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Universities condemn political veto on research grants

THE LEADERS OF AUSTRALIA'S 39 UNIVERSITIES have condemned the decision of former Education Minister Simon Birmingham to veto 11 research projects recommended for funding by the Australian Research Council, according to Universities Australia.

The UA statement goes on, "Vice-Chancellors and their delegates say the decision undermines confidence in the nation's research funding system and sends exactly the wrong message to the global research community. These highly competitive grants are judged by panels of the most eminent experts in each field of research, through a lengthy and rigorous process to determine which projects receive funds. Expert review is the cornerstone of merit-based research systems around the world. It ensures that taxpayer funds are spent wisely on the best research across all fields of endeavour. This also ensures Australia remains at the forefront of global research advances.

"A Ministerial veto decision in the research grants system erodes global confidence in Australia's research program and our reputation for research excellence. Such a veto also undermines academic freedom, by opening the door to any Minister deciding they don't like a research topic – irrespective of its merits – that could transform knowledge in a field.

"The Higher Education Support Act obliges every university to have a policy that upholds free intellectual inquiry in teaching, learning and research. There is an irony in the Minister responsible for that Act breaching that same principle by exercising such a veto.

"It is particularly disappointing to note that all 11 vetoed projects were in the humanities – which receive the smallest amount of funding by far of all the fields of research. These researchers have suffered damage to their careers, missed out on professional opportunities and, in some cases, have now been lost to Australia because they have been recruited by universities overseas.

"This veto has also endangered the reputation and trust in the work of the highly-esteemed Australian Research Council, one of the nation's major research funding agencies. ARC staff have also been placed in the invidious position of having to give feedback to applicants whose projects were recommended for funding but then vetoed – without a public explanation from the Minister.

"We urge the Government to mitigate the damage to these researchers and Australia's research integrity by reversing the veto on these 11 grants – and committing to follow expert advice in future."

In a later comment, Universities Australia Chief Executive Catriona Jackson stated, "Today's pledge [October 31] by the Australian Government to practice greater transparency in research funding grants scuttled by Ministerial veto is a step forward." She added that while the announcement did not include a pledge to remove Ministerial veto, there is a promise to make such decisions public.

“While it doesn’t abolish the Ministerial veto power, the public and the researchers should know if a Minister has rejected expert advice – so a commitment to public reporting is important,” she said. “It’s also critical to enable the Australian Research Council to tell applicants their grant was recommended by experts but vetoed by a Minister. That’s important so public servants aren’t put in an impossible position and so researchers know that their proposed research had expert endorsement.”

On the proposal to introduce a ‘national interest’ test on all research funding applicants, Ms Jackson said the major ARC grants schemes already had a ‘national benefit’ test. The current application forms for the major ARC grants all ask applicants to outline the benefit to the Australian and international community of the research. Ms Jackson said the sector would discuss with the Minister what he has in mind given the existing requirement to outline the proposed advances of knowledge to the benefit to the nation.

“It is squarely in Australia’s national interest that our researchers are able to push the boundaries of new knowledge and inquire into what makes the world work. We have a research funding system based on merit with several layers of expert review that already asks how research will extend benefits to Australia.”

Founding ideals reaffirmed

AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY LEADERS have reaffirmed their commitment to the enduring principles of academic freedom and freedom of expression on campuses and amongst their students and staff.

In a statement from the Universities Australia Plenary, leaders from 39 universities state that these freedoms apply in the context of Australian law and university codes of conduct, which enable a wide range of diverse opinions to be expressed. Australian law prohibits hate speech, discrimination and incitement to violence. Australian universities foster vigorous debate and encourage the contest of ideas in a respectful, professional and courteous manner.

The statement reiterated their long-standing commitment to the founding ideals of university communities: “Australian universities restate our enduring commitment to academic freedom and intellectual inquiry. We also restate our enduring commitment to freedom of expression on our campuses and among our staff and students.”

Universities Australia Chair Professor Margaret Gardner said, “Every day on campuses across our country, students and academics debate ideas freely, with respect for evidence and academic expertise, and engage with a broad diversity of views. This lively culture of debate is alive and well in our nation’s university communities.”

