Welcome to the University

Commencing students filled the Hope Theatre for the two ceremonies held to welcome them to the University. In his address, the Vice-Chancellor Professor Ken McKinnon urged students to become involved in the governance of the University by putting their names forward for the various faculty committees and to take an interest in maintaining a clean and attractive campus for us all to enjoy.

Science and Australia’s Asian economic strategy

The first in the 1993 series of public seminars being conducted by the Graduate Faculty will be held on 17 March.

The University has chosen several researchers to present seminars over the next few months which are open to the campus and to the community.

The aim is to provide opportunities for people in Wollongong to hear, in lay terms, about the outstanding research being undertaken at the University.

This seminar is being given by Professor Stephen Hill, Director of the Centre for Research Policy, an Australian Research Council Special Research Centre located at the University of Wollongong.

His topic is 'Catching the Tail of the Asian Tiger: Science and Australia’s Asian Economic Strategy'.

The seminar will be given in the University Union Function Centre at 6.30pm on 17 March 1993. A light supper will be served afterwards.

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Three Arts Faculty students have been nominated for the following Prizes for 1992:

- Aisling Society Prize (Dept. of English) Danielle Voss.
- Philip Larkin Prize (School of Creative Arts) Cassie McCullagh.
- Mary Black Memorial Prize (Dept. of History and Politics) Stephen Ward.

This will be the first time that the Aisling Prize has been awarded. Associate Professor Colm Kiernan (Department of History and Politics), who is a member of this Irish Society, was very helpful in establishing this prize. The presentation of this prize is to be arranged by the Department of English.

The Mary Black Memorial Prize, which is also a relatively recent prize, commemorates a former member of the General Staff.

Korea University is planning to offer a two-week intensive teaching workshop for Australian academic staff from 5-16 July in Seoul.

The plan is subject to funding, with a final program expected to be available later this month.

The workshop will feature introductory lectures on aspects of Korean society and culture, field trips, and intensive collaboration with Korean academic counterparts to assist participants to develop Korea-related academic course materials for use in undergraduate teaching programs in Australia.

The National Korean Studies Centre is seeking expressions of interest from academic staff teaching at Australian tertiary institutions who may wish to attend this workshop.

Participants will receive a round-trip economy air fare, and course-related expenses (including accommodation) will be borne by the hosting bodies.

Participants will need to provide evidence of their capacity to translate the knowledge gained through participation in the workshop into the offering of academic courses for credit.

The centre will consider proposals for participation from all academic fields, but preference will be given to proposals in the fields of the social sciences and humanities.

For application forms write to: The Executive Director, National Korean Studies Centre, PO Box 218, Hawthorn Vic 3122, from whom further information may also be obtained on tel. (03) 819 8608 or Fax (03) 819 8694.

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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.

A $1000 prize awarded by the Illawarra Area Health Service has been shared by two research projects at the University of Wollongong.

Rhonda Griffiths and Robert Moses were recognised for their ongoing research into diabetics at work, and Rohan Jayasuriya also of the Department of Public Health and Nutrition, was recognised for his research into managing asthma in accident and emergency departments.

The Student Enquiries Counter opening hours have been extended as follows in order to increase the level of administrative services provided to students at this often busy time of the academic year.

Week beginning 15 March: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8.30am-5.30pm; Thursday 8.30am-6.30pm; Friday 8.30am-5pm.

Thereafter each day 9am-5pm.

The University Cashier also has extended hours. Until 19 March the cashier will be open from 9am-5pm Monday to Friday.

The Department of Accountancy and Department of Psychology have computer equipment for sale by tender.

Details of the equipment and tender are available from Office Services Department. Contact Melissa, ext. 3219.
President of the NSW Court of Appeal and one of Australia's leading advocates of law reform, Justice Michael Kirby, visited the University recently to present a seminar on privacy and information technology.

Professor Kirby presented the seminar at the invitation of the Information Technology and Communication (ITAC) Unit in the Faculty of Informatics.

