Award For Graduate

Mary Callcott is this year's recipient of the Newton-John Award presented annually by the University Union. The Award goes to a graduate of the University who has made a substantial contribution, by way of originality or creativity in any field, towards improving the quality of life in the community.

The presentation will be made on March 31 at a dinner-dance in the University Union to show recognition of Mary's contribution towards raising the status of women, and in particular, her role in initiating and developing the scheme for a women's centre in Newcastle.

Born and educated in Victoria, Mary graduated as a mature student (B. Sc.) from Newcastle University College in 1965. She joined the New South Wales Health Commission as the first psychologist at Stockton Hospital Convocation of the University. As a psychologist at Stockton Hospital Convocation of the University, she specialised in maternal and child health.

As a resident in one of Newcastle's heavy industrial suburbs and as a dedicated feminist, she could see the importance of creating a better life for women living in a working class community. A place was needed where women could meet together to obtain help to solve their problems. As a Health Commission officer she was also aware of the special health problems of women in the Hunter Region, most particularly those of working women and migrant women.

Mary and her daughters, Barbara and Ruth, were inspired by the Women's Health Centre at Coffs Harbour. They started talking to other women about establishing a group interested in looking at solutions to meet women's needs in Newcastle. In 1974 she helped to form the Hunter Region Working Women's Group Ltd., and written submissions seeking funds were initiated. They planned to establish more than just a health centre - a multi-purpose centre with child care, health, legal and other worthwhile services housed under the one roof. Also it was proposed that the centre should be entirely run by women.

Mary lives in Kerr Street, Mayfield, and often drove past the disused former Lysaght's Recreation Centre - a large hall fronting the Industrial Drive, opposite Tubemakers' Plant. She remembers well taking Alderman Joy Cummings, of Newcastle City Council, to inspect the building on the morning after Newcastle had been battered by a hurricane in May 1974. "There was nothing left everywhere on the roads in Mayfield", she said.

The building proved suitable, but funds were needed to buy it. Representations were made to Ministers and government officials. Mary recalls: "We traipsed around Newcastle, went to Canberra and to all sorts of places, asking for money". Elizabeth Reid, Women's Adviser to the then Prime Minister, Mr. Gough Whitlam, helped to arrange for funds to be allocated by the National Advisory Committee for International Women's Year. The Children's Commission and the Hospitals and Health Commission also provided support.

The Mayfield property was finally acquired by the Group for $80,000. Several Newcastle women volunteered their special skills in order to complete the centre by designing alterations, looking after financial records and doing a variety of other jobs.

The centre presently provides the women of the Hunter Region with a wide range of free services. Approximately ten full-time and fifteen part-time staff consist of nurses, health educators, pre-school teachers, psychologists, social workers, migrant counsellors, doctors, a lawyer, a librarian and a researcher. The Child Care Unit looks after infants and pre-school children for their working mothers. The health services provide the medical examinations and treatment, contraceptive advice, health education lectures and physical fitness programs. Professional counselling on personal prob-
Dear Editor,

I was deeply offended by the 1979 "Orientation and Alternate Handbook". I hope that some procedure will be instituted to help ensure that future issues of the "Alternate Handbook" are more worthy of our student body. In particular, the aspects of the publication that cause me concern:

1. A staff member is named and his character and reputation as a lecturer are abused. Leaving aside questions of libel (I am not legally qualified to comment on that), my own knowledge of the lecturer concerned, of his care in preparing notes, etc., is such as to convince me that the comments made have no basis in justice or objectivity. As well, the attack on the particular lecturer seems especially gratuitous because not every faculty's offerings are reviewed for prospective students, but only some. Surely a good "alternate" handbook would contain brief comments or even 'gradings' of most courses as a means of helping students decide. Such 'gradings' could be arranged on the basis of question sheets answered by all of the students at the end of each term. In this way irresponsible personal attacks could be avoided and a much more useful statistical analysis sought. As it is with this year's handbook, we have no idea of knowing how many students were consulted in making unkind judgements nor whether the students who did render the judgements were particularly able students of the discipline discussed.