This latest reaffirmation builds on the 2008 Universities Australia statement on academic freedom and the need to ensure teaching and research remains free of external interference.

That statement said, “Universities have a special role as institutions dedicated to free, open and critical expression across the full scope of human knowledge and endeavour. Central to this role is the freedom of staff and students to teach, research, debate and learn independent of external political circumstance and pressure.”

Universities Australia’s latest statement said, “Australia’s 39 universities nurture the skills of our students to debate ideas, develop their critical thinking skills, and engage with both views they agree with and views they disagree with. We educate the next generation to engage with ideas, challenge themselves and others, and to do so using evidence and courtesy. Both invited speakers and those who wish to protest the views of those speakers exercise their freedom of expression at such events. We will continue to promote this thriving culture of debate and speech.”

ANU EMERITUS FACULTY ANNUAL LECTURE 2018

‘Trivial pursuits’ and Liberal Arts

PROFESSOR SIMON HAINES, CEO of the Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation, will give the ANU Emeritus Faculty Annual Lecture on November 20 titled “Trivial Pursuits: Wisdom and Truth in the Liberal Arts.”

He will address several topical questions. The history of universities in the West from their beginnings in the late eleventh century, through the critical Romantic rethinking in Germany, and on to the modern models in America, Britain and Australia, shows several consistent binary features. Should a university be private or public? Is knowledge treated there as a means or an end? Is research or teaching its principal function? And most intriguingly, does it deliver to the student some kind of “wisdom” (character, life-meaning), or some kind of “truth” (pure or applied knowledge): is it a place of value or a place of fact? To each of these questions, of course, one could arguably answer “both”: but the binary still exposes some important fault lines, especially in the liberal arts, with their foundations in the medieval “trivium” (hence the title). Can we still discern these fault lines in modern Australian or international universities?

Professor Haines is also the Chair Professor of English and Director of the Research Centre for Human Values at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, a Fellow of the Hong Kong Academy of the Humanities and a former Head of the School of Humanities at ANU. His monograph books include *Poetry and Philosophy from Homer to Rousseau* (Palgrave

Macmillan, 2005) and *Redemption in Poetry and Philosophy* (Baylor, 2013). He co-edited the prizewinning *European Romanticism: A Reader* (Bloomsbury, 2nd ed. 2014). His latest book is the edited volume *Shakespeare and Value* (Routledge, 2018).

The ANU Emeritus Faculty Annual Lecture will be chaired by Professor James Fox, Chair of the ANU Emeritus Faculty. The introduction will be given by Professor Amin Saikal, AM FASSA, Director of the ANU Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies and the vote of thanks by Richard Rigby, Emeritus Professor, ANU College of Asia and Pacific and Founding Executive Director, ANU China Institute.

This event is free and open to the public at the Conference Room 1.02, Sir Roland Wilson Building

Horseshoe glances back at history

A RECENT DISCOVERY AT ANU – a horseshoe possibly dating from the 19th century – should bring some good luck to the campus but has certainly brought smiles to the ANU Heritage Office.

This seemingly small discovery has given us a clue to the history of this area long before the campus was established. The horseshoe was found during construction of the new extension of the ANU College of Law. At about 18 centimetres wide and high, this huge horseshoe must have been used for a draught horse – these tall and muscular horses would have been useful for the early European pastoralists who developed properties in this area, including the Springbank Property, which was surveyed on this site in 1832.

The find is further evidence that there was a blacksmith's workshop located here sometime after 1832 but before the government resumption of the land in the early 1910s. Another clue is a magnificent 200-year-old Blakely's Red Gum (*Eucalyptus blakelyi*) growing on the western side of Fellows Road, that was noted as the 'Blacksmith Tree' by eminent ANU botanist Lindsay Pryor and John Banks (*Trees and Shrubs in Canberra, 2001*) due to several pieces of iron rods embedded in the trunk of the tree. It is thought the blacksmith would have used these to forge horseshoes into shape.

