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From the Chair and the Principal

One of our new favourite words at Jane is “weaving”. The term was first suggested by 2022 Student Club Vice-President, Stella Maddock, to describe the way in which the College Management Team and the Student Club Committee bring the threads of Jane decision making together.

It’s a word that perfectly encapsulates the negotiations, learned understanding and robust discussions that occur between all levels of leadership at Jane. Respect is inherent in “weaving”: all parties have something to say, something to learn and a shared goal of doing the best for our community.

Our Council, our Council sub-committees, our staff and our Fellows are also part of the weaving.

Where would we have been, for example, without the combined leadership of the Dean of Students, the Council-led Emergency Management Committee, the

Senior Residents and the Student Committee when the inevitable COVID outbreaks occurred this year? We hate to think but are so grateful that their collaborative work helped pull us through.

Other weaving happens behind the scenes. For example, the Management Team is working to bring a new Strategic Plan to life, a process that will involve students, Fellows, Alumni, Council, donors and staff. Another example: this year, the Student Committee created a new Equity Representative position. The incumbent will also sit on the Council sub-committee on College Culture, a perfect example of a “woven” entity, consisting of student, Senior Resident, staff, Fellows and Council representatives.

We see weaving as the very essence of community. It was behind the outstanding results of our Intercollege Men’s and Women’s sports triumph; the incredible Welcome Weeks in Semester 1

and, for the first time, Semester 2; the dedicated work of our Jane Ambassadors; and the array of activities on offer this year such as Intercambio, Jane’s Got Talent, Album Club and the TSO cultural program.

It is also a huge reason that we were awarded the Tasmanian Department of State Growth’s, Study Tasmania Community Spirit Award for 2022. We’ve always known that our irrepressible Jane spirit was something quite special. How wonderful that it has been recognised beyond our gates.

On a final note, we’d like to thank everyone – students, parents, staff, donors, Council, Fellows, sub-committees of Council, alumni, Chaplains and friends – for your ongoing and much valued support. You are all part of the great – woven – fabric of Jane.

Ginna Webster
Chair, College Council

Joanna Rosewell
Principal

Meet our new Dean of Academic Studies

Dr Nick Brodie started as Jane Franklin Hall's Dean of Academic Studies in June.

The nameplate outside his office has been doctored by residents to read "History Dude", both a nod to Nick's national profile as an historian and archaeologist, and a sign of how warmly he has been adopted into the Jane community.

"I thought I would like the role but I love it far more than I ever imagined I would," Nick said.

"It is extremely rewarding being able to make a huge difference to student outcomes and build confidence and capacity, often in subtle ways."

Nick obtained his PhD at UTAS in the obscure topic of late medieval and early modern English vagrancy legislation and lectured for a number of years, including at the UTAS campus in Burnie.

He has written four major popular history books and appears regularly on national television and radio speaking on the linkage between history and current events.

Nick said he was attracted to the role at Jane as an opportunity to pass on the knowledge, networks and lessons gained over his long and varied academic journey.

"Most of the time it is about being there to provide support and advice to guide students along their academic pathway and stepping in to provide advocacy when required.

"There is a huge power imbalance between the student and lecturer – it can feel like a great chasm. In that situation, students are often unaware of their rights or uncomfortable about asserting them.

"Having had the experience of being a lecturer, I know lecturers are often a lot more relaxed than students may think they are.

"I am here to bridge that gap."

Whether it's applying for an extension for an assignment, finding additional support in a subject, or seeking answers to life's big questions in the lessons of history, Nick is there to help.

"I want to normalise academic support and make it something students routinely do, not because they are in crisis but because it is useful. In the same way going to the GP just for a check-up is a good thing, checking in to academic support is a good thing."



Right:
(L-R): Nick Cronin and Josephine Palmer at the
National Leadership Forum in Canberra



Student Leadership at Jane

The Student Club Committee is an integral part of life at Jane, where ten individuals are voted by their peers to represent and act as a voice on behalf of the entire student body.

A key part of its role is to organise events and activities throughout the year. However, there is more to it than meets the eye.

Outgoing Student Club Committee President, Josephine Palmer (Jo), described it as the focal point of college culture.

“The committee is essentially a bridge between the students and management. In many ways it is an advocacy platform for students to express their thoughts and ideas, which ultimately helps foster our amazing community culture,” Jo said.

“It also opens the door for us to regularly chat with Joanna and Sarah and learn more about their vision for the college, from a management level, and how we as students can add to this.”

For Nick Cronin, who will be taking over the reins from Jo in 2023, the committee is an opportunity to have influence over the culture of the college.

“In recent years, Jane has made efforts to be more inclusive, and I really want to continue this cultural shift when I’m President next year,” Nick said.

“At Jane, you’re given the opportunity, within reason, to raise an issue and propose a solution for it. Everyone very much has a voice.

“I’ve always been a strong advocate for leading by serving those around me, and making sure everyone feels included, welcomed, and empowered.

“As a ‘fresher’ this year, Jo and the committee did an amazing job at this. We knew their doors were always open for a chat.

“There is no sense of hierarchy at Jane. Everyone is approachable, helpful, and always friendly and a lot of this comes down to how the committee leads.”

While in many ways leadership is incredibly rewarding, the outcomes don’t happen without hard work – which often takes place behind the scenes.

“I liken the President role to an iceberg. From an outside perspective, people just see the tip of the iceberg being the things I’ve achieved, initiatives I’ve introduced or activities the committee has led. However, there are a lot of little, everyday things that are also part of the job that are constant. And this stuff is what sits beneath the surface, out of sight,” Jo said.

Recently, both Jo and Nick had the honour of attending the National Leadership Forum in Canberra, where they gained insights into the values of a leader.

The four-day Forum exists to provide the upcoming generation of leaders with a lens to explore what sits beneath their words and actions. Participants hear from a range of speakers, including Federal

parliamentarians, who all share a commitment to inspire and equip young Australian leaders.

“If service is beneath you, leadership is beyond you. This quote really resonated with me because it is how I aspire to lead, by wanting to do more for other people,” Nick said.

“To me, it is about leading a pack and taking a stand to promote the things that are right and suit the best interests of the people you represent.

“As leaders, it’s our responsibility to use the opportunities we’ve been given in life for the advantage of those who haven’t been given the same chance.”

“What really stuck with me was the concept that culture eats strategy for breakfast. This was all about the power of having the right culture in place for a leader, or group of leaders, to simply add to,” Jo said.

“At Jane, our culture is solid. So, as a committee, we honestly do have the pleasure of building on this already incredible foundation.”

