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Hobart Not-for-Profits to benefit from Governance Scholarships

The Australian Institute of Company Directors is pleased to announce that 11 Hobart-based directors and organisational leaders are recipients of the *2018 AICD Not-for-Profit Scholarships program*.

Through the program, scholarship winners undertake one of the AICD's highly-regarded education programs, including *Governance Foundations for NFP Directors*.

The *AICD Not-for-Profit Scholarships program* forms part of the AICD's strong commitment to the sector. Two-thirds of the AICD's 43,000-strong membership play some role in the NFP sector.

AICD Tasmanian State Manager John Devine said he was proud to continue to support the outstanding work of organisations and individuals serving Tasmanians.

"The NFP sector plays an essential social and economic role and positively impacts the lives of so many of us. This course will help develop the NFP leaders of the future and provide them with the foundations for good governance," he said.

"We congratulate the recipients and look forward to supporting them on their director journey."

Scholarship winner Jo Cordell-Cooper, Founder of Tasmanian Iconic Walks Inc, which organises hikes to raise money for the Stroke Foundation, said she was excited about the AICD program as it will put her organisation on a firmer footing.

"I want our organisation to be robust and best-practice in all it achieves. We are running on the smell of an oily rag – without a scholarship we would simply 'muddle on'. This gives us a chance to fulfil our destiny!" she said.

AICD Managing Director & CEO Angus Armour said that NFPs are an essential part of Australia's social fabric.

"NFPs face a number of challenges, especially as many operate with tight budgets and in an increasingly complex and constantly evolving operating environment. Having the governance expertise to steer them to success cannot be taken for granted," he said.

The other Hobart NFP Scholarship winners include:

- Joseph Brooks: Non-Executive Director, Australian Podiatry Association
- Cameron Brown: CEO and Non-Executive Director, Tasmanian Council on AIDS, Hepatitis and Related Diseases Incorporated
- Rebecca Free: Executive Officer, Country Women's Association Tasmania
- Kerri Hall: Finance and Administration Manager, Carers Tasmania Inc
- Lynn Jarvis: Director, Working it Out
- Theo Kapodistrias: Non-Executive Director, Association of Corporate Counsel Australia
- Michelle Macpherson: Director, Motor Neurone Disease Association of Tasmania
- Kate O'Shannessey: Non-executive Director, Landcare Tasmania
- Kathleen Wilde: Board Member, Family Planning Tasmania
- Wes Young: Independent Non-Executive Director, Environment Tasmania

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