purpose of my visit was to meet with leaders in the field of conservation and repair at the levels of principal contractor, engineer, architect, clerk of works, archaeologists and tradespeople, to gather their opinions and experience their current projects. I also established contacts inside the Cathedral Fabric Commission of the UK. All this has taken me to some very exciting and historic sites.

My journey started with the Autumn Repair Course in London which is run by the Society of Protection of Ancient Buildings. This organisation was established in 1877 and offers courses in building conservation and repair, bringing together lecturers from all fields in the heritage industry, such as lime suppliers and conservation carpenters.

I visited sites in London such as Westminster Abbey, to sight the stress grading and repair work to Sir Christopher Wren's Roof over the Trifolium; the Tower of London, to sight the large scale conservation to the exterior of the White Tower, built by William the Conqueror after the Battle of Hastings in 1066; and the conservation of wood at the Victoria and Albert Museum.

I then travelled south of London to Devon and Cornwall, where I attended the AGM of the Devon Building Group and visited historic sites such as Exeter, Truro, and Salisbury Cathedrals. It was a great experience to study the wide scale structural repairs done throughout the centuries and learn from their past experiences what works and what does not.

While in the South of England, I undertook an expressive wood-carving course run by Ben Harms at West Dean College, near Chichester. Ben has an established career through woodcarving commissions, repairs to royal palaces and National Trust sites and he has carried out extensive repairs to works by Grenlon Gibbens, one of the most extravagant woodcarvers in history.

The people I met with in the South of England included Peter Dare AM, former Project Manager of St John's Cathedral Brisbane; Hugh Harrison, the longest running Timber Conservator in the UK; Lawrence Beckford, Carving Foreman at Windsor Castle and Cameron Stewart, Conservation Joiner.

I next visited with the staff of the Canterbury Cathedral Precinct and looked at the works done by the conservator, both on the Cathedral and out in the community.

I then travelled north of London to visit with Bob Smith former Director of a bell-hanging firm that specialises in conservation work and the hanging of bells all over the world. We viewed the bells

hanging in the tower of Melbourne Cathedral in Derbyshire and visited Taylors Bell Foundry.

I also visited with the Clerk of Works and Architect at Ely Cathedral to view the roof space, which in my opinion is the most demanding timber engineering project in the UK. In hanging the timber lantern above the crossing of the Cathedral, in excess of 200 tonnes of timber is suspended by timber arches 40 metres above the Cathedral floor.

As a builder whose life revolves around timber and heritage buildings, this trip to the UK has provided me with an education and ability to study projects that I could not have experienced in Australia. I believe we have a great amount of architecture that needs conserving and protecting. This needs to be approached with a sympathetic attitude to be able to protect and create history and not destroy it, which can happen so easily if people do not appreciate and understand the original fabric of a building.

■ L-R: Repair work to joinery, Ordsall Hall, Manchester, UK ; Jack with Sir Winston Churchill ; Repair work to Christopher Wren Roof, Westminster Abbey ; Woodcarving at West Dean College, Sussex



Elizabeth Alexander AM

It is with great pleasure that I present my fifth Annual Report as National President of The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust.

The Trust has enjoyed a very successful year and the Board has selected 101 deserving and exemplary Australians as our 2010 Churchill Fellows. These new Fellows join the ranks of many fine Australians who have previously been awarded Fellowships. I am sure they will find the Fellowship experience profoundly exciting and stimulating.

At the time of the formation of the Churchill Trust in 1965, research indicates that the objective for the award of Fellowships must be to ensure that the Fellowships are available to any Australian of general promise or ability, in his or her calling or occupation, without

discrimination, and that the awards be spread as far as is possible, fairly and reasonably, across all walks of life.

The Trust endeavours to award over one hundred Churchill Fellowships annually. Many of these Fellowships are awarded to Australians who are already high achievers and who have impressive academic and professional qualifications. Given the prestigious nature of a Churchill Fellowship, awards to Australians who fit this mould is hardly surprising. These Fellowships are readily identifiable, studying topics that range from regenerating heart cells and chronic disease prevention and treatment through to programs for asylum seekers, orchestral conducting, Indigenous youth programs, eye bank retrieval systems, sexual abuse intervention and the environment.

Fellowships are also awarded to individuals who might better fit the mould of the archetype Churchill Fellow that I suspect Sir Winston Churchill may have had in mind when he agreed to the formation of a Trust to honour and commemorate his memory. These Fellows are just as passionate about their fields of excellence and are also high achievers.

As our CEO outlined in a recent article published in the Churchill Fellows' Associations newsletters, a Churchill Fellow who fits very well the archetype Churchill Fellow that Sir Winston Churchill had in mind is Paul Smith, a 2008 Fellow from Victoria who is a stonemason. Paul was awarded a Fellowship to study ecclesiastical stone sculpture, restoration and conservation and visited Spain, France and the United Kingdom. In London, Paul attended the City and Guilds of London Art School, which is the only school of its kind in England that teaches stone carving from a traditional background. In his Fellowship Report Paul mentions that he could not have learned what he did by remaining in Australia and during his time overseas he discovered many new fields of inter-related study such as iconography (the language of symbols) and the origins of man's creativity as evidenced by history and archeology.

Other Fellows who also fit this mould include:

- ∞ Mark Nugent, a 2007 NSW Fellow who is a coach builder and who studied the techniques used by traditional coach building firms to design and fabricate the bodywork on vintage and classic cars. Mark visited the United Kingdom, Italy, France and Germany;
- ∞ Gerry Cummins, a 2002 QLD Fellow who is a self employed stained glass artist and studied the methods of repairing shattered heritage stained glass and visited the United States and France;



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- ∞ Alfred Standen, a 1982 WA Fellow who is a foundryman and studied developments in foundry supervision and computing and who attended the American Foundrymen's Society Casting Congresses and visited the United Kingdom and the United States;
- ∞ Tony Thorogood, a 2007 SA Fellow who is a cider maker and studied cider making culture and traditions and visited Germany, France, Spain, the United Kingdom and the United States;
- ∞ Philip Smith, a 2009 TAS Fellow who is a bow maker and studied traditional French bow making techniques from Master craftsmen in France;
- ∞ Greg Peters, a 2000 ACT Fellow who is an antique conservator and restorer and studied antique furniture conservation and restoration in the United Kingdom, Germany and France; and
- ∞ Natalie Jenkins, a 2007 NT Fellow who is an artist and studied the design and technical aspects of recycled glass in art in the United Kingdom and the United States.

The talents of Churchill himself spanned a number of the professions, trades and the enormous range of skills and occupations that many of the Trust's 3,485 Churchill Fellowships have been awarded for. It is, therefore, very pleasing to conclude that the Churchill Trust is achieving the purpose for which it was established and that the Fellowship awards are being spread as far as is possible across all walks of life.

I must sincerely thank and acknowledge those whose support is so important in assisting the Trust to achieve its mission. Here I include the Churchill Trust Board, the Regional Secretaries, the Regional Selection Panels and Committees, the Churchill Fellows' Associations and the Trust's National Office. My sincere gratitude goes to all these individuals who continue to serve the Trust with such enthusiastic dedication and distinction. The record of the Trust continues to be a very proud one and I can report that from my perspective the degree of commitment by those involved in implementing the ideals of the Trust at both the National, State and Territory levels is most impressive. This is even more remarkable given that the Trust is essentially a volunteer organisation.

The Churchill Trust is delighted and extremely grateful for the continuing personal support and encouragement provided by the Trust's Patron-in-Chief, Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia. Her Excellency takes a

close personal interest in the affairs of the Trust and especially in the very diverse and eclectic range of the Fellowship topics. The Churchill Trust also benefits greatly from the support and encouragement provided by our joint Patrons, Sir Rupert Myers KBE AO and Mr William Park CBE AM. Both Sir Rupert and Mr Park have had a very long and close association with the Trust and continue to offer comment and advice which is highly valued and appreciated.

The State Governors, the Administrators of the Northern Territory and the External Territories continue to provide ongoing support to the Trust. I thank them all for presenting the Fellowships each year and for the generous hospitality provided at the receptions hosted by Their Excellencies. The involvement by Her Excellency, the State Governors and the Administrators at the presentation ceremonies is always a highlight of the Fellowship award for the new Churchill Fellows and is a visible acknowledgement of the prestigious nature and value of a Churchill Fellowship.

I look forward to another productive and satisfying year with the Churchill Trust and working with my fellow Directors. I conclude by offering my warmest congratulations to our new Fellows and wish you a most enjoyable and rewarding Fellowship experience.

***Elizabeth Alexander***  
**National President**

Dr Barry Appleton OAM

It is once again my privilege to present this Annual Report as National Chairman of The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust, together with the Finance Report for the year ended 31 January 2011. The reporting year has been a very successful one and one of continuing review. The Board is determined that the Trust remains well positioned for the years ahead and can best satisfy community needs and expectations in Australia.

The Trust is very saddened to report of the sudden passing of Mr Ian Castles AO, the Trust's Honorary Treasurer. Ian had been a member of the Board since 1995 and his contribution to the affairs of the Churchill Trust was highly regarded, especially his advice on matters

relating to the Trust's investments. His death notice described him as, 'a great mind and a generous heart'. These are words the Board strongly endorses in describing Ian. The Churchill Trust has lost a great supporter, a very distinguished Australian and the Trust extends its deepest sympathy to his wife Glenice and family.

With the resignation of Justice Sally Thomas in November 2009, Mr Gordon Dickinson not standing for re-election at the 2010 AGM and the passing of Mr Ian Castles, the Board's composition now stands at fourteen Directors. This is the structure permitted under the new Constitution which is as follows:

- ∞ one National President;
- ∞ one National Chairman;
- ∞ one Director from each of New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, Western Australia, the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory; and
- ∞ four Directors possessing the particular skills, qualifications or commercial investment experience deemed necessary or desirable by the Directors from time to time, having regard to the objects and perpetual nature of the Company.

I have already acknowledged the contribution made by Ian and the Board also acknowledges the valued commitment by both Sally and Gordon. Sally was the longest serving member of the Board when she resigned having served eighteen years as a Director which culminated in the role of Deputy National Chairperson – Fellowship. Gordon completed his five year commitment as a Board member with special responsibilities for investment and finance. I know that both will continue to monitor with interest and affection the fortunes of a wonderful institution to which they have both given so much. The Board will miss their input and camaraderie.

The Trust's investments have remained relatively static over the last 12 months, however, as a perpetual Trust it is fortunate that the organisation can take a very long term view with investment returns and not be too concerned by market volatility which is likely to continue into the foreseeable future. The income generated by the Trust's investments is sufficient to maintain the status quo in budgetary terms especially in regard to the number of Fellowships to be awarded annually. National Office anticipates the ability to finance core Fellowships at a level of about \$1.875 million each year which is sufficient to fund 75 Fellowships at an average cost of \$25,000. With



the 25 directly funded Fellowships also available, a total of about 100 Fellowships for each of the next two years should be maintained.

The Trust's investments remain conservatively and prudently managed. On behalf of the Board, I thank the Trust's Investment, Audit and Risk Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr Lloyd Guthrey together with the Trust's investment adviser, JANA Investment Advisers Pty Ltd, for their advice and management of the Trust's investments.

This year the total value of the 101 Fellowships awarded by the Board of the Trust was \$2.33 million. The Australian community is enormously enriched by the knowledge gained from these Fellowships. I have mentioned in previous reports that it is interesting, but not surprising, that the research topics proposed often mirror the current concerns of our society.

With the 101 Fellowships awarded in 2010 the Trust has now awarded 3,485 Fellowships which cover an enormous range of skills, occupations and talents, all directed towards the betterment of our society. I am sure that Sir Winston Churchill would be proud and immensely satisfied with the achievements of the Churchill Trust in Australia. Each Annual Report adds cumulative evidence of how the Trust is developing from year to year in line with the purpose for which the Australian public so generously

donated the capital funds. I am sure that Sir Winston would be very pleased with his legacy in Australia and the manner in which his name is being remembered and honoured.

I am delighted to report that the number of sponsored Fellowships continues to increase. The Trust is very grateful for sponsorship from organisations and individuals who wish to have their name associated with the work of the Trust. These sponsored Fellowships now represent a significant proportion of the Fellowships that the Trust awards each year. A complete list of our sponsors for the 2011 selection round is included in this Annual Report. The Churchill Trust remains indebted to all our sponsors for their generosity. Their sponsorship is very important to our task of helping and enriching the Australian community by learning from overseas developments. You also assist in helping talented and deserving Australians benefit from such an overseas experience.

The Board considers that Life Membership of The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust is an important issue that requires careful consideration. Under the new Constitution a Director or a Life Member may nominate a person for admission as a Life Member. The Board has now approved a *Life Member Nomination Form* and an *Accompanying Note on use of the Life Member Nomination Form*. The Board considers it important that close ties be maintained between the Trust and those Australians who are or have been staunch supporters of the Trust and who reflect the ethics and ethos of the Trust. An offer and acceptance of Life Membership will recognise these individuals.

The Trust owes a debt of gratitude to the many individuals throughout Australia who act voluntarily on one or more of the Trust's various panels and committees involved in the selection of Churchill Fellows. Your dedication and hard work has helped make the past year another successful one for the Trust. Of course I include in this vote of thanks my fellow Board members and the staff at National Office for their energy and enthusiasm in guiding the direction of the Trust.

In conclusion and on behalf of the Board, let me congratulate the 101 remarkable Australians who have become our 2010 Fellows. Without any qualification, the Churchill Trust has grown into an institution of which all Australians can be very proud.

**Barry Appleton**  
National Chairman

**Name:**

Dr D. Barry Appleton OAM,  
1971 Churchill Fellow

**Fellowship:**

To study developments  
in the diagnosis and  
treatment of diseases  
of the nervous system  
in children - USA

■ Barry with young patient, Joshua

**What my Churchill Fellowship means to me.**

In 1970 I was training in Neurology at Royal Brisbane Hospital and I loved the challenge of diagnosis. I had also spent time in Paediatrics and in both disciplines I had excellent mentors. I was torn between both as a career and so decided to combine the two and look at training in Child Neurology. At the time there was only one person working in the field in this country and he and others suggested that I should seek some training overseas.

Where? was the question! The answer was in the United States with the best programme at St. Louis Children's Hospital in Missouri. The Chief was Phillip Dodge and he had recruited six full time specialists to join him when he had moved there from Boston.

Positions for training were very much in demand. The Churchill Fellowship enabled me to obtain one of these positions and be exposed to a most stimulating environment of clinical care, scholarship and research. In due course, two of the staff went on to head departments in New York and Boston.

I not only saw first hand a wealth of interesting cases from all over the United States but also from South America, Europe and Asia. On return to Australia I was appointed to positions at Royal Brisbane and The Children's Hospitals. The network of contacts made whilst on my Fellowship has been important in providing a source of consultation and in opening up positions for other Australian trainees. Phillip Dodge has made three subsequent visits to this country as a visiting Professor and Darryl De Vivo (New York) and Joe Volpe (Boston) have also visited Australia.

My position in the hospitals entails teaching as well as clinical work and so allows me to easily disseminate what I learned. Along with the hospital work there is much demand from lay organisations for clinical and practical support. These include the Spastic Centre, Autistic Children, Montrose Home for Crippled Children, the Xavier Hospital and Epilepsy Queensland. In all of these organisations there is a network of Allied Health staff with whom I can share knowledge and highlight the support I had during my Churchill Fellowship.

I can vividly recall my Fellowship interview with Walter Campbell (later Governor of Queensland) and Zelman Cowen (later Governor General) on the panel. I was young and did not really expect to

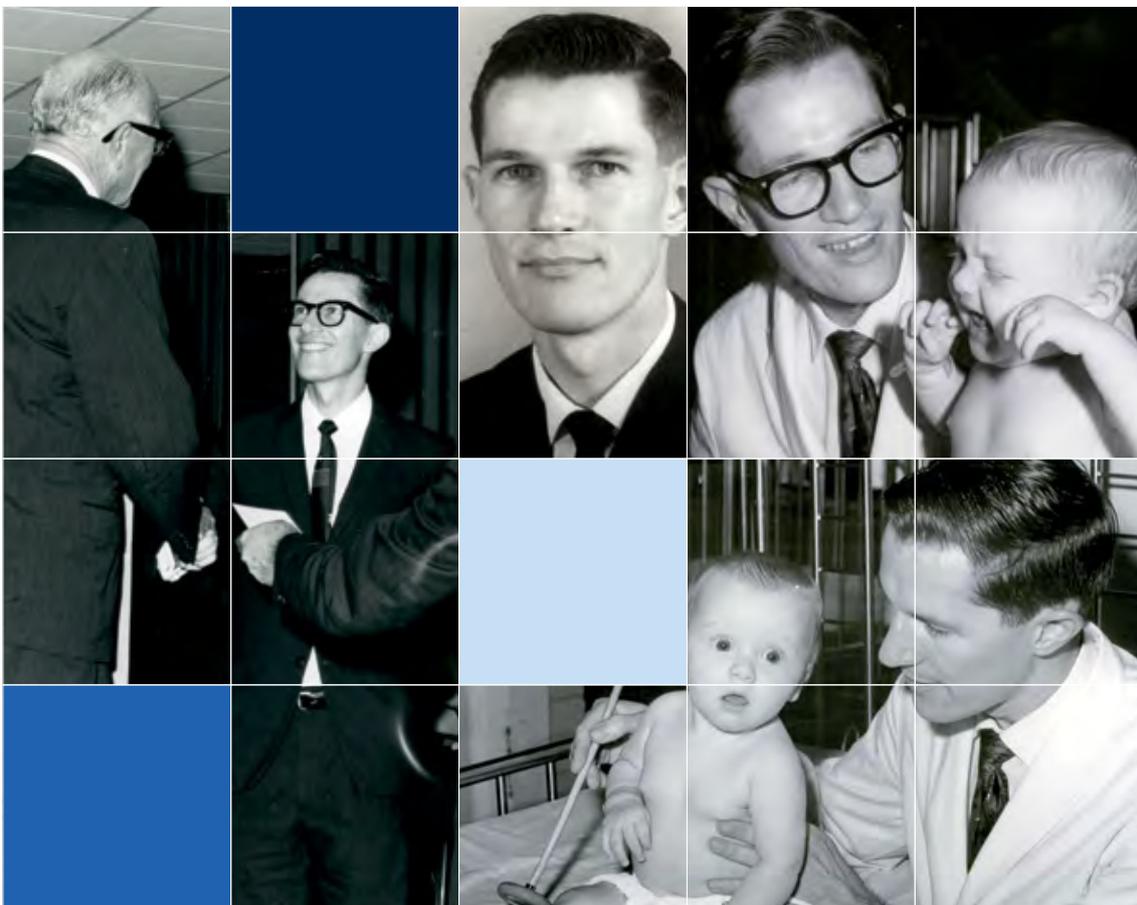
get a Fellowship. I was more than pleasantly surprised to be successful and vowed to make the most of the opportunity which would not have otherwise been possible. I have been more than honoured to serve the Trust in the years since and hope that I have fulfilled the Trust's expectation of disseminating the knowledge gained. The award was of direct

benefit to me but indirectly opened up opportunities for others to follow me in the St. Louis programme.

Visiting lectureships in Papua New Guinea and Singapore and regular clinical work in Darwin have been important examples of outreach. A most satisfying time was as a member of the Board of the International Child Neurology Association through which I maintained contact with leaders in the field. There are now eight Child Neurologists in Queensland, with room for expansion particularly in North Queensland.

From little acorns mighty oaks grow. I cannot pretend to be a mighty oak but can see some sprouts have started.

■ L-R: Barry accepting his Churchill Fellowship award from the Governor of Queensland, 1966-1972, The Honourable Sir Alan James Mansfield KCMG KCVQ; As a young doctor; Barry consulting with a little patient



**2010-2011** The Churchill Trust welcomes sponsorships from appropriate organisations and individuals who wish to have their name associated with the work of the Trust. This approach has been successful because the ethos of the Trust is a very strong one, the exuberance of the Churchill Fellows never lessens and the Trust continues to find organisations and people of goodwill who wish to help Australians striving for excellence.

