

CAMPUS NEWS

Another milestone: Anglican residential college opens

An Anglican college affiliated with the University has been a gleam in the eye of many University and community people for several years. On Thursday 11 March this dream was realised with the opening of the Richard Johnson College.

The Anglican Diocese, with the support of the Illawarra Anglican community and the Warwick Fairfax Family Foundation, purchased the YMCA property at 65 Smith St last year and upgraded these premises as a residential college linked to the University of Wollongong.

Twenty-five students undertaking studies at the University have been selected as the founding members of the college which will care for their academic, social and pastoral needs as students.

The premises are to be named after Richard Johnson, the first chaplain to the NSW colony, and its opening marked 205 years this year since Richard Johnson preached his first sermon in Australia.

The Anglican Chaplain to the University, Canon Raymond Heslehurst, played an integral role in establishing this college and has been appointed its Honorary Master.

The Deputy Master Thomas Gillan, a University of Wollongong graduate, returned from Scotland to take up the position.

A service to mark the opening of the college included an address by the Bishop of Wollongong, the Rt Rev RH Goodhew, who officially opened the college.



The Rt Rev RH Goodhew, the Chancellor Dr RM Hope and Canon Raymond Heslehurst outside the Smith Street entrance to the college.

Elections are being held for Student Members on the following:

- Academic Senate (five positions),
- All Faculties (between two and 14 positions per Faculty),
- The Board of Studies for Environmental Science (one position),
- The Library Committee,
- The Graduate Faculty (one position),
- The Undergraduate Studies Committee (one position).

Full details are included in notices, on notice boards throughout the University, or may be obtained from the Election Officer, Olena Cullen, University Administration

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Building. Nominations close Monday 29 March.

If required, ballots will be held on 6, 7, and 8 April in conjunction with the SRC elections.

The Library of the University of the South Pacific has requested that all Pacific Islanders studying overseas deposit a copy of their thesis with their Pacific collection.

Works of all types and formats pertaining the countries of the region are collected for inclusion in

their research collection.

They can arrange copying of the thesis at no cost to the individual. Please send to: The Librarian, Pacific Collection, University of South Pacific, PO Box 1168, Suva, Fiji.

Postgraduate students please note: Graduate House, located at 49 Northfields Ave (opposite the Union), is open for your convenience.

Graduate House provides a free service, offering tea, coffee, TV, computers and laser printing.

Hours are 9.30am to 10pm, Monday to Thursday, and 10.30am to 6pm Fridays.



National
Australia Bank

The University recently acknowledged, with appreciation, the continued support of the National Australia Bank at a function held to present a Foundation Membership Certificate. During this occasion representatives from the National Australia Bank presented the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ken McKinnon, with the second instalment to the University of Wollongong Foundation which qualifies the bank to be recognised at the corporate benefactor level of support. Pictured are (from left) the bank's District Commercial Manager, Mr Gary O'Shea, and District Manager, South Coast NSW and ACT, Mr Errol Talbot, with the Vice-Chancellor.

Second Children's Literature Conference this month

The New Literatures Research Centre located in the English Department is hosting its second Children's Literature Conference on 27 March.

Three key speakers at the conference will be writers Brian Caswell and Libby Hathorn, and president of the International Research Society for Children's Literature and Senior Lecturer at Deakin University, Rhonda Bunbury.

There is a full program of papers for the one-day confer-

ence, dealing with books ranging from Billy Bubbles and Back to Billabong right up to the latest works by Brian Caswell and Robin Klein.

Registration for the day is \$60 (\$55 students) which includes lunch. There's also a Conference dinner afterwards (\$35). Application forms and enquiries: phone or e-mail Carmel Pass, phone 21 3226, or the Conference convenor, Michael Stone.

NorTel Technology Centre in Wollongong to expand

NorTel Australia has announced that it will expand its Wollongong-based laboratory, the NorTel Technology Centre.

The expansion will include the establishment of a research and development program encompassing network planning, new product developments for both public and private networks, together with a base technology and research program.

In order to meet this need for intensive research and development, the Wollongong laboratory will more than double in size in the next two years.

