



October 2011

ACT Churchill Fellows' Annual Dinner

On 31 August the ACT Churchill Fellows Association held their annual dinner, with over 100 current and past Fellows, National Churchill Office staff, family members, friends and supporters attending to acknowledge and welcome seven new Churchill Fellows for 2011. ACT Churchill Fellows Association President Helen Walker, CEO Paul Tys, and each of the new Fellows addressed the audience, with each highlighting the diversity of Fellows' endeavours.

A ceremony was held prior to the dinner, held for the first time this year at the Commonwealth Club, at which new Fellows were congratulated on their achievement by Her Excellency, the Governor-General of Australia, Ms Quentin Bryce. Seven returned Fellows also received medallions signaling the completion of their Fellowships from the Governor-General.

The raffle held on the night was also a success, with a number of previous and current Fellows kindly donating prizes for the evening. Many thanks to David Pang, Berendina de Ruyter, Will Fargher, Jane Crick, AnneMarie White, Holly Northam, Peter Minson, Wilma Davidson and Peter Halsey for their generosity.



2011 ACT Churchill Fellows

Congratulations to this year's Churchill Fellows:

Ms Susan BEATON, National Advisor on Suicide Prevention for Lifeline Australia, received the ACT Government Audrey Fagan Churchill Fellowship to investigate alternative models of care for suicide crisis support in the UK, Norway, Switzerland, Canada, and the USA.

Mr Larry BRANDY, Recruitment and Community Engagement Officer at the Australian National University received a Churchill Fellowship to investigate strategies for increasing the number of Indigenous students at universities in the USA, Canada, and New Zealand.

Mr Matthew LENDRUM, Arts Administrator for the Canberra Symphony Orchestra, received a Churchill Fellowship to study methods for engaging children and young people with symphonic music in the USA, the UK and Germany.

Mrs Megan NUTT, Nurse Care Coordinator at the Head and Neck Cancer Capital Region Cancer Service received the Mr and Mrs Gerald Frank New Churchill Fellowship to examine advanced practice nursing roles in survivorship care planning for head and neck cancer patients in Canada and the USA.

Mr David PANG, Manager Imaging Services and Digital Asset Management at the National Gallery of Australia received a Churchill Fellowship to study digitisation and colour management techniques for cultural institutions in Singapore, France, the UK and the USA.

Mrs Catriona TONACIA of the Australian Federal Police, received a Churchill Fellowship to study methods for eradicating the stigma and misconceptions surrounding Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in the UK, the USA and Canada.

Dr Haylee WEAVER, a Research Officer at the Australian National University, received the Australian Biological Resources Study Churchill Fellowship to clarify the taxonomy and systematics of acanthocephalan parasites of Australian tropical marine fish in Chile, Mexico and the UK.

The ACT Churchill Fellows' Association wishes the 2011 Fellows all the best of luck. We look forward to hearing about your endeavours on your return.

Medallion recipients

Congratulations also to this year's Medallion recipients:

- Mr Bill Caddey, 2010 Churchill Fellow
- Ms Rowan Harvey-Martin, 2009 Churchill Fellow
- Ms Elizabeth Kelly, 2010 Churchill Fellow
- Dr Kelly Richards, 2010 Churchill Fellow
- Mrs Jane Shelling, 2010 Churchill Fellow
- Ms AnnMarie White OAM, 2007 Churchill Fellow
- Ms Josephine Alchin, 2009 Churchill Fellow

You may catch one of these returned Fellows describing their journeys at an upcoming Churchill Chat!

Churchill Chat (Friday 28 October 2011)

You are cordially invited to attend the ACT Churchill Fellows' Association's next Churchill Chat on Friday 28 October 2011 at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Wine, tea, coffee and light refreshments will be provided (there is a \$5.00 charge to cover costs).

Two ACT Fellows will share their fascinating projects:

- Pat Jones will provide an update on what has happened in the area of fire investigation since his return.
- Peter Halsey will share what he learned about technologies and systems used to support the hearing impaired on his travels in 2009.

Please bring your friends and family along!!

**Next Churchill chat
Friday 28 October 2011
Speakers
Pat Jones & Peter Halsey
St John XXIII College, ANU
Daley Rd (near Clunies Ross Street)
(Enter through main door and follow signs)**

*****RSVP by 21 October to CFA Secretary Courtney
Page-Allen: courtneypageallen@gmail.com*****

**Drinks on the House
Join us in celebrating the end of another successful
and inspiring year in the Churchill Fellows
community. Drinks on the House will be held again
this year on Friday 2 December, from 5.00pm to
7.00pm at Churchill House, ANU.**

**Friends and family are welcome, and there is no
cost for this event.**

*****RSVP (by 25 November) to Courtney Page-Allen:
courtneypageallen@gmail.com*****

New ACT Churchill Fellows' Association Committee elected

A new ACT Churchill Fellows' Association Committee was elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which was also held during the Annual Dinner.

Congratulations to the following Fellows, who will comprise the Association's Committee for 2011-12:

- Helen Walker – President
- Courtney Page-Allen – Secretary
- Chris Clarke – Treasurer
- Kelly Richards - Newsletter coordinator
- Bill Caddey - Website coordinator
- Peter Halsey – Committee member
- Rowan Harvey-Martin – Committee member
- Peter Minson – Committee member
- Doug Wright – Committee member
- Jo Slattery – Committee member
- Wilma Davidson – Committee member

Passing of 1971 Churchill Fellow Allen Dudley Campbell

Prominent ACT resident and 1971 Churchill Fellow Allen Dudley Campbell sadly passed away on 19 September. Allen's Churchill Fellowship experience enabled a successful career in Earth Sciences at the Australian National University. He had previously worked at Woomera, and had assisted the research of Sir Mark Oliphant.

The ACT Churchill Fellows' Association wishes to express sincere condolences to Allen's family and friends.

ACT Churchill Fellows' Association website

To keep up-to-date with new from the ACT Churchill Fellows community, don't forget to check out the website regularly: <http://www.churchillfellowsact.org.au/>.

Mick marches on – by Paul Tys CEO

A long-serving member of the ACT Regional Selection Committee, Dr Milton (Mick) March MBE, recently retired from the Committee after 36 years of service. Mick himself is a 1969 ACT Churchill Fellow who travelled overseas for 6 months visiting the USA, the UK and Canada to observe the teaching of new courses of mathematics to become acquainted with syllabus content and to collect data on the implementation of new mathematics courses.

At his Fellowship interview it was recorded that 'whilst Mr March is not a mathematical genius, he is a well-qualified, experienced and effective Master in charge of mathematics at Telopea Park High School'. Mick went on to become the Headmaster at Narrabundah College and assisted in pioneering the introduction of the ACT college system in the 1970s.

During his 36 years on the ACT Selection Committee, Mick was involved in the selection of over 160 ACT Churchill Fellows. He always asked the applicants penetrating questions and brought a touch of humour to Committee proceedings. Without fail he would ask the applicant why they needed a Churchill Fellowship!

Mick is an exemplary Churchill Fellow and the Churchill Trust is very grateful for his tireless record of committed service. The Trust extends to Mick and his wife Pauline all the best for the future.

