UPPER HUNTER CLASSES?

The College for the first time is to offer Upper Hunter residents the opportunity of studying art at an advanced level in their own area.

The School of Visual and Performing Arts plans to offer classes in painting and drawing in 1986 through the Associate Diploma in Creative Arts and Crafts course.

The two specialisations will be the only ones offered this year but the College is hopeful of increasing the number of art subjects in future years.

Course Director of the Associate Diploma, Peter Singleton, said a special information night will be held in the Supper Room of the Muswellbrook Town Hall on Wednesday week to introduce aspects of the course to Upper Hunter people.

"The information night is designed to allow people the opportunity to gain information on the course, study patterns and their involvement," said Peter.

"The course in Muswellbrook will only be offered if there are enough applicants to conduct a viable class and lectures will start late February in the Town Hall.

"Muswellbrook was chosen as the venue because of its strong art community for Upper Hunter support."
community and its central location in the Upper Hunter. People living in Scone, Singleton, Merriwa and surrounding areas should find it possible to attend classes in Muswellbrook," said Peter.

The College has realised that Upper Hunter residents have been disadvantaged in the past if they wanted to study art at an advanced level because of the travelling distance to Newcastle. It now hopes that prospective students will take advantage of the opportunity to study 'at home' this year.

"The Associate Diploma is not a course for the beginner and we'll be trying to attract art students from between the hobby stage and the professional qualification," said Peter.

"The course in Muswellbrook will be structured to enable students to build upon previous knowledge and technical ability so that a proportion of study time can be devoted to experimentation and exploration.

"The Information Night on Wednesday week will be a big step for both the College and people in the Upper Hunter and I hope that people interested in painting or drawing take advantage of this new opportunity," Peter said.

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STAFF VACANCIES

The College is currently seeking applicants for a number of lecturing and other positions to start off the New Year.

The lecturing positions are in Ceramics, Photography, Art Theory and Social Welfare. Demonstrators are also required in the fields of Painting, Printmaking, Photography and Ceramics.

A Playgym Co-ordinator is being sought, as is a Tutor in Paint Technology, a Laboratory Attendant for Nursing and Health Studies and a part-time Clerical Assistant for Mathematics and Computing Studies.

Full details of the positions, including closing dates for applications, are available from Staffing Services.

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MUSIC DRAMA AND CREATIVE DANCE

The very popular play classes run by Wendy Schiller and her group have been scheduled for February and March this year.

Known as 'Constructive Play, Gymnastics and Creative Activities for Very Young Children', the classes have received widespread recognition in the Hunter Region during the past few years.

The classes were devised by Wendy to provide a sound basis for co-ordinated mental and physical development at a crucial stage of children's lives - and to do so in a way that is enjoyable to children.

Classes will be held in the P.E. gymnasium on the six Saturday mornings from February 15 and age groups will be 2-3 year olds, 3-4 year olds, 5-7 year olds.

Fee for participants is $27 and enrolment forms are available from the front Inquiry Counter.

Course Outlines

A special starter course for 2-year-olds and young 3-year-old children will be conducted by Judy Geggie while the course for other 3-year-olds and 4-year-olds will be run by Wendy and Sonia Giles.

A 'beginning gymnastics' class for 5-7 year-olds will be taken by Pauline Garry.

A drama class in which 5-8 year-olds will develop a sense of dramatic presentation, confidence and self-expression will be conducted by Michelle Roberts. A creative dance class for 4-7 year old children will be run by Leon Burwell and this will introduce children to the essentials of rhythmic movement, spontaneous expression and body control.

Wendy said that all classes were limited in numbers to ensure adequate personal attention for each child and that because of the increasing popularity of the classes enrolments were being accepted in order of receipt.

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FACILITIES FOR SOCCER SEMINAR

The College is again co-operating with the Northern NSW Division of the Australia Soccer Referees Federation in providing facilities for a special referees' seminar and referee entrance examination course next month.

The Division used the physical education facilities of the College College early last year and will be using them again on the weekend of February 22-23 and on week nights in March and April.

More than 90 soccer referees are expected to attend the referees' seminar on the weekend and more than 40 are expected to take part in the entrance examination course. Participants in the course will include College students who desire or require referees certificates as part of their studies.

INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES FOR ABORIGINALS

The College has received additional funding from the Federal Government to increase the number of places available for Aboriginals this year.

A total of $82,710 has been allocated by the government to fund an additional 11 places which will be provided across courses offered by the College.

The announcement follows a similar allocation last year in which funds were made available for six places.

The Federal Minister for Education, Senator Susan Ryan, said the 11 places were among 520 being provided for Aboriginals in higher education throughout Australia in 1986.

She said the initiative demonstrated the importance the government placed on participation in higher education by people from disadvantaged backgrounds.

The Minister said the initiative was important for Aboriginal communities and for the Aboriginal community as a whole as it would mean more qualified Aboriginals would be available to work as teachers and in other areas of need.

Our Acting Principal, Ray Hodgins, has welcomed the special allocation of funds and said it already supported steps undertaken by the College to assist Aboriginals in higher education.

"The College will make the 11 places available across all courses offered by us and follows on last year's funding of the initial six places," said Ray.

"The College provides the Studies Resources Centre and an academic co-ordinator to assist Aboriginal students and these two services have proved very popular with the more than 30 Aboriginal students we have studying here," said Ray.

The Federal Government has allocated a total of $2,601,000 under the State Grants Act to fund in 1986 the 520 places for Aboriginals at 17 higher education institutions throughout Australia.
The Summer Series of Community Programmes offered by the College starts this week and will continue until February 12.

Chairman of the organising committee, John O’Donoghue, said he was very pleased with the response to the Summer Series. He said new courses offered for the Series had proved very popular and that most classes which were running had a full enrolment.

One of the new courses, Flora and Fauna of the Shortland Wetlands which is being conducted by Kevin McDonald, attracted attention the moment it was publicised.

John said areas of the College being used this week would be the Computing Centre for 'Computers for Small Business' and 'Word Processing' run by David Condon, the Science laboratories (in addition to the Wetlands Centre) for Kevin McDonald’s course, the Art Education area for 'Pottery' with Barbara Pen-gelly and also the paint laboratory in the Art Building for 'Acrylic Paint and Media' with Eugene Maxwell-Smith.

Pauline Clark will again run her popular 'Breadmaking' course and also 'Strudel' class next week in the Home Economics facility.

Tapestry Commission

A weaver who has gained a commission to produce a tapestry for the new Parliament House in Canberra, Lise Cruickshank, will conduct her 'Tapestry Weaving' course from February 10 for three days.

The course, which is suitable for beginners, also attracted a good response from people interested in the craft.

John O’Donoghue said the current Series offered a mixture of new and old courses and that it was pleasing to see that the College could offer diversity in its programmes for the public.

He asked staff to assist participants who may feel a little 'lost' initially.

ASSISTANCE FOR PHYSICALLY DISABLED

Students suffering from a substantial physical disability are now able to qualify for benefits under a new scheme announced recently by the Federal Government.

The government has decided to relax certain rules under the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme to assist the above students in 1986.

The Federal Minister for Education, Senator Susan Ryan, said that the rules to be relaxed are those relating to workload undertaken during a year and study progress. The relaxed workload rules will enable qualifying students to undertake on average, over two successive years, a minimum of 50% of the normal full-time workload.

There will be a minimum workload in any one year of no less than 25%.

The relaxed progress rules will enable a qualifying student to remain eligible for T.E.A.S. if that student successfully completes half or more of the agreed workload in the last year of study.

If both rules are complied with and other eligibility requirements under the scheme are met, a severely disabled student may take up to twice the normal time to complete a course.

Students will have to undergo a medical examination and submit a special application to take advantage of the relaxed rules.

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OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 1986/87

The Department of Education is currently seeking applications for scholarships offered by the Indonesian and Danish Governments for study in those two countries in 1986/87.

Full details are available from the College's Information and Publicity Office.
STAFF APPOINTMENT

NEW STORES SYSTEM FIRST PRIORITY

One of the new faces on the College campus belongs to John Sayers, our new Stores Officer.

John started in our Stores section earlier this month after previously being employed with Baker Process Technology in Newcastle and Sydney as a Senior Purchasing Officer.

"I was in Newcastle for three years and then was transferred to Sydney but after three months I decided I wanted to return to Newcastle," said John.

"I am currently implementing a new system in the Stores and this will help the College when the section is computerised in the middle of this year."

John replaces Dennis Harding who recently retired and has an interesting background. He was born in Sydney but educated in New Zealand before joining the merchant service for seven years. He was then a member of the New Zealand Army for 22 years before returning to Australia.

John represented New Zealand in soccer in Hong Kong and also holds an F.I.F.A. badge in soccer coaching.

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RIGHT: John Sayers - the past few weeks have been busy in organising a new Stores system.
OFFERS MADE FOR 1986

College Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, said he was initially pleased with the first round of offers made by the College through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Centre (U.C.A.C) for 1986.

The offers were mailed last Thursday and published in major NSW newspapers on Friday. The first of the replies from candidates will be received today.

Dr Huxley said that although he was pleased overall with the situation, he was disappointed that there were not enough applications for a class to begin in Science Education given the current shortage of these teachers in high schools.

"I am pleased to see that more than 200 young people have chosen nursing as a career path but the College can still take up to 100 more students in our basic nurse education course. Vacancies also exist in Computing Studies and Computer Education," said Dr Huxley.

"We have not reduced our aggregate marks compared to last year and in some courses the aggregate has increased. A better indication of aggregate marks will be known after replies to the first round of offers and a firm guide will be available after the second round," he added.

Replies to the first round must be submitted by Friday. Second round offers will be mailed on February 12 and acceptances must be lodged by February 18.

The College this year is seeking an intake of 44 full-time and 20 part-time student for Computing Studies while several vacancies also exist in the Computer Education course. More applicants could also be required for the 38 places in Home Economics.
PHOTOCOPYING

COMPUTERISED SYSTEM FOR LIBRARY

The Library has just installed a new computerised photocopier management system for use by students and other borrowers.

Known as Copytex, the system has been installed for the start of the 1986 academic year and will be the first to be fully operational at an education institution in NSW.

The system has been mounted onto the Library's electronically operated photocopiers and will keep track of the number of photocopies through a magnetic stripe on the reverse side of a card.

The cards, similar in size to credit cards, have values stored on them that allow students and other users a certain number of copies. In the case of the College's Library, users will pay $2 for a total of 30 copies or $5 for a total of 76 copies.

Cards will be dispensed from a machine near the Library entrance, thereby doing away with the current system of coin-operated photocopying.

Dial up Copies

The College Librarian, Miss Joan Blatchford, said users will insert their cards in the Copytex machine and dial the number of copies they require. When the Copytex has finished, the card will be returned to its owner with the number of copies deducted from the full value of the card.

Miss Blatchford said eight Copytex machines will be installed in the Library and that users will have reduction facilities available to them. College cards will be coded and not interchangeable with other institutions.

"The new system has a number of advantages in that the College will no longer have to maintain coin dispensing machines and that staff will no longer have to count money from machines," said Miss Blatchford.

"Copytex will also result in users no longer having to seek change to operate the coin-operated photocopiers and will give users a

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a faster service, especially where several copies are required," she said.

Users must have a $2 note or a $5 note to obtain a card from the dispensing machine and photocopiers will be installed on both floors of the Library.

No refunds will be given for lost or damaged cards and it is the responsibility of the user to maintain a Copytex card in good order.

The Copytex System is expected to be of great advantage to students and other users. Pictured is Audio-Visual Librarian, Margaret Stewart, testing the machine after its installation.

A HAPPY AND HOLY OCCASION

John Robson is organising a College party for the first play this year by the Hunter Valley Theatre Company. 'A Happy and Holy Occasion' will open on Wednesday, March 5 at the Civic Playhouse and tickets are $11.50 a seat. John would like all money in by February 21 so please be quick and reserve your opening night seat.
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDS

The N.S.W. Department of Youth and Community Services has refunded for 1986 three programmes conducted by the Special Education Centre.

The total of more than $131,000 is an increase on last year's funds and has been distributed as follows:

- Pre-School Programme $37,790
  Funds will employ two teachers for the Programme which assists three- to five-year-old children with developmental delays and learning problems.

- Pre-School Outreach Programme $26,910
  Funds will employ a teacher to assist in the integration of children with problems in regular pre-schools.

- Baby/Toddler Programme $67,000
  Funds will employ two teachers and provide therapy services for babies 0-2 years old with developmental disabilities or delayed development.

SUPERANNUATION HIGHLIGHTS

The State Superannuation Board is trying to keep Fund members better informed about the management and development of their fund.

As a result, it has prepared a brochure outlining the highlights of the 1984/85 Annual Report and has delivered supplies to all employing authorities for distribution to contributors to the fund.

The Board advises that contributors who did not receive a brochure can obtain a copy from the Advisory Service, State Superannuation Board, Box 4003, G.P.O. Sydney 2001.

The Board can be contacted on (02) 238-2666.

COUNCIL VACANCY

Nominations are being called from eligible members of non-academic staff to fill a casual vacancy on College Council following the resignation of Bill Casey.

Nominations close this coming Wednesday, February 5 at midday and papers must be lodged with the Secretary of Council, Mr John Todd.

If more than one nomination is received a ballot will be conducted between Thursday, February 6 and Thursday, February 20.

Full details of the election are on official noticeboards.

NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS

The E.E.O. Unit is attempting to identify staff with non-English language skills who would be prepared to use them if the need arose in the College.

The Director of Equal Opportunity, Mr Ray Hodgins, has issued a memo to all staff with an information sheet attached. Staff who did not obtain a memo can collect a copy from the E.E.O. Office.

OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Commonwealth Department of Education has issued a list of overseas scholarships which are available through the Department.

The list contains brief details on scholarships that are available for America, China, Europe, Scandinavia, Japan, Indonesia and Mexico.

The list is available for perusal in the College's Information and Publicity Office.
PLAY AWARD

SYDNEY CRITICS AWARD

John O'Donoghue's play 'Essington Lewis: I Am Work' continues to gain national prominence and will be staged in Adelaide in July.

The play was first performed by the Hunter Valley Theatre Company in Newcastle in 1982 and deals with the life of a man who dominated the B.H.P. Company.

It was taken to Sydney late last year by the Essington Lewis Theatre Company and drew packed houses at the Stables Theatre.

The rewards for a lot of hard work by actors and people associated with the play came on January 20 this year when the production was chosen as the winner of the annual Sydney Theatre Critics Circle Award for the most significant contribution to theatre in 1983.

John, who attended the award presentation, said he felt pleased and exhilarated when his play was announced the winner from other nominations such as John Fiving's performance in 'La Cage aux Folles' and for Rhys McConnachie's performances in 'Heartbreak House' and 'Dance of Death'.

"It was a big award and I am greatly overjoyed at the success," said John.

"I was relaxed and non-committal before the announcement but it was a great feeling when the production was announced as winner," he added.

John spent many long hours in research before writing the play and there is a possibility that the Essington Lewis Theatre Company may present the play at the Edinburgh Festival.

THE ARTS

REVIEW OF ARTS EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission is interested to receive comments and information on employment opportunities for graduates in the visual and performing arts following last year's review of arts education and training.

The T.E.C. and the Australia Council sponsored the review which was conducted by Dr Peter Botsman, the Director of the Brisbane College of Advanced Education. Dr Botsman visited Newcastle C.A.E. as part of the review and consulted widely with the arts community, staff, students and former students of tertiary institutions throughout Australia.

Employment opportunities in the arts, course options and emphases and relations between tertiary institutions and the artistic community are among the many issues relating to education in the visual and performing arts which have been raised in the review.

Dr Botsman's review draws attention to the range of purposes for the arts in higher education, addresses issues of arts education and employment and focuses attention on current needs in arts education.

The T.E.C. and the Australia Council believe that the review deserves wide discussion and critical appraisal so that both authorities may have the benefit of a broad range of advice when recommending future policies and priorities in the field.

Copies of the review are available from the Australian Government Publishing Service and responses are being sought before the end of February.

Responses can be sent to:

The Chairman,
Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission,
P.O. Box 18,
BELCONNEN, ACT. 2616

Further information is available from Dr Gregor Ramsey at the T.E.C. or Dr Di Verbury of the Australia Council.

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FOUR DAYS OF 'O' CAMP

The Students' Association has again organised an Orientation Camp for first year students, this year's event being held from February 17 for four days.

The 'O' Camp will be held on the College campus and activities will centre on the Student Union Building.

The idea behind the camp is to introduce new students to College life before they start lectures. More than 100 students are expected to attend the 1986 camp.

NEW STAFF APPOINTMENTS

The College in recent weeks has made a number of appointments, mainly in the area of nurse education.

New lecturers in the Department of Nursing and Health Studies are Sandra Paech, Jenelle Langham, Janet Lay, Jeff Dowling and Sue Outram and new tutors are Marion Sinclair, Barbara James, Cae Miller, Michael Jarvis and Margot Nancarrow.

A new tutor in the Department of Mathematics and Computing Studies is Sue Robinson. Linda Hutchison has been appointed to handle the College's mail system while new clerical assistants are Dot Ethridge in Social Welfare and Jill Hancock at the TAFE Curriculum Centre.

STAFF VACANCIES

A number of staff vacancies are being advertised and full details of the following positions are available from the Staffing Services Section.

- Senior Lecturer on Merit - applications close February 7.
- Lecturer in Social Welfare - applications close February 3.
- Lecturer in Communication Studies - applications close February 7.
- Laboratory Attendant-Nursing - applications close Feb. 10.

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1986 ENROLMENT

More than 1100 first year students will enrol in College courses in the next three days with target figures being met for most of the courses.

Deputy Registrar (Academic), Bob Weir, said final figures did not have to be submitted to the Higher Education Board until the end of April and that further enrolments were expected.

"Second round offers were posted by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Centre (U.C.A.C.) last Wednesday and these will not close until tomorrow," said Bob.

"We are very pleased with the acceptance rate from the first round of offers and second round offers are only being made for a number of courses," he said.

Enrolments for undergraduate courses in Teacher Education are on target with marginal overfills in Early Childhood, Primary, Industrial Arts, Social Sciences and Physical Education. There are limited places available in Computer Education while courses offered through the Department of External Studies are expected to reach target enrolments.

In Art, the Bachelor of Arts (Visual Arts) course has again proved popular while there are vacancies in the Associate Diploma in Creative Arts and Crafts. More students are being sought for a class to begin in the Fibre Arts specialisation of the Associate Diploma.

Bob said the College expected to have about 200 students enrolled in the first year of the Diploma of Applied Science (Nursing) course and that there appeared to be little worry with other courses offered through the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies.
NEWCASTLE IS NOW "HOME"

It's a long way from Dunedin in New Zealand's south island to Newcastle but our fair city will be 'home' for the next 12 months for Veronica Uden.

Veronica lectures in Art Education at Dunedin Teachers' College and is on an exchange lecturing programme with John Berthold. John left late last month and is lecturing in the areas of Art and Art Education, similar to what Veronica is doing at our College.

The exchange programme is through the New Zealand Department of Education and occurs yearly on a rotational basis with Australian states. Veronica initially was to go to Tasmania but when no lecturing positions were available John took up the opportunity for N.S.W. and after hurried negotiations 'swapped' positions with Veronica.

Veronica and John are looking forward to the challenge of their adopted Colleges and the experience of living in another country for 12 months.

Veronica was educated in Scotland and went to New Zealand "many years ago" as a stepping stone to Australia.

"I only intended to stay a couple of years in New Zealand but got held up on the way to Australia," quipped Veronica.

"I am very much looking forward to my stay in Newcastle and people in the College have been very helpful in my settling in period," she said.

Dunedin College, which is currently increasing student numbers after a downturn in recent years, has about 50 students studying Art Education.

POLICE PRIZE

INAUGURAL PRESENTATION AT 1986 GRADUATION CEREMONY

Police Officers who graduate this year from the Associate Diploma in Police Studies course will be vying for a new prize.

The College has been informed by the Police Association of New South Wales that it is donating a $100 prize for the student submitting the best project in connection with the Associate Diploma course.

The Secretary of the Administrative Division of the Association, Mr Bob Page, said the prize would be known as the Police Association Award and be made available each year.

He said the executive committee of the Association approved the prize at its meeting last month.

Course Director, Les Pennington, approached the Police Association for support of the course following the Association's interest in the first graduates last year.

Les, who is on leave before retirement, has handed over his job to Bert White who said news of the new prize was welcome.

"It's a wonderful gesture and shows the interest of the Association in our graduates," said Bert.

The Association prize will be the second for Police Studies graduates. The Newcastle Police District established a prize last year for 'Best Grade Point Average' over the four year course.
COUNCIL ELECTION

Non-academic staff have until midday this coming Thursday (February 20) to lodge their votes for candidates contesting the non-academic staff casual vacancy on College Council.

Five members of non-academic staff are contesting the vacancy, the candidates being Cec Jones (Computer Centre), Graeme Parkinson (Bursar's Division), Dennis Redman (Computer Centre), Arthur Tupman (Art) and Judy Wallom (Academic Secretariat).

The successful candidate will hold office until March 31, 1987 or until the day on which amendments to the Colleges of Advanced Education Act take effect. This day is expected to be in November this year.

Non-academic staff who wish to take part in the ballot can lodge their votes in the Staffing Services Office between 9.30 am and 4.30 pm and up to midday on Thursday.

NEW ASSISTANT BURSAR

The new Deputy Bursar of the College, Mr Brian Smith, takes up his position from today.

The position of Deputy Bursar is newly created and Brian has an office in the Accounts Section of the College.

Brian was Systems Accountant with the James Cook University in North Queensland before coming to Newcastle and holds a Bachelor of Business degree from the Queensland Institute of Technology and a Graduate Diploma in Advanced Accounting from the University of Queensland.

One of Brian's major tasks will be financial planning of annual College budgets, superannuation/long service leave provisions, and on-going budget adjustments.

INFORMALLY

CHILD CARE

The E.E.O. Unit has recently distributed an Information Sheet on Child Care which outlines the range of services and associated facilities available in the Hunter and Manning Regions.

John Girldwood, who has been distributing the information, said there has been good reaction to the sheet although some staff members have said they may be "a little too old" to take advantage of the services and facilities.

John assures us that the information is for students, staff and their families and that members of staff may like to pass on the information to their sons and daughters who have children of their own.

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A.S.S.E.R.T. IN THE HUNTER

Tom Hall from the Department of Physical Education has advised that a branch of the Australian Society of Sex Educators, Researchers and Therapists (A.S.S.E.R.T.) has been established in Newcastle.

Known as the Hunter Region Branch of the Society, its membership comprises mostly professionals but there are also members of the public who are interested in furthering the objectives of the Society.

Tom said A.S.S.E.R.T. was basically committed to furthering the community's needs in the area of human sexuality through education, counselling and therapy. The core of professionals who have helped to establish the Hunter Branch have qualifications in one or more of the above areas.

Information regarding membership or the Society can be obtained by writing to the Secretary, A.S.S.E.R.T. Hunter Region Branch, P.O. Box 358, Belmont. 2280.

The Society which was established in 1979 has branches in most capital cities. Newcastle is the first non-capital city branch and meets every fourth Wednesday of each month.

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NEW PRESIDENT

Barbara Burke has been elected as new President of the College Sub-Branch of the Public Service Association.

Her election follows the recent resignation of Bill Casey from the position to take up an appointment with the Blind Society at Coffs Harbour.

Barbara will hold office until the Annual General Meeting of the Sub-Branch next August.

New members of the Sub-Branch's Executive are Judy Wallom and Graeme Parkinson.

CONFERECE REPORT

THIRD NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE PRACTICUM

John and Wendy Schiller, Jenny Gore and John Tierney recently attended in Geelong the third National Conference on the Practicum.

John has written this report for Campus News and said conference papers were available by speaking to those who attended the conference.

The importance of the Practicum in Teacher Education was stressed very strongly at the Geelong conference and teacher education programmes around the world are being critically examined for their effectiveness. The centrality of a carefully constructed set of field based experiences is being realised by researchers and practitioners.

Professor Ken Zeichner outlined current research and issues of the Practicum in the United States and discussed obstacles to teacher learning in current practicum programmes. He then outlined some of the significant developments in America as teacher education programmes place greater emphasis on the quality of learning through field experiences.

A review of the last 10 years of Australian research on the Practicum by Professor Dick Tischer highlighted how far many institutions have grown beyond the "sitting with Nellie" apprenticeship model of teacher preparation. The developmental nature of field experiences is now central to many effective programmes.

Many other workshops, lectures and demonstrations illustrated cont....Pg.

A DATE TO REMEMBER

The 1986 Annual General Meeting of the Staff Association will be held on Wednesday, March 5 in Lecture Theatre B 15.

The meeting will start at midday and nominations are now being called for all positions on the Executive. Departments are also asked to consider their representatives on the Staff Association for the coming year.

DODDERING ALONG

The College Dodderers Club is on the walk again and will be and will be seeing a part of Lake Macquarie this Wednesday afternoon.

The club is setting off from the Macquarie Street park and will be walking to Fennell Bay and possibly returning on foot. Starting time is 5 pm. and full details from Barbara Burke, Ext. 379.

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How the Practicum has "come of age". Several critical issues came out of the conference; these being:

1) the need to train supervisors of the Practicum,
2) the need to stress the essential nature of field experiences for effective teacher preparation,
3) appropriate assessment of student teachers,
4) do we have an integrated, developmental approach to the Practicum.

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A MATTER OF PLACES

More than 30,000 prospective students are expected to be tuned away from colleges of advanced education and universities this year.

The problem is not that the students are unqualified but that there are not enough places available in tertiary education.

Media reports say that the number of students wanting to get into a tertiary institution had led to higher entry requirements for many courses. The number of qualified school leavers being turned away also reflects the number of students who are returning to school for studies in Year 11 and Year 12.

Figures published by the media show that the number of students completing high school had risen by nearly 11 percent in the past 15 years from 30.7 percent in 1970 to 41.65 percent in 1985.

The figures showed that the retention rate was more marked in private schools (up 20 percent) than in government schools (up 8 percent).

In Japan, more than 90 percent of students complete high school. The figure is 50% in the U.S. and almost 60% in France.
Two students studying for their Bachelor of Education (Home Economics) degree have been awarded major scholarships to assist in their studies this year.

