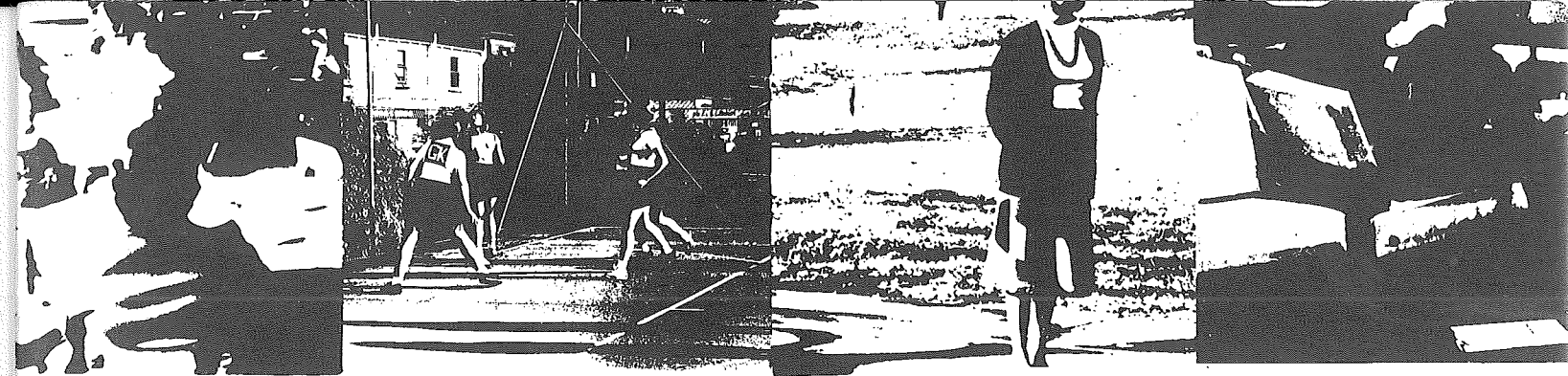




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MATRIC—WHAT'S IN A NAME?

When one of our teachers was in England about four years ago he said that he was able to follow the progress of the College Soccer Team because there it was in the Soccer Pools section of the news every week, the report on "Matric", a first division team in Tasmania. It made me wonder at the time what image the followers in England of such teams as Manchester United and Arsenal would have of this team "Matric". Quite possibly they thought it was made up of emigrants from some eastern European country, fiercely partisan in their approach, rather than the more benign collection of expatriate teachers and college students that make up Calcraft's Heroes.

It's not an attractive name, it doesn't roll neatly off the tongue, and yet it still persists in our College teams. When we used to play annual matches against teams from Hobart and Elizabeth Matriculation Colleges, the supporters from the three places had a common call of exhortation, "Carmatric", which no-one seemed to recognize was rendered ineffective as a means of encouragement to one particular team.

To the people who do not know that "matriculation" means the qualification to attend university, the word is just part of the name of a place that used to be Launceston High School. To those who do know what it means, however, the name labels all of the students who attend here as potential matriculants whose future is bound up with attendance at a university. Educationists in other parts of Australia think of our college as catering only for an educational elite rather than for the diverse group that now makes up our enrolment.

Obviously then in the jargon of advertising the name we use does not truly describe the contents of the package or the product we turn out. Some would argue that it doesn't have to describe accurately its particular function; that the impression built in the consumer's mind is more important than the label. After all, it would only be a visitor from outer space who would be confused if he heard someone say, "I left my camels in the jaguar", or "I have a record cut by rolling stones".

However, as we could not presume to claim the same status of popular recognition that these famous names enjoy, a more functional title for the college would seem to be required.

To do this how can we describe ourselves? Senior high school or senior secondary college? These do not quite fit because traditionally they would indicate a fairly homogeneous group of students continuing on from the junior high school classes along a fairly well defined, certificated track. As well as these students we now have those coming in increasing numbers from the opposite direction, from the work force, from the community in general, to study some course or to take up some activity that suits their own particular need.

Our collaboration with the Technical College over the years has resulted this year in a common prospectus and more importantly in the recognition of the fact that people's educational needs might better be served by combining the course offerings of the two Colleges and by providing for a more desirable admixture of the two student bodies. There is a certain logic in this arrangement as both cater for the post compulsory age student, and there is good sound economic common sense in the provision of facilities for their joint use.

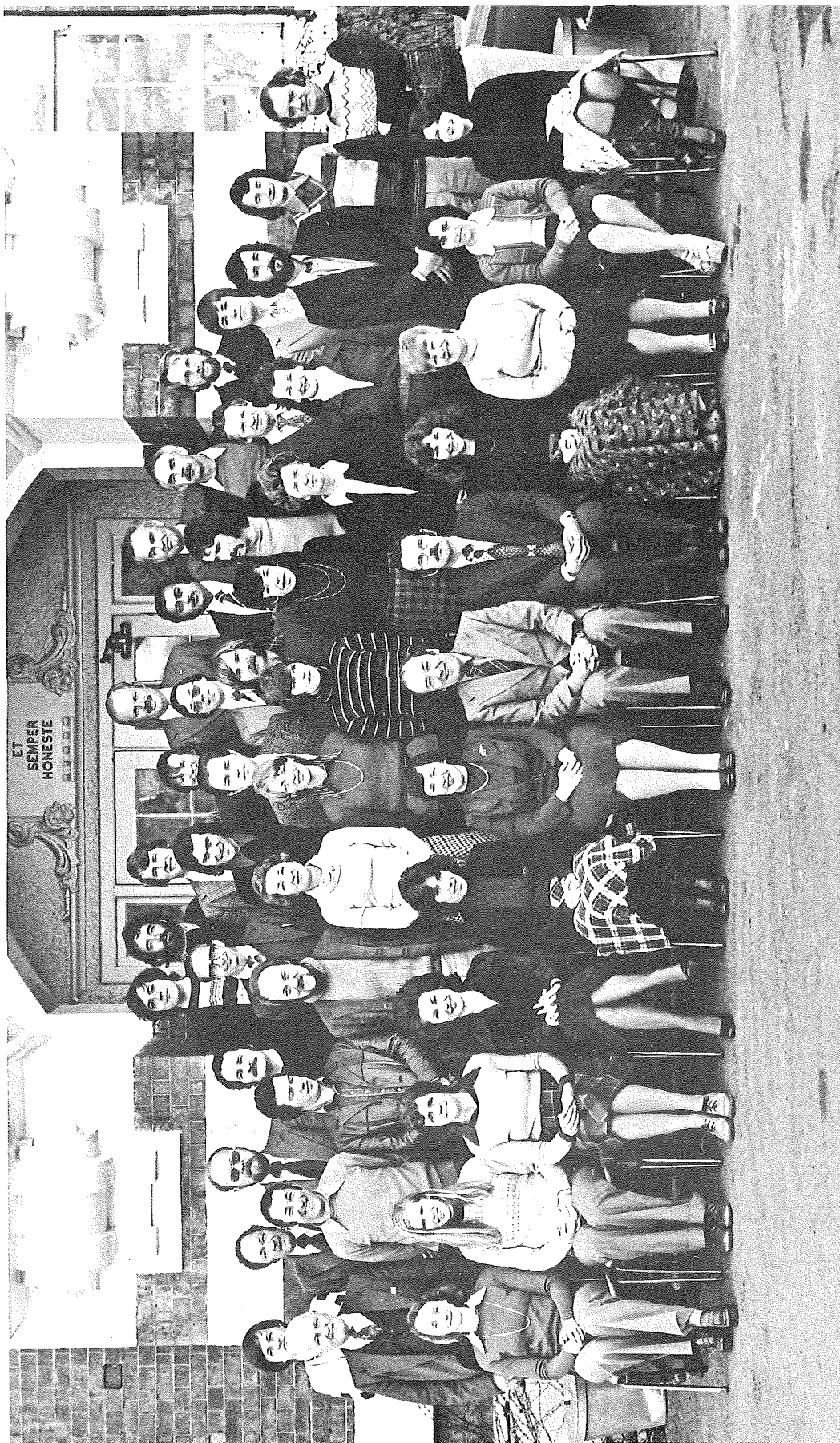
How do we make a label to fit this particular package? To follow one overseas system we could call it the Launceston Upper Secondary Integrated College: L.U.S.I.C.! It sounds like that eastern European country again. Moreover, it's almost as big a mouthful as the Tasmanian College of Advanced Education, Mt. Nelson Campus.

