UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG

UNIVERSITY DAY

1961 to 1995

Evening Program
6 pm, 8 May 1995
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University Day commemorates the establishment of the University of Wollongong as a College of the University of New South Wales, 34 years ago, in May 1961. The University’s anniversary is traditionally celebrated on the Monday closest to 8 May - the day on which the Wollongong University College was formally constituted in 1961 by resolution of the Council of the University of New South Wales. (This year, University Day falls on the actual date - 8 May.)
Welcome by
The Chancellor, the Hon Dr Robert M Hope, AC CMG Hon LLD QC

Musical Interlude
Trois Pièces Nègres pour Les Touches Blanches  Constant Lambert
i  Aubade
ii  Siesta
iii  Nocturne

Marilyn Meier and David Vance, piano
from the Faculty of Creative Arts

Presentation of Awards
The Ethel Hayton Award
The 25 Year Staff Awards
The Vice-Chancellor’s Excellence in Teaching Awards
The Vice-Chancellor’s Outstanding Service Awards for General Staff
The Inaugural University Day Student Award
(See the following pages for details of award nominees and recipients)

Report on the Student Year

Musical Interlude
I’m tone deaf  Michael Flanders and Donald Swan

Jane Edwards, soprano; David Vance, piano
from the Faculty of Creative Arts

Address by Professor Gerard Sutton, Vice-Chancellor of the University
and Mr Ian McMaster, General Manager,
BHP, Sheet and Coil Products Division

Title: Internationalisation of the Illawarra Region

Appreciation
Dr R M Hope Chancellor of the University

Refreshments in Theatre Foyer
1995 University Day Awards

Below are extracts from the citations and histories of the award nominees and recipients.

The Ethel Hayton Award

Awarded for a notable contribution to enhancing the relationship between the University and the community. Nominated for the 1995 Award are:

**Damien Considine**, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law
For his far-reaching voluntary programs which give disadvantaged people access to the law and its agencies, especially as Chairperson and later a member of the Illawarra Community Legal Centre. By involving his students in the programs, he has given them a valuable and mutually rewarding learning experience. Through his dedication, he has succeeded in providing an opportunity for the University and its Law students to help in meeting an extensive deep need in the community.

**Barry Harper and John Hedberg**, Associate Professors, Faculty of Education
For their development of highly acclaimed, award-winning teaching programs using interactive Multi Media and CD Rom technology. Through these innovative programs the impact of the University teaching reaches many community levels with ongoing benefit to children, adults and to issues of national and global concern, particularly the environment and health care.

**Michael Hough**, Professor, Department of Management
For his initiative in developing the Wollongong Graduate Certificate in Management which has enhanced the education and training opportunities for members of the community and heightened public awareness of the role of the University. First offered in 1994, the course is being delivered through TAFE Colleges and enrolments have already grown to over 100 in sites all over Australia with interest being shown in Singapore.

**Dianna Wong**, International Student Adviser, International Office
For her contribution as a founding member of the Illawarra Committee for International Students (ICIS), a voluntary community organisation which assist international students to assimilate into, and contribute to the Australian community. In over 10 years of voluntary service, she has made special efforts to assist individual students at times of great personal stress.
Jeff Wragg, Senior Lecturer, Department of Psychology
For his initiative in developing the Learning and Behavioural Support Unit which has linked community needs with clinical experience requirements for post-graduate students and has become a major referral point for children and adolescents within the Illawarra and Shoalhaven community. Dr Wragg also set up, and still supervises, a Drug and Alcohol Treatment program at Kadesh House.

The Chancellor will announce the 1995 recipient and present the Ethel Hayton Trophy and certificate. The Trophy, sculptured in bronze, depicts one of the ancient fig trees which were a feature of the Wollongong campus. It is held by the recipient until the next University Day. All nominees will receive inscribed certificates.
The 25 Year Staff Awards

Awards are presented each year to members of academic and general staff who have served the University for 25 years. This year’s Awards are presented to:

Rob Castle, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Economics
An admired academic and teacher, Associate Professor Rob Castle was appointed as a tutor in Department of Economics in 1970 and is now Head of the Department. Professor Castle has served as a member of University Council, Council’s Administrative Committees, and Senate Standing Committee as well as President and Secretary of the Academic Staff Association.

