**ALGWA Vic Annual Bursary Award Winners**

**1989 - Tania Basic**

Technical Officer, Engineering Services Division, Springvale City Council, who has a diploma of engineering from Singapore and studying for a Bachelor of Civil Engineering.

**1990 - Karen Fazzani**

Administration Officer, Shire of Korong, Wedderburn, studying to be a municipal clerk.

**1991 - Louise Lowe**

Planning Department, Shire of Pakenham, undertaking a degree in Applied Science (Urban Policy and Planning).

Minor Awards were given to **TraceyLee Cooke**, Footscray Council, Diploma of Building Surveying, and **Christine Creaser**, Frankston Council, post-graduate Diploma in Australian Tourism.

**1992 - Linda Janson**

City of Moe, Gardening Apprentice.

Minor Awards were given to **Marlene Battista**, Apprentice Structural Engineer with Shire of Tambo, and **Nicki Gabrielson**, Apprentice Electrical Engineer with Melbourne Electric.

**1993 - Marlene Battisa**

Special projects engineer, Shire of Tambo.

Minor Awards were given to **Alicia Jones**, Executive Assistant to the CEO, City of Berwick and **Pauline McCarthy**, Landscape Architect, City of Springvale.

**1994 - Mary Lou Dixon**

Hobsons Bay Council, studying a Graduate Certificate of Applied Science in Heritage and Environment Interpretation.

Equal second was awarded to **Jodie Fisher**, Community Services Officer, Swan Hill Council, and **Julie Cogdon**.

Third place was awarded to **Heide Nelson**.

**1995 - Juanita Graves**

Human Resources Manager.

**1996 - Liz Chapman**

**1997 - Michelle Toppin**

**1998 - Colleen Young**

Marketing and customer service coordinator, Engineer Group, City of Melbourne, undertaking a post-graduate degree in marketing.

A Minor Award was given to **Jodie Prior**, Administrative Assistant, Leisure, Arts and Information Services, Mildura Rural City Council, undertaking a Bachelor of Applied Science in Recreation and Parks.

**2003 - Sylvia Sweeney**

Executive Administration Officer, Northern Grampians Shire Council.

**2004 - Joint Winners**

* Elizabeth Shu, Social Planner, Macedon Ranges Shire Council
* Julia Farrell, Community Planner, Wellington Shire Council.

**2005 - Trisha Love**

Manager, Communications and Public Affairs, Darebin City Council, undertaking a Master of Business Administration.

**2006 - Veronica Beauchamp**

Manager, tourism and development services, Alpine Shire Council, undertaking a Graduate Diploma of Management.

**2007 - Anita Craven**

Manager, Asset Strategy, Darebin City Council, undertaking a Bachelor of Arts.

**2008 - Tracey Mallett**

Manager, Organisational Development, City of Whittlesea Council, undertaking a Master of Information Systems at the University of Melbourne.

**2009 - Kathryn McBride**

Co-ordinator, aged and disability care services, City of Greater Geelong Council, undertaking a Master in Professional Accounting at Deakin University.

**2010 - Sarah Ford**

Building surveyor, Benalla Rural City Council, undertaking an Advanced Diploma of Building Surveying at Gordon Institute of TAFE.

**2011 - Amara Hamid**

Multi-cultural community development officer, City of Monash, undertaking a Master's in International and Community Development at Deakin University.

**2012 - Samantha Dureau**

Team Leader, Community and Corporate Planning, Whittlesea Council, undertaking a Master of Business Administration at Latrobe University.

**2013 - Marie Downie**

Human Resources Coordinator, Baw Baw Shire, undertaking a Master of Employment Relations at Griffith University.

**2014 - Katrina Williams**

Senior Landscape Architect in the Environment and Sustainable Living Department at Boroondara Council, undertaking a Master’s in Urban Planning and Environment at RMIT.

**2015 - Melissa Crane**

Senior Planning Officer, Murrindindi Council, who is studying a Graduate Diploma in Management through Swinburne University, a course specially tailored for local government and designed with the M.A.V.

**2016 - Jolynne Rydz**

Performance and Engagement Officer with Whittlesea Council, who is studying a Masters of Strategic Organisational Development course at the University of New England.

**2017 - Michelle Richards**

Fire Recovery Coordinator, Moorabool Shire Council, undertaking a Master of Business Administration.

**2018 - Catherine Austin**

Coordinator of Maternal & Child Health Immunisation Services, Corangamite Shire Council. Catherine began her Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in 2017 and her thesis is entitled The Victorian Universal Maternal & Child Health Service: an effective model of care built on best practice guidelines to engage Aboriginal families. Two Special Commendation Awards were given this year. The first was to Sharon Houlihan of Wellington Shire Council. Sharon is studying part time towards a Master of Business Administration. The second commendation was to April Ure, Property Revenue Officer of Pyrenees Shire Council. April is studying for a Bachelor of Business through the University of South Australia.

**2019 - Adelle Mansour**

Program Liaison – East Preston Community Centre, City of Darebin, studying a Master of Public Health at the University of Melbourne.

**2020 - Danielle Pepyat**

Coordinator Local Laws, Maroondah City Council, studying a Bachelor of Law.

**2021 - Sonja van Nieuwenhoven**

Manager of the Planning and Building Department at Casey City Council.