The University's Apprentice Training Scheme became a reality recently.

The Faculty of Engineering indentured two Fitting and Machining Apprentices - Grant Wiltshire and Stuart Gay.

The dominant reason for introducing the scheme is that the University will need trained craftsmen after a not inconsiderable period, because several present craftsmen will be retired.

The appointments were made also with the aim of ameliorating the situation for those apprentices who have lost their jobs and are going on the dole.

Last year, Mr. J. Gubbins, Workshop Supervisor and Senior Craftsman in Chemical Engineering, pointed out that the University risked being short of trained craftsmen, because several technical staff members were due to retire. If this eventuated expertise in very specialised fields would be lost.

Mr. Gubbins said that the craftsmen possessed skills in fitting and machining, toolmaking, instrument making, electrical fitting and other areas and were indispensable to a modern university workshop.

Professor G. Jameson agreed with Mr. Gubbins' premises and obtained support for the Apprentice Training Scheme from the Faculty Board, Faculty of Engineering.

Finally, permission was given by the Allocations Committee of Senate.

Grant Wiltshire has had one year's training. He came to the University after having been retrenched.

Stuart Gay was a high school student until the end of last year.

Professor Jameson says that in order to gain experience the apprentices will stay with the Departments in the Faculty of Engineering for four months each. While they were doing this, they would also be attending technical college.

Job Losses

The quality of university teaching has deteriorated markedly due to academic job losses, Mr. Neil Harpley, President of the University Academic Staff Association of New South Wales, said.

Mr. Harpley, a Lecturer in Philosophy at the University of New South Wales, emphasised the high professional standards and dedication to teaching of university academics.

"But the policies of the Federal Government have placed tertiary teachers in an impossible position", Mr. Harpley said. "Cutbacks in tertiary education funding have led to the disappearance of many academic jobs.

"At the University of New South Wales alone, 89 academic jobs were lost between 1981 and 1982. The result of these job losses is that the remaining staff are subject to excessive workloads and are less able to give the personal attention many students need", Mr. Harpley said.

Mr. Harpley's comments followed the Annual Council Meeting of the University Academic Staff Association. The effects of the decline in education funding was a major issue discussed at the Council Meeting.

"It's not just a matter of there being fewer staff to teach university students", Mr. Harpley said. "Universities are being financially squeezed in all areas, in their building programmes, libraries and other services for students. It is the students who suffer the most from the policies of the present government, and the community should bear this in mind on March 5th."
Dear Sir,

May I comment on the recent letter of Mr. J.A. Lambert on the style of writing Pascal and Ada. As you are aware you printed the article in exactly the style I used when I provided it to you, so the fault is all mine.

I agree completely with Mr. Lambert concerning the way in which we should use the names of honoured people from the past, and I would like to record in your column my admiration for the Countess and vow to avoid American spellings rather than the old English ways in future.

May I enquire what LAMBERT is an acronym for?

W. BRISKEY,
Department of Mathematics, Statistics & Computer Science.

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**ENROLMENT**

There has been a significant increase in the University's student numbers. The Deputy Chairman of Senate, Professor Michael Carter, told March Senate that 1008 new undergraduates had completed enrolment by February 25, compared with 849 on February 22, 1982 and 962 by April, 1982.

There has been a shift from part-time to full-time enrolments. Professor Carter said that the EFTS for new undergraduate enrolments was 877 on February 25 compared with 664 on February 22 and 754 on April 30, 1982.

Enrolments, he said, had increased in all Faculties, except Medicine, where numbers were restricted, and at this stage, Architecture, which had, however, already maintained the improvement shown in 1982.

Professor Carter said that as a result of the increased enrolments, a number of requests had been received for "band-aid" allocations. The Allocation Committee would consider the requests as soon as possible.

Figures for Postgraduate enrolments were not available, although it was believed that enrolments in the M.B.A. course would be up substantially and those in the Diploma of Education course would be down somewhat.

