



# December 2013

## Nuffield Australia Newsletter

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### The Nuffield Chairman Writes

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**Andrew Johnson,**  
Chairman  
Nuffield Australia

#### Dear Scholars, Friends and Families,

I appreciate the opportunity writing to you upon this festive season. I recently had the pleasure of hosting two former Nuffield Chairmen in Adelaide for the Ashes Test. David Brownhill (1998 Sch) and myself just couldn't keep up with the vocals of Brendon Smart (1990 Sch) who just about lost his voice in support of the English cricket team in sympathy for our UK friends and colleagues.

Even though our tireless barracking was in vain, I reflected after returning home of what Nuffield is all about. We seek new frontiers and push boundaries but it is the friendships and networks we make that are forever, and which I consider the greatest gift of Nuffield. Whether it's a cricket match, or more likely a State or National event, I am always energised by meeting and talking with you, and as Nuffield continues to grow I am always encouraged by the initiatives that have been developed past and present to preserve this unique bond. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Reflecting over the last 12 months has shown another highly successful year for Nuffield Australia, credit must go particularly to Jim and his team, but also the board and our predecessors for the endless enthusiasm that makes our great association. It is synonymous with the Nuffield name and it was only a few days ago I read the SA life magazine, where an article caught my eye about a South Australian inventor Ted Both, who 60 years ago invented the iron lung just in time to save a boy's life in England. Lord Nuffield was so impressed he ordered 5000 for any hospital in need and became a great friend of the Both family.

I hope your season, beginning or ending exceeds expectations, I hope our scholars travelling are safe and well, I congratulate you all and on behalf of the Board and Management of Nuffield can I wish you and your families a safe and Merry Christmas and a very prosperous New Year.

**Andrew Johnson**  
Nuffield Australia Chairman

***Wishing all Nuffield Scholars and Families,  
Sponsors and Supporters a Merry Christmas  
and Happy New Year from Nuffield Australia.***



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#### **Nuffield International Website Launched**

A reminder that Nuffield International has launched a new website, with events, scholar reports and general news.

It also has the login to access the International Scholar Database.

[Click here](#)

## 2014 Calendar of Events (January-April 2014)

DATE	HOST	EVENT	VENUE
January (date TBC)	Tas. Nuffield	Summer BBQ	TBC
February 13	WA Nuffield	Social afternoon	Perth, from 2PM
February 14	WA Nuffield	AGM, Sponsors Luncheon and Sundowner	University of WA, Nedlands (Perth)
February 14-15	NSW Nuffield	NSW AGM and district tour	Young, NSW
February (date TBC)	Vic Nuffield	Regional Social Gatherings in Gippsland and South-West	TBC
March 1-8	Nuffield International	(CSC) Contemporary Scholars Conference	Sydney and Canberra, Australia
March 1-April 16 (March GFP)	Nuffield Australia	2013 Scholars Briefing and Global Focus Program (Brazil)	Sydney/Canberra, New Zealand, Brazil, USA, Mexico, UK
March 1-April 16 (March GFP)	Nuffield Australia	2013 Scholars Briefing and Global Focus Program (South Africa)	Sydney/Canberra, South Africa, Kenya, Russia, Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, USA.
March 4-5	ABARES	ABARES Outlook Conference	Canberra, ACT
March 5	Tas. Nuffield	Nuffield Scholar Presentation evening—listen to returning scholar presentations.	Venue TBC
March 6	NSW Nuffield	Jerilderie Rice Research Station Field Day and Nuffield dinner	Jerilderie, NSW
March 21-22	NSW & Vic Nuffield	Regional Tour of North-East Vic in combined state event.	Rutherglen, Corowa, Barooga and Yarrowonga
March 22-23	Qld. Nuffield	Autumn tour and AGM	Bundaberg, Qld
March 28-30	SA Nuffield	Autumn tour and AGM; includes SA Annual dinner (and 2 <sup>nd</sup> annual 'Philip Young Fellowship Award')	Burra, Mid-North of SA
March (date TBC)	Tas. Nuffield	Annual Meet and Greet event	TBC
April 3-6	Nuffield NZ	Biennial National Conference	Wairakei Resort, Taupo, NZ
April 1	Nuffield Australia	Scholarship applications open	Nationally
April 8-9	Nuffield Australia	Strategic planning review	Melbourne, Vic
April (date TBC)	SA Nuffield	SA State Conference and AGM	TBC
April (date TBC)	Vic Nuffield	Annual Forum	TBC

