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Status of university companies

Auditor seeks review of businesses

At least two newspapers reported on May 10 that the NSW Auditor-General, Mr Ken Robson, had called for a review of the operation of subsidiary companies by universities, claiming that some universities may have acted illegally in establishing them.

In a report tabled in State Parliament, Mr Robson said that there was a need for a review of the accountability requirements of the companies to prevent them being used for 'creative accounting' purposes.

The power of the companies should also be limited so that they could not be used as vehicles to extend the power of the university beyond the intentions of Parliament.

While there had been a proliferation in the number of university subsidiary companies, the absence of specific controls on the companies prevented their exact number being known, said the report.

It named the University of NSW as having nine subsidiaries with total revenue of more than \$16 million, while the University of Wollongong had 11 subsidiaries with revenue totalling more than \$3 million.

The report also found that, in an attempt to overcome the prohibition on universities investing in shares, some universities had formed companies limited by guarantee rather than shares, which were then used to form further companies limited by shares.

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Wollongong, Professor Ken McKinnon, welcomed the Auditor-General's call for a clarification of the status of university companies. 'But', he said, 'it must be stated at the outset that the Auditor-General does in fact already audit them and that we think such audits are appropriate.'

'University companies were originally set up to ensure that applied research activities were kept separate from the main teaching activities and core finances of the university.'

'Apart from the University's own desire for separate accountability, both the federal and state governments had insisted on company structures for ventures they helped initiate, such as the Illawarra Technology Centre and the Automation and Engineering Application Centre.'

'Furthermore, the University has a rigorous view of its applied research centres, requiring each to be separate and self sufficient. Only within such structures is it possible to tailor employment and working conditions, making them consistent with the market place rather than tenured academic positions.'

'In our view the University is operating entirely consistently with the wishes of both federal and state governments in seeking to be enterprising and to focus a significant proportion of its research and development activities on the needs of Australian industry.'

'Undoubtedly, the University of Wollongong has been one of the more active universities in this regard. It will continue to be so if, and only if, governments continue to endorse such activities.'

'The Auditor-General has done us a favour in bringing the question of structures out into the open. If the state government decides that we should retreat to the 'ivory tower' we would do so - but reluctantly. My workload would certainly decrease. If it wants us to continue to take up the challenge of research and development of value to the community, it will need to endorse clearly arrangements within universities which are businesslike and auditable.'

'Continuing uncertainty will only reinforce the views of those in universities who do not want to be challenged to contribute to the development of Australia.'

For further information contact Gillian Curtis, Media Liaison (042) 27 0926 (work), (042) 28 6705 (home).

Graduation Week, see pages 4 and 5



To Brian Roelofsen goes the distinction of being the first Aborigine to graduate in Mechanical Engineering, from The University of Wollongong

General Notices

'International Office Overseas'

Eric Meadows and Trish Tindall will be representing Wollongong at NAFSA (National Association of Foreign Student Affairs), the major annual talkfest on international activities for United States universities and colleges at Minneapolis in June.

This is part of a major series of missions, which is being masterminded by the University's International Office. In Asia, a review of the various educational systems is taking place with particular emphasis on qualifications and admission standards. The missions will also recruit students.

Missions to Korea, Thailand and Taiwan are taking place in May, and to Hong Kong in June. Bill McGaw from the Department of English will represent the University at missions in Indonesia and Singapore – also in June. Creative Arts lecturer Andrew Schultz will attend auditions for potential music students in Korea in June. In Taiwan, Eric Meadows will be investigating twinning arrangements and conducting a recruitment campaign, which includes a television appearance.

After NAFSA, Eric will visit eight North American universities to discuss co-operation with the University of Wollongong.



Latter-day Marco Polo, Eric Meadows

Back on campus, the International Office's new location, on the ground floor of the Administration Building, reflects the growing profile being taken in international activities under Eric Meadow's direction. His brief includes not only student recruitment but also the development of the overall international strategies of the University.

Academic staff planning international visits are reminded to establish contact with Eric or his staff.

Contact Eric Meadows, Director, on extension 3918.

Research Policy Forum Launched

A Research Policy Forum has been established jointly by the Australian National University and the University of Wollongong.

The Forum was launched on Wednesday, May 17, at the Australian National University by Professor Ralph Slayter, newly appointed Chief Scientist to the Prime Minister

The Forum is the brainchild of Professor Paul Bourke, Director of the Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University, and Professor Ron Johnston, Director of the Centre for Technology and Social Change at the University of Wollongong.