The importance of this issue discussed was highlighted by the level of interest shown in the seminar by members of the community.

Members of the legal profession, local government and the broader community attended a public dinner before Justice Kirby's address.

Justice Kirby spoke about his recent path-breaking work as Committee Chairman for the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris where he helped draw up international guidelines for data security.

He said that information privacy, especially as it relates to the extensive growth of information technology, was a matter the legal profession in Australia had to face.

Computer crime, computer hacking and computer viruses were all cited as instances where changes to existing laws were needed.

Justice Kirby commended the University for its foresight in establishing a Faculty of Informatics - and especially for calling it 'Informatics' - and said he expected the ITAC Unit to play an increasingly important role in raising awareness of the social and legal aspects of information technology.

This year has been declared by the United Nations as the International Year of the World's Indigenous Peoples, with the theme 'Indigenous people - a new partnership'.

The University of Wollongong will host one of the most important activities of the year in Australia, World Indigenous Peoples Conference: Education 1993.

The conference, from 11-17 December, aims to further develop the processes of learning and sharing educational and other life experiences between the worlds' indigenous peoples and to initiate the drafting of an International Charter of Indigenous Peoples Education Rights.

The overall aim is to further unite the indigenous peoples of the world.

A panel of international indigenous people will give a general overview of historical and contemporary issues in education as well as some discussion of future challenges.

Special focus forums will be held on elders, youth, communities and educators.

Preferred special interest groups will be established to discuss specific aspects of indigenous peoples education. Papers will be called for these groups.

For more information contact Nerida Blair, from the national organising committee, phone (042) 261522.
Science and Australia's Asian economic strategy

Professor Hill said most of Australia's current research collaboration and international networks are European or North American based. ‘Most of Australia's international commercial investment lies in the same locations,’ he said.

‘Yet Australia is increasingly linked geographically and economically with our Asian neighbours. ‘Australia’s science capability offers a path for cementing these economic relations, and moving beyond commodity dependency, but a new strategy is required.’

Professor Hill said the shape of this strategy involves forming partnerships with Asian nations to assist them to address the strains in development that many of the nations are confronting, for example in environmental protection and skills development. ‘This strategy requires changing the way we use science, including, for example as a strategic diplomatic tool for getting in the door of longer-term economic relations. The strategy also requires considerable reorganisation of priorities at home.’

Professor Hill's address capitalises on 30 years of research on science, technology and Asian development, and his extensive experience of international relations in Asia.

This is through involvement in most of Australia’s bilateral science and technology agreements with Asian countries, as International Coordinator of APEC’s (the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum) industrial technology and human resource development programs, and as Chairman of the United Nations based STEPAN program (Science and Technology Policy Asian Network).

The strategy for Asian relations that Professor Hill is leading was initially presented in late 1992 to the Joint Academies of Science and Technological Sciences and to the Prime Minister's Science and Engineering Council.

Professor Hill is advising the Prime Minister’s office, DITAC and DEET on these issues.

Professor Hill is trained in physical science, social science and business administration.

He has published many books and articles on science, technology and development issues, and consulted for most governments in the region as well as most relevant international agencies.

Among other things he was joint author of the United Nations Science and Technology and Development strategy for the 1970s decade and UNESCO’s Science and Technology Asian strategy for the 1980s.

Before his present position as Director of the Centre for Research Policy, Professor Hill founded the University's Department of Sociology and co-founded the University's Centre for Multicultural Studies and Centre for Technology and Social Change.

To assist with catering arrangements, please call Karen McRae, on ext. 4420, if you will be attending this seminar.
Two Wollongong staff on SBS committee

Two University staff have been appointed by the Special Broadcasting Service to its Community Advisory Committee.

Pro Vice-Chancellor Professor Lauchlan Chipman and Associate Professor Gaetano Rando of the Department of Modern Languages were appointed.

The new members will join Mr Steve Karas, whose appointment as Chairperson has already been announced.

The committee will advise the SBS Board on community needs and opinions, including the needs of small or newly arrived ethnic groups.

