



FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

The ANU has honoured its top media performers of 2014 at the annual University media awards. Two members of RSPE received the Vice-Chancellor's award for advancing the reputation of the University.

Emeritus Professor John Love for his generous gift of \$1 million to establish a scholarship to help students reach their full potential.

Professor Ken Baldwin for his contribution to climate debate and research and for hosting a hectic visit by former US Energy secretary Steven Chu.

Dr Paul Francis received the award for "Best talent on film", for his work on astronomy MOOCs, and whose video of Greatest Unsolved Mysteries has had more than 850 000 views.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulation also to **Dominic Rafferty**, from Nuclear Physics, who won the best student presentation award at the Nuclear and Particle Physics Session of the AIP congress.

Congratulations also to honours student **Eliza-Jane Pearsall** who won a poster prize at the AIP congress last week for her poster - 'Quantifying mechanical stimulation of Arabidopsis thaliana using nanoindentation'.

Great effort to both.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Congratulations to all staff and students in the School for a successful 2014. Thanks to all involved in teaching, research, administration and our technical areas for your work this year.



Merry Christmas and safe and happy holidays.

STAFF MOVEMENTS

Plasma Research Laboratories

Professor John Howard will be away on annual leave from Monday 15 December 2014 and return on Monday 19 January 2015. **Professor Michael Shats** will be acting Head of Department from 15 December - 24 December 2014 and **A/Professor Matthew Hole** will be acting Head of Department from 2 January - 16 January 2015.

Nuclear Physics

Professor Andrew Stuchbery is on Annual leave until the 9 January.

Applied Mathematics

Professor Tim Senden will be on leave from Christmas, returning 2 February 2015. **Professor Stephen Hyde** will take up duties as Head of Department for that period.

School Manager

The School Manager will be on annual leave from 18 December 2014 to 30 January 2015. During this period his responsibilities will be looked after by **Graeme Cornish** (18 December 2014-18 January 2015) and **Kavitha Robinson** (19 January 2015-30 January 2015).