FM License Application Imminent
by Hugh Spencer

Wollongong would appear to be the largest city in Australia which does not have a Community FM radio station.

This unfortunate state of affairs should come to an end soon with the joining of forces of the Community Broadcasters and the University, to apply for a Class C license for the Illawarra community.

Community Access Broadcasting is designed to allow access to the airwaves by those sections of the community which customarily have great difficulty in getting access to conventional media. This difficulty of access is by no means constrained to migrant groups, but applies to just about all local theatre, drama, educational, music, cultural and environmental groups. It also applies to individuals.

Community Access Broadcasting is also required to complement existing radio services, which means that high quality (both technically and in content) music broadcasting will play an important part in programming, as will educational material and it is expected that programming directed at foreign language groups within the community will account for about one quarter of the programming time.

Future plans of the Institute sector for the Diploma of the Performing Arts includes radio broadcasting, and it is expected that the Community FM station will serve as a training ground for these students. In any event University involvement in the venture will result in enhanced visibility for the University and enhance its relations with the community at large.

Financing of Community Radio stations is generally via a number of sources - subscriptions from listeners, charges for air time, grants from agencies such as the Special Broadcasting Service, fund raisers and tax deductible donations (usually through agencies such as the Friends). In addition institutions such as the University may provide funds for setting up particular facilities within the station. To be seen as a Community Station financial and political independence is mandatory.

Like many community based groups the Community FM station is absolutely dependent upon volunteer labour, the only salaried position initially will be that of station manager, and the applicant for that demanding position will be doing it more for love than money.

Support for the Community radio station comes from a variety of sources including the newly formed Wollongong Arts Council and Migrant Resource Centre.

Following the Tribunal hearing and the granting of the license the Community station will be looking for a home, probably for 3 to 4 years until the station is, as is hoped, located in the proposed Arts Centre. Our current 'home' the PDS building on Keira Street is expected to fall to the demolition experts in the next year or so to make way for a parking lot (it would have made a splendid Alternative Arts Centre). A centrally located studio will be essential for establishing the concept of community accessibility for the station.

For the present, the volunteers in the Wollongong Community Broadcasters will be busy preparing for next year's test broadcast (Heritage Week again) setting up a second studio and preparing an enlarged planning proposal for submission to the Department of Communication. For this we need volunteers, especially in the technical and legal areas, but we also desperately need people who are interested in learning announcing and programming techniques so that we have lots of competent announcers for the test broadcast and for subsequent broadcasting once the license is granted.

Letters of support from Community and University based groups are essential for the Tribunal, and may be sent to the address below.

People interested in becoming involved in the Community Radio could contact Dr. Hugh Spencer, c/- Department of Biology (282994 or 711514).

PUBLIC MEETING - Wollongong Community Broadcasters will be holding a public meeting to discuss Community FM Broadcasting in the Illawarra and to elect officers for 1983-84 at 8.00 p.m., in the P.D.S. Building, Keira Street (opposite the Art Gallery) on Thursday, July 14, 1983.

NEW SENATE CHAIRMAN

Professor Ron King, Professor of Education, will be Chairman of the Academic Senate until the next election on 30 June 1984.

He replaces Professor John Ryan who resigned at the Senate meeting on 29 June 1983 to proceed on approved study leave.
UNIVERSITY HOSTS COMPUTER CONFERENCE

The 1983 Conference of the Sperry Univac System 1100 Users is to be held at the University of Wollongong on Thursday and Friday, July 7 and 8.

Geoff Hamer, Computer Manager at the University, and Conference Organiser, said that about one hundred delegates had registered representing twenty-one organisations from five Australian states and the A.C.T.

The Conference Programme comprises twenty-three papers encompassing a wide range of topics, from Government and Industry use of MAPPER, Sperry's fourth-generation language, a presentation of the latest Array Processor for the 1100 series, by Floating Point Inc. of Oregon, USA; to a demonstration of the Corporate Modelling Package, DSS, developed by the University of Western Australia and also used by the University of Wollongong.

