New scholarship for North West students

North West students are being encouraged to apply for a new scholarship to assist with the costs of studying at the University of Tasmania.

The Rotary Club of Latrobe is offering $1,000 per year for a student from the Latrobe Municipality to study at UTAS, as part of a wider scholarship program which is open to intending and current students.

The new bursary has been organised through the UTAS Foundation.

Latrobe Rotary Club President, David Jones says the club believes in creating opportunities for people in the local area.

“We are fortunate to have a University campus in the region and it is a great opportunity for local people to gain a tertiary education without leaving the area.

“We hope that this scholarship will encourage someone to take that step and although we would prefer them to study at the Cradle Coast campus, we are also happy to support someone who wants to study in Hobart or Launceston,” Mr Jones said.

The Tasmania Scholarships Program provides students with significant financial and academic support to study at UTAS. Awards are offered in all disciplines and selection is based on financial need and/or academic merit. They are available to students studying at undergraduate, honours, and postgraduate levels. UTAS also offers a range of bursaries and scholarships aimed specifically at students from North West Tasmania.

The UTAS Foundation is the vital fundraising arm of the University and its activities help ensure UTAS remains a vibrant institution – a leader in education that produces quality graduates and research connected to the businesses and industries of Tasmania, in turn taking Tasmania to the world. In 2010 the UTAS Foundation will distribute almost $3 million to support UTAS programs.

Any students looking for scholarship options for 2011 can visit the UTAS Cradle Coast campus website: http://www.cradle-coast.utas.edu.au/courses/scholarships-and-bursaries

The closing date for scholarships for study Semester One next year is October 31, 2010.