The Centre will play a significant role as a member of the global network of Bell Northern Research (BNR) labs.

In particular, the Centre will focus on intelligent networks, which use a combination of computer systems and communications systems to allow data-base applications to control the operation of network services.

The NorTel Technology Centre will design and develop software required to provide programmable network elements to enable rapid custom service creation.

The NorTel Technology Centre will assume responsibility for key development work on intelligent network computing platforms as well as additional work in related technology areas.

Northern Telecom has appointed Assistant Vice-President Dr Peter M Cashin to lead the expansion of the Wollongong lab to meet these devel-

opment challenges.

Dr Cashin outlined his plans for the Centre, saying that the corporation chose the Wollongong lab for this initiative on the basis of its prior work developing applications on commercial computer platforms targeted at the customer premise marketplace.

Development of the skills required for these applications provides a base for expansion into applications for

public networks targeted at telephone companies.

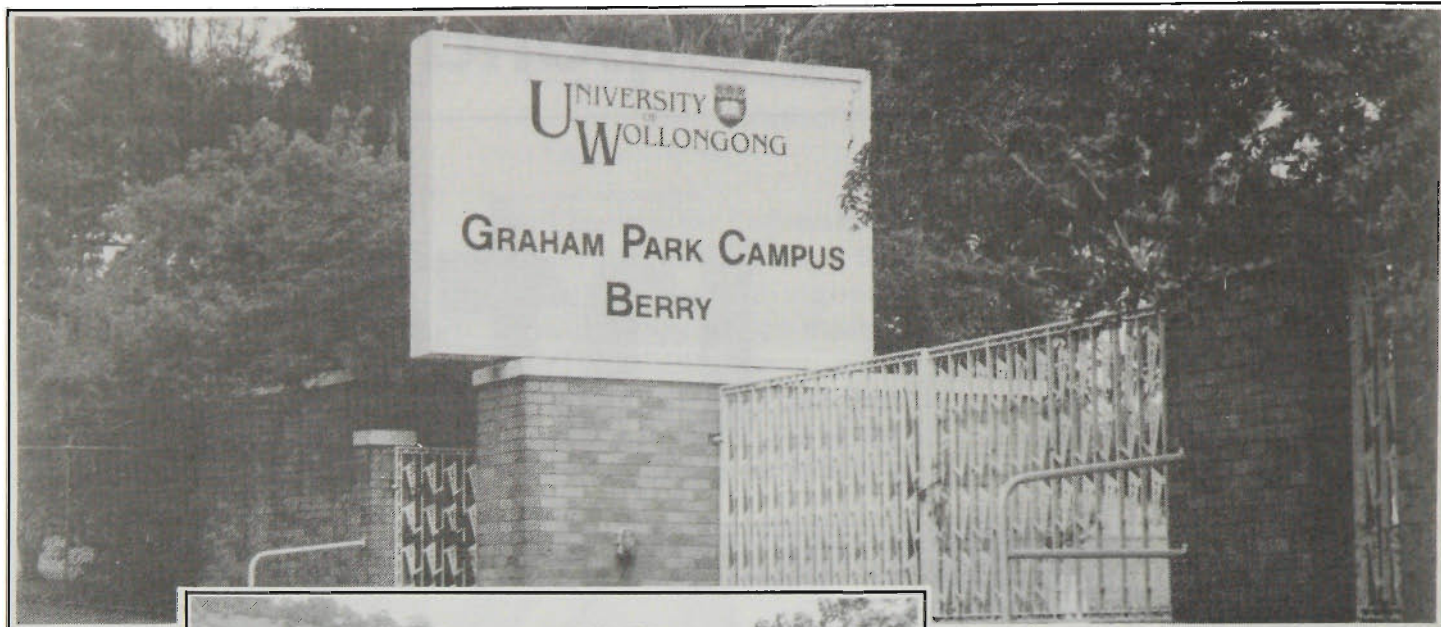
'The corporation is obviously pleased with the R&D work coming out of Wollongong,' managing director, NorTel Australia, John Kranenburg, said.