At the end of the day, who you are is how you lead. And the Jane we all know and love today is a well-oiled machine which has seen many capable, young leaders pass through its doors. No doubt there’ll be more to come.



An award for the Jane community

Winning Study Tasmania's *International Education Community Spirit Award* is a big honour for Jane.

While the glass trophy is lovely and the certificate is nice to display, the real prize is the recognition that the award brings that Jane is a thriving community.

Nominated for our welcoming and supportive approach to international students, the award reflects the wider community spirit which infuses the whole of Jane.

We are a place where people from diverse cultures and backgrounds can connect with fellow students and share a sense of belonging.

Specifically, the award recognises the many ways we support our residents.

Some are practical, like the Senior Resident system, our study support initiatives, and our periodic bus excursions beyond Hobart.

Others are less tangible, but perhaps even more important: the shared dining experience through which friendships form, the sharing of ideas in venues like Intercambio, and our cherishing of cultural events and opportunities which bring people together.

We all do our part to make these things happen, so this Community Spirit Award is really an award for the whole Jane community.

Above:
(L-R): Samuel Tan (Senior Resident), Guy Barnett MP, Nick Brodie (Dean of Academic Studies).
Image supplied by Study Tasmania.







Hail Fellow well met:

The friendly faces of Jane

A sense of community can't be manufactured or imported. It can't be bottled or transplanted.

Community is something organic – a rare commodity that, once achieved, must be nurtured in order to thrive. If the formula for community at Jane

Franklin Hall could be broken down to its constituent parts, Jane's Fellows would be a key element.

In the Oxbridge tradition, Fellows are academic teachers. Because Jane students study at the UTAS campus, our Fellows take on different and

more varied roles as academic mentors, professional advisers and, sometimes, just a friendly face and a listening ear.

Left:
Dr John Kertesz

Right:
Top left: Dr Lesley Borowitzka. Top right: Prof Jeff Malpas. Bottom left: Dr Bryan Walpole. Bottom right: Ass Prof Damien Holloway



Jane Senior Fellow and University of Tasmania Education Lecturer, Dr John Kertesz, said he and his colleagues came from a range of academic and professional backgrounds.

“The main objective is to provide a human face to a student’s university experience that extends beyond the academic,” John said.

“Three to four years ago we made the decision to move from a primarily academic to a broader professional model – bringing on board Fellows who can help provide linkages from university to employment.

“If we are just from academic backgrounds we confine ourselves to one area of society but, after all, learning is supposed to be applied outside in the real world.”

John said the role of Fellows had taken on even greater importance

since the pandemic, preserving an essential element of face-to-face interaction and connection.

“The traditional campus community is now fragmented. A lot of the support structures are corporatised and centralised so students can feel treated like customers rather than developing individuals.

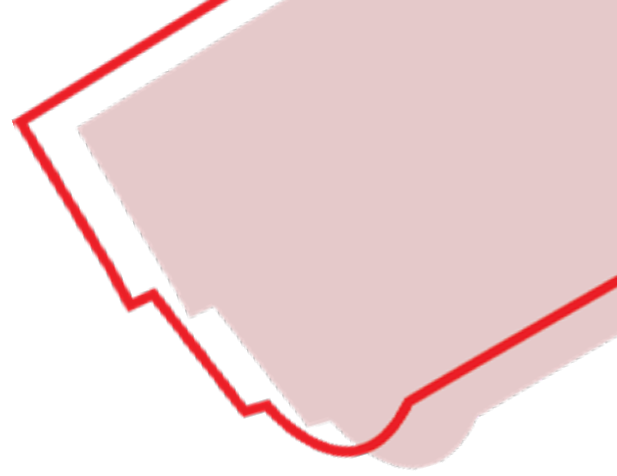
“With online learning and Covid, it is more important than ever that we provide a more personal mentor relationship – access to someone who is not a stakeholder in your results; someone to whom you can safely say ‘I just need some help’.

“Throughout the Covid period, Jane has maintained itself as a self-supporting community where rather than feeling fragmented and isolated, residents collectively supported each other with good humour and compassion.
“Fellows are a part of the fabric that

contributes to such a community. However, that position does not remain unchanging. We have worked at it; we continue to work at it; and we will do so in the future as our students and the world change.”

John encouraged students to take full advantage of the support offered by the Jane Fellows.

“The people who get the most out of the Jane experience are those that grasp every opportunity that comes their way, whether that is sport, getting on committees, or engaging with the Fellows as mentors and colleagues.”



A conversation with Andy “Tubes” Taylor

Triple M Radio Presenter
& Jane Alumnus

Andy “Tubes” Taylor is a man of many words. Give the guy a chance to talk and he will take it.

It’s a trait that makes him wholly qualified for his latest job as the voice of breakfast radio on Hobart’s Triple M.

At various stages the gift of the gab has taken Tubes across Canada in a truck shaped like SpongeBob SquarePants, calling footy matches for the SFL, and running for the Hobart City Council. Until earlier this year, he was the man behind Jonno’s Sauce, supplying his beloved condiments everywhere from Smithton to Cygnet.

Unsurprisingly, when asked to reflect on his time at Jane Franklin Hall, Tubes has a lot to say.

“What Jane provided to me was a community and, you know, my personality is so much about talking to different groups of people and being a part of a community.

What Jane gave to me was the secure safety net of a home,” Tubes said.

“Some of my closest friends are people I went to college with, not that I studied with, not that I worked with, but that I lived with at Jane Franklin Hall.

“Because when you live, study, eat, party together, you really get close. And there’s nothing really like that that I’ve experienced again.

“I think I’ve been MC at four weddings and groomsman at two weddings of people that I went to college with. I would say my closest friends are still now people I went to college with.”

It’s somewhat surprising to learn that despite the long-lasting impression Jane has left on Tubes’ life, he only officially lived at the college for a single semester in 2002.

When he moved from the North-West to Hobart for a first-year

science degree in 2001, many of his friends from Marist Regional College went to Jane. Tubes’ parents couldn’t afford to enrol him at the college, so he lived with extended family at Seven Mile Beach.

However, Tubes soon became a regular visitor, to the point where some staff mistook him for a resident.

“In my first year of uni, I won the award for ‘most resident non-resident’.

“I’d be there for breakfast and the kitchen staff were like; ‘oh, that’s Tubes, morning Tubes.’”

In the second semester of second year, Tubes formalised his residency at Jane and officially moved into 118 Horton Middle.

He credits the college, and his network of supportive friends, for unlocking the self-confidence that is now an inherent part of his personality.



