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Churchill Fellows Christmas Picnic Roma Street Parklands

Sunday 2nd December 2007

For details see back page

Invitation

Queensland Health Skills Development Centre

Welcomes

**The Churchill Fellows Assoc of Q
To a site visit**

**Thursday 1 November 2007-
6pm – 7.30pm**

**Host Katie Walker
2006 Medical Simulation**

Full details attached

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President's Message

In July this year we welcomed 23 new Churchill Fellows. The New Fellows received their certificates from Her Excellency, Governor Ms Quentin Bryce AC at Government House on Friday 27 July 2007. Later that evening they were introduced to the Association at our Annual Dinner, which was held in the Parliamentary Annexe at Parliament House.

As usual it was a great night 180 attendees enjoying good food, good company in excellent surroundings. During the evening we were entertained by Bryony MacGillivray (Churchill Fellow - 2005) and new Fellow Alexis Kenny who performed a flute duet.

Six Fellows received their Churchill medallions from life member and major sponsor, Dusty Bob Prickett. The recipients were: Jacqui Cowell; John Elliott; Martin Geddes; Ian Henderson; Bernard Holland and Christopher Pipe-Martin.

Ms Sandra Coman, widow of the late Dr Peter Coman a former member of the Churchill Selection Committee, was a special guest of the Association.

Our Treasurer, Katie Walker (2006- Medical Simulation) has arranged a workplace visit to her workplace, the Skills Development Centre at the Royal Brisbane Hospital on Thursday the 1 November 2007 between 6pm and 7.30pm.

The Skills Development Centre, which was opened in 2004 is one of the most technologically advanced and comprehensive skills development centres in the world. It is the only one of seven in Oceania to have laboratories and even a fully functional operating theatre and hospital ward.

We will be able to visit the virtual reality surgical skills suite, see a gall bladder removal, practice our own surgical skills and hear a comprehensive description of the equipment that is currently available for surgical training.

The attached flyer explains what we will be doing and looking at during this visit. There is also a map showing the location of the skills center. If one drives in the main entrance off Bowen Bridge Road and left into Fig Tree Drive you will run straight into the Skills Block and there is parking in that vicinity.

Our last function for the year will be our Christmas picnic, which will be held at the Roma Street Parkland on Sunday 2 December 2007. I hope as many Fellows as

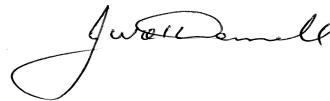
possible are able to attend as it is a great venue and with plenty of room for the kids to run around. Bob Dobbs our Churchill Fellow curator(2003) will organize everything for us as usual.

As I write this article we have just received a visit from John Duncan, English Churchill Fellow, whom I have just taken to the airport as he jets off to Far North Queensland.

John was extremely impressed with his stay in Brisbane and has promised to keep in touch and return again with his family. We enjoyed hosting him in our great State.

I would like to take this opportunity of wishing everyone a happy and safe Christmas and may the New Year be kind to you all.

Jim O'Donnell
President



Editors Bits & Pieces

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Once again, thanks to all the Fellows who contributed to this newsletter, but there are a lot more out there with a story to tell or even just a line or two to send

It is interesting to hear from the new Fellows when they are on their study tour.

In the June Newsletter we featured two Churchill Profiles and I would like to include one or two every newsletter. If anyone has any ideas on who they would like profiled let me know.

I had a very pleasant sailing trip north a couple of months ago on Medina, but will write about it next time as I have run out of space. Just briefly, though, Medina and crew were responsible for the heavy rain and gales in August!! Every time we go away it rains. My garden is getting a bit dry at the moment, so must be time for another cruise.!!

Congratulations Queensland Churchill Fellows 2007

Mr Jeremy BARKER
ASHGROVE QLD 4060
Chief Executive Officer
Queensland Facility for Advanced Bioinformatics
o study bioinformatics (delivering knowledge to
research scientists) services - USA, U.K.

Dr Kerrie BENNISON
EMU PARK QLD 4710
Regional Resource Ranger
Queensland Parks & Wildlife Service
**The Lamington National Park Churchill
Fellowship** to study the conservation of small and
threatened wildlife populations - U.K., USA, New
Zealand

Mr Lyndon BRANNIGAN
ST LUCIA QLD 4067
Self-employed Architect
Bud Brannigan Architects
To study the process involved in the design of regional
museums focusing on the collaboration between a
regional community and an architect - USA

Mr Jeffery CHEVERTON
HIGHGATE HILL QLD 4101
Executive Director
Queensland Alliance of Mental Illness
& Psychiatric Disability Groups Inc.
To ascertain how mental health NGO's can raise funds
from private sources to fund their mental health
advocacy campaigns - USA, Canada, U.K.