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**Graduate in the "HOUSE"**

The recent Federal Election marked a significant event for the University with the election of its first graduate to Federal Parliament. Alderman Allan Morris, who received a B.A. degree from the University in 1969, was a successful candidate in the election for the House of Representatives. He had been selected by the Australian Labor Party as the Party's candidate in the Electorate of Newcastle to succeed Mr. C.K. Jones, who retired.

As an undergraduate, Alderman Morris was active in student affairs, including drama and student politics. He was a member of the Board of the Union and the SRC and edited Opus. He and his wife, Anne, who holds a B.A. degree and a Dip.Ed., travelled overseas for two-and-a-half years and worked in England.

Alderman Morris was the first recipient of the Newton Award, which was instituted by Convocation, and was a Convocation Member of the Council of the University for two years.

The new Member for Newcastle has been a member of the ALP since 1970 and an Alderman of the City Council for nine years. The University of Newcastle is in the Electorate of Newcastle.
Where do we go from here?

It would be surprising to learn that any member of the University did not spend the evening of March 5, 1983 glued to a television screen as the results of the federal election began to come in - rarely has an academic community had so much at stake in the outcome. To quote the editorial in the Newcastle Herald on the following Monday, "Labor's education policy is still vague but it has one solid bonus for the Hunter Region. Under Labor the plan to merge the University of Newcastle and the College of Advanced Education will be abandoned. The merger had threatened to lower the University's stature and, therefore, in time, the standard of education and the value of its degrees".

The editorial went on to point out the irony of the situation. "Mr. Fraser, whose Government ordered the merger for unconvincing reasons, was instrumental in stopping it: had he served his full term it is likely that by November or December, the merger process would have gone too far to be undone" . The small chance all hoped for but few dared to count on, should have turned our favour. March 5, 1982 will go down in the annals of the University as one of the most significant dates in its history.

So people are asking "where do we go from here"? The first and pressing problem is to sort out the separate funding for the University and the College of Advanced Education. The CTEC will have al­ready sub-divided the $38.84 m, recurrent grant, based on the way in which the amalgam­ated sum was arrived at in the first place, and that the Minister will confirm these figures shortly.

But we should not lose sight of some other significant features of the election result on March 5, having a direct bearing on tertiary education. Two documents set down the policies of the new government - one is the Platform as agreed at the Nat­ional Conference of the Aus­tralian Labor Party in July, 1982 (pages 47-54) - the other is the Labor Party's Education Policy as launched in November, 1982 (pages 22-27).

The areas covered include participation rates, student finance, national research fellowships, funding for high­er education, role of the CTEC, as well as amalgamation in higher education. Related areas of significance to uni­versities include research funding, high technology de­velopments, etc. The CTEC is to be asked by the Government to advise on areas where ad­missions can be increased in universities and colleges (to achieve an increase in full­time enrolments of 25,000 by 1990). A new programme leading to the progressive intro­duction of 300 postdoctoral fellowships of up to three years' duration (to be awarded on the advice of the ARGC) is part of the encouragement of research. Triennial funding for equipment and capital programmes will be restored, as will 'cost supplementation' for unavoidable cost increases. And many other matters.

A cautionary note should be sounded - "Conference recognises that the Platform of the Party represents short and long-term aspirations of the ALP, and that the program­me for the first three years of a Labor Government will be drawn from it". (my underlining). Clearly the new Govern­ment will have to place its priorities in tertiary educa­tion within the broader con­tent of the national economy and not everything can be ex­pected at once. What now will happen to the Tenure Report, the Ralph Report on Management Education, the Wages Scheme, etc.?

We are clearly in for a very interesting time. We cannot win back all the wasted hours of debate over amalgam­ation but we should be able to get back to planning our own future in a positive and hope­ful way.

D.W. GEORGE.

March 14, 1983.

The Vice-Chancellor
Fr. Peter Brock, STL, BA, A. Mus.A, is the new Roman Catholic chaplain to the University.

Fr. Brock is a native of Newcastle and a graduate of this University. After completing his theology studies in Rome in 1968, he was ordained a priest and worked in various parishes in the Diocese of Maitland. In 1976 he completed an Arts Degree (five years part-time: History, German and Drama), having earlier gained the A.Mus.A. in singing from Newcastle Branch of the Conservatorium of Music.