Jennifer Kime, 20, of Raymond Terrace and Michelle Woodward, 19, of Waratah are each the recipient of a 'King and Amy O'Malley Trust Home Economics Scholarship' valued at $6,000.

Jennifer is in the third year of her studies and Michelle in her second year and both said they were delighted at being named among the seven scholarship winners in New South Wales.

King O'Malley led a lively career as a professional politician for 20 years at the beginning of this century and one of his most significant and controversial roles was the establishment of the Commonwealth Bank.

In the belief that Australian family life ought to be strengthened and supported for the sake of the nation, and having no living relatives, he decided to establish a trust fund leaving his estate and that of his wife, Amy, to accrue interest for 21 years.

The interest on the trust fund is now used to provide 30 scholarships throughout Australia. The scholarships are awarded to students undertaking post-secondary or tertiary courses in home economics.
SCHOLARSHIP

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at colleges of advanced education, technical colleges, universities or state colleges.

Jennifer and Michelle said that nearly 120 home economics students applied for the seven available scholarships in N.S.W. They were among the 21 students shortlisted and interviewed before the announcement of the scholarship winners.

The two girls said that they would both put their scholarship towards supporting themselves at College this year.

"The scholarship will help meet the basic College costs but I also will be looking at the purchase of a sewing machine and teaching aids," said Jennifer.

Michelle, who comes from Sydney but resides at Waratah while studying at College, echoed Jennifer's thoughts but also said the scholarship would help her meet accommodation costs.

STUDENT FILM

PREMIERE LAST WEEK IN ADELAIDE

The images portrayed by the old television dramas such as Homicide and Division 4 were on the screen in Adelaide last week thanks to Creative Arts and Craft student, Glen Pead.

Glen and some friends last year successfully applied for the $13,000 Australian Film Commission grant to produce a 26-minute comedy sending up the old television series.

Entitled "HEVVS" (Hunter Valley Vice Squad), the film stars graduate students John Lee and Ron New and also Michael Bazaley from the BAVA course. It was premiered last week during the Adelaide Fringe Festival at the Hindley Cinema.

Glen, who is majoring in Film and Video and still has a year of study in his part-time course, said HEVVS was filmed in black and white because of the time period.

"The script was developed over a long period by Bernard Purcell, John Skilton and myself (also grant applicants) and College students were the crew," said Greg before he left for Adelaide.

"The facilities of the film and video section of the College were used in making the film and as soon as I return from Adelaide I'll be looking for a venue to show HEVVS for the first time in Newcastle," said Glen.
$5000 SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The NSW Branch of the English Speaking Union is seeking applications for its 1986 Scholarship which will enable the successful applicant to further their studies outside of Australia.

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A Canadian non-profit organisation, Cultural Lifestyle Exchange International, is also promoting exchange programmes in countries such as Australia, New Zealand, Canada, America and Germany.

Full details of the Scholarship or exchange programme are available from Keith Powell or Coe Pattison in the College's Information and Publicity Office. * * * * * * * * * * * *

TAI-CHI CLASSES

Neil has started his Tai-Chi classes and these are run every Monday between midday and 1pm in the Dance Studio of the P.E. Block.

Tai-Chi consists of a set of highly structured movements which, when co-ordinated with breathing, bring about a state of pleasant calmness. Tai-Chi is organised in levels and becomes progressively more demanding so it's necessary to attend on a regular basis.

Neil has requested participants to wear flat-soled slippers (not joggers) and loose, comfortable clothing (not work clothes). Staff interested in the classes should contact Neil as soon as possible as the first lesson was last Monday.

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The 1986 Annual General Meeting of the Staff Association will be held at 8.15 at midday on Wednesday, March 5. Nominations for President, Vice-President (2), Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer and also Departmental representatives should be lodged with Anne Brown by March 3. * * * * * * * * * * * *

COUNCIL POSITION

Judy Wallom from the Academic Secretariat has won the ballot for the non-academic staff casual vacancy on College Council.

Judy attended her first Council meeting last Thursday and will hold her position until March 31 next year or the day appointed by the Minister for Education on which amendments to the Colleges of Advanced Education (Amendment) Act take effect. This date could be November this year.

The casual vacancy was caused by the resignation of Bill Casey to take up a position with the Royal Blind Society.

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Academic appointments in the past few weeks have included Glenn Henderson as a lecturer in 3D Visual Art, Richard Cornish as a lecturer in 2D Fine Art and Gil Smith as a lecturer in Science.

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New non-academic staff are David Heggart as Assistant Purchasing Officer, Jane Mariani as a clerical assistant in the Library and Danny Propert as apprentice greenkeeper.

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E.E.O OFFICE

The new office assistant for the E.E.O. Unit at the College is Di Blackwell who was formerly with the Darwin Institute of Technology. Di replaces Karen Risager who is now secretary to the Head of German in the Department of Modern Languages at Newcastle University.
NURSING

DEPARTMENT SEeks 200 PREGNANT WOMEN

The Department of Nursing and Health Studies is seeking more than 200 pregnant women to assist second year nursing students in their studies.

The project is in the hands of lecturer, Shirley Schulz, and she is keen to hear from women who are in the early months of their pregnancy.

"We are asking ante-natal clinics, hospitals and G.P's in addition to other sources to help find women who would be interested in taking part in our programme," said Shirley.

"Students in the second year of the Nursing course study 'Women and Infant Care' and as part of the programme must maintain contact with a woman during her pregnancy, attend the birth and also follow the family after birth.

"The aim is to develop an awareness in nursing students of the differing needs of women and health problems. The focus will be on women experiencing pregnancy, childbirth and who are involved in caring for a child under six months of age," said Shirley.

Students, where possible will attend the ante-natal clinic, general practitioners or obstetricians offices and ante-natal classes.

Women interested in assisting students can leave their names with the Department of Nursing and Health Studies.

CONSERVATORIUM

PRINCIPAL ON NEW COMMITTEE

College Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, has been appointed a member of the newly formed Newcastle Conservatorium Committee.

The Committee, which was announced and met for the first time last week, is part of a major administrative change for the Conservatorium. The Committee includes prominent Newcastle arts, education and business figures among them being a member of the College Council, Mr Alan Beard.

The College has had strong ties with the Conservatorium as students in the Bachelor of Music Education degree attend both institutions for their studies.

The announcement last week also included the unveiling of detailed drawings and a model of a $4,000,000 concert hall for the Conservatorium in Auckland Street.

Above: Dr Doug Huxley (left) and Mr Michael Dudman look over the scale model of the new concert hall for the Conservatorium.
The Student Services Section of the College is offering a Study Methods Workshop and an Introductory Relaxation Course for the benefit of students.

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WELFARE SERVICES FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS

The Australian Development Assistance Bureau is currently promoting its welfare responsibility for both sponsored and private overseas students in Australia.

A.D.A.B. provides a number of services, such as a Community Development Officer, social workers and information to assist overseas students. Full details can be obtained by telephoning Sydney on (02) 212 4000.

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Nominations are also being sought by the S.R.C. for Multicultural Officer and Student Representative from the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies.

Full details of the vacancies and nomination procedures are available on campus noticeboards.

Student Members of Council

The Secretary of College Council, Mr Todd, is currently seeking nominations to fill two casual Student positions on the College Council.

The positions have become vacant following the resignations of Hugh Gordon and Richard Thomas.

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The inaugural winner of the Universities Credit Union Scholarship for College students is third year Home Economics student, Judy Bishop.

Judy has an account with the College Branch of the Credit Union and was recently presented with the first instalment of her scholarship by Credit Union representative, Karen McIlvenie.

The Credit Union announced last year that it would provide a $500 scholarship each year for students enrolled in undergraduate courses. Students must be members of the Union for at least 12 months to be eligible to apply for the scholarship, which is tenable in the second and later years of any undergraduate course.

The award of the scholarship is primarily based on academic merit and full details are available from Karen.

Judy said she was delighted to receive the award as it would help in meeting College expenses such as textbooks, stationery and fabrics.

Right - Judy Bishop (centre) is congratulated by Karen and College Deputy Registrar, Bob Weir, on her success.
The trek down the western side of Lake Macquarie from the art studios of the College to Eraring Power Station has been well trodden by Lesley Stewart in recent months.

Eraring Station is one of the major power generating sources for N.S.W. but for Lesley it has proved a source of inspiration and imagination - all on canvas.

Lesley, 23, completed studies for the Bachelor of Arts (Visual Arts) course last year and specialised in painting. This is where Eraring played a major role in her studies.

"I went to Eraring with some friends to pick up one of their workmates and at the time I was considering a theme for our end-of-year art exhibition," said Lesley.

"As soon as I saw Eraring I saw great potential. The place is so big that you keep on going forever and there are so many ideas that I couldn't take them all in at once.

"I tried to translate the size of Eraring into a series of 15 paintings which depict both external and internal scenes of the power station. Although my work is a simplified version of the actual scenes, I believe I've captured the real Eraring," she said.

Size proves a Criteria

The power station is an enormous complex, and so are some of Lesley's paintings. The biggest painting measures 2.5 metres by 2 metres and the other 14 in the series on Eraring range down to 1.5 metres by 1.5 metres.

Lesley started on her paintings by first taking a few external photographs and then contacting Bill Jones who is well known at the station for his involvement with visitors and organising tours. Bill showed Lesley through the station and after a lot more photographs it was back to the College art studios for acrylic on canvas.

The theme and the work Lesley put into her paintings for the final year art exhibition paid dividends because she received a 'credit' for her work. The paintings were among more than 700 pieces of work displayed by students last November and December. ...cont.

But that's not where it ended for Lesley, who this year is enrolled in the Graduate Diploma in Education and specialising in Art Education at the College.

"Because of the help Bill Jones gave me I sent him an invitation to the exhibition and I'm very pleased to say that he and some Electricity Commission staff came to the College to view my work," said Lesley.

"They were impressed with my work and Bill contacted me to see if I would like to exhibit some of the paintings at Eraring - needless to say I was delighted at the invitation.

"We are exhibiting three paintings at a time at the station because of space restrictions but I am swapping the series around to give staff and visitors an overall view of my feelings of Eraring," added Lesley.

The exhibition at Eraring first went on display in January and has proved so successful that at this stage there is no definite plans to close it down. It has also interested the Electricity Commission so much that the authority is giving thought to purchasing one of Lesley's paintings.

For Lesley, the experience in painting an industrial concern and the benefit from her work has proved to be one of the highlights of her brief career.

Her source of inspiration has been industrial painter Fernand Leger. The source has not only paid dividends for Newcastle C.A.E. in having a bright, young painter but also for industrial concerns such as the Electricity Commission and hopefully in the near future for some of Australia's other industrial landscapes.

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Women's Co-ordinator: Ena Abell

SEMINARS AT UNIVERSITY

The Department of Community Programmes at the University of Newcastle is conducting two one-day seminars next month which may be of interest to College staff.

The first, conducted by the Department and The Foundation for Child and Youth Studies (Sydney), will present a seminar on Child Development in Pre-School and Primary Years on Saturday, April 5.

The seminar will run from 9.45am to 5pm in the Medical Sciences building and seminar fee is $10.

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A pamphlet on each of the seminars is available from the College's Information and Publicity Office or from the Department of Community Programmes at the University.

ACTING SENIOR ACADEMIC POSITIONS

The Principal has announced that Ms Dot Angell has been appointed as Acting Associate Head of the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies.

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In association with the appointment, Dr Huxley has also announced the appointments of Mr Ron Sharkey, Mrs Robyn Schultz and Dr Robert Rowe as Acting Heads of Department.

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The Primary Education course has a new Course Director in Fred Bishop.

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"In this way, students with cars can have help with travelling costs while at the same time providing help to students experiencing transport difficulties," she said.

FLU VACCINE TRIAL DATES

The Medical Faculty at the University of Newcastle is still seeking College students to take part in its influenza vaccine trial.

The trial, the fourth conducted by the Faculty, will be held at the College on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 21, 22 and 23. A second visit will be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 3, 4 and 5. A section at the rear of the College Cafeteria will be allocated for the trial between 10am and 2pm each day.

Volunteers for the trial can be male or female (not pregnant) but must be over 18 years of age and not be allergic to eggs.

Volunteers are paid $20 for the two attendances, the first of which involves a vaccination and a 10ml blood sample. The second visit in June involves another 10ml blood sample.

Students and members who wish to take part in the trial are asked to jot down their names on sheets pinned to noticeboards around the College campus.

Volunteers will be paid by cheque on their second visit.

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DONATION OF COMPUTING BOOKS

Students who study modules in computing will benefit directly from a donation from the British Council to the College Library.

The Council in August last year exhibited more than 200 books in the Audio-Visual Reading Room of the Library, the books dealing with computers and their applications.

The exhibition was split into a number of sections and these included general computer studies, hardware, distributed networks, systems software, information systems and data processing, programming and programming languages, computer graphics and others.

The Council asked College Librarian, Miss Joan Blatchford, if the books would be of interest to students on a permanent basis as it was considering a donation to the Library.

Miss Blatchford said that the books were not only of interest to students but also to academic staff and that as a result the British Council donated in excess of 200 books from the exhibition to the Library.

Above: Members of the Library staff (l to r) Margaret Stewart, Sue Williams, Robyn Emmanuel, Jane Mariani and Barbara Stevens look through the 200-book donation before they are placed on Library shelves for use by students and staff.
EXHIBITION THIS WEEK

The organiser of the 3rd Annual Newcastle Microcomputing Exhibition at the College this week, Ernie Jordan, is inviting students and staff to become more aware of the great advances in microcomputing technology by visiting exhibition stands on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Ernie, a lecturer in Computing Studies at this College, said all staff and students were affected in some way by microcomputers and that the 1986 Exhibition was a perfect venue to become "au fait" with the latest technology in the field.

The Exhibition, presented by the College in association with NBN Channel 3 and The Newcastle Star, will start at midday this Thursday (April 17) and run through until 9pm. Exhibition hours for the Friday and Saturday (April 18 & 19) will be from 9am to 5pm.

"The Exhibition in the past two years has been a tremendous success in making the community more aware of the microcomputing industry and also in making the public aware of the diversity of the College," said Ernie.

"Most of the major companies dealing with microcomputers in Newcastle will be exhibiting hardware, software and associated equipment this week and we are having additional features this year." (......cont)
EXHIBITION

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"The Friday afternoon has been given over to a business session for representatives of Hunter Valley business while a number of local high schools will also be visiting on the Friday.

"The Saturday will be an extremely busy day in that members of the Newcastle Branch of the Australian Computer Society will be in attendance to assist people in seeking career advice while College students will be manning our Computer Centre to give visitors some 'hands-on' experience," added Ernie.

The Exhibition will be officially opened by the new General Manager of the Hunter Development Board, Mr. Jim Fuller, at 3pm on Thursday in the main Concourse.

Large Crowds Expected

Ernie said an estimated 15,000 people attended the 1985 Exhibition and that the organising committee expected to at least match that figure this week.

"Last year's Exhibition was extremely popular and with the promotion by Channel 3 and The Star we can see Thursday, Friday and Saturday being three very busy days.

"Exhibitors will be setting up on the Thursday morning and there may be some disruption to normal College routine but I ask staff and students to take this into consideration," he said.

The business session on the Friday afternoon could be of interest to both staff and students as many exhibitors will be able to show the use of equipment for people about to enter business or already in business. The session has been organised because of inquiries received last year by exhibitors.

Exhibitors will be demonstrating word processing capabilities, spreadsheets, project control and job management, computer-aided design and manufacture and database applications.

Students wishing to obtain career advice on the computer industry should attend on the Saturday when members of the Australian Computer Society, many of whom are professionals, will be in attendance. Admission is free to the Exhibition.

1986 GRADUATION

GUEST SPEAKERS ANNOUNCED

The two guest speakers for this year's Graduation Ceremony are the founder and Pastor of the Wayside Chapel in Sydney, Reverend Ted Noffs and the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Newcastle, Professor D.W. George.

Reverend Noffs will deliver the occasional address for the morning session and Professor George for the afternoon session.

Nearly 700 students will graduate on Friday, May 2 - the morning session starting at 10 am and the afternoon session at 2.30 pm.

Reverend Noffs and his wife, Margaret, established the Wayside Chapel in 1953 as a community-centred church and he is well-known for his community work in the Sydney inner-city area. In 1985 he was named as Australian Humanist of the Year and also named as Australian Humanitarian of the Year.

Professor George retires at the end of this year as Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University of Newcastle, the posts he has held since his appointment in 1974. Professor George has an outstanding academic career and has served on various international educational bodies.

Above: Reverend Ted Noffs and (left) Professor D.W. George. The two men will deliver the occasional addresses at the 1986 Graduation Ceremon.
WHEN THEY GRADUATE

Nursing and Health Studies lecturer, Shirley Schulz, is arranging a conference for this coming Thursday (April 17) to discuss the effect of College-based nursing education on career prospects.

The conference, entitled 'When They Graduate - What Will Happen To Me?' has been arranged because many practitioners of nursing are concerned about the effect of the new College programme on their career prospects.

Shirley said the question and concern was valid for it could be difficult for information to reach those in the workforce. She said the conference aims to provide a forum for information to be exchanged and concerns to be raised and discussed.

The conference will be held in the David Maddison Clinical Sciences Building from 3 pm to 6pm.

CRACKING THE PRINT BARRIER

The Institute of Behavioural Science at the University of Newcastle will present a community service lecture this Friday in Lecture Room R02 of the University between 3pm and 5.30pm.

The lecture will be presented by Professor Reginald Colledge from the University of California and will be of interest to those who suffer severe vision impairment.

'Cracking the Print Barrier for the Blind and Visually Impaired' focusses on Professor Colledge's efforts to overcome his recent disablement as in 1984 the Professor suffered an optic neuropathy and is now registered as legally blind in America.

Professor Colledge, who was born at Dungog and educated at the University of New England, is a visiting Professor to the Institute of Behavioural Science and returns to the USA at the end of this month to continue his research and a full teaching programme.

Inquiries on the lecture should be directed to Associate Professor Don Parke on 685659.

INFORMALLY

1987 STAFF DEVELOPMENT LEAVE

Applications for Staff Development Leave for 1987 close on Wednesday, April 30.

Application forms are available from the Staffing Services office together with conditions applying to the Leave.

Academic staff should lodge any application with the Deputy Registrar (Academic), Bob Weir.

Staff who wish to seek leave in 1988 and subsequent years are invited to lodge a preliminary application for consideration by the Staff Development Programme Leave Committee. Constructive comment by the Committee will be made on any application received.

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

The Hunter Wetlands Trust is organising an international symposium on 'Wetlands' at the Shortland Wetlands Centre and the University of Newcastle in June.

The four day symposium from June 5th to 8th inclusive will be officially opened by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment, Mr Barry Cohen and the NSW Minister for Planning, Environment and Consumer affairs, Mr Bob Carr, will deliver the keynote address.

Science lecturer, Kevin McDonald, is helping to organise the symposium and further information can be obtained from Kevin on Ext 286.

OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Commonwealth Department of Education is currently advertising the availability of a number of scholarships to study in overseas countries. Opportunities are available for French, German, New Zealand, Mexican and Greek scholarships. Full details can be obtained from the College's Information Office.
STUDENT SERVICES

EMPLOYMENT/FINANCE HIGH PRIORITIES

Working quietly away in the Student Services Section for the past eight weeks has been Acting Student Advisory Officer, Carol Sjostedt.

Carol, who has a community welfare background, has been employed by the College for 12 weeks following Bill Casey’s move to the North Coast and has been concentrating on the employment and financial problems faced by students in the early months of their academic year.

Carol wrote to potential employers who could offer part-time work for students and also has been informing staff that students are eager to find work. As a result, she found more than 30 jobs for students in March and hopes that the success rate continues — providing job offers continue to come in.

"Most of the financial hassles faced by students could be solved if enough part-time employment could be located," said Carol. "There are many willing students registered with our Student Employment Service and I will be happy to hear from any person who could offer a job."

Carol said jobs such as home cleaning, lawn mowing and even gardening were all suitable and that any offer of a job could assist a student.

In the remaining weeks with the College, Carol wants to inform politicians of the financial hardships faced by many students and is preparing material in relation to T.E.A.S., social security problems, inability of students to live on present levels of income and other financial matters.

STUDENT NEWS

LOOKING FOR TALENT

Film and Video lecturer, Barry Shepherd, is on a search for acting talent to help the Film and Video Section.

Barry says he has a number of projects underway and is interested in hearing from students who believe they have ability to appear before the cameras.

"Students do not necessarily have to be experienced but just interested in acting," said Barry.

Students wanting to contact Barry can find him in the Film and Video Section of the main art building or by telephoning extensions 432 or 223.

STUDENT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

The two new student members of Council are Elizabeth Hyde and Scott Gardiner who will both hold office until March 31st next year or until provisions of the Colleges of Advanced Education Act are implemented by the Minister for Education (whichever is the earliest).

Elizabeth is enrolled in the Diploma of Applied Science (Nursing) course and Scott is a student in the Diploma of Teaching (Mathematics) course.

The vacancies were caused by the recent resignations of Hugh Gordon and Richard Thomas.

CHANGE OF DATES

There has been a change of dates for the flu vaccine trial to be conducted at the College by the Faculty of Medicine from the University of Newcastle.

The first section of the trial will be conducted on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 22 and 23. The second section will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 3 and 4. Venue is the cafeteria.
ELNA DONATION

STRONG ASSOCIATION CONTINUES

An association between the College and the Elna company is becoming stronger each year - much to the delight of the Department of Home Economics.

Elna in 1981 started a loan scheme for the College and each year has made available two machines to assist students in their practical studies for the Home Economics course.

The Newcastle Manager of the Elna Sewing and Ironing Centre in Hunter Street, Mr Clive Knight, recently donated for the next 12 months an Air Electronic TSP sewing machine and an Elna Lock overlocker.

The sewing machine is valued at about $950 and the overlocker at $600.

Home Economics lecturer, Rae Gibbon, said the Elna donation was greatly appreciated as it allowed students from first year through to fourth year to practise on the most modern of equipment.

She said the Elna company was also assisting Home Economics students by providing a 20% discount on equipment and that students should see Clive Knight to take advantage of the offer.

Above: Rae Gibbon (centre) instructs first year students, Janelle Allan (right) and Robyn Ha-braken on the new Elna machines.
1986 GRADUATION

About 700 students will receive their academic awards during the College's 1986 Graduation Ceremony to be held in the Griffith Duncan Theatre on Friday (May 2).

The Ceremony will be in two sessions, the morning session starting at 10am and the afternoon session at 2.30pm. About 370 students will graduate in the morning session and more than 320 students in the afternoon session.

The guest speakers for Friday's Ceremony are the Reverend Ted Noffs from The Wayside Chapel in Sydney and the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Newcastle, Professor Don George.

Reverend Noffs has been invited to address the morning session because of his involvement over many years in community work. He and his wife, Margaret, established The Wayside Chapel in 1963 after returning from the United States and because of his work with the community he was named last year as Australian Humanist of the Year and also Australian Humanitarian of the Year.

The College has slightly re-arranged its programme on Friday and this year all awards associated with the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies will be conferred in the morning session.

Professor George will address the afternoon session of the Graduation Ceremony. An invitation was extended to the Vice-Chancellor because of his outstanding academic career and because of his impending retirement at the end of this year.
GRADUATION

Awards to be conferred in the morning session are:

* Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood)
* Bachelor of Education (Primary)
* Diploma in Teaching (Early Childhood)
* Diploma in Teaching (Primary)
* Graduate Diploma in Art
* Bachelor of Arts (Visual Arts)
* Diploma in Art
* Associate Diploma in Creative Arts and Crafts
* Graduate Diploma in Multicultural Studies
* Diploma in Teaching (Nursing)
* Diploma in Administration (Nursing)
* Associate Diploma in Computing Studies
* Associate Diploma in Diagnostic Medical Radiography
* Associate Diploma in Police Studies
* Associate Diploma in Social Welfare

Awards to be conferred in the afternoon session are:

* Graduate Diploma in Education (Secondary)
* Graduate Diploma in Education (T.A.F.E.)
* Graduate Diploma in Educational Studies (Special Ed)
* Bachelor of Education (Art Education)
* Bachelor of Education (English/History)
* Bachelor of Education (Home Economics)
* Bachelor of Education (Industrial Arts)
* Bachelor of Education (Mathematics)
* Bachelor of Education (Physical Education)
* Bachelor of Education (Science)
* Bachelor of Education (Social Sciences)
* Diploma in Teaching (Secondary Education)
* Diploma in Teaching (T.A.F.E.)
* Diploma in Special Education

The 1986 Graduation Ball will be held at Western Suburbs Leagues Club from 7.30pm on Friday. Tickets are $12 each for a three course hot carvery smorgasbord and entertainment. Tickets are available from the Commonwealth Bank Agency in the Students Union Building.

College lectures are cancelled on Friday due to the Graduation.

INSERVICE

TEACHERS LEARN SUPERVISION SKILLS

With the current emphasis on improving the quality of education in New South Wales schools, an Education Department inservice course currently being conducted by John Schiller is generating teacher and Principal interest.

John, a lecturer in Professional Studies, has been running the course at the College and looks like conducting a similar series of workshops later this year.

The recently released Teacher Efficiency Review Document and associated teacher evaluation forms has heightened the teaching professions' concern about improving the quality of instruction. The means of doing this however, is the subject of considerable controversy at the moment.

John is taking the approach that one way of improving the quality of education is to have teachers and their supervisors work together in a collegial manner and in an atmosphere of mutual trust so that each learns from the other.

The Primary and Secondary teachers, Assistant Principals and Principals taking part in the four two-hour workshops are using role play, group discussion, analysis of critical incidents and videotape to improve their skills of conducting conferences, collecting objective data during classroom observations and sharing the analysis of the data with their colleague. Each workshop participant has been given a number of "homework" tasks to reinforce and practise the skills dealt with in the series of workshops.

Due to interest shown, John hopes to run another series of workshops on "Supervision in Practice" later in the year.

John Schiller - busy time at workshops.
STAFF NEWS

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

The Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, has announced the appointments to three Senior Lecturer positions based on merit.

The successful staff members are Mrs Helen Vaile from the Department of Social Sciences, Bill Galvin from the Department of Mathematics and Computing Studies and Phil Foreman from the Department of Special Education.

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WINTER SERIES

The 1986 Winter Series of Constructive Play, Gymnastics and Creative Activities for Young Children is already attracting a good response.