It is not the only tree in the immediate area that holds clues to the past. Across the road is an exceptional Yellow Box (*Eucalyptus melliodora*) with evidence of both Aboriginal and European scarring, as well as some more pieces of iron, perhaps used by the blacksmith? See if you can spot them as you walk past Chancelry, towards Fellows Oval.

This horseshoe helps tell just one of the many stories of the place where our University is built, and we promise to keep it safe in the ANU Heritage collection. The second horse shoe pictured (showing the vast difference in size) was found at 28 Lennox Crossing, the old Constable's Cottage (1912-13), which still has its buggy shed and loose box intact, further highlighting the lifestyles of the early pastoralists and those who lived in the area in the earliest days of Canberra's establishment.

Source: *On Campus*

Library opens 24/7

HANCOCK LIBRARY became a 24/7 access facility 19 October and the library's new Parents' Room was also opened. ANU Provost, Professor Mike Calford, and Pro-Vice Chancellor (University Experience) Professor Richard Baker launched the new library services and spaces. University Librarian Roxanne Missingham says that these are important expansions to ANU Library services, "Students are often faced with pressures when trying to balance their work, study and family commitments.

"The decision to expand ANU Library's 24 hour access to Hancock Library will provide more flexibility for students, and ensure they have greater access to safe and comfortable study areas on campus."

One of the most important aspects of the upgrades includes a new parents' room within the Hancock Library, which meets the University's commitment to creating more family-friendly spaces for students and academics who use the library.

"Parents and carers can use it as a safe, quiet space to feed children. A change table and microwave are nearby," she says.

The ANU Library also opened a new digital hub, inside the Chifley Library. "The Chifley Library Digital Hub is an exciting new space being developed for the ANU community and will provide services and technology in support of digital scholarship," says Roxanne.

"This collaborative and creative space will include specialised scanning and printing facilities and technology to enable students to explore the possibilities of digital learning and research."

Call for nominations for 2019 ANUEF Committee

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ANU EMERITUS FACULTY provides that members elect a Committee of from five to 12 of its members at the Annual General Meeting. The Committee then elects its Office Bearers. The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Molony Room on Wednesday, 12 December, 2018 at 5.00pm and will be followed by the ANUEF Christmas Party.

Jan O'Connor, Secretary of the ANU Emeritus Faculty writes, "I am now calling for nominations from financial members to serve on the ANUEF Committee. If you are unsure of your financial status as a member, please contact Di Riddell, the Membership Officer, at riddell.di@gmail.com

"The Committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month except January. Meetings usually start at 2.00pm and finish by 3.30pm.

"If you are interested in nominating as a Committee Member, please let me know at this address: jantancress@gmail.com

"Nominations close at 5.00pm on Wednesday, 21 November 2018."

Researchers aim for aged-care robot – and fish stocks

AUSTRALIAN AND JAPANESE RESEARCHERS are working together to develop aged-care robots to meet a looming explosion in demand. They are also working to stop the world's fish stocks being decimated by climate change. These and other innovative joint projects took centre stage recently at the Australia-Japan Innovation and Research Symposium in Kyoto.

Universities Australia led the Australian delegation on 22-25 October at the symposium which was co-organised with the Japanese Association of National Universities and supported by the Australian Government's Australia Now program.

UA Chief Executive Catriona Jackson said Japanese and Australian researchers had a long history of working together to solve major challenges for both countries and the wider world. "One great example is a project between the University of Tasmania and the University of Hokkaido, which is investigating the impact of climate change on phytoplankton," Ms Jackson said. "These tiny marine organisms are a major source of fish food and the foundation of the global marine food chain. Marine foods supply 17 per cent of the world's protein and support the livelihoods of more than 56 million people. So, it's absolutely vital we protect this invisible but important part of our marine ecosystem."

Researchers from Japan and Australia are also examining how the robotics revolution can be rolled out in aged-care. A project between Japan's Keio, Ritssho and Toyo universities and the University of South Australia could see robots become future carers for Australia's rapidly growing elderly population.

