Challenges and Opportunities

A joint welcome to Libertas from the Chair of Council and the Principal.

Since the last edition of Libertas, the College has taken what seems to be gigantic steps forward. We have a whole new raft of students, a new management team and a new postgraduate community in our flats. The College is invigorated and there is a palpable sense of confidence in our strategic direction.

Let us make no mistake, however. The future we face is one filled with challenges. More and more accommodation providers are moving into the higher education residential sector. Expectations from students and families about what we will provide are increasing. University fees are rising. Add to that our uniquely Jane issues – over-mature buildings, sometimes 19th-century plumbing and rooms that seem to have been designed for people of a bygone age, not suitable for the tall, strapping youth of today. It can, at times, feel a little daunting.

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Professor Michael Stoddart
Chair, Jane Franklin Hall Council

Ms Joanna Rosewell
Principal
This year a new College tradition began on Registration Day with the families of new students invited to attend the First Year Formal Dinner.

The dinner attracted over 180 attendees, with parents and siblings accompanying their freshly-minted Jane student from all over Tasmania, and Australia. There were even a few families from Malaysia and Singapore that made the journey.

Beginning with pre-dinner drinks on the dining hall lawn, and ending with coffee in the Senior Common Room, family members experienced a typical Jane formal meal, complete with grace and academic gowns.

For many parents it was a welcome chance to learn more about the College, feel valued as part of our community and to celebrate the next stage of their child’s life.

An excerpt from the welcome speech by Jane Franklin Hall Principal, Ms Joanna Rosewell...

Welcome to all our new residents and to family members. This is not only the first formal dinner for our new residents. It is also the first formal dinner to which we have invited parents, brothers, sisters and friends. We did this because we see you as important to our Jane community. We know that for some of you it will be hard to leave your child here with us. We wanted to give you a bit of reassurance that while this is a new stage of life for your family, you are always welcome. I also have to say that we are delighted to see so many of you here, enjoying a little slice of Jane life.

As I look at you, I wonder what impressions each of you has formed of our college? I am pretty sure you would say it is a warm place, a place where you have been welcomed by staff and students who share their wide smiles and their great sense of fun. I also feel confident that you will say that all of us here at Jane have the best interests of our students at heart and that we offer a place where our residents are not just cared for but are also encouraged to thrive, find their place in the world and discover much about themselves at a crucial life stage.

You may also have formed an impression of the College being a bit run down compared to other newer accommodation options in Hobart. But then you may also have taken a look at our gardens, the views of the river and of the mountain and forgiven us the odd blemish. Or looked at how much the students who are here seem to love Jane in spite of any interior design flaws.

I hope that you have also formed an impression of the College as a place where we value our heritage, as a traditional College, where we say Grace and wear Academic gowns – perhaps an impression that we are a little like Hogwarts minus the wizardry.

But I hope too that you see that we are also a modern College, one that respects all its residents as individuals regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation or where they are from. One that embraces new ideas and genuinely works to innovate. And a College that is moving forward with determination and courage to ensure it can survive long into the future.
With the generous support of our benefactors, the College awarded over $60,000 in scholarships this year. We congratulate all recipients and thank our generous donors.

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Front row, left to right: Benjamin Ivory, Jade Smedley, Mikaela McKnight, Isabelle Nichol, Sharifah Syed Rohan, Olivia Richardson
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Absent: Yumin Ichikawa, Caleb Aitchison, Niamh Chapman
The Vice-Chancellor gave a stirring commencement speech acknowledging the vital nature of residential colleges and highlighting the opportunities available to the residents of Jane Franklin Hall.

A time honoured tradition at Jane, the Commencement Ceremony is a rite of passage for new residents and has been a part of the college experience since 1951.

On February 25, over 80 new residents took this important step as members of Jane Franklin Hall. The purpose of Commencement is to formally introduce new residents to the College, the community and the many different people that have called Jane home over the decades.

