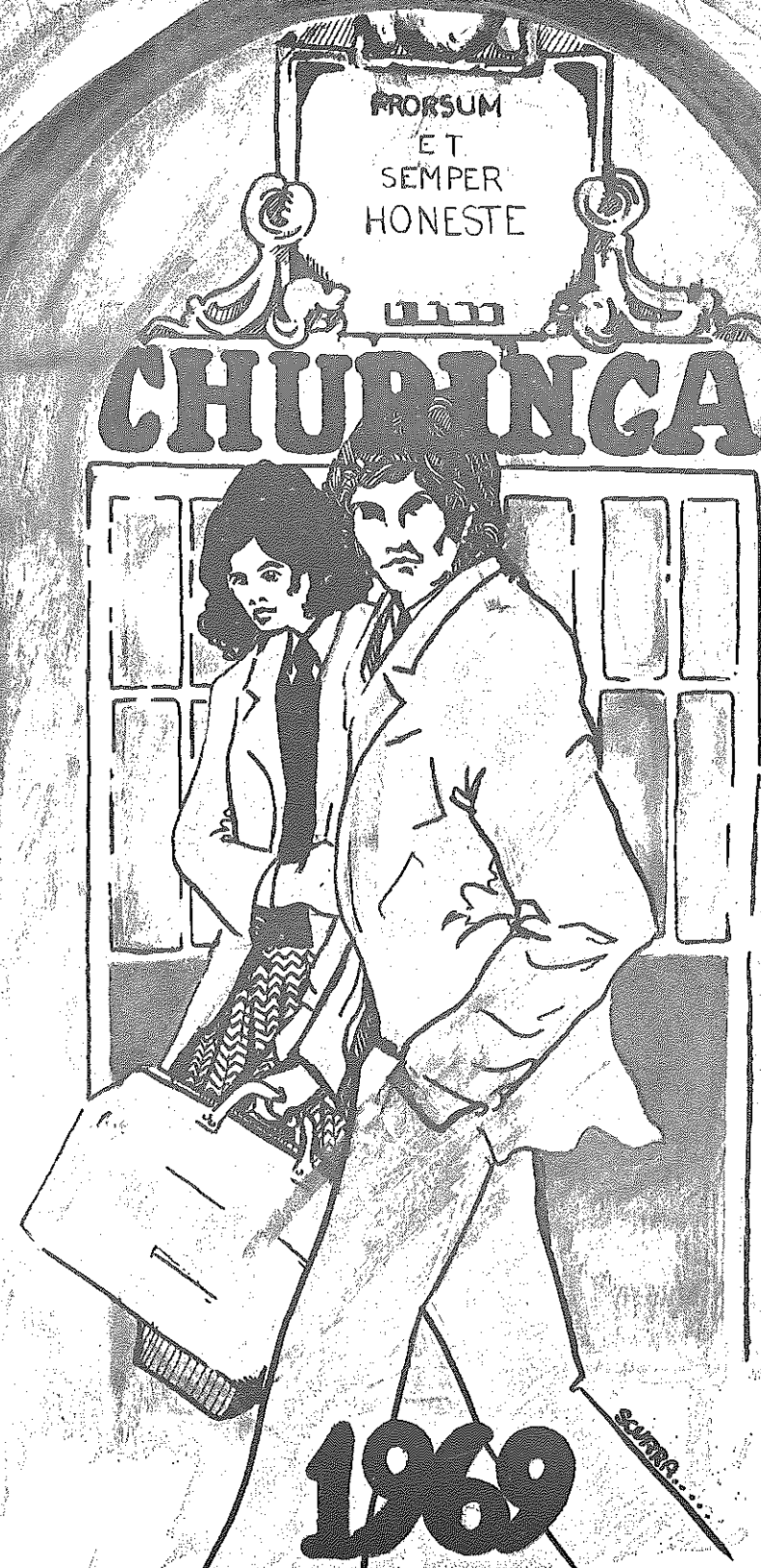
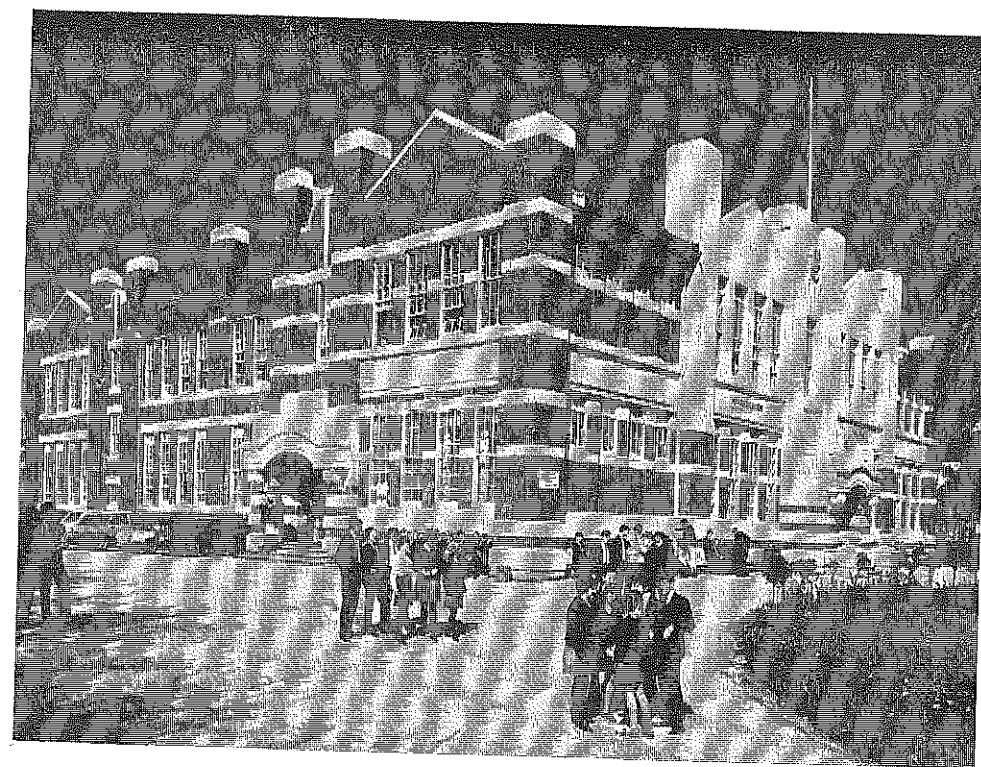
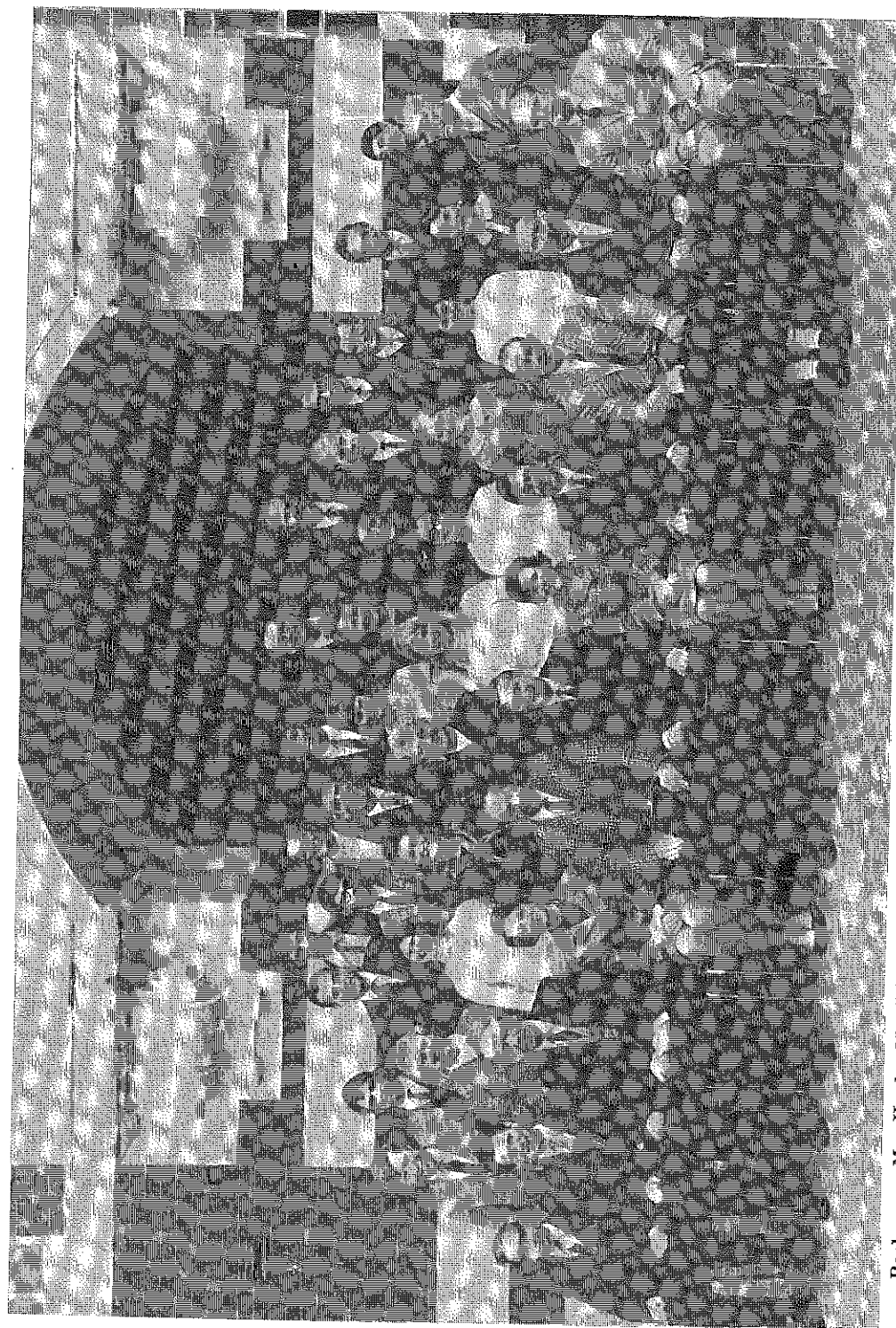


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Second row: Mr. Broughton, Miss Bushby, Miss Batt, Mrs. Grey, Mrs. Woolhouse, Miss Seager, Miss Fox, Miss Byard, Miss McCaughey, Mrs. Tart, Dr. Kowalski.
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STAFF - 1969

Headmaster: Mr. J. Woodruff, B.Sc., Dip. Ed.

Deputy Headmaster and Acting Head from June: Mr. T. L. Bailey, B.A., Dip. Ed., Dip. Civ. Fr.

Deputy Headmistress: Miss M. Record, B.A., Dip. Ed.

Humanities:

Senior Master, English
and Acting Headmaster from June:
Mr. L. Bardenhagen, B.A. (Hons.), Dip. Ed.

Senior Master, Modern and Ancient History,
Economics:

Mr. H. W. Lord, B.A.

Senior Master, Geography:
Mr. G. Smith, B.A.

Acting Senior Mistress, English, from June:

Mrs. J. Harland, B.A., Dip. Ed.

Miss O. Bushby, M.A.

Miss J. Fox, B.A., Dip. Ed.

Mr. B. Viney, B.A.

Mr. J. Lohrey, B.A., Dip. Ed.

Miss J. McCaughey, M.A., L.L.B., H.D. in Ed.

Mrs. U. Nicol, B.A.

Mr. B. M. East, B.Com., B.Ec. (Hons.),
A.A.S.A., Dip. Ed.

Mr. J. A. Annells, B.A., Dip. Ed.

Languages:

Senior Master:

Dr. P. White, B.A., Dr. de l'Univ. (Sorbonne).

Dr. B. Kowalski, B.Com.Sc., B.Mar.Sc.,
Dr. Com. Sc.

Mrs. G. Tart, B.A. (Hons.).

Mrs. R. Chapman, B.A. (London).

Music:

Senior Master:

Mr. E. C. Wesley, Mus. Dip, L.T.C.L.

Mrs. M. Woolhouse, B.Mus.

Art:

Mr. L. Broughton, T.Dip.A., F.A.Dip., Dip. Ed.

Miss M. Batt, T.Dip.A.

Librarian:

Mrs. E. Grey, B.A.

Science and Mathematics:

Senior Master, Mathematics:

Mr. I. Stocks, B.Ec., Dip. Ed.

Senior Master, Biology, Geology:

Mr. R. D. Woolhouse, B.Sc., Dip. Ed.

Senior Master, Physics, Chemistry:

Mr. P. Calcraft, B.Sc. (Hons.).

Mrs. G. Pickup, B.Sc. (Hons.), Dip. Ed.

Miss E. Goodfield, B.Sc., Cert. in Ed.

Mr. A. Rosten, B.Sc., Dip. Ed.

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Mr. I. D. Miller, B.Sc., (Hons.).

Mr. B. S. King, B.Sc. (Hons.), London.

Mr. B. Knott, B.Sc.

Mr. S. Nicol, B.Sc., (Hons.).

Mr. T. Cox, B.Sc.

Physical Education:

Senior Master:

Mr. B. P. Watson, Dip. Phys. Ed. (Melb.).

Miss S. Seager, Dip. Phys. Ed.

Laboratory Technician:

Mr. K. Younger.

Assistant:

Miss C. Byard.

Office:

Mr. V. J. Austin, F.E.A.A.

Mrs. M. East.

Mrs. J. Boyd.



Mr. James Woodruff

The College suffered a tragedy on June 28th of this year in the death of its headmaster, Mr. Woodruff. He was aged 55 years. Mr. Woodruff was only the sixth headmaster of this institution in the fifty-six years of its existence. He was appointed headmaster at the beginning of 1968 after the retirement of Mr. Amos. His period in office was, therefore, only a short one but in that time he was able to gain a real insight into the traditions and nature of Launceston Matriculation College; he absolutely identified himself with it and he encouraged us all to take pride in it.

PERSONAL QUALITIES

It need hardly be said that Mr. Woodruff had outstanding qualities as a teacher and administrator for his promotion within the Education Department of this State to the position he held at his death was quite rapid. In particular, of course, he was blessed with a good intellect and he was a trained and disciplined thinker.

This showed itself in his teaching of his own subject, Mathematics, but more were conscious of it in the ease with which he moved in the realm of general ideas; Mr. Woodruff was a forward thinker, skilled in the process of logical and persuasive debate and a real believer in the need for the application of logic and reason to educational problems and decision-making.

But he was also a man who felt things keenly and could extend quick and ready sympathy and understanding. There are a good many teachers in this State and a good many of his former pupils who experienced his understanding and help in trying situations.

Something of the widespread respect and affection which the community had for Mr. Woodruff was reflected in the great numbers who came from all parts of the State to the service held for him at the Church of the Apostles. The church was packed for the Requiem Mass, conducted by the Archbishop of Tasmania, Dr. Young. In the morning, at the special assembly of the College, Mr. Bailey, in paying tribute to Mr. Woodruff, said that his two greatest characteristics were his courage and his faith; these were the same two qualifications emphasised in the very impressive funeral oration of the Archbishop.

When thinking of Mr. Woodruff's courage we will remember, in particular, the way he battled on despite the afflictions of ill health. No-one who knew what physical handicaps he suffered in his last years, and particularly from the beginning of this year, could but be deeply impressed by his perseverance, fortitude and patience.

It would be quite wrong to limit reference to Mr. Woodruff's contribution to education to this College. He was always a keen educator and one always involved in implementing new programmes and arrangements in the schools he taught in. He was quick to see social trends and the way these should be reflected in education, and, in this respect, he did valuable pioneering work here in Launceston, at Queenstown and then in Burnie in developing the comprehensive high school system.

Mr. Woodruff's background and training gave him a strong interest in social and economic justice and in ways of achieving this. From his arrival in Tasmania he took an active part in the Tasmanian Teachers' Federation and he fought hard in discussion and debate for the improvement of teacher salaries and conditions of employment.

HIS CAREER

Mr. Woodruff was born and educated in Melbourne and began his career as a teacher in that city. He was educated at Victoria Parade School, St. Kevin's School, the Melbourne Teachers' College (which Mrs. Woodruff also attended at the same time without knowing that her future husband was there), and finally the University of Melbourne where he majored in Physics and gained the Diploma of Education. In the same year he married. He then spent eight years as a teacher at the Preston Technical High School. In 1945 he and his family came to Tasmania. Here Mr. Woodruff taught first at the Launceston Technical High School. He was promoted to M.S.D. II in Mathematics and later to M.S.D. I. On the death of Mr. Elliott Woolley in March, 1956, Mr. Woodruff was appointed Acting Headmaster. He became Headmaster of the Queenstown High School in 1957, of the Burnie High School in 1960, and of Launceston Matriculation College in 1968.

Mr. Woodruff is survived by his wife and five children. Mrs. Woodruff is now librarian at Prospect High School. Eldest son, Peter, is a missionary priest in Lima, Peru; Caroline, a biologist at Newcastle Hospital; Christopher is a third year science student at the University of Tasmania on a Zinc Company Scholarship which he gained on matriculating; Timothy is in the first year of his matric, and Gregory is in Grade IV.

This magazine would like them to know with what respect and affection Mr. Woodruff is remembered here and throughout the State. It is pleasing to record that the new library, to be built for the College next year, will be named "The James Woodruff Memorial Library".



Mr. T. I. Bailey, B.A., Dip.Ed., Dip.Civ.Fr.,
Acting Headmaster of this College, who will
leave to become Headmaster of George Town
High School in 1970.

In the fifty-six years of the existence of Launceston High School/Matriculation College, a select number of people have made outstanding contributions to determining the nature of its growth, the quality of its education and tone, and to building its traditions. Such distinguished headmasters as Mr. Arch. Meston, Mr. Carl Morris and Mr. Lew Amos, and such senior staff members as Miss Loris Russell and Miss Bertha Layh come readily to mind. And among them must be numbered Mr. Tom Bailey, whose association with this institution is one of the longest. Mr. Bailey has identified himself completely with the School and College,

and has contributed greatly to the formulation of policies and attitudes that have made the College what it is today. He has been one of its foremost advocates, always ready to defend its good name in any situation whether with his superiors or his peers. He is an educator, noted for his progressive and incisive thinking. No one doubts that his appointment to the position of Headmaster of George Town High School confers a benefit on George Town, but the resulting loss to Launceston Matriculation College is deeply regretted.

