In Partnership...

Smiles all round

Regional and rural Australians have poorer oral health and reduced access to oral health care compared with those who live in cities. In an effort to address this inequality, the University of Newcastle has established a unique partnership with the Dental School at the University of Adelaide. This innovative approach to oral health education is a first in Australia.

National dental workforce reviews have clearly shown that there is an existing shortfall in the number of oral health workers and that this will increase over the next decade. “This alliance is an ideal response to the current and projected shortage of oral health workers,” according to the Pro Vice-Chancellor of Health, Professor John Marley. “The partnership will allow a unique articulation of Oral Health programs with Nursing, Dietetics and Nutrition and other health care programs already offered at the University of Newcastle. A joint Oral Health/Nursing degree for example, would have particular relevance to aged care and indigenous oral health which are currently areas of great need in our community.”

“While many Oral Health programs are widely distributed across Australia, this partnership will have a unique focus on prevention of oral diseases and maintenance of oral health. “These initiatives will address the widening gap in dental services, they will allow articulation with existing programs and will be formed on the well established reputations of the two Universities,” said Professor Marley. “It is a unique opportunity for students in a high need area of health care.”

A Cambridge Connection

In 2002, Michelle Hungerford was a fine arts (honours) graduate of the University of Newcastle and her artwork, “To and Fro”, was chosen for the cover of the University’s official Christmas card in the same year. Somehow, one of these cards found its way to England into the hands of the curator of the women’s art collection at the New Hall of the University of Cambridge. According to Ms Hungerford, the curator said that the committee of the University of Cambridge art collection reacted very favourably to her work and sought to acquire “Rich Material I” from the same series as the Christmas card painting.

“I have decided to donate the work to the University of Cambridge,” explained Ms Hungerford. “It is very exciting for me to know it will be hung at a university with a worldwide reputation for its art galleries and museums.”

This is a great honour and opportunity for me,” Ms Hungerford said. “It shows you just don’t know where you are going to find interest in your work, so it pays to distribute as widely as you can."

The Business of Being Entrepreneurial

A first for Australia, the University of Newcastle’s Graduate School of Business has appointed a Professor of Small Business who will lead Entrepreneurship and Small Business - demonstrating its commitment to and focus on small business.

Professor Michael Schaper, previously a senior lecturer and director of the entrepreneurship degree program within the School of Management at Curtin University in Western Australia, is also national vice president of the Small Enterprise Association of Australia and New Zealand.

“There are exciting times ahead for business development,” according to Professor Schaper. “The Hunter region has moved away from its traditional base of manufacturing and heavy industry and is confidently approaching the future with small business playing a major role in that development.”

Part of the Professor’s role will be to introduce a Masters program in entrepreneurship as well as teaching courses, conducting research and working closely with the region’s business communities and economic development organisations.

For more Newcastle Graduate School of Business News please see page 3.

Higher Education Reform

The Higher Education Reforms (of which there are over 70) have been built around four foundation principles - sustainability, quality, equity and diversity.

Further, there are three major elements to the Reforms:

- Support for higher educations institutions;
- Support for students; and
- Support for a diverse and equitable system.

In the Vice-Chancellor’s column in this edition of UniNews, Professor Holmes outlines the issues which need to be addressed, explaining that the reforms are of major significance for the future of Newcastle. Many of you will have already participated in the staff forums held at the Callaghan and Ourimbah campuses to discuss the issues facing your future.

At the time of printing UniNews, a paper was being prepared for the consideration of the University Council, proposing recommendations based on your input and the deliberations of the Senior Executive Group.

It should be noted that there are a number of principles upon which the University of Newcastle decisions and ultimately our response will be based.

We will continue to offer a broad range of carefully targeted programs to an increasing number of students whilst remaining committed to being a research intensive university - this has implications for our student numbers, the programs we are able to support and the attributes we expect in our staff and our graduates.

We are focused on making a difference by achieving excellent student outcomes and will continue to put in place appropriate infrastructure and services to enhance the quality of the student experience at the University of Newcastle. We are also constantly seeking to improve undergraduate participation rates in the Hunter Region, Central Coast and other regions within our footprint. One of the University’s strengths is our commitment to equity as a founding principle of our approach to education. Our University is dedicated to our region. We constantly strive to consolidate and grow our regional, national and international partnerships. We need to increase revenue to meet our strategic goals and to ensure our financial viability into the future.

As decisions are made regarding the Higher Education Reforms, UniNews will endeavour to keep you updated regarding the progress of the Reforms and their likely impact upon us.