"I remember specifically the day, walking out of the Horton Middle showers in a dressing gown, towel around my waist, being a bit scared for someone to see me in my towel.

"I walked back to the room and I've hung the towel up on the hook behind the door and looked in the mirror and I remember saying to myself, 'you know what Tubes, you're okay. You're alright.' I was looking at my body shape, I was carrying a little bit of extra weight, but it was at that moment that I realised I was okay with who I was and I was confident. That was a big moment for me in my life."

Three-quarters of the way through his university studies, Tubes acted on a long-suppressed feeling that a science degree was not for him.

He moved to Canada with his partner, Erin, and the pair landed a job with the Canadian kid's TV channel YTV, running promotions across the country in the aforementioned SpongeBob truck.

After more world travels, and a three-year stint back in Tasmania, the couple had intended to return to live in Vancouver. But after failing to find work in Canada, they came home for good in 2014, which is when Tubes made the decision to buy Jonno's Sauce with his father-in-law.

In addition to raising two kids, Tubes spent eight and a half years building the Jonno's brand into a household name and making, marketing, and delivering sauce across the state.

Then, earlier this year, the offer to fill the prized breakfast radio slot on Triple M came out of the blue.

"I was shocked because I've got no experience. But Phil (station director Phil Bradley) was really strong in saying 'you have got experience Tubes, you're big on the community, you're big locally, you love your local community sport, you love your local community and theatre groups'.

"That's what our radio show is all about; just embracing the local



people, the local topics, telling the stories of local people, and just trying to have some fun.

"Those things are so important to me, that sense of community is so important to me, and I think it was exemplified by my experience at Jane and the friends that I've still got from Jane."

Top Left:
Andy with his family

Bottom Right:
Andy with his Triple M co-host, Woody

Benefits of the Jane experience spread far and wide

Clean and green. Kind and generous people. Natural beauty. Diverse wildlife and culture. To an international audience, this is how Tasmania is advertised.

For Emma Yin, Tasmania was completely different to where she is from in Shanghai, China. And the possibility of living a completely different lifestyle was the defining factor behind her move to our beautiful island state.

While studying in Shanghai, Emma decided she was sick of living life in a “mega city” and wanted a change.

“I was thinking of places I could travel and relocate to, and I remembered Tasmania because of some exchange students I met while studying in Shanghai. So, in March 2018 I booked a flight to go look around,” Emma said.

“While I was in Hobart, I went to the UTAS campus to enrol in my Masters of Professional Accounting and speak to someone about student accommodation options. All I wanted was a safe and nice place to live.

“The person mentioned Jane Franklin Hall and gave me the front desk’s phone number to arrange a tour. That afternoon, I went up to Jane and had a look around. Luckily, there was one room left. It had an independent bathroom and kitchen, which was very appealing to me.

“I immediately liked the environment, and I felt safe and secure. So, I signed a contract.”

It wasn’t until July, four months later, that Emma made the official move to Tasmania with all her belongings.

“My flight over was delayed, so by the time I arrived at Jane it was midnight. This was quite scary for me because Tasmania was still such a new and foreign place, but a lovely Senior Resident at the college came and helped me move in. She was so welcoming and kind, and it made my arrival a lot more calm and easy.”

Moving to any new place is a daunting task, let alone on the other side of the world. While the Tasmanian locals acted so different to what Emma was used to, she said it was just so exciting.

“My English wasn’t too good when I arrived, but all the students at Jane were so kind and friendly to me. They welcomed me in and invited me to lots of events and activities.

“They also taught me a lot about Australian culture as well as the local slang. It actually really surprised me how quickly my English improved.

“Driving in Tasmania was quite scary as it was the complete opposite to China. But it was something I really wanted to learn, and a lot of my friends at Jane helped me. They were so patient and helpful, and

looking back, I really appreciated everything they did for me.”

In many ways, Jane provided the best possible environment for Emma to thrive.

“While the students at Jane were my friends, Joanna and Libby (the Registrar) were my family. They essentially were my parents in many ways.

“When I was close to graduating, I was applying to be a permanent resident. This was a very stressful time as I had missed an email from Home Affairs and was at risk of them cancelling my visa. I approached Joanna in tears, and she immediately comforted me and told me not to worry because she would help.

“Joanna had written a reference letter on my behalf, advocating for why I should be a permanent resident.

“This moment has really stuck with me because it was such a generous thing to do. She supported me throughout the entire process, and to this day I am so appreciative.”

Currently, Emma works as a Graduate Finance Analyst for the Department of Education.

“Before my current job, I was doing some internships as well as working part-time while living at Jane. But, as soon as COVID hit, it was hard

Right:
Emma Yin



to keep this going. Ultimately, I was let go.

“Full-time work was desirable to me because it was secure. So, I started applying for jobs. During this time, both Joanna and Libby helped me with my resume and cover letter, and they often gave me advice.

“I feel I owe a lot of my success and who I am now to Jane Franklin Hall and the incredible people I met whilst living there.

“The staff at Jane treated me like family and always supported me, especially if I ever felt down. I wouldn’t have been able to achieve all that I have without their support and encouragement.”





Student mental health and wellbeing at Jane

This is a slightly edited version of the Opinion Editorial, which featured in The Mercury newspaper during Mental Health Week 13/10/2022, authored by Jane's Dean of Students, Sarah Hopkins, about the reliance young people have on their technology and the detrimental mental health and wellbeing impacts.

Technology may deliver instantaneous access to information, entertainment and social connection, but it can also rob us of boredom – that innate human condition that drives us to do things, including to actively engage with others.

Boredom can now be instantly nullified at the swipe of a device, and as a result, our instinct to seek, discover and problem solve can be seriously diminished.

Earlier this year, Headspace released its National Youth Mental Health Survey, revealing more than half of young Australians believe their mental health is getting worse, with 42 per cent attributing the decline to social media.

So, how can we as a community help young people to build their resilience?

I work with young people every day, supporting them through their university experience and helping them to make the most of what should be some of the best years of their lives.

I am seeing an increase in mental health issues, often manifesting in students feeling completely overwhelmed by the increasing social pressures and expectations they face. It is a world so far removed from the simple times I grew up in, when the only thing you had to answer to out of school hours was the family landline phone.

These days our devices are virtually part of us, so much so we can feel bereft without them. And while they have delivered such convenience to our lives, they have similarly brought with them the burden of being 'on' 24/7.

The Headspace survey showed spending too much time on social media led to higher levels of anxiety, depression and psychological distress as well as other negative impacts such as cyber bullying, sleep deprivation and body image concerns.

