REPORT ON CHILD CARE FACILITIES

The Committee appointed to enquire into the need for child care facilities on the University’s campus has now completed a survey relating to student and staff need for 1974. As at 30th July, 1973, the returns indicate the following needs:

- Number of returns, 110 children
- Under 1 year of age in 1974, 17
- 1-2 years of age in 1974, 21
- 2-3 years of age in 1974, 26
- 3-5 years of age in 1974, 45
  (There was one return for a 6-year-old during school vacation time).

The survey asked parents to specify one of the following:

- Attendance each day full time, i.e., 9-3 or 9-5, 29
- Each day part-time, 14
- Two or three full days, 32
- One full day, 5
- Two or three half days, 19
- One half day, 2
- Other, e.g., during lecture times or when using library, 8
- Vacation time for 6-year-old, 1

It would seem that a strong case may now be made for Government assistance based on the need as proved. It must be realised that the above returns do not include the first-year intake of students in 1974. There are probably other students, already enrolled, who did not answer the questionnaire. Finally, the child care facility, once provided, tends to attract others.

An approach has already been made to the Committee in charge of Child Care Grants regarding its policy on Child Care Centres located (a) on university campuses, and, (b) off university campuses. A reply is awaited.

An informal approach has also been made to the University of Tasmania regarding its application for Federal funds for Child Care Facilities.

E.J. BRAGGETT,
Chairman, Child Care Facilities.

EMU TO GET NEW EQUIPMENT

On 30th July, Mr. B. Newman, representing NBN Channel 3, handed over to the Vice-Chancellor a cheque for $9,000 to pay for the provision of additional equipment in the Mobile Environmental Measurement Unit.

NBN previously donated $14,000 to pay for the motor vehicle and equipment to measure the atmospheric levels of certain pollutants.
The Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering (Professor A. Carmichael) said NBN had agreed to his proposal that certain instruments carried by the mobile unit be duplicated to prevent any interruption to the broadcasting of readings and that activities be extended to measure pollutants which are necessary for the formation of photo-chemical smog.

The Vice-Chancellor said the mobile measuring unit had become a valuable basis for the University's field research into air pollution and the university was grateful for NBN Channel 3's consideration and support.

TRIP TO SNOWY MOUNTAINS

The Oversea Students' Association has made arrangements for members and friends to spend two days "in the snow". A coach will leave No. 2 Car Park at the University on 15th August at 7 p.m. and leave the Snowy Mountains on the return trip on 17th August at 2 p.m. The cost ($21 for members, $21.50 for non-members) provides accommodation, meals and fare. The S.R.C. office will accept bookings.

TRAVEL LOAN FUND

A travel Loan Fund has been established by the S.R.C. to lend money to help pay fares and travelling expenses for students who wish to go overseas. Students can apply for a loan to the Travel Officer or Treasurer in the S.R.C. Office.

WEEKEND FOR FILM STUDY

The English Society will conduct film screenings, lectures and discussions on the weekend of 15th and 16th September. The programme:

SESSION ONE: Saturday, 1 p.m., Henry V; lecture, "Shakespeare on Film", Associate Professor Dennis Biggins, Department of English.

SESSION TWO: Saturday, 7.30 p.m., Pierrot le Fou, Dr. Colin Crisp, Department of French, Australian National University, lecture, "Godard's Pierrot le Fou".

SESSION THREE: Sunday 1 p.m., Brewster McCloud, lecture, "The Films of Robert Altman", Dr. David Boyd, Department of English.

SESSION FOUR: Sunday, 7.30 p.m., Metropolis, lecture, "Fritz Lang's Metropolis", Dr. Hilary Appleby, Department of German.

Tickets for the weekend (all four sessions) cost $2 and are available from the Department of English.

Hot meals may be purchased in the Staff House on both days.

PAUSE BEFORE HISTORY FILMS

The History Club will continue its programme entitled History on Film after the vacation.

On 5th September films on aspects of Australian and American History will be screened in the Drama Theatre beginning at 1 p.m. The films are Charles Sturt, Australia at War 1914-1918 and Journals of Lewis and Clark.

TERM DATES AVAILABLE

The Secretary to the University is holding information on the term dates for the other Australian Universities and will answer any queries on the dates.
SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE

Mr. J.D. Todd, Assistant Secretary, has further information about the following scholarships and fellowships:

Lady Leitch Scholarships, in 1974 or 1975, open to members of the Australian Federation of University Women for study or research in any country, valued at $2,000

Closing date
11th February, 1974

Australian National University Scholarships, open to scholars carrying out research in the long vacation 1973-74

Closing date
28th September

Rhodes Visiting Fellowships, tenable at Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford, for two years starting in October, 1974, or January, 1975, offered to women

Closing date
31st December

Rhodes Visiting Fellowship, tenable at St. Anne's College University of Oxford, for two years beginning in October, 1974, or January, 1975, offered to women

Closing date
31st December

Rhodes Visiting Fellowship tenable at St. Hugh's College, University of Oxford, for two years beginning in October, 1974 or January, 1975, offered to women

Closing date
31st December

Financial assistance for research related to the problems of autism, offered by the Apex Trust for Autism

Closing date
15th October

Grants from the Danish Fund, administered by the A.N.U. and intended to assist Australians who wish to visit Denmark

Closing date
1st October

DEAN, FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS

At the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Mathematics, held on 27th July, Professor H.M. Lieberstein resigned from the position of Dean of the Faculty and Professor R.G. Keats was elected Dean in his place.