Meanwhile, updated regularly is the Department of Education, Science and Training’s dedicated Higher Education Reform website: http://www.backingaustraliasfuture@dest.gov.au
Welcome to UniNewspaper. In 2004, the University will continue to focus on strategic directions and our staff’s achievements. UniNews is one of the University’s primary communication tools and we mean two way communication. Contributions from general and academic staff will be gratefully received. In some instances, contributions may need to be edited due to space limitations but every attempt will be made to reproduce entire contributions.

Demonstrating the University’s commitment to UniNews as a primary communication tool, this edition has been designed with emphasis on the past and look to the future. We hope you enjoy your new UniNews!

A Message From the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Roger Holmes.

Welcome to the 2004 academic year and to a new format for our University newspaper. I hope that UniNews will be even more successful this year as a good communication vehicle for the University, principally for its staff but also for students, alumni, Council members and other supporters. In addition to the distribution of a paper version of UniNews, it will be regularly placed on the University’s website and made available to our staff, students, alumni, partners and others around the world who are interested.

I am very pleased to particularly welcome new staff members and students who have recently joined you. Bring new ideas and experiences with you and we are sure to appreciate that the University is an interesting, challenging and friendly place that will contribute greatly to your future.

2004 will be a very important year for not only the University of Newcastle but for the Australian higher education sector overall. We are now in our 39th year of autonomous operation and during 2003 the University of Newcastle has extended our national and international reach. The University is currently involved in 83 scholars. The scheme provides a unique opportunity for students to gain relevant work experience in engineering industries.

The Engineering Scholarship Scheme (UNISS) has once again surpassed expectations by offering 21 new scholarships in 2004. There are now almost 40 active industry sponsors with five new organisations joining the Scheme. This year we welcome Bradken Engineering, Delta Electricity, KEMP Shire Council, Muswellbrook Shire Council and Tera Engineering as new sponsors.

We would like to acknowledge and thank our existing sponsors for their continued support.

The very first Graduates from what was then the Newcastle University College at their 50th anniversary dinner.
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Welcome back to the University of Newcastle for another year and welcome to those of you who are joining us for the first time. As mentioned on page 2 of this edition, the new format of UniNews has been designed to enhance our communications within and without the University.

Each issue will have a specific theme spread over these two centre pages. And what a better theme to start the new year, than an introduction to our Senior Executive Group?

Each member of the Group was asked to pen a short contribution, detailing his/her area of responsibility, academic/professional interest, the biggest challenges/opportunities for that area of responsibility and the future positioning of the University. Please take the time to read these pages. The words reproduced here provide great insight into our future directions as envisaged by our senior management.

- **Professor Roger Holmes** is the Vice-Chancellor and President of the University, a position he has held since August 1996. Professor Holmes has a PhD from the University of Queensland and a DSc from Griffith University in biochemistry and molecular biology. His research interests are in the area of gene families for enzymes of alcohol and aldehyde metabolism, and in the mechanisms for ultraviolet radiation absorption by anterior eye tissues. He is an author of 111 refereed journal articles, as well as conference articles, edited reviews, edited books and a monograph.

  He currently serves on a number of external Boards including the Australian Vice-Chancellors’ Committee, the Australian Academic and Research Network Pty Ltd, the Australian and New Zealand Council for the Care of Animals in Research and Teaching (Chair), the Australian Business-Higher Education Round Table, the IHP Education Australia, the Hunter Medical and Research Institute, the Australian Education Office (Washington DC), the NSW Vice-Chancellors’ Conference (NSWVCC) (Chair), the Hunter Institute NSW’ TAFE Advisory Council, and is the AVC nominee on the Australian Research and Education Network’s Advisory Committee (ARENAC).

  I am strongly committed to the Strategic Management and Growth Plan for the University which includes key areas and strategies for positioning the University for major improvement in research, teaching, regional engagement, internationalisation, administrative efficiency, financial sustainability and growth, and communication with staff, students and other stakeholders.

- **Professor Bernard Carey**, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Business and Law) has primary responsibility for the Faculty of Business and Law. His secondary Portfolio responsibility is in the International area. Bernard has held the two roles since the re-structure took effect at the beginning of 2002.

  He has academic qualifications in both business and law and has a long-term professional interest in higher education management, corporate governance and business ethics in general.