2. That the "alternate handbook" set out to be more constructively useful is evident by the way in which Dip. Ed. Method was reviewed by it. Only one method was selected for review and that was one about which the critic had all harsh comments to make. The lecturer was not named but since he was the only one teaching that method in 1978 his identity was not left in doubt. Again, who is to say that the critic was not merely a disgruntled student who had performed inadequately in the Curriculum and Method concerned? Surely a more honest approach would have been to comment on several, if not all, of the methods taught in the Dip. Ed. programme. I, for one, was profoundly hurt at seeing one of my colleagues, a man whom I knew to me as an intense and sensitive individual, better read than many of us and diligent to a fault, singled out for attack.

3. One of the articles - "Bonjour mes enfants" - is badly written, being replete with elementary errors in grammar and puerile in style, as to suggest that the writer has only a tenuous command of the English language. One hopes that he learns how to write coherently before leaving with one of our degrees. A simple solution to this sort of thing is for the editor to read over each contribution and to polish up the sentence structure, syntax, etc., before having it printed. If I were a student here, I would be embarrassed to have people read a publication which gives the impression that the student-body is indifferent to such weakness in the basic skills. As well as damaging the writer's obvious difficulties in expressing himself.

4. In the article by the Media Officer, we are told that "Opus" will print anything ... slander and other backstabblings. Leaving aside the definitional difficulties one might have in printing slander (.), what a reprehensible suggestion to make. One hopes that the comment was made entirely in fun and that "Opus" will be somewhat more careful than the 1979 "Alternate Handbook" has been.

There is much in the "Alternate Handbook" that is worthwhile - fun, informative and principled and practical. The cartoons and the poetry were especially good. Is it not a shame that it should be marred by such defects as I have pointed out? More careful editing would have taken care of most of them. Perhaps a printing deadline effectively militated against that. If such is the case, it probably would do to have several editors working at it. As well, would it not be a good idea to arrange for some more systematic fashion of sampling student opinion on courses? I know that the questionnaire system is used widely in many overseas universities and that this is also extremely useful to the lecturers.

Theodore H. McDonald,
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.
NEW CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN IS A REDEMPTORIST

Rev. Father Kevin Carroll, C.SS.R., of the Redemptorist Congregation, who has been appointed Catholic Chaplain at the University, has been closely associated with us for the last seven years. In particular, Father Carroll has mixed with staff and students in the Classics and Philosophy Departments, as well as with students of Edmund Gleeson House, Maitland, who have been attending Newcastle University.

Father Carroll was born at Mudgee, and educated at Christian Brothers’ High School, Lewisham, Sydney, and St. Clement’s (Redemptorist) College, Galang. After study for the Priesthood at St. Mary’s Redemptorist Seminary in Ballarat he was ordained to the Priesthood in the Redemptorist Church, Mayfield in 1954. From 1954 to 1957 he studied at the National University of Ireland, gaining B.A. (Hons.) in Classics. Subsequently he studied at the Institute of Languages and Linguistics at Georgetown University, Washington D.C., U.S.A. He then taught at secondary school level at St. Clement’s College.

While teaching Father Carroll gained his Licentiate in Speech and Drama both with Trinity College, London, and with the N.S.W. Conservatorium. He also served as a Senior Examiner for some five years on the School Certificate Latin Examination Committee. He was admitted to the Australian College of Education, particularly in view of his research and experience in modern methods for the teaching and learning of Latin.

During his time in Newcastle Father Carroll has done part-time lecturing with the Classics Department of Newcastle University. He also completed the requirements for the M.A. degree, graduating in 1978.

STAFF HOUSE CATERING

Tenders received for the provision of catering services in the Staff House will be reported to a general meeting of members on March 30. The meeting will be held in Room R02 in the Geography Building at 1.15 pm.

AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN POLICY SPECIALIST TO SPEAK

Dr. Henry Albinski, an American who specialises in the study of Australian Government and foreign policy, will address the next meeting of Newcastle group of the Australian Institute of International Affairs. The meeting will be held in the Union on April 11 at 6 pm. Dr. Albinski has agreed to speak on Foreign Policy during the Whitlam Years: a Current Appraisal, an appropriate topic considering his recent book, Australian External Policy Under Labour.