Ms Jackson said Japan's sustained and significant research investment offered a powerful reminder to Government and business of the need to rev up Australia's R&D spend.

"Over the last 30 years we've seen a worrying trend in Australia, with Government and business spending less and less on R&D. This means we are lagging behind global competitors," she said. "For example, Japan spends 3.28 per cent of GDP on R&D compared to Australia's 1.88 per cent. And Australian business spends only 1 per cent of GDP on research, compared to 2.57 per cent in Japan.

"The world's leading economies recognise the power of investing in R&D and are upping their efforts. But we seem blind to the trend and are falling way behind."

The collaborative research projects are highlighted in a booklet produced by Universities Australia with support from the Department of Education and Training.

Coaldrake to lead higher education review

UNIVERSITIES AUSTRALIA has welcomed the appointment of Emeritus Professor Peter Coaldrake AO to lead a review into Australia's higher education provider category standards. The review will consider the different types of higher education providers in Australia.

Universities Australia's Chief Executive Catriona Jackson said Professor Coaldrake had extensive high-level experience in the sector — including as a former chair of UA and the Australian Technology Network of Universities.

"As one of Australia's longest serving Vice-Chancellors, Professor Coaldrake has been an active participant in debates around higher education for many years," Ms Jackson said

"Professor Coaldrake knows that Australian universities have a strong foundation — with world-class teaching and very high student satisfaction rates, strong employment outcomes for graduates and 90 per cent of university research ranked at world class or above. He will bring a strong understanding and direct experience of the excellent teaching and research happening in our universities," she said.

Older Australians missing out on vital exercise

A NATIONAL SURVEY BY THE CSIRO has revealed how the health of older Australians could suffer if they don't flex their muscles at least twice a week. The survey of more than 5,600 CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet subscribers found 65 per cent of people aged 51-70 years, and 86 per cent of people over 71, did not think resistance exercise was important for weight loss and overall health. Only one in two adults added resistance exercise to their weekly program.

"While resistance exercise is beneficial at any age, it becomes even more important as we get older and experience muscle loss associated with ageing," CSIRO Principal Research Scientist Professor Grant Brinkworth said. "If you're in your 30s or 40s and not doing resistance exercise, establishing the habit now can provide many lifelong health benefits.

"Resistance exercise can help prevent conditions such as osteoporosis, type II diabetes, and heart disease – and with millions of Australians living with two or more chronic diseases, it's critical that people exercise as they age to sustain their health and quality of life."

The survey also found that, overall, two-thirds of people were not aware of the Australian Physical Activity Guidelines, which recommends adults be active on most - preferably all - days.

Professor Brinkworth said only seven per cent of respondents knew the guidelines recommended at least two muscle-strengthening resistance exercise sessions a week, and 77 per cent thought brisk walking was the best way to lose weight.

"Resistance training involves working your muscles against some form of weight or force, such as your own body weight," he said. "It increases muscle strength and plays a key role in body composition changes important for weight management, particularly for women who lose proportionately more lean muscle tissue than men when losing weight. This can slow down the metabolism, which works against weight loss efforts.

"Regular resistance training, with a higher protein diet, is a powerful combination and can result in greater weight loss, fat loss and reduction in waist circumference, compared to a higher carbohydrate diet with exercise, or just diet alone."

The survey found people avoided resistance exercise for a variety of reasons, including an aversion to going to the gym, lack of time from family commitments, and fear of injury.

"It is not necessary to go a gym for a good resistance workout – you can easily do this in the comfort of your own home, even by just using your own bodyweight for resistance, and while keeping one eye on the kids," Professor Brinkworth said.

To support people in incorporating resistance training into their lives, the CSIRO Total Wellbeing Diet Online program has introduced a new companion exercise plan, providing at-home resistance workouts.

To learn more visit www.totalwellbeingdiet.com.

Prof. Helen Rhoades resigns from Family Law System Review

PROFESSOR HELEN RHOADES, who has been leading the ALRC Family Law System Review, has tendered her immediate resignation due to ill health and will be undergoing surgery.

