

News from abroad

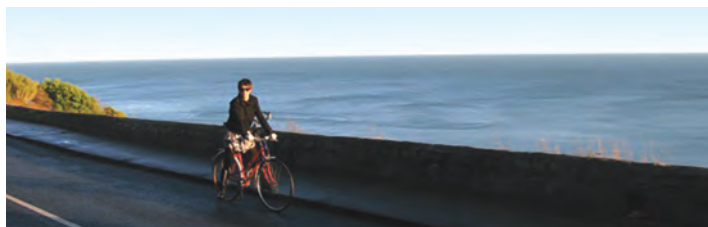
Keystone alumni and students, like so many Kiwis, love to spread their wings and many choose to study, work during holidays or take up positions overseas which all provide valuable experience for when they return to work in Aoteroa. At the last count, four are employed in Australia, two in the Middle East, two in London, and one in Vancouver, while 40 students are working in New Zealand at present.

Claire Krejczisz, who completed a B.Architecture in 2009 at Victoria University has been accepted at the Technical University of Munich. This renowned university was founded in 1868 and is a huge campus consisting of very beautiful very old architecture, which in itself will be a wonderful experience for Claire as she continues with her architectural studies. Having the chance to live in Europe is a real advantage for architectural students, and broadens their knowledge immensely. Claire left in February and starts at TUM in April.

Holland, thanks to Ryan Air. I have also squeezed in some travel around the countryside, visiting Belfast and the Giants Causeway which was magnificent, if not a little smaller than expected. A few weeks back I road tripped to Galway, another beautiful city which couldn't go without venturing down the coast to the Cliffs of Moher, absolutely spectacular.

I have yet to turn spherical from a diet of potatoes and Guinness, actually I'm only just acquiring a taste for it all thanks to Arthur's Day Celebrations, but all is not lost as I have another semester to sink my teeth into and plenty more adventures to be had.

Raukura Turei left New Zealand in August 2009 to further her architectural studies at The University College of Dublin. At the end of 2009 she received The Graeme Ford Dawson Prize for best result in Design 6 and The National Institute of Architects Graphi-soft Award for Highly Commended in Design 6 and is performing very well in Dublin.



Raukura exploring Ireland

Raukura wrote to us at the end of last year:

Wow, the Irish sure are a very entertaining bunch making for a fantastic time in the land of Guinness and rain, yes it has begun and my Auckland attire is failing miserably. Thankfully, as of late, I have been held captive by the confines of the Architecture school, up all hours and barely noticing the weather raging outside.

It certainly hasn't all been doom and gloom, quite the opposite. I have settled into a great red brick, Georgian flat in a lovely part of the city a bike's ride away from everything I need: university, great pubs and bars, Tesco and better yet, the Swedish chain Aldi. Typically half my flat mates are kiwis or Aussies, a funny coincidence as there aren't many of us around and I am frequently reminded by the Irish how far I have traveled.

University life isn't too much of a stretch from Auckland Uni, but I am really enjoying meeting lots of international as well as Irish friends, which definitely makes for a great winter holiday visiting them in France and



Dale on top of the world in Peru

News from abroad



James in Winter Olympics country, Cypress Mountain

James Haworth, Brookfield Multiplex Key Sponsor Scholar 2009

Two months ago, I left NZ for Vancouver where I have commenced work for Infinity Engineering Ltd as a Junior Constructional Engineer. My first assignment was working on a bridge with a total price tag of 4 billion dollars – it is a 10 lane wide bridge for the Vancouver area and it's been a great challenge putting into practice all I have learnt during my four years at Canterbury Uni. I survived and have now worked on further projects including a camera platform for the ski jumping at Whistler – went on a site visit on a snowmobile! – and a 134m long pedestrian bridge in Washington State – this was two weeks solid work and 100 pages of calculations. The company is very young and has grown from 3 to 13 employees in one year – it is really going places!

I've been skiing heaps – lots of rain to contend with though. Whistler is pretty amazing, its so big that I have skied 5 days and only covered 25% of it. It's amazing being here during the Winter Olympics. I spent Christmas Day in Texas with friends – its true what they say, "everything is bigger in Texas" – like the challenge issued to me by a mate – "bet you cant eat a triple patty heart attack in a bun with fries and a 1L cup (bucket) of coke" – an insane amount of junk food, but quite the norm for the Texans!

Having this opportunity to work in Canada is awesome – I return to NZ in April for my graduation ceremony then it is back to work in Vancouver. I am convinced that receiving a Brookfield Multiplex Scholarship assisted me in getting this job, and so I am very grateful to the Keystone Trust and Brookfield Multiplex.

Keystone will be holding a Black Tie Gala Dinner

Event on Thursday 14 October at the Langham Hotel.