The Winter Series will run for eight Saturday mornings from June 14 and has been devised by Wendy Schiller to provide a sound basis for co-ordinated mental and physical development at a crucial stage of children's lives.

The classes have been held for the past several years and have proved very popular with young people from the Newcastle area.

Application forms are available from the front Enquiry counter.

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STAFF MEETING

The next General Staff Meeting will be held in B 15 at midday on Wednesday (April 30).

The Principal will address staff on planning for the 1988/1990 triennium, academic structure and the recent survey of high school student aspirations carried out by the Hunter Valley Research Foundation for the College and the University of Newcastle.

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CEILING WORK

ASBESTOS

Work is expected to commence in the near future on the installation of false ceilings in a number of areas of the College.

The work will be undertaken during weekends and follows a detailed inspection earlier this year of all areas containing asbestos in the College.

During 1985, a report was received from the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission recommending that the asbestos not be removed from the College and a memorandum outlining details of this report, together with other information on the matter, was circulated to all staff last December.

The report was not adopted by the College Council and the Occupational Health and Safety Service of Sydney Hospital was then engaged to conduct a full investigation.

An Occupational Hygienist spent three days at the College in February this year and conducted the detailed inspection of all the areas containing asbestos.

Although the major report on the condition and management of asbestos in the College has not yet been finalised, an interim report for asbestos management has been received which details the safety precautions to be observed when changing light tubes or when undertaking construction/maintenance work in areas containing asbestos.

The construction/maintenance work involves the installation of dust tight false ceilings and it has been recommended that these ceilings be installed in the front section of the Library, the Computing Services office and the Timetables Office.

Detailed plans for the false ceilings have been prepared and approved by the Occupational Health and Safety Service of the Sydney Hospital and as mentioned work will commence shortly at weekends.

A further update will be provided for staff and students when the major report is received by the College.

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TOP SPORTSPERSON FOR 1985

The sporting fraternity of Port Stephens has just paid its highest compliment to Wendy Archer who works in our Department of Technical and Further Education.

Wendy earlier this month was named as the 1985 Port Stephens Sportsperson of the Year and received a trophy in addition to a cash prize of $800.

The prize was presented to Wendy by former Olympian, Tracey Wickham, at Nelson Bay.

For the record, Wendy plays netball, coaches two senior netball teams, coaches two junior netball teams, is secretary of the Raymond Terrace Sports Council and also secretary of the Raymond Terrace netball club. For a measure of good luck, Wendy's two daughters also play netball.

And if that isn't enough, Wendy holds 'B' grade umpire qualifications.

Wendy has been playing netball for 20 years and says it's the total aspect of sport that keeps her going.

"You learn to win and you learn to lose and you also form some great friendships from sport," said Wendy.

"It's the total aspect of sport that is enjoyable and although there is hard work, there are a lot of rewards."

At times it's nice to see all that hard work being recognised.

NEW ROLL

The College is in the process of establishing a Roll of Graduates following recent amendments to the Colleges of Advanced Education Act which enables graduates to participate in the government and management of the College by electing two graduate members to the Council.

A letter has been sent to students who will graduate this coming Friday and advertisements will appear in the next month in local, state and national newspapers and journals to advise all graduates of the Roll.

The election of graduate members to the College Council by graduates will take place after necessary amendments to the Newcastle College of Advanced Education By-laws have been approved. It's expected that these changes will be approved by the Minister for Education, Mr Cavalier, before the end of this year.

In anticipation of the election, graduates are being invited through the letters and advertisements to register on the Roll of Graduates.

In addition, a College Convocation is being established and the graduates are also being invited to register as members of the proposed body.

Convocation is the traditional name given to a formal body of graduates of, and others who are associated in or with, a college or a university. A convocation provides a formal mechanism of communication between the institution and these interested people. Under most by-laws, the Convocation may be approached by the parent institution for advice on specific matters, provide advise to the institution in its own right, and be a valuable means of support to the institution in achieving its community aims and objectives.

Eligible members of Convocation are members and past members of the Council, graduates who have received a formal award from the College or its predecessors, full-time members of academic staff, full-time senior or graduate members of non-academic staff, retired members of staff, and certain other approved categories.
O'MALLEY SCHOLARSHIPS

The managing trustees of the King and Amy O'Malley Trust are preparing to offer 30 Home Economic Scholarships for 1987 and applications close on June 6 this year.

The scholarships for 1986 were valued at $6,000 each and two were awarded to Jennifer Kime and Michelle Woodward, both of whom are studying for their Bachelor of Home Economics degree at this College.

Guidelines for courses in Home Economics which are appropriate for O'Malley awards are set out in the document "The Nature of Home Economics Courses Appropriate for King and Amy O'Malley Scholarship Award". A copy of the document can be obtained from Ms Lesley Alves, Educational Programmes Building, 5th Floor, 234 Queensberry Street, Carlton, Vic. 3053.

ABC CAREERS

The Australian Broadcasting Corporation will employ a limited number of specialist trainees in television next year and has issued information on the vacancies.

Details of the vacancies are available from the Student Services Section.

LITERARY AWARDS

Organisers of the Northern Territory Literary Awards are calling for entries for its Arafura Short Story Awards and its Red Earth Poetry Awards.

The open section of the two awards are worth $1,000 each and entries close on August 4 this year. Conditions of entry are available from the Students Services Section.

Preference will be given to stories not exceeding 3,000 words and poems not exceeding 400 lines.
College officers are currently evaluating a study carried out by the Hunter Valley Research Foundation which looked at the aspirations of senior high school students towards tertiary education and employment.

The $35,000 study was commissioned by the College and the University of Newcastle and is entitled 'Where do they go from here? Student Aspirations and Disadvantage: A Regional Perspective'. About 600 Year 11 and Year 12 students from 27 schools in the Hunter Region were interviewed in the study.

College Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, said he was extremely satisfied with the study, which was objective and of high quality. He said the Federal Government should direct more resources to the Region as a result of the findings of the survey.

Copies of the study have been sent to the Federal Minister for Education, Senator Susan Ryan, the State Minister for Education, Mr Rod Cavalier, the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission, the N.S.W. Higher Education Board and to schools which participated in the research.

The study found that 23% of Hunter Region Year 12 high school students who aspired to attend a College or University were not achieving their wish. It also found that 65% of local Year 12 students aspired to tertiary education whereas the actual transition rate in Australia was 42%.

Dr Huxley said that if the College and the University wanted Year 11 and Year 12 students to have a better understanding of the advantages of going on to higher education, research would have to be extended to obtain data indicating the aspirations of Year 10 and younger students.
APPOINTMENTS

WIDE EXPERIENCE IN NEW STAFF

One of the new faces on the College campus belongs to Alan Clough, our recently appointed Education Research Officer.

Alan is busily involving himself in submission reviews for the College art courses, the Social Welfare course, the Police Studies Associate Diploma and other courses and will later carry out surveys in the community to assess demand for new courses.

Alan was educated at Cessnock High School and gained an Honours degree and a Masters degree in Geography from the University of Newcastle before taking up the position of Research Officer with the Hunter Valley Research Foundation.

He was with the Foundation for 3½ years before travelling to the United States where he began a PhD at the University of California. Alan studied at Berkeley for two years and has spent the past couple of years travelling and also studying for his doctorate.

Other new members of staff are Maths and Computing Studies lecturer, Rudi Pertot, Administrative Assistant, Raelene Reeves, Laboratory attendant, Debra Moir and Child Care Aide, Beth Wooden.

Temporary staff include Alison Morgan as an Administrative Assistant in the Academic Secretariat and Robyn Woodward as a clerk in the Bursar's Division.

Right: Alan Clough - settling in as our new Education Research Officer.

1986 GRADUATION

PROUD MOMENT FOR HEAD OF SCHOOL

The 1986 Graduation Ceremony proved to be of special significance for the Head of our School of Teacher Education, Allan Taylor.

Allan's daughter, Kathryn Barry, was one of 32 students who was conferred with their Bachelor of Education (Primary Education) degree during the morning session.

Kathryn not only graduated 'with distinction' but also was awarded one of two College Certificates for being the Outstanding Final Year Student in the course.

About 700 students were conferred with their academic qualifications during the two sessions of the 1986 Ceremony while an honorary degree was conferred on the former Head of the Department of Science, Mr John Doherty, for his contribution to the College and the Community in the field of science education.

Among other people to receive awards were Christine Booth, the daughter of the State Treasurer and Member for Wallsend, Mr Ken Booth; Mrs Ursula Lynch who, as a mother of 10, was conferred with her Diploma in Teaching (Primary) qualification; Mr Robert Jones who received his Graduate Diploma in Education (Science) at the age of 64; and Rex Wright who received his Diploma in Teaching (Physical Education) and who is the current first grade hooker with the North Sydney Rugby League Club.

The inaugural Police Association of N.S.W. Prize was also presented during the Ceremony. It was won by Robert Peattie of the Scientific Branch for submitting the best research project in the Associate Diploma in Police Studies course.

Right: A proud moment - Allan Taylor and Kathryn on Graduation Day.
HEALTH REGISTER

The College Nursing Sister, Sister Shirley Andrews, is attempting to compile a register of staff and students who have a health problem.

The register will enable Sister Andrews to respond to an emergency situation more effectively and information supplied will only be available to the Sister.

Staff and students who have a health problem, for example conditions such as asthma or diabetes, should supply the following information:

1) The condition
2) (a) Any prescribed medication being taken
   (b) Any known allergies
3) Name of general practitioner
4) Name and telephone number of contact in case of emergency.

Sister Andrews can be contacted personally in the Student Services Section or by telephoning Ext. 344.

SUPERANNUATION FUND

The State Public Service Board's Advisory Service has issued a new booklet to assist staff on the recently introduced State Public Service Superannuation Fund.

Membership of the Fund is available to salaried employees of the N.S.W. Public Service, the teaching profession and other government authorities who are not covered by the State Superannuation Fund which closed to new members in June last year.

The booklet, "$uper $ense" is available from the Advisory Service, 1 Margaret Street, Sydney or by telephoning (02) 230 2666.

MICROCOMPUTING EXHIBITION SUCCESS

The 3rd Annual Microcomputing Exhibition which was conducted by the College in association with NBN Channel 3 and The Newcastle Star again proved an outstanding success.

The Exhibition was held at the College last month and the three days drew good crowds, especially on the Saturday.

Exhibition organiser, Ernie Jordan, said he was quite pleased with the 1986 event and said the promotion provided by Channel 3 and The Newcastle Star played a large part in attracting the public to the College.

Ernie said he believed the crowds were on a par with last year and that the Exhibition looked like being held again in 1987.

RINTOUL ART

College Art Lecturer, Gordon Rintoul, currently has an exhibition on display at the von Bertouch Galleries in Laman Street, Newcastle.

The exhibition, which comprises paintings and drawings by Gordon opened last Friday and will run until June 1.

Gordon's works are sharing the spotlight with watercolours painted by Pixie O'Harris for the remainder of the month.

INTERNATIONAL WETLANDS SYMPOSIUM

Kevin McDonald would like to remind staff that the International Symposium on Wetlands will be held at the Shortland Wetlands Centre and the University of Newcastle from June 5 to June 8. Kevin is the convenor of the Symposium and has full details on the four-day event. He can be contacted on Extension 286.
ASSISTANCE FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

One of the first wheelchair lifts of its type in Newcastle has been installed by the College in the Richardson Wing to enable handicapped persons gain access to the first floor.

The Gravenita Stair-Lift has been installed at a cost of $32,000 and is attached to the railings of the stairs leading from the ground floor. It operates through electric power and a handicapped person can control the lift while sitting in a wheelchair.

The College investigated a number of ways to supply access to the first floor of the Richardson Wing for handicapped people before deciding on the Gravenita system.

Maintenance Supervisor, Fred McEnearney, said the College looked at constructing a "bridge" between the Industrial Arts block and the Richardson Wing and also installing an elevator before deciding on the Stair-Lift.

He said the primary purpose of the system was to assist handicapped people but it also could be used for moving furniture and heavy equipment between the floors.

One of the College's handicapped students, Les Churchyard, has been testing the lift and said a number of safety devices, including an automatic stop, had been built in.

He said the Stair-Lift "not only goes up stairs but also 'opens doors' for handicapped people.

The Stair-Lift has a built in seat to assist people who suffer a broken leg or other injuries which does not enable them to climb stairs.

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Les Churchyard puts the new system through its paces shortly after installation in the Richardson Wing.

ON-CAMPUS

BUSY TIME 'EXTERNALLY'

The past two weeks have been a busy time for our Department of External Studies with more than 450 students having attended compulsory on-campus schools.

The 'students' are teachers upgrading their existing academic qualifications and they come from the subject areas of Industrial Arts, Physical Education, Home Science/Textiles, Primary, Early Childhood, Science, Mathematics, Social Sciences, English/History and also TAFE.

The on-campus school provides the opportunity for the students to meet lecturing staff and to use College facilities which are normally not available to them.

One of the highlights of the May School was the presentation of the Newcastle City Council Local History Award to Paul Hunt. Paul, an external student in English/History, won the $200 award for his minor thesis entitled 'Morpeth: Pioneer Town and Prominent River Port, 1820-1870'.

Paul's thesis is now in the Newcastle City Council Library and he was presented with his award by the Deputy Principal, Ray Hodgins, on behalf of the Council.

Above: Ray Hodgins (left) presents Paul Hunt with the Local History Award during the opening session of last week's On-Campus School for external studies students.
SCHOOLS VISIT DAY

More than 3,000 senior high school students will attend the College and/or the University of Newcastle for the annual Schools Visit Day on Thursday week (May 22).

The number of students who have indicated they will be attending the institutions is an increase on previous years and students will be travelling from as far as Blackheath in the Blue Mountains, Narrabri, Armidale and Ballina.

All College lectures and practical sessions are normally open to the visiting students on the day and a special programme has been printed outlining the various events and features. One of the highlights will be talks on each specialisation offered by the College on both Thursday morning and afternoon.

The annual Schools Visit Day has been held in conjunction with the University of Newcastle for the past four years and it gives the high school students the opportunity of attending the College and the University in the afternoon, or vice versa, as the morning programme is repeated later in the day.

Copies of the Schools Visit Day programme will be circulated to staff next week but staff requiring a copy earlier can obtain one from Keith Powell or Cae Pattison in the Information and Publicity Office.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The College has received information on a number of scholarships that are available for undergraduate, postgraduate and research study in overseas countries.

Scholarships are available in Korea, Japan, France, New Zealand and other countries while the Goethe Institute in Sydney is advertising the availability of language scholarships for an intensive two-month course in Germany.

Full details of all scholarships are available from the Information and Publicity Office.
NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Constructive Play, Gymnastics and Creative Activities Programme conducted by Wendy Schiller and her team has won national recognition for its innovative nature.

Wendy, an Early Childhood specialist at the College, and three other Programme lecturers, Judi Geggie, Pauline Garry and Sonia Liddiard recently returned from Melbourne where they conducted a weekend workshop for the Australian Gymnastics Federation.

The Federation is introducing an accreditation scheme for Playgym Leaders in each State and the initial workshop was planned by Wendy and Co.

The Activities Programme has been a popular event with parents of young children in the Hunter Region and the Winter Series will be conducted from June 14 to August 2 for eight consecutive Saturday mornings.

The Series will include courses on playgym, beginning gymnastics, music for fun, drama and creative dance and application forms are available at the front Inquiry Counter.

Wendy said the Melbourne workshop was quite successful with sessions having been based on the programme which has been conducted in Newcastle for the past few years.

"The Federation was very pleased with the workshop and the accreditation scheme should work very well in each State," said Wendy.

"Over the years we have been able to refine the Newcastle programme and the experience of all the people who participate on the Saturday mornings was evident in Melbourne."
There was a collective sigh of relief from the Department of Professional Studies last week when the St. George Dragons breathed fire to defeat the North Sydney Bears.

It's well known that the Department - except for Anne Brown and Annette Salter who barrack for lesser calibre teams - is an avid Dragons supporter.

It's also well known that lecturers attached to the Department have to be initiated to the 'Red and White'. This happened recently to Ron Frye who has been visiting us for the past 10 months from Central Washington University.

The Head of the Department, Trevor Fullerton, presented Ron with a Dragon beanie and scarf - the proviso being he wear the outfit to College when St. George won its next match.

The Dragon were a little slow in breathing fire (especially when Trevor thought he had done his dough) but Ron got to wear his red and white outfit when St. George won 27-15. It was especially pleasing for Ron as he returns to the U.S. on June 7.

A visiting American professor in the field of social welfare has described social patterns in America and Australia as superficially looking the same.

Professor Bob Roberts is Dean of the Graduate School of Social Welfare at the University of Southern California and is on a six month working holiday of the Pacific region to look at social welfare and social welfare education. Bob is a friend of the Head of our Social Welfare Department, Roy Mortland, and lectured to some of our students last week.

He said the same kind of problems that existed in America appeared to be emerging in Australia and that many social welfare programmes had been cut in the U.S., just the same as what was happening in this country.

Bob said that while the role of the social welfare worker had changed in the U.S. over the years to be more professional and more recognised, there was a shortage of these workers and that the country was now trying to re-develop many social welfare programmes.
ANYBODY FOR OPERA?

John Robson has been on the cultural trail again and is offering staff the chance to see three shows later this year.

The first is on Saturday, August 16 when Joan Sutherland appears in 'Daughter of Regiment' while the second is on Saturday September 27 for Verdi's 'Rigoletto'. The third show is Strauss's 'Die Fledermaus' on Saturday, October 1.

John has booked tickets for each of the shows but must know by tomorrow (Tuesday, May 21) if you want to attend any of the cultural extravaganzas.

Clare Martin in External Studies or Chris Byrne in English and Languages has full details.

MEDIA INVITATION

The Higher Education Supplement of The Australian newspaper is inviting academics to use its pages as their forum for both articles and letters to debate issues of importance.

Christopher Dawson of the H.E.S. is inviting academics who feel they have something to contribute to get in touch with him, especially academics who have carried out research which can be reviewed.

The Supplement has been covering the tertiary sector for more than six years and is interested in analysing the problems that face education today.

COMPUTER CONFERENCE

The 17th Annual Computer Conference of the Australian Colleges of Advanced Education will be held at the Darwin Institute of Technology in July.

More than 35 papers will be delivered at the conference from July 7 to July 11 and the keynote speakers will be the General Manager of AUSAT, Dr. W. Goeseinckel and Dr. Bob Northcote from SAIT.

Conference details are available from Information & Publicity Office.

AROUND THE COLLEGE

CHILD CARE

Students and staff are reminded that the College Child Care Centre has limited vacancies for emergency care and casual care for children 0-5 years.

The Centre also offers vacation care for children 0-8 years during the August vacation (also May) and during December and February.

Full details of the service are available from the Director of the Centre, Debbie Quirk, on 676 488.

CREDIT UNION LOANS FOR STUDENTS

The College Branch of the Universities Credit Union has information available for students who wish to take out a loan with the lending authority.

If you need to borrow for textbooks or other items for your studies then Branch Manager, Karen McIlvennie, will be happy to assist. A pamphlet outlining the student loan scheme and other services offered by the Credit Union is available from the College Branch which is located in Room A56.

The office is open from 10.30am to 2pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from 11am to 1pm on each Wednesday of pay weeks.

Scholarship

The Credit Union is also offering students the opportunity to apply for a $500 scholarship which is made available each year.

Students must have been enrolled in an undergraduate course for at least 12 months to apply for the next scholarship (1987) as the award is based on academic merit in previous studies at this College. The scholarship is tenable in the second and also later years of any undergraduate course.

Students also must be a member of the Credit Union for at least 12 months to apply for the scholarship. Karen has full details.
JOINT VENTURE ATTRACTS STUDENTS

The annual School Visit Day last Thursday again attracted good audiences to all sessions as senior high school students gained an insight to tertiary education.

The Visit Day was the fourth consecutive year the College has conducted the event in conjunction with the University of Newcastle and more than 3000 students from many parts of the State took advantage of the day to visit one or both of the institutions.

Convenor of the College's Schools Visit Day Committee, Keith Powell, said the estimated number of students who visited the institutions was about 500 up on last year.

"Special sessions were conducted on each of the courses available to students who complete Year 12 this year and there was intense interest shown by the High School students on the tertiary opportunities available to them," said Keith.

"I believe the interest is shown by the fact that students travelled from as far as Blackheath, Narrabri, Armidale and Ballina to visit the College and the University. In addition to finding out about courses many students were interested in the facilities offered by the College and accommodation in Newcastle," he said.

ABOVE: Anona Lovett assists senior high school students with their inquiries. More than 3000 students attended.

STUDENT NEWS

CAREERS MATERIAL

The Student Services Section of the College has been updating its Careers Section and now has a large stock of pamphlets and other material available.

Student Advisory Officer, Carolyn Sjostedt, has been concentrating on building up the section and has a range of material that is of interest to a wide cross section of students.

Careers material available includes Graduate Outlook 1986-87, Hobson's Computing Casebook, Focus (National Graduate Employment Magazine), Workwise (jobsearch skills for graduates) and pamphlets on various careers.

Books available for reference are Background to Careers and Occupational Outlook while other information includes a guide to where crops are being harvested and labour requirements, a list of employers who may provide vacation work and also overseas opportunities.

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STUDY AND PREPARATION FOR EXAMINATIONS

A short course designed to help students who are unsure of the best way to cope with study prior to examinations will be held on the next two Thursdays.

The course will be run by College Counsellor, Teresa Dluzenska and will discuss skills that can be used in the examination room.

The course will be conducted in two one-hour sessions on Thursday, May 29 and Thursday, June 5. The venue will be Room R104 in the Richardson Wing at midday each day.

Students who wish to attend the short course should book with the Secretaries in the Student Services Section.

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A number of organisations have issued information on scholarships and other awards which will allow successful candidates the opportunity to study overseas.

Full details of the scholarships are available from Student Services but a brief rundown is as follows:

Japan - limited number of undergraduate and research scholarships for 1987. Closing date is July 4.

Germany - German Academic Exchange Service has a number of scholarships and travel grants for graduates and fine art students for 1987/88. Closing date is June 20.

France - postgraduate scholarships for 1987/88. Closing date is July 25.

France - a number of awards are available for young Australian teachers of French or final year students proposing to teach French in the future. Closing date is July 25.

Germany - intensive two month language course in December 1986 and January 1987. Closing date is July 15.

New Zealand - A number of Anzac Fellowships are available for 1987 for candidates to conduct research or further their professional experience. Closing date is July 18.

New Zealand - Awards under the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan are available for postgraduate courses or research in 1987. Closing date is June 11.

Canada - Canadian Studies Award available for an academic to devise a new course in Canadian Studies. Closes July 15.


Information on the Asian Development Bank's Young Professional Programme and the Phillips Technological Studies Postgraduate Scholarship is also available from the Student Services Section.
COLLEGE ENROLMENTS

The College has a total enrolment for 1986 of 3571 students, 2063 being full-time students, 808 being part-time students and 700 being external students.

The enrolment figure represents 2817 Effective Full Time Students, or 19 over the funding target. Commonwealth funding is being provided for 2366 students and State funding for 451 students.

College Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, says the 1986 enrolment figure is excellent and is a substantial increase on the 1985 enrolment of 2465.5 EFTS.

"The reason we are slightly over our funded target is because we have established quotas on almost all of our courses," said Dr Huxley. "The College's problem is that we are trying to allocate places so that we can make the most number of courses available to people of the Hunter Region."

Dr Huxley said he was still pushing State and Commonwealth authorities to recognise that the Hunter Region is not gaining its fair share of advanced education places and for the situation to be rectified during the 1988-90 triennium.

He said a survey conducted by the Australian Committee of Directors and Principals in Advanced Education (ACDP) and the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee (AVCC) showed that between 9000 and 14,000 students eligible for entry and willing to accept an offer of a place were unable to commence studies in a C.A.E. or a university in New South Wales at the beginning of this year.

Dr Huxley said he believed quite a few people from the Hunter Region would be included in the figure of 14,000.

The 1986 College figures show that the institution has enrolled double the targeted number of Aboriginal students under special funding but fell short of the funded target for basic nurse education.
Tony’s study addressed the grief reaction of parental couples to congenital handicap and to cot death. It was thought that the two groups would be similar in their response patterns and follow the sequential stages that are described in literature on grief and bereavement – but that the groups would differ in the intensity and duration of their grief.

"The results indicated that, in the short term, parents who have experienced a sudden infant death have higher levels of unresolved grief and that, over all, mothers experienced greater anxiety and depression than did fathers," said Tony.

The study incorporated responses to 25 items on an unresolved grief inventory and the major factors analysed were: Depression/anxiety, coping, being told, stigma and acceptance. Data indicated that parents who experienced Sudden Infant Death Syndrome had greater difficulty with coping, stigma and acceptance than did parents with handicapped babies. The latter group however had greater difficulty in dealing with issues on how they were told about their baby’s problems.

The study also indicated that parents in both groups, especially fathers, were sensitive to the reaction of professional persons and the impact that such reactions have not only on themselves but also on their partners.

Tony said that in the short term the grief response of the two groups was similar and that the birth of a congenitally handicapped infant creates grief due to the loss of an idealised baby, however, evidence suggests that this loss is unlike that experienced by parents after cot death.

"It could be that there are qualitative differences as well as the quantitative ones shown by the results – both types of differences tend to support the proposition that parental responses to cot death and handicap are likely to be reactive and time related rather than endogenous and chronic," he said.
ACCOMMODATION GRANT

The College has received a $150,000 grant to expand the Library and also build new accommodation for staff.

The grant has been made through the State Planning Group for the introduction of nurse education and funds will be available in the 1986/1987 financial year.

The Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, said he welcomed the funds which will help alleviate space problems in the Library and also the shortage of office accommodation for staff.

He said a start on the two projects should be made by the end of this year and that talks would be held with the Students' Representative Council in the near future on other proposed building plans.

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REGIONAL HEALTH APPOINTMENTS

Two members of the Departments of Nursing and Health Studies have been appointed to regional health bodies.

They are Jenelle Langham to the Hunter Regional Psychiatric Services Advisory Council and Tony Nicholas to the Hunter Regional Disability Services Council.

Jenelle works in the Department of Nursing and Health Studies 'B' and Tony in the Department of Nursing and Health Studies 'C'.

The Councils to which they have been appointed provide advice to the Regional Director of Health on how the services should be organised to ensure that each client receives services appropriate to their needs.