'The expansion into new product areas is further tangible evidence of NorTel's on-going commitment to Australia.'



Dr Peter Cashin who will lead the expansion of the Wollongong laboratory.

BERRY CAMPUS



ABOVE: Sign on the Princes Highway covering the large metal figure of a bull which used to be a local landmark
RIGHT: The main building



45 'pioneers' enjoy pastoral environment

Students have started courses in the attractive surroundings of the Graham Park Campus at Berry in a rural environment similar to that which the first students enjoyed at the Northfields Ave site of the University in Wollongong in 1962 when Wollongong University College opened.

Around 45 students are enrolled in first year Arts and Commerce subjects, Conservatorium Childhood Music Education programs and the Gateway program.

Library facilities are being provided by the Shoalhaven City Library and other facilities operating include a computer laboratory, music room, tutorial rooms, staff office and a mobile cafeteria. An Aboriginal Education area will be completed by the beginning of April.

Students are enthusiastic about the facilities and are enjoying being the 'pioneers'.

A formal opening will be held on 2 April to coincide with a University Council meeting to be held there. In the evening of the same day the Shoalhaven Alumni will have its inaugural meeting.



ABOVE: Some of the neighbours came to welcome the students
LEFT: The complex with some of the Bull pens (right) used in the days when Graham Park was run by the NSW Department of Agriculture.

Employers, graduates and the community surveyed on the University

As part of the University's ongoing commitment to enhancing its reputation as a quality provider of tertiary education, two surveys were undertaken by the Planning and Marketing Branch of Administration in 1992 to gauge community perceptions.

In a further survey undertaken by the Graduate Careers Council of Australia graduates were asked to comment on their impressions of the University.

The first survey undertaken by Planning and Marketing was a phone survey over three evenings using a random sample of residential phone numbers and encompassing all regions throughout NSW.

In total, 1675 persons were contacted.

In the second survey chief executive officers of 120 organisations were sent a questionnaire asking about their perceptions of the University and its graduates.

A clear majority of respondents (71.3 per cent) to the telephone survey had visited the City of Wollongong. Overall, the impressions of the city were generally good.

Most of those who had visited Wollongong perceived it to be an urban industrial centre, attractive and clean with lots to do and see. A total of 73.7 per cent (459) of respondents were aware of the University.

The overall impression of the University (including the impressions of respondents who have never visited the campus) was generally good.

Essentially, the dominant perceptions appeared to be of a University, large in size, new and friendly with a beautiful campus, tranquil in nature and providing a relaxed atmosphere.

However, of those who had visited the campus few recorded anything particularly distinctive that stayed in their minds.

A small number of respondents referred to the campus as chaotic and hurried and difficult to move around.

The predominant source of information regarding the University appears to be through word of mouth and the media.

More than a third of respondents identified the major source of knowledge regarding the institution as being friends and family.

Other prominent sources of information were newspapers and television.

The major reasons offered by respondents in recommending the University were geographical location, reputation, friendly atmosphere, courses offered and peer group recommendation.

The cost of living, geographical location, and courses offered were the dominant positive factors cited as being better at the University of Wollongong than at most other institutions.

Despite a relatively high level of awareness of the University's existence, the majority of respondents knew very few details about the University and were not able to form definite opinions.

The perception that for a majority of respondents, the more they found out about Wollongong and its University, the more impressed they became, was supported by a previous ANOP and University survey.

It would appear that the University's marketing strategies should continue to establish an awareness of the University and encourage people to visit the campus itself. Strategies aimed at increasing knowledge concerning the University are needed.

Recommendations that the University investigate ways to increase the sightseeing potential of the campus were made. These could include:

- contacting professional tour companies and arranging visits to the campus to be included in tour itineraries;
- increasing the potential of Illawarra residents, by encouraging people to bring guests to see the University.

The University needs to investigate ways in which to highlight and enhance people's impressions of the University during their visits here and to ensure positive impressions are lasting.

The survey on employer perceptions rated the University of Wollongong as one of the four best universities in NSW for graduates.

