

# Lincoln University Planning Association Update

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Semester One brought several highlights for LUPA members the first being YPConnect2010 in April. This conference of young planners was attended by students and newly practicing professionals from around New Zealand as well as a strong contingent from Australia. LUPA was able to offer some financial support for Lincoln students attending. Those who took up the opportunity to attend spoke highly of the event and were great representatives of Lincoln University. By the time this goes to print, members will have enjoyed the Young Planners Historic Pubs Appreciation Tour too. It is good to see a connection strengthening between LUPA and the NZPI through the Young Planners events.

Bob Batty (Principal Consultant - Planit Associates) came to visit in May, and spoke on the general issues facing aspiring planning professionals and a few of the forces that shape them. LUPA has also offered to support the NZPI Canterbury-Westland Branch in co-managing an ecological restoration project with Waihora-Ellesmere Trust. This presents a great opportunity to throw some light on planning for natural resources management beyond the traditionally urban focus, something Lincoln students are well-placed to do.

LUPA members are continuing to support the Community Law Canterbury Resource Management Service – this relationship has seen MEP student (not to mention former LUPA Chair) Abbie Bull move into a permanent position with the organisation. If you would like anymore information please feel free to get in touch with Abbie: [abbi@canlaw.org.nz](mailto:abbi@canlaw.org.nz).

Finally, LUPA is hoping to have a few more guest speakers in Semester Two, is working with other 'environmentally conscious' clubs on various projects and has established a regular ongoing social gathering for every 2nd Tuesday. The Lincoln Planning Review is racing along under its own steam now, a testament to the past and present editorial team and a slick procedural framework. It is a privilege to be leading such a dedicated bunch. A tentative date is set for the week of September 23 to celebrate the release of this issue of the Lincoln Planning Review – we hope to see you there.

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