

- Professor Jenny Fleming and Dr Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron are the recipients of a Vice-Chancellor's Community Engagement Grant. The proposal was entitled: *Integration and Collaboration: Building Capacity and Engagement for the provision of criminal justice services to Tasmania's mentally ill*.
- TILES presented a public lecture at the Stanley Burbury Theatre, University of Tasmania, Hobart on 13 October 2010. The lecture was entitled 'A Conversation with Barbara Etter' (CEO, Integrity Commission Tasmania).
- The 23rd ANZSOC and 4th ANZSOC (Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology) Postgraduate & Early Career Researcher Conferences were held at Alice Springs in the Northern Territory on 28 - 30 September, 2010. TILES participated at both conferences.
- Associate Professor Roberta Julian and Dr Sally Kelty were the keynote speakers at the 20th International Symposium of the Forensic Sciences in Sydney, September 2010. They discussed the effectiveness of forensic science in general and considered the skills and attributes of highly proficient expert crime scene examiners (are their skills innate or can they be taught?).
- A book contract was signed for the following book: Fleming, J and McLaughlin, (2012) *Police Leadership in the 21st Century: Responding to the Challenges*, CRC Press-Taylor and Francis Group, Florida, USA.
- During the semester break, the School of Government hosted an intensive Tasmania Police Inspectors' Course. Over four days, nineteen Sergeants applying for the position of Inspector attended 'Contemporary Policing', a topic coordinated by Dr Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron and Dr Robert Hall (School of Government). The topic explored in the class revolved around policing and politics, innovative police practices and performance management.
- Professor Jenny Fleming delivered a seminar for Centre for Excellence in Policing and Security in Brisbane on 22 September. It was entitled *Police Management of Adult Sexual Assault in Victoria: Procedure and Process 2004-2008*.
- Professor Jenny Fleming presented (with Grant Akesson, Drug and Alcohol Office, WA) '*Sustainable change: when liquor restrictions are not enough*' at the National Indigenous Drug and Alcohol Conference in Adelaide in June 2010.
- Congratulations to Heidi Gordon a TILES PhD student who has won the Gwen Nettlefold Memorial Scholarship for three years.

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Papers Presented at the ANZSOC Conference, September 2010:

- *Should partnership policing be taught? How to capitalise on police recruits' potential*. Dr Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron.
- *Spanning the Boundaries: Delivering criminal justice services across Australian state borders*. Professor Jenny Fleming and Professor Rick Sarre (University of South Australia).

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- *Community safety in the Northern Territory: how will we know if it is changed?* Dr Judy Putt.
- *Who makes a good crime scene officer?* Associate Professor Roberta Julian and Dr Sally Kelty.
- *Sexual Offences in Victoria: Progress and Process 2004-2008*. Professor Jenny Fleming and Professor Caroline Taylor (Edith Cowan University).
- *Early Disclosure of Child Sexual Abuse: Are We Ready?* Dr Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron and Wendy Northey (Melbourne, Victoria)

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From the Director

It is a cliché, I know, to say at the end of the year 'where did the year go'? But I have been saying it all week so I may as well repeat it here! The year has flown by and TILES has had some significant milestones, events and activities to show for it.

In March this year we welcomed Dr Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron to the TILES research team and she is already making a significant contribution to TILES with her innovative research into vulnerable communities. Isabelle and I have secured a community engagement grant to explore the Mental Health Diversion List in the Tasmanian Courts and we will be holding a workshop around this work early next year.

Also this year, TILES welcomed Dr Judy Putt as a Senior Research Fellow. Judy's experience in grant applications, research proposals and her wide networks have been of considerable assistance to the work TILES has been doing this year. As well, Judy's quantitative research skills have been utilised in various research projects both locally and interstate.

We also said goodbye with our best wishes to Tasmania Police TILES Liaison Officer Inspector Robert Bonde who has taken up a secondment position with another government agency.

We have had a number of successful seminars and workshops this year, with Dr Judy Putt, Associate Professor Judith Fordham (University of WA), Dr Eugene McLaughlin (London, UK) and Dr Susan Lea (Plymouth UK) all contributing to a very solid seminar and workshop series. TILES' public lecture with Barbara Etter, the CEO of Tasmania's newly established Integrity Commission, in October 2010 was another highlight.

TILES has been represented well over the year. All members of the team have presented seminars, conference papers, keynote and plenary speeches at both the national and international level, demonstrating the increasing interest in forensic science, police management, vulnerable populations, cross-border policing and police leadership. Details of these presentations and the publications for 2010 can be found on our website. We have had a number of new PhD students joining the 'TILES family' and one of the team graduated early in the year. We anticipate another two PhD completions in the very near future – very exciting.

I am very proud of these events and all the achievements TILES has accomplished this year. The credit for the success of these ventures lies of course with our people. The TILES researchers, PhD candidates, our external partners and Tasmania Police all contribute to the successful whole.

The TILES Executive Officer, Paula Broucek started with us 12 months ago and has worked exceedingly hard to promote TILES, manage our website, coordinate events and generally keep things ticking over. It has been a pleasure to work with her and all the TILES team. Thanks to everyone, not only for their work, but for their commitment to the Institute and the ongoing support provided to me personally this year.