The top five selection criteria in order of importance identified by respondents when selecting graduates were:

1. Coherent and extensive knowledge in a discipline area and the ability to apply the knowledge.

2. Good academic results
3. Communication skills
4. Interpersonal skills
5. Analytical skills

An overwhelming majority of respondents (94 per cent) had heard about the University but, as in the telephone survey only 13 per cent knew the University well.

In general terms employer impressions of the University are that it is an institution characterised as being moderate in size, maturing, having a good reputation, of average quality and innovative.

A sizeable proportion of respondents indicated that the University was co-operative and ambitious.

Of concern was the information that 49.2 per cent of respondents had not employed University of Wollongong graduates over the last three years.

The proportion of employers indicating that the level of quality of Wollongong graduates was high increased substantially from a previous survey in 1990.

Employers also identified additional attributes beyond those listed in the University's 'Towards 2000' document that they would like to see in graduates.

Those were capacity for co-operation and teamwork, problem solving and decision making and the capacity to learn new skills and procedures.

The question that was included in the Graduate Career Council survey revealed that overall the University is perceived by graduates as being a fine institution characterised as being progressive, dynamic and expanding.

It has an improving reputation for being on a par academically with more established Sydney universities and is growing in status and is considered by the majority of students as being friendly and peaceful as well as socially and academically exciting.

However many respondents expressed concern that the renowned 'personal character' of the University was in danger of being lost due to the rapid growth and that some facilities including food outlets, the library, computing and counselling and careers services needed to 'catch up' after the rapid growth in student numbers during the previous years.

What are Universities of the Third Age?

The first University of the Third Age (U3A) was founded in Toulouse, France, in 1972 to improve the quality of life for older people by bringing them into contact with academic programs run by the university.

The idea spread rapidly in France, with many universities either absorbing older people into existing academic programs or setting up courses especially for third-agers.

The success of the French experiment has led to the rapid spread of U3As to many other countries, particularly in continental Europe.

An International Association of U3As was established by 1975; it now has about 100 member organisations.

In the latter part of 1984 the first Australian U3A were formed in Melbourne, based on the British rather than on the original French model.

U3As have since been established throughout Victoria, and so successful has the Victorian experience been, that the movement is now Australia wide.

The Wollongong branch was started in 1987 and now has a mem-

bership of 160.

It has largely achieved its aim of teaching being carried out by its own members, especially in literature, art and language classes.

The largest class, Current Issues, on Monday mornings, has in the last two years greatly appreciated the generous help in the form of voluntary contributions from, among others, the staff of the Centre for Multicultural Studies, the Department of History and Politics, the Department of Science and Technology Studies and the Department of Biology at Wollongong University.

For further information contact the President: Margaret Bacchus, 41 Station Road, Otford 2508, telephone 94 2318.

The Australian Academy of the Humanities Travelling Fellowships 1993

The Australian Academy of the Humanities is offering Travelling Fellowships for short-term study abroad during 1993-1994 to scholars resident in Australia and working in the field of the Humanities (Philosophy and Religion, Literature and Philosophy, Linguistics, History, Prehistory, Archaeology, Classics, Visual Arts and Musicology). Fellows of the Academy are ineligible for awards.

Preference shall be given to scholars in the earlier stages of their careers, and who are not well placed to receive funding from other sources. They should have a project going forward which requires a short visit overseas for its completion or advancement near to that stage.

The proposed work should not form part of the requirement for a higher degree (i.e. PhD research).

The Fellowships will be up to \$A3000 each, paid as a contribution to the cost of one return airfare between the applicant's place of employment in Australia and his/her centre of research abroad. The Academy will not award Fellowships to attend conferences, to study overseas, or to students enrolled for higher degrees.

The Council of the Academy expects that the typical applicant will be seeking aid towards approved leave abroad during the long vacation. The Fellowship must be taken up within twelve months of the award.

Potential applicants are reminded that they should consider applying to the ARC for funding. Some excellent projects have been submitted to the Academy which, had the application been made to the ARC at the inception of the project, would have met ARC guidelines.

Closing Date for Applications: 30 June 1993.