Dr. Albinski has been teaching at Penn. State University for many years. This is his fourth visit to Australia as a Fulbright Scholar.
LITERACY WORK

The University's Department of Community Programmes is responsible for the operation of the Hunter Literacy Programme, which is providing service to people who want to learn to read. Ms. Penglase, who works in an office in the Department, feels certain that if publicity had been given to the programme more people from the Newcastle District would have enrolled. She contends that in other centres in the Hunter Valley there are also people who would welcome assistance.

The starting point was last May when assistance was first discussed. From last July, when the programme commenced, the teacher-student ratio has been one to one. All teachers are volunteers and there is no charge for tuition.

Ms. Penglase, who works in an office in the Department of Community Programmes, uses its secretarial facilities and has provided for teaching materials and administrative supplies, pays for paper, stamps etc., from the $500 granted by the New South Wales Board of Adult Education, is another volunteer.

What is the proportion of men and women and ages? So far two-thirds of the students have been male, and one-third female. Half belong to the 25-35 bracket; one-quarter are under 25; one-quarter are more than 35.

Ms. Penglase has found that those needing instruction in reading can be classified:

- non-English speaking background
- low intelligence (not retarded, but simply not very bright)
- poor domestic background (lack of early support, or active discouragement)
- development disturbed by illness or injury (the largest group)
- some emotional problems

An astonishingly high number of Newcastle people are not able to read. The reasons are varied, say Ms. B. Penglase, co-ordinator of the Literacy Programme.

Currently 70 people are receiving instruction in reading and writing skills from the same number of voluntary teachers who receive training as part of the programme.

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Comparatively few of the people who applied for tuition were totally illiterate.

Ms. Penglase maintains that those who suffered from a language barrier in childhood, as well as those whose educational opportunities were severely limited by an itinerant existence, truantism encouraged by the home situation, long illnesses or physical disabilities during childhood, have proved to be co-operative students whose progress has in almost all cases been very satisfactory.

On the other hand, students in the 'early school failure' category have presented a complex array of problems, ranging from unco-operative to seated linguistic difficulties.

One to one teaching has proved satisfactory as a starting point in nearly all cases. However, with a fairly high proportion of students after ten lessons or more they are better served by group tuition. Several of the earliest intake of students have now 'graduated' from the course, having reached their objective of functional literacy.

Mature students form the largest group within those who come forward as volunteer teachers. There are also a lot of professional teachers and quite a substantial number of younger undergraduate students.

Ms. Penglase says that evening extension classes were commenced last January. These were designed for students with speech or auditory perception difficulties and those who have gained a general competence in reading and who are going on to group work in language skills. Some with a view to qualifying for advanced courses.

More than 20 students are present enrolled.

Enrolments in the one-to-one teaching programme continues to increase steadily.

Sub-co-ordinators should be located in some country towns—initially Maitland and Cessnock, Ms. Penglase says, and need to maintain close liaison with Ms. Penglase, the programme co-ordinator.

Many of the literacy students have requested some help with numeracy as well. Consequently, a numeracy programme is now being added to the activities.

PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT

There are many people who do not plan ahead for their retirement. These people can be very unhappy in their last few years—bored, inactive, and miserable.

To prevent this kind of situation, the N.S.W. Council on the Ageing has long been involved in pre-retirement planning.

For some time the Council has seen the need for full planning for retirement, which could reach the widest possible audience. And a film is now in production. It will be made jointly by the N.S.W. Council on the Ageing and the N.S.W. Film Corporation.

The title will be Challenging Years and it will run for about half an hour in colour. The script was written after consultation with people concerned with preparation for retirement in several States of Australia. It will aim to arouse in people approaching retirement awareness of the desirability of planning for their leisure years if they are to have a long and happy period of satisfaction that they have earned and it will tell them how to go about getting advice and information on money matters, on legal requirements, on health, and, perhaps most important of all, how to adjust to a new way of life in which their time is their own.

Further information can be obtained from the N.S.W. Council on the Ageing, 34 Argyle Place, Millers Point, Sydney 2000. Telephone: 27 4857
STAFF MEMBER RETIRES

The staff member who controls furniture inventories, Les Gibson, a well-known figure in the offices on the Campus, left the University on March 31.

Mr. Gibson joined our staff in 1970, having previously maintained the extent and location of furniture, in other words the same job he had here, for Newcastle Teachers College in Union Street.