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ABORIGINAL BRIDGING PROGRAMME

A programme which has assisted Aborigines in gaining a 'taste' of tertiary education before they actually enrol in a course is again being promoted by the College.

Known as the Aboriginal Bridging Programme, the course has run successfully for the past two years and includes 12 hours of lectures and tutorials each week for 13 weeks. Tutors from the Aboriginal Education Office also provide six hours of private tutoring each week.

Co-ordinator of the Aboriginal Enclave, Noma Bond, says the programme is intended for Aborigines who do not meet the normal Higher School Certificate aggregate requirements or Mature Age Entry requirements of the College.

"The College is currently calling applications for the course and the programme will start in conjunction with Semester II," said Noma.

Twenty-nine Aboriginal students are currently studying at the College in the areas of Physical Education (6), Primary and Early Childhood Education (6), Social Welfare (9), Mathematics and Industrial Arts (2 each) and in Computing Studies, Home Economics, Visual Arts and Nursing (1 each).

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WANTED: HOUSE OR FLAT

An academic couple who are moving to Newcastle in June/July are seeking a house or flat in any area of Newcastle.

The accommodation can be furnished or unfurnished but must be clean and comfortable. The couple will be happy to look after some person's home while they are on study leave and excellent references are available.

Anybody who believe they may be able to help out are asked to contact Bruce Wilson from the Department of English and Languages on Ext 399.

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NEW CHAPLAIN

APPOINTMENT FOR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY

A new part-time Catholic chaplain has been appointed to work with students at the College and also the University of Newcastle.

He is Father Richard Lennan who will be available to see students at the College every Wednesday. Father Lennan will work in conjunction with Sister Mary Goldsworthy who has been a part-time chaplain for more than 12 months.

Sister Mary is in attendance at the College on Mondays and Wednesdays and uses Friday as a flexible period between the College and University campuses.

Father Lennan and Sister Mary have an office located in Room A56 but can be contacted at the University if required.

Father Lennan, who has spent the past 3½ years in the East Maitland Parish, is well acquainted with student life having graduated from Newcastle University with a B.A. in History. He later studied for his Bachelor in Theology degree at Manly.

He has taken over the position from Father Peter Brock and says he is interested in meeting students from all denominations.

"I would like to become involved in group discussion work and look forward to starting some activities in this area," said Father Lennan.

"I'm looking forward to meeting and working with many College students and would like to hear from them in regard to our work on the campus," he said.

DISCIPLINE IN SCHOOLS

CESSNOCK POLICY BEING DEVELOPED

Consistency is the most important element of any school discipline policy, according to one of our lecturers in Professional Studies, Dr John Tierney.

John is currently working with staff at Cessnock High School to devise alternative disciplinary methods and classroom practices and comes at a time when the State Government is abolishing corporal punishment in schools from 1987.

John, who lectures in Management Discipline to College Home Economics students, became involved in the Cessnock project through Ena Abell (Head of Home Economics Department) whose husband is the Principal of Cessnock High.

John said the school obtained a small grant to investigate alternative disciplinary methods and that school staff, parents and students were being surveyed to ascertain current disciplinary practices and preferred practices.

"The parent survey has shown that a high proportion prefer involvement in disciplinary measures while results of the staff survey are currently being tabulated and will be presented to a meeting of the discipline committee this week," said John.

"Proposals and a strategy will then be discussed with staff and the student survey will be conducted shortly.

"If there is to be change I believe all staff must come together to focus on management and discipline which will then result in more consistency in the school," John added.
Two new representatives for the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme have been appointed to work on tertiary campuses in Newcastle.

They are Alison White and Gary Khan who will share their time between the College, the University of Newcastle and the Newcastle Technical College.

Alison will be available to talk to College students between 12.30pm and 5pm on Tuesdays while Gary will be in attendance between 9am and 1pm on Thursdays and Fridays.

The two will be located in an office in the Student Union Building.

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ART EDUCATION DISPLAYS

A display of art education works by both Primary students and Art Education students will be on display for the next two weeks in Room B11.

Vera Oden, our exchange lecturer from Dunedin in New Zealand, says the Primary students have attempted to integrate areas of study such as art and architecture, art and nature etc. They have been working in a small group of eight to undertake the art education module in the third year of their studies.

The Art Education students have been looking at three dimensional art and have been constructing a stage in which a character is the central figure.

Vera says the students' work will be on display for two weeks but the time could be extended if enough interest is shown by students and staff.

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BIG GRANT FOR CARAVAN PROJECT

The College has received a $360,000 grant from a Dutch Foundation to undertake a three-year project which will look at the co-ordination of facilities and services for families with young children living in Hunter Region caravan parks.

The grant comes from the Bernard van Leer Foundation from The Hague in Holland and a Field Director and a Base Co-Ordinator are currently being employed for the project.

An Advisory Committee has been established at the College under the Chairmanship of the Principal, Dr Doug Huxley. The Project Director is Wendy Schiller from the College's Department of Education.

Dr Huxley said the van Leer Foundation was an international non-profit organisation dedicated to the cause of dis-advantaged children and youth. He said its present programme provides for financial and professional assistance to projects that develop community based approaches in early childhood education and care.

Dr Huxley said the project would be known as the Hunter Caravan Project and that an integral part of the programme was continuous assessment and overall evaluation.
CARAVAN PROJECT

"The van Leer Foundation became interested in the project following a Caravan Conference which was held at the College in 1982," said Dr Huxley.

"The proceedings of the conference were sent to the Foundation in Holland and communication has been maintained through the Institution's Asian and Pacific consultant, Professor Hugh Philp.

"An application for a grant was made late last year and the Hunter Caravan Project will be fully operational in the near future," said Dr Huxley.

Project Director, Wendy Schiller, said the overall goal of the project was to improve the whole environment of young children living in caravan parks. This will include the social, physical, environmental and developmental needs of the children.

"The improvement will be through a number of programmes which include playgym, adult, recreation, after school and also teacher-assisted school programmes," said Wendy.

"We are very excited about receiving the grant and an important point about the project is that 'early childhood' is being seen as a composite of families, health, welfare, education and community development," she added.

HOME ECONOMICS: TWO YEAR TRAINED TEACHERS

The College is offering what may be the last chance for two year trained Home Economics teachers to upgrade to Diploma level.

The teachers are presently being informed through advertisements and promotions that the 1987 intake may be the last as the College is moving away from Diploma level courses in teacher education to Bachelor of Education Degree programmes. Application are currently being called for the 1987 intake and these will close on August 31 this year. The Diploma course will be offered through the Department of External Studies.

The College is seeking an enrolment of 24 teachers for next year.

COMMUNITY EXERCISE

COMMUNITY TAKES ADVANTAGE OF 'HEALTH SERVICE'

Shoppers at Charlestown Shopping Square and the Stockland Mall at Jesmond kept our nursing students busy last week during a Community Health Exercise.

The exercise was organised as part of the students' practical experience for their Diploma in Applied Science (Nursing) and more than 250 students took part in the project.

Students at both shopping centres measured the pulse, blood pressure, height and weight of members of the public and also offered consultation in conjunction with lecturers on health information. Information was also distributed on the nursing courses at the College.

An organiser of the exercise, Kay Ball, said the aim of the two days was to consolidate the studies of the students with the emphasis being on the primary health care role in the community—educating people.

Above: Nursing students spent two days last week at Charlestown and Jesmond in meeting the public face-to-face to discuss general health issues and also taking pulse and blood pressure measurements.
GENERAL NEWS

I.A. SEMINAR NEXT MONTH

The experience that has been gained by the College in being a marking centre for the subject of Engineering Science in the Higher School Certificate will be relayed to students at a special seminar next month.

The College, in association with the Newcastle Branch of the Institute of Industrial Arts will be holding a special seminar on July 1 at the College for Year 12 students who are studying Engineering Science this year.

The College is the only corporate marking centre outside of Sydney for the H.S.C. and speakers for the July seminar will include visitors and local teachers who have considerable expertise with respect to examination technique in Engineering Science.

Seminar topics include principles and concepts in Engineering Science, Mechanics and Drawing, integrated questions and examination technique.

AITEA FELLOWSHIP

The Australian Institute of Tertiary Educational Administrators has increased the value of its 1987 Travelling Fellowship to $5,000.

The national president of AITEA, John Topley, said the increase reflected the Institute's determination to assist its members' professional development.

The Fellowship enables a member of the Institute to undertake a project in Australia or overseas to further their own professional development in tertiary educational administration, and to share the results with other AITEA members.

The project is expected also to be relevant to the interests of the recipient's institution.

Fellowship applicants must be a financial member of AITEA and a pamphlet regarding the scheme is available from the College's Information and Publicity Office.

RESEARCH FUNDS

GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Australian Diabetes Foundation in conjunction with the Apex Foundation is calling for grant applications for research into Diabetes.

Inadequate funding has previously hindered research into the causes, cure and educational management of Diabetes but an Apex national project has raised $500,000 for research and education projects.

Grant applications are being invited for research (basic, clinical or applied) in (i) Biochemistry, physiology and pathology, (ii) nutrition, (iii) epidemiology, (iv) psychology, and (v) education. Applications are also being called in the educational field to develop practical strategies for (i) production and development, (ii) implementation and (iii) evaluation of new and novel educational programmes, resources and teaching strategies.

Applications for the grants close on July 25 and full information is available from the College's Information and Publicity Office.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTSHIP

The Apex Foundation for Research into Mental Retardation is providing studentships for undergraduate students who are preparing theses related to mental retardation as part of their studies.

The studentships are valued at $400 each and may be applied to either technical or personal expenses.

Applications, which must include a thesis plan approved by the Department within which the studies are being taken and a letter of support from the Head of Department, should be posted to the Honorary Secretary, Apex Foundation for Research into Mental Retardation Ltd. G.P.O. Box 1629P, Melbourne, 3001.

The Foundation is also inviting applications for grants from individuals or research teams concerned with the causes, diagnosis, prevention or treatment of mental retardation and allied conditions.
**SEMINAR DAY**

**SEMINAR DRAWS 400 STUDENTS**

Experts from the Home Science and Textiles fields lectured to more than 420 Year 12 students at a special Home Economics Seminar held at the College last week.

The students came from the Hunter Region, the Central Coast, the Mid-North Coast and also Tamworth for the full-day series of lectures.

It's the fourth year the College has held the seminar in conjunction with the Hunter Home Economics Teachers' Association and the aim is to provide students with a relevant look at topics, but from a broader viewpoint.

An organiser of the day, Faith Trent, said experts from the Home Science and Textiles fields were invited to the College to provide the broader viewpoint and that the lectures were well received by the students.

"The experts provided an extension to the work that Year 12 students are already undertaking for their H.S.C. examination later this year and the day proved of great assistance to the high school students," said Faith.

![Image of students attending the seminar]

**STAFF NEWS**

**NORTHERN TERRITORY PROGRAMME**

The Head of our Department of Social Sciences, Jim Stokes, is currently in the Northern Territory delivering a series of seminars for the Territory's Crafts Council.

Jim was invited to Darwin and Alice Springs as a follow-on of his work with the N.S.W. Crafts Council.

"The seminars involve professional development for artists and crafts people and a full programme has been set up for this week at the Darwin Community College and Alice Springs," said Jim.

"The seminars will be looking at self employment, the problems and issues of setting up a business, finance and financial management, taxation, marketing, professional presentation and also commissions."

"I'll also be looking at copyright, pricing, costing and accounting and other areas which involve professional development for artists and crafts people," he said.

Jim is well known for his work in the area of professional development in the arts and has a number of publications to his credit.

**GENERAL INVITATION TO HEAR SURVEY REPORT**

An invitation has been issued to all staff to attend the next meeting of the Newcastle Branch of the Institute for Educational Research to hear a report undertaken for the College and University on the educational aspirations of high school students.

Bob Conway from the Special Education Centre is the President of the Newcastle Branch and said the meeting would be held in B13 tomorrow night (Tuesday, June 29) at 7.30pm.

The survey was undertaken by the Hunter Valley Research Foundation and speakers will include the Foundation's Director, Dr Wej Paradise, Dr Huxley and Professor Don George. Secondary school Principals and Careers Advisers have been invited to the meeting.
CHEMISTRY COMPETITION

25 TEAMS FROM HIGH SCHOOLS

A total of 25 teams from 10 Hunter Valley High Schools competed in the Newcastle section of the Schools National Titration Competition which was held at the College last week.

Teams from Gloucester, Cessnock, Rutherford, Kurri and Maitland schools joined local high schools in using the facilities of the College Science Laboratories for the Competition.

The Titration Competition is organised by the Royal Australian Chemical Institute and involves analysis of an acetic acid solution using a standard solution of hydrochloric acid by titration of both acids with sodium hydroxide.

Gateshead High School won the inaugural national title last year and the winner of the Newcastle section this year was Gloucester High for Year 11 and Cessnock High for Year 12.

ABOVE: Head of the Science Department, Terry Sheedy, supervises students during the competition last week. Gloucester and Cessnock high schools took out the team titles.
The College's Deputy Principal, Ray Hodgins, is to retire on August 21 on his 60th birthday.

Ray announced his retirement date at the June meeting of Council to bring to a close what he has described as a most enjoyable time with the College.

Ray was employed in 1968 as a Lecturer in Science and gained a Senior Lecturer position in 1973. He was appointed as Acting Head of the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies in 1979 and then became Course Development Officer in 1983.

In late 1984 Ray was appointed as Assistant Principal, the position being changed earlier this year to Deputy Principal.

Before his 18 years with the College, Ray underwent teacher training at Sydney Teachers' College, undertook the Technical College Diploma in Science course and gained his BSc from the University of N.S.W. He taught at Wauchope, Broadmeadow, Newcastle Boys' High and was appointed as Science Master at Raymond Terrace before coming to the old Newcastle Teachers' College.

Ray says some of the highlights of his career at Newcastle C.A.E. have included the change of the College from a departmental

\[\text{Ray Hodgins - to retire late next month.}\]
The current few weeks have been an exciting period for our new Lecturer in Mass Communications, David Rowe.

David took up the position in Mass Communications with the College last week and this week graduates from the University of Essex in England with a PhD in Sociology.

On top of all that, a new book David has co-edited is about to hit the bookshops. Entitled 'Power Play: Essays in the Sociology of Australian Sport', the book has been co-edited with Geoffrey Lawrence and published by Hale & Iremonger.

David holds a B.A. in Sociology from Nottingham University and a M.A. in Sociology from York University. He has been a Lecturer in Sociology at Riverina-Murray Institute of Higher Education for the past four years and prior to that was a Research Officer with the Education Department in Tasmania and an English/History teacher.

Other new members of staff are Lance Davis as a Senior Lecturer in Nursing and Health Studies, Peter Johnston as a tutor in Science, and Vicki Von Stieglitz and Jennifer Smith as Clerical Assistants in Nursing and Health Studies.

Cassandra Shay has been employed as a Library Technician, Pauline Whyman as Clerical Assistant in the Aboriginal Enclave, Maree Hunt as a Clerical Assistant in Student Services and Mose Togia in Gardening.
PARTICIPATION IN TERTIARY EDUCATION

Factors such as lack of childcare and student selection procedures are still hampering women's access to post secondary school study according to the Federal Education Minister, Senator Susan Ryan.

However, the Minister said more women were undertaking tertiary study than ever before.

Senator Ryan was commenting on a report, 'Women's Participation in Tertiary Education: A Review of Recent Australian Research' which was released recently.

The report, commissioned by the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission, brings together recent research findings on the reasons why women do or do not undertake tertiary study.

Senator Ryan said she was concerned the report indicated that some tertiary education institution practices still discourage women from pursuing studies. She was also concerned that proportionately fewer women than men proceed to postgraduate study.

The Minister said she hoped the report would stimulate institutions to make changes where necessary so that women were not deterred from areas of post-secondary study.

Senator Ryan said it was encouraging to see that women's participation in full-time tertiary education was increasing and that this indicated the government's priorities of increased participation and greater equity were being realised.

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GREEK SCHOLARSHIPS

The Australian Government is offering a number of awards for study in Greece in 1986/7. The awards are tenable for two to six months and full details are available from the Student Services Section.

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COLLEGE NEWS

TRAINING SESSIONS ON PABX SYSTEM

The College's new PABX telephone system is currently being installed and the changeover date will be Monday, July 14.

Training sessions to show the capabilities and features of the new system will be held for all staff in the Council Room on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week (July 8,9,10).

Pamphlets on the new system will be issued during the training sessions, which will be of about one hour's duration.

Facilities Officer, John Brazier, will be contacting Heads of Departments/Sections this week to organise a timetable for the training sessions.

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SAMS TRIAL IN SEMESTER II

The Student Administration Management System (SAMS) which is being implemented by the College's Computer Centre will be trialled during Semester II for introduction in 1987.

The SAMS system will manage all student data from the time of application through to completion of a course. A number of sub-systems are being developed under the project and additional staff have been attached to the Computer Centre to collect information for the trial period.

Chairman of the SAMS Steering Committee, Dr Allan Taylor, said that the introduction of the new system depended on the cooperation of all staff.

He said the additional staff attached to the Computer Centre would be collecting outstanding information on module details in the next few weeks as well as collecting information on course details.

Dr Taylor said a bulletin outlining the latest steps had been issued to staff and that further copies were available from his office.
INDUSTRIAL ARTS

ENGINEERING THEIR WAY TO SUCCESS

More than 300 senior High School students benefitted from the co-operation of the College, the Newcastle Branch of the Institute of Industrial Arts and the Department of Education when they attended a special Industrial Arts seminar at the College last week.

The students are studying Engineering Science for their Higher School Certificate this year and the seminar was directed at reinforcing concepts and techniques which have, or are likely to have application in this year’s H.S.C. examination.

The students came from as far as Taree, Scone and the Central Coast to attend the full-day seminar which was addressed by visiting experts and local teachers.

The College has been a marking centre for the Engineering Science subject for the past few years and the experience that has been gained in that time on examination technique was relayed to the students.

The Head of the Department of Industrial Arts, Dr Kevin Morgan, said the seminar was recorded on video. This would allow isolated students to gain access to the proceedings of the seminar and the tape will be made available to schools on request.

Above: Seminar speaker, Mr Colley from Gateshead High School, holds the attention of students during a Materials session.

THE ARTS

FILM AND VIDEO - NEW WORKS

A series of evenings presenting new works from Film/Video makers, performers and visual artists from Newcastle and other regions is currently being held in the City.

The Film/Video, Photography and Sound Sections of the College are helping to publicise the evenings which are being held each Wednesday in the basement of the Wood Street Theatre in Newcastle West.

The evenings are being sponsored by the International Year of Peace Committee and the Newcastle Out-of-Workers and the series is entitled "The Underground - Alternate Film/Video and Performance in the 90's".

The series is planned not only to provide a venue and forum for independent film and video but also for new music, poetry, storytelling, comedy, theatre and the visual arts.

The evenings start at 7.30 pm and run for three hours.

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TEACHER EDUCATION CADETSHIPS

The Department of Education is calling applications for special cadetships from students who finish their degree or diploma course this year in Second-are languages, social sciences, mathematics, science music, industrial arts or home economics.

The cadetships are valued at $3000 and guarantee employment in government in government schools next year. Selected applicants must serve for a minimum period of two years and accept appointment anywhere in the State or to a number of limited areas.

Applications close this coming Friday (July 11). Teacher Education students in their final year in any of the above specialisations who wish to apply should contact the College Student Advisory Officer, Carolyn Sjostedt, in the Student Services Section for full details on the cadetship scheme.
ACTIVITY VAN FOR PROJECT

The first equipment to be used in the $300,000 van Leer project has arrived at the College in the form of an activity van and playgym equipment.

The van was recently handed over to the College by the Asian and Pacific consultant of the van Leer Foundation, Dr Hugh Philp.

The College has received the $300,000 grant from the Dutch foundation to undertake a three-year project for families with young children living in Hunter Region caravan parks. Known as the Hunter Caravan Project, its aim is to help caravan park communities to improve the whole environment for young children.

Project Director, Wendy Schiller, said the emphasis will be on enjoyable activities for the family and that these will include playgym, adult, recreation, after-school and teacher assisted school programmes.

Committee members are Wendy, Dr Monica Hayes, Dr Doug Huxley, Dr Hugh Philp, Beryl Jamieson (Lady Gowrie Centre), Nancy O'Connor (TAFE Outreach) and Tom Fallon (Youth and Community Services).

Above: Dr Hugh Philp (R) presents the van keys to Playgym Co-ordinator, Sonia Liddiard, while Wendy Schiller and Dr Huxley look on.
The College has received a good response to its invitation to former students to register on the Roll of Graduates.

Advertisements have appeared recently in national, state and local newspapers and in journals notifying former students of the establishment of the Roll and a proposed Convocation.

About 150 graduates have registered their names on the Roll and also for the Convocation body and the College expects an increase in replies as articles appear in the media.

The Roll of Graduates is being established following recent amendments to the Colleges of Advanced Education Act which will enable graduates to participate in the government and management of the College by electing two graduate members to the Council. The election will take place after necessary amendments to the College's By-Law have been approved by the Minister for Education, possibly later this year.

The College is also establishing a Convocation and all of the graduates who have registered on the Roll of Graduates have indicated their willingness to become members of the proposed body.

Eligible members of Convocation will include graduates who have received a formal award from the College or its predecessors (Newcastle Teachers' College and National Arts School), members and past members of the Council, eligible members of staff and retired staff and other approved categories.

An invitation to eligible members will be issued shortly and a steering committee then formed of Convocation.
**ANTIQUE FAIR**

**BIG CROWDS EXPECTED AT MAJOR SHOW**

The parents and friends organisation of the Special Education Centre, Firstchance, is expecting big crowds when it holds its fourth Antique Fair and Valuation Day this coming Saturday (July 26).

The upsurge in interest in the purchase of antiques and their investment value is making the Fair one of the big draws in the Hunter Valley each year for antique lovers. Saturday’s Fair and valuation day will be held in the Banquet Room of the City Hall between 10am and 5pm.

The president of Firstchance, Phil Foreman, says the Fair has grown in popularity each year and that they had to turn people away last year who were seeking valuations because of the overwhelming demand.

"A feature of the Fair is the valuation of items by two expert valuers from the Sydney company of P.L. Pickles and they will provide valuations on everything from silver and porcelain to paintings and furniture," said Phil.

Valuations will cost $3 per item and the valuers are usually able to give information on the age and origin of antiques in addition to the price they are likely to fetch at auction.

A number of antique dealers will be selling a wide range of antiques and collectables throughout the day.

Phil said entry to the Fair was free to valuation customers and $1 for visitors. Children will be admitted free and all proceeds got to the running of programmes for developmentally delayed children of the Special Education Centre.

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**STAFF NEWS**

**STAFF INTEREST IN CENTRE**

The establishment of a marine studies centre at Swansea Heads has captured the attention of a number of members of staff.

Keith Davey (IMU), Ken Scott and Cyril Green (Social Sciences), Karla Lemmert (Science) and former student Richard Ferguson are all members of the Society of Estuarine and Marine Studies which was formed last month. The Society's major project is the establishment of the Centre and walking tracks at a cost of $80,000.

Keith said the Society has applied for Bi-Centennial funding and that its aim was to develop and run courses oriented around the marine and estuarine environment.

"The site, which has a lot of historical and natural significance, is already used extensively by the community and is within one kilometre of most major coastal habitats of the Australian coastline," said Keith.

"The Society plans to tap into the already high involvement by the community in marine environment and courses will be on both a formal and informal basis," he added.

Staff who are interested in becoming a member should contact Keith, Ken, Cyril or Karla. The Society meets every last Monday of each month in the Belmont Primary School at 7.30 pm.

Above: Keith Davey looking over the proposal held by Ken Scott for the Marine Studies Centre.
SCIENCE TEACHERS

SCIENCE NUMBERS CAUSE CONCERN FOR COLLEGE

A current shortage of science teachers in New South Wales is not only causing concern for the Department of Education, but also for the College.

New South Wales at the moment has 11 vacancies on its books for science teachers, the highest individual number of vacancies in all the teaching specialisations. And projections for next year show that the number of teaching positions expected to be available will be somewhere between the 210 and 340 mark.

The College is worried about the number of people training - especially since it had no intake this year. Despite the long term prospects for secure employment, Newcastle C.A.F. did not receive sufficient applications to offer its Bachelor of Education degree course in February.

The Head of the School of Teacher Education, Dr Allan Taylor, says the shortage persists because of the lack of mobility of qualified teachers.

"Qualified teachers are not prepared to move about the State to take up vacant positions in science teaching and despite the provision of special courses to increase supply we are still facing a shortage," said Dr Taylor.

"The N.S.W. Department of Education has 11 unfilled permanent vacancies for science teachers in secondary schools and the Minister for Education, Mr Cavalier, has just announced a $3M programme to train 600 extra teachers to meet the State's future demand."

Major Initiatives

Mr Cavalier's scheme has seven major initiatives. These include 140 cadetships for final-year student teachers, 15 cadetships for Aboriginal teacher aides to undertake teacher training, 60 alternate mode Diploma courses for graduates, 60 conversion courses whereby primary teachers will train to become general teachers in Home Economics and Maths, 15 counselling courses, 285 ten-week retraining courses and 50 five-week refresher courses.

SHORTAGE NOW

The scheme is being funded by the State Treasury as the latest figures show that N.S.W. is 69 teachers short in the following areas; Science (11), Counselling (10), English/History (8) and Mathematics, Industrial Arts and Home Science (7 each).

Dr Taylor said his College was attempting to promote its science course through the media and careers advisers in schools and other institutions in an effort to begin a class in 1987.

He said Newcastle C.A.F. would be taking part in the alternate mode diploma courses in science and mathematics and also the conversion course in home economics, industrial arts and mathematics.

"Although we realise there are shortages in other areas such as industrial arts and mathematics, we are very keen to start a science class next year," said Dr Taylor.

"It's not only the 11 places that are unfilled in government schools, but also the unknown vacancies in private schools and the critical shortage of casual relief teachers across the State which is causing us concern."

Predicted Numbers

Dr Taylor said the 1984 Correy Report to the Minister of Education predicted that the total number of positions available for science teachers in government and non-government schools was as follows:

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He said it was imperative that the shortage of science teachers was brought to the attention of Year 12 students and also people who were interested in retraining to become a science teacher.

Year 12 students who are sitting for their Higher School Certificate examination later this year will need a combined mark (an aggregate of a student's assessment mark and of their H.S.C. mark) of 292 to be eligible for entry to our science course next year.