Application forms for Travelling Fellowships are available from:

The Executive Secretary, Australian Academy of the Humanities,
GPO Box 93, Canberra ACT 2601, Telephone enquiries
(06) 248 7744, Fax (06) 248 6287.

Friends News

Professor Lauchlan Chipman mentioned in the March 10 edition of *Campus News* of the need to keep Friends informed and it is my intention as Acting Executive Officer to use *Campus News* as one of the better ways of doing this.

May will soon be upon us and Friends are asked to keep Monday 10 May, University Day, available to attend the ceremonies and the University Day Address.

These will be followed by the Friends dinner in the Union Function Centre.

On Friday 14 May it is planned to hold the first Annual General Meeting of the Friends of the University of Wollongong Association.

Ongoing members will be given a final report of the activities of the Friends as an incorporated company and be asked to approve a Constitution for the association, which will be included with your formal notice of meeting.

The outgoing board will also present a program of activities, which they recommend to the incoming board.

If you wish to contribute to the formulation of these plans, contact me on 28 5849 or write to me at the Friends Office.

John Bell

Swedish visitor reinforces international links for Accountancy

Professor Michael Gaffikin of the Department of Accountancy will be presenting a paper on 'alternative research strategies' at a research consortium in Sweden before moving on to the European Accounting Conference in Turku, Finland.

The Swedish interest in the University of Wollongong's Accountancy Department's research strategies has resulted in a visiting scholar, Gunilla Eklov, of the University of Umea, arriving to study our research and teaching methods during the first semester of this year.

In Umea, Gunilla works part-time as a teacher, teaching Accounting Principles for first-year students and also works as a research assistant for Professor Ashley Burrowes.

While she is here, Gunilla will be assisting with two workshops within Accountancy and undertaking studies related to her PhD.

Several academics in the Department of Accountancy are recognised abroad as contributors to research and teaching in the discipline.

For example Janet Moore is going to Glasgow, Scotland, to present a joint paper on 'The consolidation of a profession 1880-1906' written with Kathy Cooper, also of the Department of Accountancy, Wollongong.

The conference is sponsored by the British Accounting Association and is at the University of Strathclyde.

She will then come back through New York to attend a conference sponsored by the American Accounting Association where two other Wollongong Accountancy academics are presenting papers.

The American conference, 'Critical

perspectives in accounting', is a forum exploring emerging issues in accounting and auditing using non-traditional research methodologies derived from philosophy and sociology.

Mary Kaidonis is presenting a paper entitled 'The interdependence of subjectivity and objectivity: confessions of a closet positivist'.

Bob Williams is presenting a paper on 'Foucauldian disciplinary technologies in the Australian Tax System'.

Additionally, Mary Day has just returned from a multi-disciplinary

symposium entitled 'Constructivism: the intersection of disciplines' at Deakin in Geelong.

She was the only person in attendance from the accountancy discipline and presented a paper entitled 'Constructing myself as a critical social scientist, albeit with a constructivist bent'.

Academics from a variety of disciplines travelled from Queensland, New South Wales and Western Australia to participate in the two days.

Stephen Lerman, a distinguished academic in Maths Education in the UK, conducted the plenary session.

Ethel Hayton Trophy Award

Nominations are invited from any staff member or unit of the University for the award of the Ethel Hayton Trophy.

The recipient of the award is selected from a unit or staff member who, in the last year, has initiated a notable activity or activities which enhanced community support for the University.

Ethel Hayton, a valued supporter of the University, commissioned Gino Sanguineti to create the trophy sculpture which symbolises the grand figtrees, previously a focal point on the University campus.

In 1986 the University's Vice-Chancellor accepted a recommendation by the Friends of the University that the sculpture be known as the Ethel Hayton Trophy.

The nominees for the trophy award will be interviewed by a member of the Committee of The Friends who will prepare a draft citation. Senior representatives of the local media will then consider nominations and recommend to the Vice-Chancellor the citation for the award of the trophy which will be presented on University Day, 10 May.

It is intended that involvement of the media will achieve wider publicity for the award and will provide an unbiased external view of the relationship of University activities to the community.

Nominations close on Tuesday, 6 April and are to be lodged at the office of the Friends of the University.