We will be announcing the dynamic speakers next month and further details of this exciting event. Sponsors automatically have a table at the Dinner and other interested groups or individuals can reserve tickets by contacting our administrator.

More details soon!

Note your diaries with the date, it will be a social occasion not to be missed.



Friends of Keystone

A new sponsorship initiative has recently been launched. As an individual you can become a "Friend" of the Keystone Trust – donations can be made to the Trust and you will be invited to Keystone events, receive copies of our newsletters and gain satisfaction by supporting the education of NZ's future property leaders. This is an opportunity to contribute to our Charitable Trust which will grow our funding base and enable us to award scholarships to more students.

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Chairman's Address



2010 will see Keystone further evolving. Last month the Trustees participated in a planning workshop, undertaking a strategic review to determine where the Trust wished to position itself over the next ten years. Interestingly, the key objectives that were set by the original Trustees in 1994 remain fundamentally unchanged. What we will introduce are refinements based on lessons learned over the years of operation and feedback from sponsors and past students.

To date Keystone has assisted over 70 students in their study, and personal and career development. This year it is supporting 25 students in disciplines that include Architecture, Engineering, Valuation and Land Surveying.

The Trust has a very important relationship with its Key Sponsors and works with a Key Sponsor to develop the award criteria which meets the company's specific needs. Keystone manages the annual award recipient selection process and has representation on the Sponsor's selection panel. Current Key Sponsors include Coffey Projects, Bayleys and Westfield.

The opportunities provided by the Trust are underpinned by the capital that it has to invest and work with. Keystone is indebted to its Platinum and Gold sponsors, without whom it would be unable to provide the support that it does. To encourage others who would like to participate in supporting Keystone, the Trust is launching 'Friends of Keystone', allowing individuals to make a charitable donation in their name.

This year Keystone will provide scholarships totaling \$99,000 to 25 students. Equally important, the students will receive the benefits of mentoring, job placement (where possible), and exposure to those working in the property industry as well as students, current and previous, who fully understand "the ropes" of undertaking tertiary study and participating in Keystone activities. The Keystone Alumni is well established and functioning on a number of different levels, including offering very strong student support.

Keystone is holding a Rugby Luncheon (9 July) and a Black Tie Gala Dinner (14 October) in 2010. Details are in this newsletter. We appreciate your support of these social occasions.

If you are interested in providing any other help to Keystone, we are eager to accept it! Maybe company or individual sponsorship, event sponsorship, student mentoring or holiday work. Please contact our Trust Administrator on 09 373 3120 to discuss any of these opportunities.

On behalf of the Trustees, I thank you for your continued support of Keystone.

Paul Duffy - **Chairman**

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Keystone Rugby Luncheon ~ Friday 9 July 2010 at 1pm
Guest speakers:



Bobby Skinstad, former Springbok Captain

Bob has represented South African rugby at all levels, from under 21s in 1996 to Super 10, 12 and 14 for the Cats, Stormers and Sharks. He played 42 games for the Springboks, 12 games as captain. His debut game was in 1997 against England. Today Bob has various business interests, is part of the broadcast team at SuperSport in SA and is involved in charity work.



Mark "Bull" Allen, All Black

Won 8 caps at prop spread over 4 years and was a revered impact player. His debut All Black appearance was in 1993, and he represented NZ against Scotland and Argentina in 1996 and in 1997. He was in the All Blacks team which retained the Tri Nations trophy. Bull now commentates and appears on television shows such as Game of Two Halves and is a humorous, entertaining speaker and presenter.

MC Melodie Robinson, Black Fern/TV Presenter
Venue: Hyatt Regency Hotel, Auckland | Reserve a table now for this popular social event **don't miss out!** email barbara@keystonetrust.org.nz or phone Barbara on 09 373 3120
Tickets : Table of ten \$1900 +gst Individual\$195 +gst



Announcing the 2010 Students Keystone Scholarships

This year we have awarded four Keystone Scholarship recipients.



Carinnya Feaunati

Sustainable architecture is Carinnya's passion – she believes this is the way of the future. Head Girl at Sacred Heart Girls' College in New Plymouth in 2009 meant a very busy year for Carinnya, and she represented her school in netball, basketball, cricket and waka ama. She was also a member of the Student and Sports Councils and served on the New Plymouth District Council Youth Subcommittee. She plays violin,

has a great sense of humour and achieved highly academically at school. Her Principal stated that the school was richer for the many parts she played and is sure she will go on to achieve very well at Victoria University in Architecture, where she has begun her tertiary education. A great leader and an advocate for those less gifted than herself, Carinnya has proven to many her ability to give to others and Keystone is thrilled to award her a scholarship this year.



