



COMMEMORATING 50 YEARS OF COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARS TO AND FROM NEW ZEALAND

"The Government has approved New Zealand's participation in these programmes, which include the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Plan, in the firm belief that the cohesion of the Commonwealth is of the highest importance to its own members and to the world, and that much can be done to strengthen both the individual members and the Commonwealth as a whole by increased co-operation and mutual help in the field of education."

 Quote from a letter dated 30 November 1959 from the Prime Minister Sir Walter Nash to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of New Zealand, Dr G A Currie.



Front cover pictures from left to right:

## JAWAHAR VEGAD (1965) INDIA

Graduated with a PhD in Veterinary Pathology, Massey University. Pictured with fellow students at Massey University in 1960s.

# JULIA LATHAM (2005) UNITED KINGDOM

Graduated with an MSc in Biological Sciences, University of Auckland. Pictured with a North Island brown kiwi.

#### SAMSIDEEN IPOSU (2003) NIGERIA

Graduated with a PhD in Animal Science, Lincoln University. Pictured with a watercraft for clearing a menacing seaweed (Water Hyacinth) on the Lagos lagoon in his hometown, Epe.

# WASSEELA VERACHIA (2006) SOUTH AFRICA

Currently studying towards a PhD in Food Science/Microbiology, University of Otago.

Back cover pictures from left to right:

# LYDIA WEVERS (1973) MPHIL OXFORD UNIVERSITY

Director, Stout Research Centre for New Zealand Studies. Pictured Oxford punting, Lydia is the person at the back.

## DEAN KNIGHT (2002) LLM UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Victoria University of Wellington."The Commonwealth Scholarship helped open up windows to new worlds for me. It gave me an opportunity to grapple with exciting intellectual ideas and introduced me to a community of encouraging scholars and other postgraduate students. My time in Canada completing my LLM proved to be the catalyst for me joining academia on my return to New Zealand. The scholarship also exposed me to the richness of our communities. Not only did I learn and enjoy the Canadian way of life - socially, legally, and politically - my time there also fortified my own sense of New Zealandness. On the one hand, the two countries share so much in common. On the other, our differences allow us to challenge and inspire each other." Pictured in Canada.

## **MELANIE BUNCE (2006)**

Currently undertaking a DPhil in Politics, Oxford University. Pictured teaching at a school while doing the fieldwork for her master's thesis in Sudan.

## **Foreword**



New Zealand was a founding member of the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP) and we now find ourselves celebrating 50 years of educational co-operation between countries of the Commonwealth.

The idea for these new scholarships was said to have been sparked by an influential speech by Sidney Smith, a former President of the University of Toronto and later Canadian Minister of External Affairs, in September 1958. The speech called for better educational links between Commonwealth countries. New Zealand's participation in the successful

Colombo Plan for some eight years by this time led to the Commonwealth scholarships being seen as an opportunity to further the achievements we had seen with the Colombo Plan.

The first Conference of Commonwealth Education Ministers (CCEM), held in Oxford in 1959, established five key principles under which CSFP still operates today:

- The Plan should be additional to, and distinct from, any other plan in operation.
- The Plan should be based on mutual co-operation and the sharing of educational experience among the countries of the Commonwealth.
- The Plan should be sufficiently flexible to take account of the diverse and changing needs of the countries of the Commonwealth.
- While the Plan will be Commonwealth-wide, it is operated through a series of bi-lateral arrangements, to allow for the necessary flexibility.
- Awards should be designed to recognise and promote the highest standards of intellectual achievement as well as technical and professional performance, and have regard to any expressed human resource or development needs of nominating countries.

The CSFP is a genuine partnership between developed and developing countries, with more than 26,000 Commonwealth citizens having held awards with many going on to reach the very highest levels of their profession. To date, over 700 New Zealanders have studied overseas in countries such as, Australia, Canada, India, Jamaica, Malaysia, Nigeria and the United Kingdom. In turn New Zealand has hosted 758 Commonwealth scholars on its shores, from 48 Commonwealth countries.

This publication is intended to commemorate New Zealand's contribution to the Commonwealth Scholarship scheme. I hope that you enjoy a glimpse of some of the truly inspirational work being done by scholars from around the globe and that you will be able to reflect on the contribution the scheme has made to many individuals, communities and countries in its fifty years of operation.

Hon Sir Anand Satyanand, GNZM, QSO Governor-General of New Zealand



# NZAID-supporting developing countries through education



NZAID is pleased to recognise the 50th anniversary of the Commonwealth Scholarships scheme. It marks half a century of empowerment, as people have acquired skills, knowledge, and experiences that have lasting positive effects on development in their countries.

Commonwealth Scholarships

broaden horizons for a diverse range of people, giving them opportunities to extend themselves and make a difference.

## **About NZAID**

NZAID is the agency within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade that provides policy advice on international development issues and manages New Zealand's official development assistance programme. An important part of this role is providing skills-based and tertiary study scholarships, including Commonwealth Scholarships, so that individuals can contribute to the development of their countries.

New Zealand's official development assistance is used to support sustainable economic development in developing countries in order to reduce poverty and to contribute to a more secure, equitable, and prosperous world. Reducing poverty is inherently linked to economic growth and trade. However, broad-based sustainable economic development must also be underpinned by investment in human development, good governance, and the protection of the environment and natural resource base.

## **Education – developing futures**

Education is a vital way to support sustainable economic growth in developing countries. In a development context, education encompasses everything from supporting basic literacy to skills training to postgraduate degrees.

In 2002, the World Bank recognised that knowledge and advanced skills are fundamental determinants of a country's standard of living and economic growth. Education and learning outcomes are converted into goods and services, increased institutional capacity, a stronger public sector, a more capable civil society, and a better investment environment. Access to credible tertiary education and research are necessary for this conversion to occur within developing nations.

NZAID's education strategy reflects the view of the World Bank. Education is integral to NZAID's aim of achieving a safe and just world, and accepts that education is imperative for a country to grow, develop leadership, and to provide technical, analytical, and strategic capability.

In many developing countries, tertiary education institutions are restricted by the availability of resources, so the range of subjects and level of education is often limited. Studying overseas can be the best option for many students, allowing them to extend themselves to their full potential. Schemes like the Commonwealth Scholarships therefore play a crucial

role in providing opportunities to gain knowledge, skills and qualifications that may otherwise not be available.

Over the years New Zealand's aid has shifted from being project-based to being more strategic and systematic, using local in-country people and systems where possible. Funding Commonwealth Scholarships fits with NZAID's aims of building the capacity within developing countries that will allow this to happen.

The Commonwealth Scholarships scheme targets sectors with identified human resources shortages, thus ensuring that the scholarships address real needs, and will contribute to positive development in the students' home countries. A condition of being awarded a Commonwealth Scholarship is that a student must return to their home country for a minimum of two years – another safeguard that the knowledge that the scholarship recipients receive will be channelled back into their home countries and make a real difference.

"Education is a human right with immense power to transform. On its foundation rest the cornerstones of freedom, democracy and sustainable human development."

– Kofi Annan

Previous scholarship recipients are making that difference. Their knowledge and skills are contributing to well-managed natural resources, economic growth, improved education systems, and accountable and effective public services.

It must be recognised that as well as the academic challenges of postgraduate study, Commonwealth Scholarship students face additional day to day challenges. Many of them arrive knowing no one and miss the immediate support of friends and family. They encounter cultural and language differences. They may have to adjust to unfamiliar learning and teaching environments.

While these factors do create challenges for the Commonwealth Scholarship recipients, they are also an important part of their learning process. Being exposed to diverse political, social, and cultural systems and practices can benefit us all. The experiences and perspectives of the Commonwealth Scholarship students therefore also enrich the communities and institutions in which they live and study.