Dr Jenny GAMBLE
HOLLAND PARK QLD 4121
Senior Lecturer
Griffith University
To examine models of maternity care, policy and
training to facilitate the provision of services for
disadvantaged women - U.K., Netherlands, Iceland,
Canada

Ms Angela GARDNER
WEST END QLD 4101
Finance Manager
University of Queensland
To investigate the establishment of collaborative
print/poetry small press for emerging practitioners -
USA, U.K.

Mrs Jennifer GWINN
MITCHELTON QLD 4053
Clinical Nurse Consultant
Queensland Paediatric Rehabilitation Service
To study rehabilitation nursing of children in
paediatric rehabilitation settings - Canada, USA

Ms Fiona HAWTHORNE
MOOROOKA QLD 4105
Associate Lecturer
Centre for Medical Education, Mayne Medical School,
The University of Queensland
The Bob and June Prickett Churchill Fellowship to
study the provision of specialised antenatal care for
women whose babies are likely to die shortly before,
during or after delivery - USA

Dr Natasha HENDRICK
INDOOROOPILLY QLD 4068
Research and Development Geophysicist
Velsers Pty Ltd
To study the recruitment and retention of adult
volunteers in guide organisations - U.K., Canada,
USA

Mr Robert JONES
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Guidance Officer
Innisfail State High School
To study classroom and mental health strategies for
schools after experiencing natural disasters - USA
Miss Ingrid JUST
ROCKHAMPTON QLD 4700
Broadcaster
ABC Radio Queensland
The James Love Churchill Fellowship to investigate
how the power of popular radio can enhance wellbeing
- U.K., Pakistan

Ms Alexis KENNY
JINDALEE QLD 4074
Flautist
The Queensland Orchestra
The Dame Roma Mitchell Churchill Fellowship to
undertake advanced flute performance development
and observation - U.K., France, Netherlands,
Switzerland

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Ms Frances LARKEY GETHEN
CLEVELAND QLD 4163
Director of Nursing
Wesley Mission Brisbane
The Mr and Mrs Gerald Frank New Churchill
Fellowship to develop a National Register for
dementia clients - Canada, USA, U.K.

Miss Hilda MacLEAN
TOOWONG QLD 4066
Technology Services Manager
Griffith University English Language Institute
To investigate visitor education in historic cemeteries
- U.K., France

Ms Cath MADDOX
CURRUMBIN VALLEY QLD 4223
Counselling, Education and
Spiritual Care Coordinator
The Hopewell Centre
To study spiritual care of the bereaved through life
review programs - USA, U.K., Italy

Mr Gary LUCHI
TRINITY PARK QLD 4879
Project Facilitator,
Carpentaria Ghost Net Programme
Northern Gulf Resource Management Group
To investigate the most cost effective and efficient
ways to remove and recycle ghost nets and other
marine debris from the environment - USA

Mr Christopher O'NEILL
NORTH ROCKHAMPTON QLD 4701
Project Officer, Livestock Systems
CSIRO, Livestock Industries, Rendel Laboratory
To study the potential for integrating livestock
behaviour into genetic improvement programs - USA,
Canada, Brazil, France, U.K.

Dr Morgan PRATCHETT
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4812
Australian Research Fellow
ARC Centre of Excellence for Coral Reef Studies
The Quicksilver Connections Churchill Fellowship
to study stable isotope methodologies and advanced
technologies to further understanding of the trophic
links between corals and fish - U.K.

Mr Bradly PULLEN
WALKERSTON QLD 4751
Veterinary Surgeon
Valley Veterinary Surgery
**The Samuel and Eileen Gluyas Churchill
Fellowship** to study commercial IVF techniques with
a view to integrating these techniques into the
Australian cattle industry - USA, Brazil

Mrs Donna STURGESS
NEWMARKET QLD 4051
Police Officer
Queensland Police Service
To study how policing organisations address rail
related safety and security to provide an environment
that gains community confidence - Russia, U.K., USA,
Canada, Japan
Mr Dan TOOMBS
TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350
General Manager
The Advocacy & Support Centre
To explore the use of therapeutic courts - USA