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DON'T FORGET YOUR USER GUIDE

College Facilities Officer, John Brazier, has asked staff not to forget the User Guide if they face any difficulties in using the College's new PABX system.

The STC 'StarSwitch' system was installed early this month and training sessions for staff have revealed an array of features which are new to those using College telephones.

John said the User Guide was a very handy booklet and that he requested staff to refer to the instructions for proper operation. If staff members still face problems they can contact Sonia Donolato on Ext. 441 or switchboard operators Vicki Mak and Diana Bradley.

John said new handsets were being installed throughout various sections of the College, including the Richardson Wing, during the next month.

He said a new internal telephone directory listing all new staff and their extension numbers was being printed and would be distributed in the near future.

Above: S.T.C. Representative, Kaye Koning, instructs Eric Skuja and Anne Brown in the use of the new StarSwitch system which includes many new features for staff members.

NEW SCHEME FOR STUDENTS

The Commonwealth Government has introduced a new allowance to help young people stay in education if they have no family home or parental support.

Known as the Young Homeless Allowance Scheme, it came into operation earlier this month and provides up to $73.28 a week to eligible tertiary and secondary students.

College students who wish to apply for the allowance should contact the TEAS representatives, Alison White or Gary Khan, who are located in the Student Union Building at different times during the week.

Alison said students who wish to apply for the allowance would have to have well documented evidence as the scheme is intended for students in genuine need.

The Young Homeless Allowance Scheme is part of the Priority One Strategy which in part is designed to encourage and enable young people to participate in education.

Students likely to qualify for assistance are those with no parental home (such as wards, orphans or refugees) and those whose family circumstances make it unreasonable to expect them to live at home.

Alison said she would be happy to talk to students requiring more information on the scheme.

Above: S.T.C. Representative, Kaye Koning, instructs Eric Skuja and Anne Brown in the use of the new StarSwitch system which includes many new features for staff members.

Alison White - information kit is available.
BRETT SEEKS THIRD WORLD TITLE

Physical Education student, Brett Austine, travels to Europe in October to try and capture his third world double mini-trampoline title.

Brett, who is 23 and in the second year of his course, won his first world title in Montana, USA in 1982 and his second in Osaka, Japan in 1984. He sees himself as one of the favourites to take out the championship this year.

Brett has been appointed as captain of the Australian Trampoline Sports Team and during October/November will compete in the World Trampoline Sports Championships in Paris, The World Synchronised Trampoline Cup in Germany, The Czechoslovakian International Invitation Tournament and the Scottish Invitational International Titles.

He first represented Australia at the age of 13 in 1976 and the Paris championships will be his sixth world title in which he has competed. Special arrangements are being made for Brett to continue his studies while competing overseas.

ABOVE: Dr Dave Parsons and Brett look at the photo of another College student who represented Australia. Don Mitchell, a 4th year external P.E. student competed in weightlifting at the Moscow Olympics.
NEW ENCLAVE CO-ORDINATOR

Expanding the services offered by the College’s Aboriginal Enclave and also having more people know about the facility are two immediate priorities of the new Co-ordinator, Lorraine Thomas.

Lorraine was recently appointed to the position although she has been involved with the Enclave since its establishment two years ago. Lorraine was a full-time student at the College for two years while she studied for her Associate Diploma in Social Welfare and also served as Multicultural Officer on the Students’ Representative Council.

She has served as a voluntary welfare worker with the Awabakal Co-operative and also was Assistant Secretary for the organisation. Her community work involves being Secretary of the Hunter Aboriginal Childrens’ Service and a member of the Land Council.

Lorraine has already secured on permanent loan a number of artefacts for the Wollotuka (meaning meeting and eating place) Enclave and is trying to increase its size as a resource centre.

"I would like to meet more lecturers to discuss the role of the Enclave and am also informing Aboriginal students who have just joined our Bridging Programme about the facilities and services that are available," said Lorraine.

Another new member of the Enclave staff is Clerical Assistant Pauline Whyman.
A FAIR SUCCESS

ANTQIES DRAW THE PEOPLE

The Special Education Centre's Antique Fair and Valuation Day at the City Hall has raised about $2,500 for the programmes run by the Centre.

The Fair has now become an annual event for Newcastle and between 2,000 and 2,500 people attended the Fair with more than 4,500 items being valued.

The event is organised by Firstchance and its President, Phil Foreman, said he was quite happy with the proceeds and that there were some remarkable finds on the day.

"The most outstanding was a pair of Royal Doulton jugs commemorating Australia's 150th birthday," said Phil. "The jugs were valued at more than $2,500 each and the present owner bought them at auction some years ago."

Valuers believe the jugs would have originally cost about $15 each.

Another item which came up for valuation was a John Alcott watercolour which was priced at more than $3,000.

TEAS TIMES

The College's TEAS representatives, Alison White and Gary Khan, have restructured their timetable for the remainder of the year.

Alison will now be available in the Student Union Building on: WEDNESDAYS between 1 PM AND 5 PM.

Gary will be available in the Student Union Building on: FRIDAYS between 9 AM AND 5 PM.

The telephone number for both Alison and Gary at the College is 676149.

The new times become effective from next Monday August 11.

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BEACH BASH

PLANNING FOR BICENTENARY

Social Sciences lecturer, Ken Scott, would like to know what you have planned for the eight days before January 26, 1988.

Ken is in the process of planning a 200 kilometre 'beach bash' to mark the Bicentenary and is interested to hear from students and staff who would like to take part in the walk.

The walk will start from Nobby's Beach and end at Circular Quay in Sydney with the crossing of the Hawkesbury River possibly being from Kilcare to Barranjoey.

"Basically, the 200 kilometres will be a beach walk as the walkers will be walking on the hard sand on the outgoing tide," said Ken.

"Some people will walk the full distance but we're also inviting people to walk part of a day and then possibly come back and join us later during the 'beach bash'."

The proposed walk has already been surveyed from Nobby's Beach to Avoca Surf Club on the Central Coast and Ken is confident of having a large group to take part in the event.

Ken said the walkers would start out on Tuesday, January 19 in order to reach Sydney for Australia's 200th birthday.

He said the event would require no funding but that he hoped to sponsor an organisation such as the Cancer Research Foundation.

There's also a possibility that a booklet may be published to outline the walk for interested parties.

Ken Scott and first-year Social Sciences student, Jenny Manderson, discuss the 'beach bash' route.
STAFF NEWS

FAREWELLS FOR RAY AND MORRIE

Staff are reminded of the farewell functions being organised to mark the retirement of Ray Hodgins and Morrie Graham.

Ray's Farewell Dinner will be held at the College on Tuesday, August 19 and cost will be $12.50 per person. R.S.V.P.'s should be telephoned through to Ext. 333 by August 13.

Morrie's farewell will be held at the Waratah Rugby Union Club on Wednesday, August 13 and cost will be $10 single or $20 double.

Jim Stokes and Michael Beck are organising the evening and they would like to hear as soon as possible from staff members who wish to attend.

Staff Association Farewells

The Staff Association has organised a Farewell Morning Tea for 10.30 this morning for staff to say their farewells to four retiring lecturers in Morrie, Les Pennington, Jack Nyman and John O'Donoghue.

A Morning Tea for Ray will be held on Tuesday, August 19, at 10.30 am.

COURTESY ACKNOWLEDGED

Our Staffing Services Section has been complimented on its courtesy shown to people who are unsuccessful in applying for positions with the College.

The compliment was paid in a letter to the Registrar by an unsuccessful applicant for a recently advertised position. The letter said the application and return of material was handled with sensitivity and that very well worded correspondence was unlikely to offend.

The letter said that if more organisations took the time to show the caring attitude of the College then many long-term unemployed people would retain their confidence and dignity. Although not unemployed, the applicant said that she was aware of the difficulties that arise from knockbacks written in an uncaring fashion.

PLEASE HELP

IT'S OLD TABLEWARE ROUNDUP TIME

The Staff Room is rapidly running short of its cups, saucers, glasses and teaspoons (to say nothing about its bottles of milk!).

This shortage has no doubt been created by persons having tea breaks etc. at their desks, which is, of course, quite acceptable.

However, the time has now arisen where stock levels of tableware have dropped alarmingly, and all members of staff are now urged to seek out those stray cups, saucers, glasses and teaspoons cluttering their desks and return them to the Staff Room.

Your Staff Association Executive are reluctant to see the introduction of foam cups and paddle-pop sticks to meet staff amenities, but unless these shortages are reversed, they may have no alternative.

So please.......scout about and return that crockery and cutlery now!

David Heggart, Hon.Treasurer, Staff Association.

GROANS FROM JOHN ROBSON

Staff members who have taken up John Robson's invitation to attend the performance of Rigoletto on September 27 or Die Fledermaus on October 4 are being asked to dig deep and pay for their tickets by August 20.

Some tickets are still available on both coach trips and the people who have all the information are John on 632237 or Christine Byrnes on Ext 387 and Clare Martin on Ext 429. John will be holding a special 'orientation' for both performances.
COURSE STUDIES PAY DIVIDENDS

The experience and skills gained during his Communication Studies course has enabled Jim Williams to publish a manual which may be distributed overseas as well as in Australia.

Jim is in the second year of the Communication Studies degree and says the manual on guitar making would not be on the bookshelves without the knowledge he has gained in his studies at the College.

The manual, entitled 'Guitar Making', was printed in Newcastle by Newey and Beath and retails for $19.95. It is being distributed by Music Sales (Australia) and looks like being sold in the U.S. and U.K.

Jim says it has taken him about 2½ years to publish the manual and says course work in layout, production and writing has been invaluable.

"I don't know where I'd be if I hadn't decided to come to Newcastle to do the Communication Studies course," said Jim. "I had been making guitars in Sydney for about seven or eight years and decided to come to Newcastle C.A.E. because I was interested in technical writing."

Jim has had a number of articles published in U.S. and Australian magazines on making and repairing guitars and attended a guitar building course in America in 1977.

He said the manual is not a 'coffee table' book but contains as much information as possible (including full-size plans) on the making of guitars.

According to Jim, the manual has been released at the right time because few publications are available in Australia or overseas on the art of guitar making.

STUDENT NEWS

VACATION PLACEMENT SCHEME

The College's Student Services Section has information available on a scheme whereby health and welfare students are given the chance to undertake voluntary work in Community Health Centres and other Health and Welfare Agencies.

The scheme is organised by Student Initiatives in Community Health and allows funding for about 60 students to receive out-of-pocket expenses to a maximum of $100 per week from two to four weeks.

A list of positions available will be printed in September and students may choose the area in which they would like to work. However, if a student has a project of their own or an agency in which they would like to become involved the S.I.C.H. should be advised on the application form.

Social Welfare students and Nursing students may be interested in the scheme and full information is available from the Student Services Section.

ART AWARDS

The New South Wales Government is offering a Travelling Art Scholarship to enable an artist or a student of Art to study abroad for a two or a three year period.

Applications for the scholarship are available from the Student Services Section and close on Friday, August 15.

The Student Services Section also has information and application forms for the Moet & Chandon Australian Art Fellowship Awards which provide the opportunity for a young artist to study in Paris for a year and also for artists to be included in a touring exhibition.

Applications close for the Fellowship on Friday, October 31.
A Highly Commended Award in the Hobsons National Student Art Prize has brought with it a $500 cheque for Visual Arts student, Sharon Tredinnick.

Sharon is specialising in drawing in the third year of her BAVA course and a drawing of her mother as a young woman was highly commended in the 'Works on Paper and Mixed Media' section of the Art Prize by judge, Eileen Chanin.

The drawing, in charcoal, acrylic and pastels on tar paper, was an idealised impression taken from a photograph. The judge said the work showed a lot of mood while the different mediums were handled respectfully.

Sharon said more than 550 entries from art students around Australia were submitted for judging in five categories and that about 200 works were displayed when the prizes were presented at the Mitchell CAE on July 27.

Sharon was delighted at her work being highly commended, especially with the quality work that was submitted.

The winner of her section was David Young from the Tasmanian State Institute of Technology.

Another art student to win a prize is Kathleen Callaghan who took out the local artists award in the Singleton Art Competition. Kathleen is from the Muswellbrook class of the Ass.Diploma.

Sharon Tredinnick's highly commended work in the Hobsons National Art Prize.
PREMIER: NEW CENTRE

The Premier, Mr Barrie Unsworth, has announced a $250,000 Bicentennial Grant to build an Aboriginal Education Centre on the College campus.

The Premier made the announcement when visiting the College last week with the Member for Waratah, Mr John Price.

"This facility is of immense significance to the College's Aboriginal students as well as encouraging understanding of Aboriginal culture among students and members of the wider community from other backgrounds," Mr Unsworth said.

"The Centre will be built between the P.E. gymnasium and the Student Union and consist of an office, reception area, an Aboriginal library and a room which will be used for a variety of purposes like meetings, music performances and displays.

"The project is an outgrowth of the activities of the Aboriginal Enclave which has been operating on the campus for the past two years.

"The new Centre will provide the Enclave with bigger and more suitable premises and give it the chance to greatly expand its role," said the Premier.

The total cost of the Education Centre will be $263,000 with the College providing the outstanding $13,000. Construction work will begin early next year and is expected to be completed for the start of lectures in Semester II, 1987.

The Centre will provide a focus for Aboriginal activities and culture in Newcastle and provide educational and cultural... cont
support for the significant number of Aboriginal students at Newcastle C.A.E. and the University of Newcastle. In addition, it will serve as a resource centre for the teaching of Aboriginal studies at the two institutions.

At present there are 29 Aboriginal students studying at the College in the areas of Physical Education (6), Primary & Early Education (6), Social Welfare (9), Mathematics and Industrial Arts (2 each), Computing Studies, Home Economics, Visual Arts and Nursing (1 each) and nine studying at the University of Newcastle. It's estimated that by 1988 about 80 Aboriginal students will be enrolled in College courses and about 20 enrolled in University courses.

The Centre will be complimentary to services already existing in Newcastle for Aboriginal people and will be a means of acquainting the non-Aboriginal residents of Newcastle with Aboriginal culture and values.

Above: Premier Unsworth and College Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, (centre) walk through the College grounds before the announcement of the $250,000 grant for the Aboriginal Education Centre. The Premier arrived by helicopter before giving details in the Council Room of the new grant.

NEW FACILITY IN COLLEGE LIBRARY

The College Library has recently installed the new video text system known as 'Viatel' which is regarded as a breakthrough in today's communication system.

The system gives fast, low-cost and flexible access to a comprehensive range of information and services and further increases the library's information sources.

College Senior Librarian, Greg Anderson, said Viatel was cheap to use at 1A$ a call-up and 8A$ per minute.

"The system is 'user-friendly' and has been installed as part of the Library Information Service," said Greg. "People who wish to use the system are asked to enquire first at the Reference Desk and Library Staff will be happy to assist them."

Information for Colleges and Universities is limited at this stage but material from Government Departments, Banks and Companies is readily available. For instance, timetables for transport facilities, information on travel and even the latest products on the market can be called up on Viatel.

Greg said any information called up on the screen can be transferred to a printer for a hard copy.

Another service offered by the Library is a booklet which describes Library Services available for Academic Staff.

The booklet contains information on Reference services, Reader Education, Computer Information Services, Closed Reserve, Inter-Library Loans, Reciprocal Borrowing Rights and other services.

Additional Library information will be included in future issues.
N.A.S.E.R.P.

Non-academic staff are being invited to prepare submissions for the 1986 Non-Academic Staff Establishment Review.

A letter on this year's Review has been distributed to non-academic staff and submissions for consideration by the Panel should be lodged by Friday, September 4 with the Assistant Registrar (Staffing Services), Don Foster.

Staff who are considering the preparation of a submission are encouraged to consult with Mr Foster with a view to identifying the key elements and appropriate criteria in each case.

Any submission should be comprehensive and specific in terms of the change(s) sought and justification for the change(s). Staff should also indicate whether they wish to appear before the Panel to elaborate their case and also be aware that the Panel may request an appearance.

Successful variations will be subject to budget provision and be effective from January 1, 1987. Full details on the composition of the Review Panel and its functions are available from the Staffing Services Office.

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HERDSA SEMINAR

The N.S.W. Branch of HERDSA is holding a special one-day seminar in Sydney later this month for which the topic will be 'Curricula in Higher Education: Women's Perspective'.

The aim of the seminar is to explore the need for change, and how to achieve it, in curricula aims, subject content, teaching methods, etc. in order to reflect the perceptions of women in colleges, universities and TAFE. Practising teachers, educational researchers, counsellors and academic administrators are being invited to discuss the issues and how they may be resolved.

The seminar will be held at the University of N.S.W. on Saturday, August 30 between 9 am and 5 pm. Fee for HERDSA members is $20 and $25 for non-members. Full information available from the College's Information & Publicity Office.

FULBRIGHT AWARDS

The Australian-American Education Foundation is publicising its 1987 Fulbright Awards for study, research and lecturing in the United States.

The Awards are broken into three categories, these being 7-9 Senior Awards; 8-10 Postdoctoral Fellow Awards; and 9-10 Postgraduate Student Awards.

The Senior Awards are for those people holding senior academic posts, leaders in the Arts and senior practitioners while the Postdoctoral Fellow is for those who have recently completed or about to complete a PhD. and who wish to pursue postdoctoral study in the U.S. The Postgraduate Student Award are for those who have completed or about to complete their first degree and wish to undertake higher study, research or a programme of training and professional development in America.

Full details of the Fulbright Awards are available from the Secretary, Department of Education, (AAEF) Awards, P.O. Box 826, Woden, A.C.T. 2606.

DEPARTMENT HELPS IN SENIOR CITIZEN QUEST

The College's Department of Social Welfare is assisting the Newcastle Branch of the N.S.W. Council on the Ageing in its 'Senior Citizen of the Year 1986 Quest'.

Head of the Department, Dr Ray Morland, is also President of the Newcastle Branch and has been able to combine the efforts of both bodies in promoting the Quest in the Hunter Valley.

Ray said nominations close on August 29 and judging will take place in country areas on October 18. He said the aims of the Quest were to enhance the image of the older members of the community and in so doing help to bring together people of all ages.

Ray has full details for staff interested in the Quest.
TEAM EFFORT BY COLLEGE HELPS STUDENTS

Newcastle's first Careers Market in 20 years resulted in a team effort by a wide cross section of College staff.

Nearly 8,000 high school students took the opportunity last week to visit the Newcastle City Hall to gather information on careers and courses of study.

Staff from the College's Student Administration Section were in attendance at a College booth while lecturing staff assisted in Teacher Education, Nursing and Computing areas.

The Market was one of the last opportunities for Year 12 students from the Newcastle area to obtain knowledge on courses before they fill in their U.C.A.C. forms and sit for their H.S.C. examination.

The College booth was particularly busy for the duration of the Market and followed on Careers Markets in Narrabri, Tamworth, Armidale and Wollongong and Tertiary Information Days in Lismore and Port Macquarie.

OVERSEAS STUDY OPPORTUNITIES FOR ABORIGINALS

Applications are being sought from Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islander people who wish to add to their skills and experience through short-term programmes of study, observation and discussion overseas during 1987/88.

The Commonwealth Department of Education is calling for applications and up to 10 awards are available to promote educational, social and economic advancement.

There are no age limits or academic requirements for the awards, but preference is given to applicants who have already been active in the field they wish to study overseas. Study programmes are normally for short periods although longer periods are considered.

Applications close on November 14 and further information is available from the College's Aboriginal Enclave.

HUNTER REGION PREMIERE

Video Art, once considered entirely separate from the 'Fine Arts' is now a recognised art form which is rapidly growing in importance in Australia. The gap between video and art has diminished and the first Australian Video Festival is currently being held in Sydney.

Video Art aims to highlight the current diversity and creativity in Australian video and the Lake Macquarie Gallery is holding the first Video Art Exhibition in the Hunter Region.

Recent work from College students specialising in Film and Video is on display at the Gallery in conjunction with video and still photography from institutions and video groups around Australia.

The Exhibition was opened last Friday by College lecturer, Paul Fogo, and will run until Sept. 21.
LESLEY VACATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Australian Cancer Council through its Leslie Vacation Scholarship is offering undergraduate students an opportunity to participate in research projects which are broadly related to investigations of cancer, cancer treatment, public education about cancer, or social consequences of cancer in the community.

Two scholarships are being offered in New South Wales and are each valued at $100 per week for six to eight weeks.

Applicants must be currently enrolled in courses in the biological or social sciences and have completed at least two years of their studies. Applications close on October 1.

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DEFENCE FORCE AWARDS DESIGN COMPETITION

The Department of Defence is currently running a competition to select designs for 11 new awards for the Defence Force.

The competition is in two stages, the first being design sketches from which three entries will receive prizes of $1,000 each. The second stage involves detailed design proposals from the three entrants for which each will be paid $5,500.

The awards cover Australian Gallantry Decorations, Awards for Distinguished Service in Operations, Unit Awards, Non-Operational Awards and Operational and Non-Operational Award.

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J.B. CHIFLEY PRIZES

The N.S.W. Branch of the Australian Labor Party has made available three prizes for the best essays by undergraduate students on the A.L.P.

The prizes are named after the former Prime Minister, Ben Chifley, and are valued at $1,500, $1,000 and $500. The aim of the prize is to encourage further study of the A.L.P., its history and philosophy.

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Full details of the above are available from Students Services Section.
NEW SCHOOL STRUCTURE

The College is to seek approval from the NSW Higher Education Board to change its present three School structure to a structure containing four Schools.

This follows Council's acceptance last Thursday of recommended variations proposed by Academic Board to the present structure. (See Page 8).

The Council decided to seek the approval of the H.E.B. to vary the Academic structure to:

* School of Teacher Education
* School of Visual and Performing Arts
* School of Health Studies
* School of Administration and Technology

The current structure is a School of Teacher Education, a School of Visual and Performing Arts and a School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies.

College Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, told Council that the current system had a serious design flaw in that it assigned responsibility for a course to a School but assigned responsibility for each of the units which comprised the course to departments.

"I believe that the model recommended by Academic Board satisfactorily addresses the resources management problem even though the continued separation of responsibilities may cause minor problems from time to time," Dr Huxley told Council.

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NEW STRUCTURE

"I am not convinced that the proposed revision will address the problem of course design and management but I am hopeful that the increased level of interaction between Schools and Departments will make possible the development of a course design and management system based more firmly than at present on sound principles of curriculum design, implementation and evaluation.

"Since Academic Board is proposing a model which incorporates a sufficiently powerful line management component and because of my expectations that improvements are possible, I am willing to add my recommendation to that of Academic Board," he said at Council.

Under the proposed new structure, current courses appropriate to the School of Health Studies will be the Diploma in Applied Science (Nursing), the Associate Diploma in Diagnostic Medical Radiography and the two post-basic courses in Nursing. Future offerings include courses in Art/Music Therapy, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Pathology, Public Health and also Nursing.

Current courses appropriate to the School of Administration and Technology are the Associate Diplomas in Computing Studies, Social Welfare and Police Studies and the Graduate Diploma in Social Administration. Future offerings include Occupational Health and Safety, Environmental Technology, Sports Science, Computing, Personnel Management, Industrial Relations and Social Administration.

As soon as approval is received from the H.E.B. to change the structure, action will be taken to disband the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies and to recruit Heads for the proposed two new Schools.

DEPUTY POSITION

DR TAYLOR APPOINTED TO ACTING POSITION

The Head of the School of Teacher Education, Dr Allan Taylor has been appointed to the position of Acting Deputy Principal and takes up his duties immediately.

Dr Taylor's appointment follows the recent retirement of Ray Hodgins after 18 years with the College.

The position of Deputy Principal has been advertised nationally and applications closed last Friday. A selection committee is meeting this week to discuss the applications and Dr Taylor will be Acting Deputy Principal until an appointment is made to the permanent position.

As a result of Dr Taylor's new post, Dr Jack Caldwell has been appointed as Acting Head of the School of Teacher Education. His position of Assistant Head of School of Teacher Education is currently being advertised internally on an acting basis and applications close on Wednesday, September 10th.

Staff members who wish to be considered for appointment should submit a summarised Curriculum Vitae to the Assistant Registrar, Staffing Services by the closing date. Full details of the vacancy are displayed on official noticeboards.

As a consequence of Dr Taylor's appointment, a casual vacancy now exists for the Office of Praelector.

Nominations are being called from members of Academic Board to fill the Office and nomination papers should be delivered to Mr Todd's office by midday on Thursday, September 12.

If more than one nomination is received a ballot will be held between September 12 and 26.

Dr Huxley - new structure being sent to H.E.B. for approval.

Dr Allan Taylor - appointed as Acting Deputy Principal.
FOR STAFF

JETSET STUDENT TRAVEL

Members of staff and college students are being invited to take advantage of discount fares which are being offered by Jetset Student Travel.

The company has an office on the University campus and is currently advertising holidays for the coming Christmas period.

Marketing Representative, Shalom Paul, has issued an invitation to staff to visit the company's university office to gain full information on the discount fares and other arrangements which can be made by Jetset Tours.

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CO-OP BOOKSHOP - ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The University Co-operative Bookshop is calling for nominations for the election of directors, with three positions available due to retirement. Forms must be lodged in Sydney by September 5.

Further information available from the College's Information and Publicity Office.

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AM INVITATION FROM THE COLLEGE CHAPLAIN

Each Monday, College Chaplain, Sister Mary Goldsworthy leads a group aimed at recovering and re-discovering humour. Sister Mary feels that this group can make a positive contribution to balancing the forces of "aggro", anxiety and depression among students.

The group will look at the humour of different cultures, great personalities, songs, poetry, music, comics and the like.

These meetings resume on Monday, September 15 and Sister Mary welcomes enquiries on Ext. 439 or at Room No. A 56.

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TERTIARY CATHOLIC FEDERATION - NATIONAL CONFERENCE - JANUARY 1987

The conference is being held in Newcastle in January next year and will be run by the Newcastle University Catholic Association. The theme is "SHALOM" and the organizers are seeking financial support.

Enquiries - Sister Mary Goldsworthy.

STAFF NEWS

STAFFFIT - resumes first week of term 3

Mondays 12.00 pm) AEROBICS WITH ROZ DIXON

Wednesdays 1.00 pm) THE CIRCUIT with LEANNE TALBOT

Tuesdays 1.00 pm) STAFFFIT fees are $20 for the term and are required by Friday September 13. There is a possibility of a change of time for Wednesday's Aerobics to 12.30 pm. Please check with Marilyn Cooper.