On the 50th anniversary of the Commonwealth Scholarships, NZAID would like to pay tribute to the past and present scholarship recipients for taking on these challenges. Their commitment to development at a personal, community, and country level is playing an essential role that will continue to be felt well into the future.

Peter Adams
NZAID Executive Director

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## **COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARS TO NEW ZEALAND** 1959-2009

## ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

GREGG, Peaches Rennet (1998)

#### **AUSTRALIA**

ALLEN, R N (1970) AUGUSTINIS, Paul C (1983) BATTERSBY, D A (1977) BIBBY, David Charles (1995) BRADSHAW, Barry E (1989)

PHILLIPS, B C (1980) RAE, J C (1972) **SHARKEY, M F (1973)** SILVESTER, D (1975) SPATE, O H K (1965) SPENCER, B (1986) SUREN, Alastair M (1985) WARK, Ian (1963) WEBB, CA (1988) YUDKIN, M (1979)

MAHBUB, A Q M (1979) NASIR, Mohammad Mia (2009) NUR NABI, M (1974) RAHMAN, A S M (1989) RASHID, Harun (1993) RASHID, Mohamed Harun (1993) SAIFUDDIN, MD (1985) SALIM, M A (1974) SARKAR, Nurul Islam (1988) SULTANA, Tamanna (1999)



## **KAREN STOCKIN (2002) UNITED KINGDOM**

Graduated with a PhD in Marine Science, Massey University.

Karen Stockin, a Commonwealth Scholar from the United Kingdom, undertook her PhD at Massey University's Institute of Natural Resources at the Albany campus. As part of the Institute's Coastal Marine Research Group, Karen worked on a thesis which looked at the impact of recreational vessels on marine mammals in the Hauraki Gulf.

Photo: Pictured on the Massey University research boat.

CARMICHAEL, DG (1972) CARR, MJ (1966) COUTTS, P J F (1969) CROSDALE, Peter (1987) CROWLEY, Katherine M (1986) CROXALL, J P (1969) DUNNET, D (1965) ECCLES, John (1964) GANLEY, Marcus George Tyler (1996)

GUNN, DM (1965)

HACKNEY, Ronald (1994)

HOSKINS, Rachael (1996)

KAMPERMAN, M (1984)

KENT, A J R (1989) LAVERY, P B (1984)

MCNALLY, J M (1961)

MOON, Karen D (1969)

MURPHY, M S J (1983)

NEILSON, D (1982)

OORSCHOT, Dorothy E (1983)

OTTAWAY, J R (1972)

## **BAHAMAS**

GARDINER, Dorothy (1978) PENEDOS, Erika (1994) ROLLE, Charice Abigail (1997) RUSSELL, Christopher Craig (1994)

## **BANGLADESH**

AFRIN, Sadia (2009) ALAM, M Raisul (1980) ALI, M I (1971) BEGUM, Ashrafi (1995) BEGUM, Mahbuba (1991) CHOWDHURY, M D A K (1985) HAIDAR, R (1979) HAQUE, Abrar-ul (1988) HASAN, Syed Faisal (2004) HOSSAIN, M D (1991) ISLAM, K A (1981) ISLAM, Nazrul (1998) KARIM, Lutful (2006) KHAN, R I (1983)

## **BARBADOS**

ALLEYNE, Gayle (2000) ALLEYNE, Yolanda Beatrice (1994) BENTHAM, Shareka Youanda (2008) GASKIN, Kellyanne (2002) GOODRIDGE, Megan Jaqueline (1992) HOLLINGSWORTH, Wendy (1995) KELLMAN, Anthony (2003) LASHLEY, Marva (1995) ODERSON, Derrick Frederick Peter (1991) ROWE, Patricia Aneta (1989)

## **BELIZE**

ESCALANTE, Julio (2009) PARHAM, Wendel Dorian Joile (1994) PENADOS, Filiberto (1995) SMITH, Frantz (2005)

## **BERMUDA**

MANUEL, Sarah Ann (1989)

#### **BOTSWANA**

KINNEAR, Boniface (2006) MOREMONG, Mapaseka (1988) NSOSO, S J (1991) PONOESELE, V (1986)

#### **BRUNEI DARUSSALAM**

OTHMAN, M (1975)

## **CANADA**

ALESSIO, Dominic (1990) ANDERSON, M (1987) ANDREW, G (1983) ANIDO, D G H (1969) ARSENAULT, Daniel J (1997) BARKER, J H (1976) BEGIN, J C (1978) BELTS, GM (1964) BERG, Lawrence (1992) BIDDLE, R L (1979) BINGLEY, Barratt (2003) BIRSS, Iola V (1974) **BISSELL (1983)** 

BURGHAM, Catherine A W (1973) CALNITSKY, Naomi (2007) CHAPMAN, Kimberley (2005)

CHOWN, RM (1963) CONRAD, Laura Ann (1996) COURT, Gordon (1988) CURTIS, G F Dean (1965) DAHMS, F A (1964) DANSEREAU, P (1960) DEACON, K (1974) DENZ, Stefanie B (1986) DRAPER, D A (1975)

D'TREPANIER, Felix-Etienne (2002)

DUCKETT, J A (1973) EAYRES, J (1987) EDWARDS, J L J (1976)

FINLAYSON, Alexander G (1985)

FOX, A G (1971) FRYE, H N (1978) GARDNER, Julia A (1979) GASKIN, Susan (1992) GAUTHIER, B (1973) GESNER, Emily (2003) GILLIE, R D (1974) GOTTFRIED, Avery (2008) HALL, Irene (1975) HAMPTON, WF (1966) HARE, F K (1976) HAWKINS, Barbara J (1986)

HERZER, R H (1972)

INFANTI, Jennifer (2004) JAMIESON, I (1981)

JOHNSON, S E (1984) JOHNSTON, ME (1984)

KING, LJ (1986)

KING, M Rosemary (1973) KOOYMAN, B P (1980) KROSE, Sarah (2006) LEDWELL, Jane (1995)

LEECH, Clifford (1967) LEFEBVRE, Nathalie (2009) LONG, Susan (1987) MCCLEAVE, Julia (2002) MCDONNELL, JJ (1986) MCINTOSH, TJ (1975) MAHER, Patrick (2001) MANNING, E W (1969) MARILLIER, Juliette A (1971) MATTEOTTI, Christina (2006)

MEEK, Katheryn M (1971) MILLER, E W (1970) MILLER, G D (1965) MIRANDA, Charmaine (1993)

MOORE, R D (1979)

MUIR, James (1994)

MURRAY, Anne Christine (1989) NAISMITH, Georgina Mary (1991) NEWMAN Patricia H (1979) NORTH, Jessica (1999) PENNEY, Matthew (2004) PETERSSON, Sandra (1995) PINSENT, Chanda (1993) PROWSE, T D (1976)

RAYMONT, Antony (1989) REID, A (1965)

RIDEOUT, Bronwyn (2007) ROBERTSON, J A (1960) ROBERTSON, Katherine (2004)

**ROBINSON, J B (1960)** ROBY KIDD, J (1966) RODENBERG, Linda (2000) RUSHBY, RJ (1972)

SCHMIDT, Nathan (1992) SCOTT, H A (1984)

SHEP, Sydney Jocelyn (1991) SMITH. I D (1968)

STACEY, Melissa (2007) STEEL, M (1982) STEPHENSON, R L (1975) SWIFT, Donna (1992)

TENNANT, D (1972) THAWLEY, I G (1971) THOMPSON, AR (1967) TOWNSEND, Sheena (2007)

UUNILA, Laani (2000) VILLARD, Paul Victor (1996)

WAAS, J R (1983) WATSON, Susan Lesley (1991) WEDDING, Rike (1975) WEDLAKE, Barbara F (1975) WHELIHAN, Jo Anne (1975) WOOD, Jaclyn (2003)