The main item on his retirement agenda is the Dooboom Cup Carnival, which he will attend in Brisbane later this year. He describes his connection with horse racing over the years as "a modest hobby".

There will be nothing else spectacular for Les and his wife Hazel in 1979, but a repeat of their 1976 visit to Britain and the Continent is a distinct possibility in 1980.

The Gibsons are happy to be residents of what some others might call "that little backwater" – Stockton. "Where else can one live close to the beach and baths, the city, the hospital and possess all essential services," he stated.

QUESTIONS STOPPED

For days and days staff in the Secretary's Division chided Jim Collins, Officer, for not being able to announce that he was a father. Realising that she was causing a lot of anticipation, Beatrice Roworth eventually presented husband Klevin with a daughter, Melissa, who weighed 7 lb 7 oz when she was born at the Mater Hospital on March 10.

SOCIETY ELECTS FRESH TEAM

The English Society has a new executive. At the annual general meeting on March 14 the following officers were elected for 1979:

President, Geoff Wynn; Vice-President, Dermott Keane; Secretary, Joan Thomas; Treasurer, Giovanna Ciolla; Publicity Officer, Liz Miles and Deborah Collins.

MATURE AGE STUDENTS

The inaugural meeting of the University's Mature Students' Association will be held in the Helmore Room in the Union on March 26 at 5 pm.

VETERAN "GENTLEMAN"

The longest playing member of the University's staff cricket team, the Venerable Gentlemen, has retired.

He is Senior Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering, Mr. Merv Hallinan, who left the University early this year.

University News went to a farewell dinner for Merv attended by 20 of his fellow staff cricketers and learnt that when it came to fast bowling he had few peers.

In the words of the team's captain in the Sixties, Geoff Curthoys, Merv Hallinan was a member of the staff side formed about 1955, which was captained by the present Minister for Sport and Recreation (The Hon. K.G. Booth, M.P.). At the time Mr. John McMinn of the Department of Metallurgy was President of the fledgling University Cricket Club. In succeeding years Merv proved he was a fine team player and an invaluable fast bowler, who captured more than 50 wickets almost every season and 80 wickets in the 1959-60 season.

Greg McMinn, a former keeper, for The Venerable Gentlemen, remembered that Merv had taken a hat trick at Stockton. As Merv had a record for arriving late Geoff Curthoys had to risk being without an opening bowler if he "sent them in".

Merv was known as the Stanley Matthews, because he liked to field with his feet. McMinn said.

Few people have longer memories of University cricket than Merv, who told University News that his taking 50 wickets one season was attributable to Geoff Curthoys' astute captaincy and the dearth of bowlers in the team. "Geoff watched batsmen intently and knew when my kind of bowler was likely to be effective. Further I had to take wickets, because many times I was called on to bowl 15 to 17 overs. I always batted No. 11, except once when a captain had a sudden delusion and promoted me to No. 10."

He remembered that George Haggarty, Doug Todd, Eric Hall, Jim Allen, Geoff Butler, Neville Betts, Peter Kleeman, Len Dyall, Ted Jacobs, Kevin White and Jim Staines had played with Venerable Gentlemen XIs.

Merv Hallinan was referred to by Norm Talbot, the team's veteran poet and its present captain, in the following terms in 1968:

Polishing the new ball dully - wise in seamlore, rich in years -
sizing up the slender batsboy -
virgin-damp behind the ears...He'll trap him with a large over;
cut back as rabbits cut of yore:
a perfect length, sharp off the seam -
a crack - a blur - a four! Seventy later, round the wicket (*tis the counsel of despair), his only aid the brilliantine slicked from his gleaming hair...
The merciless straightdriver polises, leans into his shot smoothly...His leg-ball falls. Merv, hands on knees and gasping, murmurs.

"Bugger me!"

Merv was born at New Lambton. He left Newcastle Boys' High School in fourth year. His first job was draughting at the Commonwealth Steel plant. He received an A.S.T.C. in Mechanical Engineering at Newcastle Technical College in 1940. For part of World War II he was an engineer in the A.I.F., serving in Australia. He was also a Lecturer at Sydney Technical College in 1947 and transferred to the N.S.W. Institute of Technology in 1952.

From 1955 he worked as a Lecturer in Newcastle, first with the University College and later with the autonominous University. He recalls that A.K. Johnston was Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, which possessed five teaching staff.