There is presently a high level of concern among scientists and other researchers about the state of research in Australia and the level of government funding it is receiving.

At the same time, government ministers and officials, and research managers, are arguing that the research enterprise needs to be more effectively managed, in order to make a greater contribution to the national interest.

The major objective of the joint initiative is to provide a forum where those engaged in performing, funding, analysing and using research can meet to present their views and explore new approaches to supporting and managing research in Australia.

In addition, it is designed to promote a wider understanding of the role of research in the Australian economy and society, and the changing context in which it has to operate.

The intended audience includes Ministers, government officials, university and other higher-education institution managers, industrialists, research managers and researchers.

It will also serve to draw together the considerable expertise in the field of research policy of the Research School of Social Sciences at the ANU, Wollongong University, the Centre for Technology and Social Change and staff of the Departments of Science and Technology Studies and Sociology at the University of Wollongong.

Professor Bourke was the speaker at the first meeting of the forum. He chose as his theme 'Applying science policy to the social sciences'.

Further information: Professor Paul Bourke, RSSS, ANU, tel (062) 49 2340, or Professor Ron Johnston, TASC, University of Wollongong, tel (042) 26 8866.

Invitation to attend open meeting of University Conservatorium Board of Management

An invitation is extended to parents, staff, students and interested members of the public to attend the 21st meeting of the University Conservatorium interim Board of Management. The meeting will be conducted in the Gleniffer Brae Auditorium beginning at 5 pm on Tuesday May 30.

The Gleniffer String Quartet will open the meeting with a brief musical interlude. Afterwards there will be opportunity to meet the Board membership and to discuss matters relevant to the Conservatorium.

Light refreshments will be served after the meeting. For catering purposes, confirmation of attendance would be appreciated: please contact secretary, Mrs A. Smith, ext 3533 or phone 28 1122.

Women in Science and Technology in Australia

A major national exhibition entitled 'A History for the Future', celebrating the achievements of women in science and technology, is coming to the University of Wollongong.

An official opening will be held in the University library on May 29 at 5 pm.

Speakers will include Professor Helen Garnett from the Department of Biology. Theme of the exhibition is 'Women doing science and technology everywhere you look – as they have always done'.

We are celebrating the achievements of Australian women in science and technology, says Jasmine Payget of Adelaide, the national co-ordinator of the exhibition. The achievements are all the more worthy of celebration because of the barriers women have experienced and still experience in employment. The exhibition is for many people – families, studies, scientists and technologists, teachers and historians. It shows the crucial role of women in science and technology in Australia. It also promotes science and technology as a career for women of all ages.

The exhibition has been sponsored by the Australian Bicentennial Authority Women's program and by the South Australian Institute of Technology. Says Professor Mead, Director of the South Australian Institute of Technology, 'Higher education institutions like the South Australian Institute of Technology are most interested in seeing what has been achieved and ensuring that more women are able to participate in science and technology in the future.'

The Women in Science Enquiry Network, a national association of women in the sciences, including engineering, medicine and social sciences, has put together the exciting exhibition on both historical and present-day women in science and technology. A local branch of WISENET has been established in Wollongong.

The exhibition opened in Adelaide in January, then moved to the Museum of Victoria in Melbourne, the Australian Museum in Sydney and the Nepean College campus of the University of Western Sydney before coming to Wollongong. The exhibition is open during library hours from May 29 to June 9 at the University of Wollongong, then moves to Newcastle University (June 9–22) and the National Science and Technology Centre, Canberra.

Further information from Toni O'Neill, 042–27 0765; Mary Garson, 042–27 0509; or Annie Dugdale, 042–27 0691.

University of Tasmania

The University of Tasmania will be celebrating its centenary in February 1990. A brochure about the centenary has recently been posted to all graduates whose addresses are known.

Tasmanian graduates who have not received the brochure are asked to contact the Centenary Office, University of Tasmania, Box 252C GPO, Tasmania 7001, giving also details of degree and year of graduation (surname at graduation if not current name).

The Art of Lunch
Every Thursday from
12.35 to 1.25 pm

EEO news...

Freedom of Information Legislation

The Freedom of Information Bill (No 2) was passed by both Houses of Parliament in March and will take effect from July this year. Copies of the Act have been ordered from the Government Printer and will be distributed to each departmental head.

The basic concept of Freedom of Information is that every person will have a legally enforceable right to obtain access to information held by government agencies and Ministers.