HIS CAREER

Mr. Bailey was a student at Launceston High School from 1942 to 1946, and achieved notable success, not only in his studies, but as a member of the First Football Team and as Captain of the First Tennis Team. He graduated as Bachelor of Arts from the University of Tasmania in 1949, majoring in French and English. The following year was spent at the Sorbonne in Paris, where he gained the Diplome d'Etudes de Langue et de Civilisation Francaises. In 1951 he returned to the University of Tasmania and completed his Diploma of Education.

Mr. Bailey's first teaching appointment, in 1952, took him to A. G. Ogilvie High School, but, after a few weeks, he was transferred to Launceston High School. From July, 1963, to August, 1964, he was in Europe on a Departmental travelling scholarship, investigating methods of teaching foreign languages in Britain, France and Germany. Except for this short interval, he has remained at Launceston High School (and the Matriculation College it was later to become) from 1952 until the present time.

In 1958, he was promoted to the position of Senior Master of Foreign Languages. In 1965, he became Deputy Headmaster. He has been Acting Headmaster on four occasions: during the long service leave in 1965, and on the retirement in 1967 of Mr. Amos; when Mr. Woodruff was so seriously ill in Term I of this year, and after his death in June.

HIS ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

During his time as a staff member, Mr. Bailey has seen and played a prominent part in the changes from selective high school to comprehensive high school to centralised Matriculation college. He has served on the Schools Board and Matriculation Syllabus Committees, and on the committee for accrediting French throughout the State; he helped to organise the French Teachers' Association; he is at present on the Higher Schools Certificate Examination Committee. He has coached tennis teams and football teams; he has been in charge of debating teams and discussion groups; he has produced plays. He has acted with the Launceston Players, appeared in A.B.C. radio plays, played football with Avoca and Churinga, and been secretary of the Northern Tasmanian Amateur Football League.

This impressive background of professional qualification, of wide-ranging sporting, intellectual and cultural activity is not the whole story. It does not deal with the strength of his feeling for the worth and unique quality of every separate student, nor with his respect of the individual's right to privacy. It does not mention his unstinting help to many, both during their student days and after they have left the College, nor his active concern for his staff, promoting, quite often unasked for, their professional interests and general well being.

He will be missed by both students and staff who have appreciated his courtesy in his dealings with them, his tolerance, his discretion and his openness of mind. In the words of the poet, Juvenal:

[We are], loth to lose an old friend.
But he's wise to go.

Academic Success

Though there was a substantial 18% increase in College enrolment last year and, therefore, some decrease on the very high percentage of students achieving matriculation might have been expected, in fact 66% of students eligible to qualify did so. A total of 209 students from the College matriculated. 120 students last year were on a two-year matriculation course and were therefore not eligible to qualify. However, in this College where the student is given the opportunity to try and matriculate in one year if he so desires, 73 students did so. As a result of the 1968 matriculation examinations, 57 won Commonwealth University scholarships, 10 won Commonwealth Technical scholarships, while 11 secured Advanced Education scholarships for other tertiary institutions.

BEST MATRIC. PASSES, 1968:

Roslyn Lawson 5C, 1A.; Janet Grecian 5C; Gregory Robinson 4C, 2A, 10; Peter Scott 4C, 2A, 10; Beth Mulligan 4C, 1A; Julie Cleaver 4C, 1A; Brian Bell 4C, 10; Janet Wise 3C, 4A; Sharyn Mullins 3C, 2A, 10; Heather Beaumont 3C, 2A; Nicholas Cummings 3C, 2A; Suzanne Morton 3C, 1A, 20; Barry Collins 3C, 1A, 10; Rupert Badcock 3C, 1A, 10.

UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS:

Roslyn Heather Lawson, Janet Lilian Grecian, Julie Diane Cleaver.

OTHER PRIZES—SCHOLARSHIPS:

Sir Richard Dry Exhibitions:

Janet Grecian (2nd) Eng. Fr. & German.

Kindergarten Scholarship—Kew:

Catherine Aalders.

Australian Music Exams Board University Scholarship:

Wayne Madden.

COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:

Catherine Aalders, Rupert Badcock, Heather Beaumont, Anne Beecroft, Brian Bell, Peter Bradford, Frances Cole, Lawrence Cook, Nicholas Cummings, Mair Davies, Christopher Deacon, Warwick Gilbertson, Vicki Grant, Janet Grecian, Penelope Hewitt, Helen Hoggett, Susan Hope, Graeme Jackson, Jennifer Kennedy, Geoffrey Kitchen, Athol Lester, Andrew McDonald, Wayne Madden, Danny Masters, Meyer Gregory, Timothy Moran, Beth Mulligan, Sharyn Mullins, Wendy O'Callaghan, Klaas Oosterloo, Peter Rayner, Peter Scott, Robert Scott-Young, David Seymour, Julianne Shaw, Ilme Simmul, Julie Sims, Ivan Spiravovic, David Stewart, Wendy Stott, James Thomson, Andrew Tilt, Kenneth Trebilco, Prudence Wallace, Jennifer Waters, Bosena Wazny, Stephen Webber, Keelane Wenn, Judith Woodforde, Gail Yost.

COMMONWEALTH ADVANCED SCHOLARSHIPS:

John Bussey, Mary Day, Peter Ford, Marilyn Holmes, Margaret Jerrim, Wendy McKenzie, Alison Nichol, Clifford Partridge, Lesley Stephens, Edward Thompson.

TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Marcus Badcock, Jane Deeth, Michael Ferenz, Janet Gardner, David Gatenby, Dale Kelly, Vicki Reid, Colin Rothwell, Roger Scholes, Robert Shaw.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT UNIVERSITY STUDENTSHIPS:

Rodney Ashman, Heather Beaumont, Michael Brakey, Michael Cassidy, Julie Cleaver, Laurence Cook, Mary Day, Alison Ellis-Colquhoun, Peter Ford, Warwick Harris, Maureen Healy, Susan Hope, Suzanne Johnston, Roslyn Lawson, Helen Littlejohn, Beth Mulligan, Barbara O'Callaghan, Richard Pickup, Julianne Shaw, Julie Sims, Kevin Stocks, Wendy Stott, Ruth Tilsely, Keelane Wenn, Janet Wise.

LAUNCESTON TEACHERS' COLLEGE STUDENTSHIPS:

Janine Austin, Patsie Barth, Elizabeth Bearup, Wesley Beattie, Roslyn Berry, Rosemary Beswick, Terry Brient, Angela Cooke, Maureen Cronin, Christine Derbyshire, Marilyn Edwards, Robyn Ely, Helen Gardam, Christine Gillam, Shirley Glen, Irene Gryseels, Roseanne Handley, Helen Hoggett, Christine Homan, Charlie Howe, Martin Kuzniarski, Ewen Le Fevre, Pauline Marson, Roslyn Moore, Veena Mudalier, Christine Murfet, Kathleen McEwan, Wendy McKenzie, Pamela Neil, Roger Norton, Vicki Reid, Dianne Riley, Wendy Scurrah, Jan Stanley, Beverley Stewart, Peter Taylor, Evelyn Vadasz, Pauline Van Der Spek, Gail Walley, Keith Wenn, Edrie Whitchurch, Helen Williams, Larry Williams, Geraldine Wise.

HOME ARTS STUDENTSHIPS:

Helen Leedham, Sharon Murray, Christine Parratt, Margaret Quill, Elizabeth Somerville, Marlene Waddle.

SECONDARY MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE COURSE, LAUNCESTON TEACHERS' COLLEGE:

Peter Bradford, Peter Crowden, Michael Ferencz, Dale Ollington, Colin Rothwell and Charles Muggeridge (Hobart Teachers' College).

PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDENTSHIPS:

Anne Beecroft, Lindsay Dobson, Sonia Janigay, Sharyn Mullins, Robert Warren.

SCHOOL OF ART STUDENTSHIPS:

Suzanne Johnstone, Jane Quon, Ilme Simmul, Edward Thompson, Eve Wadley, Jennifer Waters.

Best Matriculation Passes, 1968



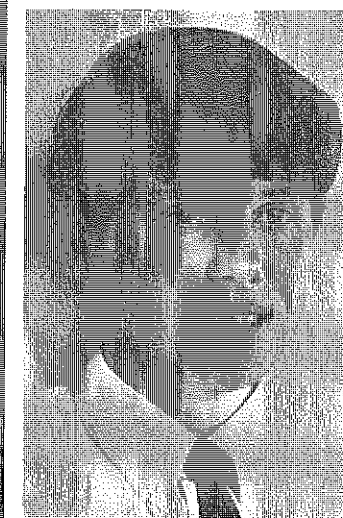
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JULIE CLEAVER
4 Credits, 3A.



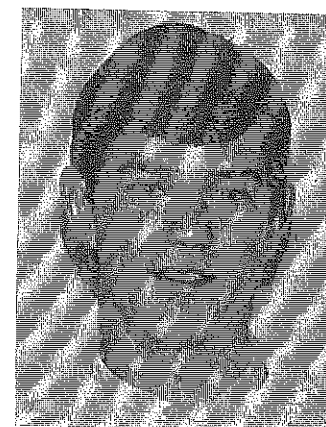
GREGORY ROBINSON
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BRIAN BELL
4 Credits, 0A, 10.



JANET GRECIAN
5 Credits.



PETER SCOTT
4 Credits, 2A, 10.



BETH MULLIGAN
4 Credits, 2A.

Qualified for Matriculation, 1968 - 69 :

Catherine Aalders, John Adams, Garth Allison, Robert Armstrong, Rodney Ashman, Marcus Badcock, Rupert Badcock, Anne Barker, Heather Beaumont, Anne Beecroft, Brian Bell, Jennifer Bennett, Rosemary Beswick, Jakob Blichfeldt, Philip Blundstone, Lee Bowling, Peter Bradford, Elizabeth Bushby, Ian Cameron Robin Carter, Michael Cassidy, Geoffrey R. Clark, Janice Clark, Jeremy Clayton, Julie Cleaver, Peter Clements, Philippa Clemons, Frances Cole, Barry Collins, Laurence Cook, Neil Coombes, Stuart Craddock, David Crawford, Maureen Cronin, Harvey Crowden, Helen Cummings, Nicholas Cummings, Mair Davies, Mary Day, Christopher Deacon, Jane Deeth, Kristine Denby, Helen Dolbey.

Marilyn Edwards, Alison Ellis-Colquhoun, Stephen Everett, Jean Farquhar, Michael Ferencz, Dale Fleming, Peter Ford, Barbara Forsyth, Lesley Fraser, Warren French, Neale Fulton, Susan, Gaskill, David Gatenby, Philip Gatenby, Warwick Gilbertson, Ross Gill, Kaye Gillespie, Shirley Glen, Ian Godden, Rebekah Goody, Vicki Grant, Janet Grecian, Susanne Greenwood, Roelf Groenewold.

Roseanne Handley, Kim Harley, Warwick Harris, Antony Hart, Annette Harvey, Susan Haworth, Mark Head, Maureen Healy, Janet Heazlewood, Penelope Hewitt, J. Nicholas Hill, Edward Hodgetts, Helen Hoggett, Ian Hollingsworth, Gregory Holmes, Marilyn Holmes, Christine Homan, Susan Hope, Sharlie Howe, Jennifer Hunt, Graeme Jackson, Rhonda Jacques, John James, Sonia Jancigay, David Jeffrey, Margaret Jerrim, Susan Johnston.

Arnim Katarzynski, David Keeling, Jennifer Kennedy, Jillian Kershaw, Donald Kidd, Geoffrey Kitchen, Peter Kochler, Roslyn Lawson, Ewan Le Fevre, Brian Legg, Athol Lester, Jennifer Liddell, Andrew McDonald, Andrew McDougall, Wendy McKenzie, Malcolm MacLeod, Wayne Madden, Robert Mantach, Stephen Markovitch, Michael Marriott, Pauline Marson, Sandra Martin, Danny Masters, Zina Meredith, Stephen Merritt, Gregory Meyer, Ian Mold, Timothy Morgan, Suzanne Morton, Beth Mulligan, Sharyn Mullins, Christine Murfet, Maree Murfet, Sharon Murray, Ian Newby, Alison Nichol.

John O'Brien, Wendy O'Callaghan, Gaston Oldigs, Dale Ollington, Klaas Oosterloo, David Paton, Richard Pickup, Michael Pope, Margaret Quill, Elizabeth Ramsay, John Ramsay, Vicki Reid, Dianne Riley, Christopher Rose, Colin Rothwell, Judith Saggars, David Scholes, Pamela Scott, Peter Scott, Robert Scott-Young, James Senior, Anthony Seymour, David Seymour, Robert Shaw, Julianne Shaw, Ilme Simmul, Julie Sims, Raymond Skinner, Bryan Smith, Simon Sparkes, Ivan Spiranovic, Kathleen Stackhouse, Patrick Statham, Victoria Staton, J. Lesley Stephens, Anthony Stevens, Beverley Stewart, David Stewart, Paul Stoessiger, Wendy Stott.

William Tague, Peter Taylor, Edward Thompson, James Thomson, Andrew Tilt, Jeffrey Townsend, Kenneth Trebilco, Evelyn Vadasy, Joanna Van Nieuwkuyk, Eva Wadley, Philippa Walker, Gregory Wallace, Leon Walsh, Robert Warren,

David Warrillow-Williams, Jennifer Waters, Ronald Watts, Rozina Wazny, Yolanta Wazny, Stephen Webber, Kulan Wenn, Keith Wenn, Geoffrey Whittle, Larry Williams, Jennifer Wilmschurst, Judith Wilson, Rodney Wing, Janet Wise, Judith Woodforde, Gail Yost.

GRADUATES, 1968:

B.A. (Hons.):

Roy Donaldson, Lester Hovendon, Jillian Waters.

B.A.:

Norman Andrews, Roger Bean, Marilyn Frost, Dale Ling, Geoffrey Lockhart, Bryan Mansfield, Kayleen Mason, Helen Mulligan, David Ritchie, Suzette Salter, Rodney Scott, Phillip Steven, Janet Thompson, Margaret Sing, Irene Tillen, Jill Williams, Colleen Wise.

Bachelor of Commerce:

Graeme Addison.

Bachelor of Laws:

Peter Manser.

Master of Science:

Linstead Sutherland.

B.Sc. (Hons.):

Stewart Nichol, Alison Wolff, George Burrows, Paul McKibben, John Rees.

B.Sc.:

Robin Bendall, Mary Lyn Clark, Ian Clarke, Anthony Denny, Sandra Jarman, Anthony Luyendyk, Jeffrey Pitcher, Rosemary Powell, Corinne Stagoll.

1970 RHODES SCHOLAR

For the second year running, the Rhodes Scholarship has been awarded to a former student of Launceston Matriculation College. At the recent meeting of the Selection Committee, David Ritchie was selected from a field of nine candidates as Rhodes Scholar for 1970.

David started his secondary education at the School in 1960 and matriculated in 1965 with credits in French, German, Mathematics and Biology.

He enrolled for an Arts Degree in 1966 at the University of Tasmania and completed his pass degree last year, obtaining five high distinctions and four distinctions throughout his course. He majored in French and German. He is enrolled for an honours course in French this year.

David hopes to continue his studies in modern literature with particular reference to French theatre of the 20th century, and intends to read for a B. Litt. Degree in this field at Oxford.

Many teachers on the staff remember David, not only as a student of outstanding academic ability, but for his pleasant, unassuming manner, his quiet humour, and his capacity for really hard work.

We sincerely congratulate David and wish him every success in the future. We know he will be a fine representative of Australia overseas.

The Year in Retrospect

This year student enrolment at the College was 527, comprising 322 first year and 205 second year students. The boy/girl ratio was 272:235.

After two terms of ear-shattering noise and a confusion of ladders and canvas coverings, the main building of the College has a new look. Floors have been tiled, the interior painted, and renovations and additions made to the office and administration section. And, at last! Tenders have been called for the long-awaited toilet blocks!

Once again the S.R.C. were the guests of the staff to morning tea, but this year they made a reciprocal gesture, inviting staff to morning tea in the student common room.

Mr. John Lohrey, who was awarded the Tasmanian Education Department travelling scholarship for 1969, is at present in Exeter, England, taking a Post Graduate Course in English and Australian Literature.

Congratulations go to Cadet Under-Officer Graham Kenworthy who won a trip to Malaysia to inspect Australian Air Force installations there; to Valerie Clarke, who won the Annual Scholarship awarded by the Business and Professional Women's Club; and to Walter Plehwe for winning this year's German Essay Competition.

About a hundred students experienced a taste of university life when they attended a university seminar during second term vacation.

For the first time, this year there will be no supplementary exams. This means that, in the case of sickness, the results of second term examinations will be taken into account.

In order to allow everyone to see history in the making, T.V. sets were hired, the Assembly Hall and Gym. were set aside, and fingers were poised over the bell in readiness for the telecast of the moon landing.

Sabot racing suddenly appeared as an activity of students, three of whom, Rodney Stephenson, Brian Williams and Neil McElwee, participated in the Championships.

Matric. College won the Northern Platers' and Brass Founders' Trophy for rowing in 1969.

Special guest speakers at assemblies included Professor Wendell Smith, Professor of Anatomy, at the University of Tasmania; Mr. L. Bonser, Headmaster of Kings Meadows High School; Alderman C. Pryor, Mr. K. Thomas of the Hobart Art School; Mr. K. Walker, Headmaster of Riverside High School; Sir George Cartland, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Tasmania; Mr. Neil Robson, from Launceston Bank for Savings; Mr. B. Ross, Northern Superintendent of Secondary Education; and our own colleen, Miss Jayne McCaughey, who enlightened us all on little green men and little orange men.