Mr Peter WESTOBY
HIGHGATE HILL QLD 4101
Post Doctoral Research Fellow
Australian Centre for Peace & Conflict Studies,
University of Queensland
To compare models of practice that address inter-
cultural youth violence in cities - New Zealand, USA,
U.K., South Africa

Ms AnneMarie WHITE
NEW FARM QLD 4005
Self-employed Media Consultant
White Consultants
To examine programs established to increase media
coverage for women in sport - Canada, USA, New
Zealand



News from Fellows

Gary Luchi (07 Removal of Ghost Nets)

Its Gary Luchi over here in the USA. My fellowship tour has been great, hectic but great. I am currently in Washington with a ton of washing. ha ha ha. I have met and made some wonderful contacts and people on my search for the Ghost Net Cure. In the true spirit of the Churchill fellowship these people have been welcoming and committed to their beliefs regarding their environmental work.

I have finished with Alaska(which was cool in more ways than one) Hawaii where I got a lae (the flower kind), Seattle...sure did see a lot, and now in Washington with my ton of washing (did I say that?)

On Friday its off to New Orleans and the French Quarter (which is about all the time the French can play Rugby union well, a quarter of the game!).

Peter Assfalg (05 Noble Cause Corruption)

Just a short note to advise you that I have returned from my adventure in Iraq and am working on settling into a more sedate lifestyle and pursuing full time employment.

In the June Newsletter Peter told us about his work at a National Police Academy in Iraq - Ed

Milton Moon (1966 Pottery) One of the first Churchill Fellows

Thank you for the newsletter. Although many years have passed since 1965/66 I am interested in Queensland doings.

It has just occurred to me that I may not have told you about a book of mine which some fellows may have some interest in reading. This was prompted by the Jeff Shaw book review.

The Zen Master, The Potter & the Poet Milton Moon

In 1974 Milton Moon was awarded a Myer Foundation Geijutsu (Art) Fellowship to study in Japan. It was during this period he took up instruction from a Zen Master, the Abbot of s sub-temple at the famous Daitokuji in Kyoto. The outcome of the study was an earlier publication, The Living Road, which dealt especially with Zen Meditation, a book which he describes a taking the form of two imagined work-shops. Or retreats, offerinf the reader a 'finger-tip taste of Zen'

The Zen Master, The Potter and The Poet takes the reader into the subject of Zen and Japenese culture and poetry – both ordinary every day and some who are designated Living National Treasures. The author also discusses the cultural world of Chanoyu, the tea Ceromony.

The final part of the book introduces the reader to the poet in the title. As Anne Deveson writes in her preface "The end of the book takes us on a totally unexpected journey, a series of letters between Milton Moon and the Australian Poet Harold Stewart". In Japan, Harold Stewart was highly regarded for his scholarly knowledge of Chinese and Japanese classical culture, and also of Pure Land Buddhism. For visitors from many parts of the world Harold Stewart was regarded as being Australia's unofficial cultural ambassador in Kyoto.

Axiom Publishers, Unit 2, 1Union Street,
Stepney, South Australia.
www.axiompublishers.com.au

From Paul Stumkat (02/03 Museum Dinosaurs Reconstruction)

We are organizing another Sandstone Sculpture symposium for Warwick 2008.

SOUTHERN DOWNS SCULPTURE SYMPOSIUM

Stories of the Condamine River

12th to 27th July 2008
Leslie Park, Warwick
WWW.SCULPTURESS.COM

An initiative of the Killarney area promotions association, this project is modelled on other successful national and international sculpture symposiums, in particular Mount Gambier, SA and Sunshine Coast, Qld . The 2008 event in conjunction with the popular Warwick Shire Jumper and Jazz, Art and Music Festival is expected to attract over 4000 extra visitors to the region during the 2 week, 3 weekends sculpture symposium.

The event will recruit up to 20 participating artists and a team of 5 guest artists to carve local Warwick Tanamerah sandstone. This year's theme will be 'stories of the Condamine River'.

Sculptors will work in the highly visible venue of Leslie Park, Warwick, so progress can be viewed and enjoyed by the general public. The finished sculptures by the five guest artists, monumental in size, will be donated to a number of smaller communities and located in Federation Park by the Condamine River. The sculptures

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of the 20 participating artists will remain the property of the artist however; these can be made available for sale through the Symposium Merchandise Stand on Sunday 27th July 2008. *Conditions apply.