YAKIMETS, W W (1961)

#### **CYPRUS**

AKHNIOTIS, Eraclis (1997) CHARALAMBIDES, Stelios (2003) CHRISTOFOROU, Eftychios (1996) DEMETRIADES, Panicos (1983) **EVANGELI, E (1985)** GEORGHIOU, Demetra (1974) IOANNIDES, P (1977) IONNIDES, CG (1973) KAKOYIANNIS, CK (1980) KAMPANELLAS, PG (1977) KYRIAKOU, Anastasia (1979) MENELAOU, Hara (1995)

PAPAKURIACOU, M (1984) TOUMAZOS, PG (1979) TSOPANI, Sandy (1999)

## **DOMINICA**

LLOYD, Davidson (2006) LOCKHART, Caryl (2005) TROTTER, Abeo (2009)

#### FIII

ALI, M (1973) ALI, S (1982) BHINDI, D B (1979) BILIMORIA, S L (1972) CHAND, Praneel (2004) CHAUDHARY, Hemant K (1985)

DEO, S (1982) KORA, Aisake (2005) KUMAR (1983) LASAQA, I Q (1963) MCCAIG, Eddie (1983) MATANAICAKE, S (1984) MORARJI, H L (1974) PRASAD, R (1970) RAJ, U (1969) REDDY, S S (1982) SAHUKHAN, M Sud (1973)

SHARMA, D K (1964)

SINGH, A (1967) SINGH, Kumar P (1985) SINGH, PC (1977) SOMALIA, K P (1984) VAKACEGU, Leota Tute (2007) YEE KING SUN (1963)

## THE GAMBIA

AIDARA, Cherif Ahmat Tidiane (2008) CEESAY, Mariama (1979) FORSTER, Thomas (1993) JOOF, Baboucarr (2009) NJAI, Saikou Bai Momodou (1997) SONKO, Embrima (2008) TAAL, A B S (1977) TOURAY, M N (1986) TRAWALLY, B (1982)

### **GHANA**

AMAGLOH, Francis Kweku (2009) ADAM, M (1980) AKUFFO, E O (1973) AMPOMAH, Charles (1995) ANNOR, Serekye Yaw (1994) BARNES, Peter Baah (1986) BEDIAKO, M K B (1973) BROWN, EM (1961) DEBRAH, CK (1986) DONKOH, Armstrong (1988) KUNTWORBE, Noble (2009) ODOI, F N A (1981) OKERLEY, Ernest (2003) OPPONG, Samuel Kingsley (1994) YAMOAH, Emmanuel (1997)

#### **GRENADA**

DE ALLIE, Claude Adrian (1992)

DRAGON, Oliver (1995) JAMES, A L (1968) PETERS, Everson James (1993)

## **GUYANA**

BEATON, Gary (2006)
HARVEY, Clarence Loftus (1990)
HOMER, Monthee Faye Allyson (1988)
KING, Dawn (2000)
LEWIS-MOHABIR, Bridget Nicola (2008)
LICORISH, Sherlock (2006)
NEDD, Nkasi (2009)
ROSE, Pamela Vanessa (2008)
SAMAD, Shameer (2006)
SINGH, Bhesram (2006)
WILLIAMS, Malcolm (2002)

BHATTACHARYA, J L (1983) BOSE, A S C (1980) CHOPRA, C S (1974) DAS, Shantanu (2001) DINAKER, Panyam (1990) DUDANI, I C (1963) GIRISHA, G K (1998) GREWAL, Karambir Singh (1988) IYER, M (1981) JAIN, M P (1964) KAW, Anil Kumar (1993) KAYAL, J R (1979) KUMAR, Kuldip (1994) KURIAN, Arun (2009) MAHAPATRA, Sud (1985) MAHIMAIRAJA, S (1988)

SINGH, Dhanwinder (1993) SINGH, Gurpal (1999) SINGH, Yaspal (2009) SIRDESHPANDI, S (1962) SIVAJI, K B (1979) SRINIVASAN, M S (1963) SRIVASTAA, R K (1989) TAHER, M (1963) VEGAD, Jawahar Lal (1965)

## JAMAICA

AMIEL, M A (1964) BAILEY, Rohan (1999) BLACKWOOD, Gabrielle (2009) BREAKENRIDGE, Norma (1979) BROMFIELD, S D (1969)



## SAMSIDEEN IPOSU (2003) NIGERIA

Graduated with a PhD in Animal Science, Lincoln University.

"My Commonwealth Scholarship enabled me to experience the world-class research facilities at Lincoln University. I am currently working as an academic in the Department of Animal Production & Health, University of Agriculture, Abeokuta."

Photo: Pictured with a watercraft for clearing a menacing seaweed (Water Hyacinth) on the Lagos lagoon in his hometown, Epe.

## HONG KONG

AU HOM (1979)
CHEUNG, Winnie Lai Ling (1976)
CHEUNG HUNG, Vivian (1968)
CHO, Shiu Yin (1995)
KHAN, L (1964)
KONG KING LEUNG, (1968)
KUNG, J K S (1984)
NGAN, J H (1987)
SHEK, Cheng Yo (1973)
TAI KWONG-LUNG, S (1968)
WONG PAT SHUN, Patsy (1974)

## INDIA

ABSAR, A (1982) AHLUWALIA, J S (1967) AIYAR, K R (1967) BHAGABATI, Annada Charan (1962) BHANDRAL, Rita (2002) BHATTACHARIA, Bhabani (1962) MAJUMDER, R (1981) MIDHA, RK (1973) MURTY, K V V S (1977) NATHSARMA, K C (1960) PADMINI, R A (1967) PAMIDI, Jamuna (1995) PANDA, P K (1975) PANDEY, O P (1976) PATNIAK, G B (1980) PRASAD, T S (1979) RAJA, PKS (1960) RAMADASS, P (1978) RAMKUMAR, Chikkana (1993) RANDHAWA, Parmjit Singh (2000) RAO, M N (1969) SAHA, JP (1976) SAMAL, Prabandha Kumar (1987) SANTHAKUMAR, A R (1970) SANTIAGO, Mahimairaja (1989) SARMA, P (1972)

CAMPBELL, Adella (2009)
CLARKE, Rohan Duane (2008)
GREGORY, Rayon (2008)
HARRIOTT, Cecille (1970)
HAY, P A (1986)
MILLER, R A (1974)
MILLS, Annette (1993)
PARKES, Lois Elaine (2007)
PRENDERGAST, Doreen Milicent (1997)
PRINCE, Michael (2006)
REID, Shirley Anne Patricia (1994)
SHAW, Natalie Anoushi (1996)
SIMONS, P E (1964)
TAYLOR, Sharma Latoya (2009)
WILLIAMS, Wendy (2000)

## **KENYA**

CHEPKWONY, Charles Kibii (1986) GITAU, Michael Njoroge (1990) KIPKEMBOI, Pius Keronei (1991) MARETE, Gideon Nteere (1986)

MIGUE, M R (1960)

MUINDE, Florence (2006)

MWANZIA, Josephine (2005)

ODUOL, Truphena (2009)

OGUGE, Nicholas Otienoh (1988)

ONYONI, K (1961)

OTIENO, C (1973)

WAIYAKE, J N (1963)

WANJIKU, Josephine (1994)

### MALAWI

CHIOZEKA, B J B (1981)

FANDIKA, Isaac (2009)

HARAWA, R D (1981)

JONAZI, Joseph Blessings (1994)

KALIKOKHA, Chimwemwe (2006)

KALIWO, Nepier (2006)

KANG'OMA, Dyton (2005)

LUPWAYI, N Z (1986)

MKWARA, Bentry (2008)