Held in the Frances Parsons building, this year’s ceremony was attended by the University’s Vice-Chancellor Professor Peter Rathjen, Senator Jonathon Duniam and many other special guests.

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After a formal introduction to the College and the Vice-Chancellor, residents put pen to paper in the College’s Book of Commencement. The book contains within it a snapshot of Jane’s 67 year history and the names of thousands of residents who graced our corridors and common rooms.

With their signatures committed to the annals of Jane history, our new residents took their first step into the life awaiting them at Jane Franklin Hall.
NEW MEMBERS OF THE JANE COUNCIL

Jane Franklin Hall is pleased to welcome three new members of the College Council: Mrs Sophie Davidson, Mr David Morris and Ms Ginna Webster.

**Sophie Davidson** (pictured) is Senior Manager Philanthropy & Development at WWF-Australia.

Sophie specialises in fundraising and philanthropy, with particular expertise in major gifts. She has worked in the not-for-profit sector in the US and Australia for more than 20 years – in conservation, education, social justice and the arts. Her efforts have seen more than $100 million delivered to a variety of causes.

Most recently Sophie served as Deputy Director Advancement at the University of Tasmania where she implemented best-practise fundraising, alumni relations and community engagement.

Sophie also previously designed a $10 million campaign to support Indigenous culture and country in remote West Arnhem Land and wrote the national engagement strategy to secure philanthropic revenue of $10 million per annum for Greening Australia.

Sophie is a member of the Fundraising Institute of Australia national Board of Directors and assists Australian Indigenous organisations on a pro bono basis.

She lives in Hobart and St Helens with her husband Ben and 16-year-old daughter Lily.

**David Morris** has been appointed to the Jane Council as a representative of the Tasmanian Council of Churches.

David Morris is an educator with wide experience in Tasmania in State schools, independent schools, in the TAFE sector and as a reference librarian at the State Library of Tasmania and the University of Tasmania. He is currently the Head of Library and Information Services at Scotch Oakburn College in Launceston.

David is State Chairman of the Industry Focus Group for TasTAFE’s Library & Museum Studies’ courses. His distinguished contribution and expertise to teacher librarianship and library services in Tasmania and at the national level was recognised in 2013 when he was awarded the esteemed Doreen Hopkins Medal by the Australian School Library Association.

He is a lay member of the Anglican Church and, until June 2013, was also Convener of the Tasmanian Council of Churches Commission for Christian Ministry in State Schools, which is co-responsible for the development and monitoring of Tasmanian Education Department guidelines for the conduct of chaplaincy in State schools, and Christian religious education in State schools.

David is currently the President of the Northern Chapter of the Royal Society of Tasmania.

**Ginna Webster** (pictured) was recently appointed the Deputy Secretary – Children and Youth Services in the Department of Health and Human Services. Prior to this, Ginna spent 15 years in the Tasmanian Department of Justice, including 3 years as Deputy Secretary – Administration of Justice, Department of Justice.

Ginna was the Director, Community Corrections, and Organisation Development, Tasmania Prison Service. From 1984 – 2002 Ginna worked for the Australian Customs Service in Hobart, Darwin, Sydney and Canberra.

For many years she was a Detector Dog Handler before being appointed Inspector of the NSW Dog Unit, the largest unit in Australia. Ginna has recently stepped down as Chair of Tasmanian Disability Organisation, Li-Ve Tasmania.

A graduate of the 2008 Tasmanian Leaders Program, and a past Chair of the Tasmanian Leaders Alumni, Ginna is now the Chair of the Tasmanian Leaders’ Board.
Our new strategic plan has called for changes to be made to our organisational structure, changes that give us the ability to deliver on the College’s long-term goals and objectives.

The organisational structure now reflects a focus on strengthening our pastoral care delivery as a key feature of the Jane community and business models.