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Southern Downs Sculpture symposium Web site

www.sculpturess.com

Gerry Cummins (02 Stained Glass Restoration)

www.CumminsStehnStainedGlass.com.au

Jill and I are escorting a proposed 18 day stained glass tour of Australia, England and France in May 2008.

Churchill Fellows may be interested to know that three of the special guides involved in the tour (Leonie Seliger at Canterbury Cathedral Stained Glass Conservation Studio; Keith Barley who has restored and is restoring the famous Redbourne and Fairford glass; and Jonathan Cooke who would conduct the tour in York Minster) are conservators that we visited in 2002 during our Churchill Fellowship Tour.

Details of the itinerary can be obtained from:

www.atlastravel.com.au

Email: Andrew@atlastravel.com.au

The Stained Glass of Australia, England and France

An 18 day tour visiting over 30 sites including the Abbey Museum in Caboolture and St Monica's Cathedral in Cairns. The English sites include Cathedrals in London, Ely, York, Winchester and Canterbury. The French sites include Amiens, Dreux, Chartres and Paris.

The glass that we will be seeing will range from 12 to 21 centuries.

If you just love stained glass or wish to increase your understanding of Australian stained glass history, conservation and restoration- this is the tour for you
Friday 16 May to Monday 2 June 2008
\$8995 (includes airfares)

Vale Leonora Davenport Churchill Fellow 1983 – Remote Exhibitions

Len was a driving force in the Queensland Arts Council years ago and Regional Gallery Director in Ipswich for many years. Her funeral service was conducted at the Hemmant Crematorium on Tuesday 4th Sept. 2007

Coming events

01/11/07 Queensland Health Skills Development Centre

02/12/07 Churchill Christmas Party, Roma St. Parkland

Churchill Fellows National Convention 3rd – 6th October 2008 Adelaide

**Hosted by Churchill Fellows Association of
South Australia**

Friday Evening 3rd – Reception & Welcome
Saturday 4th visits to Churchill Fellows
Saturday Evening 4th Convention Dinner
Sunday 5th Bus Trip to Barossa Valley or similar
Monday 6th Breakfast at Glenelg
(close to airport for departure)

Home Stays are planned as an accommodation option

To register interest or for further details
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**UNIT PRICES NEEDED TO HELP GROCERY SHOPPERS
2006 Churchill Fellow Ian Jarratt**

The Federal government should require supermarkets to show the unit price (\$ per kg/litre, etc) of pre-packaged grocery items, in addition to the total price.

This is the main conclusion from a study tour of the USA and Europe completed recently by Queensland consumer advocate, Ian Jarratt.

“Unit price information simplifies consumer choice and promotes competition between manufacturers and between supermarkets” said Ian. As a result, it helps consumers save money and time.

“Everywhere I went overseas consumers had access to, and, made great use of, unit price information. The cost of provision was very low.” Ian added.

Ian’s study was undertaken as a Churchill Fellowship. It allowed him to look at unit pricing detail in several states in the USA and in three countries in the European Union (EU) - Ireland, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

He found that each of the 27 countries in the EU require supermarkets to provide unit prices as also do several states in the north east of the USA. In other parts of the USA, most supermarkets provide unit prices voluntarily.

But, Australian supermarkets are not required to, and choose not, to provide shoppers with the unit price of most grocery items packaged in cartons, cans, bottles, etc. Yet, they have to do so for a small number of pre-packaged foods, for example fresh meat, and consumers make great use of this information.

Ian says, “This is an illogical situation and means that Australian consumers are massively disadvantaged compared to shoppers overseas.”

To shop wisely, Australian shoppers have to calculate unit prices themselves to assess value for money. Of course, many do not do this and so miss out on big savings.

Unit prices also help consumers to recognise and deal with confusing marketing activities by retailers and manufacturers. These activities include: sometimes charging higher unit prices for large packs than small and for unpackaged than packaged products, downsizing package sizes but not reducing prices, and having specials that may not provide the lowest unit price.

Based on his observations overseas, Ian says “Australia needs a compulsory uniform national system of unit

pricing established under Federal legislation. This would deliver great benefits to consumers and the economy at very low cost.”

“We have the opportunity to develop and implement a “best practice” system tailored to our needs and learning from overseas experience.”

Details of the required unit pricing system can be developed by the Federal government in consultation with consumers and retailers. But key elements should be:

- prominent presentation
- provision for a wide range of products
- provision for products on sale in promotions as well as at the normal price
- use of per kg/litre/metre and square metre as the basic units of measurement.