Of a less technical nature, will be the talk and demonstration given by Richard Reid, a Ph.D. student in History, of the detailed and extensive Computer Data Base he has compiled of 45,000 Irish Immigrants to N.S.W. between 1848 and 1870.

A "mini" Trade Fair will be run for the two days of the Conference. This will include continuous demonstration of Sperry's automated office system, SPERRY-LINK; the "electronic spreadsheet" package, MULTIPLAN, compliments of Microsoft, running on the UTS40 micro-based terminal supplied by Sperry; and demonstration of Wollongong University's Document Processing System and Phototypsetter.

A new feature of this year's conference will be the announcement by the Users Association's Chairman, Mr. Keith Chapman of the Tasmanian Treasury, of the $1100 prize for the best paper. The prize is subject to the paper being presented by its author at the next Users' Conference in North America and is meant to defray travelling costs.

The Wollongong Conference will be opened by Dr. Ken McKinnon, University Vice-Chancellor, at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday. Professor Lauchlan Chipman of Philosophy will be the guest speaker at the Conference Dinner.

EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE

As its first major enterprise, the Educational Research Unit, recently formed in the University Department of Education, held a conference on educational research, at the University on Saturday, June 25.

Fifty participants attended from many sections of the Illawarra urban and rural community and beyond.

The purpose of the conference was to stimulate research bearing upon education, to interest more people, both university and community, in educational research, and to arrange for a more effective dissemination of research findings.

The conference was opened by the Lord Mayor of Wollongong, Ald. Frank Arkell, and the Minister for Immigration and Member for Cunningham, the Hon. Stewart West, contributed a foreword in which he indicated educational priorities within his jurisdiction. In welcoming participants, the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Ken McKinnon, emphasised the need for more research to give cogent direction to planning.

Thirteen papers were presented by members of the community, the Institute and the University, Mr. B. Gillett, Assistant Director-General (Resources) for the N.S.W., and formerly Regional Director of Education, cited computer education as an area in which much more has to be known to maximise efficiency in substantial capital outlays which are already occurring. Dr. Walter Pike, Deputy Director of the Catholic Education system in the Illawarra and formerly Director of the Institute, urged that the special contribution of private schools should be further researched. The Deputy Principal of Bourke High School, Mr. Frank Harrison, described the special needs of country schools, in which he has taught for some years. Many of these needs are neither fully understood nor adequately recognised. Mrs. Val Fell spoke of educational concerns of parents and citizens, while Professor Lauchlan Chipman emphasised the requirement that research should more clearly establish what is happening to standards of attainment among children, especially as regards an alleged tendency to replace basic skills with social education in schools. Other contributions were made from Dr. A. Fielding, University Department of Education Chairman, who urged more community participation in research; Mr. P. Sophins, who spoke of difficulties in constructing educational programmes for unemployed to fit them for life as well as employment; Mr John Lysaght, who argued for a stronger emphasis on excellence and co-operation among university graduates destined for industry; Mr. E. Ksiazek, who described the work of the Adult Migrant Education Services; Mr. W. Winser, who showed how some colleges are becoming more interested in developing competences and interests in research; Miss Maria Tsoukalas, who described difficulties, opportunities and constraints which can make or mar the research effort of students; and Dr. P. de Lacey who pressed for a recognition of research that was not designed to solve immediate problems equally with research that was.

During part of the afternoon, the conference divided into four groups, chaired by Professor K. Blakey, Dr. D. Cavanagh, Mrs. S. Doyle and Mr. P. Ferguson. Each of the chairmen later reported on the concerns of the groups back to the final plenary meeting.

The conference determined to continue its work, and elected an eight-member group to plan the setting up of a Regional Research Council to be associated with the University Educational Research Unit. They are Mr. John Curry, research officer with the Department of Education; Mr. Tony Bell, a teacher with TAFE and a graduate student; Mrs. Val Fell of the Parents and Citizens Association; Dr. Lyn Gow, of the Institute; Mr. Chris Maher, who is in industry; Miss Maria Tsoukalas, a teacher in ESL and an Honours student; and Dr. P. de Lacey, Head of the Education Research Unit, a reader, and convenor of the conference.