Rebadged as “Student Wellbeing”, pastoral care is now managed by recent recruit Rob MacDonald, a graduate in psychology and a former RAAF trainer.

Also in the wellbeing team is new Chief Resident, Niamh Chapman (also a PhD student at the Menzies Centre), and former Jane receptionist Kathy Pigden as the Student Wellbeing Assistant.

On the ground are six Senior Residents, the Jane Ambassador and an Outreach Co-ordinator, roles all filled by selected senior students from within the Jane community.

The College has also appointed Jacob Foreman as the Marketing and Events Co-ordinator, and Declan Brush as the Assistant Accountant.

Recruitment for a new Junior Receptionist is underway as this edition of Libertas goes to print.

Other College Community movements...

Mr Wayne Johnson: Elected to position of Fellow
Dr Katrina Clifford: Elected to position of Fellow
Dr Toni-Anne Caroll: Elected to position of Fellow
Mr Daniel Aitken: Elected to position of Fellow
Father Adelbert-Samuel Fancsali: Appointed to position of Chaplain
Ms Katrina Piper: Appointed to Jane Alumni Committee
Mr Russell Fox: Appointed to Jane Alumni Committee
Dr Philip Caudrey: Resigned position of Fellow
Rev Dr Shelagh Shaw: Resigned position of Chaplain

Top: The Management Team – Aengus Morley, Libby Hopkins, Paul Hriat, Kathy Pigden, Christopher Warr, Joanna Rosewell, Jacob Foreman, Belinda Sargent, Declan Brush, Robert MacDonald
Left: The Wellbeing Team – Rob MacDonald, Hillary Cheah, Stephen Cronin, Olivia Richardson, Niamh Chapman, Jessie-Mae Branch, Jordan Poland, Laura Sutton, Laxman Khanna
Relying on the generosity of all members of the Jane community including alumni, parents, students and staff, your gift to our Annual Giving Appeal will have an immediate and long-lasting effect at Jane.

Last year we raised just over $25,000 in our refurbishment campaign. This supported the repainting of the library and the purchase of new furniture for the Frances Parsons Building. Thank you to all our donors.

This year we are asking for your financial support in one or more of our fundraising drives:

1. Refugee Scholarship

Jane Franklin Hall is fully committed to recruiting and retaining students from a diverse range of cultural, linguistic and socio-economic backgrounds.

To help meet this goal, the College is asking for donations supporting a scholarship for a refugee or a child of a refugee to live at Jane while studying at the University of Tasmania.

Your gift could change someone’s life. It will also enrich the Jane community, bringing a breadth of cultural, linguistic and living experience to our collegiate environment.

2. Scholarship Fund

Each year we hear of young adults who miss out on the Jane experience due to financial hardship.

By making a gift to our scholarship fund you’ll be supporting parents and students who struggle to pay the bills but see the value that collegiate life brings to its residents.

3. Vibrant Spaces

We still desperately need money to turn our College into a smarter-looking, inviting space for our students.

We are proud of our College. We also know that to attract students from many different places and in an increasingly competitive accommodation market in Hobart, we need to make it a physically appealing place for everyone.

Please help, and we can paint, redecorate, refurnish and maintain our College as a vibrant space.

Big or small, your donation will make a difference in the lives of our students. Please give.

For more information or to discuss your donation, please contact the Principal, Joanna Rosewell on (03) 62 100 100 or at principal@jane.edu.au
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With another year there comes another Agfest and another opportunity for Jane Franklin Hall to roll up its sleeves, head north and get into the agricultural spirit with the University of Tasmania.

As the state’s premier rural event, Agfest showcases and celebrates Tasmania’s agricultural industry, pride and culture. Running for over three decades, it draws in tens of thousands of attendees each year.

Jane was once again offered a place in the University’s Agfest pavilion, giving us the opportunity to rub elbows with Menzies, IMAS, HIT Labs and many other groups from across the University of Tasmania.