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EDTECH '86

An International Education Technology Conference & Exhibition will be held in Perth in December.

The conference theme is TEACHING, LEARNING & TECHNOLOGY and is relevant for all those involved in education and training who will be affected by new communications and information technology.

For full information see main noticeboard in staffroom.

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AUSTRALIA/CHINA TEACHER EXCHANGE SCHEME 1987/1988

A vacancy exists for an Australian teacher of English as a Foreign Language to take up a tertiary appointment in Shanghai from September 1987 until July 1988.

For further information see main noticeboard in Staffroom.

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RECOGNITION OF EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OVERSEAS

Senator Susan Ryan has announced that smoother procedures for recognition of educational qualifications of Australians working and studying overseas will be introduced as a result of Australia's accession to the UNESCO Convention on the Recognition of Studies, Diplomas and Degrees in Higher Education.

Further information available from the College's Information and Publicity Office.

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* AUSTUDY is the new allowance scheme to be introduced in 1987 for secondary and tertiary students and will replace three existing schemes - TEAS, ASEAS and SAS. Most students will receive increases in allowances and the scheme will progressively align education allowances with unemployment benefits by 1989.

Conditions applying under AUSTUDY include:
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* Young Homeless Allowance introduced in July this year to continue.
* Pensioner students to lose dual eligibility for Social Security and Education benefits, but may qualify for an education allowance of $15 per week free of income test.
* Pensioner students continuing courses in 1987 will have existing entitlements preserved.
* Eligible students will receive a special payment to cover the Administration Fee of $250.
* Incidental allowance ($70 for College students) to cease.

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NEW STRUCTURE

The following, as mentioned on Page 1 of this issue of Campus News, are the broad principles incorporated in the Structures Committee recommended model (as amended by Academic Board) for a new School structure.

The broad principles are:

(a) There is a School-based structure, Schools being responsible for courses and for students in course matters.

(b) Staff are attached to departments which are non course-based. This will need further definition.

(c) There is clearly identified responsibility of departmental heads to Heads of School with some lesser direct responsibility by departmental heads to the Principal/Deputy Principal.

(d) Departmental heads are seen as the executive officers of their departments.

(e) Heads of School are seen as executive officers for their Schools which determine policy.

(f) The infrastructure of each School will be determined by that School, subject to the comment of Academic Board.

(g) The relations between course director and School board will depend on the School infrastructure.

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CARNIVAL - a Multi-cultural celebration

The major part of this year's Carnival in Newcastle will take place at the College on Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21. Food stalls, art and craft displays, a folkloric concert, multi-cultural singing and children's activities will be some of the features of the 1986 festival.

The organisers have extended a warm invitation to College students and staff to come along and enjoy the colourful entertainment.

The Saturday programme includes arts and crafts, food stalls and the Folkloric concert while the Sunday programme in addition to the arts and crafts and food stalls has a multi-cultural singing festival and an art/composition competition for children.
PUBLIC LECTURE

Staff and students are invited to a public lecture on Wednesday to be given by an English academic who has researched the effects of the recent Chernobyl nuclear accident.

Dr Roy Evans is Dean of Education at the Roehampton Institute of Higher Education in London and is in Australia on a lecture tour.

Dr Evans was researching the effects of toxic waste and environmental contamination in children at the time of the Chernobyl accident in Russia.

As a result of his research and of his study of the nuclear accident, Dr Evans was invited to deliver a paper in Israel earlier this year for O.M.E.P., an affiliated body of UNESCO.

Dr Evans claims that the general public knows little about the effects of toxic waste and environmental contamination and that the onus was now on individuals in the community to prove that a danger existed.

His study of the Chernobyl accident was centred on the effects on health and behaviour in young children and families in England and also the environmental impact on the country.

Dr Evans will speak on his research in Lecture Theatre B15 on Wednesday, (September 17) between midday and 1 pm.

The Dean is also the Chief Editor of an international journal on early childhood, entitled 'Early Child Development and Care' and is meeting representatives while in Australia.
Three valuable paintings have been donated to the College by the owner of the von Bertouch Galleries in Newcastle, Ms Anne von Bertouch.

The three paintings are by former students of the College and will mark the start of a collection of works by the College of its students and former students.

Ms von Bertouch has had a close association with the College for many years and was a member of College Council for four years between 1982 and 1985.

The paintings were recently on view at an Exhibition at the von Bertouch Galleries.

The donations include:

- 'Interior Water Figures II' by Victoria Phillis. An oil, pastel and pencil on Beckett's paper valued at $240. Victoria was a student at the College in the Diploma in Art and Postgraduate Diploma in Art courses between 1977 and 1980.

- 'Study for the Question' by Brandt Lewis. Oil on cotton duck valued at $175. Brandt studied art at the Newcastle C.A.E. between 1978 and 1981.

- 'Two Arches' by Susan Davies. Acrylic/pastel on canvas valued at $275. Susan graduated in 1984 from the College with a Bachelor of Arts (Visual Arts).

**NEW APPOINTMENT**

The Head of the Department of Technical and Further Education, Roy Killen, has been appointed as Acting Assistant Head of School of Teacher Education.

Roy's appointment takes effect from today (Monday) and will be until a permanent appointment is made to the Deputy Principal's position and consequent vacancies are filled.

Following the recent retirement of Ray Hodgins, Dr Allan Taylor is now Acting Deputy Principal and Dr Jack Caldwell is now Acting Head of School of Teacher Education.

**BALLOT FOR PRAELECTOR**

A ballot is currently being conducted to elect one member of Academic Board to the office of Praelector for appointment to the College Council.

Five nominations have been received for the position, these being Doug Absalom, Jim Cramp, Kevin Morgan, Graham Gilchrist, Jack Caldwell and Faith Trent.

The ballot is being conducted using the internal mail system and staff entitled to vote should lodge completed ballot papers by midday on Friday, September 26. A ballot box is located in the office of the Deputy Registrar (Academic), Bob Weir, from 9am to 5pm.

Full details of the ballot are available on official noticeboards.

**HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION**

Cottages and units operated by the Northern Rivers C.A.E. are available for holiday rental from mid-December to mid-February each year. Information on the holiday rental and facilities is attached to the Staffroom noticeboard.
Applications are being invited from people wanting to study in Commonwealth countries next year under the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan. The awards are primarily for postgraduate study or research and candidates must be under 35 years of age.

Benefits may include living allowance, return economy air fare, university fees, book allowance and internal travel expenses for approved study.

Full details of the Plan are available by writing to Mr R. Grierson, Secretary, CSFP Awards Nominations Committee, Commonwealth Department of Education P.O. Box 826, Woden A.C.T. 2606.
INFORMATION ON '87 COURSES

The College is to hold Information Nights this month to assist people who are considering tertiary study in 1987.

The nights will be held tomorrow night (September 16) and on Wednesday week (September 24) in R15 with both sessions starting at 7.30 pm.

The nights have become of increasing importance in recent years because of the growing competitiveness for places in tertiary institutions.

The two sessions will be held on an informal basis and are designed to give people who attend a chance to speak to College academics and administrative staff.

The College has invited senior high school students and also mature-age people as the closing date for undergraduate courses through U.C.A.C. is again October 1 this year.

ABORIGINAL WEEK ACTIVITIES

The Aboriginal Enclave on campus has organised a number of activities this week to celebrate this year's Aboriginal week.

The activities will include an exhibition in the concourse opposite the Library this Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and also an exhibition of artefacts in the Library today (Monday).

The Gateshead High School Aboriginal Dance Group will perform traditional dances in the cafeteria courtyard on Wednesday between midday and 1pm.

The theme for Aboriginal Week is "Peace - not for you, not for me, but for all of us"

CALTEX SCHOLARSHIP

The Caltex scholarship scheme for women graduates involves the award of one national prize valued at $44,000 and State prizes valued at $5000 each.

To be eligible for the awards, candidates must be:

* Women who are Australian citizens, or have lived continuously in Australia for seven yrs.
* Not in possession of a doctorate degree
* Completing in 1986, or have completed in the past two years, a degree in an Australian tertiary institution
* Completing in 1986, or have completed in the past two years, a diploma after having previously completed a degree at an Australian tertiary institution.

Applications close September 26. Full details from the College's Information and Publicity Office.

VIDEO AWARD TO FORMER STUDENT

Congratulations go to former student, Robert O'Hearn, who won the Video Art Award at the Australian Video Festival held recently in Sydney.

Robert, who graduated with a degree in Visual Arts, completed his work whilst a student at the College. 'The Vacuum' is currently on display at the Lake Macquarie Gallery in the Scanlight Exhibition.

Robert, who is working for video production houses in Newcastle, said that he expects his work to be exhibited in Europe later this year.

Robert O'Hearn - success in Sydney with College-made video for national award.

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TEACHER EDUCATION CADETSHIPS

The Department of Education is inviting applications for Cadetships from students who will be finishing their degree or diploma course in 1987. The Department is looking for students studying in Secondary Languages, Social Sciences, Mathematics, Science, Music, Industrial Arts and Home Economics to apply for the Cadetships.

The Teacher Education Cadetships are valued at $6000 and guarantee employment in N.S.W. Government schools from the beginning of the 1988 school year. Selected applicants must serve for a minimum of two years and accept appointment anywhere in the State or to a number of limited areas.

Applications close on Friday, October 3 this year. Teacher Education students entering their final year of study in 1987 in any of the above specialisations and who wish to apply for a Cadetship should contact the College's Student Advisory Officer, Carol Sjostedt, in the Student Advisory Office.

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LONG-TERM CASUAL WORK FOR TEACHERS IN 1987

The Director of Education for the North-West Region of NSW, Mr. D. Maher, is publicising the opportunity for long-term casual work in 1987 in his region.

Mr. Maher anticipates that casual work will be available in a limited number of primary positions and to graduating teachers who would be prepared to teach in Secondary schools.

Mr. Maher said that this year the North West Education Region had been unable to fill 39 Secondary teaching positions with permanent teachers and that these positions were filled by casual employees, some of whom were primary-trained teachers awaiting employment.

He said people who would like to be considered for long-term casual work in the region should write to Mr. Robert Lewis, Professional Assistant, North West Education Region, P.O. Box 559, Tamworth, 2340. Student Services has extra details.
NEW BUILDINGS

Work will begin soon on several new building projects on campus. The major part of the work will take place over the vacation and it is expected that the buildings will be completed for the beginning of Semester I in 1987.

The building projects include the following:

TWO-STOREY OFFICE BLOCK - Situated below the existing portables, the building will contain 26 individual offices. The Office Block is to be of brick veneer construction and is designed to allow for further expansion.

STAGE 3 CERAMICS COMPLEX - The Ceramics Building was designed as a three-stage project and this extension will match the existing building, providing studio space.

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION CENTRE - The design stage is now nearing completion and tenders will be called early next month. The Building will be situated between the Gymnasium and the Students' Union, and plans are on display in the Enclave area.

LIBRARY EXTENSION - The coffee lounge area of the cafeteria will become additional Library space with the construction of a wall between the coffee lounges and the Cafeteria. A false ceiling and doorway into the new area will be built. Construction will take place over the vacation.

College Librarian, Miss Joan Blatchford said the new area would be used for additional seating and shelving and would enable re-arrangement of the Library. "The Library extension will be used to house new materials and will ease crowded conditions," she said.
EXTENSIONS

CHILD CARE CENTRE - Extensions to the Centre will double the present capacity, taking the available number of places from 25 to 50.

Jennie Lang, President of the Management Committee at the Centre, said that the extensions would make child care more accessible to staff and students. She said the waiting lists for the N.C.A.E. Child Care Centre and Kinabalu (the University Child Care Centre) showed that there is a high demand for child care on both campuses.

STAGE 2 - STUDENTS' UNION BUILDING EXTENSIONS - Work commences on Monday, September 29 and is a 15 week project at a cost of more than $200,000.

The extension will provide additional dining space, verandahs and a deck.

Secretary/Manager of the Students' Association, Paul Drinkwater, said the extensions were being funded by a grant of $100,000 from College funds and a loan of $100,000 which the Students' Association has secured from the Commonwealth Bank.

The extensions, which will be raised over a concrete slab, will allow for further development as more funds become available. "There will be an area underneath the Building which can be used by students for meeting rooms, games rooms and storage," said Paul.

NEW STAFF

LECTURER IN ABORIGINAL STUDIES APPOINTED

John Heath has recently joined the academic staff as Lecturer in Aboriginal Studies. John's work will be divided between lecturing in the Social Science Department and academic liaison with students and staff.

Other aspects of John's work at College are co-ordinating the bridging programme for Aboriginal students and developing the Enclave activities. John hopes to see full courses in Aboriginal Studies introduced in future, and said that his appointment will mean time to further develop resources for Aboriginal education.

John's background in Aboriginal education includes nine years as Education Officer with the Commonwealth Department of Education and his work as Administrative and Cultural Officer with the Awabakal Co-op. John has been a member of several advisory bodies to government departments on Aboriginal education and a member of College Council.

Other Staff Appointments

Other new members of staff include:

Mr H.N. Higginbotham - lecturer in Nursing and Health Studies,
Ms M G Apthorpe, Ms M B Couler, Ms P Kilby, Ms S Watkins and Ms S Wood - Clinical Education Supervisors with the Department of Nursing and Health Studies.
Ms B Brown has been appointed as a Lecturer in Social Welfare,
Mr N Partridge a Lecturer in Industrial Arts and Mr P Goman and Mr T Lynch as Lecturers in Mathematics/Computing Studies.

New non-academic members of staff are Mr Dennis Conley - clerk in the Staffing Services Section and Mrs Beth Corbett - clerical assistant in the Purchasing Department.

Other appointments are Chandra Murti who is an Administrative Assistant in the Administrative Secretariat, Noma Bond who is Assistant Co-ordinator or the Aboriginal Enclave and Marion Wilson who is External Studies Librarian.
A Fulbright Award has been granted to American artist, Ernest Brock, who has taken up a residency at the Conservatorium until May, 1987.

Ernest is exploring the connections between music composition processes and those of a painter. He is collaborating with composer Nigel Butterly, who lectures at the Conservatorium, and is looking forward to joint music performances and exhibitions of his work during his stay.

Adding to this news, Principal of the Newcastle Conservatorium, Mr Michael Dudman, announced recently that the new Conservatorium Hall, to be completed early in 1988, will have a fine classical organ.

A Danish craftsman, Knud Smendge has been engaged to build the instrument which will be visually striking, with facades of pure tin pipes.

"The organ will play a vital role in the Conservatorium's future teaching and concert activities," said Mr Dudman.

LLOYD REES EXHIBITION

An exhibition of etchings, lithographs and drawings produced by Lloyd Rees over the last ten years is currently on show at the Lake Macquarie Gallery.

Lloyd Rees' first exhibition was held in 1917 and he is still painting at 91 years of age.

One of Australia's most revered artists, he began exploring the art of Printmaking in 1975 and this exhibition represents the culmination of his work in lithography.

Gordon Rintoul, from the Department of 2D Fine Art at the College opened the exhibition last Friday which will run until October 19.

The Gallery is open to the Public at the following times: Thursday, Friday - 1 pm to 4 pm.

Saturday, Sunday - 2 pm to 5 pm or by appointment - Telephone the Director, Sandy Murray on 58 5333.

CREDIT UNION SHOWS STRONG GROWTH

The Universities Credit Union which has a branch on campus has reported strong growth over the previous financial year, with a steadily increasing local membership.

Branch Manager of the University office of the Credit Union, Debbie Wood, said that interest rates on savings and loans are very competitive and that the Credit Union is able to make loans to students on TEAS.

Debbie also said that the Credit Union has a free bill paying service, and that a variety of accounts can be operated through the Credit Union. Other services include Visa credit card, access to Automat tellers located at Charlestown, Newcastle and Jesmond, and access to the National Bank's Flexiteller.

The Credit Union's representative on campus is Karen McIlvene and the Credit Union is open for business at the following times: Tuesday and Thursday - 10.30 am to 2 pm

Wednesday (pay week only) 11 am to 1 pm

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION DIRECTORY

The Hunter Branch of the Association for Environmental Education has released a directory of conservation and environment organisations in the Newcastle and lower Hunter areas.

Kevin McDonald, Science lecturer and also Secretary of the Association, said the booklet will be a means of facilitating contact between a wide range of environmental organisations.

The booklet costs $4 and copies may be obtained by writing to P.O. Box 144, New Lambton, 2305 or by telephoning 57 4033.

STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY

Make a note in your social calendar that the date of the Staff Christmas Party is Friday, December 5.

This year, the function will be held at the College and all staff are invited to attend. More details are available from David Heggart or Sandra Jones in the Purchasing Department.
NEW OPPORTUNITY IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The College next year will introduce a four year part-time evening course for Child Care Certificate holders who wish to convert their existing qualifications to the Diploma in Teaching/Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood).

Muriel Haywood - lecturer in Early Childhood Education - said the course offers a unique opportunity to people who have not before had an opportunity to upgrade their qualifications.

"These people will now have the chance to take charge of a large Child Care Centre," said Muriel.

Enquiries on the course may be directed to (049) 671388 Ext. 261.

AMERICAN PROFESSOR TO ADDRESS NURSING SEMINAR

Professor Anne Davis from the University of California will be one of the keynote speakers at a nursing conference to be held at the College on Friday and Saturday, October 3 and 4.

The seminar 'Ethical Dilemmas in Nursing' is expected to draw many people from the nursing and medical fields.

Further information available from the noticeboard in the staffroom.

STUDENT RESEARCH ON WOMEN'S ISSUES

Social Welfare student, Louise Humphries is currently working on a research project on women who choose to remain childless. Louise is conducting a survey to find out the reasons why an increasing number of women are making this choice.

Louise invited participants for her survey through an article in the Sydney Morning Herald (18/8/86) and has had a very good response.

Louise is in her first year of study at the College and was previously a part-time philosophy student at Sydney University. She can be contacted through the Department of Social Welfare.

APPLICATIONS FOR TEACHING POSITIONS

Final-year Education students wanting employment with the New South Wales Department of Education may collect application forms from the Student Services Section from Monday, September 29.

Further information on the form and help with any queries will be given at an Information Day on October 1, to be held at the Griffith Duncan Theatre at 12 midday. Representatives from the Department of Education, the Teachers' Federation and Independent schools will be in attendance to discuss employment issues.

On October 13 and 14, officers from the Department of Education will be in attendance at the Student Union to collect completed application forms from students and to make appointments for interviews. Interviews will be held at Waratah Advisory Centre towards the end of October.

It is in the best interest of students to return forms promptly and to attend interviews at the time arranged.

STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL GENERAL ELECTION

The Annual General Elections for positions on the S.R.C. are now in progress. Nominations for S.R.C. Officers and School Representatives are now being called and nominations close on Tuesday, September 30 and Tuesday, October 7 respectively. Nominations for executive positions closed last week.

Last day for polling for Executive positions is September 29 while polling for other positions is between October 2 and 14. Details from Students' Assoc.
SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

GRADUATE STUDY IN THE UNITED STATES

The Institute of International Education has announced the ITT International Fellowship Programme 1987-1988 and invites applications for an award to undertake a Master of Arts degree or nine months post-graduate study in the United States commencing in September 1987.

The award applies to any field of study and provides air fare, tuition and fees, monthly living allowance, insurance and an allowance towards books and supplies.

For further details, check the main noticeboard in the Staffroom.

NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS 1987/88

Postgraduate scholarships for study in the Netherlands in the 1987/88 academic year are being offered by the Netherlands Government. Applicants should have higher qualifications in music or art and should be Australian citizens under 36 years of age.

INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Indonesian Government is offering at least two scholarships to Australians wanting to undertake one-year, non-degree tertiary studies in Indonesian or a regional language and literature, or Indonesian music and dance.

The scholarships are tenable from January 1988 and applicants must be under 35 years of age, have the Higher School Certificate or equivalent, and basic Indonesian language skills.

For further information on allowances, travel costs and application forms, contact the Information & Publicity Office.

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA DAY COUNCIL AWARDS

The National Australia Day Council is seeking nominations for the 'Australian of the Year' and 'Young Australian of the Year' Awards for 1986. Local government bodies, community organisations, individuals and associations are invited to submit nominations.

The awards, recognising the most outstanding contribution to the national community are presented on Australia Day each year.

Further information on the awards and nomination forms are available from the Information and Publicity Office.
ART PRIZE TO STUDENTS

Three College students, two of whom are specialising in printmaking and the other in sculpture, have shared the Maitland Tertiary Student Art Award for 1986.

The joint winners are Bronwyn McDonald, Richard Fletcher and Craig Rissler. Bronwyn is enrolled in the Graduate Diploma in Art Education while Richard is in his third year of the Bachelor of Arts (Visual Arts) course. Craig is in his initial year of the B.A.V.A.

The judge for this year's Award was the Curator of Contemporary Art at the Australian National Gallery, Grazia Gunn. She could not separate Bronwyn's lady and guinea fowl etching, Richard's silk-screen titled 'From Ray to Me' and Craig's helmeted figure which incorporated an iron watermeter cover, a gate post and a glass insulator.

Maitland City Art Gallery has conducted the Tertiary Student Art Award since 1976. The Gallery's Executive has always felt that there was a need for exposure of student work under exhibition conditions and the Award has drawn an increasing diversity of works from art students studying at tertiary institutions in the Hunter Valley.

Art students from Newcastle C.A.E., Maitland T.A.F.E. College, Newcastle T.A.F.E. College and the Department of Architecture at the University of Newcastle entered 76 works in this year's exhibition which will run until October 26.

More than 40 students from this College entered works in the 1986 Award and among those highly commended was Perry Schafer who is specialising in sculpture in his Graduate Diploma in Art. Perry's altar-like construction of timber and stone gained high commendation from Ms Gunn along with a screenprint from Mark Newell who is studying at Newcastle T.A.F.E. College.
NEW LOGO FOR MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Industrial Arts lecturer, Barry Ableson, has again been successful in designing a logo for a local association.

Barry submitted the logo displayed on the right to the Hunter Medical Association and the Association has decided to adopt it for use in publications and promotions.

The Association said that the logo, together with its caption, emphasises a fundamental aim of the body - the provision of the best health care possible for our community.

Barry has been successful in designing other logos and the School of Management at Newcastle University is using one of his designs. The Australian Mathematics Association used one of Barry's logos for a recent conference while the International Mathematics Olympiad also sported a logo designed by Barry.

van LEER NEWSLETTER

The van Leer Project is becoming well established in Hunter Region caravan parks and has just produced its first newsletter.

The three-year project, undertaken by the College through the Bernard van Leer Foundation in Holland, aims to help caravan park communities to improve the whole environment for young children. The emphasis is on enjoyable activities for the family and these include Playgym, Adult and Recreation Programmes.

The newsletter is being distributed to residents of caravan parks in the Lower Hunter and includes aspects of the Project as well as an introduction to staff members Judi Geggie, Stephanie Dash, Wendy Schiller and Sonia Liddiard.

GEOGRAPHY

NEW SYLLABUS

Social Sciences lecturer, Ken Scott, has been working on a new Senior Geography Syllabus to be introduced to Year 11 high school students in 1988.

Ken said the new syllabus was designed to focus on people and their livelihoods in the next decade and that he was pleased with its forward outlook.

"The new Geography syllabus emphasises an understanding of the changes taking place in the 1990's and the world which school leavers will be entering," said Ken.

"The new course provides a common background topic for Year 11, this being 'Australia in its World Context', and then in Year 12 students may choose to take one of two electives in either 'Global Environments' or 'Australia's Neighbours'," he said.

While in Year 12, students will study core subjects such as 'Use and Misuse of Natural Resources', 'Settlement and Livelihood', 'Impact of Computer Technology' and 'The Future of Work'. They also will choose one of four options from 'Shoreline Environments', 'World Food Supplies', 'Manufacturing and Change' and 'World Power in the Nuclear Age'.

Ken said that during 1987 teachers would be able to prepare and gather resources for the introduction of the new course.

He said the 1988 syllabus would replace the present two courses for Higher School Certificate students in 'Geography - Human and Natural Systems' and 'Australia and its Neighbours'.

Right: Ken Scott - coming to the end of a busy time in helping prepare a new Geography syllabus for 1988.
EMPLOYMENT FOR GRADUATES

Student Advisory Officer, Carol Sjostedt, has been compiling information on employment vacancies for graduating students. "This is the time for graduating students to apply for jobs," said Carol. "By the time applications and interviews have taken place, students will have finished their courses."

Carol also said there are vacancies for every type of graduate trained by the College, some locally and some in Sydney and interstate.

Carol urges graduating students to take note of job vacancies which have been placed on the noticeboard outside the Student Services Section, and to apply for jobs for which they may be qualified.

Carol recommends that students arrange a viewing of the Graduate Careers Council of Australia videos for tertiary students, before applying for jobs. These videos are available for viewing in the Library, and are entitled 'Job Hunting', 'Employment Interview' and 'Getting There by Degrees'.

LUNCHEON CONCERT OF 20TH CENTURY MUSIC

Three Music Education students will give a recital of 20th Century music on Friday October 17 in the College Art School Foyer.

The performance will feature the experimental music of Shonberg and Brisman, and will commence at midday. The musicians are Mark Johnson, Lisa Parrot and Geoffrey Nash and instruments include flute and keyboards, with voices used for special effects.

Staff and students are invited to bring their lunch along to the art School next Friday and enjoy this interesting performance.

POST-SECONDARY ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

The College in association with the University of Newcastle, TAFE, Commonwealth Education Department and the Awabakal Co-operative will hold a two-day conference later this month to discuss ways of attracting more Aboriginal students into tertiary education.

The conference, which will be held at the University on Thursday and Friday, October 23 and 24, will also discuss support for Aboriginal students while they study. The venue will be Lecture Room K202 on Level 2 of the Medical Sciences Building.

Aboriginal people from the Hunter Region and other parts of N.S.W. have been invited to the conference which aims to give these people a background into the courses offered by C.A.E.'s, Universities and TAFE Colleges.

Speakers will include Professor Eric Willmot, the first Aboriginal graduate of Newcastle University and now Professor of Education at James Cook University. Lecturers and students from both the College and Newcastle University will outline education resources available in the Hunter Region.

The conference will provide opportunities for questions and discussions and organisers hope that both Aboriginal students and other College students will attend the conference.