Philip de Lacey, Associate Professor, Faculty of Education
As Chairperson and a founding member of the then Department of Education at Wollongong University College, Associate Professor de Lacey introduced the undergraduate program in education. He continues to be program director of an experimental pre-school and researches culture, language and English writing problems in universities.

Glen Moore, Senior Lecturer, Department of Physics
Dr Glen Moore joined the University as a tutor in 1970 and is presently a Senior Lecturer in the Physics Department. He has a special interest in astronomy, science for non-science majors, and public science education. Glen Moore’s lasting achievement was the establishment of the highly successful Science Centre and Planetarium at Campus East in 1989. He has won the Ethel Hayton Award for Community Involvement (in 1989) and the Australian College of Education Prize for Excellence in Education (in 1991).

Ron Parker, Senior Technical Officer, Electrical and Computer Engineering
Mr Parker joined the University College staff in September 1970 as a Laboratory Technician and is now Senior Technical Officer in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. He has served as the general staff member of the University Council and has played a strong role in supporting fellow staff, especially in industrial matters.
**Brian Rogers, Lecturer, Faculty of Education**
Mr Rogers joined the Wollongong Institute of Education in 1969. Brian Rogers dedicated his career to teacher education and his enthusiastic research interest in Australian colonial history which produced a detailed and respected study of salt mining in Victoria.

**Eric Young, Maintenance Supervisor, Buildings and Grounds Branch**
Eric Young was first employed with the Wollongong University College as a Laboratory Craftsman on 28 July 1969. He started work in what was then called the “Workshop” under the control of the Department of Mechanical, Civil and Mining Engineering. In late 1974, he moved to the new Maintenance Department and, in July 1977, was reclassified as a Senior Mechanical Craftsman. Eric was appointed Working Foreman (Mechanical) in July 1979 and as Maintenance Supervisor in February 1984.

*Recipients of the 25 Year Awards receive commemorative plaques.*
The Vice-Chancellor's Excellence in Teaching Awards

Receiving the Vice-Chancellor’s Award for outstanding performance as teachers are:

**Joshua Poh Onn Fan**, Lecturer, Department of Business Systems
For his exceptional talent for linking philosophy and method in teaching practice within his discipline. Joshua Fan's teaching methods cover a range of techniques and he was one of the pioneers in developing new technology to assist teaching practice. He has also presented papers on his teaching experience to national conferences. Joshua shows a genuine interest in his students' progress and the success of his teaching is reflected in the fact that three of his nominees were students.

**Robyn Lindley**, Associate Lecturer, Department of Information & Communication Technology
For the enthusiasm, breadth and diversity of her teaching. Robyn Lindley teaches a full undergraduate load, has been instrumental in the development of three new subjects, and supervised eighteen honours and masters students. She has a clear sense of subject objectives and teaching strategies and has built into her teaching a regular system of student feedback. Robyn also uses her own research in her teaching which puts her students at the cutting edge in their field of study.

**Kamel Micheal**, Associate Lecturer, Department of Management
For the extraordinary academic versatility in his teaching in four different departments over the last eighteen months. Mr Michael uses a variety of techniques to encourage and reward his students. Availability for student consultation is an integral part of his teaching. His subject outlines reflect careful planning, clearly stating subject objectives and subject requirements. He has also shared his approach to, and enthusiasm for, teaching with the broader University community through workshops conducted by the Centre for Staff Development.
Glenn Mitchell, Lecturer, Department of Science & Technology Studies
For the enthusiasm he brings to his subject and his rare ability to enthuse his students. Dr Mitchell has taught across four departments in three faculties. In each department his teaching earned the praise of both colleagues and students. This was most clearly reflected in the student survey responses for one of the service courses he teaches for the Engineering Faculty. It is rare indeed that any service course taught to a large body of students achieves such high ratings. Dr Mitchell shows a commendable sensitivity to student needs, often offering help with writing essays beyond the normal call of duty.