This year, three residents – Jessie-Mae Branch, Jason Taylor and Georgina Gaffney – travelled north with our new Marketing and Events Co-ordinator, Jacob Foreman, to raise awareness, engage with potential residents and reconnect with alumni.

Attendees were treated to a virtual reality tour of Jane that showcased the grounds and common rooms. Potential residents and their parents were given a residential perspective on college life and had the opportunity to ask questions and advice.

Agfest is an important event for Jane because it lets us reach out to the communities that many of our current and former residents come from. In fact, it’s safe to say that if you walk around our corridors long enough it’s more than likely that you’ll run into a resident who hails from the North or North West of Tasmania.

We like to think that a part of Jane lives in the North and a part of the North lives at Jane. We’re very much looking forward to seeing a few familiar faces from this year’s Agfest as Jane residents in 2018.
With a bold vision for the future, the College is working on ways to proactively foster leadership skills amongst its student body.

To this end, a new leadership development program at Jane was trialled earlier this year with the senior residential staff and the Student Club Committee.

Held during “N week” (the week before “O” week), our student leaders participated in workshops, learnt more about the Vice-Chancellor’s Leadership program at UTAS and tested their abilities in laser skirmish.

The highlight, though, was the “Leadership Dinner”, an initiative to bring student leaders, staff, Council and Fellows together to acknowledge and appreciate their roles in our College community.

For Student Wellbeing Manager, Rob MacDonald, the dinner was a chance to both celebrate and raise awareness of the importance of good leadership.

“The aim of the dinner was to promote the valuable roles that we all play in the Jane community”, he said, “we wanted to make the evening enjoyable and also to emphasise what unique and privileged positions our student leadership group holds at College.”

“Given the positive responses I have received, I think we are on the right track.”

The next big step for the Jane leadership program will be to review and assess the success of this year’s program with the aim of implementing a clearly articulated and dedicated leadership curriculum.

**The Jane Vision:** To produce the future leaders, innovators and thinkers of society, well-adjusted and confident individuals who value their Jane experience as central to their success in life.
The achievements of alumnus Daren Armstrong are only truly matched by the hurdles he has faced and overcome.

In 1975, Daren and his family emigrated to Tasmania from the United Kingdom. He lived in Ulverstone on the state’s northwest coast until 1990 when he moved to Hobart to study at the University and live at Jane.

For Daren, Jane was perfect. “Life at Jane was a lot of fun and very memorable. It combined everything you could want whilst away from home. It was the perfect place to meet new people, many of whom are now lifelong friends.”

“Jane provided excellent opportunities to socialise and get involved in sport. The inter-college sporting calendar was certainly a highlight and really brought out the Jane camaraderie and team spirit.”

The major events of Daren’s life after Jane came in the form of his marriage to his wife Sue, the birth of his children, Callum and Mikaela, and an unexpected diagnosis.

In 2001, Daren was diagnosed with testicular cancer and faced urgent surgery and chemotherapy. It took 11 years, but in May 2012 he was given a clean bill of health.

It was not to last. After a routine visit to the dentist in 2013, it was discovered that Daren had a rare and aggressive salivary gland tumour (Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma - ACC). This took several months of surgeries and radiation to defeat, but defeat it he did.

“For the next 3 years I underwent a regular scanning and monitoring routine and unfortunately in late 2016 this turned up a secondary ACC tumour in my lung. A section of my lung was removed in order to get this new lesion out of my body,” he explained, “It is hard to predict what might be next but it is fair to say there is an increased degree of uncertainty as a result of recent events. But life goes on.”

During his fight with testicular cancer, Daren saw an advertisement for Tour de Cure – a tier 1 cancer charity that hosts fundraising rides around Australia. He was determined to take part in whatever way he could. It was after participating in a few small rides that Daren received his second cancer diagnosis.