This will ensure that the system is simple for consumers to use and for retailers to provide.

Ian found that many countries and states made unit pricing compulsory because voluntary provision by retailers resulted in too many different systems and was less effective.

Ian also recommends that any retailer choosing to provide unit pricing voluntarily should be required to achieve minimum standards on key matters such as: prominence of presentation, coverage of products and prices, units of measurement used, and accuracy.

“The Australian government now has the chance to make up for years of lost ground on this matter. Unit pricing should have been provided many years ago, as it was in many places overseas, to help consumers choose simply between the myriad of package sizes arising from the removal of restrictions on package sizes”,said Ian.

“All parties in the forthcoming federal election should support the introduction of a national compulsory unit pricing system for pre-packaged grocery items sold by supermarkets.”

A copy of Ian’s Churchill Fellowship report will be available soon at www.churchilltrust.com.au

For further information or a copy of the report contact Ian Jarratt at unitpricing@australiainmail.com or phone 07 37195475

Ian was recently interviewed by Madonna King on her morning ABC program - Editor

Visit by English Churchill Fellow John Duncan Jane Virtue

As one of our CFAQ aims and objectives is to welcome visiting Churchill Fellows, it was a pleasure to play a small part in entertaining John Duncan, Churchill Fellow from Leeds, England, who recently arrived in Brisbane. He was awarded a Churchill Fellowship in the U.K to study the effect on regional tourism in Brisbane and Melbourne during the 2000 Olympics. John will use this information to help Leeds benefit from the London Olympics in 2012.

President Jim O'Donnell and Noela were his hosts cum tour guides during the week that he was here.



John Duncan & Noela O'Donnell at Caloundra

John really enjoyed the Churchill hospitality and the snapshot of Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast which included a stop at the Boardwalk in Caloundra for coffee. A quick tour of Caloundra and then off to Mooloolaba, Maroochydore and eventually to Noosa Heads, where they met Churchill Fellow, Steve Kelly and his wife at the Noosa Heads Surf Club for lunch. Cooroy was visited on the way home

Next on the tour was the Sofitel Hotel City, for dinner with Churchill Fellows Noel and Gladys Busch.

I came into the picture when Jim and Noela brought John to Raby Bay for a day of sailing on Dave Waller's Beneteau 42.7- Medina. A perfect day for sailing .10- 12 kts and blue sky. John had never sailed before, but took to it like a duck to water. I might add that at 6ft 7 with plenty of muscle, the headsail winches were not a problem to him, neither was helming on the way home in a freshening breeze.

We anchored for lunch in Horseshoe Bay, Peel Island. The "prawns on the Barbie" of course. Isn't it expected of us?

We teased John that luckily for him ships' rations had improved since the first British citizens came to Moreton Bay as "Guests of her Majesty"



Jane Virtue, John Duncan, Jim O'Donnell 'on Medina, British Flag flying especially for the occasion

John's city tour included a visit to the Art Galley with Churchill Fellow Anna Marsden and morning tea at the Supreme Court with Chairman of the Churchill Trust Selection Panel, Justice Margaret White in her chambers. Then followed a tour of the Supreme Court Library. with Aladin Rahemtula, Churchill Fellow and Supreme Court Librarian.



John Duncan, Justice Margaret White, Jim O'Donnell

John was also able to interview Bruce Wallace of Tourism Queensland and Churchill Fellow 1996.

He then headed north to Cairns where Churchill Fellows Maurice Carless and Rob Graham were waiting to welcome him to Paradise.



The Churchill Fellows' Association of Queensland inc
Invites you and your friends to the

CFAQ CHRISTMAS PICNIC



Roma Street Parkland



Sunday 2 December 2007

11AM

**Host Bob Dobbs ('03 Sustainable Horticultural Management)
Curator of Roma Street Parkland**

The Christmas Picnic is traditionally a shared lunch. Bring whatever you like to share with others – salads, meats, sweets or Christmas treats,

Bring: Family, friends, eats, drinks, eating & drinking utensils, portable chairs, tables and umbrellas

How to Get There:

Enter Gardens from the Wickham Terrace entrance, do not take a left turn but drive down to the bottom of the hill and parking is on the right. Walk through the archway, through the rainforest, past the lake to the area known as Forrest Meadows which is the grassed area to the right of the lake.

Parking: Parking Area in Gardens

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