Of course, there are complex reasons for these adverse effects on young people, including the

temptation to compare their own lives to the carefully curated life highlights of others, and their own physical appearances to the staged, filtered images of those they follow.

Then there is the enduring torture of cyber bullying, which cannot be escaped. Sure, we can tell young people being harassed on social media to simply switch off, but how can you expect someone to ignore what is being said about them in a public space?

When I was at university, social exclusion or targeted bullying was limited to face-to-face taunts. Today, it can be relentless, and that unrelenting torment over time has the ability to radically break down resilience.

Underlying these emotional issues, is the simple fact that spending endless hours of the day on devices robs young people of all the things that make them happy and healthy – sleep, exercise and meaningful



engagement with their families and friends.

A lack of physical activity, sleep and perspective leads to a lack of rationality and resilience.

If all this wasn't enough, COVID has unfortunately brought with it yet another layer of complexity to university life for our students – the normalising of online learning. This virtual learning environment requires a new level of discipline and self-regulation for students, losing the routine of their regular face-to-face lectures and tutorials. The lack of physical interaction might well be one of the biggest reasons students are spending so much time connecting through their devices, but the 24-hour nature of this constant dialogue can see weary students choosing sleep over online classes. There is less accountability.

This is where the benefits of college life really come to the fore, maintaining all the fundamental

aspects that make the university experience so rewarding – meeting like-minded people, making new connections and belonging to a community.

At Jane, our Wellbeing Strategy encourages our student community to ditch their devices as often as possible and make time for real life activities that encourage a sense of belonging and connection with others.

These include a wide range of inclusive interactions, from shared meals, study groups and movie nights, to more formalised events such as Welcome Weeks, plays and art exhibitions, inter-college sporting competitions and the Jane Ball. Such activities are the natural human counter to boredom and provide a positive alternative to the instant gratification of personal devices.

In my role as Dean of Students, I find that while devices might be an immediate go-to for students,

young people will embrace every opportunity to put their phones down for more meaningful engagement, if it is there.

It is so important, and I encourage everyone in our community, to think about the young people in their lives and consider whether they overuse devices or social media.

Being aware of the potential problems their online world might be creating and helping them to reduce their social media use can build their resilience and make an immensely positive difference to their lives.







Scholarship and prize recipients in 2022

Awarded at Commencement

The Jane Community Scholarships

In 2021 the College Council decided to offer a new scholarship aimed at Year 12 Tasmanian students. While applicants must have received sound academic results from Year 11, the most important criteria for this scholarship is about demonstrating good character and the potential to contribute positively to the College community. As this is a prestigious award for the College – worth up to \$27,000 – shortlisted applicants were required to attend an interview at the College.

Awarded to:

Jack Wickham

Kelsey Anderson

The Jill and Wayne Habner Scholarship

The scholarship named in their honour is donated by their son, Mark Habner, an alumnus of the College who was at Jane from 1988 to 1990. Mark returned to Hobart four years ago from the USA where he now lives and where he is also the Chair of the University of Tasmania Foundation in the USA. Mark was keen to give something back to the College and has offered a half scholarship for a

student who studied at Launceston College and who received outstanding results.

Awarded to:

Sanden Cook

The Hilary and Alan Wallace Scholarship

Donated by Dr Hilary Wallace and Jane Franklin Hall Fellow Emeritus, the late Dr Alan Wallace, this scholarship is awarded to a first-year student from the north or north-west of Tasmania enrolled in a Bachelor of Medicine and who has achieved outstanding academic results in Year 12.

Awarded to:

Stuart Stenton

The James Fenton Memorial Scholarship

The James Fenton Memorial scholarship is awarded to a first-year student from the north or north-west of Tasmania enrolled in any faculty and who has achieved outstanding results in Year 12. The scholarship was endowed by the late Hon Charles and Mrs Flora Fenton, in honour of Mr Fenton's great-grandfather, James, the first European to settle west of

the Mersey River. It's a three year scholarship.

Awarded to:

Neve Clippingdale

The Damon Courtenay Memorial Scholarship

In the late 1990, the late Australian author Bryce Courtenay was a Visiting Fellow of the College. During this time he wrote one of most well-known novels the Potato Factory. He also came to love Jane and donated a scholarship in memory of his son Damon. This scholarship is awarded to a first year student from any faculty who has achieved outstanding results in Year 12.

Awarded to:

Charlie Townsend

The Kate Gilder Scholarship

The Kate Gilder Scholarship is for a female student of the College who has been resident for at least one year. The successful recipient is selected for her leadership qualities, contribution to College life, academic achievement and encouragement of others to "have a go", achieving balance between study, the outdoors and community

participation. The scholarship is donated by Sarah and Rosey Gilder in memory of their sister, Kate, who was a frequent visitor to Jane Franklin Hall, spending some of her happiest times at College and in Tasmania.

Awarded to:

Mikayla Fyfe

The Audrey Lee Scholarship

Donated by Bill Craig in memory of his wife Audrey Lee who was a resident at Jane, this scholarship is awarded to a returning student in an under-graduate course in the Health Sciences area of study. It is awarded on academic merit.

Awarded to:

Caroline Grace

The Fellows Scholarship

The Fellows of Jane Franklin Hall collectively donate to provide a scholarship to a returning resident who has shown academic success and great service to the College.

Awarded to:

Shontae Salzman

The Jane Foundation Law Scholarship

Donated by the Jane Franklin Hall Foundation, the law scholarship is given to the returning student who has achieved the highest marks in the subject Introduction to Law and is continuing studies in law.

Awarded to:

Sarah Adkins

The Dr Karla Fenton OAM and Dr Douglas Fenton-Lee Prize

This is donated by Dr Karla in her own and her son's name to honour the memory of a friend, Dr Andrew Gibson. The prize is for the returning international student with the highest aggregate results from the previous academic year.

Awarded to:

Bliss Sandhu

The Jane Franklin Hall Distinguished Scholars Awards

Each year we honour Jane students who achieved outstanding University results in the previous academic year. They become known as our Distinguished Scholars.

All students who were resident at Jane in the previous academic year and who receive a High Distinction average when totalling their percentage results across all their subjects, become Distinguished Scholars of Jane. The list of Distinguished Scholars is displayed in a book in the Senior Common Room.

Distinguished scholars from the cohort of 2021, awarded in 2022:

Shontae Salzman

Bliss Sandhu

Eve Poland

Tamsin Jones

Thomas Jewell

Caroline Grace

Zoe Starkey

Oliver Marshall

Syan-Tran Phan

Awarded at Valedictory

The Fellows' Prize is donated by the Fellows of the College and is awarded for the most outstanding contribution by a first year student or students to the overall life of the College.