STAFF CHANGES

1970 will reveal many changes in staff. Familiar faces will be absent due to retirement, promotion, requests for transfer, and the pursuance of further study and other vocations. These faces and the personalities that go with them will be greatly missed.

But we extend a welcome to those who will take their places, in particular to Mr. K. J. Walker, Headmaster of Riverside High School, who is to be our new Headmaster, and to Mr. David Dunne, Deputy Headmaster of Riverside High School, who will be our new Deputy.

M. L. URQUHART MEMORIAL MATHEMATICS PRIZE

John Eckersley-Maslin was successful in securing this coveted prize in competition against 47 other selected Matriculation students from throughout Tasmania. The M. L. Urquhart Problems Competition, Tasmania's prestige competition for matriculation students, is conducted annually by the Mathematical Association of Tasmania to commemorate the memory of a former University lecturer who contributed much to Tasmanian school mathematics.

The comment was made by the examiners that John's paper was quite outstanding.

STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL, 1969



Back row, l. to r.: C. Denby, L. Honeychurch, T. Seymour, R. McGregor, H. Crodin, S. Brown, P. Clements, S. Holmes, K. Agh.

Seated, l. to r.: D. Fleming, L. Girardi, J. Townsend, Mr. H. W. Lord, P. Walker (Secretary), I. Bushby (President), R. Claridge (President), M. Brakey (Treasurer), P. Robson, J. Deeth, M. Davies, J. Wilson.

NEW S.R.C. MEMBERS

One of the changes decided upon in the S.R.C. elections is that a second election, for additional members, be held in July every year, when first year students are well known to the general student body and are elected to gain experience and to form the nucleus of the S.R.C. in the following year. Although the decision was made as late as October this year, nominations were called for, and the election held.

We congratulate the newly-elected members:

Hazel Beaumont, Kay Filgate, Louise Hampton, Jillian Harris, Vicki Wagner, Christopher Crawford, Michael Cummins, Peter Patmore, Phillip Whitmore, Andrew Zayons.

After the scathing comment from last year's inspection team, the S.R.C. has attempted to revise the "placid" attitude within the College.

STUDENT OPINION

Student meetings throughout the year have been a valuable source of general student opinion. Strong debate on the abolition of the religious section of Assembly and on the nation-wide topic of State Aid showed that apathy was not generally apparent. As the Council was elected to cater for student needs, the many suggestions forwarded by classes were closely considered, and, if practicable, acted upon. Some worthwhile ideas, such as collecting newspapers for Self Help, extending Swot Vac, and constructing a usable path down to Brisbane Street were all carried out. To compensate for the unsuccessful attempt to introduce the lawful growth of that face fungus known as a beard, we actually gained the privilege for boys to sit on the girls' side in Assembly, and vice versa!

CHARITY APPEALS

Although it is realised that not much help for charity organisations can be expected from student paupers, the response to appeals in the form of casual clothes days and weekly cash collections throughout the year was rather disappointing. However, sincere thanks must go to those members of the College who volunteered as collectors for such appeals as Freedom From Hunger/Austcare and Red Shield.

SERVICES TO STUDENTS

Services to students continued in the form of a newly-painted "well-run" common room, films during lunch hours, and even to the extent

of comfort during terminal examinations. After realising the chilling experiences of previous years, the Acting Headmaster granted permission for students to arrive at their exams in anything from fleecy-lined underwear to four jumpers and the indispensable duffle coat. One of the most appreciated services seems to have been S.R.C. dances, although, by noting attendances, only a minority in the College have shatter-proof ear-drums! However, after many years of impassioned pleas, an Invitation Dance resulted, the success of which has indicated that future Councils should have full permission to organise similar dances.

STUDENT AND STAFF COMMITTEES

A decision to select committee members from the student and staff bodies assisted in bridging the gaps between the three groups in the College. The most significant work of one such committee was to bring about a change in election procedure to ensure that, in future, the S.R.C. will be composed of first, as well as second year students.

GROWING MATURITY

Evidence of more adult thinking by students was the overwhelming response to conducting the end-of-year function at the Hotel Tasmania. After gentle persuasion, the somewhat cautious authorities wholeheartedly agreed. Perhaps the greatest achievements for the S.R.C. this year have been a certain ability to recognise problems, to initiate several ideas contrary to tradition, and, above all, to have virtually every proposal accepted.

Philippa Walker,
Secretary.



S.R.C. PRESIDENTS

Irene Bushby and
Robert Claridge.



Kathie Stackhouse, winner of the Australian Dag Hammarskjöld Memorial Essay Prize, 1969 — a travel scholarship to Malaysia. Her report of her experiences appears over page.



Berma Zootman, this year's Rotary Student from Indiana, U.S.A. For her story see opposite page.



Tony Toy chats with his overseas friends, Tan Chong Chai, Daniel Chan and Chong Sin Choong. For their remarks, see opposite page.

BERMA REPORTS ON HERSELF

When I was beginning my junior year at Twin Lakes High School, I had no idea that Launceston, Tasmania, existed. Like many Americans, I associated the name of this island state with the Tasmanian Devil of Walt Disney fame. Then, in November, 1967, the president of our local Rotary Club approached me and asked if I would be willing to try for one of their scholarships, and, with the backing of my family and friends, I made application. On May 20th, 1968, the day before my eighteenth birthday and the week of my graduation from school, I learned of my acceptance. The following August I learned my destination was Beaconsfield, in Tasmania.

Let me take a minute here to tell you a bit about my background. I am the daughter of W. Max and Della M. Zootman, a middle-class American couple with four children. My father is an engineer with United Telephone Co. of Indiana, and Mom is an accountant for the School of Mechanical Engineering at Purdue University. My elder sister, Ruth, is married to Dr. M. M. Bakr, a Ph. D. graduate in Industrial Engineering. They have a daughter, Nora, who is five. My other sister, Peg, is now in her fourth year of medical school, and my only brother, Nord, is finishing his matriculation this year.

I am currently enrolled at Purdue University, a state school which specializes in Engineering. It is the second largest university in the State, having a student body of 33,000.

Thirty miles north of the University is my home town, Monticello. It is a city of 5,000, built around two fresh-water lakes. It is a tourist attraction, a residence for people from the university, and is also the center of a farming community.

This, then, is home. It is what I left behind when I came to Australia. But I have never regretted my decision. In Tasmania I found a slow, easy-going type of life. I found a society in which people were willing to open their homes and hearts to a complete stranger; people who cared for one another; people who were content with life and their position in it.

The standard of living I found slightly lower than I was used to. But I can see the growth of Tasmania. I can see it becoming an industrial State. This I dread. There are so few places in our modern world that are left in their natural beauty that I hate seeing a Utopia such as Tasmania ruined by the drive of industry. And don't scoff at my use of "Utopia". Although you see faults in your State, many of you have never been outside its boundaries. Visit a "land of automation", such as my home, and you will appreciate what you have here.

Before coming, my greatest worry was that I would not fit into the school life here. But the kids immediately came forward. I also found friends in the staff, especially in Mr. Bailey and Mr. Stocks, who helped set up my course and continued to advise me through the year.

Although I love my life here, I must not forget my commitments at home. On my return to the U.S. I will attend Purdue University for five years. At the completion of my course I hope to have a B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Biology and

Maths. I then hope to teach on American bases in Europe and to eventually marry and have a family. If I do not settle in Australia, I hope to at least come back and see it again.

I want, at this time, to thank all who have helped make my year in Tasmania a truly wonderful one. In one of my letters home I wrote, "I don't know how I'll be able to leave. I have met so many wonderful people that it will break my heart to leave them behind". This shows how well I have enjoyed my stay. No matter where the path of life may lead me I will carry with me always the memories of my experiences in Tasmania, the island state of today's "land of opportunity".

BERMA ZOOTMAN.

TONY, CHAI, DANIEL AND CHONG REPORT ON US!

This year Launceston Matriculation College has four Asian students, either starting their Matriculation or finishing it. They are Tony Toy, Daniel Chan, both from Hong Kong, Chong Sin Choong, from West Malaysia, and Tan Chong Chai, from Sabah.

Tony came to Australia about seven years ago with his family and is now a permanent resident. He wants to do either Commerce or Administrative work. Chong, who is out here privately, hopes to do Accountancy, or if not, to be a beachcomber. Daniel wants to do Commerce. He too came out privately. Tan is a Colombo Plan student, and wants to work for the Forestry Commission.

We asked them several pertinent questions about their life here. Here are their responses:

Education: Similar to the British-modelled methods we knew in Asia.

Teachers: Not enough respect shown to them.

Students: More freedom here. Some are at the College just for the fun of it.

S.R.C.: More power? Definitely not! It's pretty good as it is now.

Food: Terrible! Lacks variety and flavour. Too much rice!

Fashions: Men's are more colourful and up to date. We like the mini-skirts, and micro-minis, too!

Countryside: Seems to be all sheep and cows.

Roads: Ghastly! Too narrow and too many curves.

Dances: Unusual! Boys at one end of the room — girls at the other.

Attitude of Australians: Pretty good, although you meet the occasional uneducated person who despises you.

Strine: Difficult. We were taught British English. (But Chong, reading the part of Barney, in "Summer of the Seventeenth Doll", assumed the most authentic "dinkum Aussie" accent some of us have ever heard).

On the whole, the boys seem to be happy here. Daniel and Chong want to come back for a holiday. Tony, after University, wants to travel abroad for ten years and then return. Tan will be content to stay Home Sweet Home.

KATHIE REPORTS ON MALAYSIA

[During the May holidays, Kathy represented the College at the Dag Hammarskjold Memorial Interschool Conference in Melbourne. Fifty students from all parts of Australia attended. Prior to the Conference, each delegate had to submit a 1,000 word essay on the topic "Is Australia an eastern or a western nation?" The best four essays were announced during the Conference, and the four finalists had to address the Conference, and answer questions. Character, behaviour, and interest in current affairs were also taken into account.]

In writing this report I decided first of all to give a very brief outline of the history, geography and economy of Malaysia, and then discuss the highlights of my trip.

The Malay Peninsula has had a long and colourful history, being alternately ruled by the Portuguese, the Dutch, the British, and occupied by the Japanese in 1941. In 1946 the Malayan Union was formed, and in 1948 the Federation of Malaya came into being. On 16th September, 1963, the Federation of Malaya, Singapore, Sabah and Sarawak joined to form Malaysia. Singapore seceded from Malaysia in 1965.

Malaysia occupies two distinct regions — the Malay Peninsula and Sabah and Sarawak. The area of Malaysia is 128,000 square miles, and the population numbers over 10,000,000. About one half of the population are Malays, about one third are Chinese, and about one tenth are Indians.

The per capita income of Malaysia is one of the highest in Asia. Rubber and tin form the backbone of the nation's economy.

Unfortunately, my trip to Malaysia was only confined to Kuala Lumpur, and so my impressions of Malaysia can only be based on my impressions of Kuala Lumpur. My programme was very busy but extremely interesting:

Tuesday, 26th August: Convent Bukit Nanas, Forest Research Institute, Telecommunications Project, Appointment with the High Commissioner, Malay Family Reception.

Wednesday, 27th August: Victoria Institution, Food Research Centre, National Operations Room, Indian family.

Thursday, 28th August: English School Rawang, Mara programme.

Friday, 29th August: Agricultural College, University of Malaya.

I visited three United Nations projects — the Forest Research Institute, the Food Research Centre and the Telecommunications project. At all of these projects, Malaysians are being trained to eventually take over all the work that United Nations experts are now doing there. The Telecommunications project is the most impressive of these projects. South-East Asia is becoming a focal point in world communications, and there is a very heavy demand for trained engineers and technicians in this area. The Telecommunications Training Centre provides crash courses for training Malaysian technicians. Excellent hostel accommodation is provided at the Centre.

At the three schools I visited — the Bukit Nanas Convent, the Victoria Institution, and the English School at Rawang — I addressed senior classes, talked to staff, and attended an economics

lesson. At all the schools the students were very curious to know what I ate in Australia to make me so big. The average Malaysian is considerably smaller than the average Australian. Malaysian schools are all very big, classes are large, and often two teaching sessions are held each day. The students are very polite, and were quite a change from Australian students.

During my stay in Malaysia I was invited into a Malay home, an Indian home, and a Chinese home, where I sampled the delicious traditional foods. I did not eat any western meals while I was in Malaysia.

The National Operations Room is a huge room where Tun Razak meets ministers and officials to discuss policy. It is based on the British operations rooms of World War II, and information on every aspect of the country is set out on huge boards which may be pulled out into a recess. It is the responsibility of each department to keep its boards up to date. All the research institutions that I visited, and also other institutions, have an operations room setting out the goals of the project, the stage of development and other information. It is an idea that could be adopted in Australia.

The Mara programme consisted of a visit to Mara headquarters and the Mara Institute of Technology. Mara is an organization solely for the advancement of the Malay race. By law, the Malay receives preferential treatment in many spheres including education and employment. This has been the cause of friction between the Malay race and other races in Malaysia.

Although my trip to Malaysia was so short, and confined to Kuala Lumpur, it was a fantastic experience, and something from which I have gained a great deal. I met many wonderful people, and I hope very much to be able to return

Kathie Stackhouse.

MATRICULATION COLLEGE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

"To Know Christ and to Make Him Known" has been the objective of the M.C.C.F. this year. At our meetings the Christian faith and life have been discussed, and, through God's Word, a better understanding of Him has been attained.

Meetings have been held every Thursday lunch time and have had a regular attendance. Our programme has been a varied one, with guest speakers from various denominations, and from the University Evangelical Union, panel and group discussions on aspects of faith, films, and a stimulating series of meetings entitled "Man Alive!" We were particularly interested in the talks given us by Mr. Max Bushby, M.H.A., Mr. Ted Keating, a mainland evangelist, and Dr. Pippet, a Launceston medical practitioner.

Other activities of the group included prayer workshops, social evenings and a trip to Liffey Falls. Our members took active parts in I.S.C.F. meetings at several Launceston High Schools. The Matriculation House Party, held at Bridport in August, and represented by five colleges in Tasmania, was considered tremendous in every respect.

We wish to thank all those who contributed to the fellowship, to Mr. Miller, and to Peter Nelson for his inspiration and encouragement.



NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE COMMITTEE

Back row (l. to r.): P. Patmore, D. Clark, E. Walsh, D. Williams.

Middle row (l. to r.): J. Rhodes, M. Cole, K. Annear, B. Little, B. Zootman, H. Cherry, J. Smith, T. Sinclair, M. Frost, M. McGladery, V. Statton, C. Derbyshire, E. Judd, J. Kershaw.

Front row (l. to r.): I. Bushby, D. Keeling, P. Stoessiger, G. Gordon, J. Townsend (Editor), K. Stackhouse (Sub Editor), D. Fleming, M. Davies (Sub Editor), M. Brakey.

NOVUS

The Newspaper Committee has produced six editions of the college publication this year under the editorial leadership of Jeff Townsend, Kathy Stackhouse and Mair Davies.

Fewer editions have been produced this year, but it is obvious that the committee has concentrated more on quality than on quantity.

Because it was generally felt that "Outrages" was an unsuitable name for the College publication, the Committee took the historic step of changing the name to something which they believed to be more sophisticated — "Novus".

The outstanding artistic efforts of Dale Fleming and David Keeling have been greatly effective and have helped in the production of a publication of a consistently high standard. The editorial staff and the general committee have produced a complementary literary content of high standard.

Mention must also be made of the untiring efforts of the advertising manager, Jeff Gordon, who ensured that the newspaper remained financially solvent.

DRIVER EDUCATION

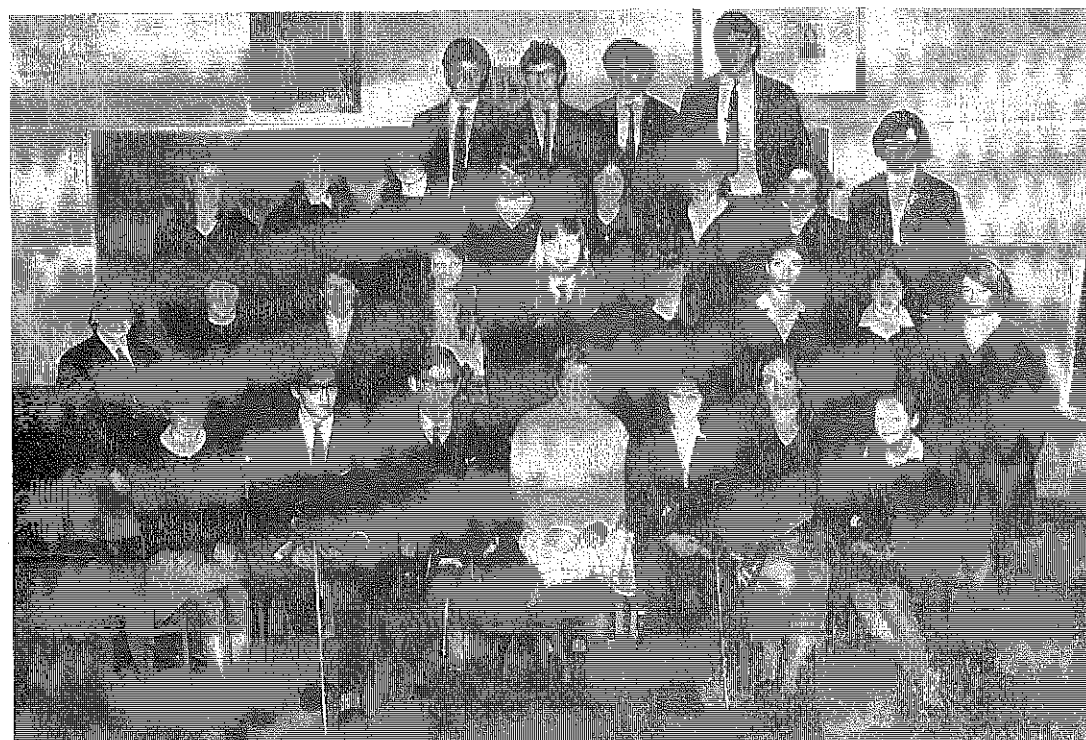
The Driver Education Course was held again this year, with Mr. D. White in charge. Twenty-four students, mostly girls, participated. Cars were provided by Shipp's Driving School, the R.A.C. and Motors Pty. Ltd. Practical Driving periods were held from 7.45 - 8.45 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and lectures were given from 9.00 - 10.00 a.m. on Wednesdays on various topics, including Car Economics, Motor Mechanics, Natural Force, Driving Skills and Roadcraft. The lectures were held in the Demonstration Room and at the Technical College workshops.

