

2018 Postgraduate Study Awards

NZ Paramedic Education and Research Charitable Trust in collaboration with Tait Communications is proud to support the development of NZ paramedic students with over \$100,000 of scholarships and grants since 2013.



Andrew Prescott

Andrew was born in Dunedin and now lives and works in Whanganui. After serving in the New Zealand Army, Andrew went on to establish an ambulance career. He was a volunteer and full-time ambulance officer with St John in the South Island before moving to the North Island to undertake a number of St John management and front-line roles. Since 2003 he has practised clinically as an Intensive Care Paramedic. He holds two master's degrees in Emergency Health (Paramedic) and Emergency Management and was recently awarded a Fellowship by the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust of New Zealand. Andrew's scholarships are awarded for postgraduate study of Resuscitation Physiology and Advanced Resuscitation.

INTENSIVE CARE PARAMEDIC



Brendan Peat

Brendan was born and raised in Auckland. His initial studies at AUT involved specialising in paramedicine health science followed by a postgraduate Diploma and a postgraduate Certificate in paramedicine. Since 2013 he has worked as a Paramedic in Auckland and is a trained member of the Specialist Emergency Response Team. He gained the Queen Scout Award in 2011. In 2010 and 2013 he built two houses in Fiji on behalf of Habitat for Humanity. His free time is spent playing music and sports and volunteering for Scouting NZ. Brendan's scholarship is awarded for postgraduate study of Community & Remote Paramedicine which will enable him to complete his Master of Health Practice.

PARAMEDIC



Harriet Wallace

Harriet was born in Auckland. After completing a Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology and Psychology at Otago University she went on to work as a professional zoo guide educating people on animal conservation for several years. Following some travel she developed a keen interest in paramedicine and started an undergraduate degree at AUT. In 2015 she gained St John accreditation at Emergency Medical Technician level while working as a volunteer in the Hauraki-Coromandel region. Harriet later progressed through St John's internship programme to become a full-time Paramedic in Auckland City. Harriet's scholarship is awarded for postgraduate study of Contemporary Intensive Paramedicine.

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Matt Wilkinson

Matt was born in Lincoln, Canterbury. He worked for 20 seasons as a ski patroller and that time he became manager of the Coronet Peak and Remarkables patrol units. After completing his paramedicine degree he joined St John in 2008 as an Ambulance Officer. He went on to complete a St John internship as an Intensive Care Paramedic covering the Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter and also worked as the Nelson Bays Territory Manager. He currently works on both ambulance and helicopter operations in the Nelson Bays area. Search and Rescue Team trained, Matt is also a qualified mountain, ski and rafting guide. Matt's scholarship is awarded for postgraduate study of Aeromedical Retrieval.

INTENSIVE CARE PARAMEDIC



Orla Fowden

Orla was born in Ireland and immigrated to New Zealand. Prior to joining St John's Southern Emergency Control Centre in 2012 she was a swim school co-ordinator, teacher and supervisor. From 2014 Orla has been a full-time Clinical Support Officer and Emergency Medical Technician. She has also taken on the role of Volunteer Team Leader to mentor and encourage volunteers through their early qualifications. Orla has completed a Bachelor's degree in Paramedicine and commences post graduate study in February 2019. Orla's scholarships are awarded for postgraduate study of Contemporary Intensive Paramedicine and Practice Pursued.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL
TECHNICIAN



Ronen Lahav

Ronen was originally from Southern Israel. He completed a degree in paramedicine in 2013 and was awarded a John Heberley Memorial Trophy for overall distinction. While studying, Ronen worked as Duty Manager at the Classic Comedy Club in Auckland. He began his ambulance career with St John first as a Clinical Tutor followed by a Peer Supporter then a full-time Auckland based Paramedic in 2014. During that time, he became a member of the Special Emergency Response Team. He enjoys swimming, spear fishing and snowboarding. Ronen's scholarship is awarded for postgraduate study of Contemporary Intensive Paramedicine.

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Broaden your horizons and explore an exciting career in paramedicine