Under the Terms of the Act, the University of Wollongong is recognised as an FOI agency, with the Vice-Chancellor designated as the Principal Officer. The EEO Unit is co-ordinating the University's activities in this regard, under the direction of the University Secretary, Mr Ken Baumber. Marilyn Johnson has been seconded from Planning and Marketing to assist in implementing this program.

The University needs to ensure that its operations are brought into line with the provision of the legislation for the July 1 starting date. Each department, school or academic unit will need to appoint an FOI liaison person to assist the FOI Co-ordinator with identifying and categorising the existing records held within each department and in compiling an FOI directory of existing policy and procedure documents.

Training and education sessions will be undertaken shortly to inform staff of the implications of this legislation.

Peg MacLeod
EEO and FOI Co-ordinator, EXT 3917

Friends of the University

Friends Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Friends of the University of Wollongong scheduled for Friday May 20 had to be postponed.

The meeting will now be held on Friday June 2 at 5.30 pm in the Kemira Room of the University Union Building.

We regret any inconvenience this change may cause, but look forward to meeting with you on June 2.

Please stay on after the meeting and enjoy some *hors d'oeuvres* and drinks.

Wanted – space ...

An accessible storage space is required by the Graduate Group of the Friends of the University for secondhand books.

A successful bookfair was held on Open Day 1988, and it is hoped to continue this function on an annual or biennial basis. If you have a suitable space (a garage would be perfect) please contact Muriel Murada on 27 0073.

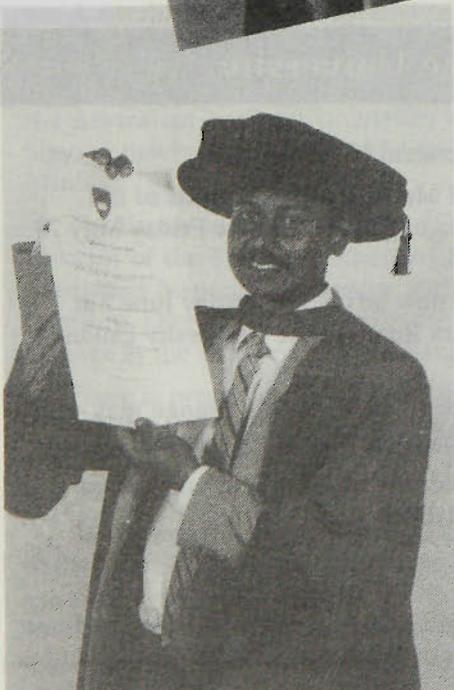
AND REMEMBER, don't discard your superfluous literature!

May Graduation

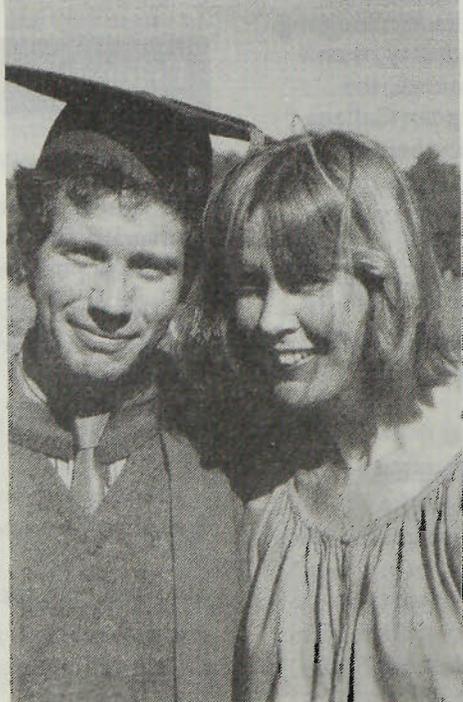
Winner of a University Medal for outstanding academic achievement is Stephen Lucas. Stephen graduated as a Bachelor of Mathematics (Hons). He intends now embarking on a post-graduate degree course in Mechanical Engineering



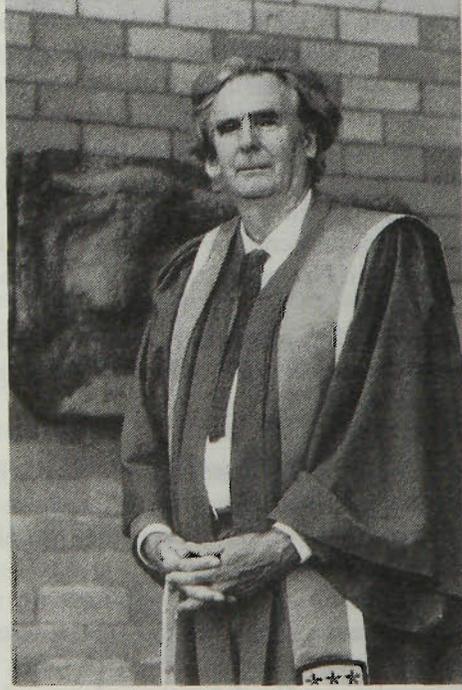
Some 1,200 graduands (so far) received their degrees at the ceremonies. Some of those pictured in the members of the University News' is indebted to the and in particular to M