Sponsored Fellowships can have any topic of study or investigation and this is usually left entirely up to the sponsor. The Trust is responsible for promoting the Fellowship and for all administration costs associated with the application and selection process.

A one-off sponsored Churchill Fellowship costs approximately \$25,000. Some sponsors have continued their sponsorship for many years at the yearly rate and others have elected to have a Fellowship named in perpetuity at a one-off cost.

If you would like more information about sponsorship, or if you would like to make a donation towards the work of the Trust, please contact the CEO at National Office. A list of the sponsored Fellowships available for award in 2011 follows.

### Our Sponsors for the 2011 selection round are...

ACT Government, Audrey Fagan	For a woman who is an emerging or recognised leader in the field of law enforcement, care and protection of children, or professional support services for women who are victims of violence (ACT only)
Australian Biological Resources Study	For overseas taxonomic research on Australian flora or fauna (2 Fellowships – 1 for an early career researcher, 1 for an established career researcher)
AV Jennings	For study in the field of domestic architecture, home building and residential planning
Blakeney Millar Foundation	For the study of a topic to benefit Tumut and its environs (NSW Tumut only)
Bob and June Prickett	For the study of a topic to improve the health of Australians
Bob and June Prickett	For the study of an issue relating to prostate cancer
Bob and June Prickett	For the study of an aspect of organ and tissue donation (NT only)
Cancer Australia	For award to a consumer (a person diagnosed with cancer), family member or carer for a project that will benefit people affected by cancer and assist in reducing the impact of cancer on those affected
Churchill Fellows' Association of SA	For study in any field as selected by the CFA SA (SA only)
Churchill Fellows' Association of Victoria	For study in any field as selected by the CFA Victoria (VIC only)
Dame Roma Mitchell	For the pursuit of excellence in the performing arts
Donald Mackay	For the study of countering organised crime
Dr Dorothea Sandars	For the study of medical and veterinary parasitology or Parkinson's Disease or advances in medicine in general
Dr Dorothea Sandars and Irene Lee	For the study or update of skills for the enhancement of the delivery of palliative care
Dr Dorothea Sandars and Irene Lee	For study in the field of ophthalmology
Dr Dorothea Sandars and Irene Lee	For study of an issue in the field of marine science
Gilbert Spottiswood	For the study of a subject related to the theatre

Jack Brockhoff Foundation	For the study of an aspect of health and / or community welfare for the benefit of Victorians (2 Fellowships VIC only)
Jack Green	For the benefit of people engaged in the Australian dairy industry
James Love	For study in any field as selected by the Queensland Regional Committee (QLD only)
Jeannie Ferris, National Centre for Gynaecological Cancers	For award to a consumer (a woman who has been diagnosed with gynaecological cancer) or carer for a project that will contribute to reducing the impact of gynaecological cancers on consumers, their families or carers
Lamington National Park	For study of an issue regarding National parks, nature conservation and the environment
Leslie (Les) J. Fleming	For the study of any aspect of oncology and cancer research
Lord Mayor's Bushfire Appeal	For study of ways to combat and reduce the impact of bushfires
Monash University	For the study of an aspect of university management
Motor Accidents Authority of NSW	For study of an issue that ensures the best possible health and social outcomes are achieved for people injured in motor vehicle crashes (NSW only)
Mr and Mrs Gerald Frank New	For the study of an aspect of the health of Australians with a preference for medical research into cancer
Mr and Mrs Gerald Frank New	For performance excellence in classical music or voice
Northern Districts Education Centre (Sydney)	For the study of an aspect of school and / or pre-school education (NSW only)
NRMA-ACT Road Safety Trust	For the study of an aspect of road safety (ACT only)
Office of Rail Heritage (NSW)	For the study of approaches which support the sustainability of NSW's rail heritage assets (NSW only)
Park Family	For the study of educational and / or vocational training
Phyllis Primrose Whyte	For the study of an aspect of education and / or literature (SA only)
Ron Badman Family	For study regarding an aspect of agriculture with a focus on seed production, pasture development and irrigation
Samuel and Eileen Gluyas	For study and research into the pastoral industry particularly as it applies to the tropics (QLD only)
Stuart and Norma Leslie	For performance excellence in the arts
Vincent Fairfax Ethics in Leadership Foundation	For the study of ethics and leadership
Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation	For the study of a project to enrich quality of life for Australians in their advancing years (in honour of Vincent Fairfax)
Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation	For the study of leadership and education issues for the benefit of Indigenous Australians (in honour of Vincent Fairfax)
Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation	For the study of an aspect of early childhood and / or primary education (in honour of Nancy Fairfax)
Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation	For the study of strategies which utilise the contribution of retirees in either paid or unpaid productive employment (in honour of Geoffrey White)
WA Department for Child Protection	For the study of protection and care for children and young people or support for at risk individuals and families (WA only)
Wildman River Stock Contractors	For study that will advance and protect the interests of the buffalo industry

**Name:** Ellen Hickman,  
2009 Churchill Fellow

**Fellowship:** The  
Geoffrey Allen Churchill  
Fellowship to research  
the Haemodoraceae plant  
family of the Americas  
in order to illustrate a  
definitive text – Cuba,  
Brazil, Guyana, UK

■ Illustration study of *Xiphidium  
xanthorrhizon* fruits and seeds



I am a botanist and artist producing illustrations of members of the plant family Haemodoraceae. The illustrations are part of a definitive text on the plant family that I am undertaking with Professor Stephen Hopper from the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, UK. The plant family Haemodoraceae includes the internationally recognised Western Australian floral emblem, *Anigozanthos manglesii*, the Red and Green Kangaroo Paw. There are approximately 112 known species from 15 genera. Seven genera occur in Australia and the other 8 are found in South Africa, North, Central and South America. The Churchill Fellowship allowed me to visit Cuba, Brazil, Guyana and the UK to complete the illustration studies of the overseas members of the family.

#### Cuba (14 – 29 April 2010)

I started my Churchill Fellowship in Cuba, what a place to start, nothing like being thrown in the deep end. I arrived in Havana, met my host, Dr Jorge Gutiérrez, Professor of Botany at Jardín Botánico Nacional de Cuba and Universidad de la Habana, and Dr Rhian Smith from the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, London. We hired a car and spent the first week visiting a number of locations in the Pinar del Rio region in west Cuba, looking for Haemodoraceae.

We found both the species I was looking for; *Lachnanthes caroliniana* and *Xiphidium xanthorrhizon*. Specimens of each species were collected and taken back to Havana where I spent a week drawing, at Jardín Botánico Nacional de Cuba.

#### Brazil (30 April – 13 May 2010)

Brazil was a real adventure. I was based in Manaus, a large sprawling city on the junction of the Amazon and the Rio Negro Rivers. My host in Brazil was Dr Mike Hopkins, botanist at INPA (Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas da Amazônia).

I was looking for 3 species of Haemodoraceae in Brazil: *Xiphidium caeruleum*, *Schiekia orinocensis* subsp. *silvestris* and *Schiekia orinocensis* subsp. *orinocensis*. Field trips up the Rio Negro to a community called Aracari and to Parque Nacional do Virua, a reserve north of Manaus, involved negotiating potholed roads and the fickle weather in various modes of transport from boats, bus and bikes, to wading through sting-ray, electric eel, piranha and anaconda infested rivers! Thankfully I wasn't told this until after the event! However, we were blessed to be visited by a small pod of inquisitive Pink River Dolphins.

We found all the species I was looking for and I spent time at INPA doing the drawing studies.

### Guyana (14 – 28 May 2010)

For my two weeks' trip to Guyana I was rejoined by Dr Rhian Smith. It was not a good sign when the locals greeted us with, "Are you crazy visiting us at this time of year!?" We should have seen the warning signs when I got an email from Duane and Sandy DeFreitas, our hosts at Dadanawa Ranch, in the South Rupununi Savanna of Guyana, to say they could not meet our plane at Lethem because they were flooded in.

We motored up the Rupununi River and rode horseback across the savanna in search of *Schiekia orinocensis* subsp. *orinocensis*. After 10 days in Guyana we finally found *Schiekia orinocensis* subsp. *orinocensis*, south of Dadanawa Ranch on the way to the village of Aishalton.

With only one day left at Dadanawa Ranch for drawing, conditions were extreme. It was really hot and humid (no aircon – no electricity!). My aquarelle pencils were absorbing moisture out of the atmosphere, making the leads very soft and difficult to keep sharpened. Then there were the bugs; mossies, kaboura flies and sand flies - I am considering nominating botanical illustration at Dadanawa Ranch as a new extreme sport!!! I was also without access to a dissecting microscope in Guyana. Despite this I was able to do some studies of the flowers and realise these plants are quite different from the same species I collected at Parque Nacional do Virua in Brazil.

### UK (5 – 20 June 2010)

I finished my Churchill Fellowship study tour with 2 weeks at the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew in London illustrating the last of the South American genera, *Pyrrothiza*. This monotypic genus (*Pyrrothiza neblinae*) is endemic to Venezuela. However organising permits and access was not possible. Instead I arranged to do the illustrations from the dried specimens of this species housed in the Kew Herbarium.

Thanks to the Churchill Fellowship an impossible dream was turned into a successful reality.

■ L-R: Collecting *Schiekia orinocensis* subsp. *orinocensis*, South Rupununi savannah, Guyana ; Dr Mike Hopkins and me immersed in the environment, Parque Nacional do Virua, Brazil ; Boating in the Amazon ; Drawing in trying conditions with heat, humidity and bugs (Photo courtesy of Dr Rhian Smith) ; Illustrating *Pyrrothiza neblinae* in Herbarium at Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, UK



2010-2011

The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust has enjoyed a successful year and I am delighted to present this report as Chief Executive Officer. The Trust continues to grow in stature and each year more Australians are recognising the merits of this wonderful and unique institution as they apply for Churchill Fellowships in increasing numbers. It continues to be an honour to serve such an inspirational institution as CEO and to meet the passionate and talented Australians who each year become our new Churchill Fellows.

Promotion of the Churchill Trust is a continuing challenge for the Board and National Office and it is a theme I have commented on many times. Ongoing media coverage promotes the following four key messages:

- ∞ Inform Australians about the formation of the Trust in 1965 and through this, highlight Churchill as an individual, what he achieved and what is his legacy.
- ∞ Inform Australians of the achievements of the 3,485 Churchill Fellows to date. In particular, the benefits the Fellows have delivered to the Australian community through themselves and their Fellowship Reports.
- ∞ Highlight that the Churchill Trust and the Churchill Fellows have the potential to make substantial contributions to the Australian community in the future.
- ∞ Encourage Australians to apply for Churchill Fellowships.

The South Australian Churchill Fellows' Association (CFA) organised a very successful seminar to promote the Trust and encourage applications for the 2011 Fellowship round. The promotional event which showcased Churchill Fellows was timed to coincide with the 1 November 2010 opening date for applications. More than 200 potential applicants were in attendance comprising leaders in many fields and people of influence within various committees.

The forum was chaired by the SA CFA President, Mrs Loris Glass, and presenters included the SA CFA Patron, the State's Lieutenant Governor, Mr Hieu Van Le AO, myself and three Churchill Fellows. The Chair of the SA Regional Selection Committee, Ms Alexandra Cannon, outlined the selection criteria and processes and hard copies of application forms and other supporting material was available. Questions were accepted from the floor and this session lasted for some time. The three Fellows who presented were all equally passionate about their Fellowship experience and their stories were informative and entertaining.

For the 2010 Churchill Fellows announcement, the names and projects were publicised in major regional newspapers. The 2010 Fellows were also publicised in an online advertisement placed on the [www.news.com.au](http://www.news.com.au) national page for two weeks with a link to the complete list of Fellows on the Trust's website. This is the first foray by the Trust into utilising electronic advertising in this way and may set the trend for further use. Anecdotal feedback indicates that these advertisements were well received and suitably promoted the Trust and the 2010 Fellows.

The Trust has a new website which has been well received by those who have visited the site. National Office is able to closely monitor the website's performance via Google Analytics. This web-based



program provides a range of valuable information about the number of visitors the website receives and which pages are being viewed the most.

As an example, for the month of November 2010 (when the application round first opened) the website received 30,879 page views which was a 40% increase in traffic on the previous month. Almost 3,600 of those page views were of the Application page where the 2011 Application Package was available for download. This is a clear indication that having the Application Package online is now essential and indicates that a fully online application process would be welcomed by potential applicants. Planning is underway to offer online applications nationally for future Fellowship rounds.

The inaugural meeting of all Regional Secretaries was held in Canberra during 2010. The meeting was judged to be a most successful event by those who attended. The exchange of views and discussion of common issues will assist the States and Territories to strengthen the national approach. This can only benefit the Trust.

The 5<sup>th</sup> National Convention of Churchill Fellows was held from 22 to 24 October 2010 and hosted by the Victorian CFA. The Convention was attended by approximately 185 guests, including Churchill Fellows from every State and Territory. At the Convention dinner the Churchill

'cigar' was passed to Western Australia who will host the 6<sup>th</sup> National Convention in 2012.

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Trust in 2015 will also be a major promotional event. The Board has agreed to an approach in planning for this event which includes engaging a professional historian to write the history of the Trust to a manuscript standard.

My observation over the years is that the Fellowship and financial management of the Trust has increased in complexity along with the expanding administration of major projects such as additional advertising, website improvement and investment management. In addressing this increasing workload I must continue to acknowledge the professional and tireless contribution by Ms Louise Stenhouse (Senior Executive Officer Finance and Administration), Ms Meg Gilmartin (Executive Officer Fellowship) and Ms Jenny Freeman (Support Officer Marketing and Administration) working with me as part of the National Office team at Churchill House in Canberra. Our main task is to ensure that the Churchill Fellows are well supported and that the administration of their Fellowship does not detract from the learning experience and gathering of information. Comment from Churchill Fellows in feedback questionnaires which are sent to every returning Fellow would suggest we are achieving this task.

From the National Office perspective the outlook for the Trust remains excellent. The application numbers remain above 1,000 and look likely to increase further. A target of 1,200 now looks achievable. The marketing initiatives undertaken over a number of years and again in 2010 and 2011 should continue to support this trend. The strong application numbers also reflect an overall increase in the general awareness of the Trust by the Australian population.

Finally, I join with the National President and National Chairman in congratulating the 101 Australians who were awarded Fellowships this year. Each year I always say to the new Churchill Fellows, prepare yourself for a life changing experience and embrace all the richness that the Fellowship offers. You have an opportunity to investigate the best ideas in the world, to do things you never thought possible and to meet people who inspire you in your chosen field. A Churchill Fellowship catapults you into a position to contribute to our country – few people have that opportunity and I urge you to grab it and make the most of it!

**Paul Tys**  
Chief Executive Officer

The financial statements of The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust have been audited by KPMG and agreed as a true and fair record of the Trust's results and affairs.

Complete audited financial statements have been sent to all members of the Trust. Full audited financial statements numbering 43 pages consist of the four statements, significant accounting policies, note numbers 1 to 25, the Directors' Report, the Directors' Declaration and the Audit Report.

The Trust's investment objective is to maintain the real value of the corpus funds, collected in a National Appeal

in 1965, over rolling ten year periods to achieve a target return after fees of CPI plus 5% per annum.

For the year ended 31 January 2011 the Trust is showing an operating profit of \$320,674. During the financial year the Trust's investments returned \$3.54 million in dividends, interest and distribution income which was reinvested or used for Fellowships. The Trust provided \$2.33 million for the award of one hundred and one 2010 Churchill Fellowships and additional expenses relating to the administration of Fellowships amounted to \$181,000. The administrative expenses relating to the management of the Trust was in line with the previous year and totalled just over \$815,000.

For the advice of members and the public an unaudited extract of the financial statements including the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows are provided below. Copies of the Trust's audited financial statements are available from the Trust upon request.

### Statement of Comprehensive Income (unaudited)

	31 January 2011	31 January 2010
Revenue	533,791	707,622
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>533,791</b>	<b>707,622</b>
Release of unused provisions	64,790	9,688
Administrative expenses	(668,410)	(640,871)
Personnel expenses	(397,393)	(370,653)
Fellowship provisioning expense	(2,332,212)	(2,602,772)
<b>Operating loss before investment income</b>	<b>(2,799,434)</b>	<b>(2,896,986)</b>
Investment income	3,536,611	2,480,261
Gain on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	-	806,716
Loss on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	(416,503)	(585,105)
<b>Net investment income</b>	<b>3,120,108</b>	<b>2,701,872</b>
<b>Profit / (loss) for the year</b>	<b>320,674</b>	<b>(195,114)</b>
Other comprehensive income		
Net change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	1,988,370	6,210,459
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>1,988,370</b>	<b>6,210,459</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>2,309,044</b>	<b>6,015,345</b>

## Statement of Financial Position (unaudited)

	31 January 2011	31 January 2010
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	5,271,890	5,067,950
Receivables and other current assets	588,231	681,737
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>5,860,121</b>	<b>5,749,687</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Financial assets (investments)	61,731,550	59,779,624
Plant and equipment	18,730	27,591
Other non-current assets	229,986	251,965
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>61,980,266</b>	<b>60,059,180</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>67,840,387</b>	<b>65,808,867</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade and other payables	74,096	104,027
Employee benefits	79,813	76,257
Provision for Fellowships	1,825,395	2,032,544
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,979,304</b>	<b>2,212,828</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Unearned income	166,400	210,400
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>166,400</b>	<b>210,400</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>2,145,704</b>	<b>2,423,228</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>65,694,683</b>	<b>63,385,639</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Gains and losses taken to equity	12,203,012	10,214,642
Retained earnings	53,491,671	53,170,997
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>65,694,683</b>	<b>63,385,639</b>

## Statement of Changes in Equity (unaudited)

	Corpus Funds	Gains and Losses taken to Equity	Retained Earnings	Total equity
Balance at 1 February 2009	10,068,454	4,004,183	43,297,657	57,370,294
<b>Comprehensive income / (loss) for the year</b>				
Loss for the year	-	-	(195,114)	(195,114)
Net change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	-	6,210,459	-	6,210,459
<b>Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the year</b>	-	6,210,459	(195,114)	6,015,345
<b>Transactions recorded directly in equity</b>				
Capital donations	258,701	-	(258,701)	-
<b>Total transactions recorded directly in equity</b>	258,701	-	(258,701)	-
Balance at 31 January 2010	10,327,155	10,214,642	42,843,842	63,385,639
Balance at 1 February 2010	10,327,155	10,214,642	42,843,842	63,385,639
<b>Comprehensive income / (loss) for the year</b>				
Profit for the year	-	-	320,674	320,674
Net change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	-	1,988,370	-	1,988,370
<b>Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the year</b>	-	1,988,370	320,674	2,309,044
<b>Transactions recorded directly in equity</b>				
Capital donations	145,000	-	(145,000)	-
<b>Total transactions recorded directly in equity</b>	145,000	-	(145,000)	-
Balance at 31 January 2011	10,472,155	12,203,012	43,019,516	65,694,683

## Statement of Cash Flows (unaudited)

	31 January 2011	31 January 2010
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Cash receipts from Fellows, donors and others	91,570	490,778
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(3,073,977)	(3,331,781)
<b>Net cash used in operations</b>	<b>(2,982,407)</b>	<b>(2,841,003)</b>
Interest received	189,638	226,372
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>(2,792,769)</b>	<b>(2,614,631)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale financial assets	1,632,871	17,431,642
Cost of purchasing available-for-sale financial assets	(1,982,000)	(15,780,698)
Dividends received	3,346,974	2,253,890
Acquisition of plant and equipment	(1,136)	-
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<b>2,996,709</b>	<b>3,904,834</b>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	203,940	1,290,203
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 February	5,067,950	3,777,747
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 January</b>	<b>5,271,890</b>	<b>5,067,950</b>

## Bequests and Gifts for the Year to 31 January 2011

The following bequests and gifts to the Trust made during the year to 31 January 2011 are gratefully acknowledged:

The Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation	\$112,000
Dr Dorothea Sandars and Ms Irene Lee	\$100,000
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities / Australian Biological Resources Study	\$100,000
The Jack Brockhoff Foundation	\$69,000
Mr RJ (Bob) Prickett	\$45,000
Mrs Norma Leslie	\$43,325
Mrs Patricia D New	\$35,394
ACT Department of Disability, Housing & Community Services / Office for Women	\$30,000
John Swire & Sons	\$27,546
NRMA-ACT Road Safety Trust	\$25,530
Mr William A Park CBE AM	\$25,000
Marcus Oldham College on behalf of the EC Webb Trust	\$20,579
Trust Company of Australia / Peter Mitchell Estate	\$9,844
Mr Warren Muller	\$100

**Name:** Anthony Hatch,  
2009 Churchill Fellow

**Fellowship:**

To undertake research  
and training in the area  
of large animal technical  
rescue - USA, UK

■ Anthony and a 4-day-old giraffe at  
San Diego Zoo, California, USA



The first time I considered applying for a Fellowship I looked at the website. I viewed other Fellows' brilliantly completed reports, the impressive subjects that were studied and the number of letters following many of the Fellows' names - some having more letters after their name than I have in my name.