As the Research Unit is not funded, each of the participants paid a fee to attend. Apart from conference costs, this will pay for a Book of Proceedings which is now in preparation.

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UNIVERSITY DAY AND THE GRADUATES RE-UNION DINNER

The University celebrates its eighth anniversary on Friday, 12 August, 1983.

The University Day Address will be given at 6 p.m. in Pentagon I.

Topic: "Technological Change"

Speaker: Dr. W.J. McG. Tegart, Secretary of the Commonwealth Department of Science and Technology, and a former metallurgist.

The Address will be followed by the Friends Graduates Reunion Dinner in the Union Hall. This year the Reunion will focus on the graduating classes of 1979 and 1980.

FESTIVAL PHILOSOPHY LECTURE

The Department of Philosophy, as a member of the Friends, organizes the annual Festival Philosophy Lecture during the Festival of Wollongong.

This year the Festival Philosophy Lecture will be held in the Wollongong City Gallery on Tuesday, 30 August at 7 p.m.

Speaker: Professor H.J. McCloskey, Professor of Philosophy at La Trobe University.

Topic: "Social Justice Versus Discrimination and Affirmative Action".

KEIRA CORRIDOR PROJECT

The next meeting on the Keira Corridor Project (the tree planting and beautification programme between Keira Summit Park and the sea) will be held on 5 July, 1983, at 12.30 p.m. in the Northern Lounge of the University Union. Enquiries to David Walker, University Landscape Supervisor, or Dean Miller, Director of Parks and Recreation at Wollongong City Council.

FRIENDS AND NORTHBEACH INTERNATIONAL SPONSOR WOLLONGONG OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Friends of the University and the Northbeach International will hold the Wollongong Open Chess Championship during the Festival of Wollongong.

It will be held at the Northbeach International on Sunday, 28 August, at 3 p.m. Enquiries to John Tong on 282.465.

WINIFRED MITCHELL RETIREMENT DINNER

The Union and the Friends of the University are organising a special dinner on Thursday, 21st July, at 7.30 pm in the Union Hall, in honour of Dr. Winifred Mitchell, one of the University's most popular characters, to mark her official retirement from the academic staff.

A top-class 4 course meal and wines will be served.

Tickets are available now from the Union Office - $12 per head, $9 students and pensioners.

(Bookings close Friday, 15th July).

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK/ILLAWARRA MERCURY DEBATING COMPETITION

First Round:

Saturday 9th July 1983
Illawarra Champions Hotel, Manager's Room, between 2.00 - 5.00 p.m. (Jaycees is host)

W.C.Y.S.S. v W.J.C. "That Australia has been a lucky country"
W.JAYCEES v W.U.D.S. "That poverty is a blessing"

Tuesday 23rd July 1983
Wollongong Worker's Club, between 2.00 - 5.00 p.m. (Wollongong C.Y.S.S. is host)

W.U.D.S. v W.C.Y.S.S. "That preparation for war leads to war"
W.J.C. v W.JAYCEES "That life was meant to be easy"

Semi Final:

Friday, 29th July 1983
I.M.B. Centennial Conference Room, Centennial Building, between 6.00 - 9.00 p.m. (further details to be provided later)

Grand Final:

Saturday 7th August 1983
Pentagon 1, University of Wollongong, between 2.00 - 4.00 p.m.

"That Australian education is a success"

Please encourage members and friends to come along to the debates. Make the debates an event of your organisation. It's up to you.

Joseli C. Munive - Debating Co-ordinator (285437).

Research Grants

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Department of Science and Technology has called for applications for the following research activities:

* IDRC Cooperative Programme in agriculture and earth sciences - (Canada)
* R & D Funds in tropical agriculture, medicine, health and nutrition in the tropics (Commonwealth Science Council - London)
* BOSTID Research Grants in Biology (U.S.)
* Geosciences Research (Commonwealth Science Council - London)

Enquiries to Ben Meek on ext. 955 (50-1-10).

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA

The Bank is calling for applications for grants from the Economic and Financial Research Fund for research projects to be undertaken in the 1984 academic year.