In recent years we have had such suggestions as Paterson College, Royal Park College, Cataract College and Kings College (because of Kings Walk in Royal Park). These names do not indicate the function of the place but at least without "Matriculation" they do not wrongly suggest a limited function. The name "Launceston College" does carry on part of the title of the old Launceston High School but it could lead to some confusion with other colleges in Launceston.

At this stage some out-of-character Juliet should butt in with her "What's in a name? that which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet". I don't believe it was just by accident that a beautiful flower with a beautiful smell got a beautiful name. In choosing a name for the College, function and tradition should not be the only considerations; euphony is equally important.

"Launceston Community College" would be the name that comes closest to our criteria. It contains the "Launceston" of the previous titles; the "Community" indicates its function of serving the educational needs of the community; and the "College" the collegial nature of the community of people joined together for the purposes of study. It is pleasing to the eye, lending itself readily to logie design, and equally pleasing to the ear and tongue because of its soft, alliterative effect.

Which word we take from it to shorten or rearrange as a name for our sports teams or to encourage them to greater deeds, I don't know. However, I still think we shall have time to think of a replacement because "Matric" is likely to linger on for some years after it has been expunged from the official title.



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COLLEGE LOSES THREE SENIOR TEACHERS

Three well known senior teachers leave the College at the end of this year. They are Mr. Keshow, Mr. Gibson and Mrs. Woodroffe. Mr. Keshow will take up the position of Vice-Principal of Penguin High School; Mr. Gibson will become Senior Education Officer at the North West Teachers Centre; Mrs. Woodroffe, of course, left in August, when, after years of waiting, she and her husband gained adoption of a baby boy.

Mr. Keshow

Mr. Keshow has been senior master of the Geography department in the College for eight years. He is widely respected for his skills as a teacher, for his concern for the individual student, for his activity among student groups and for his helpfulness and sensitivity. His philosophy as a teacher, he says, is grounded in the belief that every possible effort has to be made to enable each student to achieve his potential. This philosophy has involved him in a good deal of time assisting students individually outside the class-room situation as well as in it.



In recent years Mr. Keshow has taken a keen interest in teaching methods which he believes must be stimulating and creative. He hopes to produce a book on teaching methods which will be published by McGraw-Hill, possibly at the end of next year.

In the last four years Mr. Keshow has been the staff leader of the Student Community Service. This group has each year engaged in helping needy families and raising funds for a variety of charitable organisations. Mr. Keshow has also been a staff representative on the College Council, a President of the Geography Teachers' Association

of Tasmania, a member of the Schools Board Geography subject committee and was a chairman of the special committee set up by the Schools Board in 1973 and 74 to design the new level III Geography course which is now operating.

Mr. Keshow has quite a variety of interests and one of these is in the practice of mental relaxation. The short-term courses he has run in mental relaxation have proved very popular with students and for many have apparently been a real help in their daily life. Mr. Keshow played soccer with the College team for four years and, we are told he always wielded a good bat at the annual staff cricket match.

One reason for his popularity on the staff is his skill in cooking a good Indian Curry. Mr. Keshow is, in fact, an Indian from Fiji which he left in 1958 to study at the University of Tasmania. There he obtained a B.A. degree with honours in Geography and the Diploma of Education. He married a Tasmanian girl and has become a real Tasmanian. Mr. Keshow has a brother in Launceston who manages the Education section at Birchall's.

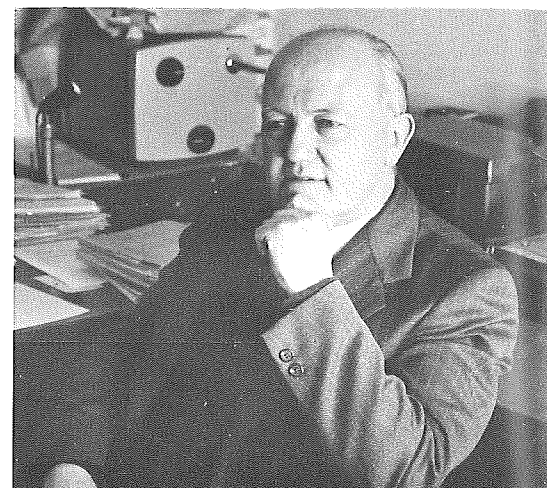
His cheerful personality will certainly be missed in the College next



year. We wish him well in his new appointment.

Mr. Gibson

In recent years L.M.C. has become well known as a centre for the study of foreign languages at H.S.C. level. Without doubt the person most responsible for this has been Mr. Gibson. In particular, it has been his drive and enthusiasm for the teaching of Asian languages which has resulted in the College this year being able to offer classes in H.S.C. Japanese and Indonesian as well as in French, Italian, German, Spanish and short courses in Chinese.



Mr. Gibson is quite blunt about the need for the teaching of Asian languages here; he says, "there is a natural need, little has really been done and we'll suffer unless we do more". Mr. Gibson himself spent three months in China last year, along with two other Australians, conducting a short polishing course for Chinese teachers of English. His two daughters, Edith and Eileen, each spent a year as students in Japan.

The teaching of Japanese received a boost here with the employment for two years of a Japanese national, Miss Tanikawi, whom Mr. Gibson interviewed for this position in Tokyo and befriended and assisted during her stay here. In fact, Mr. Gibson has been guide and friend to a number of Asian students who have come to L.M.C.



At the moment, of course, he has staying with the family Yuriko Tsurutani. Three students from here have won scholarships provided by the Japanese Government for a year's study in Japan; they are Michele Miller, Ross Miller and Leon Bender. In addition Wendy Spinks was first in a national competition in speaking Japanese and, in an open class, Eileen Gibson was third.

During this year we have all been made aware of the old house in Margaret Street which has been taken over by the College for the teaching of oriental languages and so became dubbed the OSH house, the house of oriental studies.

Many activities have been undertaken in OSH; in particular, the consumption of a number of national dishes including Chinese, Japanese, Indonesian and Italian. The visit to the College of Japanese educationist, Mr. Tachibana, who spent six weeks with us, has resulted in the establishment at the rear of OSH of a typical Japanese garden.

Though Mr. Gibson's main interest has been in the teaching of Asian languages, he was also responsible for the introduction of hang-gliding and aviation as electives. An Englishman, Mr. Gibson spent ten years in the Fleet Air Arm. He came to Tasmania seventeen years ago.

As with Mr. Keshow, Churinga wishes him well in his new role.

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The College was sad to say farewell to Mrs. Myers on September 30.

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Mrs. Woodroffe

The departure of Mrs. Woodroffe in August, to take up maternal duties robbed the College of one of its most popular and energetic members of staff.

We all miss Katie (as she is affectionately known) and wish her all happiness and contentment in her new role. As senior mistress of the Art department in the College, Katie was very successful. The quality and variety of the work turned out and the popularity of the subject with students, despite the deficiencies in the art building and art facilities, has been a tribute to her and the team of teachers she has led.