Awarded to:

Caragh Lawson

Noah Menner

The Southern Auxiliary Prize is awarded to the student who has displayed unobtrusive concern for the College and its students.

Awarded to:

Obelia Wycisk

The Principal's Prize is awarded to the student or students who have most demonstrated commitment to living and supporting the Jane values.

Awarded to:

Nick Cronin

Charlie Townsend

Service Awards

Three years ago we started a new tradition at the College of recognising those who have provided unstinting – often unseen – service to the College. These awards are for returning students who have contributed above and beyond over an extended period of time as selected by the Management Team.

For effectively advocating for student interests and working to bring harmony to all areas of the Jane community

Stella Maddock

For innovative and energetic leadership, driving positive initiatives to enhance safety and inclusivity at the College

Josephine Palmer

For compassionately and quietly supporting all members of the Jane community

Ruby Dhadlie

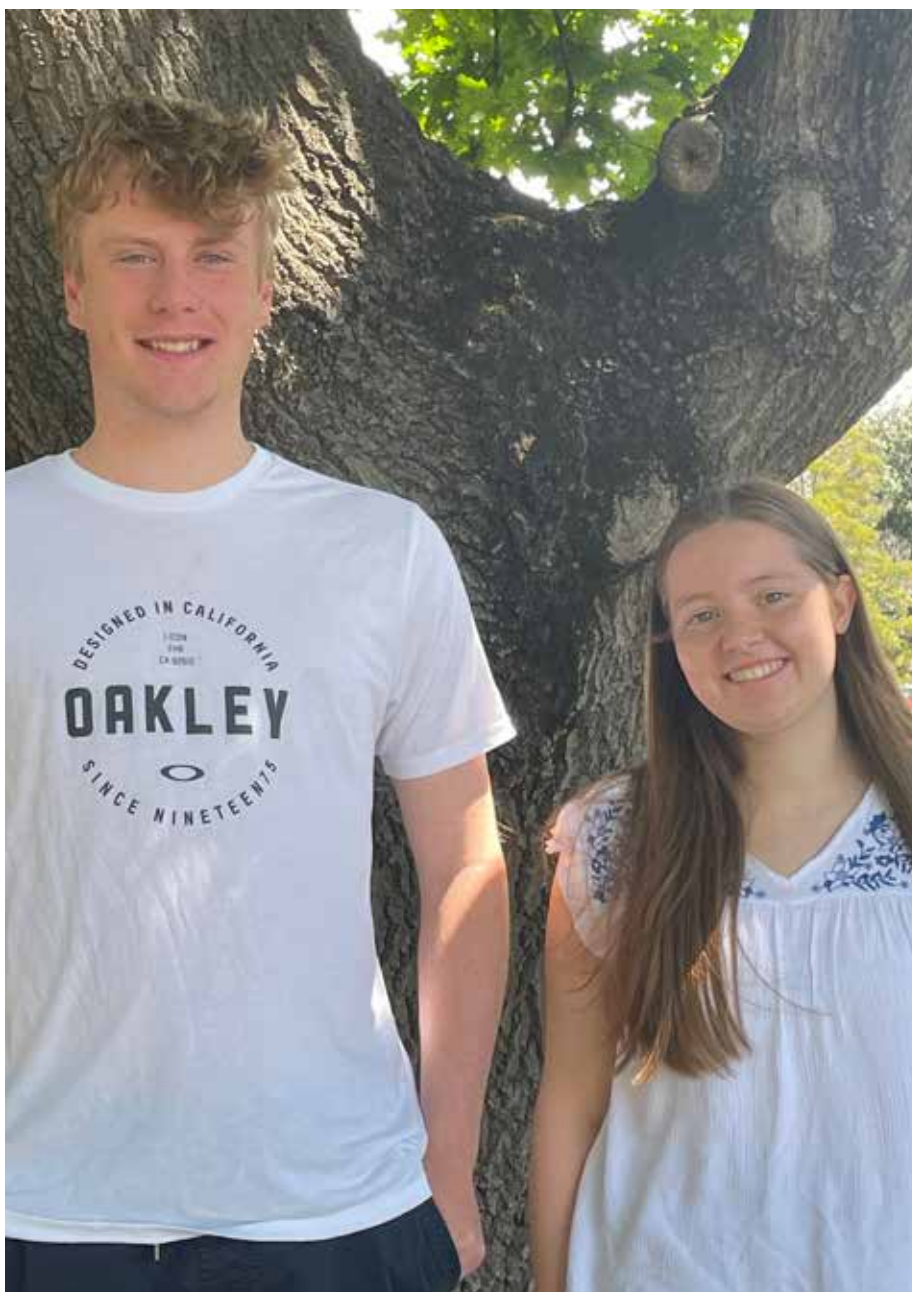
For always being present and responsive to the needs and wants of others

Karthik Pather

Back Row (L-R): Sanden Cook (Jill and Wayne Habner Scholarship 2022); Stuart Stenton (Hilary and Alan Wallace Scholarship 2022); Jaiden Popowski (James Fenton Scholarship 2020); Jack Wickham (Jane Community Scholarship 2022); Charlie Townsend (Damon Courtenay Memorial Scholarship 2022); Simon Pugh (Jane Franklin Hall/University of Tasmania Regional Scholarship 2021); Tamsin Jones (James Fenton Scholarship 2021 and Distinguished Scholar 2021); Thomas Ferrall (Jane Franklin Hall/University of Tasmania Regional Scholarship 2021).

Front Row (L-R): Shontae Salzman (Fellows Scholarship 2022 and Distinguished Scholar 2021); Sarah Adkins (Jane Foundation Law Scholarship 2022 and Jane Franklin Hall/University of Tasmania Regional Scholarship 2021); Mikayla Fyfe (Kate Gilder Scholarship 2022); Caroline Grace (Audrey Lee Scholarship 2022 and Distinguished Scholar 2021); Kelsey Anderson (Jane Community Scholarship 2022); Neve Clippingdale (James Fenton Scholarship 2022); Bliss Sandhu (Dr Karla Fenton OAM and Dr Douglas Fenton-Lee Prize 2022 and Distinguished Scholar 2021)

Catching up with Jane Community Scholarship recipients



In 2021, Jane Franklin Hall had the pleasure of launching its lucrative *Jane Community Scholarships* worth \$9,000 per year up to three years for students who demonstrate good character and the potential to contribute positively to the college community.