Mr. Hallinan's friends and colleagues from the University will take the opportunity to wish him well at a smorgasbord dinner in his honour in the Staff House on March 30 at 6.30 pm. Arrangements are being made by Mrs. M. Cooper on extension 528.
GRADUATE CAREERS COUNCIL

The February 1979 issue of the GCCA Newsletter, the Careers Services of all Australian Universities have been exhausted to publicise the availability of, and distribution procedures for GCCA publications currently available or to be published shortly.

Publications (date of publication is shown in parentheses)


Career Leaflets
- Careers for Humanities Graduates
- Careers for Graduates in Computer Science
- Careers in the Public Service
- Community Recreation
- Management in Industry
- Social Work - 1978
- Scientists in Hospital and Health Services
- Personnel Management
- Insurance
- Accounting
- Teaching Overseas
- Careers for Psychologists
- Chemistry
- Geology
- Civil Engineering - 1979

Graduate Careers & Employment: A Bibliography (March 1979)

Handbook of Grants (3 parts)
- Part 1: Awards for Postgraduate Study in Australia (1976)
- Part 2: Awards for Postgraduate Study Overseas (1977)
- Part 3: Grants for University Research in Australia (1976)

(new editions for all 3 parts are being prepared for publication late in 1979 or early in 1980)

Booklet - Looking for a Job (1977)

Report and Papers of the Post-Secondary Careers Services Conference (1977)

GCCA Newsletter (published irregularly 3-5 times a year; some back issues available)

If anyone would like to obtain a free copy of one or more of the above publications you please send a brief request to me care of the Careers and Student Employment Office. Requests will be met from stocks on hand or after receipt from the GCCA.

Direct requests to the GCCA will incur postage and handling charges.

Hugh Floyer
CAREERS OFFICER

CATHOLICS ON CAMPUS:

TIMES FOR MASS

Monday 1.05pm
Wednesday 1.05pm
Thursday 1.05pm

Where - Chaplaincy Meeting Room.

STAFF MEMBER MARRIES

Margaret Brown of the Bursar's Division, will marry Colin Wright at Charlestown Baptist Church on April 7 at 6:00 pm. Margaret's colleagues in the Accounts Branch have taken this opportunity to wish them both every happiness.

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS

The New Zealand Government is offering scholarships under the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships Plan to enable Australian citizens in Australia to pursue advanced courses or undertake research in New Zealand.

Benefits include: travel to and from New Zealand, approved fees, maintenance allowance N.Z.$275 per month, books allowance, medical and hospital expenses, and marriage and child allowances.

Applications will close with the Secretary on April 30, 1979.

The French Government is offering scholarships to Australian students for postgraduate studies in all fields for the academic year 1980/81. Benefits include a living allowance, tuition fees, assistance with expenses, and economy class air fare from France to Australia.

Applications close on September 28, 1979.

The French Government is offering scholarships to on-the-Australians working in scientific and professional fields to visit France for three to six months in the period January to December 1980 to further their experience through observation and participation.

Benefits include monthly allowance of $200, economy class air travel from France to Australia, and other allowances and fees.

Further information and application forms are available from: The Secretary, (French Government Scientific and Professional Scholarships), Department of Education, P.O. Box 826, WODEN ACT 2606, with whom applications will close on June 1, 1979.

ADVERTISEMENTS

EE66 Polaroid Camera, as new, with carry-case included, takes black or white photographs, in two sites $30. Upright Hoover Vacuum Cleaner in good condition, with new attachments and hose $30.

Black Car Louvers to fit Marina Coupe or similar car $20. One Black curly wig. Worn once, excellent brand. Terrific value only $20. Please telephone extension 565 (Jill).

One (60 x 110') level block situated at Metford, $11,000. Please contact Mrs. Stones extension 526.

Viscount Caravan 16'8", 6 berth, annexe. Registered until December 1979, excellent condition low mileage, $2,990 or offer.

Pottery Wheel $140.

Wedding dress and veil $60, Australian encyclopedia, 10 volumes, 2nd edition $70 or offer. Please contact Mrs. W. Murdoch, 10 Barreea Street, Raymond Terrace, or telephone extension 629.