Katie's sparkling, vibrant personality affected everyone with whom she came in contact and she extended her friendliness and helpfulness to all. She was a most easy person to talk to and a talk with Katie inevitably made you feel life was worth living after all.

Mrs. Grimmond has been in charge since Mrs. Woodroffe left and she and Mr. McMahon have been aided and abetted by Mr. Jermy who came here from Queechy High School and will move on at the end of the year to take up a senior master post in manual arts at R. M. Murray High School, Queenstown.



Once again we take the opportunity of wishing Katie Woodroffe a rich and rewarding life in her new role as a mother and hope that perhaps one day she will feel like returning to the College to take up again the role of senior Art mistress which she filled so well.



RALPH KING

In his two years at the College won two Exhibitions and a record number of seven State prizes. First in the State in English Literature, British History, Asian History, French, German, Japanese and Geography. Now at Melbourne University where he has undertaken courses in Arabic and Middle East Studies.



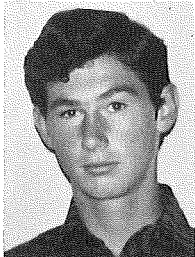
ANNE WALLACE

Winner of the Andrew Inglis Clark Scholarship in her first year at L.M.C. and a University Exhibition last year. Anne was also second in both the Gilchrist Watt Scholarship and the University of Tasmania Women's Club Scholarship. She matriculated with credits in eight subjects. Is now studying Law at the University of Tasmania.



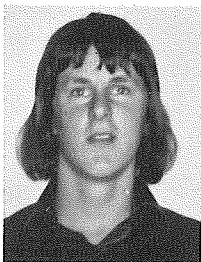
JENNIFER CARRUTHERS

Winner of the State prize in Italian donated by the Australian-Italian Club.



MALCOLM KING

Last month was announced winner for 1977 of the German-Australian Student Exchange Association Prize. This earns him a three-month stay in Germany with a German family. He leaves in December. In addition he won first prize in the State-wide German essay competition.



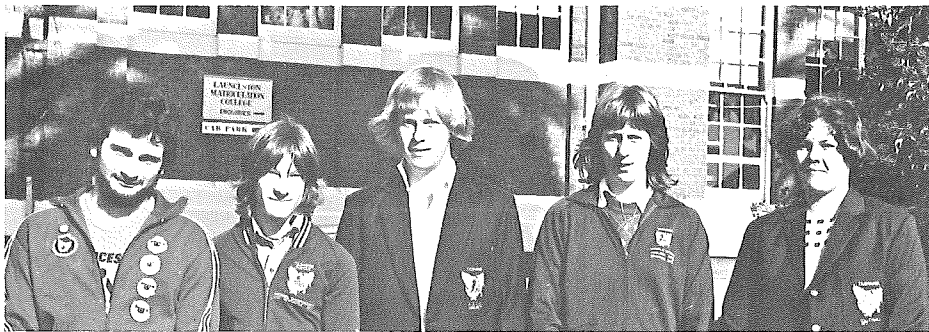
FRANK NICKLASON

University Exhibition Winner.



SARAH SMITH

Winner of the Sir Richard Dry Exhibition for languages. Is now studying French and German at the University of Wales.



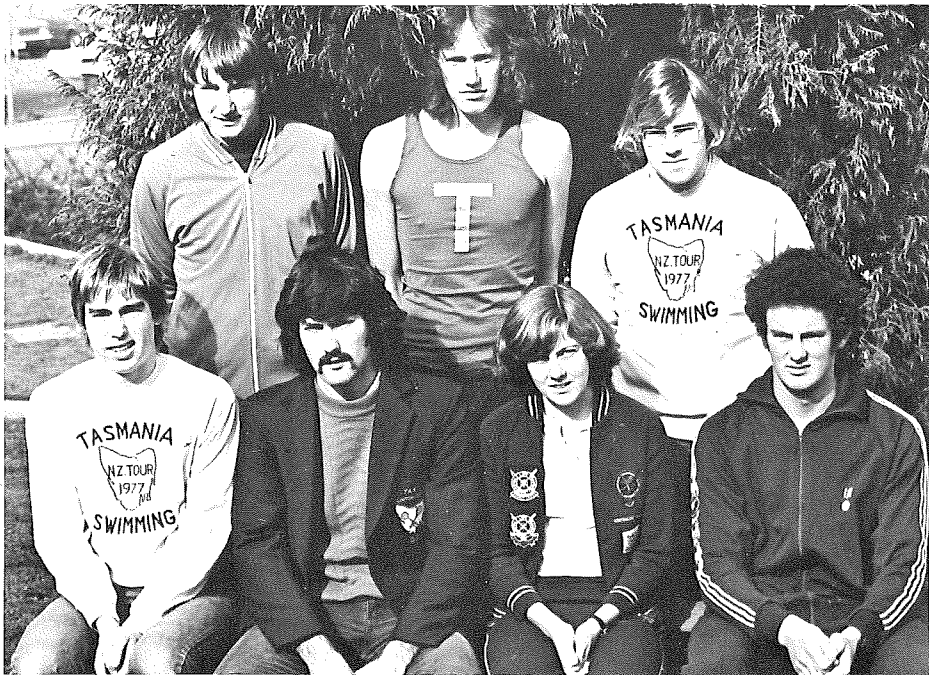
OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES

TOP PICTURE

Left to Right: Gino Fratangelo (Weight Lifting), Paul Schwamm (Soccer, Athletics), Rodney Parsons (Cricket, Basketball), Debbie Mills (Netball), Sue Fitzpatrick (Volley Ball).
Absent: Michael Welch (Badminton), Dean Draper (Basketball).

BOTTOM PICTURE

FRONT ROW: Garth Pilcher (Swimming), Peter Claridge (Tennis), Jo Harding (Hockey), Anthony Allwright (Weight Lifting).
BACK ROW: Phillip Clarke (Athletics), Graeme Butterworth (Athletics), Mark Crawford (Swimming).



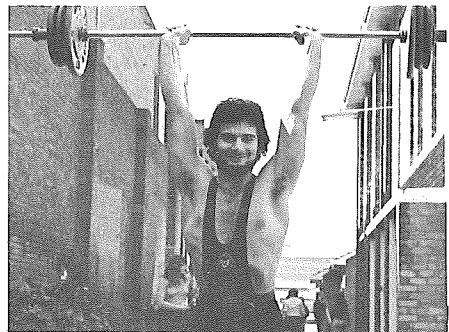
GINO FRATANGELO

Our Australian Champion Weightlifter

A Profile by Pam Fotheringham

Luigi Carmine Fratangelo, commonly known as Gino, set three national records at the Australian Weightlifting titles in the light heavyweight division this year. In the Clean and Jerk he lifted 145 kilos, in the Snatch 115 kilos and set a total record of 260kilos. The prizes were a gold medal and the Bill Stellas Perpetual Shield for the best Australian Schoolboy lifter.

Before starting weightlifting Gino had done judo for eight years, obtained the brown belt twice and came third in the under sixteen national titles at the age of thirteen. Two years ago he took up weightlifting. He learnt that technique is more important than strength and once he had mastered the correct technique he graduated from lifting 170 to 200 pounds within a couple of weeks.



The Australian national schoolboy titles were introduced in 1975 to encourage more people to take up weightlifting and thus improve the overall Australian standard. Gino came third in them last year, first this year and if he can lift another five kilos in the next six months, which he assures us he will, he qualifies as a member of the Australian Olympic team to compete in Greece in 1978. Expenses are paid and Gino will have time to visit his grandparents in Italy.