A sense of community is the top quality that stands out to prospective residents, and this scholarship was important in ensuring every new cohort of students adds to the Jane legacy – a place where everyone can connect, belong, and achieve.

At Jane, we want people from all walks of life to live the college experience. Yet, we recognise for many, cost is one factor holding them back – often the people who would get the most out of the experience.

Therefore, our goal with the Community Scholarships was to ease this financial burden and showcase the benefits of the college community.

Our aim was to attract like-minded people who share the values of intellectual enquiry, respect, collegiality, and courage, and we struck gold with Kelsey Anderson and Jack Whickham, our first recipients of the Jane Community Scholarships.

Both were incredibly deserving, and they have proved this in spades as they reflect on having just completed their first year at Jane.

Q: How did you hear about Jane Franklin Hall and what made you want to live in a residential college environment?

KELSEY: I heard about Jane predominantly through social media such as Facebook, as well as family friends and my high school teachers who went to Jane during their university years. I wanted to live in a residential college environment as it looked like an incredibly strong and enriching community where it would be easy to make friends and connect with others.

JACK: My Sister Milly lived at Jane for two years, so I had already heard fantastic things about the college. We attended one of the formal dinners when she first arrived at Jane, and I had a great night getting to chat with everyone there.

Jane Franklin Hall is just like a home away from home which I'm sure is why many of us like the residential college environment. Having meals provided means more of our time can be dedicated to our studies or other activities.

Q: Why did you apply for the Jane Community Scholarship?

KELSEY: The main reason I applied for the Jane Community scholarship was to alleviate financial stress on my family and make the transition from living at home to a residential college much easier.

The scholarship has increased financial flexibility, diverting my attention away from the financial aspects of tertiary study and towards achieving the greatest possible outcomes in my study.

JACK: I applied for the Jane Community Scholarship for a number of reasons, the most important one being that I really needed to secure a scholarship to cover some of my college fees so I could attend UTAS in Hobart for a Bachelor of Business course.

I had been involved in a number of community fundraising events and a breakfast club during my last few years of school, so I thought I had something to offer. I also thought it was a good opportunity to gain some experience of a scholarship application process and if I was lucky enough to get an interview that that would be beneficial for future job interviews.

Q: How did you feel when you received the scholarship? How has it helped you this year?

KELSEY: I felt ecstatic – I had been waiting a few weeks after the scholarship interview to hear whether I had been successful or not. Receiving the email that I won the scholarship felt amazing and was a massive relief for myself and my family. It has helped me a great deal this year, allowing me to place more focus on my studies. I think most of all it has placed less stress and worry on my parents, which means the world to me.

JACK: I really enjoyed the selection and interview process. Receiving this scholarship has helped me gain more confidence in my abilities and encouraged me to put myself out of my comfort zone in future endeavours. Of course, it has been of great financial benefit and allowed me to concentrate on study.

Q: If you could describe your first week at Jane in three words, what would they be?

KELSEY:

1. Eye-opening
2. Sociable
3. Exciting

JACK:

1. Fast
2. Fun
3. Memorable

Q: What have been some of the highlights of your first year at Jane?

KELSEY:
The Jane Ball: getting dressed up and dancing with my friends was a memorable experience. Involvement in Jane sports, such as soccer encouraged me to try something outside of my comfort zone.

Fresher's trip to Bruny Island at the beginning of the year was a relaxed and fun bonding experience.

JACK:
Basketball Grand Final
The Jane Ball
Room Golf

Q: Has there been anything that has surprised you about living at Jane?

KELSEY: What most surprised me about living at Jane is the unexpected friendships that you make. You don't just make friends with the people in your Fresher group. Jane is a tight-knit community where everyone is so closely connected and get along so well.

Jane is very different to high school in that aspect – you aren't divided by year levels – everyone spends time together regardless of age and what year of university study you are in. I think that's what I appreciate and love most about living at Jane.

JACK: Something that surprised me about Jane was how quick and easy it was to meet new people, some of my best friends right now are people I have known less than a year!

Q: What are you most looking forward to next year at Jane?

KELSEY: I am looking forward to meeting and becoming friends with the new Fresher group while also seeing the amazing friends I have made this year. I am excited to be a 'lifer' where I can be a positive role model, using my experience and knowledge from my first year to support the Freshers.

I am also keen to become involved in more Jane sports and the many social events that Jane hosts, while also focusing on succeeding academically.

JACK: I am looking forward to meeting a new bunch of people with similar interests that also want to explore and experience new things.

Left:
(L-R): Jane Community Scholarship winners Jack Wickham and Kelsey Anderson



Success always on the cards for Mark Habner

Salamanca Market may be a world away from the beating heart of capitalism in New York City, both literally and metaphorically. But it is where Tasmanian-born entrepreneur, Mark Habner, first tasted the sweet taste of success and the bitter chaser of corporate betrayal.

Mark Habner grew up in Launceston and was the first person in his extended family to go to university.

With inspiration from his grandfather, a successful small businessman, and encouragement from his parents, Mark enrolled in a commerce and law degree at the University of Tasmania and moved into Jane Franklin Hall in 1988.

It was from there that Mark launched his first successful business with

Jane Franklin Hall friend Brett Cox – selling football merchandise from a stall at Salamanca Market.

“I had launched a few other side businesses prior to that – none of which really got traction,” Mark said.

“The football souvenir business was a success and I expanded into selling via other retailers.

“The mistake I made was that I did not negotiate an exclusive license to sell the products in Tasmania. The mainland distributor cut me out when they saw the success after a couple of years so that was painful, but a learning opportunity for the future.”

It’s a life lesson that Mark has carried with him throughout his successful career, which took him to Sydney,

then to Northwestern’s Kellogg Graduate School of Management in Chicago for his MBA before finally relocating to New York in 2004. In 2016, Mark made the bold decision to establish his own company, Beckway, which employs 130 people with head the office in Midtown, Manhattan, just a stone’s throw from the Chrysler Building.

“While I had a good relationship with the major shareholders at my prior employer, I realised that our growth aspirations were not aligned, and I came to appreciate that if I didn’t make a change I would regret it. “For sure it was a risk to leave, and the first 12 months were the most challenging.

“The advice that I live with is: ‘it is not how many times you get knocked down that matters (because it

“Jane Franklin Hall was an incredible experience – you develop strong friendships, and you have the structure and support of a caring administration to help you succeed.”

sometimes seems like it's never-ending) it is how many times you get back up that counts’.”

Mark credits his experiences at UTAS and Jane Franklin Hall for giving him the foundations for business success.