DISCUSSIONS ON CAREERS

Some employers have arranged for their representatives to interview students and inform them of the job opportunities, training facilities and salary prospects offered by their respective organizations.

The interviews will take place as follows:

OCCUPATIONS

3rd September (tentative) Roberts Construction Co. Ltd. Civil Engineering

6th September Commonwealth Public Service Most professional and administrative (additional visit)

11th September Commonwealth Bank Administrative - Commerce, Economics, Arts, Mathematics
18th September
Conzinc Riotinto of Australia Ltd.
Applied scientists, Engineering - all branches - financial administration

25th September
Band of New South Wales
Administrative - Commerce, Economics, Arts, Mathematics

Date to be arranged
International Computers (Aust.) Pty. Ltd. (postponed visit)
Computer personnel

Appointments for interviews should be made through the Appointments Office (Room T04).

GRADUATE CAREERS DIRECTORIES FOR 1973

Students who could graduate at the end of this year and who have not received a copy of the Graduate Careers Directory relevant to their disciplines may obtain a copy upon calling at the Appointments Office, Room T04. Part I deals with Engineering and Technology, Part 2 with Science and Applied Science and Part 3 with the Humanities and Social Sciences.

EXAM NERVES?

In spite of being well prepared for examinations, students often experience "incapacity anxiety", nausea, vomiting, headaches or "going blank" before or during examinations.

The University Counselling Service is offering a course aimed at markedly reducing or eliminating severe examination anxiety.

The course commences in the second week of Third Term and will consist of a weekly one-hour session in the Counselling Service Theatrette (Admin. Building) for seven consecutive weeks. The timetable is:

Course 1, Monday, 10-11 a.m., commencing 10th September; Course 2, Wednesday, 10-11 a.m., commencing 12th September; Course 3, Wednesday, 6-7 p.m., commencing 12th September; Course 4, Friday, 10-11 a.m., commencing 14th September.

PREPARING FOR EXAMS COURSE

A short, two-session course will be run by the Counselling Service for students who are unsure of the best way to cope with third term study and exam techniques:

Session I will deal with Third Term study techniques and Session II with the Examination Situation.

Each session will be run as an informal discussion group. Participation is invited. There is no need to enrol first.

The courses will be held in the Counselling Service Theatrette, Administration Building. A day course and an evening course will be offered as follows:

Day Course, Tuesday, 11th September, 1 - 2 p.m. and Tuesday, 18th September, 1 - 2 p.m.

Evening Course, Tuesday, 11th September, 5 - 6 p.m. and Tuesday, 18th September, 5 - 6 p.m.
Both day and evening courses will be repeated later in third term:

Day Course, Wednesday, 17th October, 1 - 2 p.m. and Wednesday, 24th October, 1 - 2 p.m.

Evening Course, Wednesday, 17th October, 5 - 6 p.m. and Wednesday, 24th October, 5 - 6 p.m.

RESEARCH SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Information relating to the following research grants is available from the Secretary.

Dried Fruits Research Committee: Closing date in Canberra 20th October, 1973.

TALK BY PROFESSOR K.D. TOCHER

The Hunter Valley Chapter of the Australian Operations Research Society will hold a meeting in the University's Drama Theatre on Tuesday, 14th August, beginning at 6.30 p.m.

The speaker will be Professor K.D. Tocher, President of the Operational Research Society of Great Britain, and one of the world's leading authorities on the application of Operations Research in Industry. His topic is "Simulation - the Good, the Bad and the Ugly".

Professor Tocher is a pioneer in Simulation and is noted as a wit and "constructive controversialist".

Mr. G. O'Meally, President of the Australian Society for Operations Research, will chair the meeting.

AWARDS FOR FEMALE STUDENTS

Female students completing the final or honours year at any University in New South Wales are invited to apply for prizes of not less than $25 and not more than $50 offered to outstanding women students by the Jamieson Awards Committee of the New South Wales Association of University Women Graduates.

One prize is given in each of the following fields:


In each of the five years that these awards have been available female graduates of the University of Newcastle have featured prominently on the list of successful applicants.

Those wishing to apply may obtain information and application forms from the Examinations Officer, Miss G. Jones. Completed forms must be at the Association Office in Sydney by 1st October, 1973.

"ORPHEUS IN THE UNDERWORLD"

The Comedy Players will present the comic opera, "Orpheus in the Underworld" (music by Offenbach, libretto by Meilhac and Halévy), in the theatre of the Technical College, Tighes Hill, from 22nd to 25th August and 29th August to 1st September.

Leading roles are taken by Maureen Kennedy (Eurydice), Keith Ingle (Jupiter),
Dennis Biggins (John Styx), Peter Day (Pluto) and Greg Ley (Vulcan). The production is by Marjorie Biggins.