The ALRC's President, Justice S. C. Derrington, will be leading the Review which is due to report on 31 March 2019. The ALRC thanks Professor Rhoades for her outstanding contribution in leading the Review and wishes her a speedy recovery.

BOOKSHELF



A New Rival State? Australia in Tsarist Diplomatic Communications

Edited by: [Alexander Massov](#), [Marina Pollard](#), [Kevin Windle](#)

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\$55.00): 9781760462284

ISBN (online - free): 9781760462291

URL: <https://press.anu.edu.au/publications/new-rival-state>

A New Rival State? is a unique collection of dispatches written in 1857–1917 by the Russian consuls in Melbourne to the Imperial Russian Embassy in London and the Russian Foreign Ministry in St Petersburg. Written by eight consuls, they offer a Russian view of the development of the settler colonies in the late nineteenth century and the first years of the federated Commonwealth of Australia. They cover the federalist movement, the changing domestic political situation, labour politics, the treatment of the Indigenous population, the ‘White Australia’ policy, Australia’s defensive capacity and foreign policy as part of the British Empire.

The bulk of the material is drawn from the Russian-language collection *The Russian Consular Service in Australia 1857–1917*, edited by Alexander Massov and Marina Pollard (2014), using documents from the archive of the Russian Foreign Ministry.

The Bounty from the Beach: Cross-Cultural and Cross-Disciplinary Essays

Edited by: [Sylvie Largeaud-Ortega](#) 

Published by: ANU Press

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ISBN (online - free): 9781760462451

DOI: <http://doi.org/10.22459/BB.10.2018>

The Bounty from the Beach is a collection of cross-disciplinary essays, capitalising on a widely shared fascination for the *Bounty* story in order to draw scholarly attention to Oceania. It aims to reorient the *Bounty* focus away from the West, where most *Bounty* narratives and

studies have emerged, to the Pacific, where most of the original events unfolded. It investigates the *Bounty* heritage from the standpoint of the beach, Greg Denning’s metaphor for culture contact and conflict in the Pacific Islands: this liminal place that transforms Islanders and voyagers, islands and ships, each time it is crossed. It analyses the way newcomers create new islands, and how these changes may occasionally impact the world. This volume examines the ‘little people’, to use another of Denning’s expressions, who stand “on both sides of the beach”: they are Polynesian or European or, as beaches are crossed and remade, no longer one without the other, but bound together in processes of change. Among these people are *Bounty* sailors, beachcombers, Pitcairners and indigenous Pacific Islanders of the past and the present.

This collection also explores the works of some renowned Western writers and actors who, turning mutineers after their own fashion and in their own times, themselves crossed the beach and attempted to illuminate the ‘little people’ involved in the *Bounty* narratives. These prominent writers and actors put the spotlight on characters who were silenced on account of race, class or geographical distance from the dominant centres of power. Inspired by Denning’s empowering voice, our purpose is to fill that silence.

Just as it criss-crosses the ocean, progressing with the ship through time and pace, *The Bounty from the Beach* ranges far and wide across disciplines, methodologies and scholarly styles. Its multidisciplinary course contributes to illuminate the multiple ways in which the *Bounty* heritage embraces diverse horizons. It throws light on the colonial discourse that undertook to stifle Pacific Islander agency, and the neo-colonial policies that have been applied to Oceania, and still are: hegemonic moves that have led to global environmental, nuclear and ecological hazards. As a whole, the collection contends that what unfolds in this vast ocean matters: the stakes are high for the whole human community.

BOOKSHELF



Making Copyright Work for the Asian Pacific: Juxtaposing Harmonisation with Flexibility

Edited by: [Susan Corbett](#)  [Jessica Lai](#) 

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This book provides a contemporary overview of developing areas of copyright law in the Asian Pacific region. While noting the tendency towards harmonisation through free trade agreements, the book takes the perspective that there is a significant amount of potential for the nations of the Asian Pacific region to work together, find common ground and shift international bargaining power. Moreover, in so doing, the region can tailor any regional agreements to suit local needs. The book addresses the development of norms in the region and the ways in which this can occur in light of the specific nature of the creator-owner-user paradigm in the region and the common interests of Indigenous peoples.