### ABARES OUTLOOK CONFERENCE 2014

The ABARES Outlook Conference will be held at the Canberra Convention Centre on March 4-5, 2014. It provides access to new economic data, internationally recognised speakers and is attended by industry stakeholders and primary producers. Nuffield has a good relationship with ABARES. Interested in attending? Contact Jim Geltch on 03 5480 0755 or [email here](#)

## 2014 Calendar of Events (May-December 2014)

DATE	HOST	EVENT	VENUE
May 28-July 11 (June-China GFP)	Nuffield Australia	2013 Scholars Briefing and Global Focus Program (China)	Canberra, Philippines, China, USA, Canada, Belgium, the Netherlands, France, Ireland
May 31-July 16 (June-India GFP)	Nuffield Australia	2013 Scholars Briefing and Global Focus Program (India)	Canberra, India, Qatar, Ukraine, Turkey, Brussels, France, USA.
June 15-28	Nuffield Canada	2014 Nuffield International Conference	Nova Scotia, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Niagara, Ontario
June 30	Nuffield Australia	Scholarship applications close	National
July 18	Tas. Nuffield	Tasmanian state selection	Launceston, Tas
July 21	Vic. Nuffield	Victorian state selection	Melbourne, Vic
July 23	NSW Nuffield	NSW state selection	Sydney, NSW
July 25	Qld. Nuffield	Queensland state selection	Brisbane, Qld
July 28	SA Nuffield	SA state selection	Adelaide, SA
July 30	WA Nuffield	WA state selection	Perth, WA
August 3	Tas. Nuffield	Annual General Meeting	Venue TBC
August 9	Qld. Nuffield	Get together and social day	Eagle Farm Racecourse, Brisbane
August 25-26	Nuffield Australia	National selections	Melbourne, Vic
September 16-17	Nuffield Australia	Debriefing, Briefing, Board Meeting	Launceston, Tasmania
September 18-19	Nuffield Australia	Nuffield National Conference	Launceston, Tasmania
September 20	Tas. Nuffield	Post National Tour	Regional Tasmania
November 24	Qld. Nuffield	Christmas get together and tour	Smithfield Feedlot, Proston, Qld

### Nuffield International Triennial Conference—15-28 June 2014

The theme is “Prosperity through Innovation”. Our goal—to lift the understanding of both words to a new level. Nuffield Canada warmly welcomes all Scholars from all Nuffield countries for the triennial Nuffield Conference. Included in the itinerary is visits to Nova Scotia, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Niagara Falls and wine region and London, Ontario. The major conference will be held on June 18/19, 2014. Book now! Go to: [www.nuffield.ca](http://www.nuffield.ca)

## Nuffield Scholars Networking

### RIRDC 2013 Rural Womens Award Dinner, Parliament House—Wednesday, 16 October

A number of scholars attended the RIRDC Rural Womens Award Dinner at Parliament House in October, including Andrew Broad (2006 Sch), who was appointed Federal Member of Parliament representing the Nationals in the seat of Mallee, Victoria at the September election. Also in attendance was Bruce Scott (1983 Sch), Federal Member of Parliament, Sam Archer (2008 Sch) and Nicola Raymond (2006 Sch).



Left (L-R): Scholars  
Bruce Scott MP,  
Nicola Raymond and  
Sam Archer.

Right: Andrew Board  
MP and wife Rachel.



### Australian Dairy Leaders Alumni Forum, Melbourne—11-12 December

Pictured right are six of the 15 Nuffield Scholars who attended the recent Australian Dairy Leaders Alumni forum in Melbourne. (L-R): Sue McGinn (1999 Sch) Paul Mumford (2009 Sch) Damian Murphy (2011 Sch) Carol Millar (1996 Sch) Hamish McAlpin (Rabobank) Paul Niven (2013 Sch) Quentin Moxey (NSW dairy farmer) Graeme Nicoll (2010 Sch).



### Australian Institute of Management (AIM) Courses—2013



James Walker (2012 Sch) was one of 19 scholars who attended an AIM course in 2013, as part of ongoing post-scholarship professional development opportunities for scholars. James participated in the 'Managing Finance Course' which leads into an MBA, which James is now considering. Pictured (L-R) are: Marcus Warner (EcoLab), Michelle Felsman and Rebecca Ketton (Relationships Australia), Vivienne Buss (AIM Course Presenter and Coach), James Walker (2012 Sch), Amanda Varcoe (JobFit) and Sharon Redmond (Centrecare).

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