



PROVIDING PRESTIGIOUS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH-ACHIEVING SOUTH AUSTRALIANS

Congratulations to the 2011 Scholarship Winners!

Regional Science & Engineering Scholarships

Maverick Daniel	St Mark's Port Pirie	The University of Adelaide Pharmacy
Alexander Falcinella	Loxton High School	The University of Adelaide Science (Advanced)
Ben Agnew	Westminster College	The University of Adelaide Electrical & Electronic Engineering
Matthew Williams	K I Community Education - Kingscote Campus	Flinders University Engineering - Robotics

Honours Scholarships

Michael Psalios	The University of Adelaide	Computer & Mathematical Sciences
Terry Pitt	University of South Australia	Mechanical Engineering
Lisa Schultz	University of South Australia	IT, Engineering & the Environment
Nathan Woods	University of South Australia	Advanced Manufacturing & Mechanical Engineering
Josh Chopin	University of South Australia	Mathematics and Statistics
Megan Sebben	Flinders University	Science & Engineering
Kathleen Hill	The University of Adelaide	Earth & Environmental Biology
Cooper Randall	The University of Adelaide	Chemistry & Physics
Alexandra Marrone	The University of Adelaide	Chemistry & Physics
Giverny Rodgers	Flinders University	Science & Engineering
Matthew Norris	Flinders University	Science & Engineering
Toby Phillips	Flinders University	Science & Engineering

PhD Scholarships

Bree Bennett	The University of Adelaide	Civil, Environmental & Mining Engineering
Katherine Moore	Flinders University	Chemical & Physical Sciences

ScanTech - Playford Trust Honours Scholarships in Physics

Trent Grubb	The University of Adelaide	Chemistry & Physics
Phiala Shanahan	The University of Adelaide	Chemistry & Physics

AusIMM - Playford Trust Honours Scholarships

Georgina Falster	The University of Adelaide	Earth & Environmental Sciences
Lucas Ljubicic	The University of Adelaide	Engineering (Mining) & Science

Beach Energy Playford Residential Scholarship

Angus Dickson	The University of Adelaide	Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Science
Alana Cuthbert	The University of Adelaide	Mathematical Sciences

Hillgrove Resources - Playford Trust Honours Scholarship in Geology

Hayden Arbon	The University of Adelaide	Geology
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Kathleen Hill, who is a keen SCUBA diver has a strong interest in protecting and rehabilitating the marine systems along the South Australian coast.



Katherine Moore has commenced her PhD researching the synthesising of new energetically efficient solar cell architectures.



Terry Pitt is undertaking Honours study in Biodegradable Nano Composites as a Novel Approach for Addressing Plastic Waste.



Lucas Ljubicic's Honours topic is "Probabilistic Assessment of Stability in Rock Excavation" which will take place at the Angas Zinc Mine.

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Chairman's Message



The Playford Trust looks forward to supporting another wonderful group of scholarship holders in 2011 thanks to those of you who continue to give so generously, and to the support from the SA Government. We are also grateful to our scholarship

committee which continues to do an excellent job of assessing a large number of students, all of whom are of a very high standard.

The Trust is very pleased to welcome two new corporate partners this year: Beach Energy who, together with St Ann's College, will be providing the Trust's first residential scholarships, and Hillgrove Resources who will be providing an Honours scholarship in geology.

Scantech International and the SA Branch of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy will continue with their support as corporate partners, and we thank them most sincerely for that.

We have been very pleased to again present our TAFE awards to a deserving bunch of students, and we again extend our thanks to Ms Marlene Boundy of TAFE SA for all her help.

Unfortunately Mrs Rosina Hislop found it necessary to resign as a trustee at the end of last year. Rosina served as the chair of our Finance Committee and we are most grateful to her for her help in that position, which has been filled by Dean Standish. Once again I should like to thank all of our trustees who continue to serve so diligently in a voluntary position.

Our administrative staff, provided by the Department of Premier and Cabinet, has also changed and we have been pleased to welcome Ms Mary Anne Fairbrother as our administrative assistant. I should also like to thank Robyn Shilcock for the excellent help she provides to our scholarship committee.