During his student years, Fr. Brock directed the Newcastle University Musical Society (NUMS). He is a foundation member of the Newcastle University Choir. He has been Musical Director of the University Choir for the past four years and has helped the Choir establish a high reputation for its performances in Newcastle and beyond.

Fr. Brock will be at the University (downstairs in the Union, in the Chaplain's Office) on Tuesdays from 12.30 pm until 2.30 pm. He is keen to meet the Roman Catholic community at the University, and offer his services to students and staff.

This is the fifth year the University of Newcastle has had exchange students from Kumamoto University, Japan. As in the case of their predecessors, Mr. Harade and Miss Ito are studying English literature, linguistics and the teaching of English as a foreign language. While here, the students will also assist the Japanese Section with Japanese conversation tutorials.

Since 1981, Newcastle students have also been sent to Kumamoto to study Japanese language and literature. This year, Peter Cummins is spending 12 months at Kumamoto University, where he is being extended great courtesy by the University and students themselves.

Mr. Nao Harade and Miss Ali Ito, from Kumamoto University, which is this University's sister university. Photo: Arthur Johnston.

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Bank Changeover

Mr. Pat Matthews, the Manager of The Commonwealth Bank's University Branch from February, 1975, until last month, and Mr. Bernie O'Doherty, who succeeded Mr. Matthews. Photo: Arthur Johnston.
Visiting Fellow

Computer Engineer, Professor Kozo Kinoshita, is visiting the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. He is from the University of Hiroshima, where he is attached to the Department of Information and Behavioural Sciences in the Faculty of Integrated Arts and Sciences. At the University of Newcastle, he is collaborating with Dr. Kewal Saluja on research into testing memories for computer systems.

Professor Kinoshita is a seasoned international traveller who has visited and gave seminars in the United States (several times), Canada, the United Kingdom and most parts of Europe to discuss research and developments in his field, which chiefly covers testing and fault diagnosis, logic design and computer design.

Since he and Dr. Saluja met at an international fault tolerant computing conference in Japan in 1980, they have been collaborating in the field of fault diagnosis of computing systems.

The University of Hiroshima teaches a cross-section of disciplines and is one of the largest universities in Japan, with approximately 10,000 students. Professor Kinoshita says that the University is presently being transferred to an attractive suburban site, which has approximately the same area as this University. He holds B.E., M.E. and Ph.D. degrees in Communication Engineering from Osaka University. He was an academic at Osaka University from 1964 until 1978, when he left to join the Department of Information and Behavioural Sciences at Hiroshima University. In addition to teaching and research, he co-operates with a number of Japanese electronic companies, including NEC, Mitsubishi and OKI.

Professor Kinoshita, after spending just a few weeks in Newcastle, will go to the University of New South Wales on March 31 to deliver a lecture on testing memories before flying back to Japan on March 22.

CAMPUS PERSONALITY

LOST: 'Pendaghast', white sulphur-crested cockatoo, in the University grounds, about two weeks ago" ... so reads the advertisement lodged with the News by an unhappy student.

On March 3, a woman was seen by a Property Division employee to lure 'Pendaghast' from his tree in the bushland at the University. 'Pendaghast's' owner, Sandra Bayley, a Medicine IV student would love to get him back.

For three years the pet cockatoo has spent much of his time in the tree in the gully between Medicine and Metallurgy, while Sandra attended classes. 'Pendaghast' became quite a feature of the landscape, and well-known to students who passed his way for his greetings and comments.

At the end of each day, he would climb down the tree to meet Sandra and home to Wallsend they would go in the car, 'Penda' perched on the heat rest of the driver's seat.

Sandra told the News that she can't blame the woman seen to succeed in having him come down from his tree. He is an amiable companion. But she is despondent and sad.

But Sandra has had him since he was a fledgling in Queensland and would love to have him back.

If you know 'Penda's whereabouts please telephone Extension 328.