This was clearly not for me, after all I was just a kid from the bush whose mother was told one parent teacher night that "Anthony will amount to nothing and will either be in jail or dead by age 21". PS today is my 40<sup>th</sup> birthday SIR.

So what is Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue (TLAER) all about?

As a fulltime Firefighter with Fire & Rescue NSW and a State Emergency Service Rescue Operator on my days off, you get to go to many of the USUAL animal rescues.... you know.... a horse stuck up a tree, a cow in a swimming pool, the circus trailer tipped over on the freeway with an elephant and giraffe stuck inside, just the usual stuff.

We turn up and everyone says "Thank God you're here" and expects that we know what to do. Truth is, in Australia TLAER is normally undertaken by well-meaning rescuers working with no specialised equipment and no training in this area at all.

Unfortunately, this approach has led to a number of rescuers and animals being injured. One rescue involving a cow in a dam went horribly wrong when a co-worker of mine was kicked by a cow and almost had his leg broken, he could have been killed.

That was it, off to the only place that I thought could fix the problem WWW.GOOGLE.COM. Well if you type in "animal rescue", up comes Mrs Tiggy Winkle's Hedgehog Sanctuary; she rescues abandoned hedgehogs. After a little more searching, I found people in the USA and the UK, everywhere except Australia was teaching TLAER. They all helped me by sending photos, manuals and information but I couldn't do the hands on learning and ask the thousands of questions that I wanted to know the answers to.

Thankfully The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust Fellowship Selection Panel didn't want to see my parent teacher school report. One day that phone call that we all dream about came, "Anthony you have been selected for a Churchill Fellowship".

Now came the fear. I grew up in the bush and the only time I have been overseas was when I hired a little sailing boat in Queensland, the wind changed direction and I was blown to some island 1 km offshore.

The next thing I know I am sitting on a plane by myself heading around the world to study large animal rescue.

Four hours after landing in San Francisco, I went off for a walk. It was 2 am and I couldn't sleep. Some guy comes up and says give me your wallet or else. So I explained that he should leave me alone (thank goodness for martial arts training). Four hours into my Fellowship and I already wanted to go home.

From then on I met the most amazing people like John and Deb Fox who have set up an animal rescue team

in Felton, a small town (a bit like Kick-a-tin-along in Australia) where they train Firefighters in Animal Rescue almost every day. They took me into their home and treated me like a member of the family. I learnt to rescue a horse from the bottom of a steep cliff, how to get an animal out of an overturned trailer safely, but most importantly how to do all this with only the equipment we carry on our fire trucks back home in Australia.

The next stop was San Diego Zoo, not for sightseeing but to work alongside some of the most highly regarded veterinarians and animal keepers in the world. Here I learnt about sedation of VERY large animals including giraffes, rhinoceros' and elephants.

I had the most unique opportunity of petting a four day old baby giraffe "oh so cute". I watched the anaesthetisation and surgery of a fully grown elephant who had a tooth ache, followed by the not so easy task of getting him back on his feet again.

■ L-R: State Emergency Services rescuing a horse from the base of a cliff, NSW ; Anthony with a horse in a floatation device used for flood rescue, Middleberg, USA



No time to rest, it was off to meet Drs Tomas and Rebecca Gimenez who run "Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue", a training company for you guessed it, TLAER.

Rebecca even pulled a few strings and took me to a "top secret" building that I can't tell you about, but it was remarkably shaped like a pentagon. There I was introduced to a veterinarian who works with the American Special Forces Teams looking after animals such as bomb dogs and transport donkeys. That might come in handy if I ever have to rescue a horse that has been shot (very likely in some of the areas of Sydney that I have worked in).

Then it was into another advanced course in TLAER where I learnt to get horses and cows out of bogs, dams and septic tanks (now that's a crappy job). One of the most interesting lessons was the advanced technique of lifting a horse with a helicopter when all the other options are not suitable.

As we are all aware there have been major floods across Australia this year. Many of the animals trapped by rising flood water could be saved using this method but it will require the purchase of a special lifting sling before this can happen. Keep an eye in the sky because you may just see the first horse in Australia to fly under a helicopter one day.

The next leg of the learning experience was in England with Jim Green, the Animal Rescue Specialist from Hampshire Fire & Rescue. As you would expect with all the rain in England there are lots of heavy animals getting stuck in mud all over the countryside. For a month I responded with the team to lots of different rescues but the one that makes every Australian laugh was a call to 20 European Carp (fish) in a puddle. I will say nothing more about that apart from it was not a joke.

I was invited to meet the veterinarians who are responsible for the Queen's Horses, Household Cavalry at Buckingham Palace and King's Troop. Not a bad place to be invited to for a cup-a-tea if you're over that way. They were right. Just mention you are a Churchill Fellow and it does open up some very impressive doors.

One of the most fascinating things I found was the Fire Brigade's Animal Rescue Specialists actually teach the veterinarians across the United Kingdom how to rescue large animals during a four day intensive course.

I was invited to help teach on one of these courses at Cambridge University. So to that teacher who made my mother cry all those years ago on parent teacher night, next time you're teaching at Cambridge University can you pick up my coffee cup I left in the teachers' staff room.

Where to from here? Well now the biggest part of my Churchill Fellowship is doing something with what I have learnt. I now owe so much to the Churchill Trust and the Australian community for the opportunity they have given me.

The easy bit is writing training packages and developing courses that we can teach to rescue operators, veterinarians, RSPCA officers and animal owners across Australia.

The hardest bit is raising the money and paying for the equipment that is required to undertake this training. One horse training mannequin costs \$10,000 alone, and the lifting slings can be thousands of dollars as well.

Some people say to me "why bother it's just a horse or a cow?" Well, a race horse can cost over one million dollars, but just as important is when a 12 year old girl's pony is stuck in a dam and she looks up at me with tears running down her cheeks and says "please don't let my horse die". To her that pony is worth a lot more than one million dollars.

## Regional Secretaries Talk

Usually Regional Secretaries are the quiet workers, beavering away in the background to facilitate the selection process for Churchill Fellowships. They sit through the shortlist meetings and the interviews, quietly taking notes while others do the talking. For two days in November 2010 their role was reversed, and it was the Regional Secretaries who did the talking.

■ The Regional Secretaries from each State and Territory with Paul Tys, CEO (back left)



CEO Paul Tys called the first-ever meeting of Regional Secretaries from Thursday 18 to Friday 19 November 2010 at Churchill House in Canberra. A busy two days of talks covered topics ranging from selection procedures and policies to changes to the 2011 application package, phasing in electronic lodgement of applications and induction of new panel and committee members. Discussion continued outside the working sessions with a joint dinner on the Thursday evening at Axis Restaurant at the National Museum of Australia, right on the edge of Lake Burley Griffin with the bright lights of Canberra's cityscape visible across the water.

The new Trust logo and letterhead designed by Support Officer Marketing and Administration Jenny Freeman were showcased, as well as the new application package for 2011. It is hoped that the design changes make it easier for candidates to understand the requirements for Fellowships, especially eligibility provisions.

Online lodgement of applications may be trialled first in the ACT. The system is currently under development, and the trial stage in the ACT will allow ACT candidates only to access the online form and submit via the web. The online system will then be extended to other regions. A key consideration is the need to ensure that the system meets the official deadline so that late applications will not be possible.

The importance of sponsors to the work of the Trust was stressed by Paul Tys. Their generosity and interest enabled a wide range of Fellowships to be available.

One of the enjoyable aspects of the meeting was the opportunity for the Regional Secretaries not only to share knowledge but to get to know each other, which will facilitate ongoing interaction. Regional Secretaries taking part were Judy Brownrigg (Tasmania), Sylvia Deutsch (ACT), Neville Marchant (WA), David Martin (NT), Barry Muche (Queensland), Pam Oakes (Victoria), Geoff Sauer (SA) and Julia Southgate (NSW). Proceedings were led by Paul Tys, and also attending were Senior Executive Officer Finance and Administration Louise Stenhouse, Executive Officer Fellowship Meg Gilmartin and Support Officer Marketing and Administration Jenny Freeman.

**Sylvia Deutsch**  
ACT Regional Secretary

Members who served during the year ending 31 January 2011

## NEW SOUTH WALES

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## AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Although the ACT is awarded only a small number of Fellowships each year, the number of Fellows in our Association is steadily growing and we now have 119 members. It is also noticeable that a number of our members are ageing. The Committee has resolved to support these esteemed people in maintaining their connections to the Association in whatever way possible.

The highlight for the year was the Association's annual dinner to welcome our new Fellows. This was held on 23 August 2010 following an impressive awards ceremony at Government House hosted by Her Excellency the Governor General, Ms Quentin Bryce AC. Dinner attendees numbered 91 which included Fellows and their guests. During the evening 6 new Fellows were welcomed:

- ∞ Dr Amber Beavis  
The Australian Biological Resources Study Churchill Fellowship to undertake training in integrative taxonomy as it applies to the Araneae.
- ∞ Mr William Caddey  
To investigate how communities promote and support walking as a viable option for health, transport and recreation.
- ∞ Mr John Helgesen  
The David Balfour Churchill Fellowship to study methods used in the decontamination of fire fighters' protective clothing and equipment.
- ∞ Ms Elizabeth Kelly  
To investigate the design and manufacture of cast glass in architecture and public art.
- ∞ Dr Kelly Richards  
The ACT Government Audrey Fagan Churchill Fellowship to investigate the potential of Circles of Support and Accountability to prevent child sexual abuse in Australia.
- ∞ Mrs Jane Shelling  
To assess methods for providing professional information to community based alcohol and other drug workers.



■ The 2010 ACT Fellows spoke enthusiastically about their projects at the annual Fellows' Dinner in the Great Hall, ANU



■ The annual Fellows' Dinner in the Great Hall, ANU

Also at the same dinner nine returning Fellows received their medallions, awarded by Sir David Smith.

The AGM was held in record time at the completion of the formalities (in less than 5 minutes!) and ten Committee members were elected, some new and some old. This Committee provides talent, experience and energy to plan and stage more initiatives during the coming year in order to strengthen the bonds between our ACT Fellows and the Churchill Trust.

The annual 'Drinks on the House', held at Churchill House in early December 2010 provided another welcome opportunity for an informal gathering to celebrate the festive season and to share experiences.

The Committee has been excited to develop a number of opportunities for returning Fellows to share their travel stories and discuss what opportunities or developments



■ ACT CFA members Helen Palethorpe, Peter Minson, Chris Clarke, Jo Slattery and Wilma Davidson, President (seated)

have occurred as a result of their Fellowships. Two 'Churchill Chat' sessions were held this year giving not only Fellows but intending applicants the opportunity to hear more about the benefits that are provided by the work of the Trust. The stories we heard were truly inspiring!

***Helen Walker***  
President

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*Association of NSW*

## NEW SOUTH WALES

*"Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference."*

*Winston Churchill*

The Churchill Fellows' Association of NSW is a volunteer organisation of Fellows that exists to support Fellows, particularly those who have recently received their awards. Importantly an aim of the Association is to build and maintain that 'community of Fellows' across the years. It is now 45 years since Churchill's death and in 2015, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we will be thinking about ways to recognise this as Fellows.

The Association Committee comprises a very special group of Fellows who give their time willingly to support Winston Churchill's vision. I should like to acknowledge the members of the 2010 Committee:

- ∞ Ian Krimmer – Vice President;
- ∞ Judith Ridge – Secretary;
- ∞ Kevin Gardner – Treasurer;
- ∞ Antony Williams – website;
- ∞ Jennie Nelson – newsletter;
- ∞ Louise Halsey – mentoring;
- ∞ Bernie Heard – events coordinator;
- ∞ Matt Jones – past President;
- ∞ Ben Hardacre;
- ∞ Anthony Hatch;
- ∞ Lynne Challinor and
- ∞ Lucy O'Shea.

Being a member of the 'community of Fellows' extends across a lifetime. Fellows are amazed that when they approach strangers about visiting their organisation while on their overseas Fellowship, doors are opened. They are welcomed as esteemed visitors. Fellows are less aware that this continues. Recently, I had an opportunity to contact another Fellow in relation to my work. He was welcoming and excited at the prospect of building a project of mutual interest. On another opportunity I mentioned the ongoing opportunities of the Churchill Fellowship to another colleague who had no idea that there are ongoing benefits from remaining connected with the Churchill Fellows' Association and with the Trust. Other Fellows continue to acknowledge the opportunities of the Churchill Fellowship as part of their work. Paul Dyer, artistic director of the Australian Brandenburg Orchestra is one such person. He continues to acknowledge his 1995 Churchill Fellowship.

The NSW Committee has worked to host a number of very successful functions including the awards dinner and medallion luncheon. We are trying to balance our dinners which unfortunately are quite expensive for some, with some low cost events such as a morning tea and an annual picnic.

Early in the year a 2009 Fellow, Sarah Tracton, organised a very successful morning tea for Fellows to discuss plans. This was held in a coffee shop in the city and was well attended. Everyone was most keen to hear from Lynne Challinor about her 'magic pen'. A great solution to note taking that will be of interest to some Fellows.

On 23 July 2010, 27 new Fellows assembled at Government House for an award ceremony to receive their Fellowships from the Governor of



■ 2009 and 2010 NSW Medallion recipients

NSW Professor Marie Bashir AC CVO. It was indeed a great pleasure to attend and to join in the celebrations of an intrepid band of 2010 Fellows. This was followed by a reception and opportunity to mingle on the lawns of Government House. It was then the turn of the NSW Churchill Fellows' Association to welcome new Fellows to their annual dinner at Doltone House. One hundred and four guests heard a brief presentation from Fellows about the plans for their Fellowships. All Fellows were presented with a travel diary. The next morning Fellows got down to workshop the nuts and bolts of their Fellowship and gathered to discuss their travel plans and to receive advice from those who had been before.

On 6 November 2010, Churchill Fellows were invited to a lunch to celebrate one 2008 and numerous 2009 Churchill Fellows who had completed the requirements of their Fellowships. Fellows had the opportunity to talk about one highlight of their Fellowship and something that they were going to do as a result of their Fellowship. The luncheon format has been very successful in recent years, as has the opportunity to hold it out of the city. We are grateful to Lachlan's Restaurant at Old Government House Parramatta. A number of Fellows took the opportunity of a tour of the house prior to the lunch.

In October 2010 a small group of NSW Fellows joined the Victorian Fellows' Association in Melbourne for the biennial National Convention.

A marvellous weekend included a reception at Government House in the company of the Governor, Professor David de Kretser AC and Mrs Jan de Kretser, a cruise on the Yarra River with a number of activities organised by Victorian Fellows, dinner at the Melbourne Cricket Club, where, appropriately, Victoria were playing Western Australia, and



■ 2009 Fellows, Sally Goss and Lucy O'Shea at the Fellows' Convention

breakfast in the Old Melbourne Gaol. The next Convention will be held in Western Australia in 2012 and in 2014 it will be NSW turn. We are looking forward to hosting the 2014 Convention here in Sydney. What a wonderful opportunity to showcase Sydney and NSW.

Plans are underway to host a number of events in 2011. We look forward to seeing as many NSW-based Fellows as possible in 2011.

***A/Professor Elizabeth Comino***  
President

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## QUEENSLAND

The Churchill Fellows' Association of Queensland (CFAQ) completed another eventful year in partnership with the Fellows' Associations of the other Australian States, and with our 'mother-ship' - The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust (WCMT) based in Canberra.

The CFAQ 2010 Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held at the State Library of Queensland on Monday 29 April 2010. There was a big turn out - to socialise by the river in the twilight, to manage the business of the CFAQ, and most especially to be washed in the dulcet tones of mezzo-soprano Georgia Hawes (2009 Peter Mitchell Churchill Fellow).



The CFAQ Management Committee for the 2010-11 period consisted of:

- ∞ President - Richard Roylance (1995 Child Protection)
- ∞ Vice-President - Elissa Morriss (2005 Adults with Brain Injury)
- ∞ Secretary - Areti Gavrilidis (2008 Clinical Research)
- ∞ Treasurer - Matthew Shepherd (2005 Air Traffic Control)
- ∞ Newsletter Editor - Fiona Bogossian (2006 Doulas)
- ∞ Committee Member - Fiona Hawthorne (2007 Antenatal Care and Infant Death)
- ∞ Committee Member - Katie Walker (2006 Clinical Simulation)
- ∞ Committee Member - Kenneth Horigan (2009 Environmental Ratings for Heritage Buildings)
- ∞ Committee Member - Georgia Hawes (2009 Operatic / Vocal Interpretation) [ex-officio]
- ∞ List-serve Manager - Jim O'Donnell (1993 Police Corruption)

Over 160 Queensland applications were received from aspirant WCMT Fellows in 2010. The WCMT Regional Selection Committee completed the mammoth task of assessment and short-listing – and Justice Margaret White and the Committee are deserving of high praise. The interview process for the more than 30 short-listed applicants took most of the ANZAC Day weekend in April 2010 and after intense deliberations, a final 'recommendation list' was forwarded to Canberra.

Congratulations to the 19 successful Queensland applicants for Fellowships in 2010 – most of whom have departed for far shores, and subsequently returned, still afire from the magic of the experience. That such a number of Fellowships could be offered during these difficult economic times reflects well on the WCMT's financial management.



■ LEFT AND ABOVE: CFAQ committee and members at the AGM, State Library of Queensland



The areas of study undertaken by the Queensland Fellows were as diverse as: private sector support for the arts; transition from school for students with a disability; vocal tuition and multi-disciplinary wound care. The Governor Her Excellency Ms Penelope Wensley AC presented the awards to this newest generation of Queensland Fellows at Government House on the afternoon of Friday 23 July 2010.



The CFAQ Annual Dinner was held that same evening in the Parliamentary Annex in Brisbane, and the feedback from Fellows was very positive. We had the great pleasure of hosting Mr Paul Tys and Ms Meg Gilmartin (our esteemed colleagues from the WCMT), our various Sponsors and members of the Queensland Selection Committee at the event. We also had the pleasure of acknowledging twelve WCMT Medallion recipients on the night.



It is worthy of note that NT Fellow (*1967 Public health aspects of water supply, sewerage treatment and re-use*), CFAQ Life Member and long-standing WCMT Sponsor, Mr Robert (Bob) Prickett, was present as the 26<sup>th</sup> sponsored 'Bob and June Prickett' Churchill Fellow was presented to the assembled membership. Bob is a shining example of the principle that Fellows should give back to the organisation and the community as a life-time commitment - and a great friend to the CFAQ!

