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## UNIVERSITY'S ARCHITECTURE UNDER THE PROFESSIONAL MICROSCOPE

How does the University architecture measure up against standards elsewhere? The answer could lie in an invitation to Mr Terry Graham, of Graham, Bell and Bowman, Architects, to take part in an architecture-fest in October. Some 30 Australian architects aged under 35 have been selected to take part in the Architectural International Series and annual State of Architecture Festival at the University of Technology in Sydney.

The invitation is of course the result of a team effort. Graham, Bell and Bowman will display seven examples of their work – all buildings constructed at Wollongong University, or on the drawing board for the University. Designs on campus by GBB include the Technology Centre – a work drawing praise far beyond Australia's shoreline – the new Administration Building, and the Anglican residential college. GBB is currently engaged in planning the buildings and amenities for the proposed business and technology complex at Campus East.

The firm's designs are in the main imaginative, innovative, practical and attractive, and are created to



*The Illawarra Technology Centre – an acknowledged chef-d'oeuvre by the University's architects*

blend with aesthetic cohesion into surrounding structures. Yes, the University's architecture measures up well – very well – alongside that of 'new' universities anywhere.

*Patricia Mitchell and Robyn Williamson, from The University of Wollongong, have won a prize for excellence in the study of Accounting. With them here, at the award presentation at the Sydney Hilton, is Mr Derick Doherty, NSW State President of the Australian Society of Accountants*



# General Notices

## *The Road Ahead – Forum on the White Paper*

The University's forum on Wednesday August 17, to discuss the Federal Government's 'White Paper' – its blueprint for the directions of tertiary education in the years ahead – attracted a large turnout of academic and administrative staff. (The paper was summarised in the issue of *Campus News* for August 16).

At the forum the paper's more important points, and their implications for this and other universities, were outlined by University Secretary, Ken Baumber, and later the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ken McKinnon, answered questions.

The main points touched upon by Ken Baumber were the White Paper's commitment to growth and equity, the establishment of the Unified National System (a cornerstone of the paper) within which all tertiary institutions will be eligible to receive teaching and research funds – but for which they will have to bid for the future basis of resource allocation for teaching and research and the need for more effective Institutional Management.

In replying to one of many questions from the floor, the Vice-Chancellor said that he saw no likelihood of immediate amalgamation between the University of Wollongong and any other institution (there had already, he pointed out, been an amalgamation).

Responding to the suggestion (reported in the news media) of a challenge to the White Paper in the High Court, the Vice-Chancellor foresaw little likelihood of such a challenge, and little chance of its success if one were mounted.

### **MARTIN BUNDER 'ON TOUR'**

From August 23 to 30 Associate Professor Martin Bunder of the Mathematics Department has been attending 'Logic Colloquium '88', the 1988 European Summer Meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic, held in

### **WOLLONGONG ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTRE**

An English Language Centre for overseas students has been set up by Uniadvice Ltd in The University of Wollongong. The Centre, has been granted ELICOS (English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students) accreditation by the Federal Government. Courses will begin in November this year.

It is anticipated that 200 students a month will enrol in the various courses – English for academic purposes, for special purposes, and general purposes.

Uniadvice is interested in hearing from local residents who may be able to accommodate students under the Homestay Program.

Further details will appear in *Campus News*. Contact Graham Frost 27 0956 for information.

Padua, Italy. He is presenting a paper entitled 'BCK (or Linear) Logic – a Foundation for Multiset Theory'.

After this conference he will be spending two days at the University of Turin, where he has been invited to speak, and then a week at the Computing Science Department at the University of Nijmegen in the Netherlands.

### **AUSTRALIS DEMONSTRATION**

The Library will offer a demonstration of AUSTRALIS data bases on Thursday, September 29, at 11 am to 1 pm. Most of the data bases are produced by CSIRO and cover marine, rural, water and computer research, as well as information in the areas of engineering, family, industrial relations and leisure activities.

Contact Mary Tow, ext 3536, before September 14 if you wish to attend.

### **ESSAY-WRITING COURSE**

An essay-writing course, designed for Year 10, 11 and 12 high-school students, mature-age students, and students entering university or considering doing so, will be held at the University on September 10 and 11, for Year 11 – HSC only, or on October 1 and 2 for Year 10 and 11.

The course will be held at The University of Wollongong, Social Science Building, Building 19, Room G002.