Closing date for applications is 29 July, 1983.

Enquiries to Ben Meek on ext. 955.
General Notices

CIRCOLO ITALIANO

Annual Regional Dinner.

International Centre on Friday, 12 August, 1983, at 7 p.m.

Fine food, dancing, music.

Admission $6. Enquiries: Beatrice Henderson, Department of European Languages. Phone (042) 282835.

Conversation weekends 19 - 21 August (French food and conversation) and 16-18 September (Italian conversation and food).

Cost $25; $5 non-refundable deposit.

Venue: Nestor House, Uniting Church, Gerringong.

Enquiries to Beatrice Henderson, Department of European Languages. Phone (042) 282835.

Deadline for enquiries and final payment 2 weeks before the event.

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Please stop putting private stamped mail through the Administration, use the post box and let's get our own Post Office.

Seminars

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY

Date: Wednesday, 20 July, 1983 at 4.30 p.m. in room 201, Austin Keane Building.

Speaker: J. Kim, Department of Geology.

Subject: Sedimentation in the South Korea Sea.

Date: Thursday, 28th July, 1983 at 5.30 p.m. in room 201, Austin Keane Building

Speaker: Professor W.C.J. van Rensburg, University of Texas (1983 Esso Distinguished Lecturer)

Subject: The International Coal Trade.

Date: Friday, 29th July, 1983 at 12 noon in room 201, Austin Keane Building.

Speaker: Professor W.C. J. van Rensburg, University of Texas (1983 Esso Distinguished Lecturer).


Enquiries to Dr. B.G. Jones, Department of Geology (Tel: 282438).

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

On Wednesday 27 July, 5.00 - 7.00 pm, in room 19, 2013, a History seminar will be given by Professor Norman A. Graebner of the University of Virginia. His topic will be "The Crisis in Diplomatic History: Problems of Analysis and Methodology".

Professor Graebner, one of America's most distinguished historians, is visiting Australia for four months under the Fulbright programme. His host institution is the University of Sydney.


FOLKLORE, STORY TELLING & CHILDREN’S BOOKS

Tuesday, 2nd August, at the Curriculum Resources Centre, Institute of Advanced Education, University of Wollongong, from 4 p.m. - 9 p.m. (teabreak 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.)

Anne Pellowski, Children's Literature Lecturer from U.S.A. will speak on Folklore, Story Telling, Children’s Books on other cultures, with particular reference to developing countries.

Cost: $2.00

Enquiries to Michael Stone (042) 202234.

ILLAWARRA ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

Date: July 22, 1983.

Venue: Pentagon 4.

Solutions to the Region's Problems.

Enquiries and programme from Peter Curtis, Illawarra Industry Development Board - ph. 286508.

R.S.V.P. before 15 July, 1983.

Scholarships and Prizes

SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES

Details on the scholarships and prizes below are displayed on the Campus News Notice Board situated at the southern end of the Hut.

Royal Society of N.S.W. Edgeworth David Medal

Walter Burfitt Prize

Dept. of Education (Commonwealth) Japanese Government (Monbusho) Scholarships
Concerts, Exhibitions and Entertainment

ILLAWARRA MUSIC CLUB

Friday 7 October Albert Landa
Friday 25 November Sydney Conservatorium Symphony Orchestra

POETS UNION

Wollongong Poets Union, in conjunction with The Australian Council and Wollongong, Shellharbour and Shoalhaven Councils, announces a series of six contemporary prose and poetry readings on Saturdays at 2 pm in the following regional libraries: Thirroul (July 30), Port Kembla (August 13), Wollongong (Wednesday, September 14, 6 p.m.), Nowra (September 24), Helensburgh (October 15) and Dapto (October 29). Each reading will comprise 1 Sydney guest, 3 W.P.U. members and 2 local writers from the community served by the library. Readers will be paid $30. W.P.U. invites submissions of a sample of work and a stamped s.a.e. from local writers desiring to read in this series. Submissions may be made to: Library Series, P.O. Box 1, East Wollongong 2500; or to the Wollongong City libraries listed above. Enquiries: Ph. 297307.