■ The 2010 Churchill Fellowship interviews:

**TOP:** Churchill Fellows, Lynda Close, Fiona Hawthorne, Fiona Bogossian and Kenneth Horrigan assist with the smooth running of Fellowship interviews and calm the nerves of applicants on the day

**MIDDLE:** Dr Barry Appleton, National Chairman and Paul Tys, Chief Executive Officer - Churchill Trust

**BOTTOM:** Dr Jane Wilson, Director - Churchill Trust and Richard Roynance, President CFAQ

The dinner was made even more memorable by the musical interlude provided by Georgia Hawes (*2009 Peter Mitchell Churchill Fellowship for Operatic / Vocal interpretation*), performing again on popular demand after her introduction to the CFAQ at the 2010 AGM.

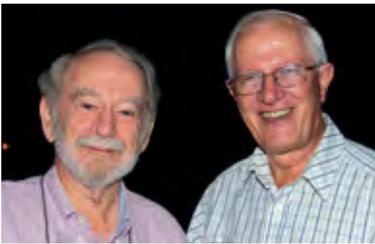
A new CFAQ event introduced in 2010 was the CFAQ 'Spring Cocktail Party' with the inaugural event held at the Brisbane Polo Club on the evening of Friday 8 October. Musical entertainment of intimate jazz was provided by Melissa Forbes (*2010 Dr Dorothea Sanders and Irene Lee Churchill Fellowship – Vocal Pedagogy*) and her talented accompanist. The CFAQ took the opportunity to present a thank you gift to Robyn Potter, who has been a wonderful and hard working member of our committee for many years. The evening was a great success, with expectations that numbers will continue to grow in subsequent years.

The final CFAQ event for 2010 was the Annual Christmas Party held on Sunday 19 December. Julie and I had the pleasure of hosting over forty Queensland Fellows at our home - in what was a cacophony of food, wine, wisdom and wit.

We all have had personal achievements during 2010, but it is proper to acknowledge and congratulate the achievements of two persons in particular:

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- ∞ The Honourable Justice Margaret White - the longstanding Chair of the WCMT Queensland Selection Committee - was promoted to the lofty ranks of the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court in 2010.
- ∞ A well-known member of the CFAQ – Ms Dimity Dornan AM (*1992 Hearing Impaired Children*) was named 'Queenslander of the Year' for 2010.



■ Annual CFAQ Christmas Party:

TOP: Richard Roylance, Gladys Busch, Hilda MacLean

MIDDLE: Noel Busch, Dr Barry Appleton

BOTTOM: Francesca Savige, Georgia Hawes

For many years, the CFAQ Newsletter has been synonymous with the energy and enthusiasm of Jane Virtue (*1987 Sailing Training*). Jane earned her retirement and Fiona Bogossian stepped-up to the role of Editor in 2010, assisted by Katie Walker. I am very pleased to advise that their 2010-11 CFAQ Newsletters were magnificent – more than meeting the high standards set by previous incumbents!

A number of Queensland Fellows attended the 5<sup>th</sup> Churchill Fellows' National Convention in Melbourne from 22 to 24 October 2010, hosted by the Churchill Fellows' Association of Victoria. Sadly, I was overseas and unable to attend, but the feedback from attending Fellows was enthusiastic.

I recommend a visit to the upgraded WCMT National Website – as the Fellows Reports section is now a fascinating repository of, and testament to, the breadth and depth of the work undertaken by Australian Fellows over the past decades.

It would not be proper to conclude without reference to the severe climatic events experienced by Queensland during 2010-11. No-one in the State was unaffected, and I am aware of the significant contribution Queensland Fellows made at all levels of the community at the time of the events, and subsequently. For many, the work of physical reparation within their communities will continue for years; with some of the community emotional losses less easily remediated.

Many thanks to all CFAQ members who have given their time and expertise over the past year, and to those who will give again in the year to come. Our goal continues to re-connect with CFAQ members who have fallen from our email list – so if you know of any such person, please encourage him or her to re-ignite their membership. Jim O'Donnell has graciously offered to co-ordinate this on our behalf.

Thanks as always to the hard working CFAQ Committee members for their efforts in managing the organisation and running the various events the CFAQ coordinated throughout 2010.

As always, the CFAQ Committee acknowledges all contributing Fellows and the support of the WCMT in 2010.

**Richard Roylance**  
President



## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Under the exemplary leadership of Ms Loris Glass the SA Churchill Fellows' Association has had an outstanding year. Churchill Chats were reinstated, relationships with both our Patron and the SA Selection Committee were strengthened and we held a promotional launch of the 2011 Fellowships to coincide with the applications open date of 1 November, with over 200 people accepting the invitation to attend.

In 2009 the SA CFA welcomed Lieutenant Governor Mr Hieu Van Le AO as the Association's Patron. Hieu has been an active participant in SA Branch affairs this year and we warmly thank him for his participation. It was with great excitement that the 2010 Australia Day Honours saw Hieu and 2007 Fellow Ken Lloyd recognised for their work. Hieu was made an Officer of the Order of Australia for service to the community of South Australia, particularly through roles contributing to the enhancement of a multicultural society. Ken, who is Chief Executive Officer of Country Arts SA, was made a Member of the Order of Australia for services to arts administration, particularly

through the development of festivals and program initiatives for regional communities. Ken's Churchill Fellowship was to examine arts and cultural programs which provide opportunities for regional and remote communities to access and participate in the arts.

The SA CFA resurrected the tradition of Churchill Chats this year. These are hosted by Fellows to enhance knowledge about a certain



■ 2007 Churchill Fellow Tony Thorogood (left) hosted an entertaining event at "The Cider Cellar" which included Fellows pulping fresh apples and enjoying the end product of the cider-making process

topic and provide a social get together for Churchill Fellows and friends. In March, 33 SA Fellows and friends enjoyed a boutique cider and degustation lunch in Burra hosted by 2007 Churchill Fellow Tony Thorogood. The group was taken on an international tour of the palate with Tony matching a variety of ciders with different food sensations - tasty treats from Basque Spain, Frankfurt, Ye Old England, Normandy

and America. Tony, who is a great enthusiast for his trade entertained the group with a passionate presentation that included the guests pulping their own apples and sampling the freshest juice, to learning about the intricacies of cider making and teaching others about aspects of the business. The group had a thoroughly enjoyable experience which we hope to replicate in the Barossa in 2011.

Past Churchill Fellows and newly awarded Fellows share their stories at the SA annual dinner and AGM in August each year. This year we welcomed nine new SA Fellows Maxie Ashton, Dianne Chartres, Bernie Fitzsimons, Declan Page, Sean Miller, David Scutchings, Gabriella Smart, Daniel Smith and Allison Russell, who is our third SA CFA Fellow. We also heard from Fellows from the year 1985. Speakers at the dinner included Ms Alexandra Canon the Chair of the SA Selection Committee, our Patron Hieu Van Le and out going President Ms Loris Glass. The annual raffle is always a treat at the dinner and Churchill Fellows are very generous in their donations of prizes, which this year included a heritage rose, theatre tickets and a signed book on

SA Opera by a past Fellow. This year Richard Heathcote entertained guests with his own style of encouragement to purchase raffle tickets, which resulted in an excellent boost to the funds for our next SA Fellow. At the dinner it was a thrill to induct two more life members, Peter Elder and Tony Phillips who have worked tirelessly for the SA Association for many years. It was wonderful to see the excitement as their names were read out.

It is with awe and admiration that I listen to the stories of Churchill Fellows. There are so many experiences to share and so many spheres to learn about. The Churchill Chats are one way to share these. The Committee spent some time thinking about how to promote Churchill Fellowships beyond Chats and ways individual efforts could introduce worthy candidates to the idea of applying. Committee member Pat Toolan started our promotional process by taking a display to local libraries in her community and through an article in her local newspaper. This was followed by articles in regional papers. To build on this we also organised the launch of 2011 Fellowship Applications at an event in early November where we showcased several Churchill Fellows and promoted the application process. See the special report on this event in this Annual Report. Suffice to say it was an overwhelming success and we are looking at ways to enhance and expand the event in 2011.



■ 2010 South Australian Fellows with the Governor of South Australia, His Excellency Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce AC CSC RANR (seated second from left) and Alexandra Cannon SA Fellowship Director (seated second from right)

Another sharing event between Churchill Fellows occurred when several South Australian Fellows crossed the border to participate in the Churchill Fellowship Convention in Victoria. SA Fellows enjoyed the company of others from interstate as well as the opportunity to catch up with each other over a relaxed weekend. Many thanks to our colleagues from Victoria for their warm welcome and well organised Convention.

The SA Association remains a strong committee with three energetic new members, Brent Banham, Maeve Downes and Elizabeth Grant, joining the group this year. All of the Committee has worked very hard over the past year, but two people need particular thanks. Graeme Adcock, who is our Secretary, without whom many things would not have happened, deserves many accolades. President Loris Glass has stepped down after three years, as is the convention is SA. Loris has been a fantastic leader, who is extremely well organised, energetic and innovative. I want to thank her for her efforts in leading us to achieve an enormous amount in the past three years from the Churchill Convention in 2008 to the launch of applications for 2011. I am looking forward to my role as President and my aim is to consolidate the wonderful gains made by the Committee over the past few years.

*Christine Morris*  
President

## South Australia launches the opening of Fellowship applications for 2011

In South Australia we noted that we receive fewer applications from regional and multicultural communities than from mainstream society. How to promote Churchill Fellowships to these harder to reach groups was our key challenge so we set about planning an event to coincide with the opening of Fellowship applications for 2011.

The launch was held on Wednesday 3 November 2010 at the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre at the University of SA. The location was critical in terms of both being central and accessible but also to send the signal that this was an event with status. The Hawke Centre is regularly used as a venue for a number of public events of this calibre.

Due to an unpredictably high response we had to shift the event from a room designed to seat 100 to an auditorium with a capacity of 400, but still in the same building.

The program, chaired by Loris Glass, President of the SA CFA, included Winston Churchill Memorial Trust historical information from the CEO of the Trust Paul Tys; endorsement from the SA CFA Patron Lt Gov Hieu Van Le AO, who is also the Chairman of the SA Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission; experiences shared by three SA Fellows, Richard Heathcote, Maeve Downs and David Schultz; and application process details from the SA Regional Chair, Alexandra Cannon.

Throughout the program a PowerPoint loop of SA Fellows' work was scrolling behind the speakers on two very large screens. This loop had been prepared for the 2008 Adelaide National Convention and gave the audience an opportunity to see the broad scope of Fellowships.

Advertising was conducted mainly via email networks which achieved an outstanding reach across a diverse range of private, public, business, industry and community groups and netted an attendance well in excess of 200. We wait with anticipation to see if this strategy has both increased the number and quality of SA applications and improved representation from the usually harder to reach groups.

**Loris Glass**  
CFA SA Past President





## TASMANIA

It seems like only yesterday that I was sitting down to write last year's annual report from the Tasmanian Association; and yet here I am a whole year later asking myself "where did that year go?"

This year, we welcomed some fine Fellows into our Association, and whilst it is natural to focus on the plans of new Fellows and the achievements of those Fellows just returning from their trip, we should be reminded that challenge and accomplishment does not stop when our Fellowship trips are over. Indeed, it is often the beginning of a broader and valued contribution made to the community. I was reminded of this just recently when documenting a Fellow's story for our website.

Sister Valerie Burns was awarded her Churchill Fellowship in 1970 and travelled to the USA, Canada and Great Britain for a year to develop a better understanding of contemporary religious education. However, when speaking to her it was clear that the short description of her Fellowship pales against her original intention and subsequent achievements.

A Josephite nun, she says she may not have been seen to be a 'typical' Fellow – someone perhaps who may not have been expected to make a broader contribution to the community. This, she says is what gave her the inspiration and a 'fire in the belly' to apply and later leave Tasmania for New York; an undertaking that in 1970 for a nun was unheard of and considered to be quite radical. Now, in her 80s, Sister Valerie still exhibits the forward thinking, tireless community spirit and unflinching passion for her work which has delivered many successes in her field both in Tasmania and nationally. This, too, is illustrative of the diverse nature of Fellows and their interests – there simply is no 'typical' Fellow.

When speaking with her I was led to reflect on what it is to be a Fellow. It is an ongoing commitment – one that we take on with relish and Sister Valerie's 'fire in the belly' that inspires us to keep achieving and giving back long after the return from our travels. It is fortified by a sense of camaraderie and connection to a greater whole, more profound than our own individual endeavours. It echoes the inherent character of Sir Winston Churchill himself – that is, whilst we recognise that great things can be achieved individually we're all better for knowing we are part of something bigger.

Whilst the depth and breadth of the interests and vocations of our Fellows is vast, one thing is certainly common; the motivation is to achieve, not just for ourselves, but for the good of others too.

At our 2010 Annual Dinner we welcomed back our returning Fellows, Paul Johnston, Inspector Timothy Dooley, Gina Bashford, Anne Kelly and Philip Smith, and heard diverse stories from bow making in France to learning about restorative therapy for dementia patients in Canada.

So too, we heard the plans of our new Fellows:

- ∞ Dr Alice Downie will study eye banking retrieval systems in the UK and USA.
- ∞ Dr Rebecca Jones will visit Germany, France and the USA to learn techniques of the analysis of the Eucalyptus genome sequence.
- ∞ Geoff Law will travel to the USA, Japan and Slovakia to explore the challenges of temperate forests in World Heritage areas.
- ∞ Dion Lester will study land use planning approaches to facilitate urban agriculture in UK, Cuba and Canada, and
- ∞ Travis Tiddy will conduct research into post- industrial sites for community development and geo-tourism in Italy, Germany, UK and Ireland.

We also used this event to 'premier' our first short video documenting our Fellow's stories, a short piece on Dr Lyndsay McLeod; one of our



■ 2010 Fellows and 2008 / 2009 medallion recipients (BACK L–R) Timothy Dooley, Dion Lester, Governor of Tasmania, His Excellency The Honourable Peter Underwood AC, Travis Tiddy, Bradley Williams (FRONT L–R) Hilary Law (accepting for Geoffrey Law), Rebecca Jones, Alice Downie, Anne Kelly, Gina Bashford, Paul Johnston, Philip Smith



Photo: Saul Latham

■ Jabra Latham, 2006 Churchill Fellow

inaugural Churchill Fellows. It was received with much enthusiasm and so, we hope to keep up a modest programme of documenting stories to ensure our history is preserved.

But whilst we celebrated the story of one of our first Fellows, we sadly said "vale" to another. Dr Trevor Beard passed away in September and will be sadly missed as an active and vibrant part of the Tasmanian Association. His legacy lives on, however, as it was his pioneering

work on hydatid eradication that has saved lives of both people and livestock and his work in preventative medicine was both progressive and highly successful. Sadly, 2010 also saw the passing of eminent legal identity, Justice Henry Cosgrove and Dr Gradon Johnstone, one of Australia's leading plant scientists. Our Association will be poorer for their absence.

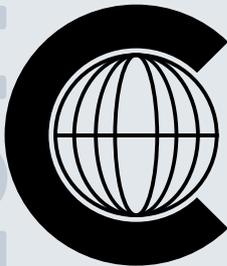
On a lighter note, the Committee worked overtime to bring a public performance of Jabra Latham, saxophonist, to Runnymede historic National Trust property; seamlessly drawing together Jabra and Fellow, Gemma Webberley. A truly world-class musical event was completely sold out with demand far exceeding the seats available. This is a testament to the high calibre of talent among our Fellows.

Of course, the Convention held in Victoria was a real highlight of the year. A small but appreciative Tasmanian contingent enjoyed the hospitality and events of the Victorian Association and look forward to journeying to Western Australia in 2012 – that will surely roll around just as swiftly as last year flew past!

So in drawing to a close I thank the Committee for their support and tireless commitment to the cause of event management and administration. This year is a year full of projects and events and I look forward to reporting on our activity next year.

**Terri Simpkin**  
President

2010-2011



## VICTORIA

During 2010 I was fortunate to meet Dr Peter Ellyard, a Futurist, who theorised that we are moving into a future social model of Spaceship Earth.

He theorised that the Spaceship Earth culture of the future will be inhabited increasingly by Cosmonauts, and less by Cowboys. He explained that the Cowboy Culture (or Modernism theory) gives priority to the nation through individualism, Autocracy and humanity against nature.

The Spaceship Earth culture on the other hand is about priority to the planet, and involves Democracy, Humanity as part of nature, sustainability and gender equality.

He explained that Cosmonauts were change agents and innovators and therefore to remain a Cowboy in a Cosmonaut 21<sup>st</sup> Century would ensure failure. He argued that societies that encourage Cowboys, and discourage Cosmonauts, were doomed.

As Dr Ellyard spoke, I could not help but reflect that The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust could be considered a part of Australia's Spaceship Earth culture program, in that by awarding Fellowships, it is

allowing our Fellows to become Cosmonauts and future leaders; to pursue innovation and encourage change for the better; and for that we should be grateful.

Early on a Sunday morning in March 2010, a group of Victorian Fellows and friends met in the foyer of the Victoria Police Academy, which leads to a truly beautiful and breathtaking chapel that can stand proudly with many similar structures throughout the world. Built from 1954 – 59, as the main campus of Corpus Christi College (seminary) of the Roman Catholic Church in Australia the Victoria Police bought the 40 acre site on 30 October 1972, and opened the Academy in 1973.

Kevin Scott MBA BA, a 2004 Fellow and Assistant Commissioner with Victoria Police currently manages the organisation's People Department. Kevin discussed his Fellowship, which was to examine how leadership development programs attain a high level of people management skills, including supportive leadership that builds community relations and achieves the organisational outcomes being sought. Afterwards Kevin provided a guide tour of the Academy and training facilities.

On 30 July 2010 we witnessed another 19 new Fellows (Cosmonauts!) be awarded 2010 Churchill Fellowships by the Governor, Dr David de



■ Kevin Scott MBA BA,  
2004 Churchill Fellow

Kretser AC. Those Fellows and guests who attended the AGM that evening received their annual fill of optimism when the new Fellows shared with us their projects and the outcomes that they planned to achieve after completing their Fellowships. We all welcomed the new Fellows, and also shared in the accomplishment of those 2009 Fellows, who having completed their investigations and obligations to the Trust by submitting their final reports, were awarded their medallions.

The AGM was also a time to thank the CFAV Committee members for their continued efforts in running the Association. Dianne Lightfoot stood down from the Committee as she has taken up a position with



■ 2010 Fellows pictured with (front row third from left) Miss Elizabeth Alexander AM - Churchill Trust National President, Mrs Jan de Kretser, Governor of Victoria, His Excellency Professor David de Kretser AC and Mr Robert Beggs AM - Chairman, Victorian Regional Committee

the World Health Organisation in Manila, and we wish her well in her new position. Congratulations to Richard Grant APM, 1996 Fellow, Past President and Treasurer of the CFAV, who has been appointed as the National Manager - Target Development & Intervention for the Australian Crime Commission in Canberra. Richard has taken a leave of absence from the Committee and Murray Ashby assumed Richard's Treasurer role. We wish Richard success in his new position. We also welcomed two new Committee members, being Xenia Hanusiak and Paula Kelly.

After this exciting and memorable day the 2010 Fellows fronted up at 9:00am on Saturday for the New Fellows' Seminar and, despite a rather late night, were full of enthusiasm and eager to hear



■ Martin Hardy, 2008 Churchill Fellow at the New Fellows Seminar

about lessons learnt by returned 2008 Fellows, Sophie Heywood, Martin Hardy, Molly Carlile and their partners.

October was an exciting month, with CFAV hosting the National Churchill Convention from Friday 22 October until Sunday 24 October 2010. The convention was well attended and warmly received, with feedback suggesting attendees enjoyed the varied locations and talented presenters.

**Shane Ringin**  
President

## 2010-2011 National Convention of Churchill Fellows - Melbourne

October 2010

Whilst camaraderie is defined as the spirit of friendly good-fellowship, a more apt description could include the Churchill Fellows' National Convention. Held in Melbourne from 22 to 24 October 2010, the immediate sense of warmth and friendship was evident from the initial Friday night reception, through to the Sunday functions.