Dr Balachandran Shanmugam, gained his PhD degree in Economics. His relatives travelled from Malaysia for his graduation



Jim Meek, and his wife, obviously delighted with his Bachelor of Arts degree. The surname will be familiar to many at Wollongong University. Jim's father, Ben Meek, retired some three years ago after many years' service at the University and a close involvement with 'The Friends'



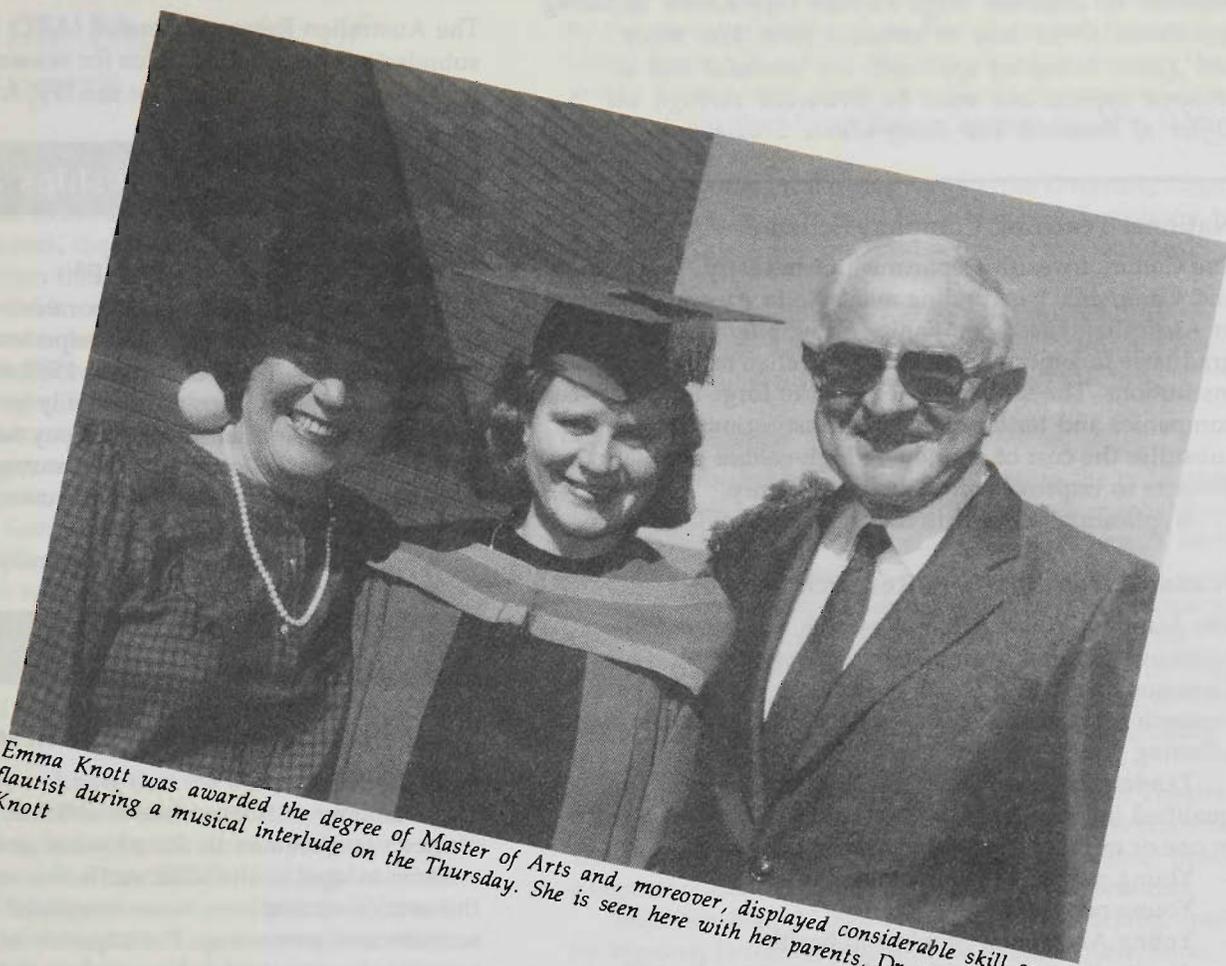
A familiar figure. Senior lecturer in Creative Arts, John Eveleigh becomes a Fellow of the University in recognition of his enthusiastic and tireless contribution to building up the University's permanent collection of works of art