In making the announcement SBS Chairperson, Sir Nicholas Shehadie said the Community Advisory Committee will fulfil a crucial role in SBS’s activities.

The SBS has made every effort to ensure that the composition of the committee is a broadly based one and that, the members have an understanding of Australia’s multicultural society, and in particular have interests relevant to, and an understanding of, ethnic, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities,’ Sir Nicholas said.

The SBS Board selected Committee members from more than 200 people who responded to media announcements and from other nominations.

Two members, Mr Victor Rebikoff and Mr Sol Bellear are nominees of the Federation of Ethnic Communities Councils of Australia and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission respectively.

The committee is: Mr Steve Karas (Qld), Mr Michael Liffman (Vic), Ms V Messimeri-Kianidis (Vic), Mr Michael Radin (SA), Mr Joe de Luca (NT), Ms Christina Pebaque (NSW), Ms Angelina Oyang (NSW), Mr Paddy Zouky (Vic), Ms Mahah Abdu (NSW), Dr Maresce Gillot (WA), Mr Sol Bellear (ATSIC nominee - National, NSW), Mr Victor Rebikoff (FECCA nominee - National, ACT), Dr Rando (NSW) and Professor Chipman (NSW).

Competing through quality

One of America’s foremost authorities in the field of services marketing, Professor Leonard Berry, will be the keynote speaker at a special seminar organised by the Department of Management.

Professor Leonard L Berry holds the J C Penny Chair of Retailing at Texas A&M University where he is also Professor of Marketing and Director of the Centre for Retailing Studies.

The seminar will be held on 18 March in the Union Building Function Room. Fees are $125 or $100 three or more. $45 full-time staff and $25 students. Bookings (042) 213 4052.

With colleagues, A Parasuraman and Valarie Zeithaml, Professor Berry has been studying services quality in America since 1983 under the sponsorship of the Marketing Science Institute.

His research has broken new ground in understanding the dimensions and determinants of customers’ perceptions of quality in service firms.

The seminar is sponsored by the Australian Institute of Management, WIN TV, radio station 198FM, Illawarra Quality Management, Illawarra Electricity, Illawarra Credit Union.

More changes for The Friends of University

The Friends of the University is undergoing further transformation.

A new constitution is being prepared for submission to members at the next Annual General Meeting on Friday 14 May to reflect the change from a publicly registered company to an association.

The mission and the objectives of the Association remain the same, but it is expected the Association will be able to achieve a greater degree of involvement, particularly of annual members.

Since its formation in 1980 the Friends has developed many activities which have subsequently become independent and the most recent of these is the decision of the members of the Graduates Group to become a Chapter of the Alumni Association.

Pro Vice-Chancellor, Professor Lauchlan Chipman said that as the University matures graduates will fill an increasing number of positions of influence and responsibility in the community and to become the principal source of community support for the University.

'Presently, however, we still depend upon the citizens who, whilst not being graduates of our University, recognise the critical role of the University in building our community and are willing to assist in providing support for the University by giving of their time and resources,’ Professor Chipman said.

'To maintain the goodwill and support of these Friends it is necessary to keep them informed of the University developments and provide opportunities for them to participate in a range of University activities.

'In turn we expect of them that they keep themselves informed, and all their personal networks to influence others in the community to appreciate just how much the University contributes to our community.

'The Board is seeking a suitable person to undertake the task of Executive Officer to replace Mickey Foulds, who regrettably found it necessary for family reasons to tender her resignation.’

As an interim measure John Bell the present Deputy Chairman will act as Executive Officer to oversee these changes. Antoinette Mattaranz will continue as administrative assistant in charge of the Friends Office.
Forum shows growing interest in languages

More than 450 students, parents and careers advisers attended a forum organised by Ms Susan Yates of the Department of Modern Languages to outline the career opportunities for students undertaking studies in languages.

Only 150 attended a similar forum last year.