WORKSHOP THEATRE SEASON

An evening of local plays is a season of the best short plays written by members of Illawarra Playwrights over the last year and presented by Workshop Theatre, Gwynneville.

The season runs for three weeks from July 13 to July 20, playing Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m.

Each performance will consist of the following four plays:
1. Fat Girls Don't Figure by Dianne Bates
2. A short play by Kerry Rubinowitz about lovers.
3. Gretel by Laura Molino.

Enquiries to Leigh Stokes on 297307.

THREE POTTERS EXHIBITION

Exhibition by local potters Ann Webb, Barbara Crakanthorp and Anne Payne will be held from Monday 18 July 1983 to Friday 22 July 1983, in the Union Northern Lounge.

Hours: Monday to Thursday 10.00 am, 6.00 pm and Friday 10.00 am-1.00 pm

Official opening: Tuesday 19 July at 7.00 pm

Works will be for sale.

CERAMICS EXHIBITION

Readers are invited to an exhibition of ceramics by Lindsay Duncan at Graham Gallery, 135 Cordeaux Road, Kembla Heights, from 3rd to 30th July, 1983. Preview, 11 a.m. Sunday, 3rd July. Hours: Sat. and Sun. 12noon to 5 p.m. Phone 715442.

ON OUR SELECTION

July 1st to July 23rd, Wednesday to Saturday evenings at 8.00 p.m. in the Wollongong Town Hall Theatre.

Steele Rudd has won the hearts of Australians with the characters of Dad and Dave. The Queensland Theatre Company's production directed by Peter Duncan played to 103% capacity houses. A new production, under Peter Duncan's direction, plus the dynamic North Bulli Bush Band.

Director: Peter Duncan. Guest Designer: Jill Halliday from Adelaide. With Harold Baigent as Dad and Geoff Morrell as Dave leading a talented cast. Musical Director: David Vance.

Excellent party concessions are available for groups of 20, 50 or 100. Telephone reservations can be made with Theatre South (042) 28.2923 during business hours or counter bookings can be made at Wilson's Record Bar.

NATIONAL ABORIGINAL WEEK 1983 PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

Wollongong City Library from 4th to 10th July.

Exhibition of historical photographs of the aboriginal people of the Illawarra collected by Graeme Darbyshir, Hank van Stuivenberg and Suzi Chaplin.

Presented by the Wollongong Aboriginal Community and the School of Creative Arts, University of Wollongong.

WOLLONGONG SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The orchestra's third subscription concert for 1983 will take place in Wollongong Town Hall on Saturday, 13th August, at 8.00 p.m. Graham McIntosh, baritone, will be guest artist with the orchestra, who are also joined by the male voices of the University Singers and Illawarra Choral Society for Sir Charles Stanford's enduring "Songs of the Sea" Op. 91, written in 1903 and still one of that composer's most often performed vocal works. Stanford's "Suite of Ancient Dances" Op. 58 and the guest 'Reformation' Symphony by Mendelssohn will also be performed.

Graham McIntosh, Scottish-born baritone, is a truly international artist, his career having covered tenures with Sadler's Wells Opera, the Royal Opera Covent Garden, the Glyndebourne, Hamburg, Berlin, Geneva and Munich Opera Companies. In more recent years he has been a member of the Australian Opera and is now well-known to local singers as a tutor in voice at the Wollongong Conservatorium of Music.

Tickets to this concert are priced at $7, concession $5, and may be purchased at Jurjens Pianos and Organs, 232 Keira Street.

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UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC SOCIETY

Mass is held at 12.35 p.m. on Thursdays in the University Union Common Room.

SKI WEEKENDS

Caravan to rent at Southern Cross Motor Inn - Berridale. 2 double berths, all gas power. $7.00 per person per night. Dates available - June 17-19; July 15-17; July 22-24; Aug 5-7; Aug 19-21; Aug 26-28; Sept 9-11; Sept 23-25.

Weekdays available also.

Contact Sylvia Rice, School of Education, Ext. 288, Room S6 or 287761 after hours.

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