"Penda", the cockatoo, and student Sandra Bayley. The well-known campus personality recently disappeared.
ACTIVITIES DAY

BMX bike championships, a dry land regatta, an orienteering week-end, a combined fun run and a health and safety workshop.

These are just some of the projects prepared by Commerce students last year for a possible Activities Day to promote University involvement in the local community.

Other ways to draw people to the University suggested by the students include a "feastival", a carnival of adventure type athletics and an ethnic-cultural night.

As well as making an oral presentation before an audience, each student prepared a detailed submission to support his/her project.

They were final year students who were enrolled in the Information Systems course, which is conducted by Graham Walker.

Projects like those related to an Activities Day are part of the student assessment component of the course. One requirement is that the projects have practical application.

The Positive Initiatives Committee has referred the suggestions to certain departments and officers for their advice.

SPORT

At the Pavilion Sports Shop, University-crested 'T' and sweat shirts can be bought by freshers for the reduced prices of $5.50 and $11 each respectively.

Students and staff who request smaller sizes of the shirts, and sports shoes to cater for junior members of their families, are advised that these will be available for sale in the very near future.

The following is a comprehensive list of the items available for sale at the Pavilion Sports Shop:

HOCKEY STICKS
Slaz Challenge
Dita Gold
Engineer Record
Best

SQUASH RACQUETS
Earik Scorpion
Oliver Hustler
Dunlop Laser
(+ many others)

BADMINTON RACQUETS
Explorer One

'S' SHIRTS
Bondos

TENNIS & SQUASH (LADIES)
Slaz & Adidas
(limited stock)

OLIVER TENNIS GEAR
Shirts, Warm-up Jackets, Windbreaker Jumpers (men's)

The 1982 projects were submitted to the Positive Initiatives Committee of Council, which agreed that three suggestions were worth following up, namely:

- The cultural night proposal, which is based on ethnic groups representing music and dancing, combined with -
- The "feastival", which envisions a series of food stalls featuring different national foods and wines,
- The health and safety exhibition, which would consist of computer health tests and health and safety seminars, and
- The carnival of adventure type athletics between teams from local high schools.

The Positive Initiatives Committee has referred the suggestions to certain departments and officers for their advice.

Exhibition

The Friends of the University's first ceramic competition and exhibition at the Great Hall will be opened by Janet Mansfield, Editor of Pottery in Australia, who runs her own ceramic gallery in Sydney.

Janet, who will also act as Judge, will open the event on March 18 at 8 pm.

The Friends of the University is a support body which hopes to contribute funds to new student housing, as well as other University projects.

Members of the public are invited to attend the exhibition on Saturday and Sunday, March 19 and 20, from 10 am until 5 pm or during the following week from 10 am until 3 pm every day.

SOCIETY

The Newcastle Film Society will screening in the following films in Lecture Theatre B01 (Sunday nights at 8 pm).

March 19: Black and White in Colour, Ananda, France/Germany/Italy, 1976 and on March 27: Monsieur Verdoux, Chaplin, USA, 1947. There will be no film screenings during Easter.
Tutors at universities are being 'shamefully exploited' as a result of cuts in federal funding, Dr. Adrian Ryan, the President of the Federation of Australian University Staff Associations, said.

Dr. Ryan said that university tutors were on average between 30 and 35 years of age, and many held postgraduate and doctoral degrees. "But despite their age and qualifications, tutors are paid on much lower salary scales than school teachers. Tutors often have no access to superannuation or other benefits accorded to school teachers and to academics in more senior positions. They are also denied job security, as they are usually employed on one year contracts, and rarely hold their jobs beyond five years", Dr. Ryan said.

Dr. Ryan said that tutors were being forced to bear much of the burden of government cuts in tertiary funding. As a result of funding cutbacks, there had been an 18.9 per cent loss in tutorial positions since 1975.

Dr. Ryan announced that FAUSA was mounting a major campaign to draw attention to the plight of tutors, commencing with a 'Week of Action' from April 11 to 15. "Tutors are not second-class academics and they should not be treated as such", Dr. Ryan said.