It is pleasing to report that a large percentage of students are already in possession of their "P" plates, and that, as yet, there have been no serious accidents.



COLLEGE CHOIR

Back row: Valerie Clarke, Heather Bradshaw, Elizabeth Goulding, Rosemary Campbell, Helen Ransom, Mair Davies, Maree Sutton, Helen Moore, Esther Barth.
 Second row: Robyn Peters, Marguerite Bramble, Rosemary Pearce, Rosanne Wingrove, Lesley Honeychurch, Ingrid Veldhuis, Jeanne Denny, Annette Harvey, Katherine Annear.
 Front row: Carlene Salter, Celia Welce, Jane Goulston, Jennifer Russell, Lucy Hay, Mr. E. Wesley, Berma Zootman, Annette Goss, Meralyn Tucker, Heather Bye, Ruth Cairns.



COLLEGE INSTRUMENTALISTS

Back row: Peter Hayes, Tony Smithies, Stephen Elton, Roger McKenzie.
 Third row: Vicki Rainbow, Valerie Clarke, Esther Barth, Karen Lawes, Frances Lockett, Tine van Tiggelen, Jennifer Kennedy, Rosemary Campbell.
 Second row: Doris Clair, Alison Walker, Jan Denney, Janet Saxon, Sue Collins, Karen Simpson, Jane Deeth, Jennifer Lambert, Lucy Hay.
 Front row: Bronwyn Andrews, John Bussey, David Russell, Mrs. Woolhouse, Heather Bradshaw, Prudence Langsman, Jennifer Russell.

MUSIC IN THE COLLEGE

The Music Groups within the College still continue to play an active and enjoyable role in the corporate life of the students, although somewhat depleted in numbers over the last few years. The orchestral group meets regularly; the Wednesday morning and lunch-hour guitar groups have improved technically and the Recorder group has reached a high standard of proficiency. All three instrumental groups are under the expert guidance of Mrs. Woolhouse.

Both the Girls' Choir and the Mixed Choir have participated in an enjoyable programme of choral singing. Music from the 18th century to the 20th century, including Bach, Bartok and contemporary composers, has been studied. Mr. Wesley has charge of the Choirs.

Two of our students, Mair Davies and Esther Barth were successful in this year's Launceston Competitions. Mair won the under 18 girls' solo and the Junior Vocal Championship; Esther won the Bach playing, Modern British Composer and Mozart Classes, and added to her successes by winning the Junior Piano Championship.

Others who have added much to the musical life to the College and achieved outstanding A.M.E.B. results are John Bussey, Jennifer Kennedy, Leslie Honeychurch, Helen Dolbey, Frances Lockett and Jennifer Lambert.

A feature of the regular weekly assemblies is the items presented by the students of the College. In addition to these we have had the pleasure of well-known visiting artists, including Mrs. Valerie Pennefather, Mr. Alan Cato, Mrs. Robert Crossthwaite and Mrs. D. L. Rowe. Three of our former College students — Sharman Pretty, in her second year Mus. Bac. course at Adelaide Conservatorium; Gillian Woolhouse, also in her second year at Adelaide Conservatorium; and Leona Donnelly, in her fourth year at Melbourne Conservatorium, gave very polished performances for us during the year.

JUNIOR UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION

This year a Junior United Association was formed at the College by Kathy Stackhouse, after obvious stimulation from attending the Dag Hammarskjold Conference during the May holidays. The following were elected as office bearers: Kathy Stackhouse, President; Tina Sinclair, Secretary; Jeff Townsend, Treasurer.

Consisting of 25 members the group raised over \$70 as a result of two 'Eat-Ins' which were well patronised, and a Casual Clothes Day where fines were collected. This money was presented to U.N.I.C.E.F. at a special luncheon on United Nations Day—October 24th. Members also were among those from the College who acted as collectors for the Austcare/F.F.H.C. Appeal. United Nations greeting cards were sold throughout the College by members. The proceeds will help some of the 900,000,000 children in the developing countries of the world.

Several guest speakers addressed the club during the year. Mr. Roger Dixon, Executive Director of the Tasmanian branch of the U.N.A.A., gave a very interesting talk on the aims of the United Nations. Mrs. Dorothy Edwards gave a very stimulating talk on some aspects of United Nations work. Kathy Stackhouse addressed the College on United Nations Day.

It is felt that the foundations have been laid for the development of a strong group in future years, which might become a centre of great activity. We are pleased with what we have accomplished this year, and look forward to increased student participation in United Nations work in the future.



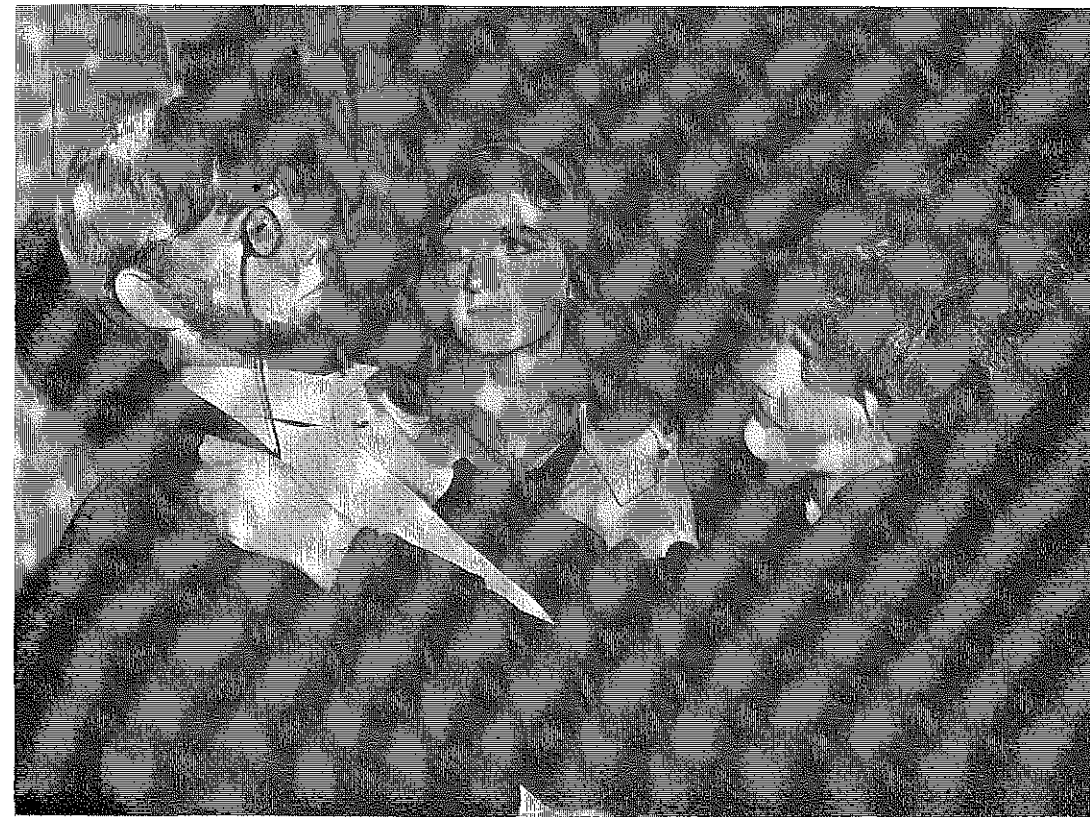
JUNIOR UNITED NATIONS CLUB

Back row (l. to r.): D. Williams, H. Cherry, S. Martin, P. Robson, V. Florance, J. Eckersly-Maslin, M. Frost, M. Youl, V. Richards, V. Statton, J. Hunt, J. Deeth, H. Cummings, J. Kershaw.
 Front row (l. to r.): P. Walker, J. Liddell, I. Bushby, B. Little, J. Townsend (Treasurer), K. Stackhouse (President), T. Sinclair (Secretary), M. Davies, M. Brakey.

DRAMA '69



Michael Watson, Philip Ritchie, Graeme Bassett and Julie Menz in a scene from 'The Lady's Not for Burning'.



Jeffrey Gordon, Greta Hannon and Jayne Smith in preparation for 'A Jubilee'.

Dramatic activity continues to flourish within the College. The plays presented were again under the guidance of Mrs. Grey and Mr. Lohrey.

Our drama festival entry, "A Jubilee", by Chekhov, was produced by Mrs. Grey and entered in both the Launceston and Deloraine Drama Festivals. Congratulations are due to Jayne Smith and Michael Brakey for winning the best actress and actor awards respectively in their division at the Deloraine Festival.

The major production for this year was "The Lady's Not For Burning," by Christopher Fry. Mr. Lohrey produced and the play was presented on the nights of July 10th, 11th and 12th at the Little Theatre. All concerned are to be congratulated on the achievement.

"THE LADY'S NOT FOR BURNING"

Prologue:	Kathy Stackhouse
Richard:	Philip Ritchie
Thomas Mendip:	Michael Watson
Alizon Eliot:	Miriam Morse
Nicholas Devize:	Nicholas Hill
Margaret Devize:	Janet Gardner
Humphrey Devize:	Tim Palmer
Hebble Tyson:	Graeme Bassett
Jennet Jourdemayne:	Julie Menz
The Chaplain:	Tony Sadlier
Edward Tappercoom:	David Williams
Matthew Skippis:	John Laing

"A JUBILEE"

Shipoochin:	Jeffrey Gordon
Tatiana:	Greta Hannon
Hirin:	Michael Brakey
Merchootkina:	Jayne Smith
Shareholders:	John Bussey, Paul Robson, John Eckersley-Maslin



SCIENCE SOCIETY

Back row, l to r.: Mr. Denney, C. Deacon, J. Spiranovic, R. Badcock, D. Crawford, G. Kitchen.
Front row, l to r.: H. Cummings, J. Rhodes, B. Zootman.

SCIENCE SOCIETY, 1969

During 1969, the Science Society has continued its activities on similar lines to those of the 1968 Society, in presenting to students at the College a range of lectures and films, which it was hoped, would stimulate student interest in scientific studies, both within and outside the matriculation syllabus.

A realistic policy was adopted by the Science Society Committee concerning the choice of these lectures and films, in choosing subjects which would appeal to the widest cross-section of students. This was necessary to ensure that interest in Science Society activities was attracted and retained, and so films and lectures related to all science subjects studied at the College were presented.

Meetings were held in the Demonstration Room on Wednesdays and Fridays, and were more frequent in the second term, when the inclement weather conditions drove most people indoors. Some of these found their way to the Demonstration Room for the Science Society meetings.

Term I

The first term began with a specially called meeting to elect the Committee. The results of the election: President, Chris Deacon; Vice-President, Rupert Badcock; Secretary, David Crawford; Treasurer, John Spiranovic. Committee: Berma Zootman, June Rhodes, Mary Upton, Geoff Kitchen and Supervising Staff Member, Mr. Denney.

The first lecture of the term was given by Professor Wendell-Smith of the University of Tasmania, who gave an interesting lecture concerning the importance of fundamental scientific principles in modern scientific studies, and in his

own field, anatomy. The Professor was one of the lecturers from the Winter Lecture Series at the Queen Victoria Museum. Usually the Science Society "imports" these lecturers to the College for its own presentations, but in 1969 the topics in which the lecturers specialised were too far removed from general interest to be suitable for the Science Society.

The next lecture was among the most popular presented. It was by Mr. E. Reid, who presented, in his lecture entitled "Philosophical Discussion of U.F.O.'s," his views on the existence of extra-terrestrial beings on our own earth, in various disguises. This raised strong objections from the more rational-thinking students at the meeting.

Besides these lectures, a diversity of films was screened of varying quality. At this time, lack of funds limited the choice of films to those from a single source, and this was not the best. Consequently, some of these films were of a very early, black-and-white vintage.

Term II

During the first half of the term, only films were shown, as an acute shortage of suitable lecturers manifested itself. These films covered all subjects including biology, chemistry, physics and even geography. However, they were not obtained completely free, so it was found necessary to ask for donations at the screening of these films, if the Society was to continue screening them. An excellent response from those present at the screenings of these films soon put our treasury on its feet again.

The only other Winter Lecture Series lecturer who was to deliver a lecture for the Science Society during the year, visited the College in mid-term. Dr. P. A. Tyler gave an interesting account of developments made during his research

on what caused the blockages of H.E.C. water pipes, and also presented some appropriate slides for reviewing with the lecture.

During the U.S. moonshot, Science Society President, Chris Deacon's correspondence with the National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA) resulted in a supply of excellent films made by this organisation. Despite the abundance of these films, many of them had to be screened twice to fill the seven consecutive lunch-hours during which these films were screened. After this, there were students at the College who knew details of every space mission attempted by the U.S. for the past ten years.

The only other lecture this term was delivered by Mr. T. J. Tunning, systems analyst at Comalco Aluminium at Bell Bay, who discussed many aspects of computer technology.

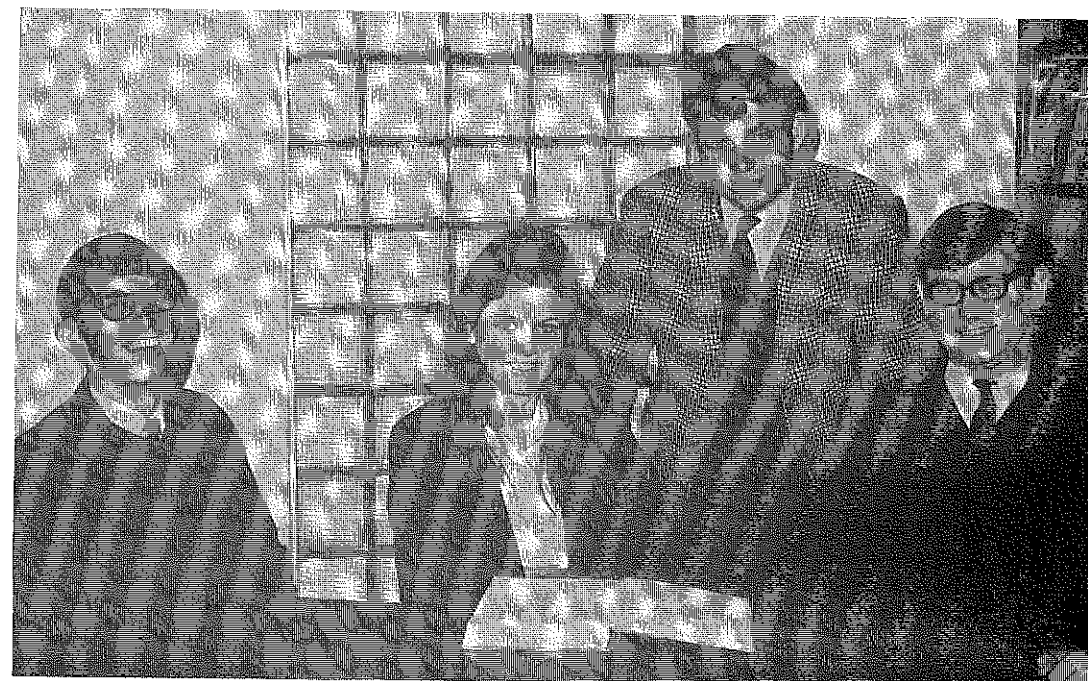
Term III

Mr. H. Askeland, from Brooks High School, interested many people in the science of oceanography in a lecture given early in the term, along with some slides.

At this time, most of the Science Society Committee was occupied in the preparation of the Science Society magazine, an annual publication. This consists of articles of general scientific interest contributed by students, and altogether they made an impressive total.

The thanks of the Committee are extended to all those who attended its meetings, and its best wishes are extended to those first-year students who will form the 1970 Science Society Committee.

David Crawford,
Secretary.



DEBATING

l. to r.: M. Brakey, K. Stackhouse, Mr. Annells, D. Williams.

DEBATING, PUBLIC SPEAKING, DISCUSSION GROUPS

Unfortunately, there has not been a great deal of activity this year in the College in the fields of debating, public speaking and discussion groups. Early in the year, the College was represented by Michael Brakey in 'Youth Speaks for Australia'. David Williams represented the College in the 'Youth of the Year' Quest. Kathy Stackhouse was the delegate from the College to the Dag Hammarskjöld Interscholar Memorial Conference held during the first term holidays.

During the second term, a panel consisting of Michael Brakey, Jenny Liddel and Kathy Stackhouse, together with representatives from other schools, addressed the World Education Fellowship on an aspect of their secondary education. This proved an interesting and informa-

tive evening for both speakers and audience, and it is hoped that more evenings of this type will be arranged in the future.

The annual debate against Hobart Matriculation College was held towards the end of second term. The topic was 'That the lot of man is to suffer and die'. The Launceston Matriculation College Debating Team consisted of Kathy Stackhouse (leader), Michael Brakey and David Williams. Hobart Matriculation won the debate, but only by three points. It was unfortunate that the Launceston team had not had more experience debating during the year.