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HOPE THEATRE

Bookings phone 21 4214
Western Entrance, Northfields Avenue.

Timetable: 9 April: BHP Youth Orchestra 8pm. 17-29 May, The Chapel Perilous, John Senczuk. 30 May: Illawarra Choral Society Performance, 5-9pm. 5-7 June: Regional Poets Co-op Conference, 9am-10.30pm, Ron Pretty.

GENERAL

27 March: The New Literatures Research Centre is staging its **1993 Children's Literature Conference**. Called *Australian Children's Literature: Finding a Voice*, the conference will be held in the Pentagon. The registration fee of \$60 (\$55 for students) includes a two-course lunch. Registration plus conference dinner is \$95 (\$90). Inquiries to Administrative Assistant, Maryann Pearce, tel. (042) 21 3226 or (042) 21 3677.

27 March: **Illawarra Committee for Overseas Students** has organised a coach trip to Australia's Wonderland on Saturday (Adults \$15, Children \$10). There will be another coach trip to Jamberoo Recreation Park on Sunday, 28 March (Adults \$10, Children \$5). Other events for this year are: 3 April, picnic at Cordeaux Dam \$2; 12 April, Gledswood Homestead (Adults \$10, Children \$3); 8 May, Canberra (Adults \$12, Children \$10); 9 May, Blue Mountains; 31 July and 7 August, Snowy Mountains; 18 September, Blue Mountains; 26 and 27 September, Canberra; 16 October, Sydney Aquarium and harbour cruise; 4 December, Australia's Wonderland. Tickets and details are available from ICOS office, 3rd Floor, Union Retail Centre on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9.30am to 2pm or phone 21 3158.

Considering further study or just some recreational reading? Visit the **University Graduates bookshop and gallery book**

What's On

sale at Campus East, Fairy Meadow. The stock of used books covers: Science & Engineering, Social Sciences, Arts & Music, Education, Fiction & Non-Fiction, Young Readers' Stories & Classics. Open every fourth Saturday and Sunday from 1-5pm, the bookshop is located at Cowper Street, Fairy Meadow (opposite the Science Centre). Your donations of any material are invited. These may be left any weekend afternoon at the Science Centre (Please mark "Booksale"), or The Library or Students Enquiry Desk during the week.

Meetings dates of the **Animal Experimentation Ethics Committee** have been set for 1993. Prepare your applications in advance of these dates as no other meetings will be held in 1993. Meeting dates, with agenda deadlines in brackets, are: 24 May (14 May); 9 August (30 July); 22 November (12 November).

Dates for 1993 meetings (with agenda deadlines in brackets) for **Human Experimentation Ethics Committee** are: 27 April (13 April); 25 May (11 May); 13 July (29 June); 24 August (10 August); 5 October (21 September); 16 November (2 November); 21 December (7 December).

The Science Centre at Campus East has on display an interactive exhibition featuring the fossil history of Australia entitled '**Life of the Past**'. This high quality exhibition, suitable for all ages, is on loan from the South Australian Museum and is supplemented by local materials. It will be at the Science Centre until the end of March. Enquiries, tel. 21 3521 (am) or 83 6665 (pm).

Due to the desirability to give members time to consider agenda papers, it has become necessary to impose a deadline on the submission of papers for the **Undergraduate Studies Committee**. Therefore any items for the committee must be given to the Secretary, Mrs Marina Evans, or the Minute Secretary, Mrs Sonia Jennings (both located in Student Administration) by 5pm, on the following dates:

13 April,
11 May,
29 June,
1 September and
26 October.

Items received after this time will not be presented until the following meeting. Meeting dates appear on the University Schedule of Meetings. By giving members time to read the agenda, it will allow them to seek clarification or further information and to follow-up issues with other Faculty members where necessary.

Stop Press

Long Gallery Exhibition opened Friday 19 March

An exhibition of
photo art by Michael
Thompson, Peter
Jones and Peter
Kemp.

Long Gallery hours:
Mon-Fri 9am-5pm
Sunday 1.30-4pm
Enquiries 21 3996

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