This picture Michael Somers, a member of parliament, University, who graduated from the University he built, was

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(the highest figure so far in the history of the University staff. For their efforts these pages 'Campus' 'Illawarra Mercury', Mr David Cavenagh

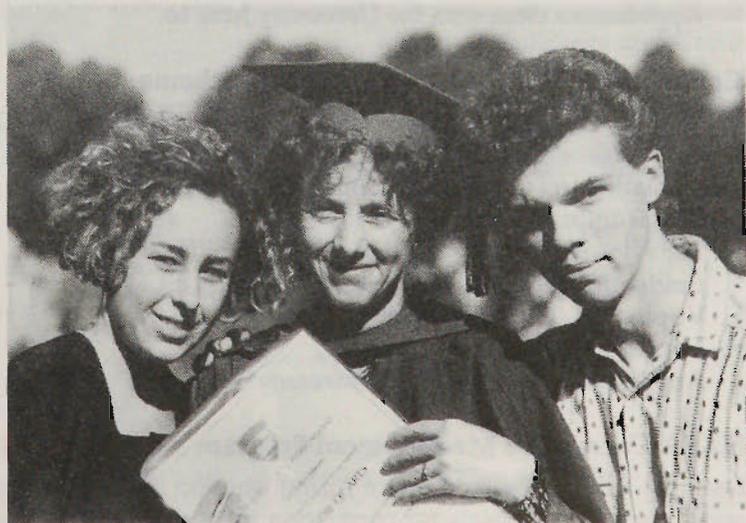


Emma Knott was awarded the degree of Master of Arts and, moreover, displayed considerable skill as a flautist during a musical interlude on the Thursday. She is seen here with her parents, Dr and Mrs Bernays Knott



... was in fact taken ahead of graduation week. On the left is Mr ... mare, Minister for Foreign Affairs in the Papua New Guinea ... and on the right is the familiar figure of the Chancellor of the ... Mr Justice Hope. In the middle is 71-year-old Mr Don McDonald, ... ated with a Masters degree in Creative Arts. As part of his course ... with true craftman skill (using local timbers) the harpsicord shown

Another face familiar to many: Marilyn Johnston from the Planning and Marketing Branch graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in Literature. With Marilyn here are her daughter Alison and her son David



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 Research and Postgraduate Studies.

National Teaching Company Scheme

The Commonwealth Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce has funding available to Australian-owned or Australian-based companies for employment of graduates in joint projects with Australian tertiary institutions. The scheme is designed to forge links between companies and tertiary education institutions and subsidise the cost of employing high-calibre graduates in projects to improve company performance.

Applications close with the University on June 16.

National Youth Affairs Research Scheme

The National Youth Affairs Research Scheme is a co-operative funding arrangement between the Commonwealth and States to facilitate nationally based research into current social, political and economic factors affecting young people.

Tenders are sought from suitably experienced and qualified individuals or organisations to conduct research in one or more of the following specified areas:

- Young people and consumer credit;
- Young people in rural area;
- Young Aboriginal people and health.

Applications close with the University on June 16.

Arthritis Foundation of Australia

The Arthritis Foundation of Australia has invited applications for Grants-in-Aid and Scholarships tenable in Australia and for Fellowships tenable overseas. Further information is available from the Office of Research.

Applications close with the University on July 14.

National Soil Conservation Program

The National Soil Conservation Program invites applications for financial assistance for the conduct of research or public education relating to the rehabilitation and sustainable utilisation of the nation's soil and land resources.

Applications close with the University June 16.

Commonwealth Aids Research Grants Scheme

The Australian National Council on AIDS (ANCA) invites applications for support beginning in 1990 for research in areas relating to HIV infection and its prevention. Areas of particular importance are:

- Behavioural
- Epidemiological
- Virological/Immunological
- National Policy

Applications close with the University on June 16.

NASA Correlative Measurement Program

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) seeks research proposals for correlation measurements in

support of the Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite (UARS) missions.

Applications close with the University on July 17.