A history of the missing ANZACs

Scribe is publishing *The Nameless Names: Recovering the Missing ANZACs* by Scott Bennett in November. It tells the story of missing ANZACs through the personal experience of their loved ones. It charts the achievements of the women left behind in their search to find out what had happened to their partners. The publishers say, “Few Australians realise that of the 62,000 Anzac soldiers who died in the Great War, over one-third are still listed as ‘missing.’ With no marked graves, the only reminders of their sacrifice are the many names inscribed on ageing war memorials around the world”.

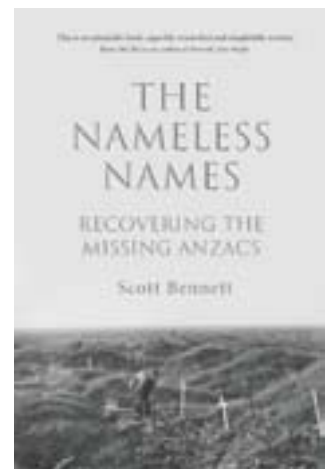
One of the bereft family members, Pauline Reid, went in search of her missing husband. Each new experience — shifting to Perth to nurse, travelling to Egypt, working with the Red Cross in London, visiting post-war France and Germany, and teaching herself to drive a motorcar — emboldened her to new possibilities. Pauline later reflected that her experience cultivated in

her an unbounded faith in women and their ability to play their “part in the national as well as the domestic life” of their country. Pauline was awarded an Order of the British Empire in 1920 in recognition of her work in the Red Cross Prisoners of War Department, and was appointed to the official records section to document the experiences of the ANZAC prisoners during the war.

Bennett tells the story of such missing ANZACs through the personal

experience of three sets of brothers — the Reids, Pflaums, and Allens — whose names he selected from the Memorials to the Missing. He addresses painful questions: what circumstances resulted in the disappearance of so many soldiers? Why did the Australian government fail in its pledge to recover the missing? Why were so many families left

without answers about the fate of their loved ones? The publishers suggest that the book, “...delicately reveals the human faces and the devastating stories behind the names listed on the stone memorials”.



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ACCC warns about fake charity scams

Scammers are increasingly using fake charities or impersonating real charities to take advantage of people's generosity and compassion, with losses reported to the ACCC's Scamwatch increasing steadily over the past four years. Scamwatch is warning people to watch out for fake charities and offering some quick and easy precautions to take to ensure their money goes towards a legitimate charity organisation.

<https://www.accc.gov.au/media-release/warning-about-fake-charity-scams>

Academic partner sought for space technologies symposium |

DST is seeking an Australian academic partner to co-host a space technologies symposium.

<https://www.dst.defence.gov.au/news/2018/10/17/academic-partner-sought-space-technologies-symposium>

Intellectual Property Regulations registered

The Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Productivity Commission Response Part 1 and Other Measures) Regulations 2018 (the Regulations) were registered on 16 October 2018. The Regulations provide administrative arrangements for the new provisions introduced by Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Productivity Commission Response Part 1 and Other Measures) Act 2018 (the Act). It also contains a number of additional amendments that make technical fixes or streamline the administration of Australia's IP systems.

<https://www.ipaustralia.gov.au/about-us/news-and-community/news/ip-regulations-registered>

\$4 million for medical research into gut health

The Australian Government will support the St George and Sutherland Medical Research Facility with \$4 million to further boost its important work to better understand the human microbiota, particularly our 'gut health'.

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/ministers/publishing.nsf/Content/health-media-rel-yr2018-hunt140.htm>

3000 Takata airbags a day replaced in Australian cars

Australia's largest ever recall is now well underway with new figures detailing the first quarter of compulsory Takata airbag replacements under the Mandatory Recall Notice issued by the Australian Government. More than 350,000 faulty Takata airbags were replaced in the quarter following 1 July 2018, equal to more than 3,000 replacements each day. Some 2.5 million faulty Takata airbags have already been replaced in around 1.6 million vehicles to date, since the start of voluntary recalls in 2009.