In 2017 he established the Jill and Wayne Habner Scholarship at Jane Franklin Hall, named in honour of his parents who encouraged and enabled him to pursue a tertiary education.

Mark's cousin, Justin Habner, another JFH alumnus, now working at the UK High Commission in Singapore, has also made a contribution to the scholarship with his partner Dr Simon Baptist.

“For me, it is about wanting to create opportunities for others similar

(or better) than those that I was fortunate to experience. I know the important benefits that flow to the students from financial contributions and I encourage alumni to support as best they can,” Mark said.

“Jane Franklin Hall was an incredible experience – you develop strong friendships, and you have the structure and support of a caring administration to help you succeed at your studies and maximise all that University life offers.

“My JFH alumni contacts helped me as I navigated my early career steps in Sydney. They were a great resource for helping me find new opportunities and think through career options.”

Mark is a passionate advocate for studying in Tasmania, recognising the dramatic improvement in

communication technology and acceptance of remote engagement which have also made it easier to pursue a professional career while remaining in the state.

“The University of Tasmania provides an excellent foundation for advancement, effectively positioning graduates to either stay local or explore career options nationally or internationally. It delivers the technical learning along with the all-important softer skills that come from being a large institution in a caring community.”

Top Left:
Mark Habner



The late Dr Peter Smith's enduring gift to Jane

Dr Peter Smith made it his life's work to ensure his students received the individualised support they needed to excel.

Over the course of more than 30 years at the UTAS chemistry school, Dr Smith, earned the affectionate title of the "students' friend" – providing guidance and mentorship to Science and Engineering students, inside and beyond the classroom.

Dr Smith was a Fellow of Jane Franklin Hall throughout this time, including a period as Chair of the Jane Council.

So remarkable was Dr Smith's commitment to university students, he ensured it would endure long after his death.

He made a significant gift to the College in his Will, with instructions for the bequest to be endowed in a trust and for Jane to receive an annual income from the investment.

This unrestricted income is invaluable, allowing the College the discretion to spend money where it is most needed.

The most visible example of Dr Smith's support has been the purchase of a bus for student transport – a wonderful gift in times of inclement weather.

The bus ensures all Jane residents receive free transport to and from the university's campuses.

We are extremely grateful for Dr Smith's generosity and foresight and the remarkable investment he has made into Jane's future, providing a permanent annual income.

The gift embodies Dr Smith's spirit of altruism and ensures his legacy lives on for a whole new generation of students.

For a confidential discussion regarding supporting Jane through your Will, please contact:

Gaye French
Advancement Manager

Phone: (03) 6210 0100
Email: advancement@jane.edu.au



Scan the QR code to send an email

Top-Right (Inset):
Dr Peter Smith

Vale

Mr Wayne Goninon

5 November 1952 to 13 April 2022

Through the long years of Wayne's involvement at the College as a Fellow, Life Fellow and Council member his constant commitment to Jane went above and beyond. Wayne and his wife Paula were warm table hosts, enthusiastically supporting students in myriad ways. One international student fondly recalls how Wayne and Paula attended her graduation in loco parentis. Another student remembers him as "bright, with a warm smile".

Wayne was generous, finding ways to donate without fuss and to connect the College with opportunities to further develop income streams. While working as

Manager of the School of Science at the University of Tasmania, Wayne established a scholarship for a science student to attend Jane.

Later as convenor of the Crown Princess Mary Scholarships, Wayne encouraged our students, Australian and Danish, to apply, with several successful.

Wayne was a selfless, community minded, good humoured, energetic and dedicated member of our community. Words alone are not enough to convey the deep fondness with which all of us remember him. Our thoughts are with Paula and his close-knit, loving and much-loved family.

Mr Declan Brush

18 November 1995 to January 2022

Earlier this year we were saddened to learn of the sudden passing of former Assistant Accountant, Declan Brush. Declan was at Jane for three years before moving to the warmer climate of Queensland in 2021.

During his time here he won us over with a big, wide smile, his quickness to laughter and his good humour. We appreciated his attention to detail and incredible memory, surpassing all staff in knowing each and every student's name. Our thoughts are with his family and friends who mourn a life taken too soon.



Alumni news

Roslynn Haynes

(Vice-Principal 1964-1968)

After Jane I went to the UK to study for my PhD. In 1972 I returned to the academic staff at UNSW. In 1999 I retired from UNSW after 27 years and remain an Adjunct Associate Professor in the School of Arts and Media Studies.

*I am a Fellow of the Australian Academy of the Humanities and I have continued to research and publish in the fields of Representations of Scientists in Literature and Media and Landscape in Literature, Art and Film, most recently in terms of deserts, although in 2006 I published *Tasmanian Visions: Landscapes in Writing, Art and Photography*. I am just finishing an illustrated book *Journeys to the Centre on the Australian Desert: Nature and Culture*.*

I live in Orange, NSW with my husband Raymond, who was once a tutor at Jane. Our two adult daughters and their families, including two teenage grandsons, also live in Orange.

Carolyn Krajewski (nee Woodruff) *(Resident 1967-1968)*

I don't think I would recognise the College anymore. The address has changed (was 308 Davey Street), another block of land purchased and probably new buildings.

I left Tasmania about a month after graduating and moved to a microbiology laboratory in Newcastle NSW. Stayed there for 2 years then headed to a new job in a lab in St Gallen Switzerland. My travels started. I also spent a year at a large hospital in London.

I returned home and found no work available in the hospital field but an opening came in the

pharmaceutical microbiology area. I spent 15 years in pharmaceutical companies and then joined the regulator (TGA) and was based in Melbourne. I retired from that job in 2011. I acquired more university education – BA in English and music (UNE) and Grad Diploma in Marketing from Bathurst CAE (now Charles Sturt Uni).

The BA was for fun, the marketing was to help me understand the Marketing dept in the industry!

I keep in touch with a few friends from Jane days. Enjoying retirement in Melbourne, seeing the grandchildren occasionally and talking to my son about weekly.

Mary Brownell *(Resident 1968-70)*

I had a wonderful experience there for three years, culminating in being crowned "Miss University" representing Jane Franklin Hall in 1970. Those were the days! Can't quite imagine this being PC these days!! I'm happily living in Hobart after being away for several years, and am enjoying life as the developer/tourism operator of The Rox Hobart, completed and launched in 2021 and the adjoining heritage building Roxburgh House in 2004.

