

DAFYDD LEWIS TRUST **2022 UPDATE**



The Dafydd Lewis Trust and Mary Jane Lewis 2022 scholarship recipients at the completion ceremony.

2022 DLT SCHOLARS



9

New Scholars



25

Scholars across all Victoria

CHAIR'S REPORT

Over the past two years we could only engage with our Scholars via zoom or phone calls and we have missed hearing about their university experiences in person. Our scholarships are about more than financial support, we strongly believe in providing a community of support that will allow the scholars to thrive.

Much has been said about the tumultuous times that we have all had since 2020. What has been most impressive during this time is the resilience of our scholars, who have persevered with their studies during a time which radically changed how their courses were delivered.

Our annual event where we celebrate the completing scholars was online last year, but it provided us with a wonderful opportunity to hear from Caitlin Parker and Harry Garside, members of the Olympic boxing team. We learned about their successes but also the times where they needed to preserve and be resilient. We are grateful for their time as well as to Hamish MacLachlan for hosting.

We recently had another former scholar Derek Linsell (1976) appointed to the Scholarship Trustees, which means in addition to Nadeem Hekmat (2011) and Luke Sell (2012) half of the Scholarship Trustees are Alumni. Their volunteerism is indicative of the deep appreciation that Alumni have for the scholarship program. We have also been fortunate this year to receive two significant bequests from former scholars: Mr Robert Craig (1945) and Mr Vernon Routley (1944). The generosity is greatly appreciated, and indeed is how Dafydd Lewis foresaw that those who had received a scholarship may wish to give back to the Trust to help future scholars. We look forward to the events of 2022 where we can meet with the Scholars but also have the opportunity to engage with our Alumni at the Annual Dinner.

Scott Chapman, Chair

2022 NEW SCHOLARS

9 young men from a variety of regional and metro based Victorian secondary schools were awarded Dafydd Lewis Trust scholarships in January and were welcomed into the Lewis network at the annual Welcome Event in February.

Once again, the 2022 scholar cohort cover a wide range of courses including:

- Engineering
- Science
- Commerce
- Radiography

- Information Technology
- Optometry
- Biomedicine
- Physiotherapy

Biotechnology

In 2022 there are 25 young men being actively supported with a Dafydd Lewis Trust Scholarship for studies at La Trobe University, University of Melbourne, Monash University, RMIT, Swinburne University and Deakin University.

The Dafydd Lewis Trust was established in 1943 by a businessman who believed in education and hard work. He created a charitable trust to give future generations of young men the benefit of a university education. Since 1943, there has been more than 1100 scholars.

The Dafydd Lewis Trust provides equity and merit-based scholarships of \$10,000 a year for 3 years to young men who might not have otherwise received a University education due to the limited financial resources of their parents. Multiple scholarships are awarded every year for full-time undergraduate degrees in most courses at any university in Victoria.

ALUMNI

If you would like to update your contact details or having to something to share about your time as a scholar please email charities@eqt.com.au