<https://www.accc.gov.au/media-release/3000-takata-airbags-a-day-replaced-in-australian-cars>

Antarctic ice mission seeks molecules that scrub sky

A world-first international mission will build a temporary lab on the Antarctic ice sheet to reveal how much a natural 'atmospheric detergent' cleans the air of harmful trace gases.

<http://www.antarctica.gov.au/news/2018/antarctic-ice-mission-seeks-mystery-molecules-that-scrub-the-sky>

Microscopic plankton-assassin dominates Antarctic waters

Australia's icebreaker RSV *Aurora Australis* has been steaming west along the 60th parallel towing a Continuous Plankton Recorder (CPR). The Southern Ocean is swarming with plankton-killing parasites, according to new research published in the Journal of the International Society for Microbial Ecology (ISME).

<http://www.antarctica.gov.au/news/2018/microscopic-plankton-assassin-dominates-antarctic-ocean>

<http://www.antarctica.gov.au/news/2018/three-decades-of-mapping-plankton-in-the-southern-ocean>

Defence scientists honoured

Dr Andrew Piotrowski has been awarded the 2018 Minister's Award for Achievement in Defence Science for his innovative work in developing force protection systems; and Defence scientist Paul Marsden has been awarded the US Secretary of Defense Medal for Exceptional Public Service.

<https://www.dst.defence.gov.au/news/2018/11/05/defence-scientist-wins-ministers-award-force-protection-systems>

<https://www.dst.defence.gov.au/news/2018/10/23/defence-scientist-honoured-jsf-innovation>

DIARY DATES

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20 November, 6 pm: Annual ANUEF Lecture

Conference Room 1.02, Sir Roland Wilson Building, ANU

Prof. Simon Haines, “Trivial Pursuits: Wisdom and Truth in the Liberal Arts.” More details on pages 3-4 above.

21 November: Nominations for ANUEF

Committee close at 5.00pm

28 November, 3pm: Pro-Vice-Chancellor, on *Innovation*

Molony Room, Michael Cardew-Hall

12 December, 5pm: ANUEF annual general meeting

The meeting will be followed by the ANUEF Christmas Party.

ANU/Canberra Times Meet the Author events

Further details and registrations available at <http://www.anu.edu.au/events/anuthe-canberra-times-meet-the-author-series> or 6125 4144.

November 12: Minette Walters

China in the World auditorium

Author of *The Turn of Midnight*, in conversation with Alex Sloan. Vote of thanks by Karen Viggers.

November 16: Kerry O’Brien

Llewellyn Hall

Kerry O’Brien in conversation with Karen Middleton at

November 22: David Marr

China in the World auditorium

In conversation with Frank Bongiorno on *My Country*. Vote of thanks by Hugh Mackay.

December 9, 7pm: Chat 10, looks 3

Llewellyn Hall

Annabel Crabb and Leigh Sales are bringing their podcast series, <http://www.chat10looks3.com/> live to the Llewellyn Hall.

ADMINISTRATION

ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANUEF ROOM BOOKINGS

Requests for booking the Molony Room should be addressed to Secretary of the ANU Emeritus Faculty Jan O'Connor at jantancress@gmail.com or Tel: 6247 3341

Supporters of ANU Archives can find updated news on the ANU website at <http://www.archives.anu.edu.au/news-and-events-1>

FINDING THE MOLONY ROOM

The Molony Room is on the south side of Balmain Crescent almost opposite University House. It is building 1c on <https://tinyurl.com/yckuknbj> set back between No 22 Balmain Crescent, which is the Acton Early Childhood Centre, and No 26 Balmain Crescent, which is the Academy of the Social Sciences. There are four free car parking spaces reserved for ANUEF members visiting the Molony Room in the Balmain Lane Car Park immediately south of the Molony Room. The room is marked on: <https://tinyurl.com/y7gsyqgh>



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