Designed specifically for Years 10, 11 and 12 high school students, mature age students, and students entering university or considering doing so, the course runs for ten hours. It will help students in preparing and writing essays under examination conditions or as part of ongoing coursework assessment.

The course aims to establish guidelines to be followed, and to give a limited time for practice on them.

The course is limited to 20 students, to enable individual attention to be given as needed.

Lecturer – Ron Pretty, MA AssocInstEd, Senior Lecturer, The University of Wollongong.

Further details from The Co-ordinator, Centre for Continuing Professional Education, The University of Wollongong, PO Box 1144, Wollongong, NSW 2500.

### **UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG APPLE CONSORTIUM MACINTOSH USER GROUP CALENDAR**

User Group, September 5, 7.30 pm, Pentagon 4,  
Agenda: Microsoft.

Developers, September 19, 7.30 pm, Mac II Lab,  
Agenda: Apple Aust.

User Group, October 3, 7.30 pm, Pentagon 4,  
Agenda: Abtron Scanner.

Users may complete their membership application at the start of either the user or developers meeting.

### **AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT — FOR YOUR DIARY**

Wednesday, September 28 – Professor Ken McKinnon, Vice-Chancellor, The University of Wollongong.

Topic: 'My Approaches to the Challenges of Managing The University of Wollongong.'

Wednesday, October 12 – Mr Jerry Ellis, General Manager, AI&S.

Topic: 'The Future for Port Kembla Steel Industry.'

Wednesday, November 18 – Annual Dinner Dance.

*Bats, including the ancestors of this sheath-tail species, are the most common fossils in the Riversleigh deposits. Millions of their tiny, fragile bones are being studied by scientist Sue Hand, of AG's editorial staff.*



Dr Suzanne Hand as the 'Australian Geographic' sees her (see 'Batgirl Joins Biology Department' below)

### 'BATGIRL' JOINS BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Dr Suzanne Hand has joined the Department of Biology as a temporary lecturer. Dr Hand is an authority on the evolution of Australian bats and their arrival in Australia.

A lot of her work has been on the fossil bat fauna at Riversleigh station in north-western Queensland, where the largest and most complete fossil mammal deposit in Australia was discovered in 1983. The Riversleigh fossils have excited paleontologists around the world because of the diversity and excellent preservation of the fossils. Riversleigh is the largest deposit of fossil bats in the world, with some of those being dated as 25 million years old.

Dr Hand is also one of the trustees of the Australian Geographic Society and a freelance writer for *Australian Geographic*, the magazine published by Dick Smith.

Dr Hand is available at the University on Tuesdays and can be contacted through the Biology Department (042) 27 0013.

### JAPANESE FOR BUSY PEOPLE

A beginners' class on Japanese begins on Monday September 5. It will be organised by Wollongong Uniadvice Ltd, The Centre for Continuing Professional Education, The University of Wollongong, and held in the Social Science Building - No. 19, Room 1017, The University of Wollongong.

The course is essentially for students who want to learn Japanese as quickly and effectively as possible. It is open to participants from any field.

Its aim is to provide a working knowledge of the spoken

language in everyday terms - to enable participants to obtain the information they need and to communicate what they want to say in uncomplicated language.

Lessons are composed of dialogues, notes on grammar and vocabulary, exercises and quizzes. Vocabulary and grammar have been limited to about one third of that typical of beginning courses. Emphasis is on words and patterns that students will find immediately useful.

Beginners course September 5.

Time: 7 pm to 9 pm.

Cost: \$150.

Text: 'Japanese for Beginners' by Gakken - \$34.95.

Lecturer: Noriko Dethlefs.

Further details from the Course Co-ordinator, Uniadvice Ltd, The University of Wollongong, PO Box 1144, Wollongong, NSW 2500.

### NEW UNIVERSITY JOINS AVCC

The Australian Vice-Chancellor's Committee has admitted its 21st member, giving the organisation a total coverage of the public university system in Australia.

The University of Technology, Sydney, was admitted following a recommendation from a special AVCC committee which visited UTS to assess its application.

The UTS was formerly the NSW Institute of Technology and gained university status on January 26 this year.

The chairman of the AVCC, Professor John Scott, said the UTS, which has about 10,000 full- and part-time

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*Earning plaudits – The Don Harper University/Conservatorium Big Band. The band's progression, since its formation in 1985, is discussed below*

students, was an excellent addition to the public university system which had served Australia so well.

