

AlumniLinc



Tell us what you are up to

The Lincoln University alumni database has been up-dated and we want to re-connect with as many of our alumni and friends as possible. Use the tab below to go into our website to update your details so you can receive future newsletters, event invitations and news from Lincoln University.

Please send this newsletter on to as many alumni as you can so we can make sure we are talking to all the right people – and keeping you connected.



Send your details



Vice-Chancellor's welcome message

Welcome (back) to AlumniLinc.

It has been a while since we last sent an issue of AlumniLinc out to graduates and friends of the University. As you can see, the format has changed in that time to reflect our new sense of purpose around re-connecting with alumni



and keeping you up-to-date with the news and views from Lincoln University.

This year I was fortunate enough to catch up with many of our alumni at the reunion events around the country and at other functions. What always comes to the fore is the way past students and staff feel about their positive association with the University. Students leave with a respected qualification and great memories.

We are all very keen to ensure this continues.

Professor Roger Field

Vice-Chancellor

An update on the Vice-Chancellor's appointment

Many thanks to those alumni who responded to our request for considerations for the position of Vice-Chancellor.

Professor Roger Field's last day will be 1st April 2012

– exactly eight years since he took up the role of Vice-Chancellor.

The Appointment Committee established by Council is pleased to note that there has been a good response to the recruitment search with direct approaches as well as recommendations from alumni. This has given the Committee a strong field of candidates and now the short-listing process has begun by the executive search company EQI Global. The short-listed candidates will then meet with a focus group of selected staff and students. It is anticipated that an appointment can be announced in February.

2012 Events

The University is undertaking a review of all the activity that we do for alumni and we need to hear from you about what you would like to see. If you have any thoughts on this please email Tafflyn Bradford-James on:

Tafflyn.bradford-james@lincoln.ac.nz. In particular, would you like to attend events on campus, in your home town, around a particular theme/speaker, what time of day suits best, and so on. The programme for 2012 will be put together early in the new year. In the meantime a number of reunions are coming together and details will go up on the website with the organiser's contact information as things are finalised.

What's new?





What's new on campus?



Mrs O's is getting a facelift...

A new project has kicked off this year to upgrade the dining facilities to ensure ongoing compliance with regulations and to enhance the student experience at Lincoln University. This will include the kitchens, dining hall and Mrs O's. It is anticipated that the new-look facilities will be open in time for Semester 2 next year.



National Centre for Nitrous Oxide Measurement In April the National Centre for Nitrous Oxide Measurement was opened on campus



Campus update

Memorial Hall was one of the casualties in the recent earthquakes and is currently out of operation while she awaits her fate. We have recently found out that Hilgendorf and the Student Union buildings do not meet the requirements under the new building code and as a result these two buildings are out of action until further notice. The University Council will give these building priority as they work through the campus plan to ensure the whole campus remains fit for purpose. In the meantime the staff and students are all being accommodated elsewhere and all departments are fully operational. Once more is known, we'll keep you updated.



Centre for Wildlife Management and Conservation opens

The new Centre for Wildlife Management and Conservation opened in September 2011



Blossom

We can't have an issue of AlumniLinc without a photo of the blossom on campus. As the gardens change with the seasons one of the most memorable images that stay with graduates is that time when all the trees carry their blossom – so here is a photo just because....

Who is on the staff?

In 2011 we have seen familiar faces leave the University – and our appreciation for their time and contribution must be noted here – and we have seen new skills arrive.

Farewell:

- Jeanette Allison, Tutor, Teaching & Learning Services
- Cora Baillie, Manager, Professional Development Group
- John Buckler, Director, Information & Technology Services
- Errol Costello, Professional Development Group
- Kirsten Creasy, Senior Tutor, Winery Manager, Department of Wine, Food & Molecular Biosciences
- Caroline Duncan, Practical Work Coordinator, Employment & Industry Liaison
- Cathy Early, Acting Director, Foundation Studies & English Language
 Division
- Dr Eric Forbes, Department of Soil & Physical Sciences
- Associate Professor Rodney Jefferies, Department of Agricultural Management & Property Studies
- Dr Chris Kirk, Deputy Vice-Chancellor
- · Professor Alan McKinnon, Department of Applied Computing
- Dr Alastair Nicol, Senior Lecturer, Department of Agricultural Sciences
- Associate Professor Jenny Ross, Department of Social Science, Parks, Recreation, Tourism & Sport
- Hamish Temple-Doig, Senior Tutor, Foundation Studies & English Language Division

- David Vercoe, Information & Technology Services
- Jenny Wilson, International Relations Manager, Marketing & Recruitment Group
- Ivo Wynn-Williams, Executive Development Programme

Welcome:

- Dr Charles Brennan, Professor of Food Science, Faculty of Agriculture & Life Sciences
- Ian Douthwaite, Director, International Marketing, Marketing & Recruitment Group
- Dr Lorraine Petelo, Director, Foundation Studies and English Language Division
- Professor Alison Stewart, foundation
 Director of the Bio-Protection Research
 Centre, has stepped down as Director but



Alison Stewart

- now takes up position as the University's inaugural Distinguished Professor of Plant Pathology
- Sally Aldred, Marketing and Brand Manager, Marketing & Recruitment Group
- · Patrick O'Neill, Senior Research Officer, AERU

We also say goodbye, good luck and thank you to Alumni Officer, Sarah Currie, who leaves in January for Melbourne after six years in the role.

Telford



From January this year we formally welcomed Telford Rural Polytechnic into the University as one of our divisions.

Charlie Lamb has moved from the Faculty of Commerce to Telford to take the up the role of Director.

Lincoln University Alumni Association

The Alumni Association will be working closely with the University again in 2012 as the University establishes the strategic direction for the coming years. The Alumni Association meets on a regular basis and coordinates the alumni scholarships, has input into the medal award process and manages the Association funds – as well as working with the University on key areas of activity going forward.

As a graduate you are automatically a member of the Alumni Association. There are no fees to pay, all we need is your contact details so we can let you know what is happening on and off campus. Use the link in this newsletter to update your information so we can stay in touch with you.

The Executive for 2012 are:

- President: Craig Williamson, Rabobank
- Vice-President: Jo Spencer-Bower, National Bank
- Immediate Past-President: Andrew Lingard, Lincoln University
- Derrick Moot, Lincoln University
- Roy Evans
- · Hamish Ramsden
- Neil Gow
- James Nell

2011 in photos



2011 has been such a busy year – with a high level of academic activity and research excellence plus some unprecedented snow falls, a fair amount of seismic activity, the University's famous social calendar, and great achievements on the sports field.



Student enrolments are tracking well for 2012 and the University is gearing up for semester 1 next year – but before we move on, take a look at a snapshot of highlights from 2011.



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