Over 170 Fellows and their guests from Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom were most privileged to be invited to attend Government House on Friday night, where the Governor of Victoria, Professor David de Kretser AC and Mrs Jan de Kretser, welcomed the Fellows. Mr Robert Beggs AM, Chairman Victorian Regional Committee, spoke of the work of the Trust, and Dean Cox, 2005 Fellow, entertained the audience with a review of his Fellowship and a fascinating history lesson on the use of slate roofing in Australia.

Melbourne's weather reputation was reaffirmed after having enjoyed a warm and sunny Friday we awoke on Saturday to a wet and cold morning, where Churchill Fellows and partners met at the Southbank Wharf for a cruise on the Yarra River. The camaraderie was again evident as old acquaintances were renewed and new friendships developed.

As our cruise was underway, our host for the day, 2005 Fellow Dean Cox, then introduced 2007 Churchill Fellow Andrew Nixon who gave us a short talk on his subject of National Parks and Wildlife, followed



by 1992 Fellow Lou Chamberlin, who gave us some background information on our first destination, Herring Island. The weather gods were smiling on the Fellows when, shortly before we disembarked on the island for a short walk in this Environmental and Sculpture Park, the rains cleared.

On arrival back on board Fellows were treated to morning tea, which included a range of cup cakes specially made by 2008 Churchill Fellow Gregory Williams. As the cruise continued back down river to our next destination, 2000 Fellow

Penny Stoyles gave us an overview of her Fellowship and what awaited us at her workplace.

On arrival at the Scienceworks and Planetarium we experienced the highlight of the trip - a look at the museum's innovative displays, coupled with the viewing of a presentation at the Planetarium on the effect of global warming on our universe.

On our trip home we were again entertained by 2008 Fellow Greg Williams, who impressed all with his cup cake decorating. Typically Melbourne, we arrived back at Southbank at 3.30pm to brilliant sunshine.

The formal Dinner was held on Saturday night in the Jim Stynes room at the Melbourne Cricket Club. A very fitting location as Jim Stynes is a 2006 Fellow, a former professional Australian rules footballer and Chairman of Melbourne Football Club.



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Dr D. Barry Appleton OAM, 1971 Fellow and National Chairman of the Churchill Trust, spoke of the legacy of Sir Winston Churchill and the work of the Trust. Geoff Wilkinson OAM, 1985 Fellow explained how his Fellowship led to the introduction of Crime Stoppers throughout Australia. Tania de Jong AM, 1996 Fellow detailed her work with the underprivileged through song and then amazed the audience with a performance in company with her partner, Mr Jonathan Morton, which also included a cameo performance by Robert Beggs and Michael Katz.

Cricket Australia were also kind enough to schedule a limited over cricket match at the MCG between Victoria and Western Australia, which was won by WA, much to the delight of the WA contingent.

The final group event on Sunday morning saw Fellows venture back in time and enjoy a gourmet breakfast in the unique environment of the City Watch House, Old Melbourne Goal. The Watch House has been left in the exact condition of its last working day when it operated as Melbourne's central custody centre or 'holding place' for people arrested and awaiting trial from 1913 until 1994.

After escaping from the Watch House, Fellows undertook a self guided tour of Melbourne's museums and art galleries, which were hosted by the following Fellows;

- ∞ Immigration Museum - Padmini Sebastian, 2000 Fellow;
- ∞ NGV - International - Henry Gaughan, 1991 Fellow;
- ∞ Victorian Arts Centre - Janine Barrand, 1999 Fellow;



- ∞ Royal Botanic Gardens -  
Richard Barley, 1999 Fellow;
- ∞ Ian Potter Museum of Art -  
Joanna Bosse, 2009 Fellow;
- ∞ Bunjilarka, Melbourne Museum -  
Caroline Martin, 2009 Fellow
- ∞ Old Melbourne Goal -  
Diane Gardiner, 2002/1 Fellow;
- ∞ Royal Historical Society  
of Victoria - Kate Prinsley,  
2009 Fellow and
- ∞ State Library of Victoria -  
Paula Kelly, 2008 Fellow.

Yet again, the Churchill Fellows' National Convention showcased a small selection of talented individuals bonded by membership to a very special club, that of Churchill Fellowships.

The Churchill Fellows' Association Victoria would like to thank all those who donated their time and effort in the organisation of the Convention, and we look forward to the hospitality of our friends in Western Australia, when they host the 2012 Convention.

***Shane Ringin***  
**Chair 2010 National Convention Committee**





## CHURCHILL FELLOWS' ASSOCIATION

### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Eleven outstanding Western Australians were awarded Churchill Fellowships in 2010. As a Speech Pathologist, I am personally thrilled to see that there were TWO Speech Pathologists in that group. Since the inception of the Churchill Trust, a total of six Western Australian Speech Pathologists have been awarded Fellowships:

- ∞ Anne Zubrick, 1972;
- ∞ Helen Sjardin, 1996;
- ∞ Kym Elliott, 2004 and
- ∞ Helen Bolton, 2005.

For a comparatively small professional group this is a great achievement and a challenge to other similar small professions!

The Churchill Fellows' Association of Western Australia is committed to supporting new Fellows as they embark on their journey. Our *Churchill Chat* session, held immediately following the media release in July, is the Committee's first opportunity to meet newly announced Fellows and welcome them to our Association. Our thanks to Liz Healy (2008 Fellow) and Annette Thompson (2009 Fellow) for

sharing their experiences and specifically giving 'tips' to help prepare them for their Fellowship.

Our 2010 Churchill Fellows were presented with their Fellowships by the Governor of Western Australia, Dr Kenneth Michael AC at a cocktail reception at Government House on 12 August 2010. This was followed by our Annual Dinner where our new Fellows were joined by their family and friends to celebrate their achievement. This event also enabled us to showcase the achievements of previous Fellows who are awarded their Churchill Medallions.

Our guest speaker this year was Sally Burton, wife of the renowned actor Richard Burton, who died in 1984. Sally has been living in Perth since 2005 where she has a brother. In 2007 she set up the Sally Burton Award for third year acting students at WAAPA (Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts). Last year she made the decision to transfer her UK company, Onward Production, to Perth, where she has now produced and financed several shows. Sally has also set up the Richard Burton Award recognising a new play in honour of her late husband's delight in writing. Sally shared Richard's own association with Winston Churchill and delighted us with many stories about her own life and achievements.

■ 2010 Western Australian Fellows with (front) Paul Tys, CEO Churchill Trust, Mrs Julie Michael, Governor of Western Australia, His Excellency Dr Kenneth Michael AC, Governor of WA and Jane Brazier, Churchill Trust WA Regional Committee Chairperson





■ TOP: Tiffane Bates, 2009 Fellow

MIDDLE: Simon De Lestang,  
2009 Fellow

BOTTOM: Louise Cato, 2010 Fellow,  
Helen Bolton, President CFAWA and  
Claire Langdon, 2010 Fellow

Over the past few years, the CFAWA have incorporated a raffle and auction into the annual dinner event. This year Richard Apel (2008 Fellow) arranged for auctioneer Graham Murphy to oversee the bidding, which was fast and furious as various donated prizes and goods went under the hammer. These proceeds are used to support a Fellowship funded by CFAWA every 2-3 years.

In November, the 2010 Annual General Meeting and cocktail reception was held at the Association for the Blind. We are so fortunate to have the support of this Association and CEO, Dr Margaret Cowley who enable us to use these superb facilities for a number of events throughout the year. This year, 2009 Fellows – Tiffane Bates, Simon De Lestang and Julie McMorro, presented the outcomes of their Fellowships to a small, but very interested group of members. It is so rewarding to hear the impact that so many of our Fellows make in their chosen fields so soon after returning from their Fellowships.

The AGM saw our 2008-2010 President, Wendy Murray and Treasurer, Michael Coe complete their terms. Wendy and Michael have made a significant contribution to the Committee whilst holding these positions and I am thrilled to see that they are continuing on the Committee to ensure continuity for the incoming Committee of twelve members. My thanks to Wendy, Michael and all members of the CFAWA Committee for your commitment, enduring efforts and many voluntary hours of service that you dedicate to our Association.

The CFAWA Committee now has a large, diverse and energetic group who have already started preparations for the 2012 National Convention to be held in Perth. We look forward to Churchill Fellows from throughout Australia venturing to the West to meet our Fellows, enjoy our hospitality and delight in this extraordinary destination of awe-inspiring beauty and discover experiences found nowhere else on earth!

**Helen Bolton**  
President

**Name:** Natalie Hall,  
2006 Churchill Fellow

**Fellowship:** The 40th Anniversary Churchill Fellowship (WA) to compare multi-agency services provided to children and families where the child requires a forensic interview, medical examination, legal services, counselling and family support services - USA, Canada, UK, Poland, Sweden, Hong Kong

#### CHURCHILL FELLOWSHIP INSPIRES AN AUSTRALIAN FIRST

In 2006 Natalie Hall was awarded the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Churchill Fellowship in Western Australia for a research topic of significance to children and young people. Her area of research was multi-agency services for children who have been harmed. Natalie worked for the Department of Child Protection (DCP) from 1987 to 2009 in a variety of practitioner and leadership roles and in 2010 commenced with Parkerville Children and Youth Care. As a direct result of her Churchill Fellowship and the leadership of Parkerville Children and Youth Care, the Child Advocacy Centre model of service delivery has been brought to Australia.

Child Advocacy Centres (CAC) emerged in the USA during the 1980s, bringing together in one location a multi-disciplinary team of child abuse professionals for a more complete understanding of case issues and a more supportive response for children and their families. Staff and volunteers within a CAC focus on meeting the needs of a child and family in the immediate and long term, providing services that are holistic including emotional support, physical treatment, psychological help, practical services, police intervention and safety assessments. There are now over 700 CACs in the USA and internationally in Sweden, Norway, Iceland, Poland, South Africa and Israel.

The \$4 million George Jones Child Advocacy Centre was officially opened on Tuesday, 1 March 2011 by Western Australia Premier the Honourable Colin Barnett MLC MLA (pictured left). The official opening of the centre was followed by a Community and Family Day. The centre has come to fruition with the help of corporate and community philanthropy and government stakeholder agreement. The centre is named after George Jones, Chairman, Sundance Resources, former resident and current board member of Parkerville Children and Youth Care.

Natalie is very excited to see the building and model of service come to fruition. Children and young people were involved in the building design and art work and early feedback from children and families has been extremely positive - they love the décor and relaxed friendly environment at the centre. Visitors from other agencies have also been very positive commenting on the generosity of the environment and staff. Services are underway with many families self referring and seeking assistance with issues that have troubled them for some time and many have asked if there are job opportunities.

In order to develop and learn about the implementation of the CAC model in the Australian context Natalie is undertaking an evaluation of the Child Advocacy Centre in Australia as part of her doctorate research through Deakin University.



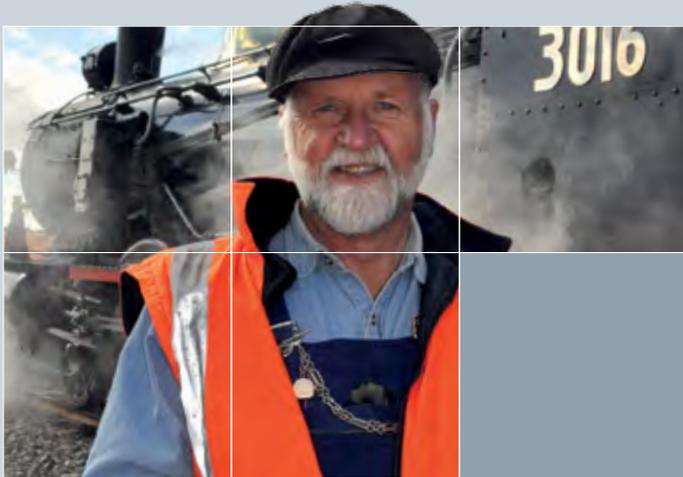
**2010**  
**CHURCHILL FELLOWSHIPS**  
**FOR OVERSEAS STUDY**



Declan Page, South Australia

Churchill Fellowships for Overseas Study in 2010 have been awarded to 101 Australians at an estimated cost of \$2.33M. This brings to 3,485 the number of Fellowships awarded since the inception of the Trust.

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## NEW SOUTH WALES

### Mr Peter ANDERSON - MORUYA

Vice President and Manager Rail Safety and Accreditation

Australian Railway Historical Society (ARHS) Inc.

*The Office for Rail Heritage (NSW) Churchill Fellowship to develop reference and guidance material to enable volunteer-run heritage rail operators to comply with the Rail Safety Act - New Zealand, USA, Canada, UK*



### Mr Timothy ANDERSON - BARDEN RIDGE

Group Manager, Fixed Assets and Infrastructure  
NSW Rural Fire Service

*To study ways of improving bushfire intelligence through the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles - Israel, Germany, Italy, UK, USA*

### Dr Vicki BITSIKA - TWEED HEADS

Associate Professor, Psychology and Behaviour Management  
Bond University

*To investigate specialised intervention technologies for children and adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder - USA, UK*



### Ms Claire BRAUND - SARATOGA

Executive Director, Women on Boards Pty Ltd

*To assess the impact of the introduction of boardroom gender quotas - Norway, France, Spain*

**Ms Michelle BROWNING - PARRAMATTA**

Senior Guardian

The Public Guardian, Department of Justice  
and Attorney General

*To investigate new models of guardianship and the  
emerging practice of supported decision making -  
Canada, UK*

**Mr Steven CALDWELL - NEWTOWN**

Teacher, Director of Online Learning (Middle School)  
MLC School

*To study programs that support young Australians to  
develop positive values in online communities - USA*

**Ms Janice CARROLL - PARRAMATTA**

Director Intensive Support Services

Department of Human Services - Community Services

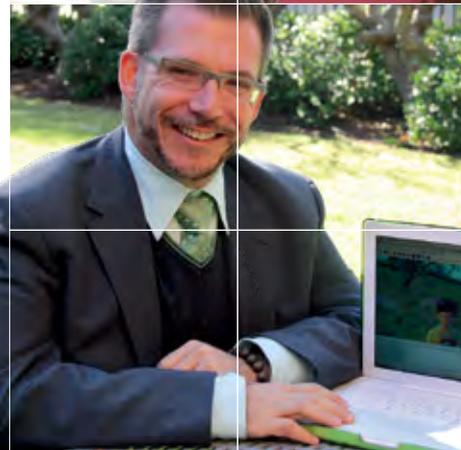
*To study models of therapeutic residential care for  
children recovering from abuse and neglect - USA, UK*

**Professor Gerry CASSIS - FOREST LODGE**

Professor of Biology

The University of New South Wales

*To study the systematics, natural history and biodiversity  
of true bugs (Heteroptera) of Australia - UK, USA*





## NEW SOUTH WALES cont'd

### Dr Bibiana CHAN - WILLOUGHBY

Research Fellow  
UNSW Research Centre for Primary Health  
Care and Equity

*To explore mental health peer-led recovery programs -  
Canada, USA*

### Ms Bernadette HALDANE - ALBURY

General Manager, HotHouse Theatre Ltd

*The Gilbert Spottiswood Churchill Fellowship to  
investigate sustainable theatre models for new work  
development and presentation - UK, Canada, USA*

### Ms Nicolette HILTON - ARMIDALE

Science Teacher, Presbyterian Ladies College

*The Northern Districts Education Centre (Sydney)  
Churchill Fellowship to study innovative practices  
that improve engagement of students in science and  
promote a positive learning culture - USA*

### Ms Judith HUNT - ROSEBERY

Hand Therapy Unit Head, Sydney Hospital

*To investigate new treatment methods and service  
models in hand therapy management of hand trauma -  
Sweden, UK*

### Dr Sean LAL - SYDNEY

Medical Doctor, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

*The Dr Dorothea Sandars Churchill Fellowship to study advanced cardiac regeneration procedures at Harvard University - USA*

### Ms Helen LOCHHEAD - PADDINGTON

Assistant Government Architect  
NSW Government Architect's Office

*The AV Jennings Churchill Fellowship to study recent models of urban regeneration that demonstrate a holistic approach to climate change and sustainability - UK, Denmark, Sweden, USA*

### Ms Louise MAJKUT - CANADA BAY

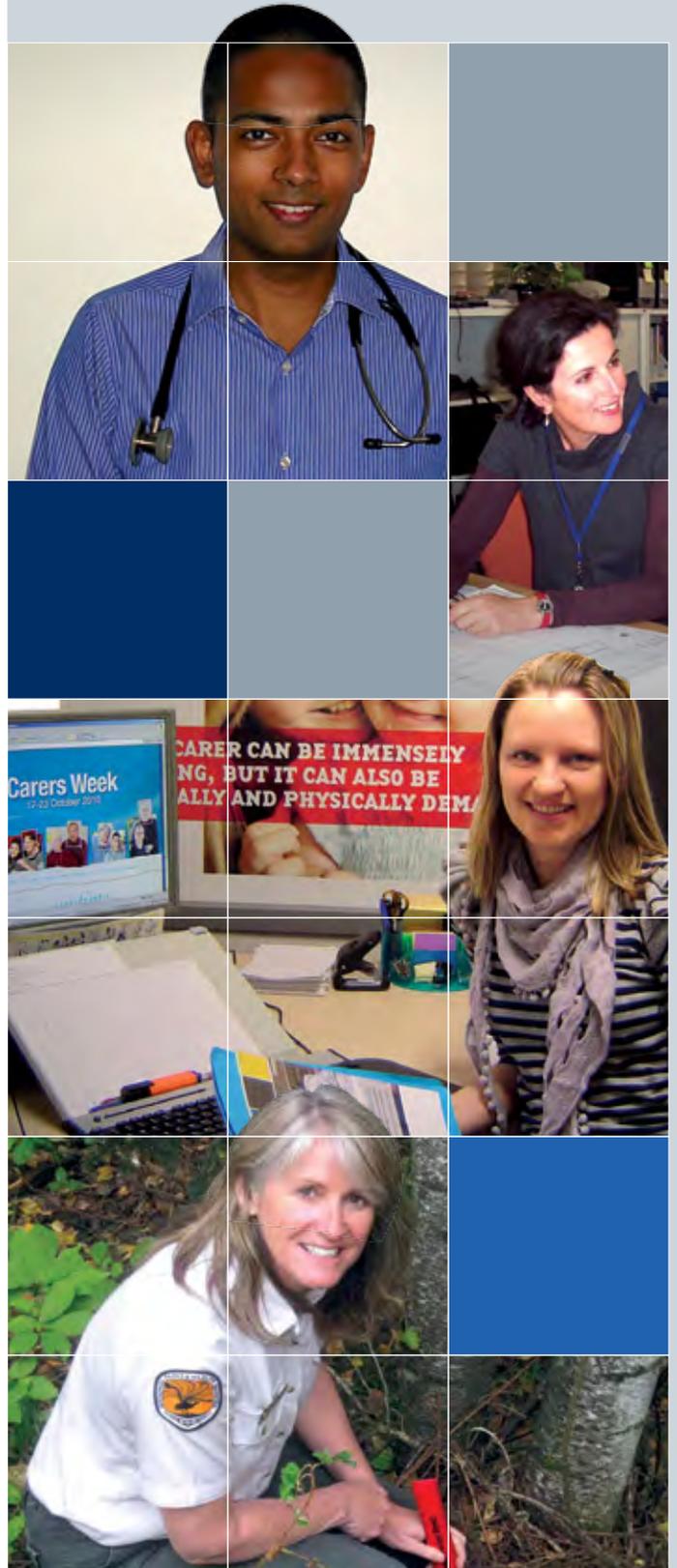
Senior Policy Officer, Ageing Disability and Homecare  
Department of Human Services

*To study respite models which promote social inclusion for people with an intellectual disability - UK, USA, Canada*

### Ms Catherine MARDELL - PORT MACQUARIE

Ranger, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

*To review methods of fuel assessment and the tools used to measure and predict the accumulation of fuels in natural landscapes - USA, Canada*





## NEW SOUTH WALES cont'd

Ms Ann McINTYRE - CRONULLA

Director, Professional Learning and  
Leadership Development  
NSW Department of Education and Training