The Faculty of Medicine has seen the arrival of the first students for the Master of Medical Science degree course in Clinical Epidemiology, which is sponsored by the Rockefeller Foundation of New York.


A welcome was held in the David Maddison Clinical Sciences Building on March 8.

The Newcastle Herald's photograph shows some of the masters degree students: Drs. Amorn Leelarasamee, Niphon Poungvarin, both from Bangkok; Mary Anne Lansang, from The Philippines and Mohammed Hakimi, from Indonesia.

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BOOK FAIR

The group from The Friends of The University that is sorting books in anticipation of the University's first Book Fair is in need of more helpers.

Sorting and pricing is being done in a room in the Medical Sciences Building. You can give help on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 am until noon every second week. Please telephone 43 8825 (Mrs. Gwen Hamilton) if you prefer Tuesday mornings or 46 9011 (Mrs. Miriam Beveridge) if Wednesday mornings suit best.

In the sorting and pricing room, books are being split-up into various categories for the Fair - children's books, text books, Australiana, fiction, etc.

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CO-OPERATION

The United Nations welcomes the participation of suitably qualified male and female candidates in its technical co-operation programmes.

Experts are engaged in duties which involve the transfer of knowledge, techniques and aptitudes. Success in assignments depends as much on expressive skills, empathy with and sensitivity to the needs, particularities and values of the host country, as on academic background and professional competence.

Considering that an expert's assignment is not a career assignment, but a relatively short-term one, after which the expert must expect to return to his own country, it is certainly not advisable to suggest to a prospective candidate to give up his or her present employment just to accept a fixed-term contract offered by an international organisation. It is hoped that alternative leave arrangements may be arranged to the mutual benefit and convenience of the employer and the international organisation involved.

Periodically, lists detailing the experts, consultants, technical advisers etc. being sought to fulfil assignments in these programmes are sent to the University by the International Recruitment Officer of the Commonwealth Department of Employment and Industrial Relations. These lists are kept in the Careers & Student Employment Office and are available for consultation by any person who is interested in seeking assignments with the United Nations Organisation.
The Interchange Program presents opportunities which may be of interest to both academic and administrative staff. It provides for staff from organisations outside the Public Service to undertake a period of time working at a suitably senior level within a Public Service department, under an exchange agreement whereby a member of the Public Service is selected to undertake work at an appropriate level in the other institution.

The program is operated flexibly, so that an exchange need not be simultaneous, seat-to-seat or for the same period. Each placement is normally for at least 12 months and may involve temporary relocation. The participant continues to be an employee of the home organisation, which retains responsibility for his or her salary and allowances.

The aims of the Interchange Program are:

- To develop participants by providing an opportunity for them to acquire new information, skills, insights and contacts while tackling difficult management or professional problems in a new environment;
- To promote mutual understanding and communication between different organisations and thus foster improved relations between public and private sectors and between levels of the public sector;
- To exchange management expertise and innovative techniques.

Since the inception of the program, two universities (Queensland and New South Wales) have been participants. The University of Newcastle has recently been approached to ascertain whether there is any interest among staff members in applying to take part in an exchange. Naturally, the University’s formal approval of any proposal under the scheme would be required.

Interested staff are invited to contact the Vice-Principal (Professor K.R. Dutton) for further details of the program.

TEACHING ASSISTANT

P. Thanabalasingam (Balan) is working with the Department of Chemistry as a teaching assistant and concurrently is enrolled as a Ph.D. student. Balan and his wife Sheyamalee are finding their bearings in Newcastle following a two-and-a-half year stay in Broken Hill, where she completed a B.Sc. degree at the University of New South Wales and she was a student nurse.

Balan comes from Jaffna in Northern Sri Lanka. His first degree, from the University of Colombo, is a B.Sc. He came to Australia after a period as a Science teacher in Sri Lanka.

Balan and Sheyamalee met at a school where Sheyamalee was a student. Sheyamalee came to Australia about eight years ago when her father was appointed as a medical technician at Broken Hill Hospital. She returned to Sri Lanka in 1980 in order to marry Balan.