Professor Scott said that Australians were often too ready to criticise the public higher-education system.

The universities welcomed debate on their role but Australians should recognise that the system was a valuable national resource worth supporting.

The strength of the system was its commitment to excellence in research and teaching.

Professor Scott said that the public universities were responding vigorously to economic and social change.

At the same time, the fundamental aspects of the Australian university system must be reaffirmed.

'Universities are far more than training institutes', Professor Scott said. 'They have a vital interest in teaching and preparing people for the professions, a commitment to basic and applied research, and to stimulating a love of learning and knowledge for its own sake.

'They are also committed to using the expertise of their academics to serve the community.'

He said the establishment of UTS strengthened a system which was adapting to new challenges without disregarding its more traditional responsibilities.

#### **DON HARPER'S UNIVERSITY/CONSERVATORIUM BIG BAND**

Since Don Harper started his band at the beginning of 1985 (and the band made its debut in September that year) its reputation has become almost legendary. Don Harper, recalling the band's progress, writes:

'I started the band at the beginning of 1985 and we performed at our first concert in the Union Hall in September 1985.

'From the outset the performance of the band was good and gave me the heart and incentive to keep it going.

'Exposure and media publicity brought recruits. The band now has reserve players in most sections. We could possibly use another good trombone.

'Members are students in the jazz course, and the others are people of all ages (from 14 to over 70 years) who just love playing this type of music.

'They come from as far afield as Bowral, Nowra and Sydney. The standard is now quite high.

'We nowadays appear at concerts in many places. We are regulars at the Sydney Opera House Northern Board Walk, where the audience numbers many thousands. Our next appearance there is on Sunday October 2 from 2.30 to 5.30 pm.

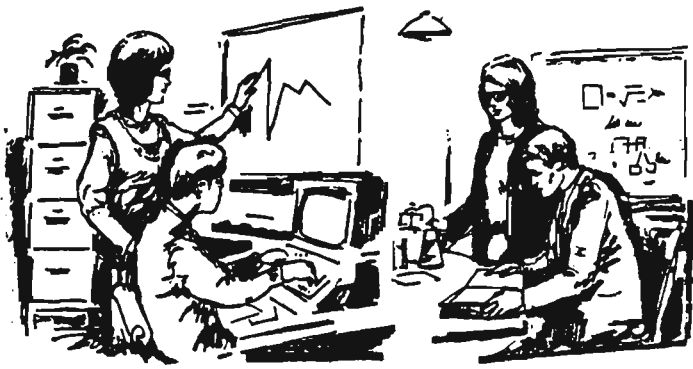
'The previous day, October 1, we are appearing in the Wollongong Mall for the Festival Committee. Our next important date after that is October 13, at the Southern Cross Club in Canberra, where we are to perform with the Canberra School of Music Big Band directed by American Flugle Hornist, Don Johnson.

'Each band is to play for an hour and then for the last 20 minutes both bands will perform in tandem. The finale will be a composition of mine, featuring Don Johnson and me, called Blues for Dous.

'Our big concert for 1988 is on Friday November 11 in the Wollongong Town Hall at 8 pm. This is to feature the Show Band, plus the Conservatorium String Orchestra, plus singer Kerrie Biddell, Julian Lee (piano), Steve McKenna (guitar) and the brilliant trumpet soloist, Bob Barnard, who is to premier my trumpet piece from a suite I am writing about the Illawarra Escarpment. Called 'Grand Escarpment', this movement is a trumpet solo plus five trumpets, five trombones, five saxophones, full rhythm section, string orchestra and percussion. It is eight minutes long.

'Earlier in 1988 we appeared at the Sydney Jazz Action Society's monthly concert at the Sydney Bowls Club. In 1986 we played host to the North Texas State University's 'One O'clock Lab Band' (considered to be the greatest college band in the world) and in 1987 we played host to the California State University's Northridge Jazz Ensemble. Another fine group.

'These contacts have helped tremendously in lifting our band's performance and horizons.'



## Staff Roundup

### AVCC VISITING FELLOWSHIPS 1989

Two AVCC Visiting Fellowships will be awarded for Australian scholars to visit universities in certain specified overseas countries during 1989. The awards are designed to cover visits of distinguished university scholars actively engaged in academic work, to enable them to meet and mix with academics and personnel in their own fields. Full details on the conditions, eligibility and value of awards are available from Sue Skinner on ext 3944.