  The biggest challenges facing this Faculty and the University in general relate to issues of adequate funding, investment and sound leadership. Universities must increase the proportion of their revenue from non-government sources if they are to survive and thrive. Newcastle’s greatest opportunities relate to its ability to draw revenue from what it does best, teaching and research. In particular, off shore education and international students generally promise much but this potential source of revenue for the University will only be achieved as a harvest of a sound investment seeding policy.

  In five years time and even more so in ten years time the University of Newcastle will continue to be a fine research University but with a strong reputation for educating international students and promoting a very strong relationship between the University and its surrounding community.

  2004 is a year of turbulent change for the University. It is a time when all in the University can seize the opportunities which are on offer. It is a time for boldness in the University’s management of risk as we all reach for the wonderful future that is available through strong leadership of this fine University.

- **Professor Terry Lovat** is the Pro Vice-Chancellor in charge of the Faculty of Education and Arts and also has Portfolio responsibility for the Central Coast Campuses. He has academic qualifications and a research background in philosophy and education.

  The biggest challenges for the University over the next five years are twofold: first,
Our Faculty is very fortunate in having visionary, enthusiastic and talented staff at all levels in all areas. Good ‘community relations’, with national and international communities, business and industry liaison and alumni are essential to the University. It is also an area where improvement can be made. The appointment of the new Director of Community Relations and look forward to much progress as a result.

Professor Linda Connor is President of the Academic Senate. As President of Academic Senate, I am the senior elected academic in the University. I chair the Academic Senate, which is set up under the University of Newcastle Act as the body responsible to the University Council for the core academic functions of the University - teaching, learning and research.

My academic qualifications are in social and cultural anthropology. I undertake teaching and research in the areas of Indonesian and Southeast Asian cultures, medical anthropology and development studies. I am a Research Associate of the ARC Key Centre for Asia-Pacific Social Transformation Studies (CAPSTRANS).

The biggest challenge for the Academic Senate in the coming years is to sustain collegial scholarly values in an era of increasing corporatisation of universities and to promote excellence in teaching and research in ways that are responsive to the diverse and complex demands that are now placed on academic staff.

I envisage that in five years the University will have fulfilled the potential of the current Institutional Strategic Plan and will rate highly as a thriving research-intensive institution with national best practice equity and access programs.

Professor Adrian Page has been the Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment and holds a cross-university portfolio for Research. The Faculty is research intensive and consists of three large schools covering a range of professional disciplines in engineering and related IT areas, and in architecture, building and industrial design.

Professor Page is a structural engineer, holds an Industry Chair supported by the clay brick industry and leads an active research group in the structural Masonry area. His research portfolio involves him acting as the standing deputy to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) and chairing the Research Portfolio Committee whose main role is to develop and implement the research strategies of the University across all faculties.

The biggest challenge for the University in the research area over the next five years is to maintain and/or improve our position in the top ten ranking so that we remain in the top ten of the sector. This will become even more critical in a climate of increasing competition from other universities. We must identify the areas of strength and potential strength in which we can excel and support these areas, whilst at the same time support and mentor our emerging researchers. In a climate of increasing diversity of institutions across the sector, it is essential that we continue to be recognised as a “research intensive institution”.

Professor Ron McDonald, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) is responsible for the management of research support and international activities in the University.

Both of these areas are important in relation to the Institutional Strategic Plan goals of being a research intensive University whose performance ranks the University in the top 10 in Australia and the emphasis on internationalisation of the University’s teaching and research through the attraction of students to Newcastle and the development of offshore partnerships.

The problems the University faces in research primarily relate to balancing staff teaching and administrative responsibilities in such a way as to provide them with time to develop their research programs. The more intensive research faculties already face over-commitment of existing staff, and the maintenance of community and teaching commitments.

Way to expand activities across the University are essential to the maintenance of the University’s research profile.

In the International area, the University must balance on-shore and off-shore teaching, maintenance of courses and programs attractive to International students, maintenance of an assured quality of teaching to all students and the maintenance of community and teaching support for the University’s international activities.

As a result of the efforts and commitment of staff, in five years from now the University will be a clear 9th in the research performance stakes but some Faculties will rank within the top five in Australia. We will have 6% of total load in research training places, and we will have a research income approaching $50m. In excess of 10% of our enrolment will be in postgraduate coursework. At least 15% of our total enrolment will be international students. Income to the University from the research portfolio will be in excess of $200m per year.

Ms Linda O’Brien is the Vice President (University Services) and Secretary, University Council. Her qualifications and area of interest and expertise are in strategic planning and quality assurance in the higher education sector.