Delegates will visit the College's Aboriginal Enclave on the Thursday afternoon. Full details of the conference, including registration fees, are available from the Enclave or by telephoning Margaret Henry at Newcastle University on 68 5522.

AUSTRALIA/CHINA STUDENT EXCHANGE

Scholarships are available for Australians to undertake tertiary study in China commencing in September 1987.

Applicants for scholarships must be Australian citizens under 35 years of age and be able to demonstrate a high academic ability and a serious commitment to Chinese studies.

Full details of the exchange programme are available from the Student Advisory Office.
NEW BOOK

AUSTRALIA'S WOMEN POETS

English lecturer, Susan Hampton, is co-editor of a new publication, "Penguin Book of Australian Women Poets". The book is the result of three years research and has turned up several interesting but lesser known poets.

The collection of poems draws from traditional and contemporary sources and readers will find selections from favourite poets such as Judith Wright and Dame Mary Gilmore. Poems of lesser known writers such as Colleen Burke are also included in the book.

Susan said the publication was much needed and that the first print had sold out. She said that women poets had been neglected in anthologies of modern poetry, and that this collection would bring new dimensions to Australian literature.

The book has received glowing reviews and is already being set as a text in high schools. The first print of 4,000 copies sold out in six weeks and a reprint is now in progress.

The publication is edited by Susan Hampton in association with Kate Llewellyn and copies are available from the College branch of the Co-op Bookshop at a retail price of $12.95 a copy.

Susan's poems and stories have been published in many Australian magazines and anthologies, and in 1979 she won the Dame Mary Gilmore award.

At present, Susan combines her lecture load at the College with the teaching of writing at the N.S.W. Institute of Technology in Sydney.

COMMUNICATIONS

COMMUNICATION STUDIES CONFERENCE

Fourteen students from Newcastle C.A.E. recently attended the 2nd Annual Communications Studies Conference held at Macquarie University.

One of the students, Jim Williams, said that the aim of the conference was to improve links between tertiary institutions and the communications industry.

Jim said that the conference gave Communications Studies students access to professional people employed in the media.

"This enabled a sharing of experiences and a two-way analysis of the prospects of employment for Communications Studies students in the media industry," said Jim.

The theme of the conference was 'Directions in Communications Studies' and Jim said the balance between the academic and practical sides of Communications Studies courses was examined. He said that the practical aspects of the course tended to be highlighted, but in fact academic content was weighty.

Jim said that outcomes of the conference were the production of a Communications Student Network Newsletter, comparison of courses at the different tertiary institutions and viewing the work of students from other colleges.

The proposed newsletter will be used to expose students' work to media organisations and will help employers become aware of the kinds of careers for which Communications students are studying.

College lecturer, Bruce Wilson, also attended the conference. "Bruce addressed the conference in the early stages, and was able to break the ice and bring the groups together so that real interaction could take place," said Jim.


Right: Jim Williams - one of 14 College students who attended the conference.
PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

Organisers are calling for entries in the McGregor Prize for Photography, which offers $1000 for first place and $200 for the runner-up.

College photography students who wish to enter the competition should note that the theme is open, with no restriction on subject matter or treatment. Students may enter up to three works in black and white or colour, and entries must be framed and mounted behind glass or perspex.

The competition closes on December 19, and the winners will be announced at the opening of the exhibition on Saturday, January 10, 1987 at the Darling Downs Institute of Advanced Education in Toowoomba.

For further information on entry conditions please see leaflets on noticeboards or enquire at the Student Advisory Office.

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NINE TOP FILMS

Nine of the most prestigious movies on the market today will be screened during the Hoyts Film Festival which begins in Newcastle later this month.

The Festival, to be screened at the Hoyts Royal Twin Cinéma in the fortnight of Thursday, October 23 to Wednesday November 5, will include "Kiss of the Spider Woman", "Turtle Diary" and "When Father was Away on Business", winner of the 1985 Cannes Film Festival Best Film Award. The Australian film, "The More Things Change" directed by Robyn Nevin and starring Judy Morris and Barry Otto will also be shown.

Special Festival passes are available from the cinema for $36 for the 9 movies or $20 for 4 movies.

Details of the full festival programme are attached to noticeboards.
The Joint Committee on Co-operation and Rationalisation is to be asked to establish a consultative body(s) comprising representatives of staff groups and of relevant unions which may be affected by rationalisation proposals.

College Council at a special October meeting accepted a recommendation in a letter from the College Branch of the Lecturers' Association for the establishment of the body(s). Operating under the umbrella of the Joint Committee, the body(s) will have the right to approach the Council directly.

The decision to seek the establishment of the body(s) was made at a special meeting of Council which was called to discuss the College's 1988-1990 Triennial Submission.

The Council unanimously adopted the Submission and it was sent last week to both the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission and the New South Wales Higher Education Board.

The Submission comprised four parts, these being a general overview of the Region, particulars of the College's proposal, a summary of the University of Newcastle's Submission, and a section on academic and administrative co-operation.

The College Submission proposed that all pre-service teaching courses offered by the College and the University be conducted at the C.A.E. from 1990. This will mean that the Diploma in Education course currently run at the University will be transferred to the College.

The Submission also proposes that the University of Newcastle assume responsibility for the College's existing Masters degree in Industrial Education and for proposed Masters degrees in Home Economics, Music Education, Physical Education and possibly in Art Education and also Primary and Early Childhood Education.
The proposal to transfer the Diploma in Education course has also been endorsed by the University of Newcastle Council, although the University Senate decided not to support the idea.

The College Submission identifies as its major aim for the 1988-1990 Triennium an increasing participation in the Hunter Region in advanced education.

The Hunter has 4.5 places per 1,000 people in advanced education compared with the State average of seven places and the national average of 2.5 places.

The Submission says that the Hunter Region is no longer willing to accept educational deprivation of such magnitude. The College asks for no more than the State and national averages but refuses to accept that anything less would be just or reasonable.

In predicting an enrolment of 4,303 students by the end of 1990, the College has requested additional funding for an extra 300-350 first-year students in each year from 1988 to 1996.

Capital Works

The Submission includes requests for a number of Capital Works projects. These include:

1. Art Building - Stage II $3,300,000
2. North-East Wing $3,150,000
3. Library/Computing/Cafeteria - Conversion $900,000
4. Administration Extensions $700,000
5. Academic Staff Office - Accommodation $455,000
6. Construction of Theatre $310,000

Other requests include $135,000 in 1987 for the installation of dust-tight ceilings below asbestos in occupied areas and for associated works and also $900,000 for the three years of the Triennium for the removal of asbestos.

Nearly $3.4M has been requested over the Triennium to upgrade College equipment and technology. $1.5M has been requested in 1988, $948,000 in 1989 and $348,000 in 1990.

NEW SECURITY SYSTEM FOR LIBRARY

A new electronic security system has recently been installed in the Library. The 3M Detection System will sound an alarm if materials are taken through the system exit before they are properly processed at the counter.

College Senior Librarian, Greg Anderson, said that from 1987, there will be no need for a security person at the door of the Library and that bag checking would cease.

"The machine will prevent staff from having to suffer the embarrassment of checking bags," said Greg.

The 3M Detection System is also being installed in the University Library at the moment. Greg said that most academic libraries in Australia were already using the security system and had experienced a reduction in theft of between 85 and 99%.

Although the College Library's loss rate was not high compared with other libraries, Greg feels that the loss rate is unacceptable.

"By electronically safeguarding books the 3M security system contributes to a more comprehensive library without the need for constant staff vigilance," he said.

The detection system is the latest facility to be installed in the Library and reflects increased use of technology by libraries in Australia.

Right - College Science student - Brett Price is one of the first students to go through the new detection system.
**COLLEGE NEWS**

**PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATORS SOUGHT**

The Course Director for Primary Education, Fred Bishop, is seeking nominations for the following positions:

- Programme Co-ordinator for Year 1 Primary
- Programme Co-ordinator for External Studies Primary

Nominations are to be submitted to the Secretary for the Board of Studies in Primary and Early Childhood Education, Leeza Dobbie, by November 7.

Fred has been filling in as the Year 1 Co-ordinator while Noel Pryde is overseas while the External Studies position becomes vacant after being occupied by Cyril Green.

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**MINMI HISTORY**

The Principal of Minmi Public School, Ron Stockwell is seeking a College student who recently borrowed material on Minmi for a thesis.

The student, believed to be in Primary Education borrowed the material from the previous Principal of the School, Frank Holland.

Mr Holland is seeking the return of the material for an upcoming project and would like the student to contact him by telephoning 66 4360 or writing to 256 Anderson Drive, Beresfield.

HELPERS REQUIRED FOR ART CAMP

The Education Department's Art Curriculum Development Committee is seeking helpers or 'Artists in Residence' for an Art Camp for school students at Wyuna Bay this coming weekend.

Students or staff who believe they can help out next Saturday and Sunday are asked to contact Lyn Wendiman at Waratah High School on 681330.

**INFORMALLY**

**NEW COURSE IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Two modules in Religious Education will be available to all second, third and fourth year students in Early Childhood, Primary and Secondary courses next year, providing the students are able to fit them into their own course structure.

The first module, Religious Education I, will involve a general study of religions and the common elements to be found within them. The second module, Religious Education II, will focus on the classroom-based aspects of the subject and relate them to the broader curriculum.

Religious Education I will be offered internally in Semester I and externally for some Primary external study students. Religious Education II will be made available in Semester II.

The N.S.W. Catholic Education Offices and the Anglican Theological College have welcomed the new initiative.

For further details on status and potential for Advanced Standing in Religious Education certification see Terry Lovat (Room B2 - Ext. 243) or an appointment can be made with Department of Education secretary, Alison Russell.

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**SYDNEY SWANS ON CAMPUS**

A special AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL CLINIC will be held today (Monday, October 27) in Gymnasium (G6) and on the oval between 2 pm and 5 pm.

Greg Harris, Sydney Swan Development Officer and members of the Swans will conduct the clinic while teaching kits will be available.

The clinic is open to any interested students and further information is available from Gareth Wanford in P.E. or Bruce Wilson, Ext. 399.

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**STUDENT WINS WORLD TITLE**

Physical Education student, Brett Austine, has won his third World Double Mini Trampoline Championship at the 1986 titles in Paris.

Brett also took out a Gold Medal for the teams event in the championships which recently finished in France.
Marion's Message

Many thanks for the response to the Library column in the first issue of Off-Campus News. It's good to meet and talk to new people and start getting to know students.

Feedback from students has certainly helped in clarifying needs and wants and I hope to meet and speak to more of you soon.

Following are items of interest for external studies students:

Copyright Declaration Forms

External students no longer need to fill in copyright declaration forms to obtain photocopies of journal articles. A new form has been designed which may be completed and signed by the Librarian, on behalf of the student. This should expedite the sending of articles and improve the service to external students.

Extended Library Hours

From October, the Library is open on Saturdays from 1-5 pm. It is expected that this will assist many external students who may not be able to use the College Library during the week.

During vacation time, Library hours will revert to 9 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday.

New Security System for Library

A new electronic security system has been installed in the Library and has been in operation since Monday, October 20. The 3M Detection System will sound an alarm if materials are taken through the system exit before they are properly processed at the counter.

From 1987 there will be no need for a security person at the door and bag checking will cease. Most academic libraries in Australia are already using this security system and experience a reduction in theft of between 85% and 99%.

FIRST OF FOUR

NEW ENGLISH TEXTBOOK FOR YEAR 7

'Turtle 1' is the first in a series of four English course books written for the new Secondary English syllabus which is mandatory from 1987.

Co-authored by College English lecturer, Ron Haywood and colleague Sandra Bernhardt, the book teaches English in the way the new syllabus advocates. It invites students to be active users of language and is based on participation and solving language problems.

"Students are guided through the processes of brainstorming, conducting class meetings, sharing ideas, writing drafts, rehearsing, keeping writing folders and also performing, displaying or publishing their work," said Ron.

"Another important feature of the book is the emphasis placed on language register - choosing the language that is appropriate for the purpose, the situation and the audience," he said.

Ron has had extensive experience in the field of curriculum development, particularly in Secondary English and Writing. His co-author, Sandra Bernhardt, is Senior Curriculum Officer at the N.S.W. Department of Education Studies Directorate in Sydney where she supervises consultancy services in English, Writing and Mass Media. Sandra was previously Head of the English Department at Warners Bay High School.

Illustrations for the book, which feature a recurring turtle motif, are by former College student and now graphic artist, Graham Bromley.

The book is published by Heinemann Educational Australia and retails for $10.95

ABOVE: Ron Haywood - a new English book for schools
VISUAL ARTS STUDENTS EXHIBIT DRAWINGS

Ten final year Visual Arts students who have majored in drawing are currently exhibiting their work at Lake Macquarie Gallery.

The Exhibition "DRAWINGS", presents a diverse range of styles and subject matters with great variety in the sizes of the works and the medium used.

The Exhibition was opened last Thursday by former Director of Newcastle Region Art Gallery and current Artist-in-Residence of Australian Folk High Schools in Bandon Grove, Andrew Fergusson.

GALLERY HOURS

Thursday, Friday 1 pm to 4 pm
Saturday, Sunday 2 pm to 5 pm
...or by appointment...
Enquiries should be directed to -
Sandra Murray 58 5333 Ext. 382

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE ART PRIZE

Lake Macquarie Gallery has announced the annual "City of Lake Macquarie - Charlestown Shopping Square Art Prize". Entry is by invitation only, with the intention of attracting Australia's promising artists.

The art prize is acquisitive and the winner's works will become the nucleus of the Lake Macquarie Gallery's collection. First prize of $4,000 is sponsored by Charlestown Shopping Square and the second prize of $500 has been donated by lake Macquarie City Council.

The works will be judged by Gary Sangster, Director of Artspace, Sydney, and will be on display in the Lake Macquarie Gallery from November 21st to 30th.

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NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS

Nursing students from the Taree area are among the first to share in the presentation of nursing scholarships for 1986.

The scholarships, donated by a variety of community groups and organisations, are being presented this month and are aimed at assisting nursing students during their studies at Newcastle C.A.E.

The first of the scholarships was donated by the Quota Club of Taree and has already been presented to Sandra Buckley. Sandra, a mid-1985 intake student received $500 from the club.

Four scholarships will be presented this week, again all from the Taree area. The Taree Literary Institute has donated three $200 book scholarships while the Manning Valley Businessmen's Association has made available a $1,500 scholarship which will be provided at $500 for each year of the three-year Diploma in Applied Science (Nursing) course.

The recipients of the Literary Institute scholarships are Janelle Tully, Jennifer Wailes and Dianne Hoskins. The scholarships will be presented at the Manning River District Hospital tomorrow, although Dianne will not be able to attend the presentation because of prior commitments.

The Businessmen's Association scholarship will also be presented tomorrow, this time to Jillian Lindfield. Jillian will attend a special meeting of the Association in Taree to receive the first cheque of her scholarship.

Other scholarships to be presented in the coming weeks are five from the Nurses Education Resource Society and these will go to Amanda Gore, Rhonda Hazell, Jacinta Bradshaw, Margaret Gleeson and Andrew Woolard. Cessnock scholarships will also be presented in the near future.
CHRIStMAS PARTY ON DECEMBER 5

Tickets are now on sale for the Staff Christmas Party which will be held in the Dining Hall of the College on Friday, December 5.

The tickets are $12.50 each and are available from Departmental representatives - Ken Wilkinson, Neil Wright, Bruce Wilson, Betty Leiper, Mal Williams, Kay Ball, Carolyn Kaiser, Bruce Cook, Bill Bruce, Dot Ethridge, Pam Delbridge, Keith Powell, Sandra Jones, Anne Brown, Berry Notley, Jennie Lang, Sheila Proust, Barbara Gooley and Cae Pattison.

Staff who purchase tickets are reminded to keep them to hand in on the night for the draw for three travel prizes. The prizes include travel to the value of $1,000 and two trips for weekends in Sydney. The prizes are being co-sponsored by the University Credit Union Limited.

Staff are requested to obtain their tickets by this coming Friday (November 14) to assist the Staff Association in catering for numbers.

The Christmas fare will be a spit roast and a selection of desserts with table wine and juice being provided. Beer will be for sale at $1 per can.

Music on the night will be supplied by Newcastle's top band, 'JAB'.

CHRISTMAS PARTY "WARM-UP"

Staff who want to "warm-up" for the Christmas Party are invited to participate in an Ambrose Golf Tournament being organised by Dave Parsons and Dick Whitbread.

To be known as the 'Robson Ambrose' in honour of the initiator of the tournament, former English lecturer, John Robson, it will be played at Newcastle Golf Club on Friday, November 28.

The cost will be $7.50 for green-fees and prizes and $9.50 for a meal after the event.

Dave and Dick believe it's a perfect opportunity to "warm-up" for the Staff Christmas Party the following week and are looking for 50 starters.

Dave says that if you're lucky, you might get some change - but don't hold your breath.

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PUBLICATION

MAKATON LANGUAGE PROGRAMME

Special Education lecturer, Judy Cowley, has just co-edited with two other women a new book on the Makaton Vocabulary.

The book, entitled 'Line Drawings to Use with the Revised Makaton Vocabulary', gives visual and written instructions for the sign language used in the Makaton Language Programme. The book will be widely used by speech and occupational therapists, physiotherapists, teachers and care-givers in institutional and community programmes.

Judy said the book was produced in conjunction with a speech pathologists from Stockton Hospital, Anne Cooney and a programme officer from the Hospital, Gail Knox.

"The publication is a result of tremendous co-operation by the College and its staff, Stockton Hospital and several State organisations," said Judy.

"Work on the book goes back to 1984 when British academic, Margaret Walker set up an intensive programme aimed at establishing a sign language for people with severe communication problems.

"The Makaton Language Programme is ideal for the physically handicapped or the developmentally delayed and the book will provide an easy reference point for educationalists and health workers," said Judy.

Four hundred copies of the book were sold in the first three weeks of publication, demonstrating the need for the information.

Judy said the book will be used by students at the Special Education Centre and that additional teaching materials such as wall charts would be produced to complement the book.

Left - Judy Cowley - Makaton making good progress in Australia.
The Instructional Media Unit plays an integral role in the implementation of modern teaching methods and communication technology at College.

Its primary functions are to provide a wide range of audio/visual services and to produce media materials for academic programs. A staff of six people, headed by Keith Davey, are available to provide technical expertise in the production and repairs required for the operation of the IMU.

Video production comprises a major part of the IMU's work. It services the Principles and Practices of Teaching program and over the past six months has produced 22 videos for use by academic departments. These include 7 videos for the Nursing Department on such topics as 'How to Give an Injection', 'Vicarious Pregnancy', and 'ECG' Reading. Some of the videos feature original research and are circulated widely beyond the academic perimeters of the College, for example 'Rose Coloured Glasses' which features Greg Robinson's work with the IRLEN tinted lens scheme.

'Double Mini Tramp' with world champion trampolinist Brett Austine is another video which will reach a wide audience. A video on the Combined Schools Dance Concert made by the IMU staff was made available to parents who greatly appreciated this service.

The still photography of John Freund is widely used to provide resource material for teaching and to promote courses and college life. Recent projects have included photographic documentation for the Van Leer Project, the Aboriginal Enclave, students at work and building up the art slide collection.

John has recently made copies of a collection which includes thousands of slides on the History of Chinese Art, made available by a student at the College.

"The IMU can make a major contribution to the quality of teaching materials used by staff and students," said Keith, and he urges lecturers and students to take advantage of the audio/visual services available through the IMU.

For staff who are planning programs for '87 now is the time to think about the preparation of audio/visual materials that may be needed.

Coming up to the end of the year, Keith has the following suggestions to make on services which may be helpful for students and staff.

* Equipment in use may be sent around to the IMU to be checked over.
* Lecturers may wish to build up a collection of material for use on the copy stand.
* Audio or video cassette copying.
* Recording of lectures on video or audio cassette for use by external students.
* Preparation of slides or transparencies for future course work.
* IMU staff are available to assist staff and students in becoming proficient in the operation of audio/visual equipment.

Keith would like to remind staff and students to contact the IMU when they have interesting projects or visitors on campus.

Keith Davey and his staff (l to r) Phil Wright, Gary Stacker, Dorothy Pinder, Doug Kaiser, Keith and John Freund have issued a booklet on equipment and services offered by the IMU and welcome any enquiries.
NEW BOOK

**PUBLICATION LOOKS AT POLITICS**

Recently retired Senior Lecturer in Social Sciences, Morris Graham, has published a book with a special appeal for schools and colleges. Titled "The Beginner’s Book of Australian Politics", the book is intended to give a rounded view of the whole political process and to encourage participation in politics.

The book looks at such issues as human rights, women in politics and rock music and politics, rather than concentrating on parliament and politicians. It features letters to newspaper editors, provocative quotations and cartoons, including some by the late Les Lumsden from the Newcastle Herald.

Morris said that his own interest in politics is as an educator and that he would like to see more people involved in grass-roots political life. "Many caring citizens are discouraged from taking part in political activity and this leaves the field clear for the go-getters," Morris said.

The book was released by the publishers, Social Science Press, on October 13 and is presently being distributed. It will retail for about $13 and will be available from the Co-op Bookshop in the near future.

Morris said that it was likely that the book would be set as a text for some Social Sciences courses at College next year.

After almost 21 years as Head of the Social Sciences Department, Morris retired in September. He is presently working on a Ph.D titled "The Impact of Royal Commissions on Industrial Relations."

Morris said he was happy in retirement and that he intended to spend the next 20 years reading and writing!

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**SCHOLARSHIP**

**FIVE CANDIDATES FOR ANNUAL AWARD**

The winner of the 1986 Wildlife and Illustration Scholarship for students enrolled in the Graduate Diploma in Art specialisation will be announced on Wednesday.

The Assistant Director of the National Parks and Wildlife Service, Dr Jack Giles, will travel from Sydney to make the presentation in the main concourse of the College at 10.30am.

Five students enrolled in the specialisation are candidates for the $1,500 scholarship which is donated each year by the National Parks and Wildlife Service and Patrons.

The five are: Ted Galvin, Mandy Graham, Herbert Heinrich, Warren Reilly and Johanna Waller. Their work will be on display in the main concourse this week.

A requirement of the scholarship is that the winning student must place their work on public exhibition for the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

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**P.S.A. EXECUTIVE FOR COMING YEAR**

The College Sub-Branch of the Public Service Association has just elected its new Executive for 1986/87.

The Sub-Branch will again be led by Bill Ford as President while the Vice-President is Arthur Luffman. Secretarial duties will be undertaken by Margaret Stewart and a seven-person committee will assist the office bearers.

Members of the Committee are Claire Cosh, Pam Delbridge, Jack Hicks, Ron Hunter, Carol Sjostedt, Judy Wallom and Colin Wilks.

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**LIFE SAVING AWARDS**

Members of the Physical Education Department will receive Life Saving Society awards at a special presentation dinner on Friday night.

Dr Dave Parsons will be presented with a First Class to the Service Cross while Kevin Laffey and Leon Burwell will receive life memberships for service. A former P.E. lecturer, Kath Abernethy, will become a Life Governor for her service to the Society.

The awards will be presented by the State President of the Society, Mr Eric McClintock at the Madison Motor Inn.
ART EXHIBITIONS

FINAL YEAR EXHIBITION BY ART STUDENTS

The annual exhibition of the College's final year Art students' work has become a major event on the Newcastle art scene, and this year more than 100 students will present their work in 3 stages.

The opening session commences at 7.30pm tomorrow night (Tuesday, November 11) for seven students in the Associate Diploma in Creative Arts and Crafts course. Art works on display will include ceramics, painting, photography and fibre arts/textiles and will run until the following Thursday (November 13).

The second stage of the exhibition will open at 7.30 Tuesday, November 18 and run until Thursday, November 20 with 16 post-graduate students exhibiting their work in the Art building.

Course Director for the Graduate Diploma in Art, Aldona O'Brien, said that the work of 1986 post-graduate students was varied, exciting and innovative. "The exhibition reflects the contribution of post-graduate students to the high standard that is maintained by the Art school," she said.

The third and biggest stage will be from Wednesday, November 26 to Tuesday, December 2 when more than 90 students in the final year of their Bachelor of Art (Visual Arts) and Bachelor of Education (Art Education) fill the art building, ceramics building, sculpture complex and the College's main concourse with art works that cover more than ten specialisations.

The opening of the BA(VA) and the B Ed(Art Ed) exhibition will take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday, November 26 and college staff and students are warmly invited to attend.

Course Director for the BA(VA), Garry Jones, said that the 1986 exhibition is one of the biggest to be staged at the College. "The students graduating in 1986 have been a particularly interesting group and their work reflects great diversity within the major areas," said Garry. He went on to describe the exhibition as a "a celebration of idiosyncrasies" and says he believes that the public will find the exhibition challenging."

The Exhibition is open to the public and the art works on display form a major part of students' course work. All works are assessed by art lecturers and the assessments contribute to the students' final marks for the year.
National Grant for College

The College has won a $45,000 grant under a Federal Government scheme which is designed to forge links between companies and tertiary institutions.

The grant, under the National Teaching Company Scheme, is provided by the Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce. It will allow the College to work with Carrington Slipways at Tomago to develop computer programmes to interface existing computer aided design facilities with major production areas in the company's ship construction section.

The project will start in early 1987 and the grant will allow a graduate of the Associate Diploma in Computer Studies course to be employed by the College for 2½ years. Half the salary cost will be met by the grant and the remainder will be met by Carrington Slipways where the research associate will be based.

A lecturer in the Department of Mathematics and Computing Studies, Rudi Pertot, and the Senior System Analyst at Carrington Slipways, Peter Huish, will jointly supervise the work of the researcher.

The National Teaching Company Scheme encourages innovative companies and academics, through a system of grants, to develop products or to improve business efficiency within companies. The Federal Government has set aside $750,000 in this year's Budget for the scheme.

Planning for the project was undertaken by the Acting Assistant Head of School of Teacher Education, Roy Killen, and Computing Studies lecturer, Ernie Jordan.

"The proposal was submitted through the College's Centre for the Development of Industrial Education and the grant is seen as a (cont)
A significant boost to the College's efforts to provide courses and services to meet the demands of Hunter Valley industries," said Roy.

The original proposal was for the employment of two research associates and the Federal Government has recommended that the State Government consider funding the second half of the project.