Applications must be submitted through the University by September 23.

### SUPERANUATION - THE BENEFITS

While the main aim of superannuation is to provide a retirement benefit to staff, most of the schemes operated by the University also provide, as an option or automatically, access to various benefits in the case of death or permanent disability.

Such a benefit is automatically provided by the State Superannuation Fund, but rather than being set at a fixed level, the death or disability benefit is dependent upon the level of contributions. Contributors to this fund should be aware of the need to maintain contributions at a reasonable level if they wish to use their superannuation as a form of protection or insurance against death or disability.

Of course, many employees have separate life insurance or other investments to provide for themselves and their dependents if such circumstances arise.

The University asks all employees to consider this issue and not ignore the unlikely but real possibilities of such misfortunes. Chris Grange in Personnel Services Branch (ext 3929) is always available with advice.

### DEVELOPMENT LEAVE 1989

Applications for Development Leave during 1989 close on October 31 this year.

The Development Leave for General Staff Scheme has been operating for some years now, with a total of 12 staff having participated. Development Leave may be taken either in Australia or overseas, and is intended to enable a staff member to complete a program of study and/or visits of mutual benefit to both the staff member and the University. Generally, the period of leave will not exceed three months. A contribution to travel and other costs may be available.

As a limited number of awards are available each year, the scheme is a competitive one. Applicants must be able to demonstrate significant personal development and substantial benefits from the proposed Development Leave program.

Full details of the terms, conditions and requirements of applications for Development Leave are available from Sue Smithers, ext 3929.

### CURRENT VACANCIES

The closing date for applications is indicated in italics.

- + Professor of Creative Arts, *September 9*
- + Professor of Education, two positions, *September 9*
- + Professor of Electrical Engineering, *September 9*
- + Associate Professor, Faculty of Education, Continuing appointment, *September 9*
- + Lecturer, Biology, limited term five years (convertible), *September 30*

Further Details: Ross Walker, ext 3934.

### STAFF CHANGES

#### New Starters

- Ms P. Bloem, Research Assistant, Chemistry
- Dr R. Ghomaschai, Research Assistant, Metallurgy and Materials Engineering
- Mr C.J. Griffith, Research Assistant, Science and Technology Studies

#### Transfers/Promotions

- Mr G. Graham, Office Manager, Halls of Residence
- Mr G. Elrick, Stores Officer, Business Services

#### Departures

- Ms C. King, Secretary, Management
- Mr N. Arrowsmith, Stores Officer, Business Services (retirement)
- Mr D.A. Dodds, Computer Trainee, Computer Services
- Mr S.D. Stanafield, Laboratory Assistant, School of Health Sciences
- Ms S. Single, Research Assistant, Psychology

### CONFERENCE NOTICES

Computer-Aided Software Engineering Symposium, Sydney, August 31-September 2.

International Arbitration Conference, Institute of Arbitrators Australia, Sydney, September 6-8.

Tertiary Education Towards 2000, 1988 National Conference, Australian Institute of Tertiary Educational Administrators, Sydney, September 22-25.

Partnerships in Education, 1st International Community Education Association South Pacific Regional Conference, Melbourne, September 26-29.

International Conference on Ergonomics, Occupational Safety and Health and the Environment, Beijing, China, October 24-28.

National Conference, 200 Years of Public Administration - Retrospect and Prospect, Melbourne, October 26-28.

National Health Policies: Instruments for Implementation: information, planning, resource allocation and finance, Institute of Development Studies, Brighton, England, October 31-December 9.

URPIS 16 - Information Systems in Action, (Australasian Urban and Regional Information Systems Assoc), Sydney, November 9-11.

International Organisation of Securities Commissions Conference, Melbourne, November 14-17.

Shaping Organisations Shaping Technology, International Working Conference, Terrigal (NSW), May 3-5, 1989.

Experimental Learning, Second International Conference, Sydney, July 3-7, 1989.

# 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 Harriss (ext 3201). Intending applicants are reminded that all research applications must be forwarded through the Office of Research and Post-graduate Studies.

## NH&MRC PROGRAM GRANTS

Applications are invited for NH&MRC Program grants which are designed to provide guaranteed support over five years for an outstanding individual scientist working as an accepted leader of a research team that normally comprises several independent scientists.

