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Short Back and Sides return to Wollongong

The Politics of Laughter

Short Back and Sides! We're not talking haircuts here, we're talking about ripping off the hair shirt we usually wear and letting it all out with laughter!

Short Back and Sides are a performance trio who have contributed the priceless service of comic relief around an otherwise not very mirth-inspiring campus this year. This trio consists of the highly charged personalities of Richard Meredith, Debbie Pollard and David Chisholm who invest their performances with a fusion of musical, dramatic and choreographic talents, as well as acute social and political awareness, to produce a highly comic result.

Short Back and Sides are much more than campus jesters or stereotypical Creative Arts type buffoons. They are a creative ensemble who have the talent and the ambition to take their comedy show to the wider world and since their formation last year have already performed successfully at various venues around the East Coast Big Three, Sydney, Newcastle and Wollongong.

Their routine incorporates sketches in a variety of styles which range from slapstick to wit, often addressing such issues as the environment, Australian politics and current social trends. They lampoon McDonalds most effectively with their version of the 'Phantom of the Opera'. The sewage poured in our oceans and the equivalent churned out by our political system also come in for comic castigation.

Above and below left, a state of disorder

Short Back and Sides are quite willing to take up the issue of Safe Sex and composed appropriate disarming and highly humorous material for the recent Safe Sex Day. Their *piece de resistance,* however, is their hip-hop rendition of Queensland politics known as 'The Fitzgerald Rap', the funkiest political treatise extant.

Short Back and Sides will soon start a four-week residency at the Tilbury Hotel, Woolloomooloo, a comedy venue in inner Sydney, from September 28 on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Their future ambitions include performing at the 1990 Adelaide Fringe Festival next March and eventually at the world-famous Edinburgh Festival – an event in which many Australian comedy acts (such as Doug Anthony's All Stars and Los Trios Ringbarkus) have achieved international recognition (and notoriety). They are currently undergoing the arduous process of raising sponsorship for their journey to the Adelaide Fringe Festival and seek both major and minor sponsors for support.

For bookings and further information contact Richard on (042) 840753.

NEXT WEEK

Because next Monday, October 2, is a public holiday, contributors are reminded that copy for next week's Campus News will be needed by midday on Friday September 29

General Notices

Bert Halpern Lecture

The Bert Halpern Lecture 1989, organised by the Department of Chemistry, will be held on Tuesday October 24. The speaker will be Professor Hans Freeman of the Chemistry Department, University of Sydney. His lecture is entitled *The use of very intense X-ray sources in the study of protein structure.*

Professor Bert Halpern

The Bert Halpern lecture was established in 1988 as a public lecture to be presented annually at the University of Wollongong by a distinguished visiting scientist on a subject in chemistry or biochemistry. It honours the memory of Bert Halpern, the Professor of Chemistry at the University of Wollongong from 1970 to 1980. Professor Halpern's pioneering studies in amino acid, peptide and protein chemistry impacted across the fields of medicine, biochemistry, chemistry and geochemistry. Among his notable achievements was the development of novel techniques for the diagnosis and study of metabolic disorders and genetic defects. In recognition of his contributions to science, he was elected a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science in 1978.

The lecture will be held in the Kemira Room, Union Building, University of Wollongong. It will begin at 5.30 pm.

In addition to presenting the public lecture, Professor Freeman will spend Wednesday October 25 in the Department of Chemistry and hold discussions with staff and research students.

News from Senate

Some of the items considered by the Academic Senate on September 13:

Faculty of Law

Senate has recommended to Council that a Faculty of Law be established from 1 January 1990.

Midwifery Elective

A proposal for an amended Midwifery elective as part of the conversion course from the Diploma in Applied Science (Nursing) to the Bachelor of Nursing was endorsed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.

Degree in Biotechnology

Senate has recommended to Council that the Bachelor of Biotechnology title be endorsed as an interim title for 1990. The title will be given further consideration at a future meeting.

Entry Aggregates

Senate has endorsed proposals that the selection aggregates for the BInfoTech course be the same as for the BCom course in future and that the guaranteed entry aggregate for the BMath degree be raised to 320 in 1991. The proposals will be forwarded to Council for approval.

BA Degree Regulations

Senate has recommended to Council that from 1990 the maximum number of credit points permitted at 100-level be reduced from 72 to 60.

The Gateway Program

Policies for the entry to the University of students who have completed the Gateway Program were approved.

Contemporary English

The Undergraduate Studies Committee had recommended that for entry in 1990 and 1991 a score of 60 in the new HSC subject Contemporary English be deemed to satisfy the English pre-requisite for any course for which such a pre-requisite exists. Senate has recommended that Council approve this proposal.