Lynda Granwal

Lynda is passionate about sciences and mathematics and believes a career in Environmental Engineering will be one that will allow her to apply her learning and skills to real life situations and lead to innovative work. She is highly self motivated, uses her initiative well and strives to reach her full potential in all that she sets out to do. Her grades of Merit and Excellence across all subjects gained her teachers' respect and she has also tutored younger students. Involved in Amnesty

International she has demonstrated a strong concern for justice and human rights. She has performed in the International Young Physicists Tournament, Rotary National Science and Technology Forum, and Mathex Competitions. Lynda finds time to play volleyball at championship level and mentors junior players at Auckland Girls' Grammar School. We are proud to be awarding her a scholarship as we see her as a strong future ambassador for Keystone. Lynda is enrolled at The University of Auckland for 2010 in Engineering.



Jordan Marr

Jordan comes from Taneatua and has a proud Maori heritage. At Rotorua Boys' High School last year he was the Captain of Maori Achievement and also a school prefect. He took on other leadership roles at the school, and was involved in rugby, volleyball, waka ama and several extra-curricular activities. His academic achievements are of a very high standard, and he consistently performed well in the classroom. Jordan sets his sights on goals and puts in the effort to achieve them – his School

Dean believed he could achieve more than most and always encouraged him to strive above his own expectations with great success. As Jordan said, "many kids from Taneatua end up in gangs" - not Jordan, his goals have always been high and we see him achieving well at Otago University where he is studying Land Surveying. We believe Jordan will achieve well in his career and will give back to other Keystone students as he progresses through university and his working life. He is already a wonderful role model to young Maori.



Shianne May

Shianne is a single mother of two young children, and this responsibility has spurred her into gaining NCEA papers since leaving school and is now studying Design at Northtec in Whangarei where she presently lives. She has another year and a half of study ahead of her to achieve a National Diploma in Architectural Design and Technology. Keystone is proud to present her with an award which will assist with costs for this study, and provide her with future networking

and support as she follows her career path. She is working hard to provide herself and her children with a great future and has a sincere determination to succeed. Her career goal is to become an Architectural Designer and her strengths of dedication to any assignment or job she is given, and her genuine interest in the building and construction industry, stand her well in achieving this goal. We look forward to observing Shianne's continued success and being alongside her in support.

2010 Key Sponsors' Awards

Bayleys Property Scholarship - Lauren Phillips, B.Property, B.Commerce (Accounting)

I am studying conjoint Bachelor of Property and Commerce degrees at Auckland University. I am in my fourth and final year, with the majority of my property papers already completed. I was very fortunate to be offered a part time position with CB Richard Ellis at the end of my first year of university,

initially in research and then in agency during 2009. This experience has proven invaluable towards my studies. Along with the Bayleys Scholarship this year I am fortunate enough to be offered a part time role within Bayleys and am very grateful for this opportunity through the Keystone Trust.



Westfield Scholarship - Blair James, B. Property, Auckland University

This year I intend to complete my Property degree with Property papers in Finance, Marketing, Development, Management, Construction, Valuation and Maori Land Use. My background has been in elite cycling. I am an Under 23 New Zealand Cycling Representative and the 2008 Oceania Road cycling champion. In 2006 I was the ASB Young Sportsman of the year for cycling. I was a Senior Prefect at

Auckland Grammar School and cycling captain in 2006, subsequently returning as coach. I am now looking ahead at the business world and channeling my competitive nature, strong leadership skills and loyalty towards working with Westfield in the near future. I am very entrepreneurial and keen to start investing in property and am proactively seeking opportunities in the property market at present.



Coffey Projects Scholarship - James Goodhue, B. Construction, Unitec, Auckland

I am a grateful recipient of the Keystone Coffey Projects Scholarship for 2010 and I feel honored to be selected. The underlying reason for choosing this career direction is due to my passion for creating sustainable communities - environmentally, socially and economically. Having successfully completed 2008 and 2009 with a high grade average, I believe it

is a reflection of the immense interest and passion I have in the subject. This year I have been lucky enough to have been offered part-time employment by one of New Zealand's most reputable commercial property development companies. This is a huge opportunity for me to gain valuable industry experience whilst completing my studies.



Coffey Projects Scholarship - Kahwen Tan, B.Commerce, B.Property

Being awarded the Coffey Scholarship will enable me to successfully complete my studies in Commerce and Property at The University of Auckland in 2010. Outside of my studies, I have for the past two years been involved with organising and directing international case competitions with the likes of The University of California, Berkley participating. I also have a passion for hockey

and play for the Auckland University Hockey Club. Successfully organising and managing such events, co-leading the largest commerce club at the Business School (Management Consulting Club) and my sporting commitments have allowed me to develop an effective set of soft skills which I intend to utilise to foster a successful career in project management.