ARC 1991 Call for Submissions

The Australian Research Council (ARC) invites brief submissions nominating fields for research priority status in preparation for a review for the 1991 funding round.

Scholarships, Fellowships and Prizes

Telecom Research Fellowships

Telecom Australia Research Laboratories invite applications from talented and experienced academic staff of Australian universities for 1989 short-term fellowships. Fellowships are normally tenable for six weeks with an honorarium of \$3000, plus payment of travel and living expenses. Fellows will be encouraged to continue their work upon return to their institution with additional Telecom funding in suitable cases.

Applications close with the University on May 17.

Conferences

Elizabeth and Frederick White Research Conferences

The Academy of Science has established a series of research conferences in the physical and mathematical sciences related to the solid earth, the terrestrial oceans, the earth's atmosphere, solar-terrestrial science, space sciences and astronomy. Participation of overseas scientists is encouraged. A sum of up to \$5000 for each conference is allocated and supplementation from other sources is encouraged.

Proposals for 1990 close with the University on June 18.

Previously noted in Campus News

	<i>Internal Closing Date</i>
National Energy Innovation Awards	June 7
Clive and Vera Ramaciotti Foundation Grants	June 16
R V Franklin Ship Time	June 16
Selby Fellowships	June 16
Academy of Humanities Travel Grants	June 16
Rikkyo Fellowships	June 16
Rothmans Fellowships	June 16
Boden Research Conferences	June 17
Academy of Science UK Exchange Program	June 17
White Research Conferences	June 19
Law Foundation Travelling Fellowships	July 15
Matsumae Fellowship	August 17
AINSE Fellowships	August 17
National Multiple Sclerosis Scholarships	August 17
AFUW (Qld) Fellowships	September 16
Australia-Japan Foundation Visits	September 17
Japan Society Exchange Program	September 19
Academy of Science China Exchange Program	November 17
Health and Community Services Research Grants	Any time

Concerts, Exhibitions and Entertainment

Tonight! the University of Miami Singers

The University of Miami Singers, under the direction of Dr Lee Kjelson, is a unique choral ensemble. Composed of 36 select choral musicians, instrumentalists, dancers and sound engineers, their performance includes a highly diversified program that has delighted audiences throughout the world.

The Singers are to be in Australia this month and will present a two-hour concert at the Performing Arts Centre, Wollongong tonight, Tuesday May 23, at 8 pm.

International travel over the past seventeen years has included highly successful concert tours in Italy (1973), Austria (1974), Rumania (1975, 1976), Poland (1977), England (1978), Soviet Union (1979), Rumania-Greece (1980), Spain (1981), Hawaii (1984), Hong Kong-Japan-Korea (1985), the western United States-Canada (1986), England-Wales-Belgium (1987), and Poland-Hungary (1988).

To Friends and Patrons of the School of Creative Arts Greetings!

You may care to know that the Melyanesian Club Exhibition – *Art and War* – was featured on Prime Television, WIN 4 (news and children's program) and Dr Berans was interviewed by ABC Radio. Large numbers including school children came to see it. It is the most comprehensive exhibition of its kind to be put on in Australia to date. It closed on May 14.

The next exhibition 'A Celtic Dimension Preview' is now open, 7.30 pm to 9.15 pm. It combines work by Fine Arts students from Dublin College of Art, Ireland.

Robert Reid is showing some high-lustre glazed ceramics. He was invited to come to Wollongong and teach part-time at TAFE by Alan Peascod, the Australian ceramicist. Robert Reid was on the staff at Glasgow College of Art.

The final section features a group of marvellously crafted traditional musical instruments by Don McDonald. Mr McDonald will include a Welsh harp and harpsichord. For the latter he was awarded his MCA and received his degree at the May ceremonies.

The sales area, which has been used in recent weeks to display recent University purchases, will now change (rather more slowly than anticipated) to a sales area, selling ceramics, prints and smaller paintings.

Looking ahead to Session Two, seven exhibitions are scheduled between July and December. We hope you will continue to visit, and support, Long Gallery exhibitions.

Framing. Clients of the Sales Area may order frames once again. The service was temporarily discontinued after the framer technician chose to go half time.

The Gallery is open during scheduled exhibitions on Sunday afternoons. While the University charges a dollar for entrance to the campus during the week, no charges are made on Sundays.

The Long Gallery seeks to relate to as wide a clientele as possible. Please advise your friends and acquaintances of the Long Gallery program.

John Eveleigh
Gallery Co-ordinator

For your diary...