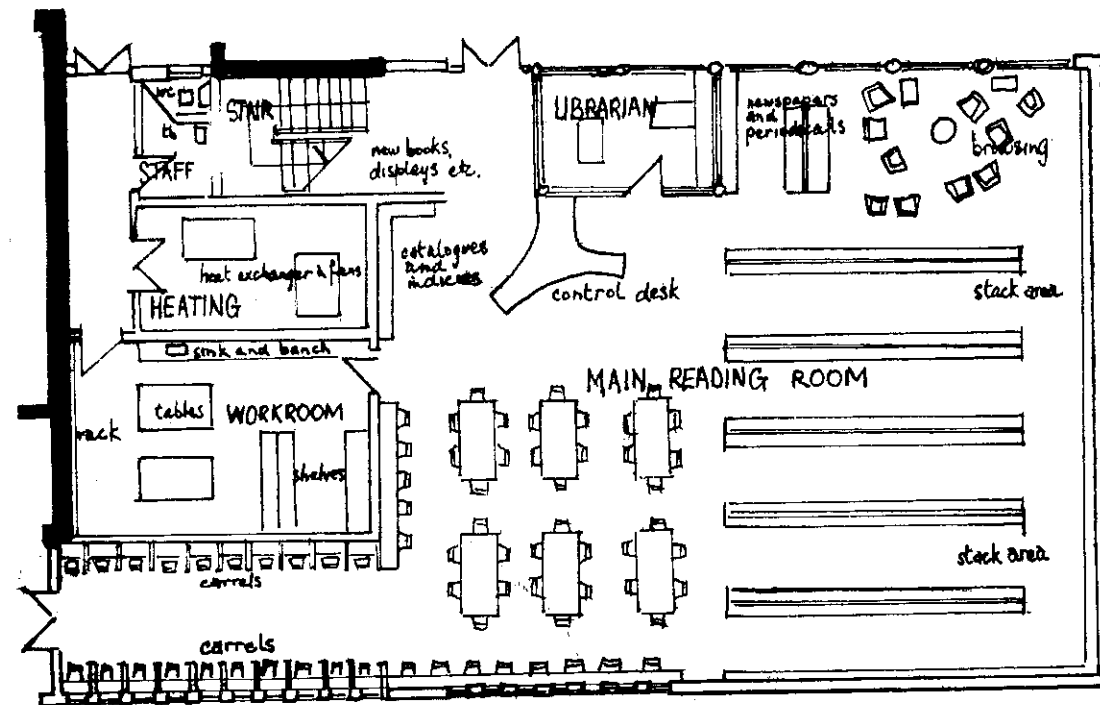
Much can be done with debating, public speaking and discussion groups within the College, and the experience gained by students through participation in these activities is invaluable. It is hoped that next year far greater interest will be shown in this aspect of College life.

THE COLLEGE LIBRARY - 1971 A.D.



NORTH EAST FACADE

● The emphasis on the value of individual study as a vital part of the learning process has changed the view of the role of the library. Under this view, the library becomes the centre of the school's learning programme. It provides access to the whole range of resource materials, such as books, periodicals, tapes, records, slides and films. It provides specialist staff to organize these materials in the way best suited to the school's educational programme, and to guide students and teachers in their use of the wide range of materials. It provides facilities for a wide range of activities involving the use of library materials.



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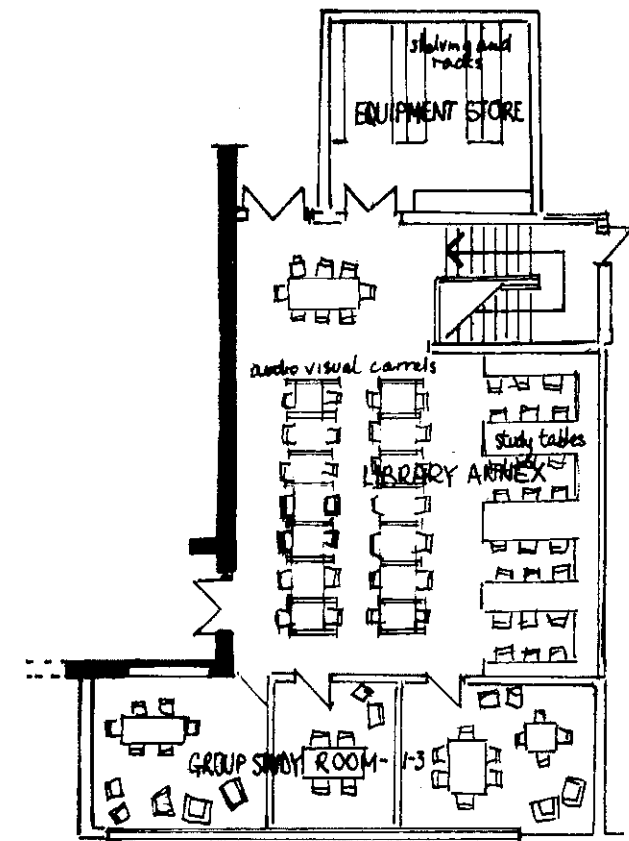
THE PLAN

New concepts have all been incorporated in the plan, reproduced on these pages, of the new College Library, to be ready for use, in 1971. The library, a two-storeyed building, is to be built on the tennis courts; it is sited at second storey level by a bridge with the main block; a spacious entrance will lead in at ground level, and access as well through the science main reading room will seat twice the present library and allow free access for students to the book stock. Individual carrels, reading tables, a periodical browsing area (with easy chairs) and shelving will most certainly assist in the study and book storage and display. A workroom, a librarian's office and a floor covering will eliminate the sounds of tearing tape and clicking. The main reading room extends, in height, to the second storey where a gallery is divided into a visual storage room, an audio-visual storage room, and discussion or group study room. There is allowance for further extension around the gallery.

STAFFING

Five will be needed for the effective use of the new library and material resources: a media specialist (the 'in' name for the co-ordinator of material resources, a visual expert); an assistant media specialist (engaged in compiling bibliographies, periodical and magazine indexing) and assistants for clerical and routine work.

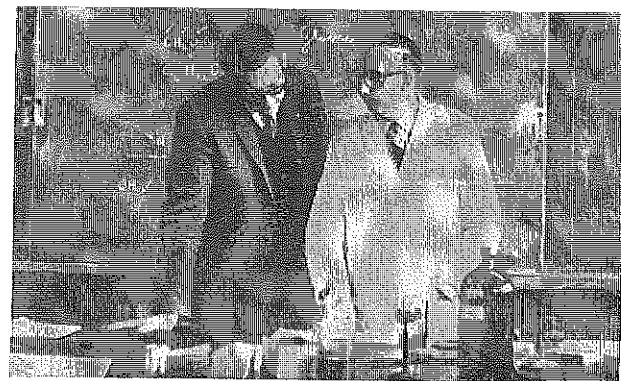
The doors of our new College Library in 1971, one will, indeed, be able to make choice of all my library".



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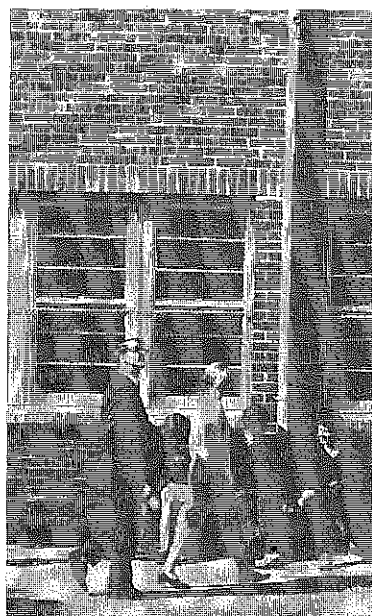
"And now, brethren".



"... And then this bird".



Conservation of Momentum Experiments.



The Birdwatcher.



"I'd rather have the strawberry centres".



Mendel's Law of Segregation.

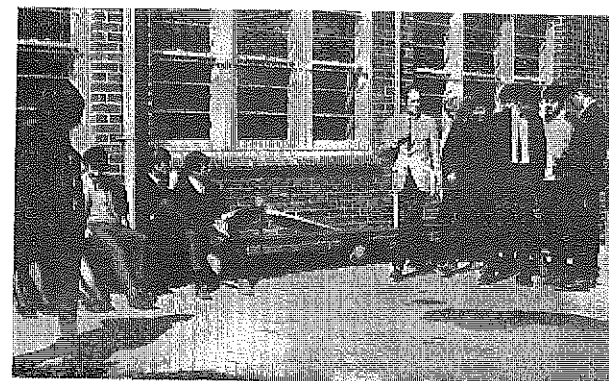


The New Breed.

DON'T LOOK NOW!

by

DAVID RUSSELL



The Disciples.



"... And Sirs guarantee you can actually swim in it".

EXCURSION TO MELBOURNE

ARTS CENTRE

The aim of the Melbourne Excursion, as far as fanatical artists from the College were concerned, was to take in the sights of the Arts Centre, and we were certainly not disappointed. The entrance is a huge arch, behind which is an inner arch enclosing a glass curtain of running water. At once the visitor is fascinated and cannot resist reaching out to touch it.

Here we were met by Miss Marion Scott, Chief Education Officer of the Centre, who took us on a tour, pointing out features of interest.

Attention has been paid to providing comfort for visitors, as wall-to-wall carpet minimises "gallery fatigue", and so do the continuous variety of decor, the "relaxing courtyards," the coffee bar, the book room and the glassed-in restaurant. The courtyards are particularly pleasant. One, the bamboo garden, adds atmosphere to the Asian section, with its fountains of spouting water and its clumps of bamboo. The Lindsay Court contains large impressive sculptures, two of which are Rodin's Statue of Balzac and a Henry Moore figure. The Keith Murdoch Court at the end of the building is designed for outdoor displays, recitals, chamber music and lectures. It has been designed to give the impression of an Elizabethan theatre, and is therefore free from ornamentation. The costumes recently exhibited in the Launceston Museum were used in this courtyard for a performance of Shakespeare's "Henry IV".

We visited the Great Hall and were impressed by its overwhelming size and its multi-coloured glass ceiling by Leonard French. We saw the Rembrandt exhibition, paintings by famous Australians, and the Decorative Arts section. And we met Peter Corlette who is at present creating in the grounds a huge play sculpture of cascading hollow bubble-like spheres. The whole arrangement is designed to allow children to explore the gaps and climb over the surfaces. By this contact the children virtually become part of the sculpture.

On the following day we visited the studio of Roger Kemp, at Black Rock. We were very privileged to hear his ideas and see his work, as he is a prominent Australian artist. This really was a marvellous finale to our art excursion to Melbourne.

CENTRALIAN TOUR, 1969

Saturday, August 30th, 13 of us and Mrs. Pickup left for Central Australia. At Melbourne we were taken by bus which, after many attempts along dark, muddy, unpaved roads, to find a place to deposit us, finally did so at a scout hall in the suburbs.

Surrounded by boxes of empty beer bottles we finally settled down on the cement floor in our sleeping bags and lilo's. The goats were separated from the sheep by a partition! The trip really had begun and we felt it was going to live up to expectations — dirt and hard travelling.

Up at 4.45 a.m. What an effort! We were taken by numerous taxis to the airport where we boarded a special plane to Alice Springs, arriving there at 10 a.m. After settling in the camp we went to town where some + Mrs. P. had a wonderful swim in the pool. A ride on a camel and the aborigines were the chief interests.

After two days in Alice Springs where an apple cost 10 cents, a cup of tea or cordial, 25 cents, we left for Ayers Rock.

At Ayers Rock we saw two sunsets and a sunrise. We drove round it, we walked up and down it; and we finally walked round it. On the last trip we were escorted by 'Lofly' who repeatedly lost his voice which miraculously reappeared after every new beer.

We saw desert oaks, desert poplars, desert pea, desert rose, desert hibiscus and more desert on our way down through Australia.

Coober Pedy — we visited a dugout (a house in the rock) and several spent money on opals.

Lake Hart — we walked on the salt lake.

Woomera — half hour allowed only. This was well worth a visit. Lovely ice cream — the best tasted for a long time.

Last night at Murray Bridge and up at 2 a.m. (some didn't go to bed). Breakfast was spaghetti on toast at 3 a.m. We left at 4 a.m. and arrived in Launceston at 8 p.m.

It must have been tiring because some didn't "make it" to school next day.

College Awards, 1969

The following students received awards for sporting ability or for service to teams, clubs and committees within the College. Some awards are automatic in that they are received by all members of the S.R.C., by captains of teams, and by sports champions. However, nominations are called for Blues and Service Awards, and are decided upon by combined committees of students and staff.

SERVICE AWARDS:

I. BUSHBY
R. CLARIDGE } Presidents of S.R.C.
P. WALKER, Secretary of S.R.C.
M. BRAKEY, Treasurer of S.R.C.
C. DEACON, President of Science Society.
J. TOWNSEND, Editor of Magazine.
K. STACKHOUSE, Founder and President of United Nations Club.

BLUES:

J. WILSON, Women's Hockey.
R. CLARIDGE } Football
D. JAGO }
W. CLARKE, Men's Hockey.

S.R.C.:

I. BUSHBY, P. WALKER, J. WILSON, J. DEETH, K. AGH, S. HOLMES, K. DENBY, M. DAVIES, L. HONEYCHURCH, H. BEAUMONT, K. FILGATE, J. HARRIS, L. HAMP-TON, V. WAGNER,
R. CLARIDGE, M. BRAKEY, P. CLEMENTS, P. ROBSON, R. MCGREGOR, T. SEYMOUR, L. GIRADI, J. TOWNSEND, D. FLEMING, A. BROWN, P. WHITMORE, H. CROWDEN, C. CRAWFORD, P. PAT-MORE, A. ZAYONS, M. CUMMINS.

SPORTS CHAMPIONS:

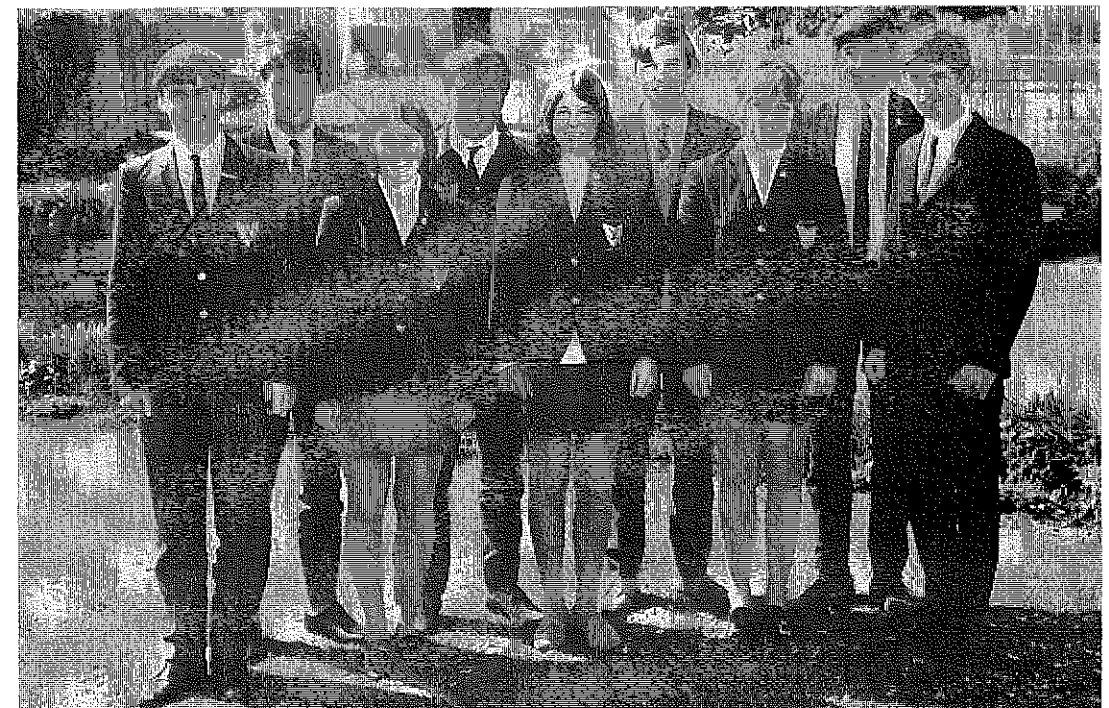
D. WYATT
R. CLARIDGE } Tennis.
P. MUNN
P. BRAZIER } Swimming.
M. WRIGHT
R. SMITH } Badminton.
R. GOODY
D. BOOTH } Table Tennis.
V. RICHARDS
S. COULL } Squash.

SPORTS CAPTAINS:

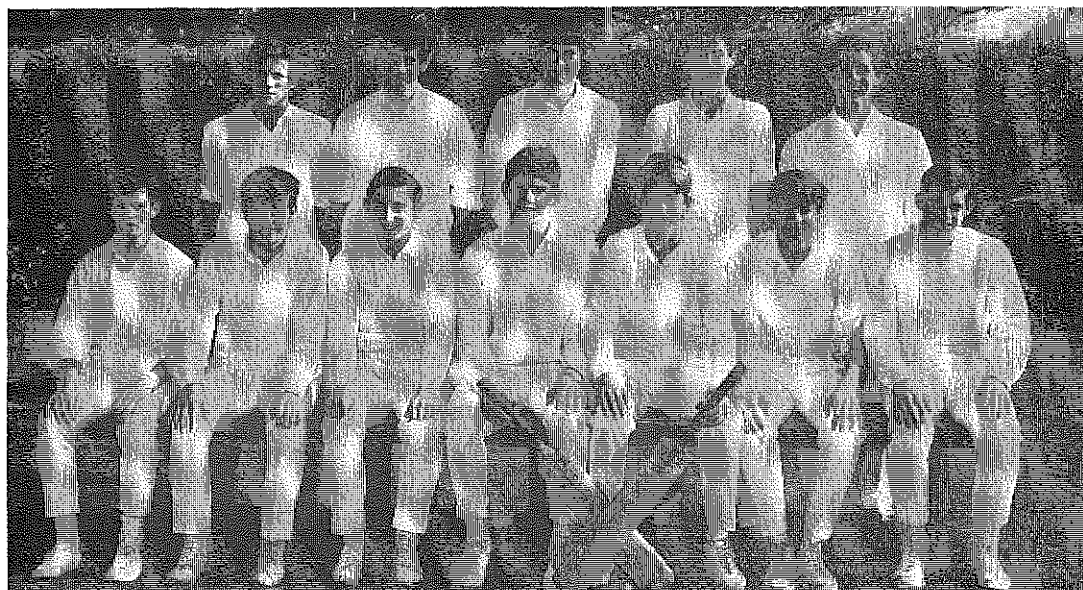
W. FRENCH — Cricket.
S. COLLINS — Softball.
D. JAGO — Football.
J. WILSON — Women's Hockey.
D. CLARK — Men's Hockey.
R. GERIKE — Women's Basketball.
B. LEGG — Soccer.