Finally, a very big thank you to all our donors. I encourage all of our readers to visit our website www.playfordtrust.com.au to learn more about our programs, and if you are able to assist our students by making a tax-deductible donation, we should be very pleased to hear from you.

With my best wishes,

The Hon David Wotton.

Playford Trust TAFE Awards 2010

Marlene Boundy, General Manager Primary and Allied Industries, here reports on the six-year partnership between TAFE SA and the Playford Trust.

The Hon. David Wotton, Chairman Playford Trust, recently announced this year's scholarship winners at a ceremony at TAFE SA's Urrbrae Campus.

The successful recipients were:

Kiri Borgas, Certificate III in Horticulture, Urrbrae Campus, Kathryn Henderson, Diploma of Geo-Science, O'Halloran Hill Campus, Christopher Isted, Certificate III Mining Exploration, O'Halloran Hill Campus, Nathan Lang, Diploma of Environmental Manager, Urrbrae Campus and Michelle Small Conservation and Land Management, Pt Augusta and Urrbrae Campuses.

An Industry Award was presented to Troy Boaf who is studying a Certificate III in Conservation and Land.

These students were able to convince the panel that they possessed outstanding skills and knowledge, and a commitment to making their community a better place. Members of the Trust look forward to the evening and are delighted to meet the recipients, their families and employers, and to chat with TAFE lecturing staff. They keep in touch with TAFE SA during the year and are always keen to hear of the achievements of students.

The scholarship program is an outstanding way for TAFE students to become better known across SA, and we all work together to make sure that staff and students are made aware of the benefits provided by the program. TAFE SA, on behalf of the students involved in training, sincerely thanks the Playford Memorial Trust for their ongoing support.



L - R Katherine Henderson, Hon David Wotton, Kiri Borgas, Christopher Isted, Michelle Small, Troy Boaf, Marlene Boundy and Nathan Lang



Bob Hurley of Balanced Habitats and Troy Boaf



Playford Trust Awards, L - R Marlene Boundy, Peter Daly of TAFE and Playford Trust Chair the Hon David Wotton

The 2011 Regional Scholars



Ben Agnew



Alexander Falcinella



Matthew Williams



Maverick Daniel

We warmly welcome our Regional Scholars for 2011. Their scholarships will help them in their move to the city.

Ben Agnew

Ben grew up in the farming community of Curramulka, Yorke Peninsula and boarded at Westminster School. He is now studying Electrical and Electronic Engineering at the University of Adelaide living at Lincoln College.

A natural with all things electronic Ben took great pleasure constructing a 3D printer for a high school project. In 2010 Ben was awarded the SA Mathematics SPE Prize by the Mathematical Association of SA.

Ben is a member of the Curramulka Community Centre and really enjoys geo-caching when he gets the chance.

Alexander Falcinella

Alexander lives in Loxton where he has played a variety of sports - football, cricket, squash, swimming and volleyball - and attended Loxton High School where his parents are both teachers.

During Year 12 Alexander was Boy Head Prefect, the school's Male Swim Team Captain and House Captain. He achieved an ATAR of 99.80 before bonus points, with merits in Chemistry and Maths Studies and along with studying Physics, Specialist Maths and Modern History and was dux of Loxton High School.

Alexander, who will reside at Aquinas College during 2011, is enrolled in a Bachelor of Science (Advanced) at The University of Adelaide.

Matthew Williams

Matthew Williams lives 8km from the town of American River on Kangaroo Island where he was born and completed all of his schooling in Kingscote. In year 12 Matthew studied Physics, Mathematical Studies, Geography (Via Open Access College), English and Tourism, and received a Certificate of Distinction for Excellence in all of these subjects.

Representing his school community, Matthew was chosen to attend the Rabobank Young Rural Leaders' Summit in Canberra. At the outward bound facility Matthew gained valuable leadership and teamwork skills.