TELECONFERENCE

Teleconferencing is a relatively new communications system in Australia, which permits people in various places to hold meetings by telephone.

In response to an initiative by the Hunter Postgraduate Medical Institute, Telecom Australia will shortly install in the Medical Sciences Lecture Theatre a Teleconference system which will allow consultation and discussion between the University and three outlining centres: the hospitals at Gosford, Tamworth and Taree.

During the trial period, April 11 to 29, the system will also be available for use by interested groups from the University, so that an evaluation can be made of the effectiveness of Teleconferencing in conducting lectures, tutorials, discussions.

Professor Charles Engel, Assoc. Professor in Medical Education, says that Teleconferencing networks have proven themselves in the United States and are being used extensively by the Open University in England. The system can be used by individuals, small groups and large groups for tutorials, lectures or discussions. Comments or questions from any of the locations can be heard by participants at all the locations. It it, in effect, a "conference bridge" and lends four terminals (loud speakers and microphones).

Professor Engel says the HPMI and the Faculty of Medicine will transmit seminars, communicate with regional organisers, and conduct discussions with tutors and students. Those members of the University who are interested in observing the Teleconference facilities in use, or would like to organise their own trials, should get in touch with Assoc. Professor Charles Engel (Extension 438).
Primary Teachers

Students who may be interested in becoming primary teachers are asked to note the following information.

The N.S.W. Department of Education has indicated that all "end-on" Dip.Ed. applicants for appointment as primary teachers whose applications are received after January 1, 1984 (the assumption is made that an applicant has qualified before the date of application), to be successful, must have undertaken formal study in at least two of the following areas, with successful results in at least a Part I subject and Part II subject in one of the following areas and at least a Part I subject in another: English, History, Social Sciences (Economics, Geography, Sociology, etc.), Mathematics Science, the expressive arts (Drama etc.).

Psychology and Education are excluded from the general academic subject list.

For further information students are invited to consult in the first place Peter Day, Faculty Secretary, Faculty of Education, in Room G69.

Scholarship Winner

Keith Russell, an English IV student, is the winner of the Universities Credit Union Scholarship. Keith, who was presented with the award by Mr. Maurie Edmonds, a Director of the Credit Union, will use the $500 to purchase textbooks. Photo: Arthur Johnston.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

A programme of invited guest seminars is planned for First Term. These seminars commence at 9.15 am each Wednesday and conclude at 10.30 am. Attendance is both courteous and mandatory. The balance of class time is to be spent on your project.

March 16 Dr. G. Rigby - Slurry Pipelines.
March 23 Mr. R. Parbery - Design of Vibrating Systems.
March 30 Prof. R. Antonia - Turbulence in France.
April 6 Mr. J. Hayes - Iowa Revisited.
April 13 Dr. L. Dugard - Automatic Control.
April 20 Visit to Alco Steel, CAD/CAM.
April 27 Dr. J. Hollingworth - Ergonomics at Work.

All seminars are held in Room EAGO1, Engineering Building.

Shaping the Hunter

Shaping the Hunter, a new book on the Hunter Region, is to be published shortly by the Newcastle Division of the Institution of Engineers, Australia. The book is essentially the story of engineers and their contribution to the development of transport, industry, manufacturing, public services, coalmining and other enterprises in the Hunter Region.

As the publishers observe, "it is a story of patience in establishing roads and taming a river and the sea, initiative, ingenuity and skill in building machines which could not be bought or imported, teamwork in establishing a new great industry, steady unsung service to the community, and more. We believe that it will interest people of the Hunter Valley, engineers generally and students of industrial and local history".

Shaping the Hunter contains 194 pages, is liberally illustrated and can be ordered by getting in touch with Emeritus Professor J. Stewart (Extension 633) or the Newcastle Division of the I.E. Aust. (26 2500) for $15 (hardcover) and $11.50 (softcover). It will be released during the Institution's annual conference in Newcastle next month.