NKHOMA, Agnes (2009)

PHIRI, Esther (2007)

#### **MALAYSIA**

MOHAMED ARIFF, Tasnim Firdaus (2007)

MOHAMED, Shazla (2009)

MUNIANDY, Jothimiani (1980)

NORANI, M S (1979)

SALLEH, N (1978)

TAN AH GOH (1981)

## **MALDIVES**

MOHAMED, Abudul Muhsin (1992)

MOHAMMED, Muaviyath (2007)

MUJUTHABA, Ahmed (2005)

MUSHIN, A M (1991)

SHAMEEM, Aly (2000)

SHAMMOON, Adam (2008)

SHUJAU, Ismail (2003)

ZUBAIR, Shafea (1993)

#### **MALTA**

BEZZINA, C (1984)

BORG, Grace (1996)

BUHAGIAR, George (1993)

BUHAGIAR, George (1996)

FARRUGIA, P (1988)

FAVA, P (1981)

GALEA, Pauline (1989)

GRIMA, Grace (1992)

JAMES, Christopher (1993)

MUSCAT, Joanne (1999)

SCHEMBRI, J S (1964)

SULTANA, R G (1984)

VELLA-BONNICI, Joseph (1975)

## **MAURITIUS**

BOODHOO, Chandan (2009)

BUCHA, J (1969)

CHUTOO, Mohamad Afzal (1994)

DABY, Devmitrasingh (1988)

DOMINIQUE, Brigitte M F (1985)

FINETTE, L R (1964)

**GUJADHUR**, A (1967)

HO JIRD, E H P (1968)

HURPAL, L (1966)

JOHNSON, Marie Christine Jennifer (1994)

KAULLYCHURN, Siamah (2006)

**KOLEEJAN, M R (1982)** 

LAM HUNG, Y F (1968)

LARCHE, Noelie (1967)

MAUREE, Parenivel (1985)

OODALLY, A W (1966)

PRAYAG, Girish (2006)

**RAJKOMAR, B (1984)** 

RAMSAMY, Sunasee (2002)

SERVANSINGH, R S (1979)

SIN, Y T (1977)

TANG, Fook Cheung (1969)

THANCANAMOOTOO, N (1969)

TOOLSY, Bhoomitra (2001)

#### **MONTSERRAT**

WILLIAMS, Nuovella (2001)

## NIGERIA

ATAJAE, Abu (1987)

CLIFFORD, S D (1981)

IPOSU, Samsideen (2002)

KADAMS, A M (1985)

MADUEMAZIA, A A (1963)

MOHAMMAD, A (1989)

MOMODU, A B (1972)

OKONKWO, N C (1980)

OLANIYAN, O O (1969)

UKPONG, E M (1984)

## NIUE

HEKAU, Kahealani Sariah

Sinahemana (2007)

## **PAKISTAN**

AYAZ, Shaukat (1998)

HAIDER, Aun (2000)

HAQUE, M Z (1969)

ISLAM, S (1969)

KHATRI, M I (1960)

MIAN, Malek (1962)

NAQVI, M A (1963) SOHAIL, Asma (2008)

TALUKDER, M (1963)

## **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**

AHAI, N G (1980)

MALIABE, B (1980)

MARAT, A S M (1979)

MATUI, Mange John (2007)

NAIHUWO, G A (1980)

SAULEI, S M (1979)

## **SAINT LUCIA**

AUGUSTE-WALTER, Berthina (2009)

BARROW, Devon (2006)

DOLCY, Adrian (1985)

GEORGE, Anthony (2006) INNOCENT-CHARLES, Barbara (2004)

ISIDORE, Lucian (1994)

JAMESON, Madgerie (2006)

LEWIS, Robert (2002)

PLUMMER, Maria Marcella (1994)

SAMUEL, Thomas (2003)

SARGUSING-TERRANCE, Lisa (2006)

WILFRED, Mary (2003)

WILLIAMS, B B (1984)

# SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

BURKE, Kenrick (2009)

FRANCE, Robert B (1985)

KING, Colville Sheldon Rodger (2007)

MARKS, Veronica Carmina (1993)

QUASHIE-HARRY, Ro-Anne (2008)

TROTMAN, Sandra (1995)

## SAMOA

LEE HANG, Desmond (2005)

LEE HANG, Nickel (1995)

SAIFALEOUPOLU, S (1982)

SUAALII, Faguele (2009)

## SEYCHELLES

DE COMARMOND, Odile Andrine

Louise (2009)

JULES, Rosianna Paquerette Chantal (2006)

LAPORTE, Veronique (2001)

MOUMOU, Margaret (2003)

VICTOR, Jane (2009)

## SIERRA LEONE

BAIMBA, Andrew Augustine (1987)

CONTEH, Abu (2006)

LAPPIA, Agnes K (1985)

## SINGAPORE

SIITO/II OKE

CHEE, K H (1963)

CHEW, K L (1960)

CHIA PAN ENG, Violet (1968)

GEH SIEW YIU (1969)

HSIEH, J T (1964) LEONG, K S (1977)

LIOW, T M (1960)

SHEE, S C (1961)

# WONG YIM HARN (1979) SOLOMON ISLANDS

HIELE, G A (1966)

HOU, Douglas (2006)

RODIE, Franco (2007)

RODIE, Patricia (2007) TEALIKLAVA, J P (1966) TUTUA, Shane (1999)

## SOUTH AFRICA

CLIFF, Alan Frank (1996)

DRAKE, Melanie Lee (2008)

HOBBS, Bernice (1997) STEENKAMP, Daniel (2006)

STEINKE, J D (1960)

VERACHIA, Wasseela (2006) WOODFORD, Darragh (2006)

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## **SRI LANKA**

ABEYNAYAKE, Preeni (1979)
ARIYAWARDANA, Anoma (1998)
ATAPATTU, D D (1983)
ATAPATTU, Mahinda (1999)
BALASUBRAMANIAM, R (1979)
DAHANAYAKA, B W (1982)
DAYATILAKA, R K D (1980)
DE SILVA, H N (1977)
DE SILVA, K E A (1963)
GUNAWARDENA, G A (1973)
HASSON, P M (1963)
JAYASURIA, N (1982)
JEYANATHAN, Jeyamalar (2007)
KARUNASEKERA, Wasantha Kollure (1992)

MAGOHA, Happy Steven (2002)
MAKAKA, Nekemiah Mutalemwa (1990)
MBUYA, Paul (2001)
MGINA, M B (1975)
MOSHI, Anselm (2003)
MSUYA, J M (1986)
MUGANDA, Cornelia Koku (1995)
MUHAMMED, Sebtu (1979)
NGUMA, Lucy (2006)
RUSIMBI, Mary J (1981)
SILAGOMI, Bernadina (2005)

## **TONGA**

FONUA, Siosiana Ungatea (2000) KAVALIKU, S L (1964)

TEMU, M Joseph (1989)

RAMSINGH, Anand (1991) SEEREERAM, A D (1975) SOO PING CHOW, J C K (1988) SUEPAUL, Rod (2006) TITUS, Simone (2004)

#### **TUVALU**

RESTURE, Alan (2009) TAAFAKI, Tauaasa (1995)

#### **UGANDA**

OTIM, S J B (1981) SSEWANYANA, V (1987)

## **UNITED KINGDOM**

ARMOUR, Katharine Elizabeth (1995)



## ISAAC FANDIKA (2009) MALAWI

Currently studying towards a PhD in Agronomy at Massey University.

"My research focuses on Water Use Efficiency in Arable Crops in relation to water use efficiency, profitability and sustainable land use. I expect to achieve advanced skills and knowledge to contribute to existing national skills in irrigation agronomy, food security and poverty reduction through novel water and nutrient management technologies."