Mary-Ann Brown (nee Banks) *(Resident 1974 -1976)*

Completed a Bachelor of Economics in 1976. She sold her financial services business in 2021 and is currently a councillor at Southern Grampians Shire Council based in Hamilton, Western Victoria. Mary-Ann is also the Chair of Rural Council Victoria, a statewide body representing 35 rural Victorian councils, and Chair of the Dunkeld Writers Festival.



Above:
Alumna Roslynn Haynes



Above:
Alumna Carolyn Krajewski, her husband and two of her grandchildren



Above:
Alumna Mary Brownell



Above:
Alumna Mary-Ann Brown



Above:
Alumnus Michael Jones

Michael Jones (Resident 1983–1985) is Managing Director of Faversham Textiles, a company he found in 2010 after many years working in the retail sector. Based on the Mornington Peninsula, Michael is married and has three children, two of whom are at University in Melbourne and one in Grade 11.

Justin Habner (Resident 1997–1999) left Tasmania in 2003 and with his partner Dr Simon Baptist, moved to the UK for a number of years. They are now in Singapore where Justin works for the British High Commission.

Luke Edmunds (Resident 2001–2003) has been elected to the Tasmanian Parliamentary Upper House as the MLC for Pembroke.

Damien Viney (Resident 2001–03) was elected to the Devonport City Council in the October Council elections.

Loga Kannan Nadar (Resident 2012) I graduated from law school in 2016 and since then, have been working for the Tasmanian Government as a senior policy analyst. First at the Department of State Growth, then Department of Education, and now the Office of Tasmanian Standards and Certification.

I loved living in Tasmania so much that I can become a permanent resident in 2017, and a citizen in 2019. I coached the Jane soccer team in 2013 and 14, which has led me to explore my interests in coaching further. I've coached senior men and women, as well as youth boys and girls at Beachside Football Club and Kingborough Lions United Football Club. I'm currently a board member at Kingborough Lions United Football Club.

Alex Licht (Resident 2013–2015) I graduated a Bachelor of Pharmacy in 2018, did my intern year at Wilkinsons Pharmacy in Burnie in 2019, before moving to Launceston in 2020 and working since at HPS Pharmacies, primarily at Calvary St Lukes and St Vincent's private hospitals as a clinical pharmacist, focused on the palliative care team and oncology services, surgical recovery and rehab as well as general clinical services. Away from work, I have been a 1st and 2nd grade Cricketer at South Launceston CC and recently purchased my first home and am still closest friends

with many of the lads I met at college and catch up regularly!

Stephanie Newington (Resident 2014–2015) After completing a combined Arts and Science degree in 2017, I worked at the Mercury in Hobart before putting my communications skills to use in Sydney, working in advertising. Now I've come full circle, went back to school this year to complete my veterinary nursing qualifications.

Jacob van Tienen (Resident 2014–2015) graduated with an MBBS in 2018 and moved to NSW, working as Intern and Resident at Wollongong Hospital (2019–2020), before moving to Sydney as a Critical Care SRMO at Westmead Hospital (2021–22). He has recently been accepted onto Scheme Anaesthetics Training Pathway at Westmead Hospital for 2023.

Marnie McLoughlin (Resident 2016–2017) is currently in Launceston and recently completed and passed her final OSCEs. She is living with long term boyfriend, **Schyler Walker** (Resident 2016–2017), who is also a doctor in his 7th year. They are shifting to the Sunshine Coast next year to live in the warmth for a couple of years. Very happy and are both loving their work.

Noel Ng (Resident 2016–2019) popped in early November on a flying visit to talk all things Tasmania and Singapore. Noel is at Goodwins Law Corporation working in mergers and acquisitions. What really makes him excited, though, is talking about links between this great state and Singapore. Stay tuned for more.

Anders Plambaek (Resident 2019) Since UTAS, I finished my master's thesis on global climate agreement which I had the honour of defending at the Centre of European Studies at Yale University. I then proceeded to start my career at the Danish Ministry of Finance, calculating the carbon emissions of public procurement. I met my wife Camilla in April 2020 during Covid and instantly fell in love. I proposed to her on January 30, 2022. We got married 9 months later on October 30, 2022. Come November 9, we are moving to Luxembourg, as I have been offered a job as Lead Analyst for Bank of New York Mellon. A new adventure awaits!



Above:
Alumnus Luke Edmunds MLC



Above:
Alumnus Noel Ng



Above:
Alumnus Anders Plambaek and his wife Camilla

College community

Welcome to new appointments

Dr Nick Brodie appointed to position as Dean of Academic Studies

Mr Ben Fasnacht appointed to position of Bus Driver

Ms Gaye French appointed to position as Advancement Manager

Ms Patricia Huarte Terra appointed to position of catering assistant

Ms Tracy Kemash appointed to position of Finance and Office Administrator

Mr Jeff Knowlson appointed to position of Bus Driver

Mr Warren Martin appointed to position of Catering Manager

Mr Jaden Wakeling appointed to position of Cleaner

Movements

Ms Pip Dawson elected to position of Deputy Chair, College Council

Dr John Kertesz appointed to position of Chair, College Culture Committee

Mr Justin Hill stepped down as Deputy Chair, College Council

Mr Paul Byrne and **Ms Pip Dawson** stepped down as Chairs, Culture Committee

Mr Peter Gangell moved from position of Bus Driver to position of Maintenance and Grounds Officer

2023 Student Club Committee Members

Mr Nick Cronin President

Mr Charlie Townshend Vice-President

Mr Gilbert Loane Treasurer

Ms Alannah Clark Secretary

Mr Angad Singh Equity Representative

Ms Elle O'Brien Women's Sports Representative

Mr Noah Menner Men's Sports Representative

Ms Kelsey Anderson Publications Representative

Ms Samantha Herriott Social Representative

Mr Liam Mani Activities Representative

Newly appointed 2023 Senior Residents

Mr Ryan Diprose
Ms Caragh Lawson
Ms Shione Takata

They will join Mr Samuel Tan, Mr Humaid Shaikh, Mr Matthew Diprose.

Farewell and Thank You

Ms Lisa Gibson from position of Council member and Chair of Alumni Committee

Ms Dianna Andoni from position of Grounds Officer

Ms Laura Danter from position of Office and Finance Administrator

Mr Kevin Knight from position of Bus Driver

Mr Jordan Poland from position of Academic Coordinator

Mr Phil White from position of Catering Manager

Mr Karthik Pather from position of Senior Resident

Mr Meth Prathapasinghe from position of Senior Resident

Mr Bliss Sandhu from position of Senior Resident

Ms Nicki Squibb from position of Senior Resident

Right:
(L-R): Jane students Imogen Wall and Kate Neville



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