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

1. to r.: Wayne Clark (Tas. Colts Hockey Team), Barry Berwick (State Under 16 Soccer Team), Rosemary Beattie (State Under 18 Hockey Team), Leonard Fulton (Schoolboys' Hockey Team), Judith Wilson (State Under 18 Hockey Team), Jeffrey Gordon (Cherub Class Yachts), Zanette Alexander (State Under 18 Hockey Team), Stephen Gordon (Cherub Class Yachts), Colin Skinner (Schoolboys' Hockey Team).



SPORT, 1969



CRICKET

Back row, l. to r.: D. Jago, J. Dakin, C. Austin, D. Betts, M. Reid.
Front row, l. to r.: M. Cleaver, R. Billing, J. Brain, W. French (captain), D. Booth, P. Suitor, R. Smith.

CRICKET

Although the team did not enjoy much success in the 1968-69 season, the highlights as far as Matric is concerned was a comfortable first innings win over a strong Westbury team and a fighting victory over Riverside in a one-day game at Windsor Park. Perhaps the main problem was the lack of consistency mainly among our batsmen, but performances should improve in the new season especially with the inclusion of Mr. Cox, who last year played for University.

Our two opening batsmen, Dennis Betts and Chris Austen, are both very capable and have usually given us good starts to innings. Dennis is an attacking batsman who has often lifted the team out of a slump, illustrated by a fine individual performance of 60 runs against Launceston, with perhaps his only weakness on the leg side where he is inclined to get under the ball. Chris, an excellent wicketkeeper, did not compile a lot of runs throughout the season, but is an accomplished batsman and should do well in the coming season.

At first wicket down David Booth is a fine all-rounder and continued to show good form during the season with an excellent 70 not out against Riverside and with 30 runs and 6 wickets against South Launceston.

Peter Suitor is another player who showed good form last season with a well compiled 40 runs against Riverside, and although he did not do a lot of bowling he is a handy medium pacer and also a particularly outstanding fieldsman.

Malcolm Reid and Ross Billing are next in the order, and although they did not join us until later in the season, both showed good potential and should prove assets to the team in the future.

John Dakin and Warren French are two players who surprisingly did not show true form during the season, although Warren capably led the team.

We genuinely have only one pace bowler in John Hughes who has taken many wickets throughout the year. However, what our medium pacers, Rodney Smith and Don Jago, lack in pace they make up for in accuracy and penetration which have enabled them to become prolific wicket-takers.

John Brain is a useful defensive batsman who has been used mainly as a lower-order batsman and, although he is a little suspect on the leg stump, should improve with experience.

Other players who have given good service include Michael Cleaver, a handy all-rounder; Robert Thompson and Andrew Gregory, who in particular, show good team spirit and keenness and should improve as a result.



COLLEGE TENNIS — BOYS AND GIRLS

Back row, l. to r.: G. Pickerell, P. Ritchie, J. Laing, D. Holmes, Mr. Stocks, R. Claridge (captain), D. Adams, N. Grant, R. Templeton.
Front row, l. to r.: D. Wyatt, J. Rhodes, J. Liddell, E. Ramsay, M. Youl, V. Richards (capt.), V. Florance, D. Mainwaring.

TENNIS

BOYS

Regretably the tennis team was unable to compete against Hobart Matric due to inclement weather. However, prior to the set day of the competition the team trained well and were quietly confident of victory.

No. 1 player was to be Robert Claridge, who won the Matric tennis tournament for the second consecutive year. No. 2 player who also partnered Robert in the first doubles, was Philip Ritchie. Philip was unlucky not to get to the final of the tennis tournament, being beaten by David Booth. Philip is a strong attacking spin player who relied mainly on his strong ground strokes.

Nos. 3 and 4 players were very close in ability and skill. Finally it was decided that Graeme Pickerell should fill the third position, while Danny Holmes filled the fourth. These two players went well together in the doubles and won the first doubles very close in practice. Graeme is a good consistent all-round player who uses positioning of the ball in his opponent's court rather than using power shots. Danny's cross court forehand drives are a delight to watch. This year Danny is a very improved player in all aspects of the game.

The final vacancies in the tennis team were filled very ably by John Laing and David Adams. John is a very strong player whose power-packed serve and forehand drive were his ace shots. David is completely opposite in that he keeps hitting the ball back to his opponent and waiting

for him to make a mistake. He is consistent rather than dynamic.

Roger Templeton and Nick Grant were the two emergencies for the team. Roger has a strong forehand drive which he positions beautifully in his opponent's court, while Nick Grant is a very dedicated player who is very strong at the net.

GIRLS

1. Dallas Wyatt.
2. Vicki Richards (Capt.)
3. Metissa Youl (Vice-Capt.)
4. Virginia Florance.
5. Elizabeth Ramsay.
6. Diane Mainwaring.

Emergencies:

Jenny Liddell
Jone Rhodes

"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm".

Dallas Wyatt came to the top of the ladder during the school championships ensuring her the No. 1 position in the Launceston Matriculation College Team. Practice matches were arranged during the term by the Captain and Vice-Captain. Eight girls were chosen for the team out of nearly twenty, showing that the enthusiasm for the sport is certainly growing in the School. Support from the students was greatly appreciated by the team and we feel that with this kind of support we could take our place in regular roster matches.

All were disappointed when, on the day of the matches against Hobart Matric, it rained and the matches were cancelled.



FOOTBALL

Matric Firsts

Front row, l. to r.: M. Cummings, A. Zayons, D. Stallard, P. King, P. Robson (v.-capt.), D. Jago (captain), W. Manning, P. Clements, R. Billing, S. Davis, R. Smith.
 Second row, l. to r.: Mr. Watson, R. Wing, P. von Bertouch, I. Catlin, P. Macleod, G. Kenworthy, P. Challis, J. Dakin, D. Panton, P. Whitmore, C. Munro, Mr. East.

Matric Seconds

Third row, l. to r.: Mr. Viney, M. Le Fevre, T. Smithies, R. Groenewold, R. Walker, M. Cleaver, A. Gregory, T. Waldron.
 Fourth row, l. to r.: P. Anstie, G. Bremner, H. Crowden (captain), J. Laing, S. Sparkes, G. Willett.
 Back row, l. to r.: T. Shelton, G. Pinkard, J. Yost, R. Simmons, R. Horwood.
 Absent: T. Meyer, C. Price, D. Betts.

FOOTBALL

Once again the College fielded two teams. The Firsts competed in the Amateur League B Grade competition. This year the side included many new faces and was a little slow to settle down. As the season progressed, team work developed and the side's performances lifted. Wet grounds, foul conditions, injuries, and many A grade faces in opposition teams made our task harder. However, we managed to defeat all other teams in the competition and were unlucky to miss the final four on percentages.

The less said about the annual Hobart match the better. We failed to produce our true form and were soundly thrashed by a better side.

The team was well served throughout the year by its full back line. Rodney Smith's close checking and spoiling tactics worried most forwards. Rodney was well supported by the vigorous Graeme Kenworthy and reliable defending ruckman Steve Davis, and Pete McLeod in the pockets. As the season progressed Pete developed into our strongest ruckman and carried the brunt of the heavy work, particularly when conditions were heavy. The half back line took time to settle, but when we lined up with the rugged Bill Manning at centre-half and the "dashing Philips," Von Bertouch and Whitmore on the flanks, the side started to attack from this line and performances improved.

The centre line and the side were inspiringly led by Captain Don Jago, whose performances were fittingly rewarded when he won the best and fairest player award for the competition. Don proved to be an outstanding player and fine leader throughout the season. He was well supported on the wings by "speedsters" Tony Meyer, Ron Wing and Ross Billing who came back into the side late in the season after injury.

Peter King, at centre half forward, provided a constant avenue to goal. His spectacular marking and long kicking earned Peter many goals and created opportunities for other forwards. Half forward flankers Dave Stallard and Chris McVinish provided drive from the flanks and often came under notice.

John Dakin came into the side late in the season and solved the team's full forward problem. He was well supported by resting ruckmen Ivan Catlin, Peter Clements and Vice-Captain Paul Robson. Paul proved to be a versatile player who gave great drive to the team no matter in which position he was played. The rovers, Mick Cummins and Andrew Zayons, played well throughout the year and should be assets to the side in 1970.

Valuable service was also rendered to the side by Craig Price, Dean Panton, Mick Cleaver, Harvey Crowden, Philip Challis, John Laing and Roelf Groenewold whenever called upon from the Seconds.

The Seconds had a successful season in the Matriculation Schools' Seconds roster. Like the Firsts they managed to defeat all other teams in the roster.

In the final they performed well and it was not until the last quarter that Grammar gained a break and ran out winners.

During the season the side was well served by the players who gained senior selection as well as Greg Pinkard, Rob Horwood, Martin Le Fevre, Glen Bremner, Tony Shelton, Geoff Willett, Jeff Yost, Dennis Betts, Robbie Walker, Tony Smithies, Andrew Gregory, Chris Austin, Philip Anstie, Simon Sparkes, Robert Simmons, Ricky Waldron.

In closing, the two teams would like to thank their respective coaches, Mr. Watson and Mr. Viney, for their assistance during the season; and Mr. East for his goal umpiring performances. Congratulations to:

Don Jago — B Division Best & Fairest Winner, Club Best & Fairest, Selection in Northern Combined B side.

Paul Robson & Peter King — Runners-up for Club Best & Fairest, Northern Selection and Peter as leading goalkicker.

Andrew Zayons, Phil Von Bertouch & Peter Clements for Northern Selection in Combined side.

BOYS' HOCKEY

This year for the second time since its inception in 1958, the Matric First Hockey team won the Northern Tasmanian Schoolboys' Hockey Association Shield. The Shield was won by defeating Grammar in the grand final, the score being

2-1. The match was played in appalling conditions of mud and pouring rain.

Unfortunately Nick Kuncio, Peter Hayes, David Clarke and Wayne Clark were ineligible for selection because they regularly played with Men's A grade teams. These players were replaced by Hugh Eckersley-Maslin, Paul Stoessiger, Chris Calverley, who, together with Len Fulton and Robbie Collins, formed the forward line which scored the majority of goals throughout the season.

The forward line was ably backed up by the half-line which consisted of John Spiranovic, Stephen Kuncio and John Williams (captain). These players distributed the ball well in most games and assisted the forwards in the scoring circle.

The back line, Peter Frierson and Paul Murray, formed the nucleus of the team's defence and played a good strong game on most occasions.

Peter Hayes was our last line of defence, playing in goal. Peter, normally a left-winger, played goalie to enable Matric I to field a team.

The match against Hobart resulted in a win to our opposition. From the start it was noticeable that Hobart had better teamwork and were continually in attack giving our backs and half-backs no respite. Half time scores were 2-0. Hobart attacked soon after half time and scored three quick goals. The backs and half-backs played steadily and managed to prevent Hobart from scoring for the remainder of the game. Final scores were 5-0. Best players were W. Clark, D. Clarke, S. Kuncio.

The team would like to thank Mr. Cox who generously brought oranges for the team on Saturday mornings and gave up his time to support us through the year.



MEN'S HOCKEY

Back row, l. to r.: W. Lee, J. Eckersley-Maslin, J. Moss, L. Fulton, P. Stoessiger, Mr. Cox, J. Lees, R. Collins, P. Frearson, J. Spiranovic.

Middle row, l. to r.: N. Kuncio, P. Hayes, J. Williams, D. Clark, W. Clark, H. Eckersley-Maslin, S. Kuncio, P. Murray.

Front row, l. to r.: T. Powe, Chong Sin Choong, D. Cumming, C. Calverley, I. Whitmore.



SOCCER

Back row, l. to r.: Mr. Calcraft, Mr. Hoyle, D. Chan, T. Kulinski, J. Spiranovic, P. Hoult, R. Oosterloo, C. White, J. Hoult, C. Tripp, P. Ferguson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Nicol.
 Middle row, l. to r.: R. Finlay, G. Harmer, C. Myers, B. Legg, M. Hendricks, N. Grant, T. Oosterloo, R. Badcock.
 Front row, l. to r.: R. Munro, R. Hanlon, B. Shephard, G. Kitchen.

S O C C E R

The world's major sport saw the introduction of a combined North-North West League this season. The College responded to an increased interest in soccer by entering two sides in the competition.

The Matric A side consisted of students attending the College but was strengthened by two staff members. Fortunately, it retained a nucleus of experienced players and responded well to improved competition.

In the senior roster the side was unlucky to finish in eighth position. It retained its reputation for playing intelligent soccer in cup competitions when the team reached a semi-final and one final. In winning its way to the semi-final it defeated one of the best senior reserve sides in George Town United.

Experience gained in Senior competition was evident in inter-Matriculation matches. Against Elizabeth Matriculation College players were faster and more skilful and had the satisfaction of beating a good side of similar age.

In the south a weakened side held Hobart Matriculation College to an exciting five goal draw. It is interesting to note that this side has not been defeated yet in inter-Matriculation College competitions.

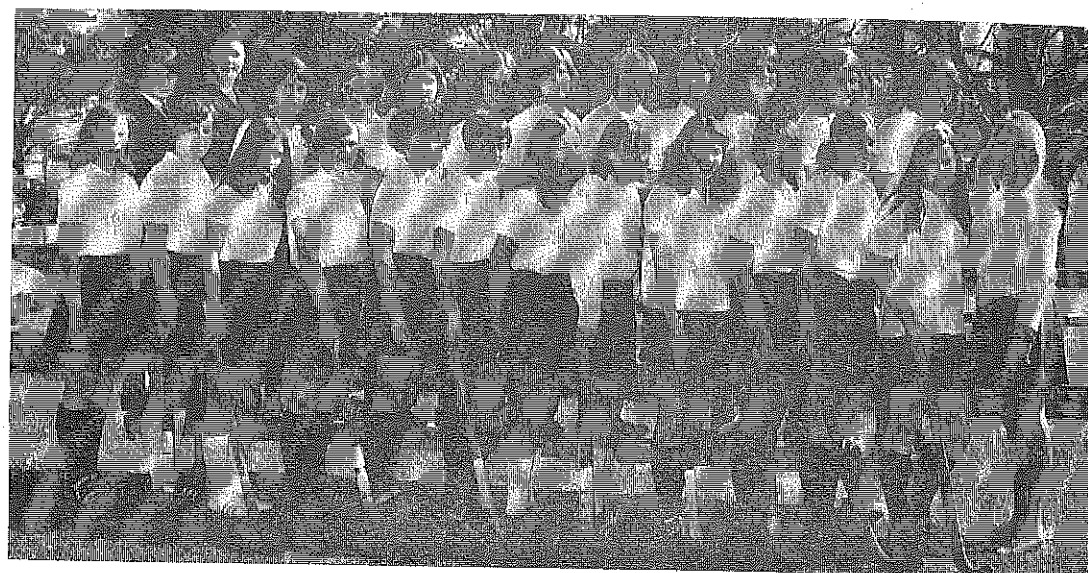
The team consisted of Richard Hanlon in goal who relished grovelling in mud; Geoff Harmer, Revel Munro and Robert 'Bull' Finlay as determined defenders; Rupert Badcock, Peter 'Iron Man' Hoyle and Martin Hendricks presented a strong half-back line; Geoff Kitchen and Theo Oosterloo were always dangerous wingers; Brian Legg (Captain) at centre forward, an intelligent

schemer, ably supported by versatile Chris Myer; John Spiranovic always gave a good account of himself as did Brian Shephard, Stuart Nichol, Mervyn McIntosh and Nicholas Grant. Top goal-scorers were B. Legg, T. Oosterloo and G. Kitchen with fifteen goals each and C. Myer with eight.

The Matric B side was created to cater for students and ex-members of the College. Later, it recruited strongly with guest players.

This team's success is best measured by the enthusiasm of its players. Injuries to Jacob Hendricks, who broke his leg a second time, and Ted Kulinski who broke his ribs, coupled with commitments to employers meant an unsettled team. After a shaky start the defence improved with stalwarts 'Gus' Ferguson in goal, John Hoult, Chris Tripp, Ted Kulinski, Peter Pinder and Rene Oosterloo. The team claims to have the finest half-back line in the roster in Greg Meyer, Bobby Dennis and Rudi Jansen. Unfortunately, the forward line did not capitalise on the good service provided by the half-backs. Regular forwards included Chris White, Peter Hoult, Danny Chan, David Tasker, Brian Bransden, Dennis Laing and 'Old Man' Calcraft. Chris, Gus and John played against the Hobart College and acquitted themselves well. Superiority over southern teams was underlined when the 'B' team won its only game of the season against Olympia Reserves. Scorers for the season include Jansen, Dennis and Laing three goals, Calcraft and Tasker two and Meyer one goal. It is hoped that the 'Red Shirts' will continue to field a side next season.

The club appreciates the interest shown by Mr. Calcraft, Mr. Hoyle and Mr. Nichol as administrators and players. Mr. Smith as trainer and coach and others who made the entry of two sides possible.



WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Matric Firsts

Back row, l. to r.: M. Griffiths, J. Gardner, P. Walker, H. Cummings, R. Beattie, C. Bardenhagen, J. Rhodes, Z. Alexander, H. Cherry, E. Barth, J. Denney, J. Wilson (capt.).

Matric Seconds

Front row, l. to r.: M. Franklin, D. Campbell, C. Wadley, J. Saggars, A. Walker, S. Simons, C. Davies, E. Webb, H. Bradshaw, D. Wyatt, M. Hingston, M. Cole (captain), Miss Seager.