Reviews from Graduating Students in 2010



Jason Miles, Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)

In 2009 I completed the final year of my Bachelor of Engineering Honours degree, majoring in Civil Engineering. It has been a long rollercoaster ride after I threw myself in head first making the decision to study at the University of Canterbury. This was the best decision I have ever made as it has allowed me to spread my wings, develop some independence and meet a vast range of people from all over New Zealand. The first

three years were a big learning curve as I was exposed to student life and the broad field of civil engineering.

2009 was the first year in which we got to select papers of our choice; I selected all the available structural engineering papers. Because this field is where my interests lie, my commitment to my university degree

increased two-fold resulting in many late nights spent in the civil suite which has paid off in the form of exam results.

I am extremely excited to be working for Beca in their Civil Infrastructure department where I started in January. It's great to be back in Auckland and working on the huge projects that Beca has the ability to be involved with.

Thank you to everyone in the Trust for their commitments in providing an amazing opportunity for young students like myself. The financial support has been much appreciated and been put to very good use. The opportunities that have arisen through being involved in the Trust have been invaluable. I would especially like to thank those members of the Trust who have assisted me in obtaining the summer work experiences I have had at Hawkins Construction and at Buller George Turkington, which have been crucial in my development as a young engineer.

Thank you Keystone Trust for your generosity and good will. I look forward to the opportunity to be able to be part of the Alumni and give something back to the Trust which has done so much for me.



Rowan Fraser Master of Architecture (Prof.)

I would like to very sincerely thank The Keystone New Zealand Property Education Trust for its sponsorship. The support and kindness of its trustees, chairman and alumni have been unwavering. They have provided a constant and invaluable anchor over the course of my undergraduate and graduate studies and their confidence in my capabilities has been of great reassurance. In addition to this, the financial support, in combination with part-time work and summer jobs, has enabled me to leave university without a loan, greatly diversifying my employment and post-graduate study options. For this I am enormously thankful.

Early in 2010 I will graduate from the Master of Architecture [Prof.] program at the University of Auckland. My thesis investigated possible design solutions to higher density suburban housing. I was particularly interested in placing the research within an environmental framework. Suburbia as a method of urban development generates specific environmental issues, such as inefficient land use practices, and it was these that I worked upon.

I am committed presently to two research positions at the University of Auckland. Over the summer of 2009-10 I have been working on both a

digital design research publication and an urban retrofitting project. The former is a joint project with Computer Assisted Studio, and the latter a NICAI Summer Scholarship post under the supervision of Professor of Architecture Manfredo Manfredini. Work on the Tongan aid project which began summer 08/09 also continues.

In 2011 I intend to pursue post-graduate studies in a joint international degree program in urban policy at Science Po in Paris and London School of Economics. I would like to continue to engage with problems and theories of urbanism and urbanisation, particularly in environmental urban policy, from both academic and institutional platforms. Over the course of my five years at architecture school my interest in urbanism has grown as a natural extension of the field, from the discrete building through to the complex urban systems which determine urban development. Where formal training in architecture has given me an essential and invaluable grounding in the key design and spatial dynamics of the city, my next step is to engage with the political, economic and social agents which contribute to the development of the urban environment.

My progress to date in urbanism has been steady and this is in large part due to the support of The Keystone Trust. The sponsorship of the Trust has allowed me to foster and develop my understanding of the city and complete my training in architecture. As such it has permitted me a sound foundation from which to continue to work in the complex and fascinating field of urban development.



Jacob Vermunt B.Commerce/B.Property

In 2009 I completed my BCom/BProp degree at the University of Auckland. However, it was in 2005 that this journey, and my involvement with the Keystone Trust, began. Looking back, the Trust's assistance has opened two very important doors – University study and a career in property. It is the Trust's extensive support structure, provided in a number of ways, that puts Keystone students on the front foot when making these crucial transitions from High School to University and University to full time work.

Inevitably, each student will take away many of their own personal

highlights from their involvement with the Trust.

For me, there were many. Studying in Edinburgh with the help of Keystone was certainly one of my most significant highlights, whereas others came from my varied summer jobs organised with assistance from the Trust. Without such opportunities I may never have learnt the subtle etiquette of precisely when to wear a tie, or how to get on the good side of site labourers to ensure my scooter isn't left hanging from the end of a crane at the end of the day. Needless to say, there have been some memorable experiences.

In sum, my experience as a Keystone student was extremely beneficial, and has greatly influenced my property career thus far. Having now entered the work force, I look forward to continuing my involvement with the Trust to ensure that current and future students have a similarly rewarding journey.