

# PETER DEGORSKI

CLASS OF 2010



*When Peter was young he wanted to be vet or a lion tamer, this might have to do with the fact that he would wake up early on weekends and undertake exhaustive research on bird, bugs and predators all day long.*

## WHAT HAS HE BEEN UP TO?

Peter's University strategy for picking subjects involved picking the hardest ones. His logic behind that thought was 1) going to University is an opportunity to learn and 2) you learn a lot when you are challenged.

For three years he let his curiosity be the drive which helped him complete a Bachelor of Science, majoring in mathematical physics. After that he did a further two years in a Masters of Atmospheric Science.

## WHERE IS HE NOW?

Chance encounters have played a big role in Peter's career. For example:

He met stranger on a train who worked at the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM), the brief conversation sparked an interest which turned into an internship with BOM and a two year research project, understanding the composition of the atmosphere.

Another chance encounter on a tennis court found Peter employed for a year developing software to detect mutation in humans genomes.

And yet again, coffee with engineer turned into 3 years role building an Australian industry which can be power by renewable weather.

The "destination" remains blurry but with each new experience accumulated, Peter's next step gets a little clearer. For any MWSC alumni who enjoy mathematics and science you are welcome to reach out to Peter.

## SOMETHING YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT HIM

Even though Peter and his wife are very sensible parents of two young children they still enjoy playing Nintendo video games like "Super Smash Brothers" to determine who will be doing the dishes "washing up" duties.