*The Vincent Fairfax Ethics in Leadership Foundation  
Churchill Fellowship to study methods for strengthening  
teacher and school leadership capacity to improve  
student learning outcomes - UK, Finland, Canada*



Dr Sandra MEIHUBERS - NEWPORT BEACH

Dental Public Health Consultant  
Aboriginal Health Services

*To investigate the implementation of community  
based preventive dental practices in rural and remote  
Indigenous communities - Canada, Brazil*



Mr Darren MITCHELL - SYDNEY

Assistant Director, Veterans' Affairs and  
Grants Administration  
NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet

*To investigate governance and management models  
for the ongoing care of war memorials - USA, Canada,  
UK, Belgium*



Dr Brad PURCELL - RYDE

Self-employed Author

*To investigate methods to collaborate with livestock  
producers to manage wild dogs using non-lethal  
techniques - USA, UK, Poland, Botswana*

### Ms Anna ROSE - SYDNEY

Co-Director, Australian Youth Climate Coalition

*The Peter Mitchell Churchill Fellowship to research youth peer-to-peer climate change education projects - USA, China, UK*



### Ms Judy SABA - PARRAMATTA

Workplace Diversity Trainer/Coordinator  
NSW Police Force

*To undertake a comparative study of diversity skills training and human rights integration in policing organisations - USA, Lebanon, United Arab Emirates, UK*



### Mr Oliver SMITH - KIRIBILLI

Lecturer/Silversmith/Designer  
Sydney College of the Arts/Jewellery and Object Studio

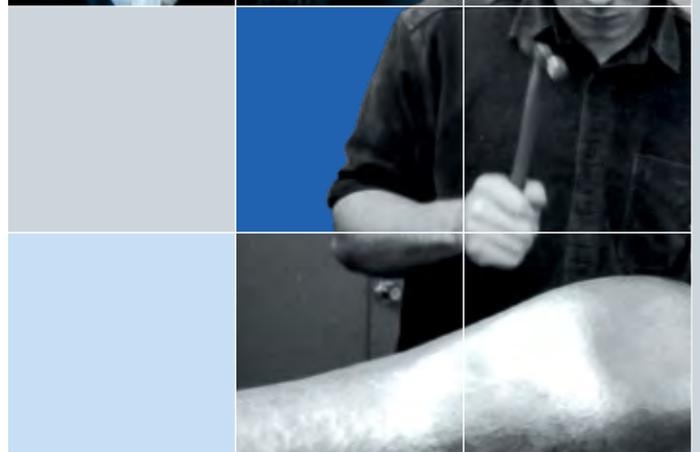
*To study the design and manufacture of cutlery - UK, Denmark, South Korea*



### Chaplain Robert SUTHERLAND - ST IVES

Army Chaplain, Department of Defence

*To study programs for recovering the spirit of combat veterans and those with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder - USA, Canada*





## NEW SOUTH WALES cont'd

Ms Clare THOMPSON - PETERSHAM

Program Coordinator  
St Vincent de Paul Society NSW

*To investigate the provision of education and settlement services for primary school refugee children and their families - UK, Norway, Denmark, USA, Canada*

Mr Grant WARGREN - BEROWRA WATERS

Manager, Learning Systems  
NSW Department of Education and Training

*To investigate new initiatives in the implementation of online learning tools in education - UK, Singapore, USA*

Ms Elizabeth WATTS - CLOVELLY

Film and Television Producer  
Porchlight Films Pty Limited

*To explore innovative production, distribution practices and content creation within independent American cinema - Canada, USA*

## VICTORIA

Ms Sarah BARTON - WINDSOR

Independent Documentary Film Maker  
Fertile Films Pty Ltd

*To research the content for a landmark documentary about the history of the disability rights movement - USA, UK*

### Ms Kate BRADY - NORTH MELBOURNE

State Coordinator, Recovery  
(Emergency Services Department)  
Australian Red Cross

*The Peter Mitchell Churchill Fellowship to study disaster recovery services following a variety of emergencies - USA, UK, China*

### Associate Professor Alexander COLLIE - MOUNT MARTHA

Associate Professor, Institute for Safety  
Compensation & Recovery Research  
Monash University

*To study the impact of compensation on health and work outcomes following injury - UK, Switzerland, Germany, Canada, USA*

### Dr Natalie de MORTON - BLACK ROCK

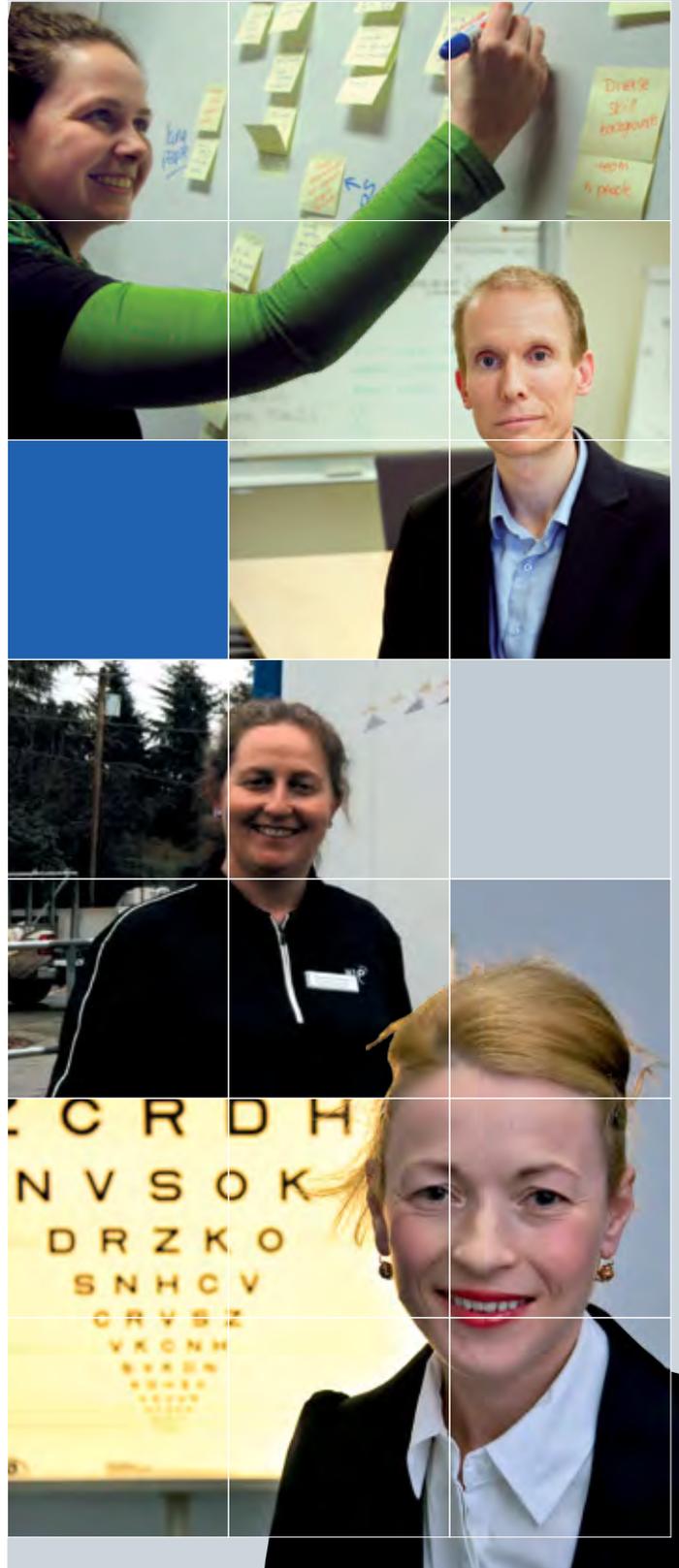
NHMRC Research Fellow and Allied Health Research Lead  
Northern Health and La Trobe University

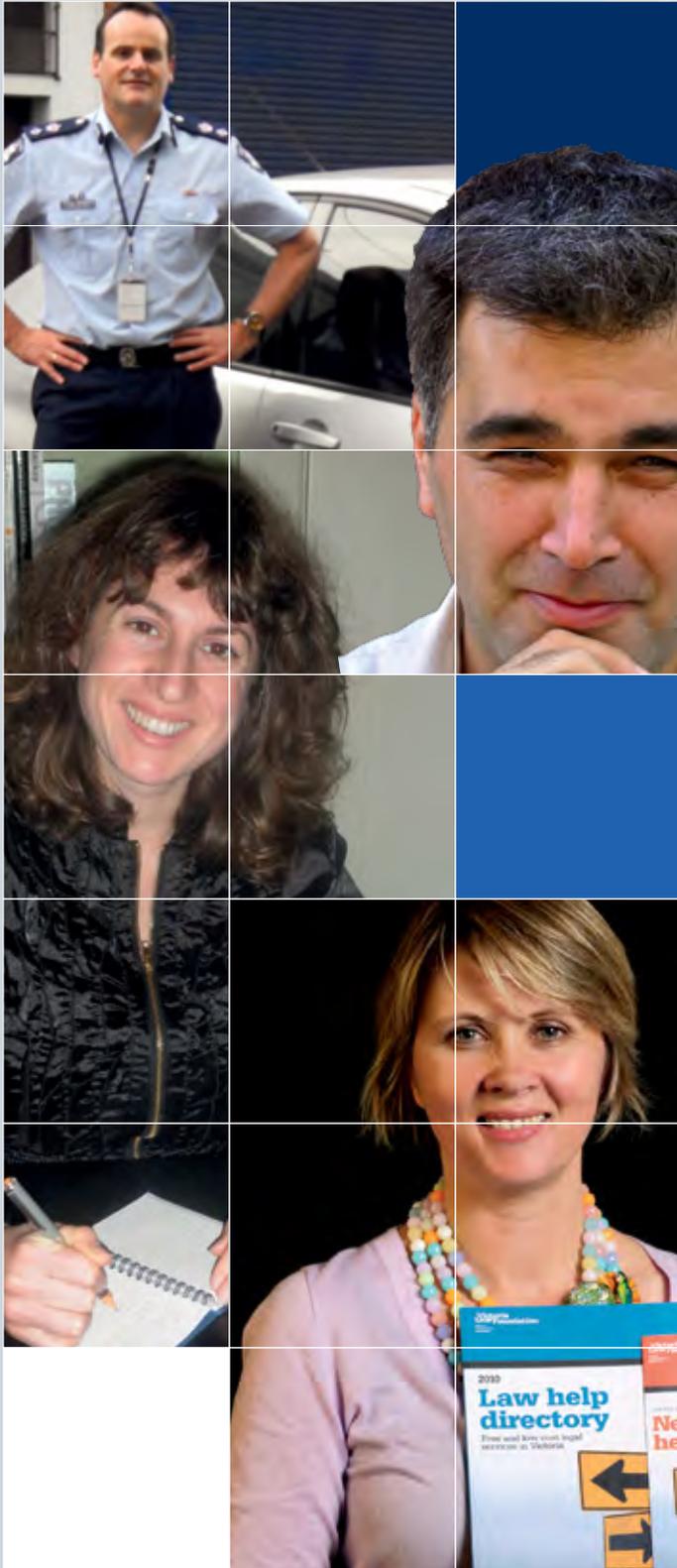
*The Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation Churchill Fellowship to study physical ageing in community dwelling older adults - USA, Canada*

### Dr Sharon HAYMES - EAST MELBOURNE

Research Fellow, Population Health Unit  
Centre for Eye Research Australia

*The Dr Dorothea Sandars and Irene Lee Churchill Fellowship to undertake research and training in the systemic review of new treatments for eye disease - UK, USA*





## VICTORIA cont'd

### Superintendent Craig HOWARD - MELBOURNE

Superintendent of Police, Victoria Police

*The Donald Mackay Churchill Fellowship to investigate techniques for regional investigators to identify and disrupt groups on the path to criminal organisation - UK, Netherlands, Canada, USA*

### Mr Kon KARAPANAGIOTIDIS - BRUNSWICK

Chief Executive Officer

Asylum Seeker Resource Centre

*To visit leading refugee organisations to ascertain strategies for advocating and supporting asylum seekers in Australia - UK, Belgium, Canada, Switzerland, Greece, USA*

### Miss Lally KATZ - KEW

Commissioned Playwright

Malthouse Theatre/Legs on the Wall/

Company B/Arena Theatre

*To gain knowledge of current German, Irish and North American playwrighting techniques and processes - Germany, Ireland, USA*

### Ms Johann KIRBY - MELBOURNE

Executive Director, Victoria Law Foundation

*To develop plain language community legal education programs by researching how these services are being effectively delivered through overseas programs - USA, Canada, UK, Portugal*

**Mr Daniel MARTIN - MALDON**

Apiary Officer/Inspector  
Victorian Department of Primary Industries

*To investigate integrated Varroa mite control for the future benefit of Australian beekeepers and farmers - USA*

**Mr Christopher POVEY - MELBOURNE**

Senior Lawyer  
PILCH Homeless Persons' Legal Clinic

*To investigate programs for sustaining the tenancies of high risk tenants - UK, USA*

**Mr Mark REEVES - MARLO**

Principal, Alpine School

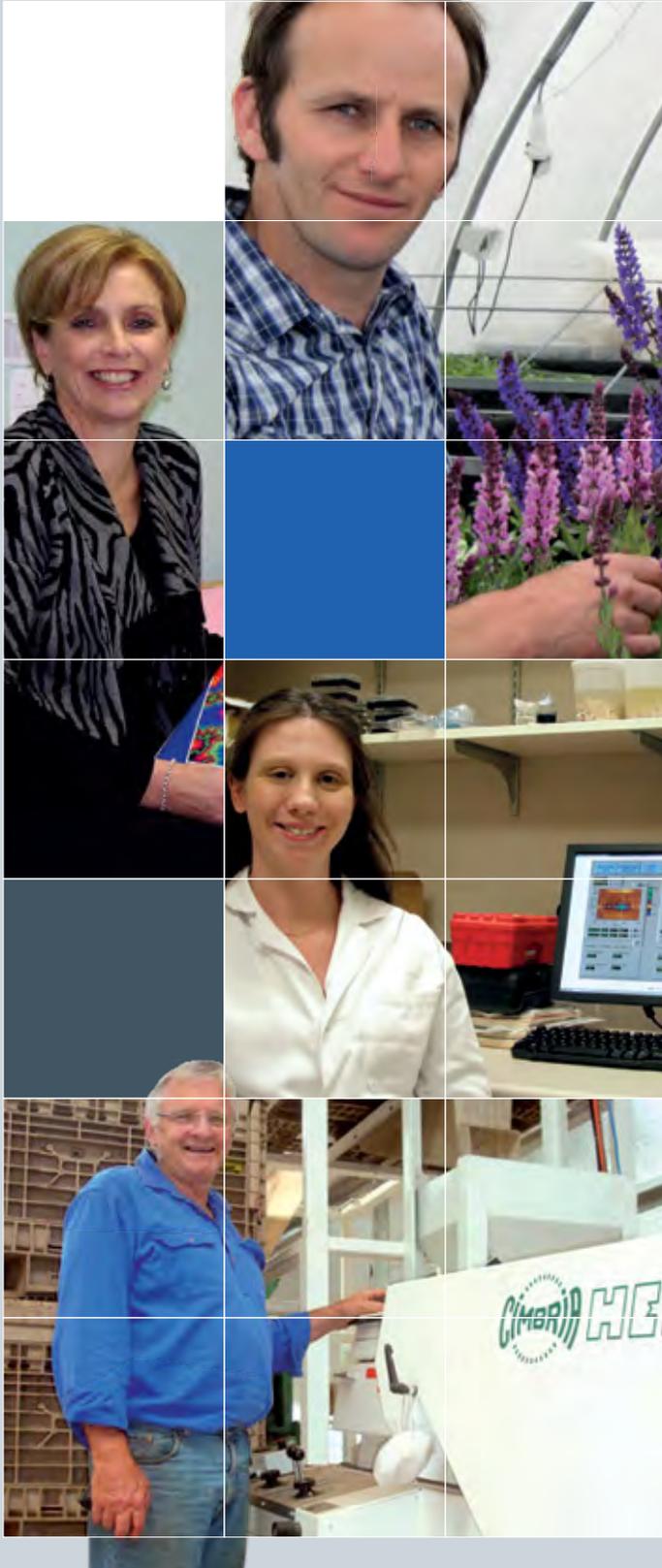
*To study approaches to the adolescent experience of a Rite of Passage in contemporary education - Canada, USA*

**Ms Michelle ROBERTS - WOODEND**

Psychologist, The Kilmore International School

*The Nancy Fairfax Churchill Fellowship to investigate strategies that contribute to creating a classroom environment where school aged children who have experienced emergencies and disasters are able to maintain their social, emotional and academic trajectories – USA, Israel*





## VICTORIA cont'd

Mr Marcus RYAN - MOUNT WARRENHEIP

Nursery Manager, Lambley Nursery Pty Ltd

*To investigate landscaping practices and plant selection for ornamental horticulture within dry climates - UK, Spain, Greece, Cyprus, Netherlands, France*

Mrs Susan SALAU - GRETA

Policy Manager, Palliative Care Victoria

*The Dr Dorothea Sandars and Irene Lee Churchill Fellowship to explore leading palliative care volunteer service models to ensure volunteer service and resource development in Australia is sustainable - Singapore, UK, Canada*

Dr Susannah TYE - BURWOOD

Lecturer, Deakin University

*To study the development of subsecond neurotransmitter monitoring techniques for behavioural research and neurosurgical procedures - USA*

Mr Lincoln WEDDELL - LANCEFIELD

Managing Director, Magnus Kahl Seeds Pty Ltd

*To investigate world production of vegetable seeds within the framework of possible widespread shortages - USA, France, Netherlands, South Africa*

### Mr Dennis WITCOMBE - RESERVOIR

Interpreter, Able Australia

*The Jack Brockhoff Foundation Churchill Fellowship to research advanced communication for the Deafblind community - USA, Finland*

### Mr Clancy WRIGHT - CARLTON

Youth Strategy Officer, Australian Drug Foundation

*The Sir William Kilpatrick Churchill Fellowship to study methods for initiating cultural change regarding alcohol consumption - UK, Ireland, Sweden*

## QUEENSLAND

### Acting Inspector Corey ALLEN - BRISBANE

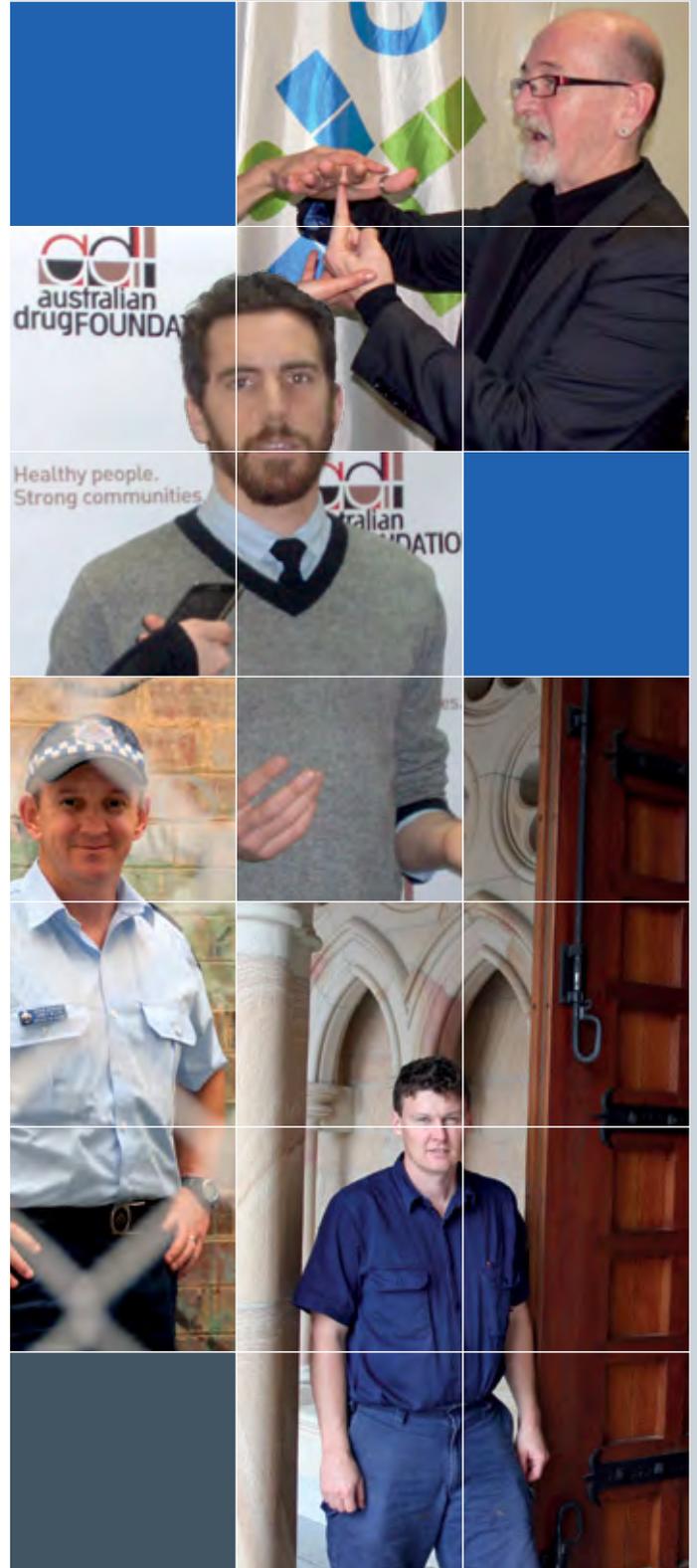
Officer in Charge City Police, Queensland Police Service