Photo: Isaac using a machine called a Rotavapor-R to separate solvents.

KURUWITA, V Y (1976)
MADAWALA, Udaya (1988)
MAHENTHIRAN, Pushpalatha (1997)
PADMINI, R A (1967)
PEIRIS, Telge Sarath Gamini (1981)
PERERA, Lasantha Bernard (2003)
ROHITHA, B H (1973)
SAMARASINGHE, H H R (1966)
SANGAKKARA, U R (1978)
TAMBY RAJA, R L (1966)
VITHARANA, N D (1984)
WEERASEKERA, Manjula (2005)
WIJEYERATNE, K J C D E S (1972)

## **TANZANIA**

ALPHONCE, Ndibelema (1995) DAU, Ramadhani Kitwana (1988) GANDYE, P P (1975) KILUA, Madiga N (1985) MADABIVA, Z S (1984) MATOTO, O A (1966) SEVELE, F V (1969) SISIFA, I (1964) TAUSINGA, E P (1988)

## TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

ALLEYNE-PILGRIM, Vernella (1999)
ATTAI, J E C (1964)
BARTHOLEMEW, Patrice Nancy (2008)
COLLETTE, Vern (1999)
DEFOUR-BABB, Joyanne (1999)
ESCAYG, Andrew Pascal (1990)
GORDAN, Kasey Riad (2007)
JACKMAN, Wendell (2003)
JATTANSINGH, Sasha Gaitri (2007)
JORDAN, Leslie-Ann (1999)
PARAG, Rajindra (1991)
RAMLOGAN, P (1988)
RAMPAUL, E (1984)
RAMROOP, Steve (1998)

ASHBY, J W (1966) ATKINSON, Katherine (2001) BAINBRIDGE, David (1993) BALL, Larissa (2003) BALLANTYNE, Ann (1971) BEAZLEY, John (1964) BEER, Nicola Anne (2008) BELLWOOD, PS (1967) BISHOP, D J (1988) BOISSEAU, Oliver (2000) BOLTON, Annette (2007) BOWMAN, Vanessa Clare (1996) BOYLE, P R (1965) BULMAN, O M B (1967) CALVERT, Julia (1999) CAMPBELL, A R (1979) CARTER, Michelle (2005) CAWKWELL, G L (1984) CHANDLER, GE (1983) CHRISTOPHERS, Brett (2005)

CLARE, Frances E A (1975) CLOUT, M N (1973) COLE, J W (1963) COLE, Susan (2006) COOK, M (1986) COPPOCK, J T (1971) COOPER, Helen (1971) COULSON, Michelle (2001) CRAGG, J B (1963)

CRAIG, Vanessa Jane (1996) CROOK, Patricia (1970) CROXALL, J P (1968) CRUICKSHANK, Fiona (1983)

CRUMP, Robin Gordon (1966) CUTHBERT, Richard James (1996) DALE, Lawrence George (1990)

DARLING, C D (1971) DAUBE, David (1969) DAVIES, M (1965) **DAVISON, M C (1965)** DEEGAN, Claire (2005) DEW, J G (1964) DICKS, Emily Fleur (2008) DIXON, Katheryn (2001)

DOUGAN, Michael C R (1988) DOWSETT, Owen (2007) EDMONDS, F D (1971) EDWARDS, Victoria (1986) EDWARDS, W E (1969) **ELLIS**, Jane (1976) ELTON, GR (1985) FEAR, Alison (2003)

FOX, MR (1974) FREEMAN, Michael (1979)

GALE, E F (1964) GELLATLY, Anne F (1979)

GIBBS, R J (1982)

GIBSON, Rosemary Helen (2008) GILL, Evelyn M (1973) GOLDMAN, R J (1965) GOODALL, C R (1978) GREEN, Sarah (1990) GUNN, J (1974)

HADDON, Malcolm (1977) HARLEY, J L (1973)

HAWKINS, Elizabeth (2007)

HAYES, W (1971) HEINE, Volker (1967) HERBERT, Neill (1999) HILLIARD, J C (1974) HOEY, Trevor B (1985) HOGGART, R (1977)

HORROCKS, Joanna Louise (1996)

HOUGH, G G (1977) HOUGHTON, K N (1981) HUNT, L A (1960) HYDEN, G (1973)

INGLE, S J (1964) JACK, Lucy (2006) JACKMAN, R (1968) JENNINGS, Richard (1999) JOHNSON, H G (1975) JOHNSON, Jethro (2006) JONES, R V (1972) KIRKBRIDE, MP (1984) LATHAM, Julia (2005) LEE, D R (1972)

LIHOU, Joanne Claire (1990) LIVINGSTON, Mary E (1975) LONSDALE, Kathleen (1965) MACBRAYNE, CG (1979) MCIVOR, TJ (1980) MARSH, Edward John (1989) MEDLYCOTT, Elaine (2003) **MENZIES, M (1971)** MITCHELL, Robin (2002) MOSS, Timothy (2006) MURPHY, Annabel (2004)

NEIGHBOUR, Ann M (1972) NEILD, P G (1969) NEUMANN, P (1987) NEWCOMB, E (1985)

MURRAY, Stuart (1990)

NASON, Sarah (1973)

OWENS, Catherine Elizabeth Ray (1993)

PALMER, R A (1977) PECK, David (1995) PENTREATH, R J (1965) PHILLIPS, P C B (1971) POWELL, Abigail Laura (2008) PRIDE, Stephanie Alison (1987) QUIRK, Randolph (1975) RAMSAY, R (1963) **RAYBOULD, S G (1963)** RAYBOULD, S G (1966) REGAN, O E (1961) RICKWOOD, PC (1963) RIMMER, P J (1961)

SAMUEL, Lesley (1999) SAUNDERS, Katharine (2006) SCOTT, PM (1971) SHARMA, Parvan (2002) SHARPLIN, Jansci (1971) SHOTTION, FW (1967) SIMKISS, K (1986)

ROBERTS, Ann (2001)

ROGERS, Howard (1992)

SISSON, Robert Antony (1988)

SLATER, J (1974) SMITH, Anna (2006) SOLLY, Lionel David (1994) SPEDDING, CRW (1977) STANBRIDGE, RJ (1969) STANFORD, Davina (2002)

STEPHENS, Thomas (2007) STEVENS, J E (1985) STEWART, Emma (1994) STEWART, W A C (1968) STOCKIN, Karen (2002) STREET, J (1970)

SUTHERLAND, Rupert (1992)

SWIFT, D F (1981) SYERS, J K (1964) SYME, Ronald (1966) TAYLOR, Alexander (2006) **TAYLOR, W (1977)** THOMAS, R C (1982) THOMPSON, D (1980)

THORNLEY, Richard Stephen (1993)

THORNTON, PK (1980) TINDALL, Julia (1987) TOMSKY, Teresa (2001) TURNER, Richard James (2009)

WAIN, R L (1973) WELLS, Sarah Jane (2009) WICKS, Laura (2006) WILLIAMS, J D H (1961) WILLIAMS, James (2000) WILMHURST, Janet (1990) WOODWARD, L A (1966) WRELTON, Elena (2005) WRIGHT, A C (1982) WRIGHT, Heather C (1977)

#### VANUATU

THOMAS, Andrina Komala Lini (2008)

## ZAMBIA

BANDA, Lysno (1966) CHUNGA, Teddy (2008) KABWE, Gillian (2007) MTONGA, R S (1980)

MULENGU, Andrew Punabantu (1990) MHANGO, Androphine (1986)

SIBALE, J Z (1981)

### **ZIMBABWE**

DEWE, M B (1963)

GOZHO, Nhamo George (1993)

KATSUMBE, Boniface Munyaradzi (1990)

MASAMBA, Tendai (1999) TSONGORERA, Biggie (1999) ZINYANDU, TM (1976)

## ZIMBABWE/MALAWI

**BALDOCK, FW (1960)** NYONI, M M (1961)

## WASSEELA VERACHIA (2006) SOUTH AFRICA

Currently studying towards a PhD in Food Science/Microbiology, University of Otago.