This year he will live at University Hall whilst studying Robotics Engineering at Flinders University and hopes to use this degree in pursuing a career in the Defence Force.

Maverick Daniel

Maverick Daniel has lived his entire life in Port Broughton and completed his high school education at St Mark's Port Pirie. His passion is sport which include football, basketball, tennis and golf which takes him around the State and the opportunity to make friends through his sport affiliations both at a local and higher level.

Maverick looks forward to studying Pharmacy at the University of South Australia, residing at St Ann's College, North Adelaide and becoming part of the university community.

Past TAFE Playford Trust Award Winners

News from Bob Hurley of Balanced Habitats about past TAFE Playford Award winners.

Wendy Maddocks is now second-in-command of the business and involved with the training of new staff. As a qualified Senior Environment Worker, Wendy is expected to take part in nearly all the firm's activities. She is a wonderful role model for the scholarship program and for the TAFE system. Her scholarship helped fund her Diploma Studies in Conservation and Land Management.

Davey Edwards is now a Crew leader, displaying flair, commitment and an excellent work ethic. He undertook challenging roles in running revegetation crews in the Fleurieu regions last year. He also is a fine role model for Indigenous workers and undertakes many activities on Indigenous sites. Davey used his Scholarship to fund Diploma Botany studies, and to help buy a camera for work use. One of his workplace photos recently gained an award in a local photo competition.

Bernice Lawton, named Aborigine and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year in SA in 2008, continued to take a senior role with Balanced Habitats until she began maternity leave. She works hard with skill and passion and is a wonderful role model for Indigenous workers. Bernice used her scholarship to fund Diploma Studies in Botany and Pest Management.

Dannielle Denton, a qualified Environment Worker, has become a hard-working senior employee in the business, and now undertakes leadership roles. She also is an excellent role model for young women in the conservation industry. She used her scholarship to fund her studies in Botany.

Troy Boaf has steadily progressed since gaining his award and begins his traineeship as an Environment Worker this year. He is proving to be an asset to the business and I look forward to working with him for many years to come. He used his award to help fund Diploma studies this year.

Scholars

Playford Trust has two new partners

Beach Energy Playford Residential Scholarship



An alliance with Beach Energy Limited and St Ann's College Inc., has enabled Playford Trust to award two new residential scholarships. These scholarships, each to the value of \$7000, are to be awarded annually to students residing at St Ann's;

one to a student continuing to reside at the college and the other to a student enrolling for the first time.

Applicants coming from rural and regional parts of South Australia will study science or engineering at a South Australian university. The scholarships will be awarded on academic merit with due regard for financial need, character and community contribution.

Adelaide-based Beach Energy is a long-established oil and gas exploration and production company with a strong presence in South Australia, while St Ann's College provides residential facilities in North Adelaide for 185 university students. The Managing Director of Beach, Reg Nelson, has stated that his company is "very pleased to participate as part of its contribution to supporting regional communities."

The inaugural recipients of the scholarships are:

Alana Cuthbert, who has been awarded the continuing scholarship, was last year a Playford Regional Science and Engineering Scholar. Alana is continuing studies towards a Bachelor of Mathematical Sciences, achieving three High Distinctions and five Distinctions in 2010.

Angus Dickson, the recipient of the 2011 commencing scholarship, completed Year 12 in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and English at Victor Harbor High School in 2009 and is enrolled at Adelaide University for a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering double with Bachelor of Science.

Opportunities for Business Partnerships

The Playford Trust is keen to build on the model of cooperative funding, and would be interested in discussing with any other organisations similar cooperative funding opportunities which result in benefits being gained by the Trust, corporate donors and our students.



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Playford Trust Trustees with a portrait of Sir Thomas Playford are from left: The Hon Dean Brown AO, Dean Standish, Rosina Hislop, Keith Yates, The Hon David Wotton CHAIRMAN, The Hon Don Hoggood AO DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, Prof. Don Bursill AM, Susie Herzberg, Danny Watson, Mary Walters. Absent Prof. Caroline McMillen.