“I was sitting in my hospital bed after surgery when I received an email from Tour de Cure reminding me that applications for the 2014 Signature Tour (Sydney to Hobart - 1600km in 10 days) were about to close,” he said, “I realised I needed something to set my sights on, to get me motivated and fit again after all the surgeries and radiation treatment were over.”

In the four years since this revelation, Darren has raised over $125,000 for cancer research, prevention and support projects. In what he describes as a humbling experience, Daren has proven the power of human spirit and endurance.
Thanks to a fortuitous shave the night before, Liam was the perfect fit and soared through the audition...
Many wonderful and distinguished people have come to Jane over the years as Visiting Fellows. From our own country we’ve had Bryce Courtenay, former Governor General Bill Hayden, Peter Coleman (once editor of Quadrant) and John Bryson, author of Evil Angels. Others have come from the UK and US, Holland, Germany, Russia and Japan. From Canada came writer Dave Williamson (pictured), whose latest novel Visiting Fellow was published last year.

It’s an entertaining and amusing romp about Wally Baxter, an ageing history professor from Winnipeg, who accepts an invitation to spend two months in the mid-90s as a visiting fellow at a thinly disguised Jane Franklin College.

The names have all been changed to protect the innocent, of course, but that the book has a strong factual basis is inescapable. It is perfectly obvious that the real Jane is the college in question, and anyone who remembers Dave as I do will recognise colleagues – staff and students – from that era. Delineations of character are sharp and witty, but always kindly. One senses that he enjoyed his stay with us.

Against the factual backdrop, the fictional story plays out. Unlike the real Dave, Wally is escaping from a painful divorce. He brings his latest girlfriend with him. Let’s hope that part is fictional, because some of their activities in the Underlodge are steamier than one would expect from a learned scholar in residence. Let them enjoy themselves on an East Coast beach, as indeed they do, but within the Lodge precincts such athleticism is just not on, is it?

But I digress. The book is a delight. Space doesn’t permit me to say more, but why should I? Read it and enjoy a light-hearted recollection du temps perdu.

The book can be purchased online from McNally Robinson.
Believe it or not, the Lodge wasn’t always a part of Jane Franklin Hall. Earlier this year, we were visited by Trish Stewart, former resident of 310 Davey Street AKA the Lodge. What follows is a story of the Lodge and a slice of Jane history written by Trish and her family...

This is the story of my family’s time at the big white house, now known as the Lodge. It was then a privately owned home, unrelated to the college, but sharing the same Davey St driveway.

This home gave us so many poignant memories that, even now, so many years later, we are still drawn back there from all our far-flung corners of Australia. The house itself is remarkably unchanged, although the rooms seem much smaller now.

We moved there in 1956. Our grandparents and parents pooled their resources to buy the house. At the time, there were five children, ranging in age from one to sixteen. Within a year, a cherished baby brother was added to the fold.

The garden was paradise for us children. In those days, the house was set in two and half acres; some beautiful gardens, some wild unruly patches and a lower field (now tennis courts) that contained various animals including a fat old horse, Daisy the cow and a cranky goat named Reuben.

The oak tree was a favourite for climbing and watching the goings on down below. It provided acorns for weapons or carving into little men. The cherry blossom tree was special with the most fragrant blossoms and provided the backdrop for our eldest sister’s wedding photos in 1958.

Plums, cherries, apricots, apples, peaches and walnuts were all there for us to feast on when we were hungry. Blackberries grew in the bottom field which meant blackberry pies for us.

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The curving driveway was perfect for billy carts, trikes and roller skates. Although one little sister came to an abrupt stop when she failed to negotiate the stone sundial. There were also many games of hopscotch, snail races and table tennis.
Our grandparents who lived in the flat below had been amateur actors, pioneers in radio broadcasting and were the original owners of Fullers Bookshop which they ran for at least forty years.

Their flat was full of books, costumes to dress up in, a piano and freshly cooked pikelets. Our grandfather made us fairy wings and hobby horses and our grandmother gave us treats and much love.