"Growing up in South Africa and being from a disadvantaged ethnic minority group I faced financial and academic challenges, but it has made me realize the value of a tertiary education. I'm researching the New Zealand sea urchin, Evechinus chloroticus relating the current New Zealand harvesting and processing regimes to the final shelf life and quality of the sea urchin roe. I look forward to returning home to my family and community to show a younger generation of women and previously disadvantaged groups that it is possible to have a dream and then have it come true with hard work and dedication."

Photo: Wasseela Verachia



## **ESTHER PHIRI (2007) MALAWI**

Currently studying for an MSc in Energy Studies at the University of Otago.

Her course covers the generation of energy in a sustainable manner and how existing energy supplies can be used more efficiently. Esther says her studies will prepare her to assist with solutions to energy problems in her home country.

Photo: Pictured in well doing field research at a biogas plant in Malawi.



## **FAGUELE SUAALII (2009) SAMOA**

Currently studying towards a PhD in Education at Massey University.

"All learners, regardless of their educational level, deserve nothing less than a quality education and training that would provide them with opportunities for lifelong learning, the world of work and meaningful participation in society as productive citizens. Doing a PhD is expensive, and it requires a long-term commitment. I am honoured to be one of the recipients of the Commonwealth Scholarship 2009 to undertake a doctoral degree in education at Massey University."

Photo: Faguele Suaalii



## 1. RAYON GREGORY (2008) JAMAICA Currently studying for a Master's Degree in Veterinary Epidemiology, Massey University.

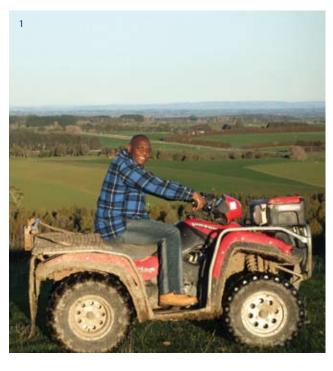
"Studying here in New Zealand, a recognized leader in biosecurity, and learning from some of the world's top epidemiologists, I am not too far from achieving my goals. I intend to help develop an up to date biosecurity program in my home country, and impart qualified knowledge to the younger generation so that they too may contribute to make our world a better place."

Photo: Pictured on quad bike at Holly Farm.

# 2. JULIA LATHAM (2005) UNITED KINGDOM Graduated with an MSc in Biological Sciences, University of Auckland.

Julia Latham, a Commonwealth Scholar from the United Kingdom, completed her MSc Thesis "The ecology of ship rats (Rattus rattus) on Ponui Island: Implications for North Island brown kiwi".

Photo: Pictured with a North Island brown kiwi.



# 3. ROBIN CRUMP (1965) UNITED KINGDOM Graduated with a PhD in Marine Zoology, University of Otago.

Robin Crump came to New Zealand to undertake a PhD in Marine Zoology. Robin and his wife, Ann, remember their time at the Portobello Marine Biological Station, Otago, as "the happiest and most fulfilling period of both our lives". Robin's contribution to marine ecology and conservation has been ongoing since his return to the United Kingdom in 1969.

Photo: Robin and Ann Crump on the boat used at Portobello for Robin's diving research on starfish, Otago Harbour 1965.





## 4&6. JAWAHAR VEGAD (1965) INDIA Graduated with a PhD in Veterinary Pathology, Massey University.

"My Commonwealth Scholarship has made a tremendous impact on my life, interests and career. My doctoral thesis on inflammation in sheep led to a professional research career in inflammation in other animals, where I have gained an international reputation for my contributions."

Photo 4: Pictured with fellow students at Massey University in the 1960s. Photo 6: Pictured with friends in the lab on the eve of his birthday at Massey University in the 1960s.







## 5. GABRIELLE BLACKWOOD (2009) JAMAICA Currently studying for an MA in Screen Production at the University of Auckland.

"Through the Commonwealth Scholarship I have been able to embark on the realization of a dream, gaining new insight into the realm of filmmaking, exploring ways in which I can use Jamaica as a virtual location for different genres of film and honing the skills and knowledge I would love to impart on returning home. Congratulations to the Commonwealth Scholarship Scheme on making it 50 years of unprecedented achievement and excellence."

Photo: Gabrielle pictured "in action".

## FRANCIS KWEKU AMAGLOH (2009) GHANA

## Currently studying for a PhD in Food Nutrition at Massey University.

"Thanks to a NZAID Commonwealth scholarship, my dream of developing first solid food for human infants from sweet potato (Ipomoea batatas) and soybean (Glycine max) will be realized.

"The scholarship has made it possible for me to investigate ways of optimising child development and health in rural communities in Ghana through the formulation of nutritious and affordable complementary food. Thanks NZAID Commonwealth Scholarship, as a team, we will make an enviable impact on infant nutrition."

Photo: Francis in the food pilot plant, Institute of Food, Nutrition and Human Health, Massey University.



## **ABU CONTEH (2006) SIERRA LEONE**

Currently studying towards a PhD in Environmental Science at Victoria University of Wellington.

"I am investigating the impact of Sierra Leone's civil war on biodiversity conservation in the Western Area Peninsula Forest Reserve. The reserve protects a forest which holds a large amount of biodiversity, including some highly threatened species."

When his studies in Wellington are completed Abu intends to return to his job as a lecturer at the University of Sierra Leone to pass on to his students the knowledge he has picked up here.

Photo: Focus group discussion with community people on assessment of threats to forest resources in Sierra Leone. (Abu Conteh – front right).



## NEW ZEALAND SCHOLARS TO COMMONWEALTH **COUNTRIES** 1959–2009

## TO AUSTRALIA

ALLISON, A J (1967)

ANDREW, Neil Leslie (1984)

BANNISTER, P (1987)

BLONG, R J (1967)

BRADFORD, CM (1972)

CAMERON, R J (1962)

CARTER, S (1988)

COUCH, Warrick John (1976)

DE LACEY, Emma Heaton (1978)

DORDAEFF, B D (1989)

EASTERBROOK-SMITH, Simon

Barnett (1973)

FORBES, E A (1969)

FREETH, Allan Lindsay (1983)

FROUDE, D O (1982)

FROUDE, Derek (1981)

GUY, Graeme Roy (1980)

HARFORD, M N (1962)

HARRISON, Paul Maxwell (1976)

HENWOOD, M I (1984)

HILLARY, Navlor (1967)

INGLIS, G J (1987)

JACKSON, D I (1961)

JENNINGS, John Michael (1965)

JENSEN, S (1985)

JOE, Stephen (1982)

JOHNSTON, DL (1986)

JOHNSTON, L C (1960)

KING, DW (1986)

LANGER, R H M (1982)

LINDQVIST, W F (1964)

LINTS, T (1988)

LOWTHER, W L (1967)

MCLEHY, L M (1968)

MARTIN, R B (1970)

MILNER, R K (1967)

MOLTSCHANISKY, N A (1989)

MURTAGH, RW (1962)

NORTHCOTE, Robert S (1960)

PALMER, E R (1965)

PARK, Geoffrey Nicholls (1971)

PARSONS, M J (1966)

PEARCE, C E M (1962)

PINDER, B M (1969)

PORTER, C M (1979)

PRESLAND, Richard Brian (1981)

REYNOLDS, Gordon Willoughby (1976)

RIFFKIN, G G (1971)

RUTHERFORD, DW (1973)

SCOTT, PR (1960)

SMITH, C (1985)

SMITH, Lockwood (1973)