Gino is a third year matriculation student studying sciences. Next year he hopes to train to be a P.E. teacher at the T.C.A.E. or study for a Bachelor of Science degree at University.

Weightlifting can interfere with schoolwork as it is a sport with a lot of stress. Gino trains for one to one and a half hours five nights a week at the Police Boys Club and before any competition must psyche himself into the right frame of mind. Apparently the Australian standard has been poor but it is improving all the time so maybe one of these days L.M.C. will be able to boast a world champion weightlifter among its past students.



Kerry Byrne — 1977 winner of the Pardey Shield.
Kerry is the second L.M.C. girl to hold this shield which is the most prestigious trophy in schoolgirls' tennis.

HOCKEY

MATRIC BLUE MAKES GRAND FINAL

After a long season and one of mixed fortunes, Matric finally learnt how to win. It finished third on the roster ladder. Then after beating Churinga 2-1 in the semi-final, we played Apex the next day in the preliminary final. Again we emerged the victors (2-1) after a hard fought game. And then seven months training became all worthwhile on Grand Final day. Down 1-0 to Penguins at half time, we fought back to be 2-2 at full time. After 10 minutes each way on time-on the score was still 2-2, but after another four minutes, Penguins scored. The final whistle saw the score at 3-2 and two very tired teams which had both played extremely well.

Matric played the best it ever had and I was very proud to be involved with it.

This year our team changed considerably as we lost several players and gained a few others. The season started dramatically with last year's centre forward Sue Fitzpatrick unable to play after breaking her ankle before even the first game. In July, Peter Hill left for America on an A.F.S. Scholarship and Julie Miller left us as she is expecting a baby (at last!).

Soon after, Alison Pope and Sandra Cherry joined us. Alison proved to be an invaluable halfback (and forward) who put us into attack time and time again. Sandra, ever reliable on the backline, greatly encouraged the side and brought us to life in times of despair. Donna Brooks, also at full-back and working well with Sandra, played her usual dynamic game even with a nagging knee injury. Rachel Payne played consistently at right-half, giving all she had and coming to a peak in our last few games.

Our sturdy and ever reliable centre-half, Jill Holmes, kept us together after an ankle injury kept her out for a few of the early games. Vice-Captain, Fiona Quick, was the instigator of many attacks, making many brilliant runs up the wing. She was well supported by Mary Pike who has had a good season. Our "deflector" into goal, Sonny Richards, always tried hard and eventually began to place her shots well and scored many of our goals. Kim Holloway also had a foot injury but nevertheless played superbly at both her new found positions of full back and wing. Natalie Ranson, our goalie, played well all season but excelled herself in the second part of the season.

Our normal roster was complemented by a combined roster with North Western teams. This was divided into two sections and although we lost only two games we came seventh overall. The team also participated in the Inter-Matric Sports Carnival and although we made the Grand Final we lost to H.M.C.

I would like to thank all those who have helped us out when we needed reserves and extra players. Thanks also to our coach Warwick Allen who has helped us all throughout the season.

This has been the best and happiest hockey season for me and I hope next year Matric can go one better and win the Grand Final.

Joanne Harding

FOOTNOTE

Jo was right when she said it was her best season. What she didn't add was that as well as captaining Matric to the Grand Final (hardly a game went by that she wasn't named best player) she also was selected in the Northern Under 19 team and the Northern Women's team where she deservedly won the trophy for the best Northern player. She only just missed out on selection in the State Women's team but very definitely made the Under 19 side. The whole team would like to thank Jo for the dedication she has shown to the team and to congratulate her on an outstanding personal performance this season.

Matric Blue Team

SOFTBALL

September 1977 saw the formation of an L.M.C. Softball team. To begin with there were numerous problems such as uniforms and equipment, but with the aid of Mrs. Craw and Claire Eade they were quickly overcome.

Our next hurdle to cross was the preparation of a successful team; here Dave Newman stepped in and volunteered his services as coach.

Therefore, with Dave as coach and Claire as manageress, "Churinga" is anxiously looking forward to a successful season.

Many thanks to all those, including players, who assisted in its formation, and Dave Newman for his time and assistance.

Leanne Henderson

YOGA

Yoga classes were held each term this year. They were led by Mrs. Penny Davies. Usually only girls attended; occasionally we were joined by the superior race.

The Yoga we practice is mainly directed to keeping the body fit and the mind free of tensions.

FOOTBALL

This year saw the amalgamation of two Amateur football clubs — Churinga and Colleges, which was a natural amalgamation because Churinga was the old scholars' football club of the Launceston State High School.

The late amalgamation didn't leave us much time for appointing coaches and general organization but B Grade won six matches, A Grade only three. However, the relative lack of success on the field was matched by some reasonably successful social activities off the field. Next year we hope to start building the club and within a few years to gain a premiership.

Once again many students have participated in the football club and three have been appointed to the general committee, namely Michael Green, Simon Howard and John Muggridge. These students have also played with the club: Michael and John in A Grade, Simon in B Grade. Michael and John played well at times but lapses in concentration must be overcome if they are to be regular A Grade players next year. Simon must be more determined to gain possession of the football.

Another regular A Grade player has been ruckman Doug Watts who, with further experience, should develop into a handy ruckman.

Many other students played some games throughout the year including Scott Knight, Robert Schier, Brett Duhig and Shane Mallinson.

The retirement of Greg Sultor and Chris Bennett left big holes in the team, which we found difficult to plug this year. The other staff member, Ian Clarke, came out of retirement half way through the season and proved to be very a reliable ruckman and forward in B grade although he is known to have left his kicking boots home on several occasions.

The College football team is to be congratulated on being the only Launceston Matric team to win all its matches in the mid-year inter-matric sports held in Launceston.

Next year Churinga Colleges hope to consolidate and with the expected return of some past footballers and increased participation by students at this College, a more successful year in the field is anticipated.

SQUASH

The Launceston Matriculation College Men's Squash team for 1977 played in two different competitions, coming out undefeated in both. The first was against the Matriculation Colleges from all over the State and the second was against the local Colleges.

The team played in the roster for HSC classes against St. Pat's, Scotch, Grammar and Alanvale. The final against St. Pat's was an exciting match with LMC winning 2 rubbers to 1. Ain't ya proud of us!

The girls fielded two teams in the HSC roster and made the preliminary final. Alanvale defeated us 2/1 in a close match.

Tim Phillips, Captain

SOCCER

TWO MAKE NORTHERN SQUAD

It has been quite a successful and fulfilling year for the College teams. All those who took part in the Thursday afternoon training sessions played competitively in one of the three Matric sides. Most had spells with the Under 19 team; J. Langman, D. Caving, N. Collins, L. de La Motte played with the "A" Reserve team; R. Deeth, M. Witheford and P. Schwamm had stretches with the "A" Grade team; while D. Philp showed himself to be a valuable member of Launceston Croatia's "A" Grade.

The Under 19 squad finished in third place, with the best result being the 1-0 win over top team Croatia. P. Roberts, D. Bratt, S. Duffy, and M. Broxton in goal emerged as vastly improved players for this team.

In the inter-college we had a certain amount of success. After a 6-1 win over Alanvale, we won a hard-fought game against H.M.C. by 5-2, avenging our somewhat embarrassing defeat of the previous season. However the team ran out of steam in the final against E.M.C., and we were beaten 6-0. Best players were D. Philp, P. Bland and R. Deeth who scored six goals in the competition.

R. Deeth and M. Witheford were both in the Under 18 Northern squad that beat South 3-1. Several players were included in Northern trials, and congratulations to Paul Schwamm who made the State Under 16 team.