Three piece olive green velvet lounge suite. Excellent condition, $250. Round floor rug, pure wool, (cream and brown) $10. Please call any week day after 5.30 pm. Flat 1/9 Moscri Crescent, Newcastle (next door to NBN 3 studio).

$35,000 buys you a distinctive three bedroom brick home at Mar enhance, only 5 minutes walking distance from the University. The house has separate garage and dining rooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 toilets, a large living area, and is modernised throughout. The block is framed by a variety of native and exotic trees. Please contact Bob Berghout on extension 656 or telephone 68 1916.
SPORTING NEWS

The amenities office has announced the deferment of the University's Aquatic Day. Instead of being held on April 1 the regatta on the Hunter River at Raymond Terrace has been scheduled for April 29.

Arrangements have been made for the annual presentation of University Blues and Sports Union Colours. The presentations will be made at a dinner in the University Union on April 27, commencing at 7 pm.

Professor Don George, the Vice-Chancellor, will present the University Blues and Colours. The Sportsman of the Year Award will be presented on behalf of the Sports Union.

The Amenities Office is desirous of hearing from people who want to attend the dinner by April 13. The cost per head is $12.

The University's Cricket Club will hold its annual dinner and presentation of trophies in the Newcastle Staff House on April 20 at 7.30 pm.

Mr. Fred Bennett, a member of the Australian Cricket Board and Manager of many Australian Cricket Teams on overseas tours will be the guest speaker.

The cost of the evening will be $10. The closing date for acceptances is April 14.

The University's Golf Club's Annual general meeting elected the following officers:

President, Professor E. Parker; Vice-President, Mr. I. Jolliffe; Secretary/Treasurer Mr. N. Keets; and Sports Union Representative Mr. R. Stewart.

Thanks were expressed to Evelyn Hazell for her services as Honorary Secretary/Treasurer last year.

The Club has decided to enter a team in the Inter-Varsity men's golf contest in Melbourne in May. Any interested student golfer, with a handicap of 15 or less, is requested to contact Jock Armstrong on extension 469 or Ian Jolliffe on or before March 30, extension 720. There will be a competition to enable the Club to select a team on the first Sunday afterwards on which a course is available.

JAPAN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Japan Foundation has selected from among seven finalists from all over New South Wales, Lynne Huxley (1978 Japanese IIIA student) for the award of a scholarship for a two-week Japanese intensive course in Tokyo and study tour of Japan.

The selection was made on the basis of performance in a comprehensive examination in Japanese conducted at Sydney's Japan Information Centre.

This is the second consecutive year in which one of our students has been awarded the scholarship. Next year will be leaving for Japan on March 5 for the language course and study tour.

BY COACH TO SEE ROMEO AND JULIET

The English Society is organizing a coach trip to Sydney to see a matinee performance of John Bell's Romeo and Juliet in the Seymour Centre.

The cast and performance will resemble in every possible way the production at the Nimrod and will carry on the very highly praised series of Shakespearean productions which John Bell has directed at the Nimrod.

The trip is on Saturday, April 28. The coach will leave Car Park No. 2 at the University at 11.30 am. The performance begins at 2 pm and should end around 3.30 pm. Members of the excursion are then free to find dinner for themselves in Sydney.

The coach will depart from the Seymour Centre at 8.30 pm and should return to the University shortly after 11 pm. Members of the excursion who wish to catch and leave the bus en route, at Charlestown or Belmont, should arrange to do so when purchasing tickets.

Tickets are available from Mrs. Hill in the English Department Office. When purchasing their tickets people are urged to join the English Society (membership costs only $1), for without support the Society will not be able to arrange further excursions.

Cost of tickets: for students $8, for non-students $10.

SECONDARY ALLOWANCES

The Commonwealth Department of Education runs a Secondary Allowances Scheme as a means of assisting families on low incomes to maintain their children at school during the final two years of secondary education. This scheme is means-tested by taking the combined income of student's parents for the previous year, less some Income Tax deduction, and subtracting $450 for each dependent child other than the student for whom assistance is being claimed. The resultant income is known as the Adjusted Family Income and where this amounts to $5,800 or less, a maximum allowance of $550 will be paid. This is reduced by $2.50 for every $10 where the Adjusted Family Income exceeds $5,800 and cuts out at $7,800. However, if most of the student in the family is eligible, then the Adjusted Family Income would be reduced.