GIRLS' HOCKEY

MATRIC I

Although experience was lacking at the beginning of the hockey season, the Matric Firsts, through training and determination, developed into a good team, which competed successfully to reach the semi-finals of the A Grade Women's roster. However, Matric was unable to hold out the more experienced team, Churinga Red, and were defeated in the first semi-final.

Improved form was shown in the match played against Hobart Matric in second term, where, inspired by the shouts of the northern supporters (particularly Miss Seager), they scored a convincing victory; the final result being 3-0.

Another not so successful but more spectacular highlight of the Matric Firsts' season was a match against the staff. On this occasion the girls' team was overwhelmed by the staff's magnificent display of aerial tactics and their skilful use of both sides of the stick!

Throughout the season every member contributed to the team's success by her enthusiasm and skill. Some members were particularly successful in being selected for representative teams: Helen Cummings and Judy Wilson gained selection for the Northern Women's Hockey team and Rosemary Beattie, Zanette Alexander,

Helen Cummings, Helen Cherry, Chris Bardenhagen, Judy Wilson and Philippa Walker for the Northern Under 18's team. R. Beattie, Z. Alexander and J. Wilson (captain) represented Tasmania in the State Under 18 team, but in their roster team which played every Saturday they were ably assisted by June Rhodes, Janne Denney, Esther Barth, Janet Gardner and Meinir Griffiths in their defence positions.

MATRIC II

From a somewhat disorganised beginning, we managed to pull ourselves up to a well co-ordinated team. Throughout the season, we had a surfeit of willing players, and as their capabilities were of equal merit, some players had to be selected for alternate matches. It was encouraging to see team members coming to practices, even when they did not get a game every week. However, this hotch-potch of determined girls managed to put up a good show, and somehow (by brute force, or in mortal fear of the captain) reached the grand final of the Women's A Reserve where we were beaten by Launceston Teachers' College, 3-1. Players deserving special mention include Dallas Wyatt and Meredith Cole (captain), for consistent good play, and Denise Campbell, Margaret Frankland (vice-captain) and Alison Walker.



BASKETBALL

Front row, l. to r.: First — R. Gerike (capt.), S. Collins, E. Thorne, D. Lette, J. Hunt, J. Mayhead, L. Malcolm.
 Second row, l. to r.: Seconds — R. Goody (capt.), T. Sinclair, R. Gill, K. Agh, J. Harris, P. Munn, K. Filgate.
 Third row, l. to r.: Miss Seager; Thirds — C. Wing, M. Blackburn (capt.), K. Simpson, R. Webster, S. Martin, M. Bramble. Absent: F. Lockett.
 Back row, l. to r.: Fourths — B. Andrews, J. Cross, L. Mitchelson, L. Hummel, L. Thompson, D. Mainwaring, D. Clair, K. Barnes.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

'A' GRADE

The 1969 'A' Grade Matric Basketball team played in the N.T.W.B.A. roster with only three teams to compete against. Although this meant that we became familiar with the tactics of these teams, we managed only to draw once with Waratah and defeat Churinga several times. As for Tikis — say nothing!

The season got off to a good start when we defeated Churinga, but owing to the re-organisation of grading by the Association, this did not count. From then on our standard of play varied. By the end of the season we found ourselves fourth on the roster ladder, and we faced Waratah in the first semi-final in pouring rain. The result ... we all got soaked and lost the game.

Miss Seager played with the team whenever sickness hit one of our members. She and Sue Collins managed to make the Northern squad which was quite an achievement.

After having a very early night after the dance at Hobart Matric (a very "dedicated team") we arrived at the court the following morning all feeling rather fit and refreshed. The whole team played exceptionally well, and we soundly defeated H.M.C.

On the whole, the team had a great deal of potential. The defence was strong, with Sue Collins and Jenny Hunt. Lyn Malcolm, Jan Mayhead and Diane Little developed a good line of attack in order to bring the ball into the attacking zone where Erica Thorne and Regina Gerike threw goals with a good degree of accuracy.

With six of this year's members being first year students, next year will provide Launceston Matric College with a strong "A" Grade girls basketball side.

MATRIC II

Matric II had a very successful 1969 season, without experiencing defeat, and came through as 'C' Grade Northern Premiers. We began the season very determinedly and played extremely well throughout, but due to the lack of evenly contested games, with scores such as 70-4, 62-2, we began to take it easy with the result that we only just came through as premiers, defeating Coles, 42-35.

On the 4th October the team made a day trip to Hobart to play in the State Final. Although we returned with blisters instead of a shield, we felt convinced that we had played our best game for the season, the score being L.M.C. 33, H.M.C. 44.

MATRIC III

Due to the constant and careful coaching by Miss Seager, Matric III were able to complete the N.T.W.B.A. season undefeated. In the final match played against Y.C.W., we proved to be the stronger team by our win of 20:13. We were aided by the outstanding defence from Robyn Webster, our goal keeper, and the accuracy of our goal shooters, Carole Wing and Karen Simpson. Although the feature of the match was the way in which we all played as a team.

Throughout the season the defence was reliable and strong through Sandra Martin, Robyn Webster and Marguerite Bramble, while the attack was always well co-ordinated between Maree Blackburn, Frances Lockett, Carole Wing and Karen Simpson.

In the State Premiership match played against Two Tones in Hobart, Matric III showed considerable team spirit and determination, but Two Tones gained a lead over us in the second quarter and maintained it for the remainder of the match. The final scores were: 48-44; the best players being M. Bramble, M. Blackburn and F. Lockett.

MATRIC IV

Throughout the basketball season, Matric IV performed well, despite the fact that some of the players were new to the game. Team spirit and determination kept the team in the roster until the first semi-finals, when the stronger opposing team and bad weather conditions combined to our defeat. However, losses never dampened the fighting spirit of our team and thus a continuous effort was maintained in each match throughout the season.

SOFTBALL

Although the Matriculation team changes annually, 1969 witnessed a number of enthusiastic girls, who, despite little experience, were willing to play in the roster. The lack of co-ordination and match play were overcome by constant practice, for which we must thank Miss Seager, who also played on a number of occasions in our Saturday afternoon and Thursday evening matches. In the roster series we managed to defeat only Teachers' College, 20-11 and 25-11.

A strong improvement was noticed in all the members' style of play. This can be accounted for by practice matches against Kings Meadows and Brooks High Schools, and the Northern Tasmanian Under 16 side.

The Staff versus Students match, although exciting from the spectators point of view, was not of a high standard. However, the superior play and more experienced staff members proved too strong, and defeated the students 10-5. After having improved so much during the season, we were a little unfortunate not to have been able to play Hobart Matriculation College in the first term, due to the inclement weather.

It is extremely difficult to decide who were the best players, but special mention must be given to June Rhodes, outfield, who showed remarkable improvement and has become a first class player; Jan Mayhead, in her new and demanding position as catcher; Lyn Malcolm, in her difficult position as short stop; and Sue Collins who was an ever reliable strong pitcher. Christine Derbyshire, Dianne Lette, Helen Russell and Helen Moore as base players, all performed well, and Carol Crosswell and Kaye Filgate, outfields, gave of their best.



SOFTBALL

Back row, l. to r.: E. Jackson, H. Moore, Miss Seager, S. Collins (captain), R. Webster, C. Crosswell.
 Front row, l. to r.: C. Derbyshire, J. Rhodes, J. Mayhead, D. Lette, K. Filgate, L. Malcolm.



COLLEGE CREW

Left to right: R. Hogarth, A. Frellek, Mr. East, I. Hunt, G. Willett.



VOLLEYBALL

Back row, l. to r.: R. Groenewold, G. Kenworthy, A. Zayons (captain), S. Davis, N. Florance, Mr. Watson.

Front row, l. to r.: W. Clark, R. Wing, T. Kitto.

ROWING

Mr. East's burning desire to show the Matric flag in rowing for 1969 led to a hastily-formed eight, which was boated a week before its first race. The race was inevitable — last! After that disaster the eight dissolved and a four was formed, consisting of: Cox, Kim Harley; Stroke, Robert Hogarth; 3, Geoffrey Willett; 2, Andrew Freleck; Bow, Ian Hurst.

This combination's love for a paddle on the Tamar before breakfast and Mr. East's knowledgeable enthusiasm proved to be a little more successful. The four's first race in the Tamar Regatta qualified us for the finals in which we achieved fourth position. Not deterred by misfortune we rowed to victory, taking out a convincing win over H.M.C. by 3 lengths (despite the irregular course steered).

Then came the highlight of the season. We took out first position in the open School Fours at the Bourke Cup Regatta to win the 'Northern Platers and Brass Founders' Cup.

The crew wish to thank Mr. East for his coaching and the amount of spare time he gave up for us. In general a good time was had by all.

W.I.R. BASKETBALL

In a low scoring but close and exciting game L.M.C. managed to defeat H.M.C. 24 to 19. All team members played well and each contributed to the win. Perhaps the main reason for the win was the clever use of the fast break tactics by Carole Wing which made her top scorer. Jenny Hunt, Sandra Martin and Christine Bardenhagen played exceptionally well around the court, obtaining numerous rebounds and setting up fast breaks. The scorers were: Carole Wing, 8; Sandra Martin, 6; Christine Bardenhagen, 4; Maureen Cassidy, 4; and Jenny Hunt, 2.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Basketball was one of the fortunate teams that actually played a match during the summer sports visits.

Hobart Matric gained the initiative early in the game and quickly had a lead of 10 points, while keeping us scoreless. Half-way through the final half we began to combine as a team and held them scoreless while putting in our first four goals.

At half-time they held a lead of 4 points. After several minutes the Hobart team used their experience to advantage and streaked away to a 12 point lead. They maintained it till the end of the match with good defensive play.

Final scores were 37-25.

Ivan Catlin, Steven Wojnarowski and Rene Hidding rebounded well and put in some nice shots while guards Gilbert Viney, Michael Cummins and Tim Andrews played serviceable and courageous games. Tony Meyer was most prominent with some fine baseline shots.

Despite the team's loss, it played well considering its lack of experience and with only three members of the team being second year students. The first year players, with this year's experience should form a formidable team next year.

All team members would like to thank Mr. Broughton for giving up his time to coach us, and his advice was well appreciated.

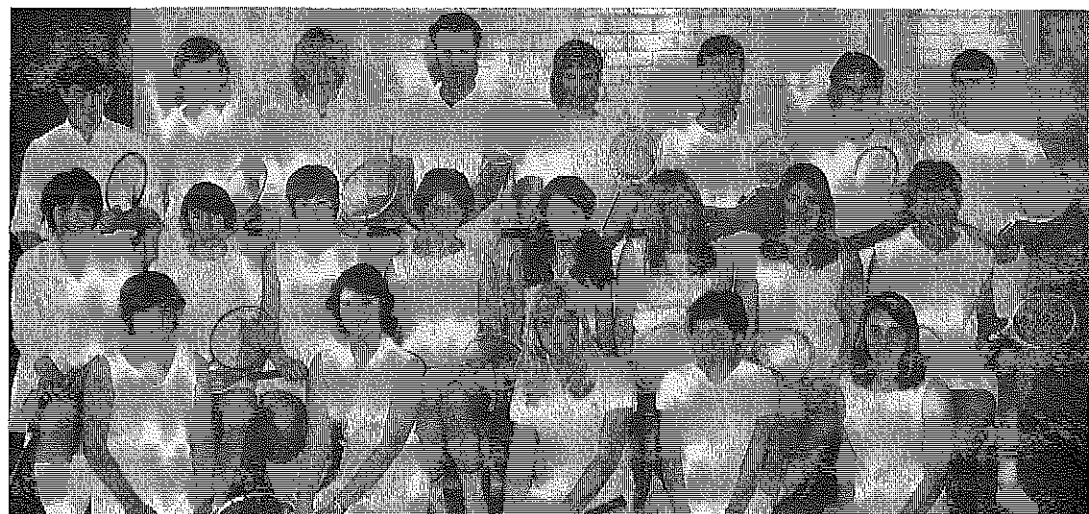


INTERNATIONAL RULES BASKETBALL

Back row, l. to r.: Mr. Viney, B. Woolcock, T. Shelton, I. Catlin, S. Wojnarowski (captain), P. Gray, G. Blaskett, G. Viney, M. Cummins, Mr. Broughton.

Front row, l. to r.: M. Cassidy, L. Cridge, C. Wing, C. Bardenhagen (captain), S. Martin, S. Holmes, J. Hunt, D. Tuck.

Absent: R. Hidding, T. Andrews, F. Lockett.



BADMINTON AND SQUASH

Back row, l. to r.: Badminton — G. Viney, P. Ritchie, P. Harvey, S. Brown.
Squash — P. Warren, P. Stoessiger, S. Coull, M. Brakey.
Middle row, l. to r.: Badminton — H. Russell, J. Holmes, E. Jackson, M. Wright (captain),
Squash — V. Florance, M. Youl, V. Richards, E. Ramsay (captain).
Front row, l. to r.: Badminton — C. Derbyshire, D. Bendall, G. Pilkington, R. Chipman, R. Carins.



CROSS COUNTRY

Left to right: P. Robson, D. Waters, J. Eckersley-Maslin, Mr. Stocks, R. Thompson, T. Kitto, M. Phelan, R. Claridge.

CROSS COUNTRY

The College cross country team gained victory over the Hobart Matriculation team in a gruelling race over the Queen's Domain course. Hobart appeared far superior in ability, led by State distance champion, David Harries, but lacked depth in quality of athletes. Our team, all of average ability, performed well, taking second, third and fourth positions.

The team consisted of David Waters, Michael Phelan, John Eckersley-Maslin, Paul Robson, Tim Kitto, Robbie Claridge and Robert Thompson.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank Mr. Stocks for his time and effort in choosing and encouraging the team.

GIRLS' SQUASH

"The only trouble about being a good sport is that you have to lose to prove it".

This is how it happened! Hobart easily defeated our team with three victories to one; our victor being Melissa Youl. Our team: Vicki Richards (captain), Melissa Youl (vice-captain), Virginia Florance, Elizabeth Ramsay, played extremely well during the term but unfortunately the different conditions encountered in Hobart affected the players. Competitive experience proved to be the winning factor — "People seldom improve when they have no model other than themselves to copy". We feel that next year's team would greatly benefit by being chosen sooner with more advantage being taken of Mr. Lord's valuable experience.



ARCHERY AND TABLE TENNIS

Back row, l. to r.: Archery — Mrs. Grey, G. Mallinson, M. Frith, P. Patmore, P. McKenzie;
Table Tennis — R. Pfundt, G. Pickerell, D. Booth, S. Nelson.
Front row, l. to r.: Archery — B. Zootman (captain), R. Pitcher, I. Veldhuis, M. Blackburn;
Table Tennis — G. Baird, K. Agh, R. Goody (captain), A. Goss.

ARCHERY

There was a greatly increased interest in Archery this year, as compared to last. Although most of the targets were the worse for wear, we did manage to get in a little practice. Both the boys' and the girls' teams managed to soundly thrash Hobart Matric. Leading scorers were Peter McKenzie, Murray Frith and Berma Zootman. Other members of the team also contributed greatly.

Teams were composed of: Boys — Murray Frith (captain), Peter McKenzie, Peter Patmore, Greg Mallinson; Girls — Berma Zootman (captain), Raylea Pitcher, Maree Blackburn, Ingrid Veldhuis.

L.M.C. Boys, 2123 points; H.M.C., 1018 points.
L.M.C. Girls, 982 points; H.M.C., 761 points.

BOYS' SQUASH

The four members of the Squash team were Phillip Warren, Michael Brakey, Paul Stoessiger and Stephen Coull (capt.). The team went to Hobart to contest victory with the opposing Hobart Matriculation team. In a gruelling two-hour spectacle the Launceston team was defeated.

Michael Brackey, the fourth seed, was first to play off. However, his opponent was too fast and accurate. Michael lost 3:0.

Phillip Warren played next. This match looked, for a while, as though Launceston would have a victory. However, it was not to be. Phillip lost his game 3:0.

Paul Stoessiger had a bad cold on the day and so unfortunately was not in peak condition. However, after several spectacular rallies, Paul held the advantage and won a game. Victory was still elusive for he finally lost the match 3:1.

Stephen Coull played a fast moving and valiant game. However, his opponent still out-classed him and defeated him 3:0.

TABLE TENNIS

GIRLS

The girls' table tennis team, consisting of Rebecca Goody, Katalin Agh, Annette Goss and Genette Baird, went down to Hobart with a firm conviction that they were going to win. However, this was easier said than done as the Hobart team had been playing in roster matches throughout of the year; and our few weeks of practice did not give us any advantage. Our team was completely annihilated, our only game being won by R. Goody.

BOYS

After convincingly winning last year's encounter against Hobart and with three members of that team still playing, we did not live up to expectations and were beaten 7-3 by a more even and consistent Hobart combination. David Booth was by far our best player, winning both his singles matches and combining well with Graeme Pickrell to win the number one doubles match. Stephen Nelson and Robert Pfundt, our third and fourth players were not disgraced, but were generally outclassed by the opposition and failed to win a game.

GIRLS' BADMINTON

This year the National Fitness Council conducted a school girls' badminton roster. The Matriculation College entered a team in the open division, and despite the inexperience of most players, the team combined well to complete the season undefeated. In the semi-final Matric defeated Broadland House, and went on to win the final against St. Thomas More's in a relatively easy match. The final score was 93-57 points. The trophy won by the team, was presented to the College.

This year the Science Society's magazine was 'bigger and better' than ever. We appreciate this opportunity of reprinting the following two articles which we feel are of general interest.

RELIGION — NECESSITY OF THE INCOMPLETE MIND?

Uncivilized man lived in a world where he was surrounded by many happenings which he could not explain. Day and night alternated, weather was changeable, seasons changed, the moon and stars moved, earthquakes and volcanic activity was sporadic. Of all these things, and others, man was aware, but for none could he give a reason, or explain. So he worshipped them.

Man moved towards civilization, retaining his fear and reverence for the Unknown. As his awareness expanded, he found more inexplicable phenomena. He became aware of Time, but couldn't imagine the infinite, so Time had to have had a beginning at which instant All was created. So man's gods encompassed more ideas and had more duties.