Thanks go to Mr. Calcraft for his tireless efforts in coaching the squad.

Martin Witheford



MATRIC A GRADE WOMEN'S HOCKEY TEAM

FRONT ROW (left to right): Rachel Payne, Fiona Quick, Jo Harding (Capt.), Sandra Richards, Kym Holloway.
BACK ROW: Alison Pope, Sandra Cherry, Jill Holmes, Nathalie Ransome, Donna Brooks, Mary Pike.



L.M.C. FOOTBALL

FRONT ROW (left to right): Graham Butterworth, Stephen Fleming, Daniel Howard, Wim Vaessen, Malcolm Upston (Capt.), Leon (F.J.) Prewer, Mark Du Sautoy, Robert Schier, Gary Hennessy, Greg Sultor (Coach).
BACK ROW: Ian Clarke, Brett Fryett, Steven Clancy, Stephen Archer, Rodney Parsons, Paul Kearney, Peter Claridge, Brian Edmunds, Scott Knight, Scott Goodman.
ABSENT: Shane Mallinson, Simon Howard, Michael Green, David Frelek (Runner), Lane Robertson.



SOCCER

FRONT ROW (left to right): Neville Collins, Leigh De La Motte, Martin Witheford (Capt.), Dennis Chung, Jeremy Langman.
BACK ROW: P. N. Calcraft, Peter Bland, Paul Schwamm, Derek Bratt, Stephen Duffy, Peter Roberts, M. Cassidy.
ABSENT: Mark Broxton, Robert Deeth, Douglas Philp.

Reserve 'A' Womens Hockey

The team this year met with mixed success. We began enthusiastically with high hopes of reaching the finals, but positional changes made every week, in order to give all team members a game, proved a handicap. A few weeks into the season we suffered another set-back, the loss of our captain, Carol Cooper, who left College. She was followed later by solid left half Kerrie James.

However after this, under the coaching of Mrs. Craw, the team became more consistent.

Amongst our best players were top goal scorer Debbie Hills, right wing Pam Bensemenn and centre half Sally Johnson. Also in defence Val Calcraft and goalie Sarah Davies were always reliable. An outstanding feature was the hard hitting and good stopping of right back Jean King.

Other valuable team members were Jenny Griffiths and Jenny Billett as hard working inners, Penny Gleadow a very reliable left half, and our reserve Cheryl Kilbey.

Through the season we did manage to deal out a few shocks, the most exciting being holding top team Penguins to a one all draw.

Our finals hopes hinged on a hard-fought match against Apex in which we were unlucky to lose 3-2. However team enthusiasm was high throughout the season and all players enjoyed themselves.



RESERVE A HOCKEY TEAM

FRONT ROW (left to right): Pam Bensemenn, Lyn McKenzie, Sarah Davies, Jane Vincent, Jenni Griffiths.
BACK ROW: Sally Johnson, Jean King, Valerie Calcraft, Kathy Joyce, Cheryl Kilbey, Debra Hill, Mrs. C. Craw.
ABSENT: Penny Gleadow, Jenny Billett.

MEN'S HOCKEY SUCCESS

BRUTE STRENGTH HELPED

I put down our success this year to sheer skill and experience and sometimes brute strength. We went through the season undefeated and finished on top of the ladder. Unfortunately, in our games against the southern and north-western matriculation colleges, we did not meet with the same success; in fact we finished an unlucky last.

We recruited heavily this year; our surprise player was David O'Brien, whom we 'pinched' from Alanvale. Our defence this year was very strong, with Brian Stronach and his 'machine' in goals. "Hey" Coupee and Rob Howard, our full backs through-out the year, terrified the opposition.

The halfline consisted of the "stick-smashing-on-goalie's-legs" specialist, Nigel Richardson, Compton Allen in the centre, and the player who liked watching people (especially the girls) go for trips, Rohan Lane. Well, what can we say about the forward line? Not much really, except to say that it was made up of Moose, Werner, Sharding, Dobbs, Finney, Tangles and, for part of the year, that unco-ordinated lump of flesh, Shane Rosevear. Another player who needs to be mentioned and whom we would like to thank is Anthony Collins, who sometimes played when he got up early enough. Most of our players usually turned up just in time, which was a tactic used to baffle the opposition.

We would like to thank Julie Miller and her girls for providing practice and entertainment on Thursday afternoons and Mr. Lane for giving out the shirts at the beginning of the season and collecting them at the end, and for coaching us in the meantime.

Compton Allen, Captain



MEN'S HOCKEY

FRONT ROW (left to right): Simon Thollar, Malcolm Moore, Andrew Finney.
MIDDLE ROW: Anthony Collins, Nigel Richardson, Compton Allen (Capt.), Martin Coupee.
BACK ROW: John Schade, Rohan Lane, Robert Howard, Brian Stronach, David O'Brien.

NETBALL FIRSTS

Apart from knee and ankle injuries, donated by Anne Blackborrow and myself; a mid-season coach change; only two wins in the N.T.N.A. B Grade Roster; and generally a rather disruptive season — we survived.

The privilege of playing the Colleges' all male staff team, was certainly a challenge for survival! Being knocked to the ground twice by Chris Bennett was one of those rare experiences I don't wish to encounter too often! The unique skill of our goal shooters, Debbie Mills, Yvonne Coomber, and Tracy Jetson, was certainly put to the test when Ian Clarke and Dave Newman insisted on standing there, one foot away from the goal shooter, instead of the legitimate three feet. However, despite such provocations, the netball girls put up a good fight considering the male is supposed to be the dominant of the species!

The closing score, after a tense and invigorating two minutes time on, was certainly a relief at 15 goals all.

Although our success was limited in our Saturday roster, we finished third in the Inter-matric Sports Competition by defeating Alanvale and Hellyer Colleges, and drawing with Hobart Matric. These games undoubtedly proved to be of great benefit both in skill, and the opportunity of meeting and playing other Matric teams from throughout the State.

Special mention must be made of Alison Turner and Anne Phillips, for many games best players, and Jenny Stone and Alison Collis for their skill as goal keeper and goal attack. Of course, the goal shooters, Yvonne Coomber and Tracy Jetson, must be commended for shooting some excellent goals throughout the season.

Karen P. Smith, Captain

STAFF v. GIRLS NETBALL

A keenly contested Staff v. Girls netball match took place during last term.

The staff team consisted of a group of long-legged male teachers who had more enthusiasm and energy than netball skill. The rules of netball confused some members and many pained looks were given to the umpire.

The girls were a team of dedicated players led in goals by State Under 19 Captain Debbie Mills. Anne Phillips, Karen Smith and Alison Turner showed a large crowd of spectators that skill can beat height and speed. Tracey Jetson, Kinchem Hegedus and Anne Kaczmariski stopped many forward moves by the Staff attack.

The Staff team was trailing 9-6 at half-time when a positional change was made which put Dave Newman in goals as chief goal shooter. At full time the score was 13 all, and two very exciting extra minutes were played. Both teams scored two more goals and it was decided to leave the result a draw.

Claire Eade umpired and had excellent control of a most enjoyable game.



NETBALL FIRSTS

Left to right: Tracy Jetson, Jenny Stone, Alison Turner, Karen Smith (Capt.), Anne Phillips, Yvonne Coomber.
Absent: Alison Collis.





WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
FRONT ROW (left to right): Karen Dowie, Leanne Bolsh, Kim Trickett, Chris Harrison.
BACK ROW: John Lee-Archer (Coach), Kaylene Knee, Debbie Mills, Lyn Briginshaw.
ABSENT: Vicki Meagher, Caroline Best.



