

e find out a bit about ALIA's finance team – David Pattrick and Briony Dawes.

They're ALIA's money managers, responsible for paying vendors, covering bills, paying employees, accepting payments and knowing what the budget is doing at any given time. They can, importantly, assist other ALIA managers with the provision of information to assist with the Association's decision-making and risk management. They also help to look after ALIA House, which the Association owns. Tenant management and building maintenance are also part of their roles.

Director Corporate Services David Pattrick and Finance Officer Briony Dawes are two experienced managers of financial and accounting affairs.

David has been with ALIA for more than two years and

has worked in interesting roles. His past two positions may have been influenced by his love of the pool room located outdoors - golf. David was General Manager of Moruya Golf Club and Assistant General Manager of Royal Canberra Golf Club before coming to ALIA. Before that he was Principal Finance Executive of CARE Australia – the charity that provides assistance to those in poverty regardless of race, religion or ethnicity - and he also worked in Sydney at financial services group Perpetual.

Briony has also had diverse roles in her career, ranging from being in charge of the accounts at a medical centre, being responsible for the bookkeeping and financial administration of eight different AM/FM radio stations in NSW and Victoria, working as a credit controller for a telco firm, and she started out at a law firm. She has returned to Canberra after spending three years in the US.

David and Briony are both true locals. David grew up in Cooma and studied at the University of Canberra, while Briony grew up, and was educated, in Canberra. Despite working in other states and countries, the bush capital has called them both home.

Say hello to the team if you're ever visiting the ALIA office. You can contact them at finance@alia.org.au. (\*)



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