The Recipients are recommended to the Vice-Chancellor by a special Committee which considers nominations from colleagues and students. Each Award is in the form of a certificate and a cheque for $2000.
The Vice-Chancellor’s Outstanding Service Awards for General Staff

The Outstanding Service Awards are presented each year to members of general staff who have achieved an exceptional success, given outstanding service or shown recognised initiative in their work. This year’s recipients are:

**Tony Chancellor**, Timetabling Officer, Academic & Student Services
For his exceptional performance in a very challenging customer service role in which needs of clients often tend to be in conflict. In his dealings with clients Mr Chancellor has shown unfailing tolerance, good humour and a nimble wit. The changes which Tony introduced to the process of timetabling and room allocation for 1995 resulted in a more equitable needs-based distribution of resources. His professionalism, his willingness to listen and to adapt to changes and his innovations have had a very positive impact on the wider University community.

**Pam Epe**, Research Services Librarian, Michael Birt Library
For the quality of advice she provides for Reference Librarians, academic staff and postgraduate students and many other users seeking to come to terms with the ever-changing developments in electronic library resources. By other initiatives such as a shelf tidying/checking collection day, Ms Epe has also helped to build team spirit and morale in the Library. Pam has participated in the Library’s Quality and Service Excellence Program and organised a trial series of information sessions for academic staff on Library databases. She is a real asset to the Library’s customer service initiatives.

**Warwick Grace**, Gardener/Tradesperson, Buildings & Grounds
For his vision and initiative in applying for and successfully obtaining a grant from the Environmental Restoration and Rehabilitation Trust to undertake bush regeneration on campus and his continuing commitment to improving the natural environment. Mr Grace uses the University bushland as an educational resource and has strengthened ties between the University and the community by his participation in the Keira Green Corridor and the assistance he has given to local residents and students interested in bush preservation/regeneration. He provides an excellent example to other staff.
Marina McGlinn, Professional Officer, Environmental Science
For her part in the great success of the 1994 Honours Projects in the Bachelor of Environmental Science degree. Ms McGlinn performed an important intermediary role between the students, university supervisors, external organisation supervisors and managers. She did much to enable some students to complete their project and graduate and her nomination for this award had strong student support. The success of the Project exposed the University to a broad range of potential markets and Marina’s coordination reflected extremely well on the Unit and the University.

Catriona McGurk, Faculty of Arts Librarian, Michael Birt Library
For her effective and professional service to Library clients and to enhancing Information Literacy. Following completion of the Introduction to Tertiary Teaching subject, Ms McGurk applied her teaching skills in the Library Skills Instruction programs and in a successful In-Service course for Faculty Librarians. She has been influential in the development of a new subject for Arts students - ARTS 101, Library Skills and Information Literacy. This is the first time that Library Skills instruction has attracted credit points at this University (and indeed at most universities in Australia).

Andrew Scobie, Ron Kinnell, Jose Gonzales, Mechanical Workshop and Bob DeJong, Albert Bult, Electrical Workshop, a group nomination from the Department of Materials Engineering
For their initiative and success in 1994 in the construction of a Filtered Arc Deposition System for the Department. The demands on the abilities of the staff were extraordinary and they rose to the challenge to complete the project at a substantial cost saving to the University. They designed, manufactured and commissioned a very sophisticated and complicated system (air lock) that would have cost more than $100,000 to purchase. The standard of work, the dedication and the professionalism of the technical staff was outstanding.

Albert, Bob, Jose, Ron and Andrew have been recognised by academic staff for the quality of their work and their commitment. The research and academic activities of the Department is underpinned by the strength of the Mechanical and Electrical Workshop Staff.

Each recipient and group of recipients will receive a certificate and a cheque for $1000 or a contribution to the value of $1000 towards attendance at courses or conferences of their choice.
The University Day Student Award

The University Council has recently established an Award to recognise the outstanding achievement of a student in academic and other activities (for example: community service, sport, the arts). The students may be nominated by the Deans and Heads of Departments and the President of the Students’ Representative Council. The recipient is selected by a panel chaired by the Deputy Chancellor.

As this is the inaugural award the names of the nominees and the selected candidate will be announced on the night.

*The recipient will receive a certificate and a cheque for $1000.*