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Inside the main house our lives were filled with classical music, cricket, books and a spectacular view. We would watch the boats coming up the river and I remember Dad hanging out a huge Australian flag when the Queen visited on the Royal Yacht Britannia.

My brother remembers taping music on a reel to reel tape and our ballerina sister performing Giselle in the garden with some of the students from Jane Franklin Hall watching on.

In 1962, this magical childhood was dealt a sad blow when our beloved mother died at the age of forty-six.

After some time, our father married a widow with three young children. Another baby brother arrived and at one stage there were nine children living in the house. So, we had plenty of new actors for our make-believe plays. Our dancing sister left to live in Melbourne and our brother moved into the large shed which was situated where the Frances Parsons building now stands. This shed was the scene of our brother’s 21st at which Reuben, the goat, made a guest appearance.

In 1966 we moved to Brisbane, leaving behind our brother, and our grandmother in the flat.

During the 1967 bushfires, our brother saved the house, desperately using water from the hot water service. Unfortunately, he lost every single one of his own possessions when the shed burnt to the ground.

As we all had to start a different life after our mother died, there was a wall of silence created about the past. Thanks to the kindness and interest shown by the people I met at Jane in February when I visited with my husband, there has been an upwelling of previously hidden memories that have now been shared amongst the family. For that, we are very grateful.
Congratulations to:

• Honorary College Fellow, Her Excellency, Professor the Honourable Kate Warner AC, The Governor of Tasmania, who was awarded a Companion of the Order of Australia in the 2017 Australia Day Honours List.

• Official College Fellow, Dr Karla Fenton OAM (pictured below), who has been inducted onto the Tasmanian Women’s Honour Role for her 61 years of dedicated service to medicine.

• Honorary College Fellow, Dr Katrina Clifford on the publication of Media and Crime: Content, Context and Consequence, co-authored with Professor Rob White.

• Chair, College Council, Professor Michael Stoddart, on the publication of Tassie’s whale boys: whaling in Antarctic waters.

Vale: Dr Alan Galbraith Wallace
17 December 1926 – 4 May 2017

We honour the life of long-time Jane Fellow, benefactor and friend, Dr Alan Wallace. Alan was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and loyal, charming, friend with a great sense of fun and adventure. He was also a medical doctor, anthropologist, life-long learner, craftsman, outdoor adventurer, artist, gardener, tennis enthusiast, philanthropist and music lover. He gave and received great love from everyone around him.

At Jane we were privileged to have enjoyed a long and warm friendship with Alan and his wife, Dr Hilary Wallace. As Hilary wrote in Alan’s eulogy:

Alan has been associated with Jane Franklin Hall, a university residential college, since the development of a program by Margaret Franklin in 1976 for Fellows, promoting contact between academic staff and students. So for over 40 years there have been many happy connections with students and lifelong friendships with staff, notably John [Panckridge], David [Daintree] and Tim [Anderson]. The musical side of the college life was encouraged by John and Alan, and a scheme was initiated for heavily subsidising tickets for students for the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra concerts. In 2009 we endowed an annual scholarship to assist medical students from the north of Tasmania. The Jane community has provided so much friendship over the years and added immensely to our lives in Tasmania.

We send our deepest condolences to Hilary and to all the members of his family.
Matt Rundle and Dr Abby Rundle (nee Gleeson) (Residents 2005-2006, Resident Staff 2011-2013): Welcomed baby Harrison in January 2017. Abby is now a GP in Hobart and Matt is a partner in a new pharmacy in New Town. Matt is also on the Jane Franklin Hall Council.