MEN'S BASKETBALL
FRONT ROW (left to right): Massimo Carriero, Shane Curran, Nigel Wood.
BACK ROW: Mr. Dave Newman, Garry Hennessy, Scott Knight, Stephen Le Fevre, Mr. Graeme Young.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

This year Matric fielded a new look team in the men's B Grade roster, due to the combining of Matric and Parkside. This gave both teams a lot more depth than before and the beginning of the season showed promise of things to come. The team started off well, always being up with the leaders.

However about threequarters of the way through the season the team's previously high standard of play couldn't be maintained and the team started to slip, being beaten by lesser sides in the competition. It is unfortunate that the team could not continually get together as when we did we were phenomenal ball players, capable of beating anything. Although the structure of the team fluctuated considerably throughout the year there was a nucleus of players.

Ian McGregor — the old fellow of the team, couldn't run as far or as fast as the others, but put in valuable games and was essential for transport of half the team home.

Scott Knight — no-one could stop the big fella if he jumped. Scored many points under the basket.

Garry Hennessy — if he was on his shots he'd score a bucket full of points and couldn't miss. If he was off, ... well some of them went in.

Woody — was brought on and scored some phenomenal baskets.

Max Carriero — import of the team, and played well once he understood us.

Steve Le Fevre — also scored some very good baskets.

BASKETBALL

This year the Matric women's basketball team played in the NTBA B Grade roster. Overall we had a most successful season in comparison with last year. We were most unlucky in our final few roster games which resulted in a series of three draws which limited our chances of reaching the finals. Our last roster match resulted in another draw which allowed the opposing team to enter the finals and we remained in fifth position.

Top scorers were Vicki Meagher and Debbie Mills who played consistently throughout the season. Most of our success was due to the determination of the players, in particular Leanne Bolsh and Caroline Best who played well in defence. The remaining members of the team, Lyn Briginshaw, Chris Harrison, Karen Dowie and Kaylene Knee, were most enthusiastic team members who helped improve our standard of play throughout the season.

We would like to thank our coach John Lee-Archer who spent much time training the team and helping with team organization.

INTER-MATRIC SERIES

A State-wide inter-matric series was held in Launceston during the second term. We played Alanvale Matric in an elimination game to decide who would represent Launceston. We ran out winners 20-17 in a very hard match.

The team to represent us were: Elizabeth Gurr, Debbie Mills, Elizabeth McCulloch, Caroline Best, Leanne Bolsh, Vicki Meagher, Sandra Schubert, Anne Blackborrow, Kim Trickett.

The games commenced in the morning at Dowling Street where we played Rosny Matric. Through a very good combined team effort we defeated Rosny 25-12. This allowed us to move straight into the final in which we were defeated by a much stronger and more experienced team in Hobart Matric College, 26-18.

Kim Trickett (Captain)

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Shane Curran — did a lot of running around, sometimes constructively, sometimes it was for nothing!

Hully and Robhob — again another couple who scored some absolutely amazing baskets that had to be seen to be believed.

Also thanks to all the others who played at one time or another and did their part.

The above-mentioned team was bolstered by a few imports for the Inter-matric series, thrashing Alanvale and Hobart Matric but losing in the final, unluckily, on the last throw of the match.

CANOEING

It is not that Mr. Allen is normally sadistic but rushing water has an effect on him that differs to the one it has on me. Mr. Allen, each Thursday afternoon, manages to find the most treacherous, rocky, fast flowing stretch of water for us to put our kayaks in at Corra Lynn (our most popular venue).

Immediately that we cross the first weir, rocks the size of cars seem to draw the kayaks on to them like magnets. One feels rather helpless and small in the raging torrent, bouncing off rocks with waves crashing over the boat. (Forgive me for slight understatement).

Upon reaching the swimming hole, which marks the completion of the course, he has an "endearing" way of saying, "Well, wasn't that fun!" We generally manage to mumble something back, thankful that we have another week to recover, when he will gleefully say, "We have enough time to do the trip again".

All in all canoeing is great fun, extremely exhilarating and we have a good, skilful, experienced teacher in Mr. Allen (and I have just got to keep telling myself that).

Philip Murphy

Matric Does Well in Athletics

A number of Matric students won events in last month's Northern Schools Championships. Anne Blackborrow was singled out by the "Examiner" for her two firsts and a second place and in particular for her 30.80 metre javelin throw, a record for girls.

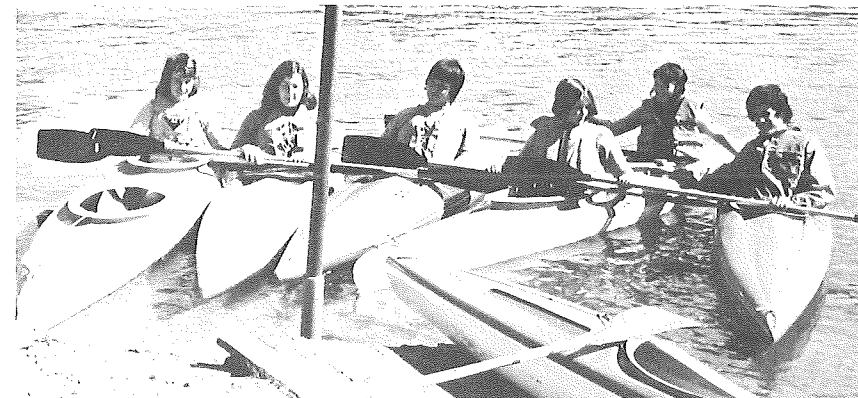
Below is a list of our successful students.

BOYS

Shot Putt — Gino Fratangelo 1st, Malcolm King 3rd.
High Jump — Michael Parsons 3rd.
Discus — Michael Parsons 1st (34.10 metres) record; Malcolm King 3rd.
Long Jump — Michael Scott 2nd.
Triple Jump — Simon Howard 2nd.
Javelin — Michael Scott 2nd.
200m — Gary Hennessy 1st.
400m — Gary Hennessy 1st, Trevor Gilbertson 2nd.
Relay — 2nd, No. 1 Team; 3rd, No. 2 Team.

GIRLS

Long Jump — Anne Phillips 1st, Fiona Quick 3rd.
Shot Putt — Anne Blackborrow 2nd.
Discus — Anne Blackborrow 1st.
High Jump — Christine Brown 1st.
Javelin — Anne Blackborrow 1st (30.8m) record; Kim Holloway 2nd; Karen Smith 3rd.
100m — Anne Phillips 2nd.
800m — Sally Johnson 3rd.



Canoeing has been a much enjoyed elective this year. Teacher-in-charge is Mr. Allen. In the line-up here are (left to right) Bronwyn Du Sautoy, Jean King, Michael Shaw, Linda Smith, Susanne James, Jamie Grant.



SQUASH TEAM
FRONT ROW (left to right): Anne Boon, Lindy Chugg, Karen Dowie, Dianne Cresswell, Belinda Bartlett.
ABSENT: Jenny Von Stieglitz.
BACK ROW: Elizabeth Knox, David Whittle, Greg Bird, Bruce Archer, Tim Phillips.
ABSENT: Stephen Fleming.



MATRIC COLLEGE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
FRONT ROW (left to right): Allison Kirk, Desley Clarke, Susanne Brown, Elizabeth Larcombe, Anna Burchill.
BACK ROW: Jeni Stingle, Helen Tremayne, Stephen Fair, Barry Squires, Robert McDougall, Kathy Young, David Clarke, Andrew Younger, Trevor Gilbertson, Jamie Grant.