Notice of Changes to Entry Requirements

The University has been requested to give two and a half years' notice of any changes to its entry requirements and all Units have been requested to adhere to this request when submitting relevant proposals.

For further details of Senate's resolutions or the agenda papers please contact Trevor Cuthbertson (ext 3928) or Peter Wood (ext 3943).

Gateways to Participation Conference

Women in Sport

Three former Australian representatives, including the national track coach for the next Commonwealth Games, will be among the speakers at a two-day conference on Women's Participation in Sport and Coaching in Wollongong on October 6 and 7.

Mrs Nancy Atterton, a dual national representative (athletics, Commonwealth Games 1954, and netball, 1965, will be the keynote speaker.

The conference, open to anyone involved or interested in coaching women's sport at any level, is being sponsored by the NSW Women's Advisory Council, with a grant of $30,000 to the organisers, the Illawarra Academy of Sport.

The aim of the conference is to identify the problems women have in their transition from competitive participation in sport to becoming coaches in their chosen fields and to encourage more women to become accredited coaches. The conference will also help coaches to improve their knowledge of the theory and science of coaching.

Leading academics and coaches in six targeted sports – athletics, basketball, netball, hockey, softball and touch football – will speak at the conference.

The Federal Minister for Family and Community Services, Mrs Virginia Chadwick, the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Racing, Mr Bob Rowland Smith, and the Patron of the Illawarra Academy of Sport, Mr Stephen Martin, will host a conference dinner at Renown Court on October 6.For information ring conference convener Mrs Pat Rees or the Illawarra Academy of Sport on 042 270464.

Illawarra Committee for Overseas Students

ICOS has organised a Sydney harbour cruise and a visit to the Darling Harbour Aquarium on Saturday October 7. Students and their families make their own way to Darling Harbour and ICOS will pay for the cruise and the entry fee for the Aquarium. The cost will be $5 for sponsored students; $2 for children over 2 and $14 for non-sponsored students.

ICOS has also organised a bush walk at the Royal National Park on Saturday October 14 (free); and a Tree Planting Day followed by a BBQ on Friday afternoon, October 20.

Details and tickets are available from Mrs Wendy Jabri at the ICOS desk in the Administration Building on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.30 am to 2 pm. Telephone 27 0216 or ext 3216.

Staff Development Courses

Nomination forms for Staff Development Courses can be obtained from Shirley Jorgensen, ext 3946.

Selection Techniques Workshop for General Staff

Two remaining workshops are to be run for General Staff in 1989:

October 30-31 (RSVP October 16)
November 15-16 (RSVP November 1)

Book early to avoid disappointment.

Olivetti presentation: *Olivetti Australia Pty Ltd have presented a Unix computer to the University. Olivetti are investigating the possibility of linking the University, Keira High School and Nowra High School in a network which will facilitate the exchange of information and increase educational opportunities. At the presentation: Mr Jim Langridge, Vice-Principal, Development, Ms Lyn Lyons, NSW Support Manager, Olivetti Australia Pty Ltd, Professor Ken McKinnon, Vice-Chancellor, and Mr Ian Breitner, Marketing Manager, Olivetti*

Computer Services

An introduction to SAS

An introductory course on the statistical package SAS will be held on Wednesday October 4 in Building 43. Starting at 9.30 am, the course will involve a two-hour workshop, broken by a tea-break-cum-catch-up half-hour. The cost of the course will be $50. Interested staff and students may book a place by contacting Anne Porter on ext 3849. Numbers will be restricted.

Research Funds

The sources of research funds given below are available to members of academic staff. Further information including application forms may be obtained from Kim Roser (ext 3201). Intending applicants are reminded that all research applications must be forwarded through the Office of Postgraduate Studies.

Nursing Research Grants

The Victorian Nursing Council invites applications for research grants to assist appropriately qualified persons to undertake research related to nursing education, nursing administration and clinical nursing practice.

Applications close with the University on October 17.

ATERB Research Project Grants

The Australian Telecommunications and Electronics Research Board invites applications for specific Grants-In-Aid at Australian tertiary institutions.

Applications close with the University on November 17.

Scholarships, Fellowships and Awards

Meat and Livestock - Research and Development

The Australian Meat and Livestock Research and Development Corporation have invited applications for awards for postgraduate study in 1990.The awards aim to facilitate research and training in areas of practical value to the Australian meat and livestock industries.

The awards available are:

- AMLRDC Studentships (to undertake Masters/ Postgraduate Diploma courses)
- AMLRDC Junior Research Fellowship (to undertake PhD or equivalent)
- AMLRDC Study Awards ('sabbatical' type training for established professionals, senior scientists, etc).

Applications close with the University on October 17.