Management Accounting meets challenge

Dramatic changes in manufacturing technology have forced practising and academic management accountants to examine their discipline to ensure management has information relevant to the new challenges of the '90s and beyond.

Reflecting this concern Associate Professor Hai Yap Teoh and Warwick Funnell of the Department of Accountancy have published an innovative management accounting textbook

This year students in ACCY211, Management Accounting II, will be using 'Management Accounting: An Annotated Manual' (Butterworths 1993), a significant new addition to accounting texts written with the Australian student in mind.

The text is a response to student demands over many years for a text that provides not only the substantive conceptual and procedural basis of the discipline but also, in a very detailed manner, shows the student how to go about solving problems drawn from an extensive array of a number of different situations.

'Management Accounting: An Annotated Manual' adds to the growing list of texts that have been written by members of the Department of Accountancy and that are being used as subject texts.

First year accountancy students use 'Principles of Accounting' by Professor Michael Gaffikin, while 'Advanced Auditing: Principles and Practice' by Gul, Andrews and Teoh is used in Advanced Auditing.

Pro Vice-Chancellor
4-year term appointment

Professor Lauchlan Chipman's four-year term as Pro Vice-Chancellor will expire in July 1993.

The conditions determined for the position when it was created in 1989 require that, while potentially renewable, the position be filled by advertisement at the end of the four-year term.

The University Council, at its February meeting, endorsed the immediate internal advertising of the position in order that the matter be resolved well in advance of the completion of Professor Chipman's term of office.

Applications are thus invited from senior academic staff of the University for appointment to the position of Pro Vice-Chancellor.

The appointee will be part of the executive management team comprising the Vice-Chancellor, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Vice-Principal (Administration) and Vice-Principal (International).

Appointment will be for four years without expectations beyond that period. Renewal may be possible but this would be a separate decision.

Duties, which may be varied from time to time, will include the provision of general support on a wide range of academic matters to the Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

Current responsibilities include the overall supervision of learning and teaching processes; library and information technology; staff development; Aboriginal Education Centre; community relations and development; and planned new developments, including open learning.

The Pro Vice-Chancellor also chairs the Investigation Committee. Particular projects may be assigned by the Vice-Chancellor on a time to time basis.

The post is not limited to those of Dean or professorial rank, but does require of candidates clear evidence of leadership and academic management skills.

Leadership in this context implies sharing in determination of the goals of the University and ability to persuade members of the community to strive jointly to achieve these goals.

The appointee will need to have, in addition to academic planning and communication skills, the ability to take difficult decisions in ways which maintain the confidence of the academic community.

Personal qualities of energy, judgement and decisiveness are primary requirements, but optimism, self-confidence, and articulateness are also expected of the successful candidate.

Remuneration will be by way of a salary package and benefits. Further details are available from the Manager Personnel, Mr Chris Grange.

Staff interested in the position are asked to provide written expressions of interest plus a curriculum vitae addressed to the Vice-Chancellor by 5pm on Friday, 17 March 1993.

Selection will be made by a representative committee empowered by the Council of the University to fill the post by application or invitation and interviews will be held on 31 March 1993.
'The Vicar of Morbing Vyle': success for the Printery too

In the last few years the Printery has developed an excellent short-run publication facility.

The Printery has listened and responded to the requirements of small-scale publishing co-operatives and self-publishing authors, and as a result has developed production methods suited to high quality short-run books.

Richard Harland's latest book, 'The Vicar of Morbing Vyle', is a fine example of this.

The book's text is sharp and clear, helped by the use of better quality offset paper than used in commercially published paper-backs.

'The Vicar of Morbing Vyle' cover is extremely eye-catching which is most important to the overall perception of the book.

Mr Harland designed the cover, but the technical aspects of making the design work as a printed book cover was left to Paul Campani, the Printery's graphic artist, and Garry Piggott, one of the Printery's colour print experts.

From design concept of the cover, positive film overlays were produced to exacting standard of quality and size on the Printery's newly computerised Agfa darkroom camera.