STENING, Bruce William (1974)

STOWE, S (1974)

THOMSON, PJ (1968)

WAN, G (1991)

WARD, F D (1965)

WHITE, J G H (1961)

WILLIAMS, Clifton Mark (1979)

WILLIAMSON, JA (1970)

WILSON, A G (1969)

WRIGHT, I W (1965)

## **TO CANADA**

ADDIS, Donna (2001)

ALLIS, Richard George (1973)

BAAS, Susan Catherine (2000)

BARBER, Bruce Alistair (1976)

BARR, H (1964)

BARTLETT, R (1985)

BHANA, P (1961)

BLACK, J (1962)

BOOTH, R S (1962)

BOURN, Diane Margaret (1982)

BOYD, Brian David (1974)

BRUCE, Kelly (1973)

BURNS, Carolyn Waugh (1963)

BURNS, J A (1965)

BURRELL, Margaret Ann (1969)

BUXTON, Jackie (1992)

BYROM, A (1991)

CAIRNS, David John Adams (1985)

CALDWELL, Tanya M (1992)

CAMPBELL, C (1988)

CAMPBELL, Douglas Atchison (1984)

CAREY, B (1978)

CARR, S (1976)

CARRODUS, Mark (1992)

CARSWELL, RF (1963)

CATTON, Philip Ellery (1984)

CLEUGH, Helen (1982)

CLOUD, J (1969)

COOPER, A (1985)

CORBALLIS, M (1963)

CRAW, David (1975)

CRAWFORD, T (1965)

CRESSWELL, L R (1969)

CRIGLINGTON, Meredith A (2000)

CROWE, M A (1969)

CURRIE, Duncan Eric James (1983)

DAKIN, S R (1969)

DALY, GT (1962)

D'ARCY, P D (1968)

DAVEY, Helen (1988)

**DAVIES, L (1978)** 

DAWKINS, B P (1962)

DAWSON, J (1960)

DEARDEN, Christopher (1983)

DIXON, CW (1967)

DO, TPT (1991)

DOUGHTY, Noel Arthur (1962)

DOW. B (1973)

DOWLING, David Hurst (1972)

DRISCOLL, Angie (1990)

EARLE, M D (1989)

EDWARDS, W (1975)

ELLIS, S (1988)

FINIGAN, Theo J (2000)

FITZHARRIS, B B (1967)

FOGELBERG, Graeme (1964)

FOLEY, Louise Sherwyn (2006)

FOX, A C (1971)

FRUSIN, A (1991)

GLENNY, Alison (1992)

GLYNN, EL (1967)

GOODWIN, R E (1960)

GREEN, Q Q (1968)

GREENWOOD, J (1986)

GRIFFIN, M (1961)

HALE, John David (2008)

HALL, Julie (1982)

HAMPTON, Peter (1961)

HANDCOCK, K (1960) HART, A L (1970)

HAUGHTON, Fiona Jeannie (2006)

HAWKE, Richard (1991)

HENDY, Shaun (1995)

HESSELL, Nicola A (2000)

HOARE, M E (1977)

HOLLINGS, PE (1966)

HORNBLOW, Helen (1982)

HUGHES, PW (1969)

HUNT, Katherine Dorothy (1984)

JACKSON, P (1982) JAIN, Piyush (2008)

JENNINGS, Sarah Marguerite (1980)

JOHNSON, D L (1969)

JONES, L (1979)

KEARNS, Robin (1983) KELLY, J (1986)

KNIGHT, Robert D (2002)

KOFOED, P (1976)

LAIRD, S R (1967)

LARNER, Wendy (1992)

LARSEN, J (1969)

LAU, Lawrence (1992)

LAWN, Jennifer (1990) LEGGOTT, Michele Joy (1980)

LORIMER, P (1961)

LOVELL, Sarah Anne (2007) MCDONALD, N (1961)

MCGREGOR, Grant D (2005)

MCINTOSH, E (1964)

MCKEAN, Catharine Anne (1979) MCKENZIE, Timothy James (2006)

MACKIE, Keith Lawrence (1973)

MCLAY, C L (1966)

MCLEOD, W H (1982, 1986)

MANNING, Martin Richard (1965) MARILLIER, J (1971)

MARSHALL, Y (1987)

MATTHEWSON, L (1991)

MEAD, Sidney (1972) MEEK, K (1971) MERRILEES, Mervyn John (1968) MONAGAN, Michael Burnett (1981) MORRELL, W P (1968) MORRISON, Philip Scott (1973) MORROW, John (1977) MOUAT, M (1960) MUIRHEAD, John (1972) O'CONNOR, P (1973) OLIVER, William H (1973) PATERSON, John Leonard (1982) PEARSE, Hilary L (2003) PENMAN, David Ross (1990) PETERSON, A J (1969) POTTINGER, R (1961) RALPH, R (1974)

WEBB, G R (1969)
WELLS, A R (1969)
WHYTE, F R (1966)
WILD, C (1976)
WILLIAMS, C (1978)
WILLIAMS, L (1989)
WILSON, J D (1974)
WRIGHT, David Graham (1974)
YOUND, Jennifer (1977)

## TO HONG KONG

SAVILLE-SMITH, K J (1983)

#### **TO INDIA**

ALLISON, E B (1965) DUNCAN, I R (1965) HAWKER, R A (1980) ADAMS, Peter Vaughan (1981) ADDIS, Megan Elizabeth (2002) ALLFREY, Philip Daniel (2003) ANDERSON, Atholl John (1973) APPLETON, Michael Edward (2004) ARMSTRONG, Philip Charles (1992) ARMSTRONG, Sam Cameron (1963) ARNOLD, Aidan Shaun (1996) ARNOLD, Richard Alan (1987) ASHENDEN, Liana Marie Arangi (2000) ASTLEY, Richard Jeremy (1968) AUGUST, Hannah M (2007) AYSON, Robert Fraser (1993) BAARS, Margo Cara (2004) BAINS, Parmjot Kaur (1996) BAIRD, Alexander W S (1961) BAKER, Joel Allen (1990)



## MARTA LANG (2007)

## MSc in Biodiversity, Conservation & Management, Oxford University

Marta reflects: "The Commonwealth was a great gift. At 29, it offered me valuable time out to try new things, develop ideas and make mistakes! In New Zealand, I'd been an environmental lawyer working in government. At Oxford, I met people from all over the world. Learning in depth about conservation and development challenges in developing countries changed my life." Marta now co-directs Our Nature, a conservation consultancy bridging international funders and community projects across the Asia-Pacific, and teaches international environmental policy at Oxford.

Photo: Marta Lang

RICHARDS, J C (1968) RIDDEL, Anne (1981) RIMMER, John Francis (1967) ROBERTS, H (1986) ROSENBERG, G (1966) SIGNAL, L (1988) SIMMONS, Rochelle (1986) SMILLIE, J (1984) SMITH, Shane (1996) SPEARS, K (1987) STACE, Michael Vincent (1978) STONE, Paul Russell (1982) STONEHOUSE, B (1969) STRINGER, Ian (1969) TEIRNEY, L (1972) THAWLEY, D (1971) THIRKELL, P (1977) THOMAS, Christine Kaye (1982) TINDLE, Christopher Thomas (1967) TWEEDALE, M M (1985) TYNDALL, Joanne (1981) VOWLES, Jack (1974) WAITE, Jeffrey James (1982) WALL, K (1977)

WARDLE, D (1986)

MCDONALD, J P (1980) MCLEOD, W H (1985) NEWMAN, R K (1966) PEARSON, M N (1968) PERRETT, Roy Walter (1977) ROMANOVASKY, C (1978) WILSON, J G (1963)

## **TO JAMAICA**

DOUGLAS, E M (1966)