*The Dorothy and Brian Wilson Churchill Fellowship to identify and improve methods of engaging, diverting and responding to youth who are homeless or sleeping rough in urban environments - UK, Ireland, USA, New Zealand*

### Mr Jonathon BARNES - ARANA HILLS

Self-employed Builder

*To study timber conservation and repair techniques - UK*





## QUEENSLAND cont'd

Senior Sergeant Leslie BULLUSS -  
THURSDAY ISLAND

Police Officer, Queensland Police Service

*To research culturally appropriate Indigenous  
community policing models - USA, Canada*

Dr Jayne CLAPTON - AUCHENFLOWER

Head of School, Human Services & Social Work  
Griffith University

*To investigate sustainable outcomes for students of  
low socio-economic backgrounds in Australian higher  
education - Netherlands, UK, Ireland, Finland*

Ms Marilyn CONNELL - TIARO

Environmental Consultant, Tiaro Plants

*The James Love Churchill Fellowship to research  
endangered river turtle conservation projects and  
enterprises that are community based and multi-  
faceted - Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Brazil*

Ms Carmel COOPER - THE GAP

Advisory Teacher, School Transition Officer  
Department of Education and Training

*To study teacher professional development in the  
transition from school for students with a disability - USA*

### Mr Boyd CURRAN - LONGREACH

Chief Executive Officer, Beyond Billabong

*To study programs for empowering disadvantaged Indigenous youth to improve life choices and employment opportunities - USA, Canada, UK, New Zealand*

### Ms Susan FISHER - ST LUCIA

Director Queensland  
Australia Business Arts Foundation

*To study methods for stimulating private sector support for the arts in a challenging economic environment - USA, Canada, UK, Ireland*

### Mrs Melissa FORBES - TOOWOOMBA

Lecturer in Contemporary Voice/  
Professional Support Lawyer  
University of Southern Queensland/  
Clifford Gouldson Lawyers

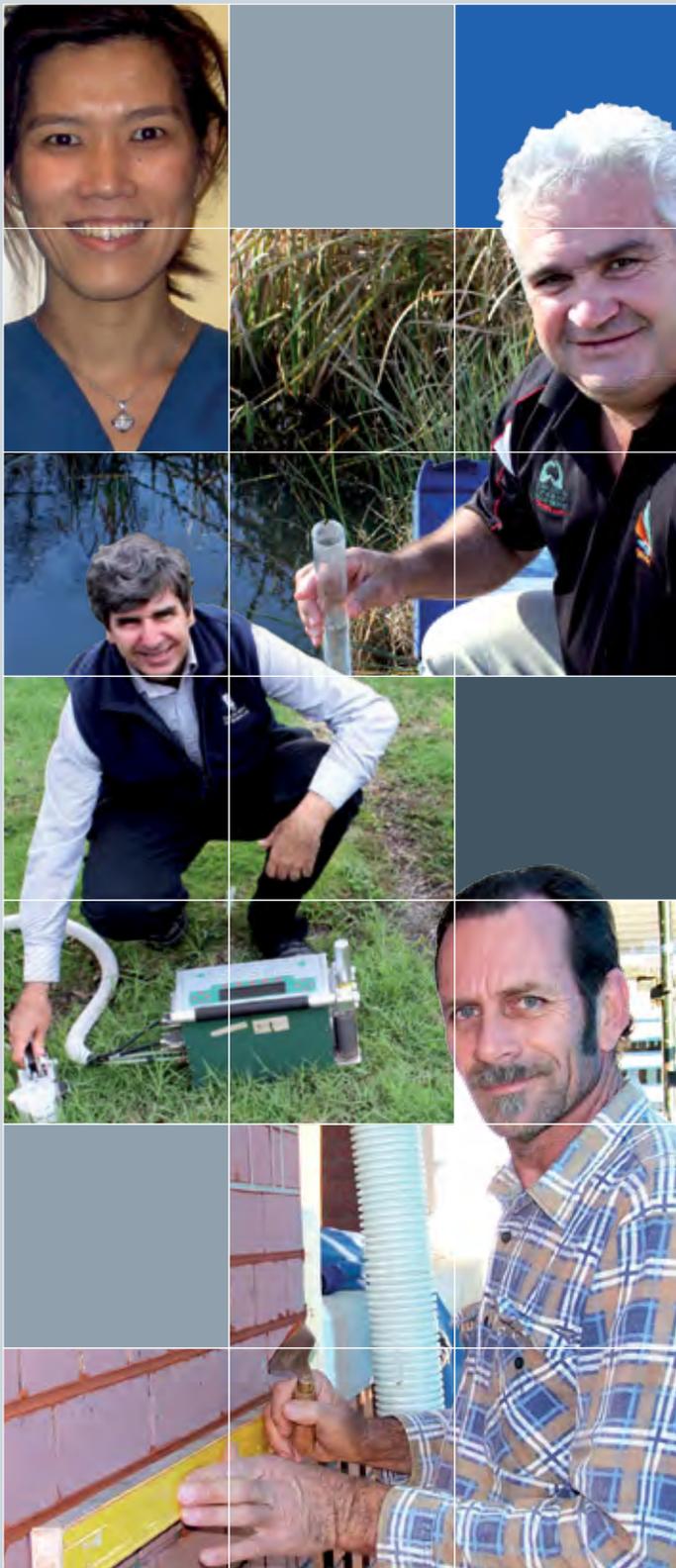
*The Dr Dorothea Sandars and Irene Lee Churchill Fellowship to attend the Vocal Pedagogy Institute at Shenandoah Conservatory and intern with Robert Edwin and Jeanette Lovetri - USA*

### Miss Michelle GIBB - EATONS HILL

Wound Management Nurse Practitioner  
Queensland University of Technology

*The Bob and June Prickett Churchill Fellowship to explore how a multidisciplinary wound care model could enhance wound healing services in Australia - Denmark, UK*





## QUEENSLAND cont'd

### Dr Janet HUANG - FAIRFIELD

Head, Neck and Microsurgical Reconstruction Fellow  
Princess Alexandra Hospital

*To study advanced techniques in reconstructive surgery particularly relating to head, neck and breast cancer and tissue transplantation - USA*

### Mr Timothy KNOX - WILSONTON HEIGHTS

Regional Coordinator - Aboriginal Program  
Queensland Murray Darling Committee

*To study the management of cultural and natural resources by Aboriginal people - USA*

### Dr Christopher LAMBRIDES - SHERWOOD

Senior Research Fellow, University of Queensland

*The Samuel and Eileen Gluyas Churchill Fellowship to study novel breeding techniques for tropical forage and turf grasses - Columbia, Brazil, USA, Japan*

### Mr Maurice POTRZEBA - SALISBURY

Self-employed Bricklayer

*To study historic pointing, mortars, gauged arches and niche construction to facilitate the correct preservation of historical buildings - UK*

### Ms Francesca SAVIGE - WEST END

Actor, Bell Shakespeare Company

*To study Shakespeare in community theatre under the mentorship of Janet Buckland and Ubom! Drama Company - South Africa*

### Mr Jason SPROTT - COOMERA

Manager Planning, Port of Brisbane Corporation

*To study sustainable seaport design, development and operation - Singapore, China, UK, Netherlands, USA, Canada*

### Miss Christina WATERSON - HIGHGATE HILL

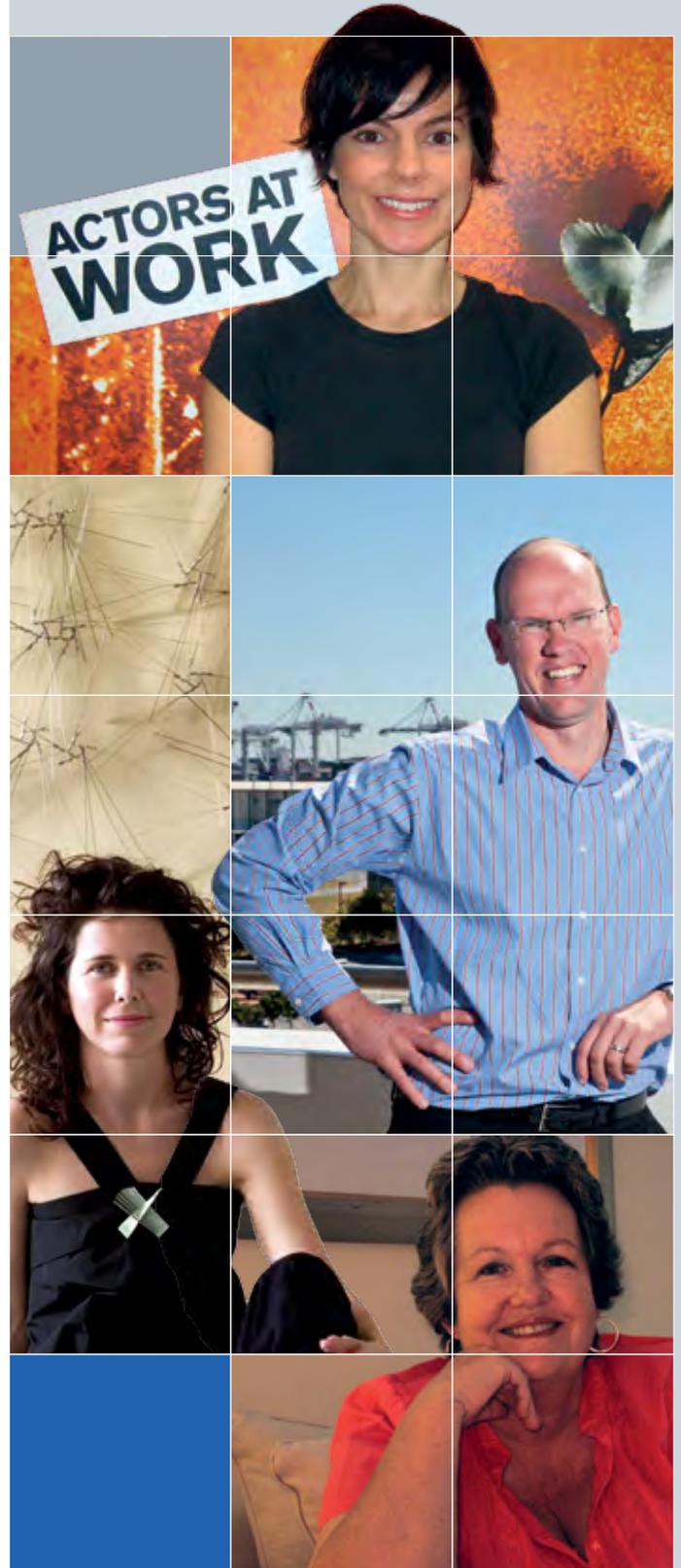
Self-employed Artist and Designer

*To study the origins of patterns and their relation to 3Dimensional spaces and objects - Japan, China, Turkey*

### Mrs Merran WILLIAMS - BUDERIM

Nurse

*The Jeannie Ferris, National Centre for Gynaecological Cancers Consumer Churchill Fellowship to investigate strategies used to help women diagnosed with ovarian cancer in terms of 'survivorship' - USA*





## QUEENSLAND cont'd

Ms Sarah-Grace WILLIAMS - WEST END

Conductor and Lecturer  
Queensland, Tasmanian, West Australian and Adelaide  
Symphony Orchestras

*The Stuart and Norma Leslie Churchill Fellowship to undertake lessons and assist renowned conductors and leading European and American Orchestras - UK, Germany, Russia, Ukraine, Norway, USA*



## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Ms Maxine ASHTON - MILE END

Project Manager  
Central Northern Adelaide Health Service

*To investigate international approaches that effectively help people with mental illness to quit tobacco - USA, Canada*

Ms Dianne CHARTRES - DULWICH

Consulting Executive, Office of the Public Advocate  
Attorney-General's Department

*To investigate Supported Decision Making practices, capacity building strategies and other alternatives to full guardianship - Canada, UK, Ireland, Hungary, India*



Mr Bernard FITZSIMONS - EDWARDSTOWN

General Manager  
Northern Advanced Manufacturing Group (NAMIG) Inc.

*The Phyllis Primrose Whyte Churchill Fellowship to optimise industry and tertiary partnerships to maximise outcomes from Project Based Learning in schools - USA, Canada*

### Dr Sean MILLER - MOUNT GAMBIER

Senior Consultant - Agricultural Development  
Primary Industries and Resources SA

*The Jack Green Churchill Fellowship to identify opportunities to support Australian cattle exports to cold climates - Canada, USA*

### Dr Declan PAGE - NORWOOD

Senior Research Scientist, CSIRO Land and Water

*To assess natural treatment systems for Australian applications in water supply and water recycling - United Arab Emirates, Germany, USA*

### Ms Allison RUSSELL - GOODWOOD

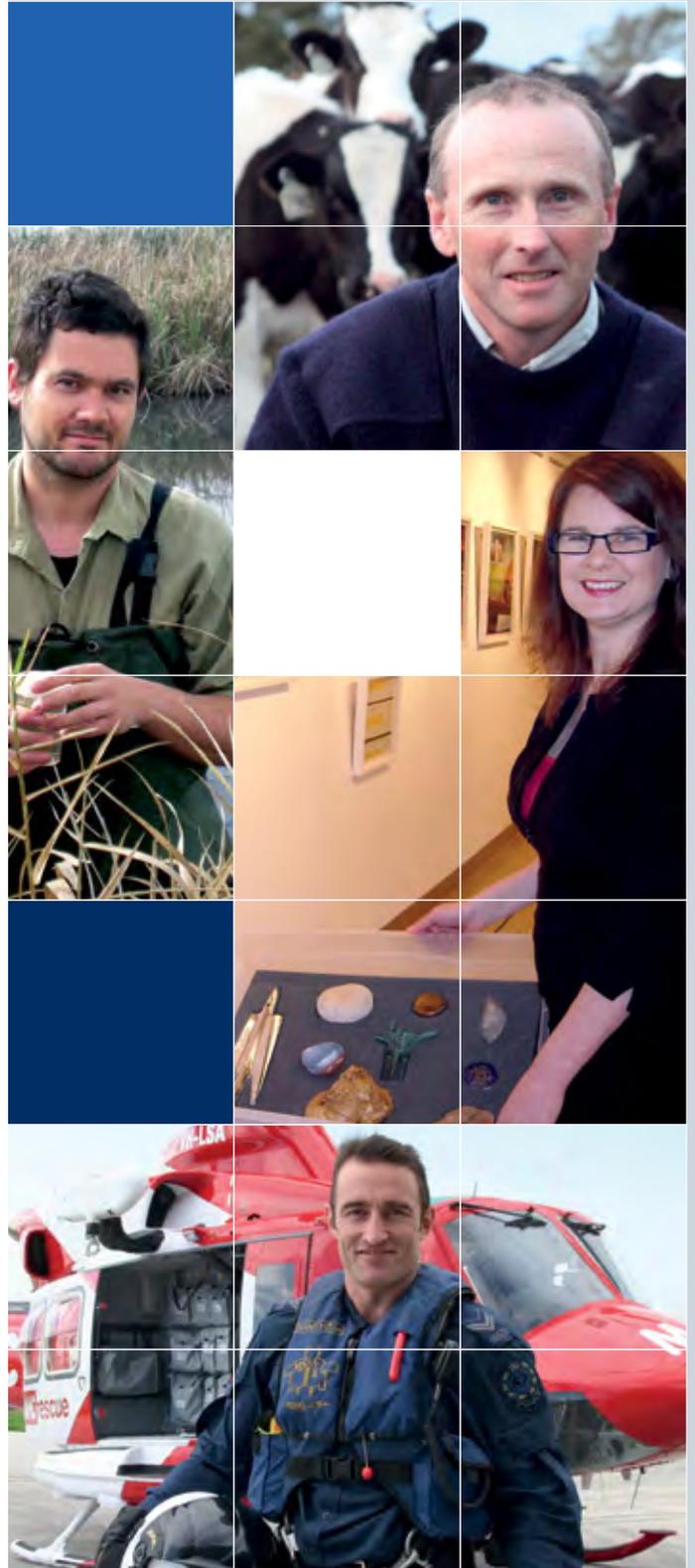
Senior Community History Officer, History SA

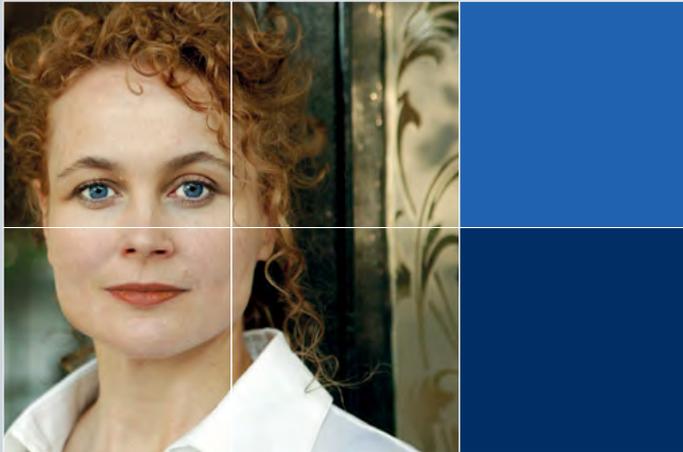
*The Churchill Fellows' Association of South Australia Churchill Fellowship to study innovative museum outreach programs which respond to community needs - UK*

### Brevet Sergeant David SCUTCHINGS - NETLEY

Police Officer, South Australia Police

*To explore the use of innovative airborne policing methods to reduce death and serious injury on rural roads - USA, UK*





## SOUTH AUSTRALIA cont'd

Ms Gabriella SMART - MALVERN

Self-employed Artistic Director/Pianist/Educator

*The Dame Roma Mitchell Churchill Fellowship to analyse aspects of artistic direction in music which positively influence audience engagement and education - UK, Netherlands, Belgium, Canada, China*

Mr Daniel SMITH - SEAFORD

Project Manager

Business SA (SA Young Entrepreneur Scheme)

*To examine entrepreneurial programs with the aim of identifying areas that can be applied to Australian programs - USA, UK*



## WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Ms Louise CATO - CLAREMONT

Senior Speech Pathologist/Case Coordinator

State Head Injury Unit of WA

*To investigate community support and advocacy services for those living with communication impairment following Acquired Brain Injury - UK, Netherlands, USA, Canada*