Application forms are available from the Commonwealth Department of Education, Box 590, HAYMARKET, 2000. Information may be obtained by telephoning (02) 20929 (Sydney).

RUSSIAN FOR THE SCIENTIST AND MATHEMATICIAN

Associate Professor Clive Croxton, of the Department of Mathematics, intends to repeat a course of lectures held in 1977 designed to provide a working reading knowledge of scientific Russian for students and members of staff. No prior knowledge of Russian will be assumed, although some familiarity with another language, modern or classical, would be of advantage, although by no means essential. Professor Croxton can be telephoned on extension 594.

UNIVERSITY HOST TO DEANS

Deans of Medicine of all Australian and New Zealand Medical Schools will assemble at the University for their annual discussion of common problems in May.

Joint Medical Newsletter, a newsletter for staff and members of the Faculty of Medicine, the Hunter Medical Association and the New South Wales Health Commission, has announced that the meeting on the campus will be on May 21 and 22.
ADVERTISEMENTS

MUSICIANS WANTED

The Maryville Jazz Band is presently seeking the services of both a pianist and a drummer.
The group plays New Orleans Jazz and has weekly gigs at The Great Northern Hotel and The Royal Motor Yacht Club, Toronto. Interested musicians should telephone 57 4038 or 75 2072.

FOR SALE

1971 Hillman Hunter (White with blue interior) manual. Good condition, 30 month registration, new tyres, radio. One owner, please telephone extension 700 or 43 7573. $1,450.


One double decker bed, innerspring mattress $30. Please telephone extension 720 or 51 1313.

POSITION WANTED - TYPING

Do you need any essays, theses or reports typed? If so, please contact Pauline Bessell, telephone 46 8864.

Mrs. Christine Hills, telephone 43 0272 is willing to type theses, articles, essays, reports etc., has an IBM Electric Typewriter.

PLAYERS WANTED

The Newcastle Symphony Orchestra requires string players, especially in the lower sections. Please telephone 52 6619 for further information. New members are very welcome.

FOR RENT

August 1, 1979, to January 15, 1980. Modern brick veneer and tile split level, three, Pettit and Seyfert house on Scenic Highway, 200 metres up hill from Merewether Baths. Fully furnished, double garage, three bedrooms and study, 2 bathrooms, spacious living room, kitchen, family room, dining room, large balconies, dishwasher, clothes dryer, colour T.V., modern furnishings. $120 per week. Please telephone 68 7207 or 63 3764.

WANTED - Up to three additional persons to share skiing accommodation at Jindabyne from July 15 to July 21 at Duelli Lodge. Cost $45 per person for seven days. Any interested persons please contact Paul Grossbernd extension 658.

DIARY OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, MARCH 22
8.30 pm At Home, Atlantis

FRIDAY, MARCH 23
5.30 pm Film screening, Leedell, Conan Room
1.00 pm Annual general meeting, University Netball Club, Anchorage Room.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27
7.30 pm Singalong with Peter "Fingers" Mitchell, Stan's Bar.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28
1.00 pm Lunchtime concert, Graham Lowndes and Dave Smith.
8.00 pm Special concert, Gillian Eastoe and King Dog, Common Room. Admission $1.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29
7.30 pm Annual general meeting, Sports Union, Council Room.
8.30 pm At Home, The Seabass Orchestra, from Adelaide.
8.00 pm The Newcastle Premiere of The High and the Mighty, a musical madcap college, Arts Drama Theatre. (Also March 30 and 31.) Admission $5.50, Students $4.

MONDAY, APRIL 2
12.30 pm MARGRET ROADKNIIGHT

THURSDAY, APRIL 5
7.30 pm 

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11
3.00 pm Department of History, Lecture by Professor Henry Albrecht on Class and Politics in Australia, Room 212, Sociology Department.

Comptuer Centre manuals and handbooks now sold by Bookshop

All manuals and handbooks previously sold by the Computing Centre are now being sold at the University Bookshop. A special section has been set up for books and manuals related to computing. Included in this section is the just-released 1979 Handbook for RSTS/E (PDP 11/70), price $3.50. For ICL 1904A users the 1978 Handbook is available for $2.40.