The Australian higher education sector is facing a number of significant challenges, including financial difficulties, increased competition with other universities, changes in government policy, and the need to enhance the quality and efficiency of our institutions. These challenges require a strategic approach to planning and decision-making, as well as a commitment to innovation and excellence in teaching and research.

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Professor Brian English is the Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University and also has responsibility as: Standing Deputy to the Vice-Chancellor; oversight of the Faculties, English Language and Foundation Studies Centre, Strategic Planning, staffing matters including enterprise bargaining, Development of Education, Science and Training, administrations, quality assurance, external reviews, equity, diversity, affirmative action and Freedom of Information requests.

Professor English’s academic qualifications (BSW (Hons) PhD (UNSW)) are in the fields of Social Work, Sociology, Industrial Relations and Social Policy. His research interests include the measurement of broad social movements, especially those to do with patterns of marriage and family formation/dissolution and workforce issues, using social demographic approaches to model social processes.

The biggest opportunity I see in my area is the opportunity to work with talented staff whilst the biggest challenge that University is facing is keeping focused on quality student outcomes and staff achievements in the midst of the constant round of administrative activities.

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Researchers on ice

Dr Ian Goodwin, Faculty of Science and Information Technology, and Bachelor of Science Honours student, Stuart Barrington, have gone to the extreme to avoid the worst of the Hunter’s summer by undertaking field work in Antarctica.

“We will be drilling for ice cores spanning the past 200 - 500 years in order to reconstruct the atmospheric circulation and air temperature over the Southern Ocean and the Antarctic region,” Dr Goodwin explained. “We will then be able to see the natural weather cycles that have occurred in the past, helping us to understand our climate and, particularly, rainfall variability in southern Australia. Based on the current climatic situation, it’s very important that we continuously strive for a greater understanding.”

Dr Goodwin first worked on the ice sheet almost 20 years ago. “Ice cores taken from this region in the 1980s showed climate signals that were well preserved. The cores revealed an increase in snow accumulation over the past three decades that was related to changing atmospheric circulation around the circum-Antarctica. These changes in atmospheric circulation over Antarctica are linked to shifts in the persistence of high pressure systems south of eastern Australia that have a profound impact on the passage of weather systems across and below southern Australia.”

From Casey Station, the team will be flown by a Twin Otter aircraft to Eastern Wilkes Land, where they will remove the cores using a portable drill that can reach a depth of 200 metres or more. The field work this year is the first joint project on Climate Change between the University of Newcastle and the Australian Antarctic Division and a part of the International Trans Antarctic Scientific Expedition (ITASE). The ITASE program was established in 1990 to obtain records of polar and sub-Antarctic climate variability and includes representatives from 19 nations. Dr Goodwin and Mr Barrington will return to warmer climes in March.

Correction

In the publication of The News, the recipients of the Vice-Chancellor’s Awards for General Staff Excellence listed were those who received the Awards in 2002. Recipients for 2003 were as follows: Dr Mary Rate, Research and Research Training Services; Ms Julie Powler, School of Applied Sciences; and Mr Mark Crowley, Student Services Unit in the Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment (individual awards): the Counselling Services team in the University Services Division and the Goods Inwards Store team in Infrastructure Services (team awards).

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providers with facilities in the centre of Sydney and Melbourne and an ideal partner to deliver our IT programs to international students,” according to Professor Bill Hogarth, Pro Vice-Chancellor of the Faculty of Science and Information Technology.

“The students are enrolled as University of Newcastle students and are given an articulation credit into our program in the same way TAFE students receive a credit when they articulate into a university degree. The University is providing the equipment including software and the Bachelor of IT program while the College provides the facility and the teaching staff. The University of Newcastle accredits all staff and does random quality checks on the program delivery. The same assignment and exam timetable applies to all students studying the program in each location - Newcastle, Ouirimbah, Sydney and Melbourne.

“This program is particularly attractive to overseas students and the partnership gives us an opportunity to offer our courses in the centre of Australia’s major cities,” explained Professor Hogarth.

The Sydney Bachelor of Applied IT program has been running since June 2003 with the Melbourne program expected to start in June this year. There are also plans to develop a similar partnership in the Brisbane central business district.

“We have seen a continued strong demand for IT courses from overseas students and although.domestic interest is not as strong, I expect this will change,” said Professor Hogarth.

The students considering a career in IT and looking to the future will understand that demand will continue to increase.

First students for Port Macquarie

This year sees the first students enrolled in the University of Newcastle’s newest commitment at Port Macquarie. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed in October last year which brings together the University, Hastings Council, Southern Cross University and TAFE NSW, North Coast Institute in a unique partnership to develop tertiary education in the Hastings region.