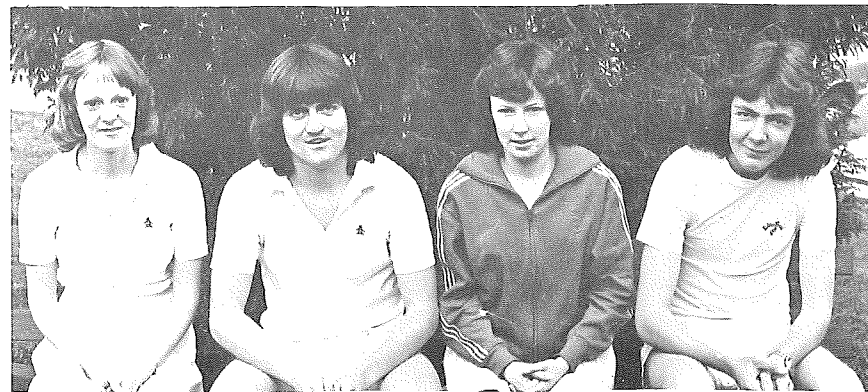
MATRIC II NETBALL

Left to right: Leanne Henderson, Maria Perry, Kinchem Hegedus, Lucia Perry, Sally Northeast, Anne Kaczmariski, Anna Cox.



ARCHERY

Left to right: Jean King, Elizabeth Cassidy, H. Kruesmann, H. Kent, Gordon Paul, Igor Papst, Paul Rutland.



BADMINTON

Left to right: Melissa Meyer, Martin Coupe, Jenny Garwood, Hilton Fletcher.
Absent: The other half of the team.



Pamela Miller who in October won the state Young Liberals Public Speaking trophy. The title of the speech was "My favourite Politician"... Pam chose Joh Bjelke-Petersen... She will now represent Tasmanian Young Liberals at their National Convention in Adelaide in January.

CYCLING

The New Kruesmann Elective

Every Thursday at 1.30 and 2.00 groups of approximately ten students set off from McBain's Bicycle Shop in Charles Street. They hire bikes for \$11.00 or bring their own. Their destinations vary greatly; trips have been made to St. Leonards, Corra Lynn and Evandale. They have also ridden along the new cycle track through Royal Park which is a most pleasant ride. In third term rides were made to Freshwater Point in Legana and out to Carrick.

In numbers females predominate. Probably for the purpose of attaining a neat, trim figure. The group hopes to arrange weekend trips next year probably with a half dozen devotees. New members are always welcome; no special gear is needed although a tracksuit is preferable to jeans.

The dangers of cycling are few although heavy traffic especially along Wellington Street must sometimes be negotiated. The group strongly follows road regulations and usually splits up into two's or three's riding Indian fashion. There is little danger on the back roads or along the carriage way at Riverside.

Trends show cycling is becoming a big part of our future. More people are cycling to and from work. It is more economical than a car and more efficient than bussing. It gets your circulation going and wakes you up for the day. It may be the only alternative in the future when petrol shortages occur.

The initial cost of a good bike with gears is \$100-\$180. They are a lifetime investment with minimal maintenance. Bikes can be obtained from McBain's in Charles Street or Kinnane's in Wellington Street. Many amateur cyclists wear crash helmets to prevent head injuries; this is a good idea since cyclists are relatively unprotected. Therefore, there is no room for foolishness or exhibitionism.

Overall, cycling is one of the most pleasant experiences; it brings you into a new awareness of things you don't see or smell from a car.

Lunch Time Drama

A REVIEW BY KERRY-ANNE JONES

In the past it has been the practice to hold a big drama evening once a year. This year with the new Speech and Drama syllabus, this was replaced by lunch-time drama.

One of the reasons why lunch drama was preferred was that this arrangement encouraged students to watch the productions and an average 1 out of 80 of the student body attended.

Another new innovation this year was the break away from formal staging techniques. Three of the productions were performed in the Speech and Drama room and, where the Assembly hall stage was used, it was employed imaginatively on two levels — stage and audience. The close contact that resulted served to create a rapport between actors and audience — a situation that fulfils one of the basic aims of modern drama.

Perhaps the main purpose in the minds of the instigators of lunch time drama was that it allowed more presentations during the year and thus a variety of drama.

The first productions shown earlier this year were entitled *Urbania* — a satire on city life and *The Circus* — which will long be remembered for the unrestrained use of shaving cream during the clown's act. They were essentially movement pro-

grammes relying heavily on mime and dramatic expression linked by poetry read by each particular class's most eloquent speakers.

PLENTY OF TALENT

During the winter term the college was once again amazed at the talent of the students who appeared in the production *Treatment of the Insane* and *Prejudice* which were both documentary dramas based on researched factual material. This material, through dance, song, music and comedy, was moulded into exciting theatre.

At all lunch time productions we were heartened by the warm and enthusiastic applause at the end of every act. But we would still like to entice more outsiders and new theatre-goers to swell the ranks of our audiences which we suspect are comprised in the main of friends, fans, teachers and innocent, embarrassed bookworms who had been quietly eating their dinners in the hall and who must have thought they had stumbled across an interesting assembly.

For lunch time drama to go on being successful, Speech and Drama needs the continuing support of the college student body as well as outside patrons. And as an added bonus we feel it is only fair to inform you that some students have been known to have left our productions entertained.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PROJECT

On September 20 fourteen young people enrolled at L.M.C. for a special education project. This project was designed to assist young people who were unable to find suitable employment.

Those who participated were selected by the Commonwealth Employment Service. The College organized a study programme to develop skills. These, it is hoped, will enable participants to fit more readily into the work force.

Topics covered included communication skills, business mathematics, typing, office skills and job preparation.

The course lasted twelve weeks. Males were invited to participate but none offered for the course.

It is possible that similar courses will operate next year as well as the College's own Transition Course described in the article *A DIFFERENT COLLEGE*.



Pictured are, left to right, back row: DENISE WOODS, CHARMAINE HARDY, DEBBIE HOW, BELINDA WOODWORTH, TRUDY SMITH. Front row: LAURETTA CAMPELLAZZO, HELEN BRZESKI, Mrs. CLARE, DEBBIE ASHMAN, ANNE-MARIE TAURIANS.

DEBATING

Attendance throughout the season flexed from a mere three to a not too numerous five; a rather disappointing number for such an interesting sport. A record of three losses to one win does not reflect the real standard of competition of the team, a team largely made up of totally inexperienced members.

It was with regret (mingled with much delight) that Greg Woodruff, our third speaker, gave his final speech of the season. We would like to thank him for frequently inspiring the 'junior' debaters. Grateful thanks are also due to Mr. Bardenhagen who stoically attended debates and added much to the general enjoyment of the game.

Those who debated:

Greg Woodruff
Pam Bensemann
Pam Miller
Steve Barnes
Malcolm King.

The topics were:

1. "That the Upper House be lowered" vs. Oakburn; Lost.
2. "That the Supernatural is nothing but a fantasy" vs. Broadland; Won.
3. Impromptu. "That debating is fun" vs. St. Patrick's; Lost.
4. "That nothing is too small for the really great mind" vs. St. Thomas More's; Lost.

Two debates had to be cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control.

Malcolm King

FILM SOCIETY

SHAKY START — STRONG FINISH

After a disappointing start with only 15 students attending our first film the enthusiasm of the Film Society was somewhat dampened, but we continued our efforts to supply LMC students (and friends) with good, cheap entertainment.

As the better known films, such as *Murder On the Orient Express*, *The Great Gatsby* and *Chinatown*, began to arrive and also with our 'different' approach to advertising, that is patrolling the quadrangle with a sandwich board, our audiences began to increase and our enthusiasm was renewed.

With the increase in support our financial situation also improved and in the end the society proved to be a valuable contributor to the forever diminishing SRC funds.