With the coming of the Christian era, man's consciousness of his immediate surroundings had reached virtual completion. Christians reasoned that there need be only one god — responsible for all, all-seeing, all-knowing, almighty, capable of determining and guiding the future. But this god was theirs alone; those of other religions were but idols — hence missionaries.

Nowadays we can scientifically explain many phenomena worshipped of yore. These facts have been discarded by most of us from our religion. What now of our present beliefs? If we can explain these phenomena (for which we blame a supernatural god) logically and completely without resorting to placing the blame on this supernatural being, surely we have no need for religion, as religion is merely the worship of a supernatural god!

For example, the fundamental reason for each deism's existence is that its god was present at the cause of and the reason for, the "Creation". But why does there have to have been an instant at zero time beyond which there is no past? Surely, Time can as well be infinite, suffering from no bounds! From a philosopher's consideration of Time...

"Absolute, true and mathematical time, of itself and from its own nature, flows equally without relation to anything external".

... it is suggested that modern philosophy is turning in this direction.

It is well known, and clearly illustrated throughout History, that man's reaction to the unknown and the "impossible to practise" has been to display fear and to say "It can never be done," or "God only knows". This has been true of heavier-than-air flight, radio, space travel and many other phenomena which are common in the present age. It can therefore be deduced that those as yet inexplicable phenomena of our present religions may some day be explained purely by scientific reasoning.

Thus, in the future of the all-explained, is there need for Religion?

(Note: the "all-explained" does not mean the knowledge of everything).

John Eckersley-Maslin.

MOON LANDING

Well, we did it! Man has landed on the moon and has explored a small portion of its bleak and lonely surface. Now, with this done, with the victory won after one of the most thrilling weeks in all man's experience, on this beginning of a new week, can we also say that we are at the threshold of a new age? All of us have the inclination to re-dedicate ourselves now to some new purpose — to some more noble resolution. If we put our minds, our will, our talent, our resources to it, what sort of progress might we make toward the day when the last trace of racism, for example, is wrung out of us? We could, if we were determined about it, go a long way in resuscitating our cities and those who live in them.

There is something in this shining moment which needs to be seized upon. Millions of us have an inarticulate desire to somehow emulate what has just occurred.

If it's possible to be uplifted and let down at the same time, then that's the approximate condition right now of much of the human race. No-one can be sure whether the rest of the world thinks better or worse of the United States by reason of this feat — they just assumed they would be the first to do it. Jules Verne guessed that much a hundred years ago. Any member of philosophers must wonder why such a clean, beautiful, successful act of human co-operation could be born in the middle of so much acrimony, failure and violence.

Those who have thought most deeply about the effects of such an achievement do not see its technical triumph so much as its human effect, more precisely its possible humanising effect. Historians see it not only as an affirmation of man, the maker and user of tools, but also of man, the social, moral and spiritual creature, and, as a result, the significance of a moon landing must be seen in these terms. Men in ships ventured far out on a lonely ocean and conquered it to reach a new world and within living memory technology has enabled exploring man to reach the ends of the Earth, the North and South Poles, and has made possible the conquest of the air. The landing on the moon has a similar effect in increasing his range of action. But technology, vital as it is may not be the most important feature of this latest, and most significant leap of the roaming human species. We can take man's technical abilities for granted. He has been improving them at an ever increasing rate — so much so that, man himself is endangered by some of technology's uncontrolled proliferation in the form of the population explosion, pollution, and waste of natural resources. What we've not been able to take for granted in any degree is human excellence and human co-operation.

Man must make decisions now involving both, that will effect his survival. Many find comfort in the thought that when it comes to space, men have died and competed but they have also co-operated and supported one another, and when the victories have been won, they have been chivalrous and generous in their applause and reactions. It is a "spirit of sportsmanship" — and now men have been on the moon all alone in its eerie quiet, the only living thing in a totally alien world, their regard for Earth and its living kind may become the one true contagion — their great reward — the least feared, the least expected and the most welcome. Chris Deacon.



Vicki Wagner, who won the Senior Section of the Short Story Competition, conducted by the Tasmanian Association for the Teaching of English. Her story was entitled "And the Last Man was a Weed of a Guy," and was set in a convict coal mine. Her prize was \$20. Unfortunately, we were unable to publish her story in this Magazine, but her thoughts on man and society appear below.

MAN AND SOCIETY

Is society the plaything of man? Does he mould it and shape it to suit his own fickle nature, or does society itself rule man's thoughts, his actions and his desires? Can man wilfully shape the course of history through this abstract force called society, or does society's character evolve of its own accord with the passing of time? And what part does youth play in this birth, maturation and death of any society with its attitudes, motivations and values?

Society changes with the continuous processes of learning, experiencing and witnessing. It is only natural, therefore, to explain these questions away with the inevitable and ever-ready reply that youth is instrumental in this change. But one must not be led into the position of giving youth the credit for any inexplicable factors of life. It is ludicrous to claim that when one comes of age one ceases to play an all-important part in society. Any human being of any stature affects the thoughts, attitudes and social and moral values of others, and the young are certainly influenced, indeed, often brainwashed, in their thinking by their leaders. In this way, a child gains his values by watching and listening to his superiors, but his views on an infinitesimal num-

ber of subjects will naturally change as he matures and sees different aspects of life that had not previously occurred to his subconscious as having any importance. As he begins to regard the world as a conglomeration of a million different aspects of life, he will see the need for changes of a physical and often of an indefinable nature. He will begin to explore the possibilities of certain changes, and will communicate, often unconsciously, with others over his feelings. He may eventually provide something new to replace the old and decaying, or in his communication with others he may provide an outlet for the expression of other individuals' feelings. In any case, there will be new thinking on and a new conception of another facet of life, and the values of society will alter to accommodate this new thinking.

But what of the Hitlers, the Ian Paisleys, the Mao Tse-Tungs of this world? They and countless others have, through the ages, facilitated, encouraged and created huge upheavals in the society of their times. Here are examples of man interfering with the natural course of history; these are the puppeteers, the demagogues, of this world, who torment and distort society to the point where society is theirs to implement all manner of schemes at the risk of the freedom of the populace. They use, corrupt and degrade for the satisfaction of destructive ambition, and they achieve these ambitions through psychology and appeals to the emotions of their puppets. They pull the emotional strings, and the tormented go through the motions of a democratic government ... if they are lucky.

Man can and does affect society, but it is the individual rather than mankind as a whole who causes these changes. For man is selfish and not beyond corruption, and human nature is such that he will always deprive others for his own benefit.

Vicki Wagner

THE PREGNANT SILENCE

Hiding amongst the reeds
A quietness was upon us,
The creatures and the air.
The very atmosphere
Was listening
The birds,
The trees,
The clouds

Were waiting.
Distant rumbles of thunder,
Although subdued,
Cast seeds of fear.
The stream before me
Ceased gurgling
To strain its ears
In the silent aura of tension.
I could not raise my voice
For my tongue, I swear,
Was tied.

Michael Watson

ODE TO A DOOR-HANDLE

O door-handle so sticky,
Wherefore openest thou not?
Is it that some disgusting specimen
Hath locked thee from the other side?
Hold, forsooth! If yet thou wilt not open, door,
I declare I shall be forced to bust thee down with
mine hefty backside!

But yet thou still wilt not open!
Very well; hither is mine rump, then.
O door, the filthy villain on thine other side
Will soon repent him of his misdeeds!
Come, steak!
Ou-uff! I do declare
I'll not sit me down again for a month of Sundays!

But, soft! What brave fortune is here?
Verily, verily, I do perceive that this naughty door
is not locked!
I will therefore enter inside!
How now? Alack, alack-a-day,
For now the cursed thing will not shut again!

Christopher Walton

FOR SALE

Cheap — a young human being in good working order.

Will reproduce rapidly.

Will prove especially useful to any demagogue in his drive for personal power. Great leaders such as Hitler, Mussolini, Stalin and Chairman Mao Tse Tung have spoken particularly well of the gullibility and performance of this particular model.

If rewound occasionally using patriotism, hatred, propaganda and a political ideal, dressed in khaki, armed with the latest destructive weapon, it will readily slaughter, rape and commit a wide variety of other atrocities in the name of justice, all for a piece of metal pinned to its chest or a slab of stone erected in its honour.

Gives best performance in revolution if first kept in a constant state of degradation.

Will endure a wide variety of injustices and hardships if given promises of "an all-loving-and-merciful-god" and a "next world".

Will not revolt if kept warm, well-fed, under-worked, over-paid, and given the semblance of freedom.

Christine Bowen 31A

THE SPACE EFFORT

... IS IT REALLY WORTH IT?

This year saw two important steps in the American space effort. The first of these was the landing of a man on the moon. The second was the sending back of pictures of Mars by the Mariner space craft.

Billions of dollars have been spent on the American space effort. The question in many people's minds is, "Was it really worth it?" Already, mankind is reaping the benefits of the space programme. Delicate instruments have been developed to assist in the detection and prevention of disease; new materials have been developed for use in all walks of life; and satellites orbiting the earth have often forewarned man of impending natural disasters, and have allowed him to make better use of existing resources, as well as to discover new ones.

The possibilities opened up for the future are also numerous. By setting up colonies on other planets, man may be able to prevent the overcrowding that has been predicted, and has at least ensured that mankind may be able to survive even if the earth's resources have been fully exploited. Also, by exploiting resources found on other planets, man may be able to prolong the value of earth's own resources.

The discoveries made as a result of the space effort will almost certainly lead to many new and exciting discoveries. But mankind has also reaped numerous non-material benefits from the space programme. First of all, man, by nature, has an insatiable desire to improve, to discover, to explore and to strive to attain new heights. This desire is well demonstrated in the words of the poet, Tennyson: "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield," and has been expressed in a number of ways: the ascent of Everest, the journeys to the Poles, the achievements of men like Chichester, the conquering of the skies. And now, man is reaching for the stars. Without these goals, man would probably not survive. He would not have the will to. Man must try and go forward. So, the space effort is an important part of man's survival.

The efforts of the space programme have also brought together many nations, and the landing on the moon welded all of mankind together, if only for a short period, and the possibilities which have or could result from this must make the space effort worthwhile.

Finally, man has had a glimpse of the heavenly bodies that surround him. Their ruggedness, hostility and inhospitality have made man realise that earth is, after all, a pretty good place to be, and that we have a great deal to be thankful for.

So, the space effort has, without question, been worthwhile.

Tony Smithies, 35A

OPINION SURVEY

Last year the "Churinga" Committee conducted an opinion survey among students, and published a selection of the views expressed on topical and controversial subjects. This section of the magazine proved popular, and so we circulated another series of questions to get 1969 topics. Once again space has prevented us from printing all of them, but we feel the following are representative.

Is it true that most young people are generally apathetic about everything except themselves?

J. Liddell—No. As a generation teenagers are in an extremely difficult situation since we suffer continuously from the ambiguity of standards set by adults. If we ignore the social, economic, military and political situation we are dubbed apathetic and even ignorant. If we publicise our approval or disapproval we are frowned upon as exhibitionists, anarchists, hippies — and contemptuously as "the younger generation".

What adults fail to appreciate is the fact that we are not prepared, as they apparently were (we have all heard of this angelic adolescence) to accept as correct the values of parents, government, in fact any form of authority. However, we do not rebel against these values without purpose. We are questioning the legitimacy of these values which permit war, starvation, corruption, etc. To us they are wrong and until we discover an acceptable alternative or some justification for the present system we will rebel.

Rebellion is our duty; we must never accept the present as THE final result, for this acceptance would lead to stagnation, to real apathy, to the disintegration of our race, our world. Surely many of us have read Tennyson's poem, 'The Passing of Arthur,' written a century ago. But do you all remember the lines:

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new,

And God fulfils Himself in many ways,
Lest one good custom should correct the world".

In Tennyson's century some of these "good" customs were colonisation, industrialisation and Victorian morals. In this century they are segregation, nuclear advancement, transplant surgery and oh! so many, many more.

S.C.—Young people today represent a group of individuals who are dissatisfied with everything that society stands for. Many are, to my mind, agitated by communists who manage to infiltrate almost any community and their dissatisfactions are made to assume gigantic proportions. Although some have good cause to "Protest and Disrupt Society", not a small number have no goal in life. They seek to fill this void in their lives by trying to do something out of the ordinary. Accordingly we see many strange sights in our present-day society.

Do you think that the recent "shocking" reports about the social habits of Tasmanian teenagers have been exaggerated?

F.N.—The reports themselves were not exaggerated — the importance of them was. Young people will always do such things as smoking, drinking and kissing. What is required on the part of the parents is a little tolerance and a dim, if not blind eye, within reasonable limits, instead of a shocked, puritanical reaction. Just as our own parents undoubtedly sometimes did things on the quiet which they were not allowed to do, so we, too, occasionally break the rules. Let him who is without sin cast the first stone!

T.S.—I feel that the reports on the social behaviour of Tasmanian teenagers were comparatively justified. I can only marvel upon just how long it took before the "authorities" woke up. However, I do question the right of these "authorities" to step in and take charge of our private lives. It is all very well for them to criticise but to take positive action is surely another matter. We must realise that a great majority of the population see us from a bigoted point of view and judge only from the mistakes that might be made. Many do not seem to take the time to look deeply into our motivations and attitudes about this "new way of life" and don't want to know why we do it, just "what was done".

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Do you think that the present system of examinations is a realistic method of determining the abilities of matriculation students?

K.S.—No. The present matriculation examination consists of one three-hour paper in each subject. It measures neither ability, personality or knowledge, merely on ability to regurgitate facts. How can a whole year's work possibly be assessed on the basis of three hours of written work. Surely a system of monthly or terminal testing is much more comprehensive.

Intelligence is a very complicated affair, involving a mixture of a great variety of mental capacities, and psychological attitudes.

In the world of nature, it is the versatile species which are not tied down to any particular orthodoxy, which have the best chance of survival in a changing world. It is the same with people. The people who are going to be best able to cope with our rapidly-changing world, are

those who are unorthodox, sceptical, curious, and not afraid to scorn tradition and traditional ideas.

These are the people we should be trying to find. These are the people examinations and tests should cater for. The present system of examinations is a very unrealistic, out-moded, and uninspiring method of determining the abilities of matriculation students.

Bill—Yes. It is all very well to daydream about dilettante of the leisured class of a bygone age, who never needed to use the knowledge dallying in his brain. We live in a competitive world where the people most likely to succeed are those who are able to use their ability under stress and who can select from a conglomeration of knowledge the facts relevant to a particular situation. The critics of the present examination system fail to see that education is not exclusively geared to producing good results in exams. It can and does, at the same time, pay attention to our progress as human beings.

E.A.—If you mean, would I like an internal examination instead of an external one — no, no, a thousand times no!

M. Cleaver — I do not think the present system of examinations is realistic, in some subjects where students are required to write a number of essays rather hurriedly in three hours. I dislike this method because many students have sufficient knowledge to pass these subjects, but cannot express their knowledge in well-planned, relevant essays in the short time it is necessary to complete them in. I also don't agree with the requirement for each student to have to pass in either Maths. or a foreign language to be able to matriculate. I think it would be sufficient to get three Level III and two Level II passes, or four Level III passes in any subjects.

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What in your opinion, was the most significant political event in the world during the past year?

J. Townsend — The unfortunate accident of Senator Edward Kennedy which damaged, perhaps irretrievably, his presidential prospects and deprived the U.S. of a leader who could have gained the confidence of the broad mass of the American public and who could have largely reunited the people of that country.

"T" — The resignation of General de Gaulle and the subsequent realisation by the French that they could exist without him. With de Gaulle out of the way, Britain can join the European Economic Community and the vision of a united Europe moves one step closer to reality.

I. Catlin — The withdrawal of American troops from Vietnam. With a little luck, the Australian government will do the same, and then I won't be called-up and shot.

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Of what in life have you become more aware this year?

V.T. — I have become more aware of the tendency of people, whether informed or unin-

formed, to act as judge, jury and, in some cases, executioner, when some prominent person is involved in an unfortunate incident. Witness the turmoil which has surrounded Senator Edward Kennedy. If he had been anyone else, his explanation would have been accepted by everyone but because he is who he is, he has been subjected to a torrent of abuse, vituperation and allegations of depravity.

It is typical of contemporary public opinion in that it builds up a man to heroic proportions and then viciously destroys him when the first opportunity presents itself. If this is to be the reward for anyone who tries to offer his services to his fellow man, I think that the decadence of western society is rapidly reaching a point of climax.

M. Youl — The Road Toll. More films such as "Mechanical Death" should be shown, and much more often, as people tend to remember them only for a month or so. Also it is not only the teenagers who need these films, but impatient middle-aged men who get a thrill out of driving dangerously.

B. Zootman — I am now much more aware of people and what makes them "tick". During this year I have met almost every type of personality and have come closer to understanding why people act and think as they do.

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What is your personal aim in life?

V.T.—To get away from the confining atmosphere of a competitive society and seek seclusion in some remote place where I can adequately come to terms with myself and with nature, and try to gain immortality by creating something which will always be remembered.

S.A.—My personal aim in life differs from that of most students in that all I want to do is get a steady job in an office, settle down, get married, have three children—two boys and a girl—struggle for the rest of my life to give them a good upbringing and a university education, and then die at the pleasant age of 65 and go to heaven.

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Do you believe the first moon landing in July this year was worth the money?

C.B. — No! It's time man came down to earth in more ways than one, rolled up his sleeves and started to actually do something to alleviate the distress of the mass of the world's people.

K.S.—600,000,000 people all over the world were united in pride and admiration as they shared in the direct telecast of the moon landing. For this reason alone it was worth the money. Man's nature is to strive for greater achievement, new conquests. The fact that man has landed on the moon is a fantastic thing, and surely greater awareness of the problems on earth, and greater efforts to rectify them must follow. Man has conquered the moon. This great achievement will give a new perspective and stimulus to domestic problems.

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