In its formative year, courses on offer are Bachelor programs in Nursing and Applied IT and Open Foundation programs. By the year 2010, it is anticipated that nine programs will be offered and, according to conservative estimates, some 650 students will be enrolled at the Port Macquarie Tertiary Campus.

So, take a bow...

Bob Conway – School of Education, Gary Stacker – Education Services, Kim Murray – Business Services, Shane Carney – School of Medical Practice and Population Health, Peter Dundeley – School of Biomedical Sciences, George Horn – School of Language and Media, John Heath – School of Biomedical Sciences, Graeme Jameson – School of Engineering, Ronald Laura – School of Education, Robert Mackie – School of Humanities, Stephen McInally – Education Services, Philip Nix – Faculty of Health, David Powis – School of Biomedical Sciences, John Sanderson – Research and Research Training Services, Kim Jenkins – Education Services, Ray Watterson – School of Law, Anne Drinkwater – Vice-Chancellor’s Division.

In Partnership...
**Beach Law**

Local beach goers were able to receive free legal advice this summer thanks to a new program run by the University of Newcastle Legal Centre, when it moved its free legal advice clinic to the Club Room at Newcastle Beach Surf Club Pavilion.

**National Conference on Unemployment**

The University of Newcastle’s Centre of Full Employment and Equity (CoPFE) hosted the joint 5th Path to Full Employment Conference and the 10th National Conference on Unemployment over three days in December last year.

Held at the Callaghan Campus, the Conference included presentations by a range of national and international academics, policy makers, service providers and social activists. The Conference provides an annual opportunity for delegates to share ideas and challenge current thinking on employment policy and unemployment.

The themes discussed at the joint conference ranged from the latest debates in macroeconomic policy and social theory to practical initiatives for dealing with unemployment in the community.

Contemporary developments in US and European welfare and employment policy, regional employment and development issues and indigenous employment generation initiatives also featured in the program.

Statistical issues surrounding the measurement of unemployment were also discussed.

Keynote speakers included Professor Barry Bluestone, Professor of Political Economy and Director of the Centre for Urban and Regional Policy, Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts; the Rev Tim Costello, Director of Urban Seed and Minister of the Collins Street Baptist Church in Melbourne; Mr Warren Mosler, Associate Fellow, Cambridge Centre for Economic and Public Policy, Cambridge University and Director of Valance Corporation, USA; and the University of Newcastle’s own Director of CoPFE, Professor Bill Mitchell.

Due to the success of the 2003 Conference, CoPFE will also host the 2004 event from 8 - 10 December 2004. Information is already being made available at http://e1.newcastle.edu.au/
What’s Happening @ The University of Newcastle

Forums
March 1 (12 noon-1.00pm)
Higher Education Reform - A Newcastle Response
Presented by the Vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor
Duncan Griffiths
Ceremony, Callaghan Campus
March 2 (10.00am-2.00pm)
Higher Education Reform - A Newcastle Response
Presented by the Vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor
Helen Tokui Room, Ourimbah Campus

Workshops/Seminars
March 1 - April 2
Semester One Workshops
Semester One Workshops series by the Student Support Unit, Ourimbah Campus on study skills, essay, thesis and report writing, study in Australia, oral presentations and many more. Ph 4348 4400

Lectures
March 18
Sir Ninian Stephen Lecture
Sir Ninian Stephen Lecture hosted by the Faculty of Business and Law. Julian Burnside QC will speak at the Conservatorium of Faculty of Business and Law. Julian Burnside
March 19
James Kortum Lecture hosted by the Sir Ninian Stephen Lecture and Quavers, conducted by Julia Nagy.
March 20
Autumn Winds
Popular music for bands featuring the Concert Band conducted by Michael Bell and Crochets and Quavers, conducted by Julie Nagy. Adults: $12.00, Conc: $8.00, Family ($4). $25.00
March 25 (1.00pm)
Luncheon Concert - Flute and Harp Recital
Jane Rosenm – Harp, James Kortum – Flute
James Kortum is a flute lecturer at the Conservatorium and Jane Rosenm is currently harpist with the Australian Opera and Ballet Orchestra. Featuring the composers J.S. Bach and Dvorak. Adults: $7.00, Conc: $6.00, Child: $5.00.