Tickets are available at David Jones in Newcastle (half price for students on Wednesdays and Thursdays).

ELECTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

At the closing time for the receipt of nominations for election of student representatives on the Departmental Committee, Department of Economics, the following valid nominations had been received:

Students studying Group A Economics subjects, Philip Anthony WISE;
Students studying Group B Economics subjects, Lee Jay CANT.

As the valid nominations in all categories did not exceed the number of vacancies, I hereby declare the above persons elected to the Department of Economics, Departmental Committee.

P.D. ALEXANDER,
Returning Officer

Due to an insufficient number of nominations having been received for the 10 positions on the Departmental Committee, Department of Economics it is necessary to call for nominations for the remaining eight positions.

Eligibility

All students who are currently enrolled in the various Economics subjects and are proceeding to a degree or diploma in the University are eligible to vote, to nominate and to stand for election as student representatives on the Departmental Committee, Department of Economics.

Nominations

Nominations of duly qualified persons for election to the eight vacancies on the Department of Economics, Departmental Committee are hereby invited.

A nomination shall:

be in writing; be signed by two persons eligible to vote in the election; be endorsed with or accompanied by the written consent of the nominee to his nomination; and reach the undersigned no later than 12 noon on Monday, 13th August, 1973.

Publication of Names of Persons Nominated

The names of persons nominated will be published on the Notice-Board located in the Foyer of the main entrance to the Faculty of Economics and Commerce section of the Social Sciences Building.

Ballot

In the event of the number of valid nominations received being greater than the number of vacancies, the successful candidates will be determined by a secret ballot conducted by means of personal voting.

Votes will be taken in the foyer of the main entrance to the Faculty of Economics and Commerce section of the Social Sciences Building between the hours of 12.45 and 1.15 p.m. and 4.45 and 5.15 p.m. on Tuesday, 21st August, and Wednesday, 22nd August, 1973.

Students eligible to vote will be allowed to vote only once and may vote for up to eight candidates.

P.D. ALEXANDER,
Returning Officer
SHORTHAND-TYPIST: Mrs. Irene Lojszczyk, of 7 Lois Crescent, Cardiff, 'phone 54 2653, is prepared to carry out shorthand and/or typing assignments, including the typing of theses.

HOUSE FOR RENT: Three-bedrooms, living room, large modern kitchen, bathroom, all conveniences, overlooking Kilaben Bay on Lake Macquarie, rent $28 per week; owner has placed the house in the hands of Avery Real Estate, The Boulevarde, Toronto.

WANTED TO BUY: Squash racquet, good condition, 'phone Ext. 235.

FOR SALE: Yashica Movie camera, new condition, $70 or nearest offer, 'phone Ext. 408.

FOR SALE: English Singer sewing machine, $35; "Pool and Nets", original Terry Cheatle water colour, $40; espresso/capuccino coffee maker, $30. Ring extension 502 or 57 4141.


WANTED HOUSE FOR RENT: Approx. 8th January, 1974, for minimum period of three months, required by new appointee and his wife (no children), 'phone Ext. 408.

SPORTING NEWS

University Squash Club was host to the British Universities Squash team, The Churchillians, from 26th to 30th July. The Club arranged a full programme of entertainment and a series of games for the visitors. A large number of spectators saw The Churchillians defeat both a Newcastle representative team and a University team by 5 rubbers to none and 4 rubbers to one, respectively. The only rubber was won by Terry McLennan. The Churchillians were undoubtedly the best squash players ever seen at the University courts. Credit goes to University Club for arranging a visit by such an internationally high-standard team.

Golf

The Students v. Staff Annual Golf Match for the Vice-Chancellor's Trophy, combining the University's Open Golf Championship, will be held at Newcastle Golf Club on Sunday, 16th September. Tee-off is at 9 a.m. The match will be an individual stableford with players teeing-off in fours. The best eight cards handed in will count for the Vice-Chancellor's Trophy. The best individual score will count for the university Championship and trophy. The Amenities Office is taking the names of participants.

Hockey

University Women's Hockey Club will be the host to the New Zealand Women's Hockey team from 16th to 19th August.

On 16th August the N.Z. team will be met at the pavilion at University Oval by their billets and given a welcome by the Acting Vice-Chancellor in the Council Room at 5.30 p.m.

On 17th August the visitors will play a Newcastle representative team at University Oval beginning at 1 p.m. Included in the Newcastle team will be University students Sue Rae and Chris Paine and members of staff Denise Markwell and Izabel Heath. A dinner will be given in the Special Functions Room of the Great Hall at 6.30 p.m. for the Visitors.

On 18th August New Zealand will play the University of Newcastle at University Oval beginning at 3 p.m.
Portable Barbeque

A new portable barbeque has been constructed for the Sports Union and is now available for use by affiliated clubs.

Clubs wishing to borrow the barbeque must complete an application form at the Pavilion Office. To ensure that the barbeque is returned in a clean and tidy condition a deposit of $10 must accompany the application. This deposit will be refunded upon return of the barbeque in a satisfactory condition. The barbeque may be picked up from the Pavilion between 9 a.m. - 11 p.m., Monday to Friday.