It has been a year that has provided TILES with many opportunities for collaborative research across several jurisdictions. As a team we are planning several new and exciting research projects and activities for 2011. You will be able to keep up with these events through the TILES website and through the newsletters.

Best wishes *Jenny Fleming*



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TILES Presented a Public Lecture - 'A Conversation with Barbara Etter'

'A Conversation with Barbara Etter'

The Barbara Etter public lecture was presented by the Tasmanian Institute of Law Enforcement Studies (TILES), University of Tasmania on 13 October 2010. It was a successful event that attracted an interesting and enthusiastic audience.

The new CEO of the Tasmanian Integrity Commission spoke of the establishment of the Commission and about the challenges in setting up an integrity agency, the issues the organisation is likely to face and the key aspects of the Tasmanian model. She outlined her vision for the Integrity Commission, an organisation that will have a critical role in ensuring ongoing trust and confidence in the Tasmanian system of democracy.

Barbara Etter's presentation and briefing paper are available on TILES website: www.utas.edu.au/tiles



Photo: Ms Barbara Etter
CEO, Integrity Commission



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A Strong Presence at the ANZSOC Conference

The 23rd ANZSOC and 4th ANZSOC Postgraduate & Early Career Researcher Conferences were held on 28 - 30 September, 2010 at Alice Springs in the Northern Territory.

The conference was organised by the Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology (ANZSOC). This was the first time the conference was held in the Northern Territory.

The theme of the conference was 'Cross-border Domestic and Transnational Crime: Risks and Responses'.

The theme and various papers addressed drug trafficking, identity crime, sexual servitude, people smuggling, cybercrime and theft of antiquities. The conference was attended by law enforcement personnel, academics, regulators and administrators from Australia and overseas.

TILES participated at both conferences and Associate Professor Roberta Julian, Dr Judy Putt, Professor Jenny Fleming and Dr Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron presented several papers.

ANZSOC 2011 will be held at Deakin University in Geelong (Victoria) and TILES is planning to attend.

Who makes a good crime scene officer?



The scene of the crime is where good forensic science begins and high-quality evidence can only occur if the scene is processed effectively. What skills do good Crime Scene Examiners (CSE) have is a question we have been exploring in our project, *The Effectiveness of Forensic Science in the Criminal Justice System* (Funded by the Australian Research Council).

We interviewed men and women police officers and forensic science academics. We found good CSEs have seven sets of skills and attributes. These are: knowledge base, experience, work orientation, approach to life, communication, professional demeanour and cognitive abilities. This research was presented at the 20th International Symposium of the Forensic Sciences in Sydney, September 2010 (presenters: Associate Professor Roberta Julian and Dr Sally Kelty).

For more information about *The Effectiveness of Forensic Science in the Criminal Justice System* project or 'Who makes a good crime scene officer', contact: sally.kelty@utas.edu.au or roberta.julian@utas.edu.au

Welcome to TILES New PhD Student

Welcome to our new PhD student, Paul Roberts. Paul is a South Australian police officer. His thesis will be looking at indigenous cultural training and education for police who work with the indigenous population in the APY Lands. Professor Jenny Fleming will be Paul's principal supervisor.

We are looking forward to working with Paul and wish him all the best with his research studies.

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Postgraduates get-together

Dr Sally Kelty is the PhD coordinator for TILES postgraduate students. In June 2010 a meeting was held to bring together new and old students to touch base and discuss their postgraduate wants and needs.

The meeting provided an opportunity to make a small presentation to Barbara Stewart acknowledging the successful completion of her PhD. Her thesis about the gendering of police women in Australian police was very well received by examiners.

For information about postgraduate seminars and other activities contact PhD Coordinator:

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Open Day and Postgraduate Research Expo @ UTAS

TILES participated at the Open Day at the University of Tasmania on 8th August 2010 and Postgraduate Information Evening EXPO 2010 event on 27th September 2010.

Both events promoted TILES and the University of Tasmania research opportunities and introduced visitors to academics and their research. Professor Jenny Fleming, Dr Sally Kelty and Dr Isabelle Bartkowiak-Théron represented TILES at the events.

The events were coordinated by TILES Executive Officer, Paula Broucek who provided access to information literature and the promotional material. The literature and promotional material were distributed to potential students and those businesses and agencies looking for opportunities to further their staff qualification and professional development.

Photo: Expo 2010



7th Australasian Women and Policing Conference – Call for Papers



The Australasian Council for Women and Policing (ACWAP) is calling for papers for the Seventh Australasian Women and Policing Conference in Hobart, 21-24 August 2011

'Making it happen - police and community'

There are nine streams for the 2011 conference to select from. Police, researchers, women and men from other justice agencies, similar occupations, women's organisations and advocacy groups are invited to participate in the conference and share their stories, solutions and achievements.

Send your 100 words abstracts and 100 words biography to: conference@acwap.com.au by 28 February 2011.

Submissions can be for papers in the concurrent sessions (20-25 minutes each), workshops/panels (90 minutes) and poster papers.

The abstract submission form is available on the ACWAP website: www.acwap.com.au/conferences