Ms Wendy CLINCH - PORT HEDLAND

Chief Executive Officer

Wirraka Maya Health Service

*To investigate the application of international holistic models of Aboriginal health services provided in remote communities - USA, Canada*



### Mr Danny DEUTSCHER - KENSINGTON

Regional Coordinator Vocational Education Program  
INSTEP West

*The Park Family Churchill Fellowship to identify factors influencing young people in making career decisions relating to apprenticeships - UK, USA*

### Dr Paul DOUGHTY - WELSHPOOL

Curator of Herpetology, Western Australian Museum

*The Australian Biological Resources Study Churchill Fellowship to examine Australian specimens which will result in a large number of new species descriptions of frogs and reptiles, particularly geckos - UK, USA*

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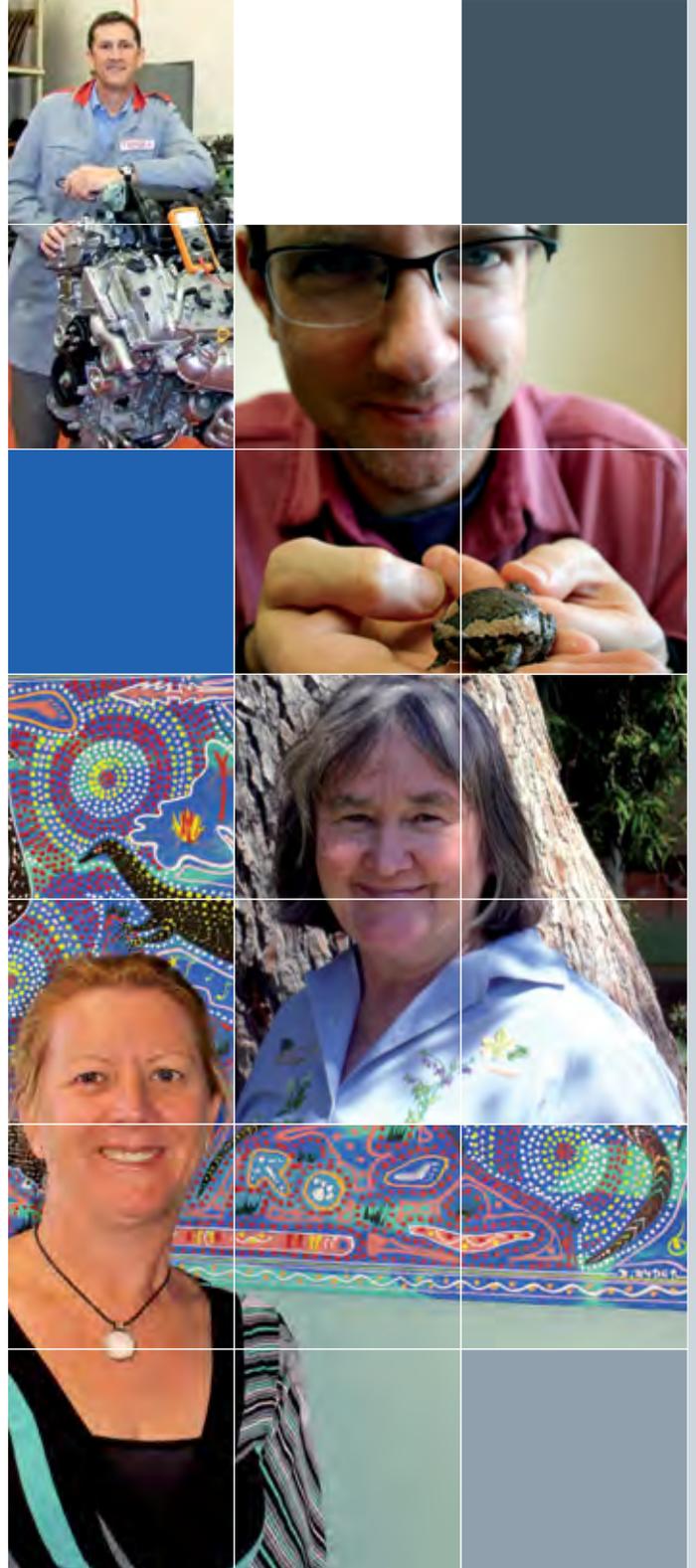
Primary School Teacher  
WA Department of Education and Training

*To study intergenerational, cross-cultural participation in global child centred environmental projects - New Zealand, USA, UK, Brazil*

### Ms Vicki JACK - KARRATHA

Director Schools/District Director, Pilbara  
Department of Education

*The Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation Churchill Fellowship to explore models of educational delivery that are encompassing and respectful of cultural obligations specifically related to rural and remote Indigenous communities - USA, Canada, Sweden*





## WESTERN AUSTRALIA cont'd

### Ms Julie JACKSON - PERTH

SIC Family Court Services and Childrens Court  
Protection Services  
Legal Aid WA

*The WA Department for Child Protection Churchill Fellowship to study methods to achieve an integrated and collaborative approach to improve services for children and their families where there are child welfare concerns - New Zealand, USA, Canada, UK*

### Ms Veronica LAKE - FREMANTLE

English Teacher, Applecross Senior High School

*To visit theatre companies and investigate their educational programmes for connecting Shakespeare to young people in the classroom situation - UK, Canada*

### Dr Claire LANGDON - MOUNT PLEASANT

Senior Dysphagia Specialist/Research Coordinator,  
Speech Pathology  
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

*To study the use of stimulation devices to improve function in people with eating, drinking and swallowing impairments - South Korea, Netherlands, France, UK, USA*

### Mr Timothy ROBERTON - SWAN VIEW

Self-employed Community Development Coordinator  
Grassroots Strategies

*To study the innovative community music and disability activities of L'Association Nationale Ressource Musique et Handicap - France*

### Mr Jamie WOOD - WILLETTON

Senior Physiotherapist for Cystic Fibrosis and  
Bronchiectasis  
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

*To study physiotherapy techniques for people with Cystic  
Fibrosis and Bronchiectasis - UK, Sweden, Belgium*

## TASMANIA

### Dr Alice DOWNIE - RELBIA

Medical Practitioner  
Australian General Practice Training - Victorian  
Metropolitan Alliance

*The Bob and June Prickett Churchill Fellowship to  
study eye banking retrieval systems for the purposes  
of corneal transplantation - UK, USA*

### Dr Rebecca JONES - DULCOT

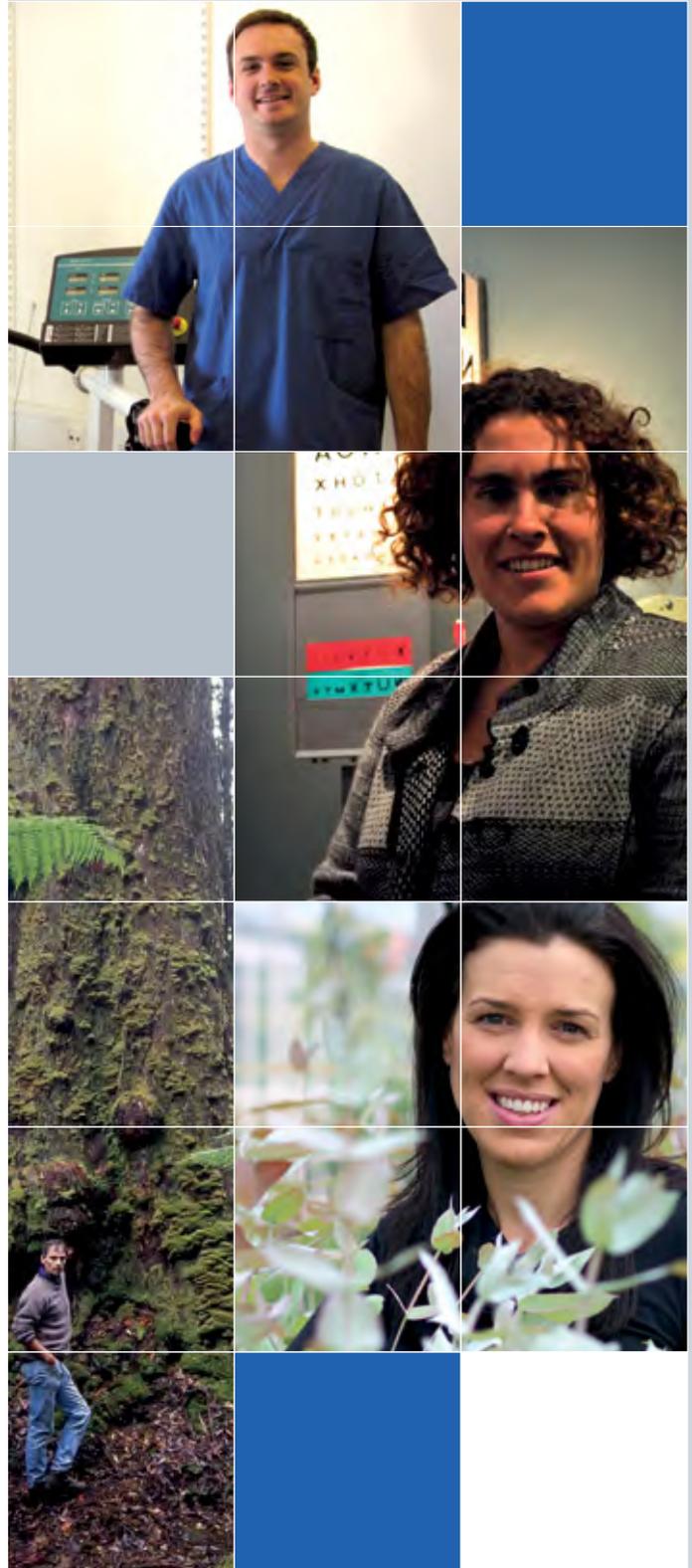
Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Tasmania

*To visit centres of Eucalyptus research to learn  
techniques for the analysis of the Eucalyptus genome  
sequence - Germany, France, USA*

### Mr Geoffrey LAW - DYNMYRNE

Conservationist, Environment Tasmania

*To explore the challenges facing temperate forests  
in World Heritage Areas - USA, Japan, Slovakia*





## TASMANIA cont'd

Mr Dion LESTER - SOUTH HOBART

Land Use Planner, Pitt & Sherry

*To investigate land use planning approaches for the establishment and facilitation of urban agriculture - UK, Cuba, Canada*

Mr Travis TIDY - QUEENSTOWN

Self-employed Oral Historian/Designer/  
Interpretation Consultant

*The Gallaugher Bequest Churchill Fellowship to conduct research into post-industrial sites for community development and geo-tourism opportunities - Italy, Germany, UK, Ireland*

## AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Dr Amber BEAVIS - COOK

Visiting Fellow, The Australian National University

*The Australian Biological Resources Study Churchill Fellowship to undertake training in integrative taxonomy as it applies to the Araneae - USA*

Mr William CADDEY - FISHER

Physical Activity Project Officer  
Heart Foundation (ACT Division)

*To investigate how communities promote and support walking as a viable option for health, transport and recreation - Netherlands, Belgium, UK, Spain, Canada*

### Mr John HELGESEN - WARAMANGA

Fire Fighter, ACT Fire Brigade

*The David Balfour Churchill Fellowship to study methods used in the decontamination of fire fighters' protective clothing and equipment - Japan, USA, UK, Switzerland, Germany*

### Ms Elizabeth KELLY - MITCHELL

Artist, Studio Tangerine

*To investigate the design and manufacture of cast glass in architecture and public art - Netherlands, UK, USA, Mexico*

### Dr Kelly RICHARDS - CANBERRA

Research Analyst

Australian Institute of Criminology

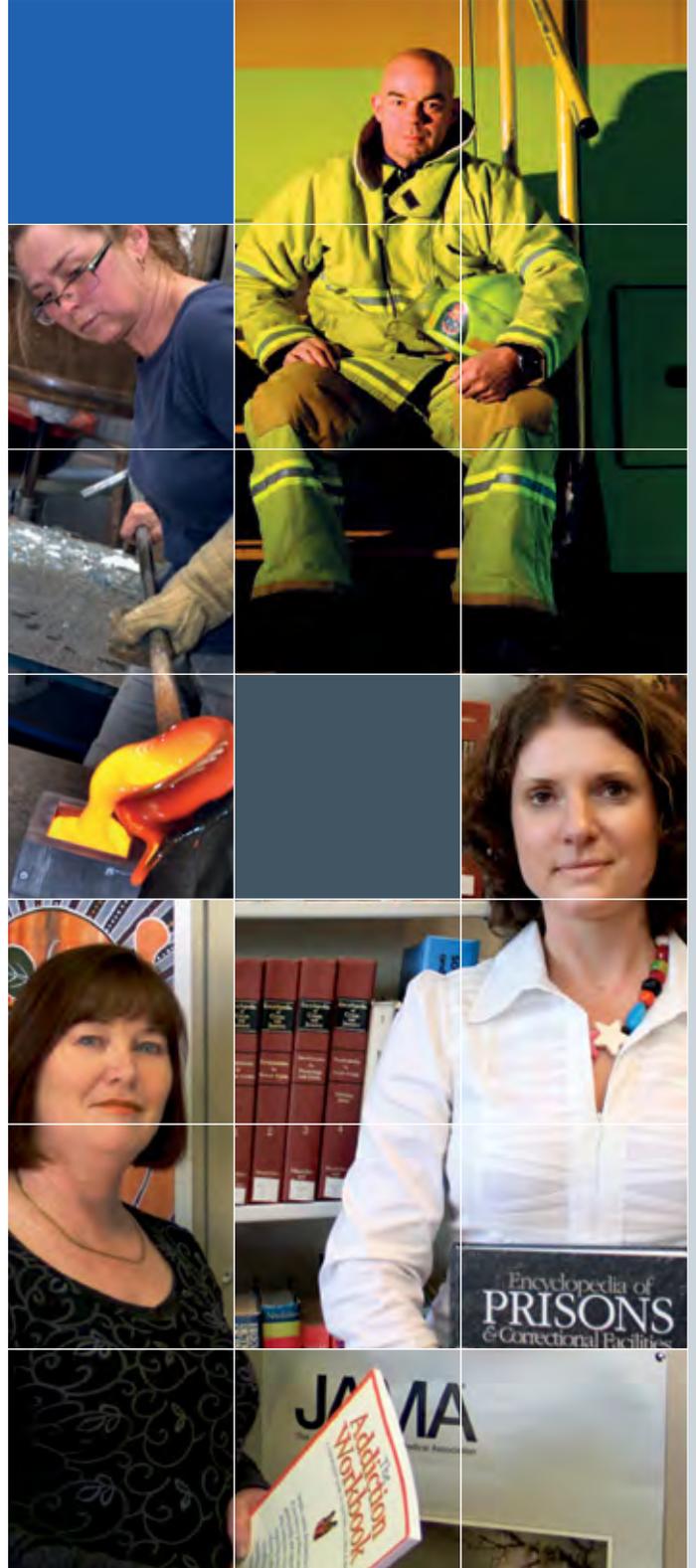
*The ACT Government Audrey Fagan Churchill Fellowship to investigate the potential of Circles of Support and Accountability to prevent child sexual abuse in Australia - Canada, USA, UK*

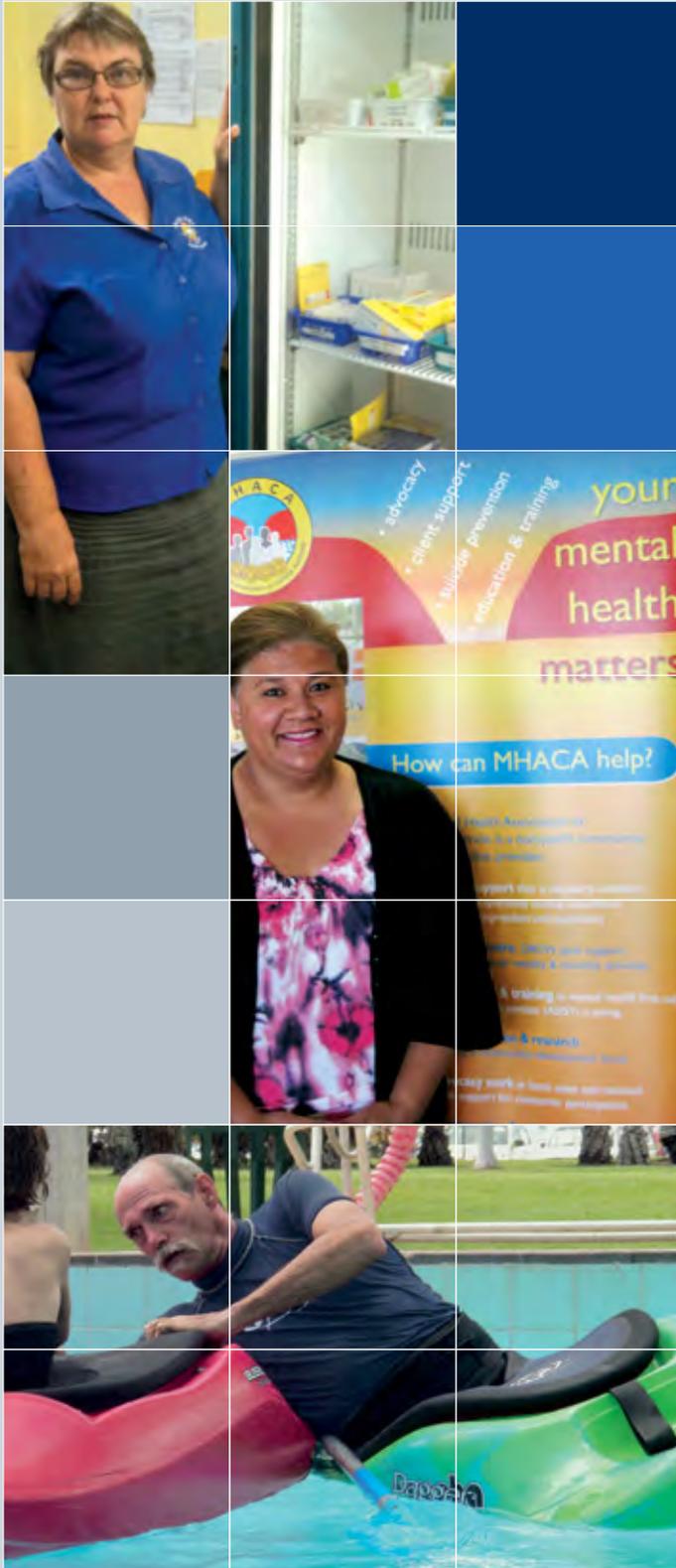
### Mrs Jane SHELLING - GARRAN

Librarian - Manager, National Drugs Sector Information Service

Alcohol and other Drugs Council of Australia (ADCA)

*To assess methods for providing professional information to community based alcohol and other drug workers - UK, USA, Canada*





## NORTHERN TERRITORY

Ms Elizabeth AMEGA - COCONUT GROVE

Renal Public Health Nurse

Danila Dilba Biluru Butji Binnilutlum Health Service

*To study advance practice nursing for chronic kidney disease clients in primary health care - Ghana, Ireland, Cuba*

Mrs Claudia MANU-PRESTON - ILPARPA

General Manager

Mental Health Association of Central Australia

*To investigate homelessness models of housing and support for people with a mental illness - UK, Italy, Canada, USA*

Mr Brenton PEDLER - MILLNER

Teacher, Alternative Education Provision

Department of Education and Training

*To investigate alternative education programs particularly how their successful outcomes are measured - USA, Canada, Denmark, UK*

Miss Penny SMALLACOMBE - NIGHTCLIFF

Documentary Producer/Freelance  
Top End Aboriginal Bush Broadcasting Association

*To investigate the structures and language maintenance programming of international Indigenous media organisations - Norway, Canada*

## EXTERNAL TERRITORIES

Mrs Pauline REYNOLDS-BARFF – NORFOLK ISLAND

Manager, Aatuti Art Gallery

*To study material culture created by the Polynesian women who settled on Pitcairn Island in 1789 – New Zealand, USA, UK, Norway*



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