The City of Wollongong Symphony Orchestra will present its second subscription concert for 1989 on Saturday June 10 at 8 pm, at the Illawarra Performing Arts Centre. A change from the original program has been brought about by the non-availability of the French concert pianist, Jean-David Boulay. However, the orchestra has engaged the young Korean-born Australian pianist, Kyunghye Chung, who will play the Mozart Piano Concerto No 20 in D Minor, K.466.

Other works on the program are the Overture, *Fingal's Cave* by Mendelssohn, and the *Unfinished Symphony* by Schubert. This entire program is thus of the 'standard classics' format.

Tickets available from the booking office at the Performing Arts Centre. Prices are: adults \$15; concession \$11; family (up to four) \$36.

The Art of Lunch

All performances are free and open to the public and are held weekly on Thursdays (during session lunchtimes from 12.35 to 1.25) in the Music Centre, Building 24, on the western side of the campus.

May 25: Final-year Bachelor of Creative Arts students Sue-Ellen Lynch (flute) and Nicole St. Ilan (viola) are joined by Vanessa Lucas (violin) in Beethoven's Serenade Op. 25. The program will also feature the first performance of Andrew Ford's *Swansong for solo viola*. Venue: Music Auditorium.

June 1: New scripts #2. New theatre. Venue: Theatre.

June 8: Third-year Bachelor of Creative Arts students Toni Simon (piano) and Peter Dorich (saxophone) present a concert including music by Ginastera and Francaix.

Inquiries: (042) 27 0987 or (042) 27 0996. Parking: enter by Western Entrance, Northfields Avenue. Admission: free. Convenor: Andrew Schultz.

Use of the 'Forum'

It has been suggested that the 'Forum' immediately west of the Administration Building may not be being used as much as it might. One of the reasons may be the uncertainty of availability or of a contact person with regard to availability.

To help in developing a more interesting and usable facility it has been agreed that the School of Creative Arts, a principal user, be given priority use of the Forum and also responsibility for booking control.

The contact person will be Michael Young of the School of Creative Arts. Michael also has responsibility for bookings for the Music Centre (his extension is 3898).

K.E. Turnbull
Manager, Buildings and Grounds

Advertisements

FOR SALE

Nissan Bluebird 1982 5-speed manual sedan, blue body and interior, OVG-877 – \$6,250 ono. Also Chesney MK IV Campervan (sleeps up to 6) fully equipped, ready to use – \$1,950 ono. Phone 27 0759 or 29 5740 (ah).

FOR SALE

Backpacs (2), fully adjustable, two compartments, 70 litre size, used only once. \$65 each (\$98 new). Phone ext 3373 or 71 4192.

FOR SALE

Dishwasher Hoover almost new/hardly used, \$420 ono.
Air conditioner, Sanyo-window unit, excellent order, \$420 ono.
Dining chairs, early Australian Blackwood with cloth inserts, set of six, \$360. Phone 83 7284.

Seminars

Department of Psychology

Date: May 23

Speaker: Dr David Brown, Department of Psychology, The University of Wollongong.

Topic: *The pain experience and psychological adjustment to orthodontic treatment of pre-adolescents, adolescents and adults.*

Date: May 30

Speaker: Dr Peter Smith, Department of Psychology, The University of Wollongong.

Topic: *Involvement in change – a viewpoint on applying psychology in industry.*

Biology Seminars Session 1

Biology Department, Building 35 G19, 12.30 pm.

Tuesday May 23 – Dr Karen Chad, School of Health Sciences, The University of Wollongong, *Metabolic rate: mechanisms and physiological significance in the prevention and treatment of mild obesity.*

Tuesday May 30 – Dr Andy Davis, Department of Biology, The University of Wollongong, *Title to be announced.*

Tuesday July 4 – Dr Roger Truscott, Department of Chemistry, The University of Wollongong, *How to stop rats getting cataracts.*

School of Learning Studies

All sessions are on Wednesdays at 12.30 pm in Room 21.104. Coffee and tea provided

Date: May 24

Topic: *Telling Lives or Lively Telling? Biography and History of Education.*

Speaker: Dr Noeline Kyle.

Inquiries to Bill Winser, ext 3963.

Language Curricula Seminar Postponed.

The seminar – a panel discussion by Drs Booth, Cambourne and Cranny-Francis – scheduled for May 30 has been postponed until next session.

The seminar will now appear on the session two schedule.

Department of Civil and Mining Engineering Research Series

Venue for the seminars will be Room 138 Building 4, Photogrammetry Laboratory. Morning tea will begin half an hour before each session. All postgraduate students of the Department are expected to attend; all others are welcome.