## **TO MALAYSIA**

BUCHANAN, D I (1965) CANT, R G (1962) CANT, Robert Garth (1964) STENSON, M R (1965) UPU, Strickland (2001)

## **TO NIGERIA**

GOODMAN, A A (1965) MAXWELL, T A (1986) WATSON, Elizabeth E (1990)

## TO THE UNITED KINGDOM

ABRAHAM, Edward R D (1988)

BALDWIN, Sean Patrick (1989) BALLANTYNE, Ann Lorraine (1971) BARCLAY, J K (1972) BARFOOT, Nicola Lovelace (1996) BARNHILL, Helen Margaret (1977) BARTRAM, Cathryn Virginia (1984) BEAGLEHOLE, Mira (1995) BEAGLEHOLE, Robert (1970) BEATON, Peter Robert (1966) BEAUREGARD, Daniel Aaron (1992) BEBBINGTON, Mark Stephen (1988) BIBBY, Hugh Mannering (1966) BISHOP, Stephen Christopher (1982) BLAKE, Graeme Betram (1971) BLAKEY, Simon Bruce (1998) BOND, Penelope Elizabeth (2002) BONIFANT, Roger Anthony (1972) BORSHEVSKY, Leonid (1985) BOSTON, Jonathon George (1980) BRASTED, Howard Vining (1968) BRAUN, Virginia (1997) BREWARD, Ian (1960) BRIMBLE, Margaret Ann (1983) BROOMHALL, David (2003) BROWN, Simon Anthony (1986)

BROWN, Valerie Grace (1974) DOMIJAN, Mirela (2005) HANSON, Steven Paul (1993) HARRINGTON-FROST, Nicole BROWN-HAYSOM, Ryan (2006) DONALDSON, Ivan Macgregor (1972) BULLSMITH, Christofer (1998) DUNBAR, Ian Hamilton (1973) Margaret (1997) BUNCE, Melanie Jane (2006) DUNN, Ginette Louise (1973) HARRIS, Arthur John (1965) BURGESS, Charlotte Maree (2009) DUNNINGHAM, Jacob Andrew (1997) HARRIS, Jonathan Gil Annesle (1987) BURN, Brian James (1961) DUTIA, Bernadette Mary HARRIS, William Wilson (1975) BURNELL, Stephen James (1984) (formerly MCGRATH) (1975) HARVEY, John David (1967) BURROWS, John Frederick (1964) EALEY, Patrice Christine (1982) HAWKE, Gary Richard (1965) BURTON, Diana Helen (1993) EDENS, Marion (formerly EWEN) (1977) HEFFORD, Benedict John (2006) BURTON, John Fitzgerald (1974) EDMONDS, Frederick David (1971) HENRY, Joni Marie (2006) BUWALDA, James Guilliam (1979) HERBISON, Allan Edward (1987) EKINS, Richard Edwin (2003) HILL, Graham Lancelot (1972) CADE, Neil Alexander (1973) 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"Going to Oxford on a Commonwealth Scholarship was an extraordinary experience for a girl from Masterton. I knew Oxford in a literary way from famous novels like Bridehead Revisited and Sinister Street; being a student there gave me access not only to the ancient and lovely buildings, exciting scholars, demanding teaching and talented fellow students, but also the fabled resources of the Bodleian Library, stretching for 8 square miles under the centre of the city and holding the oldest books in England. With its handwritten catalogues, exquisite manuscript library and collection of everything ever published in the UK, the Bodleian was the stuff of dreams, and, I could not have known it without the Commonwealth."

Photo: Oxford punting, Lydia is the person at the back.

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"The Commonwealth Scholarship was a life changing experience for me. It opened up a whole new world of ideas, experiences and opportunities that I hardly knew existed. For two years, I was supported (and challenged!) in my academic research by some of the world's sharpest minds; I played rugby for Oxford's first XV in the incredible annual match against Cambridge; I stood in front of a full house and debated at the Oxford Union in the exact spot where David Lange once stood and implored the world to become nuclear free; I made deep friendships with future leaders from around the world; and my perspective became more global. In that stimulating and exciting environment, where so much was expected of me, I developed a new range of ambitious goals for the future and I suspect these will shape the rest of my life."

Photo: A close up rugby action shot.

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## OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, WELLINGTON.

30 November 1959

Dear Dr Currie,

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The Government has invited you, in your capacity of Vice-Chancellor of the University of New Zealand, to accept membership of the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Committee that is being designed as the agency responsible to the Government for the administration in New Zealand of the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Plan. The Government has further expressed the hope that you would convene the Committee. I am happy to know that you have agreed to serve on the Committee in this capacity, and I appreciate your willingness to assist in carrying out what I believe is a plan of much importance to the Commonwealth and its members. I therefore have pleasure in appointing you a member of the Committee.

Should you be unable, on any occasion, to attend a meeting of the Committee that you have found it necessary to call, I hope you will designate an alternate to attend in your place. The chairmanship on that occasion would be a question for decision by the Committee. As you know, the other members of the Committee will consist of representatives of the four Universities, the two Agricultural Colleges, the Department of External Affairs, the Department of Education, and the Public Service Commission.

The usual channel of communication between the Government and the Committee will be the Department of External Affairs, which has general responsibility for New Zealand's part in the several programmes for educational co-operation that emerged from the Commonwealth Education Conference which met at Oxford in July of this year.

The Government has approved New Zealand's participation in these programmes, which include the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Plan, in the firm belief that the cohesion of the Commonwealth is of the highest importance to its own members and to the world, and that much can be done to strengthen both the individual members and the Commonwealth as a whole by increased co-operation and mutual help in the field of education. As the report of the Conference says, the Scholarships and Fellowships Plan, "based on a common effort and partnership between all the countries of the Commonwealth, will play an important part in maintaining and strengthening the common ideals on which the Commonwealth is founded. It will enrich each country of the Commonwealth by enabling an increasing number of its abler citizens to share the wide range of educational resources available throughout the Commonwealth ..." This report is being published as an External Affairs publication, and copies will be available shortly.

The Government has decided that New Zealand should provide, for nominees of other Commonwealth countries, a total of up to 26 scholarships and fellowships to be tenable at any one time, and the necessary funds have been allotted. As most of the scholarships will be for a period of two years, however, it is not intended that this total number should be awarded in the first year. The Department of External Affairs has already given you details about these proposed awards, as well as about the scholarships and fellowships that have been or may be offered to New Zealand by other Commonwealth countries, and the general manner in which it is envisaged that the Plan will operate.

In view of the importance which it attaches to the success of the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Plan, 'the Government is happy to know that the University of New Zealand has agreed to co-operate fully in its working and welcomes your own assurance, conveyed in your letter of 18 November to the Acting Secretary of External Affairs, that the whole University system will co-operate with the Government in carrying out the Plan in the best interests of New Zealand and of the Commonwealth. The Government is also pleased that the University of New Zealand will provide the secretariat of the Committee and service it generally.

As other Commonwealth Governments are now designating agencies with which your Committee will be expected to establish relations, and as the nomination of New Zealanders for awards in other countries is especially urgent, the Government hopes that you will be able to convene the Committee at an early date.

In constituting the Committee, I wish to express to it, and to you as its convenor, the Government's deep interest in the success of the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Plan, its pleasure that the Universities and Colleges are helping to strengthen the Committee by nominating their Vice-Chancellors and Principals to sit on it, and its confidence that the Committee as so constituted will be able to make New Zealand's contribution to this farreaching Plan an effective means of helping to strengthen the Commonwealth and its members as a force for peace and progress in the world.

Yours sincerely,

Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs.



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The New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee administers the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan in New Zealand, and convenes the New Zealand Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Committee (NZCSFC) which selects the scholars. The eight universities fund the Commonwealth scholars from developed countries.