Closing date for lodgement of applications with the University has been extended to September 1.

## LILLIAN ROXON ASTHMA RESEARCH TRAVEL GRANT

The Lillian Roxon Trust invites applications for a grant to be awarded to a suitable person engaged in research in the field of bronchial asthma. The grant up to the value of \$2,000 is available to assist the person awarded the grant to travel overseas to continue medical or scientific research or present a research communication at a recognised international conference.

Applications close with the University on September 16.

## PIG RESEARCH COUNCIL STUDENT AWARDS 1989

The Pig Research Council invites applications for the following study and training awards to encourage research and study into the pig industry in the 1989 academic year:

1. Postgraduate Research Awards
    - (a) Research Fellowships
    - (b) Postgraduate Scholarships
  2. Extension Study/Training Awards
  3. Officer Development Awards
  4. Post-doctoral Fellowships
  5. Undergraduate Encouragement Awards
- Applications close with the University on September 16.

## EARTHWATCH GRANTS FOR FIELD RESEARCH IN SCIENCE OR HUMANITIES

The Centre for Field Research invites scientists to apply for grants of funds and volunteer labour for use in field research projects.

Applications close with the University any time.

## SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY ENDOWMENT FUND

CSIRO invites applications under the Science and Industry Endowment Fund for funds to provide assistance to persons engaged in scientific research; and in the training of students in scientific research.

Applications close with the University any time.

## COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP PLAN - 1989

Applications are invited for Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships to undertake postgraduate study or

research in Barbados, Canada, Hong Kong, India, Jamaica, Malaysia, Malta, Nigeria, Sri Lanka, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda and the United Kingdom. Applicants must be Australian citizens or be apply for Australian citizenship.

Applications for Sri Lanka close with the University on September 9 and on October 12 for all other countries.

## BIOMEDICAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

The National Health and Medical Research Council has invited applications for Biomedical Postgraduate Scholarships. The purpose of the scholarships is to encourage science graduates of outstanding ability to gain fulltime medical research experience while undertaking a higher degree.

Applications close with the University on September 16.

## PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN CAMPUS NEWS

	Internal Closing
Harkness Fellowships	August 31
National Heart Foundary Vacation Scholarships	September 1
Information and Communication Technology Grants	September 2
Grain Legumes Council Proposals	September 2
Ian Potter Foundation	September 2
Australian Sports Commission Programs	September 9
Edgeworth David Medal	September 16
Piero Fanti International Prize	September 16
CSIRO Postdoctoral Awards	September 16
Water Industry Research Awards	September 16
Royal Society of Victoria Medal	September 16
Australian Academy of Science Medals	September 16
Worksafe Australia Research Awards	September 16
Japan Society Exchange Program	September 19
Menzies Scholarships	October 14
Maxwell Ralph Jacobs Fund	October 17
Gowie Scholarship	October 17
Nursing Research Grants	October 17
Robert S McNamara Fellowships	October 18
Rebecca L. Cooper Medical Research Grants	October 28
Benians Fellowships	October 30
Lionel Murphy Scholarships	November 16
Academy of Science China Exchange	November 17
IDP Research Funding	Any time
Utah Foundation	Any time
Earthwatch	Any time
Criminology Research	Any time
Pig Research Council -- Support for Eminent Visitors	Any time
MERA Project Grants	Any time
Clive and Vera Ramaciotti Travel Grants	Any time
James N Kirby Foundation	Any time
Telecom Research Laboratories	Any time
NSW State Cancer Council	
Travel Grants-in-aid	Any time
Spencer Foundation	Any time
Visual Arts/Craft Board	Any time

Wollongong University ties and scarves are available from the Union Shop. They are excellent as presents to those travelling overseas, or as gifts to colleagues, friends, and graduates.

## LICENCE FOR HARASSERS

A disturbing judgement has recently been made by Justice Marcus Einfeld, President of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, in a New South Wales Sexual Harassment case. Although Justice Einfeld found that Dr Attalah Sheiban had been guilty of sexual harassment against three women while they were employed as his receptionists in 1985, he refused to award them any compensation for loss of wages or injury to feelings.