Newton-John Film News

Newcastle Clinical Psychologist Trevor Waring will be presented with the Newton-John Award at a dinner in the Southern Cross Lounge of the University Union on March 25. Tickets cost $17.50 each and can be obtained by calling in at Room G60 in the McMullin Building, or by telephoning Extensions 213 or 328.

On March 24 a German feature film will be screened from Noon until 2 pm in the Audio-Visual Room (A132) of the McMullin Building. The title of the film is: Bin Volksfeind (The peoples enemy). All interested persons are welcome to attend.
PEACE RALLY

Christians For Peace has issued an open invitation to staff and students to take part in a Palm Sunday Peace March and Rally in Newcastle on Sunday, March 27.

Those who accept will assemble at Pacific Park at 1 pm and march to Civic Park for the Rally.

Christians for Peace is a group of Newcastle Christians committed to working for peace. It includes members of the Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian, Mennonite and Uniting Churches, the Society of Friends, Action for World Development, and the Newcastle Churches' Association.

The march and rally are being jointly sponsored by the Newcastle Peace Forum and Christians for Peace.

Advertisements

LOST

Pair of prescription sunglasses within in the University grounds. The sunglasses have a tortoiseshell frame. Would the finder please telephone Extension 363 as I am desperate.

SEATS AVAILABLE

Seats are still available on a bus trip to Flemington Markets on Sunday, April 17. The cost of the return trip is $9 per person. The bus leaves at 7.30 am and returns at 7.30 pm. Interested persons are requested to telephone Margaret at 58 2240 after 4 pm or before 8.30 am.

ACADEMIC GOWNS

David Jones (Newcastle Division) has informed the University that graduates who intend to buy academic gowns so that they can wear them at this year's Conferring of Degrees ceremony on April 30 would be wise to order them quickly as supplies of cloth are limited.

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

The Hunter Geographical Society will be holding its annual general meeting on Wednesday, March 30, at 8 pm in Room R108 (Geography Building). After the business meeting a film entitled: Fire on Helma will be screened. Wine and cheese will be available after the film for a small fee to cover costs.

AMHUN AGM

The Association of Women Employees at the University of Newcastle will be holding their annual general meeting on March 23 at 12.30 pm in the Basil Helmore Room down in the University Union. All women employed by the University are encouraged to attend.

FOUND

Pair of gold-framed sunglasses with tinted lenses. The sunglasses were found on the ring road near Engineering on March 10. If you are the owner of the glasses would you please telephone Extension 696.

WANTED

Visiting Lecturer requires accommodation for a family of five in the Newcastle or Lake Macquarie area for two weeks commencing May 7. If you are able to assist please telephone Extension 229.

BABYSITTING

Sylvia Osterwinter, a first year Commerce student, is looking for work in the babysitting field. She is much experienced and is available at weekends and in the evenings. Sylvia can be contacted at Edwards Hall during the week (67 2644).

DEDICATED PIANO TEACHER

needed for talented and motivated three-year-old in our home (close to University). Interested persons are asked to telephone 52 2293 (after hours).

STAFF ASSOCIATION

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of Newcastle University

STAFF ASSOCIATION

will be held in the

DRAMA THEATRE

on

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

at

1.05 P.M.

After a recent tour of Scandinavian schools, John Collie (Extension 291) has received many requests for pen friends from students that he has met. If you know of any late-teenage students seeking pen friends, please help! Large unsatisfied markets exist especially in Finland and Denmark.

TO LET

Room available in house shared with two gentlemen and one lady in Newcastle East, $ per week plus share of charges. We are looking for a young lady over the age of 20. Interested persons are asked to telephone 26 3549 for further information.

Three-bedroom centrally heated house in central London for academics on sabbatical leave, available from June this year. Interested persons are asked to write or telephone Miss M.P. Lloyd, 80 Mann Street, Armidale, N.S.W., 2350, Telephone: 72 2815.

ENGLISH COACHING

Graduate in English with wide teaching experience will coach students, especially in written work. Overseas students are most welcome. For further particulars please telephone 52 1185.