Kobe Steel Ltd Postgraduate Scholarship

Applications are invited for the Kobe Steel Postgraduate Scholarship to the University of Oxford to be taken up in September 1990. Applications are open to Australian nationals who have graduated from Australian universities or who expect to complete degree courses during 1989. The scholarship is tenable for two years.

Applications close with the University on October 17.

ATERB Medal

The Australian Telecommunications and Electronics Research Board (ATERB) have invited nominations for the ATERB Medal and a gift of $2500 in recognition of outstanding research in the field of telecommunications and electronics.

Applications close with the University on January 17.

Seminars

Department of Accountancy

Seminars are held in Room 2001, in the Department of Accountancy, the Social Sciences Building, at 11 am. Anyone interested is welcome. Inquiries to Hai Yap Teoh, Seminar Convener, telephone 27 0625.

Friday September 29: Mr Warwick Funnell, Department of Accountancy, *The framework of public sector accountability in Australia: an overview of current developments and some antecedents*

Department of Biology

Seminars will be held in Lecture Theatre G.19, Building 35, at 12.30 pm.

September 26: Alison Jonusys, *Denatured carbonic anhydrase: a potential autoantigen recognised by natural autoantibodies*

October 3: Dr Roger Coles, *Australian bat and bird sonar systems*

Department of Economics

Seminars are held in room 19.2085. Information from Dennis O'Brien (042) 270 654 (ext. 3654) or in Room 19.2076.

Wednesday September 27 at 12.30 pm: Ernestine Gross, Senior Lecturer, School of Banking and Finance, University of NSW, *Multinational producers in an Arrow-Debrue type general equilibrium model*

Tuesday October 10 at 1.30 pm: Peter Whiteford, Social Welfare Research Centre, University of NSW, *Poverty measurements and equivalence scales*

Department of Management

Seminars are held on Thursdays at 12.30 pm in room 19.1003.

September 28: Jacqui Jennings, *Engineers into managers: a study of career transitions in an Australian company*

October 5: Michael Zanko, *Organisational commitment to employee rehabilitation*

New Literatures Research Centre

Seminars will take place on Fridays at 2.30 pm in the English Department (Building 19, Room 1095). For further information please contact Paul Sharrad (042) 27 0705 or Shane Donnelly (02) 525 0186.

September 29: Rosemary Colmer, English, Macquarie University, *Polygamy in African women's fiction: Buchi Emecheta and Mariana Ba*

WELL DONE!

The University made its mark in the Carlton Illawarra League on Sunday September 17 when, after a mere two seasons in the league competition, it won its first premiership. The third grade side beat Collegians - with only half a minute to go, when a conversion took the Books to 22-17.

Concerts, Exhibitions and Entertainment

Of the North

Exhibition of Paintings by Cornelia Wheatley, founder of the Wollongong Traditional Art Society, Union Bistro Lounge, to Friday September 29

School of Creative Arts

Friday October 13 to November 12, Long Gallery
John Eveleigh: 'Heroic Materialism and the Natural Order'. Paintings and drawings: aspects of Australian mining, manufacture, transport and port facilities, and NSW landscapes and seascapes, DCA Submission. Karl Preuhs: Ceramics. Karl Preuhs celebrates 30 years as a ceramicist in Australia. Edith Kouto: Smaller paintings, sales area feature.
Preview Thursday October 12, 7.30 pm to 9.15 pm. To be opened by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ken McKinnon, at 8 pm.

The Art of Lunch

October 12

Newly-appointed lecturer in creative writing at the School of Creative Arts John Scott reads from recent work, including his collection Singles (UQP).

Marcel Marceau in Wollongong

The French master of mime Marcel Marceau returns briefly to Australia this month and will appear at the Illawarra Performing Arts Centre, for one night only, on October 9.

Advertisements

Jamberoo – House to Let
Brand new four bedroom brick house, microwave, double garage, courtyard. $180 pw. Ring 321322, business hours.

Sale by Tender
The University has the following items for sale by tender: a limited number of second-hand Macintosh Plus computers with keyboard, 12 months warranty, system software 6.02, Hypercard software.

The University offers no guarantees on these items. Terms of sale are by cash or bank cheque. Enquiries should be made to Ms N Reali (042) 27 0775 or Mr G Kelly (042) 27 0813.

Tenders close at 11.30 am on October 6.

Tenders should be placed in a sealed envelope addressed to Business Services, The University of Wollongong, PO Box 1144, Wollongong 2500 and noted 'Tender for Macintosh Plus Computer'.

Holiday accommodation- University of New England
The University of New England is making available its student residences to staff at other Colleges and Universities for the summer period.

If you are travelling to that area and want good accommodation at a modest cost then contact Glenn Jeffrey, the Accommodation Officer- 066 23 0600.