Date and time: May 26, 12.30 to 1.30 pm.

Speaker: Dr M. Sivakumar.

Topic: *Oxygen Transfer at Air-Water Interface: Wind Effect on Reaeration.*

Date and time: June 2, 11.30 to 12.30 pm.

Speaker: Professor C. Gerrard.

Topic: *Strength and Deformability of Rock Joints.*

Date and time: June 9, 11.30 to 12.30 pm.

Speaker: Professor D. Carmichael.

Topic: *Analysis of Construction Operations.*

For further information contact the Secretary, Department of Civil and Mining Engineering, The University of Wollongong, NSW 2500. Tel: (042) 27 0040, Fax (042) 26 0238.

Department of Materials Engineering

Date: and time: May 31, 4.30 to 5.30 pm.

Location: Room 1.134.

Speaker: Mr Ross Nuske, Development Officer, BHP Coated Products.

Topic: *Problems Encountered in Continuously Cast Enamelling Steels.*

Department of Chemistry

Date and time: Friday May 26, 11.30 am

Venue: Room 18.206.

Speaker: Dr Gordon Wallace, Polymer Systems Technology.

Topic: *In pursuit of intelligent materials.*

Date and time: Friday June 2, 11.30 am

Venue: Room 18.206.

Speaker: Dr Malcolm Binns, Coated Products Division, BHP.

Topic: *Cation-assisted regiospecific and distereo specific conjugate additions of allyl and hexadienyl carbions.*

Department of Economics

Date and time: Wednesday May 24, 12.30 pm.

Venue: Room 19.2081a)

Speaker: Colm Kearney, University of New South Wales.

Topic: *Aspects of Australian Macroeconomic Policy.*

For further information contact Dennis O'Brien, ext 3654, room 19.2076.

New Literatures Research Centre

All seminars are held on Fridays at 2.30 pm in the English Department (Building 19) of the University of Wollongong, Room 1095.

The seminar series occurs annually and accepts papers by visiting and local writers, academics, and post-graduate students. For further information or offers of papers, please contact Paul Sharrad (042) 27 0705 or Shane Donnelly (02) 525 0186.

Date: May 26

Speaker: Edwin Thumboo, English, National University of Singapore.

Topic: *Singaporean Self-Images: Contexts for Transformation.*

Date: June 16

Speaker: Fiona Giles, Wolfson College, Oxford University.

Topic: *Finding a Shiftingness: Situating the Nineteenth Century Anglo-Australian Female Subject.*

Date: June 30

Speaker: Elizabeth Young, English, University of Wollongong.

Topic: *Janet Frame's 'The Carpathians'.*

Everyone is welcome to attend. Refreshments provided.

Department of Accountancy

All seminars are held in the Social Science Building Room 2001, in the Department of Accountancy at 11 am.

Date: Friday May 26.

Topic: *Accounting for Goodwill.*

Presenters: Mr Garry Tibbits and Ms Mary Greenwell, Department of Accountancy.

Department of Information Systems

Date and Time: May 26, noon

Venue: Kemira Room, University Union

Speaker: Associate Professor Michael Lawrence, Department of Information Systems, University of NSW

Topic: *Capturing Risk Assessments in a DSS*

Biomedical Evening Series

Each seminar will be preceded by dinner at the Union Bistro at 6.30 pm. All those interested are welcome to meet the speaker at the Bistro. Please contact the Convenor so that appropriate table bookings can be made. The seminar begins at 8.30 pm in lecture room G19 building 35.

Convenor: Dr E.J. Steele (042) 27 0434

Date: Wednesday May 31

A seminar sponsored by Boehringer Mannheim.

Speaker: Dr Caroline Geczy, Kolling Institute of Medical Research, Royal North Shore Hospital.

Topic: *Cytokines and coagulation.*

Date: Wednesday June 14

A seminar sponsored by BioRad Laboratories.

Speaker: Dr Ray Norton, Department of Biochemistry, University of New South Wales.

Topic: *Cardiac stimulatory proteins from sea anemones*

Date: Wednesday July 5

A seminar sponsored by Millipore.

Speaker: Dr Sydney James, Department of Botany, University of Western Australia.

Topic: *Evolutionary genetics and mobile elements.*

Date: Wednesday August 23

Speaker: Dr Len Storlien, Garvan Institute of Medical Research, St Vincents Hospital, Paddington.

Topic: *Dietary fats and disease.*