Music
April 7 (9.00am)
English Language and Foundation Studies Centre Attainment Ceremony
Ourimbah Campus
April 7 (10.00am-12.00pm)
Dean’s Excellence Awards Presentation Ceremony
Great Hall, Callaghan Campus
Contact Nadine Hill: 4921 5265

Callaghan Campus Graduation Ceremonies
Callaghan Campus Graduation Ceremonies held in the Great Hall.
April 19
Faculty of Education and Arts
April 20
Faculty of Health
April 21
Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment, Faculty of Science and Information Technology
April 22
Faculty of Business and Law
graduation@newcastle.edu.au
April 30
Ourimbah Campus Graduation Ceremony
Ourimbah Campus Graduation Ceremony at the Central Coast Campuses. graduation@newcastle.edu.au

Health and Fitness
March 16 (10.00am-2.00pm)
The University Health Fair
The Forum
An interactive event for all staff – get a snapshot of your personal health. 14 Stalls and Healthy Cooking Demonstrations

Art/Theatre
11 February - 7 March
Watt Space Gallery
Entire Gallery
Hunter art: ARTTOURIST.2004
10 March - 28 March
Watt Space Gallery
Loading Dock, Long Room and Hoist
Print show all years curated by Patricia Wilson-Adams Think Ink Different – print-making
Locke Room
Mitchell Joy Continuum Definition – 20/3D
Pit
Sandra Lee Brown Inside and Out - painting
31 March - 18 April
Watt Space Gallery
Loading Dock
All Sort Real fantasies - painting
Long Room
Sozio Cuurme, A Sense of Stillness – 20/3D
Locke Room
(e) Restraining Order Blues – textiles
Pit
Rebecca Gayland The Secret Life of Band-aid – photomedia
Haist
Melanie Foster Synchronisation – 3D
March 26 (8.00pm)
Conservatorium Symphony Orchestra
Conductor – David Barney, Flute Soloist – James Kortum
Ourimbah Campus Conservatorium
Conductor – Phillip Matthias.
Waratah Girls’ Choir, Conductor – Wynette Horne
Presenting the Polish national dances in Borodin. Suite Modale – Bloch,
Adults: $12.00, Conc: $10.00, Child: $6.00.
March 27 (8.00pm)
Opera and Arts Support Group Inc. – A Gala Concert
A feast of vocal music.
A special concert not be missed! Enquiries: Tickets: Adults: $22.00, Conc: $18.00, Students: $12.00.
April 3 (1.00pm)
Luncheon Concert - Vocal recital
Craig Everingham – Baritone – Associate Artists Newcastle Grammar School Choirs.
Take a journey in the English countryside then sail the seas towards America with folk songs from each country.
The music of Finzi and Butterworth.
Adults: $7.00, Conc: $6.00, Child: $5.00.
April 2 (8.00pm)
Music Viva - Different Realms
Featuring the composers Mahler, Dean and Schubert.
Four outstanding Australian musicians handpicked by Brett Dean to join him for this concert. Enquiries: 1800 688 482
National Customer Service Line.
April 13 (8.00pm)
University Choir - Passion and Drama
Conductor – Christopher Allan, Soloists include Paul McMahon – tenor, Mark Donnelly – Baritone, Gillian Sullivan – Soprano, Nicole Smeulders – Mezzo Soprano with the Newcastle University Choir, Chamber Orchestra. Passion of Christ according to St. John – Schutz, Neason Mass – Haydn. Enquiries: 4952 3009
Adults: $25.00, Conc: $20.00, Child: $10.00.
April 8 (1.00pm)
Piano recital - Markos Zografos
A graduate of the Queensland University, this exciting young pianist will present a program of contemporary piano music. Markos has majored in electric acoustic music and sound design. Composers featured include Messiaen, Ligeti and Stockhausen.
Adults: $7.00, Conc: $6.00, Child: $5.00.
April 29 (1.00pm)
Solo music of Keith Jarrett
Colin Spires – Piano
Keith Jarrett (b.1945) is universally respected as one of the greatest improvising artists of his generation. Best known as a jazz musician, Jarrett also gained fame during the 1970s for his long, unplanned, solo piano improvisations which often lasted entire halves of the standard recital format. In this concert, Colin Spires, a member of the Conservatorium’s full-time staff, will perform transcriptions of Jarrett’s shorter pieces, including those from the albums “Dark Intervals” and “Book of Ways”.
Adults: $7.00, Conc: $6.00, Child: $5.00.

What do you think?

We are genuinely interested in your suggestions and comments about your UniNews. We will also welcome news, views and images for inclusion (editing may occur due to space limitations). Send your contributions or suggestions to uninews@newcastle.edu.au

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