Justice Einfeld found Dr Sheiban had indulged in *'occasional, mild if aggravating touching; momentary, insignificant though unsought holding, and sporadic, assertive if unwanted attempts at closer physical or facial contact'*. He added that *women with normal experiences...know very well the various ways in which some men occasionally behave* and *'if there's any discomfort (about sexual harassment) it may be the women's problem'*.

His finding – that only minor distress should be caused by the placing of the employer's hand under a female employee's dress or touching her inner thighs – serves only to trivialise sexual harassment. I believe that the precedent set by Justice Einfeld's decision will have serious consequences for women making complaints about sexual harassment in the future, and will seriously undermine the protection which the legislation was designed to provide.

The Sex Discrimination legislation which covers sexual harassment is important and valuable, and has been a source of security from sexual harassment for women in the workplace and in education. If Justice Einfeld's interpretation of this legislation is given credence, then the legislation's power will be effectively destroyed. Are we prepared just to sit back and allow this to occur?

Peg MacLeod  
EEO Co-ordinator, ext 3917



## SAFETY POLICY

The policy of The University of Wollongong is to provide a safe working environment for its staff, students and visitors. The University thus encourages all members of the University complex to regard accident prevention and safe working as a collective and individual responsibility.

In order to implement this policy, the University supports the activities of the Occupational Health and Safety Committee in monitoring the safety environment and safety awareness and training at all levels of activity.

The University regards seriously its corporate responsibility under the various Occupational Health and Safety Statutes and will ensure that all members of the University staff understand clearly their individual responsibilities outlined in such legislation. In this regard, Chairpersons of Departments and Heads of Schools and other Academic and Administrative Units are responsible for day-by-day safety within their areas of responsibility.

The Safety Officer is available to advise on specific matters or assist in implementing safety programs.

The University insists that all staff and students work within the various legal requirements with regard to safe working and the current, and future, safety rules devised to protect them in specific situations.

Personal habits and conduct on the campus should be such that they do not cause accidents or hazards which may endanger members of the University or other persons.

## Sport

### WOLLONGONG PLAYERS PROMINENT IN INTERNATIONAL NETBALL

Seven players from The University of Wollongong were members of the Australian Universities Netball team which was successful in defeating the British Universities team currently touring Australia.

The teams first clashed at the University of New South Wales in a closely fought match with Australia edging out Britain 35–34. The second test match was played on the Sunday morning in the Recreation and Sports Association Hall at The University of Wollongong. The Australian team again proved victorious, winning by a margin of ten goals (37–27).

The Australian team's success is the more impressive in that it had only had one week's preparation for the test series against a British team which included one open International player and six Under 21-level International players.

Members of the team included Fiona Lee, Angelee Proctor, Justine Wakeling, Philippa Penson, Maree Turnbull, Alison Porritt, Joanne Murray (reserve) Wollongong University – Katrina Harricks, Jennifer Gage – Sydney University, and Lessa Steer – Monash University.

## Concerts, Exhibitions and Entertainment

### CHOPIN SOCIETY NIGHT

Saturday September 3 at 7 pm at the Polish Club, 143 Gipps Road, Gwynneville; admission \$10—Chopin recital, band and supper.

The Chopin Society of Wollongong will raise \$1000 on this night to pay for the cost of sending our four young pianists to the National Chopin Competition in Melbourne.

These brilliant young people will perform on the night. RSVP to 27 0073 or 27 0083 saying how many seats are to be reserved in your name.

### THE ART OF LUNCH

Free Lunch-time Performances  
in music, theatre, film and readings  
Every Thursday – 12.35 to 1.25 pm  
Music Auditorium

## Seminars

### CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Friday September 2, 9.30 am to 4.30 pm

Topic: Practical methods for the assessment of environmentally hazardous chemicals

Venue: University of Technology, Sydney, Westbourne Street, Gore Hill

The purpose of this seminar is to bring together chemists, toxicologists, ecologists and environmental scientists with an interest in methods used to assess the environmental hazards posed by chemicals.

The seminar will be divided into three parts: development of Australian test methods; assessment of agricultural chemicals; assessment of urban and industrial wastes. In each part, several speakers will talk for 15 minutes followed by five minutes for discussion. The main purpose of the seminar is to exchange information and provoke discussion about the methods now being used for assessment of chemicals and their impact on the natural environment.

Registration with Mr Rod Mitchell, Centre for Environmental Toxicology, University of Technology, Sydney, Westbourne Street, Gore Hill, NSW 2065.

### DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

Title: Why I Changed My Opinion About Fluoridation

Speaker: Dr John Colquhoun, University of Auckland

Time: Tuesday, September 6, 12.30 - 1.30 pm

Venue: Building 19, Room 2061

*Abstract:* After being a long-time advocate of fluoridation, my opinion was changed because of evidence that the measure causes more harm than good to children and adults in New Zealand. Data which became available to me when I was a public health official revealed that when similar populations were compared more children were free of dental decay in the nonfluoridated area than in the fluoridated area. Documents obtained under Freedom of Information show that the results of New Zealand's first fluoridation trial were contrived, by changing the method of diagnosing caries in the experimental area after the trial commenced.

Dr John Colquhoun was Chief Dental Officer in the Auckland area for 12 years. He recently received a PhD for research on education and fluoridation. Dr Colquhoun is today one of the leading figures in the worldwide scientific debate over fluoridation.

Thursday September 8

Keynote speaker: Dr Estelle Phillips, Birkbeck College, University of London.

Seminar is organised by Higher Education Research Development Society of Australia (HERDSA) and the UNSW Postgraduate Representative Association and is aimed at administrators, academic staff and students. It

### PROGRESS OF POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

A seminar on ways to improve support services for postgraduate students will be held at the University of New South Wales. The seminar will address problems being experienced by coursework, research, overseas and part-time postgraduates, and will focus on means of improving examination and appeals mechanisms staff development and other forms of assistance of postgraduates.

will be held in the John Clarke Gallery, 3rd floor, Squarehouse, Lower Campus, UNSW. Childcare is available.

Cost is \$12 for staff. Student registration is free (subsidised by the PGRA).

Further information from Associate Professor Alan Prosser (697 4403) or Peter Reeves (663 0461), or your local postgraduate association.

### SCHOOL OF CREATIVE ARTS - DIARY OF EVENTS

September

Friday 2

SCAW Ensemble concert featuring music by Gavin Bryars, Percy Grainger and John Cage. Pitt Street Uniting Church, Sydney, 8 pm.

Thursday 15

*Kennedy's Children*. Student production. Bulli Hotel, Bulli, 8 pm.

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The Art of Lunch. Music Auditorium. Ron Pretty, Senior Lecturer, will lead staff and students in a Creative Writers Presentation. 12.35 to 1.25 pm.

Friday 16

School Meeting - 9.30 am.

Preview - 1st and 2nd Year Exhibition, Long Gallery, 7 pm to 9.40 pm.

*Kennedy's Children*. Student production. Bulli Hotel, Bulli, 8 pm.

Saturday 17

*The English and Irish Connection*. City of Wollongong Symphony Orchestra conducted by Edward Cowie, with University Singers. Premiere of John Wayne Dixon's *Colonial Symphony* and other works by Elgar and Vaughan Williams, 8 pm.

Friday 22

Postgraduate seminar. Music Auditorium, 2.30 to 5.30 pm.

Thursday 29

The Art of Lunch. Music Auditorium. Local Product - scripts written, directed and acted by students of the School of Creative Arts led by theatre lecturer Bob Harper, 12.35 to 1.25 pm.

Piper's Promise - An opera for young people by Andrew Ford, Libretto by Sue Rowley and Jim Falk, Designed by Richard Hook. IMB Theatre, Performing Arts Centre, Wollongong. Friday September 30, 8 pm (opening night), Saturday October 1, 8 pm, Thursday October 6, 8 pm, Friday October 7, 8 pm, Saturday October 8, 2 pm and 8 pm.

### VAN FOR SALE

1980 Nissan C-20, very good condition. Leaving country, must sell. \$5500 ono. Call Dave Roessner at 26 8866 or university ext 3639.

### WET SUITS FOR SALE

Two spring wet suits for sale, size 12, like new. Used only four times. 2mm thick. Asking \$55 each. Call Dave Roessner at 26 8866 or university ext 3639.

### FOR SALE

One step-up transformer, PRI:115 volts, 50/60 Hz, SEC:230 volts at 1.1A, 250 watts. Contact Mark Anshel, Dept Human Movement, ext 3023 or 28 0190.

### FOR SALE

Wordplex Word Processor and printer with acoustic cabinet. Instruction manuals and training discs \$600 ono. MODEM Apple II and Mac. RS232 and other standards. Box unopened \$400 ono. Ext 3639.