Shani (Resident 1989-1990) and Josefa (Resident 1990) Kaitani: Great to see Shani (nee Greenhill) when she popped into the office while on holiday in Hobart with her son David (above). Shani and Josefa settled in Australind in Western Australia, where Shani is a high school teacher of Japanese and Josefa works for an engineering firm in Perth. They have three now grown up – and very tall – children. They regularly see James Clark (Resident 1990-1993), who lives close by to them. James is an engineer but also worked as a wine maker for a number of years.
Tim Anderson (Staff 1994-2001): Tim (pictured below) is now based in East Timor where he lives with his wife, an employee of DFAT, and his two young children. Tim works in disaster management, spending half of each year working in war torn areas for the World Food Program. For the rest of the time he is a Project Director for a water project in East Timor. He is still a keen caver and bush walker.

We were delighted to welcome Edwin and Helen Pitman (nee Shoobridge) (Resident 1970-1972) to formal dinner this semester. Edwin is the son of former Fellow Emeritus, Professor Edwin Pitman, whose portrait hangs above high table. Edwin and Helen sent their two sons to Jane: Arthur Pitman (Resident 2001-2003) is married to Marzia and lives in Klagenfurt, Austria with their two children Eli and Moira where Arthur is at the Alpen-Adria Universität; his brother Tim (1999 and 2001) recently became engaged to Felicity Mueller in Sydney.

Jenny Hart (Resident 1979-1982) was a recent guest at High Table. Jenny is now the Executive Officer of the Tasmania University Union (TUU). Accompanying her was Clark Cooley (Resident 2016) who is now the President of the TUU.

Another recent guest is valued Jane Fellow Emerita, Mrs Doris Banks OAM (nee Ingram) who was the second student ever enrolled at Jane in 1950.

Philippa Dawson (Resident 1991-1994): Pip was the guest speaker at the Jane Alumni Formal Dinner on May 8. She is now the Chief Operating Officer of Austrade, based in Sydney.

Other attendees at the dinner were:

- Dr Julianne O’Reilly-Wapstra (Resident 1991-1993) is now the Deputy Director Graduate Research, Office of Research Services and Senior Lecturer, School of Biological Sciences UTAS;
- Dr Paul Blacklow (Resident 1990-1993), a lecturer at the Tasmanian School of Business and Economics at UTAS;
- Stuart Martin (Resident 2005-2007), Team Manager at Hays Recruiting;
- Dr Nina Rosewell (Resident 1990-1991) is a GP in Hobart (at the same practice as Abby Rundle). Nina is married to Christian Cuthbert (Resident 1990-1991) and they have two children;
- Dr Clarissa Hughes (Resident 1989) is a Senior Lecturer in Rural Health at Charles Sturt University;
- Russell Fox (Resident 1983-1986) is the Manager of Engineering and Regulatory Services at Sorell Council;
- Darren Brown (Resident 1981-1984) is now pondering a return to University studies after taking a redundancy from Aurora Energy;
- Katrina Piper (Resident 1990-1992) works in the gourmet food industry in Hobart;
- Andrew Pinner (Resident 1986-1990) is working in software development, analysis and design;
- Kirsten Kuns (Resident 1987-1990) has just started a new role working in generation control and spot trading at Hydro Tasmania. Kirsten is married to Andrew Pinner (above) and they live at Lower Longley with their horses and other pets;
- Nikki Wicks (Resident 1991-1994) is with the Australian Antarctic Division coordinating Australia’s Antarctic Shipping program;
- Lisa Gibson (nee Maclaine) (Resident 1990-1991) currently works with Jane alumnus Senator David Bushby (Resident 1986-1991), who is married to Sarah Bushby (nee Gatenby) (Resident 1990-1991). Lisa has been a member of the Jane Franklin Hall Council of Jane since 2014 and is the Chair of the Jane Alumni Committee;
- Nigel Gibson (Resident 1985-1988) works in project management with the Australian Bureau of Statistics and co-manages a beef farm with his brother at Deloraine. He has been married to Lisa (above) since 1996 and they have two children;
- Wayne Johnson (Resident 1988 – 1991), a new Fellow of Jane, works in the Tasmanian State Government where he has had various roles including Administrator of the Magistrates Court.