A second project, which involves the College working with Rundles Holdings Pty Ltd to develop a computerised clothing manufacturing control and management information system, has been recommended for State Government funding. Negotiations are currently underway on this project.

Roy said that Newcastle C.A.E. was one of four institutions in New South Wales to receive a Teaching Company Scheme grant. A further eight proposals were recommended for State funding and of these the College's two proposals are the only New South Wales projects.

A total of 12 institutions throughout Australia received grants under the Scheme.

A book which critically examines the place of sport in Australian society has just reached the bookshelves under the co-editorship of College lecturer in Media and Cultural Studies, David Rowe.

Entitled 'POWER PLAY: The Commercialisation of Australian Sport', the book is edited by David and Geoffrey Lawrence, a lecturer in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at the Riverina-Murray Institute of Higher Education.

The book is published by Hale and Ironmonger and is a collection of essays which look at sport and the Australian way of life - including its links with big business, corruption in sport, and sport and Australia's national image.

A part of the book focuses on cricket and the Olympic Games in order to show how Australian sport has been co-opted and incorporated by commercial interests. One of the final chapters provides a reassessment of sport as popular culture.

David, who holds a PhD in Sociology from the University of Essex, has been lecturing at the College since July and previously was a lecturer in Sociology at Riverina-Murray for four years.

He said the response to the book had been very good with reviews in the Melbourne Age and quotes in the National Times since the October release. Radio interviews have been held with Perth, Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane stations and there has been a 1½ hour guest spot on 2GO's 'Australia Overnight'. This programme is broadcast nationally to an audience of 200,000 listeners and David said his interview had drawn a strong response.

"The book is written as a tertiary text with the expectation that the general reader may be interested," said David.

"POWER PLAY stimulates debate on an area which has been neglected by academic theory."

The book has been set as a text for tertiary courses in 1987 and is available from the Co-op Bookshop for $14.95 (paperback).
FAREWELL FUNCTION

The Staff Association is holding a "Chicken-Do" this Wednesday (November 26) to mark the retirement of a number of lecturers from the College.

Among those going in the next few months are Frances Nugent, Jim Miles, John McIvor, Bill Newling and John Koos.

The "Chicken-Do" will be held at the Railway Station between midday and 2 pm, with speeches timed for 12.45 pm.

Tickets are $2 each and available from Staff Association representatives.

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COLLEGE DIARIES

Departments and Sections which ordered 1987 diaries through Purchasing can now collect their orders from the Central Store.

The Store would like to clear the orders and would appreciate the various Departments/Sections picking up their stock as soon as possible.

The Stores also has available booklets for class tests (blue & white). The booklets were formerly available through Student Administration but are now issued through the Store. The item number is 7510-005-001.

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NOMINATIONS SOUGHT BY E.E.O.

The E.E.O. Unit is seeking nominations from staff and students who are willing to act as Equal Opportunity Grievance Advisers.

The Unit has issued a green paper outlining the duties of grievance advisers and these are available from Roxanne Pattison on Ext. 317. Nominations close this Friday (Nov. 28).

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GOLF DAY

Dave Parsons and Dick Whitbread still have a few places available for the 'Robson Ambrose' Golf Tournament at Newcastle Golf Club this Friday.

Staff who want to play should see Dave or Dick immediately. The cost will be $7.50 for green-fees and prizes and $9.50 for a meal after the event.

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CERAMICS

THREE NEW PRIZES FOR ART STUDENTS

Students specialising in ceramics in College art courses now have the opportunity to win three major prizes.

The prizes have been made available by companies and individuals associated with the College and are for ceramics students in the Associate Diploma, BAVA and Graduate Diploma in Art courses.

The establishment of the awards follows representations by the Head of the Department of Three-Dimensional Visual Arts, Ken Leveson, to suppliers and people who have an interest in the work of the students in the three courses.

The first of the awards, the J.T. Sanderson Ceramics Prize, is for the best final-year ceramics student in the Associate Diploma course. It was awarded to Catherine Hopkins during the opening of the Associate Diploma Exhibition earlier this month.

J.T. Sanderson is a major supplier of clay from Queensland for the College.

A $250 Bachelor of Arts (Visual Arts) - Ceramics Prize will be presented to the best final year ceramics student during the opening of the BAVA/Art Education Exhibition on Wednesday night (November 26).

The prize has been presented to the College by an anonymous donor who has had a long association with art students, especially those specialising in ceramics.

Graduate Diploma Prize

The third prize has been made available through Hunter Valley Art Supplies and is for full-time students in the ceramics specialisation in the Graduate Diploma in Art course.

The prize is worth $500 and will be presented in April next year following the intake of 1987 students.

In other ceramics news, a part-time Graduate Diploma student, Mark Jones, has been awarded the 1986 Muswellbrook Ceramics Prize. His winning work was of a large vase.
ILLUSTRATION

PART-TIME STUDENT WINS SCHOLARSHIP

A 23 year old part-time student in the Graduate Diploma in Art course has won the Third Annual Wildlife Illustration Scholarship.

Valued at $1,500, the scholarship is made available each year by the National Parks and Wildlife Service and was presented to Mandy Graham by the Assistant Director, Dr Jack Giles.

Mandy's work this year has centred on the wildlife of local habitats including the rainforests and beechforests of Barrington Tops and the Shortland Wetlands.

Mandy said that winning the scholarship was a great incentive to finishing her studies next year. She also said that it had given her more confidence in her ability to earn a living as an illustrator after completing the Plant and Wildlife Illustration specialisation.

"The Graduate Diploma course is a good stepping stone from the BAVA into the workforce," said Mandy who has already received several commissions for illustration work. These include a brochure on birdlife of the Shortland Wetlands and water safety posters for the Department of Sport and Leisure which have been distributed to Primary Schools.

Mandy also said that she had a few leads to follow up with further commissions for the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

"The work is there, but the real challenge is to be able to support yourself from it," she said.

Mandy's style takes a taxonomic approach, but develops it in a more artistic direction. She hopes to ultimately specialise in illustrating children's books.

Right: Mandy Graham and the Assistant Director of the National Parks and Wildlife Service, Dr Jack Giles, with some of Mandy's award winning illustrations.

HONOUR FOR JUNE

LOOM PRESENTED TO COLLEGE

A former well-known and respected lecturer of the College, June Gollan, has been recognised for her work at the College and also in the community.

June retired only a few years ago from the Department of Home Economics and combined her academic life with being a member and former President of the Newcastle West Business and Professional Women's Club.

The club recently decided to present to the College a Rug and Tapestry Loom in recognition of June's commitment to students and also to the club.

The 1986 President of the Newcastle West Club, Mrs Gwen Southward, said the loom was purchased from funds previously put aside to assist home economics students.

She said the loom would be used by textile students in all four years of the Home Economics course.

Above: June Gollan (r) discusses the new Rug and Tapestry Loom with second-year Home Economics students, Michelle Woodward, The first Vice-President of the Newcastle West Club, Sheila Addison, and Employment Conditions Chairperson, Lyn Firkin, attended the presentation with Mrs Southward.
NEW COURSES

POSSIBLE INTRODUCTION NEXT YEAR

The College is proposing to introduce five new courses for 1987 which will broaden the vocational scope for people in the Hunter and nearby regions.

College Principal, Dr Huxley, said the courses were being introduced because of a number of factors, including the continued diversification of the College and lengthy discussions with community groups that have seen the need for new opportunities.

The proposed courses are:

* Bachelor of Health Science (Nursing) - to be offered over four years of full-time study with initial intake being confined to registered nurses who will study part-time.

* Bachelor of Arts (Social Science) - to be offered over three years of full-time study and will professionally prepare students for employment in fields related to social and community welfare.

* Diploma in Applied Science (Medical Radiation Technology) - to be offered over three years of full-time study with the modalities of ultrasound and nuclear medicine being explored in addition to the main study area of radiography.

* Associate Diploma in Administrative Studies (Aboriginal) - to be offered over two years of full-time study and will be for Aboriginal people working in administration and management positions in a variety of settings.

* Graduate Diploma in Educational Studies (Education and Youth Opportunities) - to be offered over two years of external study with a majority of applicants expected to be secondary school or TAFE teachers.

The Dr Huxley said the courses were being assessed by the Higher Education Board late this month or in December and that he expected full information to be available on most of the courses by mid to late December.

He said the courses would draw students from diverse fields to the College and came at a time when the College was altering its academic structure to cater for the needs of the Hunter Region.
The last of the 1986 nursing scholarships to be offered through the Newcastle College of Advanced Education were presented last week to the recipients.

A total of 12 scholarships were made available this year to students in the Diploma of Applied Science (Nursing) course at the College, bringing the total to nearly 30 in the past two years.

The scholarships have been made available on academic, clinical practice and financial needs basis and this year have been presented in Newcastle, Taree and Cessnock.

Of the three scholarships presented last week, the major award was the Cessnock District Hospital Health Benefit Fund Scholarship valued at $1,500. It was presented to first-year student Diana Sinclair by the Chairman of the Hospital Health Benefit Fund, Mr Noel Mitchell.

The scholarship will be provided to Diana at the rate of $500 each year for the three years of her full-time course.

Diana said she was pleased to see nursing students from the Cessnock area supported by the local community and hoped that she would be a worthy scholarship holder during her course at the College.

She said the scholarship would help in financial matters and it gave her great incentive to do well in her course.

The second scholarship was the Graduate Nurses’ Association (Cessnock District Hospital) Book Scholarship. Valued at $100, the award was won by first-year student, Jenny Scoles and was presented by the President of the Association, Mr Allan Baird.

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AWARD

The third scholarship was the Rotary Club of Cessnock Scholarship which was awarded to another first-year student, Carmel Crosdale. Also valued at $100, the book scholarship was presented by the President of the Club, Mr Bruce Wilson.

The three scholarships were presented at a small function at Cessnock District Hospital last Thursday.

The Acting Head of the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies, Mrs Faith Trent, said she was pleased to see the large number of scholarships made available by Health and Community organisations this year.

She said a number of bodies had already been in contact with the College to gain information on the scholarship scheme with the view to making scholarships available in 1987.

ABOVE: Major scholarship winner, Diana Sinclair, is presented with her award by Mr Noel Mitchell. To the left of Diana is Jenny Scoles and Allan Baird from the Graduate Nurses' Association and to the right is Carmel Crosdale and Bruce Wilson from the Cessnock Rotary Club.

CERAMICS PRIZE

INAUGURAL PRESENTATION AT EXHIBITION

The inaugural prize for final-year students specialising in Ceramics in the Bachelor of Arts (Visual Arts) course has been won by 24-year-old Elizabeth Treadwell.

Elizabeth was presented with her prize at the opening of the BAVA/Art Education Final Year Exhibition and was surprised at her success.

The prize, presented by an anonymous donor is valued at $250. It is one of three that have been established to recognise the work of ceramics students in the Associate Diploma, BAVA and Graduate Diploma courses.

Elizabeth said that she had always been interested in ceramics and ran a hobby ceramics business in Forster before enrolling in the Visual Arts course.

She said the award was a big surprise, especially as it was judged by a person from outside the College who had not previously seen her work.

"I hope to put the money towards fees for next year as I want to enrol in the Graduate Diploma in Art course to further specialise in Ceramics," Elizabeth said.

"I've really enjoyed this year as there has been encouragement between students and great support from the lecturers."

The J.T. Sanderson Ceramics Prize for the best Final Year Ceramics student in the Associate Diploma course was won by Catherine Hopkins. A $500 Graduate Diploma Prize will be presented in April next year by the donor, Hunter Valley Art Supplies.

Elizabeth Treadwell - surprised at winning new Ceramics award.
THE COLLEGE WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL SUMMER PROGRAMME OF SHORT COURSES IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR WITH 13 COURSES BEING OFFERED TO THE COMMUNITY.

The greater part of the programme will be held during the week of January 19-23 with the exception being Pauline Clark's 'Fancy Breadmaking' being conducted in the following week.

Chairman of the Community Programmes Committee, Doug Absalom, said that the Summer Programme aimed to make available to the community the facilities of the College and the expertise of its staff.

He said the 13 short courses covered a wide range of skills, interests and enjoyable pastimes which could attract the attention of the community. Courses are:

- Introduction to the Plants and Animals of the Shortland Wetlands. Conducted by Kevin McDonald. Fee $33.
- Poetry and Life Meaning. Denis King. Fee $30.
- Calligraphy. Alan McDougall. Fee $30.
- Breadmaking. Pauline Clark. Fee $34.
- Fancy Breadmaking. Pauline Clark. Fee $34.
- Drawing and Painting Outdoors. Fee $30.
- Environmental (Scientific Illustration). Andrew Atkins. $50.

A programme on the Short Courses containing full details is available from the front enquiry counter.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE DATES DATES FOR 1987

College staff and students are advised that the Teaching Experience dates for 1987 are:

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COMMITTEE MEMBER

Academic staff have elected a new member to the Academic Staff Promotions and Progression Committee.

He is the Head of the Department of Social Welfare, Dr Ray Morland.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS?

If you're looking for something special for Christmas this year then Garry Jones may have what you are looking for.

Garry is a member of the Newcastle Contemporary Gallery and the group has written to many famous Australian artists to submit work for an Art Auction next Sunday (December 14).

Garry says the Auction will be nothing like Sotheby's but more of a fun day in which people are invited to bring along a picnic lunch.

The group hopes to have a wide range of works for auction from both national and local artists. Preview will be between 10.30 am and 2.30 pm with the Auction getting underway at 2.30 pm.

The venue will be the Newcastle Contemporary Gallery at 14 Wood Street, Newcastle West (formerly the Wood Street Theatre).

Garry said even if you are not interested in bidding, come along and enjoy the day and see what some of the talented local artists are producing these days.
COMPEITION

HUNTER REGION MATHS COMPETITION

For the first time in the six year history of the Hunter Region Primary Mathematics Competition the top place has been won by a girl.

Emma Paul, a Year 6 student at East Maitland Public School, scored the highest mark among 8,674 Year 5 and Year 6 students from 187 government and non-government Hunter Region schools.

Competition Director was again College Mathematics lecturer, Fred Bishop, who said that the competition enabled the College, schools and the community in general to be jointly involved in promoting Maths education.

He said that since the Newcastle Permanent Building Society had sponsored the Competition, entries had increased from 2337 in 1981 to the 8,674 this year.

Emma and the other prize winners received their awards from the Managing Director of the Newcastle Permanent, Mr Frank Wotherspoon at a recent function at the Society's Head Office.

THE ARTS

ART STAFF EXHIBIT THEIR WORK

As well as organising the final year art students' exhibitions, members of the Art staff have been busy in displaying their own work in two significant exhibitions.

'Diversities' finishes a season today at the Holdsworth Contemporary Galleries in Sydney after featuring the work of 12 artists who are all lecturers at the College - Jim Carrier, Frank Celtlan, Jutta Feddersen, Graham Gilchrist, Glenn Henderson, Mark Hinderaker, Garry Jones, Ron Morrison, Gordon Rintoul, Christine Sanders, Patricia Wilson and Aldona O'Brien.

Exhibition co-ordinator, Gordon Rintoul, said that the group show reflected the independent vision of the artists.

"Their art was neither shadow, reflection, nor homage to Sydney establishment art," said Gordon.

Also featuring the work of several College lecturers is a major exhibition at the Newcastle Region Art Gallery.

'Hunter Valley Sculptors' presents work by Jutta Feddersen, Graham Gilchrist, Ken Leveson and Vlase Nikoleski. Three other sculptors in the exhibition, Ernest Hew, Pippa Robinson and Susan Morris are graduates from the College. Local artists, Peter Tilley, Paul Selwood and Peter Read are also exhibiting.

Helen Tyzack from the Newcastle Region Art Gallery said that the aim of the exhibition was to give a general view of recent work by some of the most interesting and innovative artists currently producing sculpture in the Hunter Region.

"The exhibition shows a variety of materials from wood and stone to cast metal and plastic while sound is being used in exploratory and sensitive ways," said Helen.

The exhibition was opened last week with a sculpture forum and will run until January 11.

The Region Art Gallery has extended an invitation to College staff to visit the exhibition this month or over the Christmas/New Year period.
INTRODUCING AUSTUDY

Current T.E.A.S. representatives, Gary Khan and Alison White, are trying to make the transition for students to AUSTUDY in 1987 as smooth as possible.

Gary said that the T.E.A.S. scheme was one of three to be replaced next year by AUSTUDY and that he was urging students to contact his office if they have any queries. He said it was possible for AUSTUDY representatives to talk with larger groups of students if reasonable notice was given.

Gary said that it was important to note the following:

* Early lodgement of applications is essential to minimize delays in receiving AUSTUDY benefits in 1987. Continuing students should submit their forms as soon as their 1986 results are known. New students should lodge their forms before March 31, 1987.

* Students who qualify for a living allowance under AUSTUDY and who are required to pay the $250 Administration Charge will be paid an additional $250 with their first payment in 1987.

Gary or Alison can be contacted at the following locations:

NEWCASTLE C.A.E.  Friday 9 am to 5pm. 676149
NEWCASTLE TECH.  Thursday 9 am to 5pm. 696703
NEWCASTLE UNI.  Wednesday 9 am to 5pm. 685602

CREDIT UNION MORTGAGE LOANS

The Universities Credit Union is introducing a special mortgage loan scheme for home purchase or renovation.

Conditions of the scheme are:

* Interest rate 17.16% per annum, monthly reducible
* Minimum loan $20,000
* Maximum term 20 Years
* First or second mortgage security
* Home must be owner-occupied.

Full information is available by contacting the College representative of the Credit Union, Karen McIlvenie, on Ext. 439.

FOR SALE- APPLE MACINTOSH 512K/800 WITH DESK TOP PUBLISHING SOFTWARE. TWO MONTHS OLD. 30% OFF RETAIL. CONTACT PETER CRAWFORD M-265581 H-459340.
NEW DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

The College's new Deputy Principal, Dr Leslie Eastcott, will take up his appointment on February 2 next year.

Dr Eastcott, aged 41, is currently Deputy Principal of the Riverina-Murray Institute of Higher Education and in charge of the Albury campus of the institution.

In announcing his appointment, the President of College Council, Mrs Margaret Bowman, said Dr Eastcott was an experienced educator with high academic and professional qualifications. He has a successful record as a senior administrator and innovator in higher education.

Mrs Bowman said Dr Eastcott would bring with him a broad range of experience in many areas, including the record of innovation in the design of a variety of courses.

Dr Eastcott, who also holds the position of Dean of the School of Management, Technology and the Arts at Riverina-Murray, gained his doctorate from the University of Alberta.

He also has a Master of Education from the University of Sydney and a Bachelor of Arts and a Diploma in Education from the University of Newcastle.

He has been Deputy Principal and Dean of the Albury campus for the past 2½ years.
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

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He has also occupied the position of Head of the Division of External Studies at Riverina-Murray, was Director of the former Goulburn campus of the Institute and a member of Council and Academic Board.

Dr Eascott has a number of publications to his name, has delivered papers on educational issues in Australia and overseas, has been a consultant to many educational bodies and holds membership of four professional associations.

He won the Renwick Prize for Education in Newcastle in 1966, was a Rotary Group Study Exchange Fellow in 1970, gained a N.S.W. Board of Teacher Education Research Grant in 1978 and became a Post Doctoral Fellow of the University of Texas in 1979.

Dr Eastcott is married with three children

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ACADEMIC STRUCTURE

APPROVAL FOR FOUR SCHOOLS

The New South Wales Higher Education Board has granted approval for the College to change its academic structure to comprise four Schools.

The College sought the H.E.B.'s approval earlier this year because of the continued diversification of the institution and the need to offer courses in the areas of business studies, applied science and related fields.

The new four School structure is:

* School of Administration and Technology
* School of Health Studies
* School of Teacher Education
* School of Visual and Performing Arts

College Principal, Dr Doug Huxley, said the responsibilities of the former School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies would be assumed by the Schools of Administration and Technology and of Health Studies.

He said Administration and Technology was established because of the growing need to offer courses in the administration/technology/business studies areas for people in the Hunter Region.

The School of Health Studies had been established because of the rapid development in the past few years in the nursing and health professions. The overwhelming support from the professions and the community for higher academic qualifications supported the College's policy in this direction.

Dr Huxley said the School would see a new degree course in nurse education in 1987 with proposed courses in Nutrition and Dietetics and in Physiotherapy. Proposed courses for the School of Administration and Technology include Administrative Studies (Aboriginal) and Occupational Health and Safety.

The College recently advertised for Heads of the two new Schools and applications closed on December 12.

Students who will be attending their first year of study at the College next year are being invited to an Orientation Camp in late February.

The Students' Representative Council is organising the camp from February 23 to 26 to allow the new students to find out what College life is all about.

The camps have been very successful in previous years and Activities Officer, Andrew Prentiss, believes the students will be able to establish a good working relationship with other people who will be entering tertiary education for the first time.

"The camp is being held just before lectures start next year and will include a programme of information, recreation and sporting activities," said Andrew.

Enrolment forms for the camp will be posted to new students with College offers of places.
The on-going development of social welfare education in the Hunter Region has seen the College gain approval to offer a degree course in 1987.

Twenty full-time students will be taken into the Bachelor of Arts (Social Science) course but the initial intake will be confined to people who have already obtained the Associate Diploma in Social Welfare from the College.

The course will be offered over three years of full-time study, and later over six years of part-time study, and is a degree which will professionally prepare students for employment in fields related to social and community welfare. Holders of the Associate Diploma award will be given advanced standing, depending on experience.

The specific aims of the course, which includes a welfare studies speciality stream, are based largely on providing graduating welfare workers the opportunities to acquire competencies necessary to the performance of their duties.

The Acting Head of the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies, Faith Trent, said the course had been introduced because the Hunter region needed a generic degree which later could be expanded to take in such specialisations as criminal justice, health education and recreation and leisure.

"This welfare study strand is essential because of the increasing professionalism of people employed in the social and community welfare field and also because of the needs of the community," she said.

A meeting will be held in January of people who hold an Associate Diploma in Social Welfare from Newcastle C.A.E. to allow them to discuss the degree requirements and possible enrolment for 1987. The meeting will involve study load and the possibility of lectures being offered in the afternoon and evening.

A total of 60 places will be made available for registered nurses in a new degree course which will be offered by the College next year.

The course, known as the Bachelor of Health Science (Nursing) will require currently registered nurses to study either over five or six years part-time depending on their qualifications and experience.

The course places emphasis on nurses being educated as clinicians and practitioners as distinct from being educated in teaching and administration. Among the major strands of study will be nursing theory and models, psycho-social studies and primary care studies.

The Acting Head of the School of Paramedical and Community Welfare Studies, Mrs Faith Trent, said the clinical studies degree would allow nurses to have an academic career structure to parallel their professional career structure.

"The initial intake will comprise registered nurses but it is planned that future holders of the Diploma in Applied Science (Nursing) qualification and nurses who have gained a post-basic qualification from the College will be eligible to enter the course," said Faith.

"For this initial intake we are seeking applications from registered nurses who have more than one certificate to include such nursing areas as intensive care, renal or other specialisations."

Mrs Trent said the course represented a significant step in recognition of the professional nature of nursing and that she hoped that the introduction of the degree would allow the College to offer post-graduate courses in the future.

Students in the first year of the course will study topics in the fields of health, nursing studies, self awareness and interpersonal skills, enquiry and processing skills, psychology of human behaviour and sociology of health. These topics will be further expanded and added to in the later years of the degree.
ASSURANCES ON ADMINISTRATION CHARGE

The Minister for Education, Senator Susan Ryan, has confirmed that the $250 Administration Charge would not be increased beyond cost increases allowed for in the legislation.

Senator Ryan also announced that a committee would be set up to monitor and review the impact of the tertiary charge in 1987 and re-iterated that the Commonwealth Government would not re-introduce tertiary tuition fees.

She said she was putting to rest claims that there would be future substantial increases in the charge and that the charge would be the thin edge of the wedge leading to tuition fees.

"The $250 charge was the product of a very difficult budgetary climate and the need to provide more student places in colleges and universities," said the Minister.

"The legislation for 1987 specifically prevents any increases beyond the effects of cost increases. The same policy will be reflected in our States Grants (Tertiary Education Assistance) Act for the 1988-90 triennium."

Senator Ryan said the committee was being established to monitor the impact of the charge on 1987 enrolment and participation trends.

The committee, comprising representatives of Commonwealth education bodies, students, institutions and the Caucus Education Committee, will monitor a research project examining the impact of the charge on various student groups.

Meanwhile, part-time students who receive unemployment benefits will not have to pay the $250 charge.

A spokesman for the Minister said that unemployment beneficiaries who are part-time students would be exempt from having to pay the $250 charge in 1987.

The decision has been welcomed by student bodies, many saying that it is a step in the right direction.

STAFF NEWS

SUPERANNUATION BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Every year the State Superannuation Board reports to Parliament on its administration of the superannuation fund.

In an effort to assist members become better informed about the management and development of the fund, the Board has prepared a brochure of highlights of the Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 1986.

All employing authorities have received supplies of the brochure for distribution and most College members should have received a copy by now.

If staff want to obtain a copy they can write to the Advisory Service, State Superannuation Board, Box 1003, G.P.O. Sydney, 2001, or telephone 02-238-2666.

CHRISTMAS CAKES

This is one of your last chances to obtain a famous Lions Club Christmas Cakes for Thursday.

Kaye Thomas in Physical Education, David Heggart in Purchasing or Allan Taylor in the Executive Office have supplies.

The cakes cost $5.95 each and funds go to a good cause.

INTO RECESS

Campus News goes into recess for 1986 with this issue and will be published again in late January.

The first issue for 1987 will be on Tuesday, January 27 - the day after Australia Day. Any contribution by staff members will be welcome for next year's issues.
The Playgym programme established for the van Leer Project is attracting attention from activity groups throughout the State.

Two recent visitors to Newcastle to look at the project, its aims and objectives were Di Tasker, a physiotherapist with the Blue Mountains Community Health Team and Janene Patroni, the Project Officer for the Blue Mountains Activity Van.

Di and Janene recently met our Playgym Co-ordinator, Sonia Liddiard, at a mobile van meeting at Morpeth and requested a visit to Newcastle to see the van Leer Project in action.

The Community Health Team is setting up a similar gross motor programme in 11 villages in the Blue Mountains and this will be implemented by Janene's group.

The two women were impressed with the progress of the van Leer Project in Hunter Region caravan parks and said they gained immeasurably from the Newcastle visit.