The design required extremely accurate fitting of colours as they were overlayed at the film and plate making stages.

The high print quality was achieved on the latest print technology machinery – a Sakurai Printing Press, which was installed late in 1992.

Finally, the Printery applied clear laminate to the book's cover.

Manager of the Union Campus Bookshop, Steve James, said the production quality of 'The Vicar of Morbing Vyle' would put a lot of the major publishers to shame and is a landmark in local publishing quality.

Mr Harland, a lecturer in the Department of English, said: 'I'm amazed that the book has been so successful so quickly. I'm sure that much of its success is due to the visual impact of the cover and the obvious quality of the printing.'

'The Vicar of Morbing Vyle' is a Gothic fantasy. The overall mood of the novel maybe described as a 'nightmare farce' or 'comic macabre'.

In the first weeks of distribution, the novel has been taken up in large quantities by the six main bookshops in the Wollongong region. It retails for $8.95.

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More postgraduate research awards

Awards (OPRA): Wai Lok Lo (Mathematics); Stephen Tooth (Geography); Rainer Wende (Geography); Robert D'Souza (Computer Science); Pornchai Satravaha (Mathematics); Ingrid Schraner (History and Politics); Xiaogang Yao (Mechanical Engineering); Heqing Huang (Civil and Mining Engineering).

Other outstanding Scholarship Recipients from the University of Wollongong: Linda Murdoch, Energy Research & Development Corporation Scholarship, one of only five offered in Australia to undertake a PhD at Wollongong. The other four went to ANU, Uni of SA, Melbourne, and La Trobe.

Anton Arndt, German Government scholarship to study in Cologne for a year in the Biomedical Sciences, one of only 12 offered in Australia.

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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.

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 Sonja Jennings (both located in Student Administration) by 5pm, on the following dates:

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

The University of Wollongong is exhibiting works by artists in residence Jessic Carfield, Daisy Huckel and Kay Norington in the Bistro until March 23. The hours are noon to 4pm Monday to Friday. The Bistro is open for lunch 12-2pm. The paintings are for sale. Any enquiries to Bistro Counter or Union Office or phone 29 7833.

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Another Postgraduate Research Award received

Dr Sivakumar (Dept of Civil and Mining Engineering) has just been notified that his application in conjunction with Wollongong City Council has received funding.

Increase in Postgraduate Research Awards

The University has been awarded three extra Australian Postgraduate Research Awards (APRA) due to the high number of quality applicants.

Twenty two APRA and 10 University Postgraduate Research Award Scholarships have been awarded with all candidates confirming their acceptance.

Congratulations to the following candidates who have been awarded research awards commencing in 1993.

Australian Postgraduate Research Awards (APRA): Grant Moule (Mathematics); Glenda Moylan-Brouffe (English); Beverley Aubrey (Computer Science); Bryan Shedden (Materials Engineering); Karin Garretty (STS); Pushkar Piggott (Computer Science); Tony Liu (Electrical and Computer Engineering); Sean Cox (Biology); Brandon Pincombe (Mathematics); Giovanni D’Alessio (Mechanical Engineering); Antony Marsh (Centre for Research Policy); Andrew Hayne (Management); Elvis Jamec (Accountancy); Karen Adams (English); Kerry Goddard (English); Adam Smith (Biology); Paul Whetham (Psychology); Roger Lewis (Biomedical Science); Matthew O’Mullane (Biology); Michael Hayes (English); Tania Dalla Pozza (Biology); John Greenfield (Geology).

University Postgraduate Research Awards (UPRA): Carol McVeigh (Nursing); James Cotter (Biomedical Sciences); Anthony Hogan (Public Health and Nutrition); Wai Lok Lo (Mathematics); Stephen Toth (Geography); Martinus Marianto (School of Creative Arts); Md Reza Zamani (Business Systems); Steven Harvey (Mechanical Engineering); Sanaul Huq Chowdhury (Civil and Mining Engineering); Shaomin Zhu (Computer Science); Tie Hua-Huang, School of Creative Arts.

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