Mr. Gray deserves our thanks both for his time, and the assurance he gave Gordon Paul — our projector operating expert.

Anne Phillips
Film Society '77

A Different Kind of College

This was the key phrase from the P. and F. circular which went out to all parents in September advertising a combined meeting with teachers. The meeting watched a short TV film illustrating some of the more unusual educational activities within the College and heard Mr. Walker and Mr. Lane describe changes which they believe will make L.M.C. a different kind of college from the one we now know.

The changes, in the main, stem from the changed nature of the College enrolment. Once matric colleges had virtually a sole function — the education of students to matriculation level; for most students this was an appropriate goal and each year a solid percentage achieved it. The position now is that the majority of students do not go on to the University or Advanced College and for these, therefore, matriculation is not an appropriate goal.

What, therefore, has for some time exercised the minds of the staff of the College is the planning of a curriculum which will serve the needs of the hundreds of students attending here each year who go straight into employment. Some years ago now the concept of a balanced curriculum was developed which saw the introduction of (a) elective and short courses and (b) leisure and recreation activities alongside academic courses. This did much to dispel the idea that the College was a matriculation factory.

More recently the recognition of the need many students have for technical skills and knowledge has led to the introduction of such subjects as T.D. and Home Economics. Last year arrangements worked out with the Technical College enabled some students to study Radio and TV and Car Maintenance. Next year the list of Technical College courses which may be undertaken by L.M.C. students has been increased to include Graphic Design, Business Procedures, Salesmanship, Business Law, Purchasing, Shorthand, Typewriting, Radio and TV, Welfare Psychology, Library Procedures, Dressmaking, Fashion Drawing, and Car Maintenance.

Meetings at various levels have, in fact, gone on throughout the year between L.M.C. and Tech. College staff to see what degree of integration of courses is possible. Other than timetabling difficulties two problems that have shown up are (1) places in Tech. College courses are frequently fully taken up with their own students, especially day-time courses and (2) many students still feel that they must try to matriculate if at all possible and, consequently, don't feel that they can spare the time to do subjects which are not Level III H.S.C. subjects.

NEW CERTIFICATE PROPOSED

In an endeavour to overcome the latter

problem and respond to the need many students have for courses which have a balance of technical and academic subjects, L.M.C. has proposed to the Schools Board that the H.S.C. should be an achievement certificate awarded to students who attain a sufficient number of points from the successful completion of a wide variety of short and long term courses for which points would vary according to their length and level of difficulty. Mr. Lane, in particular, is keen for this development as he is convinced that such a certificate would enable a much more flexible approach to course selection.

It would mean that most students from the wide range of students now attending here would be able to succeed in courses appropriate to their needs and abilities. It is inherent in present arrangements, he points out, that a sizeable percentage of students will fail and these are leaving college feeling defeated and without any training which would fit them for specific kinds of employment.

THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Especially since travelling overseas last year, Mr. Walker has been the advocate of a concept called the Community College. Applied to the situation here, there would be a fusion of L.M.C. with a number of the schools of the Technical College so that all students leaving high school and not going into employment would proceed to further education in the one institution which could offer a wider and much more balanced education than is now possible either in this College or in the other.

Those who at present enrol in purely technical courses would be able to benefit by being able to study some of the general studies subjects; students selecting academic courses would be able to leaven these with the study of commercial or technical subjects. Their experience would thus enable them to make a wise decision about the kind of career they eventually chose.

The Community College concept, of course, goes further than this as it also envisages that in the centre of Launceston you would have not only rooms, facilities and equipment for the education of all students in the 15-18 years of age category but also for the provision of a wide variety of courses for adults and for the activities

of all those groups in the community who would benefit from being able to use the College as a centre — music groups, drama, dancing, arts and crafts groups. Plans to build a new and large resource centre and a new theatre over the road from L.M.C. on the Tech College campus fit in with the development of a community college in Launceston. The community college idea, as can be seen, would mean a much more effective and economic use of expensive buildings and facilities than is the case at present.

Recognizing that there are probably quite a number of people in the community who would like to undertake the study of matriculation subjects, the College next year will offer classes in certain subjects — English, Maths, Social Psychology — outside present College hours. Institutions to cater for adult matriculation do exist in the mainland capitals and it will be interesting to see what potential will be tapped here by this innovation.

COURSE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

While the Community College idea is still taking shape and is a long-range matter, a strikingly new function for L.M.C., has been planned by the staff for early next year. This involves the running of a special full-time course for young people who have not been able to secure positions in this area of the State.

The scheme which has been worked out in conjunction with the Labour and National Service office in Launceston is specially designed to help the people who undertake the course to secure employment, to cope with its demands and the demands of ordinary adult life. It will, therefore, involve these young people in work in the practical aspects of mathematics, English, commercial practices and skills and in activities designed to be of general educational value.

Young people who undertake the course will of course, have to leave as soon as an employment opportunity arises. Most of the instruction will be in the hands of College staff but some will also be undertaken probably by people coming in to assist in special areas.

PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR?



Life is like the baking of a cake
You make even the smallest error
And your cake may go flat.

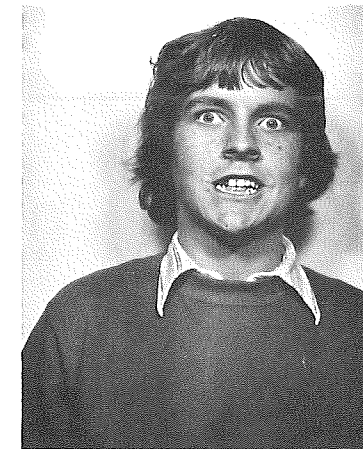
'Confuse Us'

In his capacity as author, comedian and actor, Stewart Corrick became one of the most widely known students in the College this year as a result of his performances in assemblies.

Stewart, a second year student and member of the S.R.C., is also a Beatles freak (he owns 71 Beatles L.P.s.); a Monty Python Fan; he plays the drums; is 'pretty sentimental at heart'; likes philosophising; enjoys anything that is clever, and banging his head.

In a third term assembly, Stewart read sections from one of his books. His books contain poetry, prose, illustrations, wit, and serious comment, in varying proportions. Both his writing and humour are spontaneous and original. To describe the subject matter of his books is not easy, as it ranges from cross-eyed receptionists; peace, syphilitic cows; shapes to life; politics; love; my grandmother; doughnuts; and three storey Georgian houses. Although he tends to dismiss it as 'philosophical garbage', Stewart has written some serious work and some sonnets.

Stewart is ambitious — he plans to become famous. He feels that by aiming



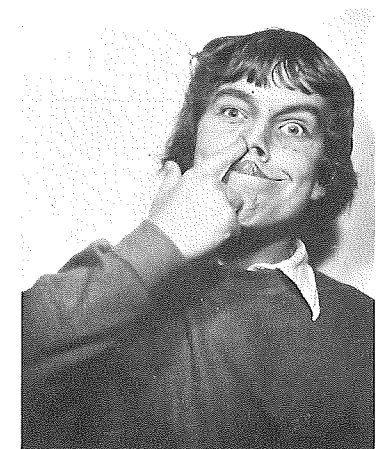
high he is less likely to be disappointed in achieving a goal. Next year Stewart plans to go overseas ('England, France, Germany and Bruny Island'). He wants to see the world to get more ideas for his writing. He wants to keep writing and eventually have some of his work published.

Interviewing Stewart was not easy, as there appeared to be so many different aspects to his character (which probably explains why he writes under 24 different aliases). Some excerpts from his book are probably the best way of showing this....

A.T.

De Lawd's Prey

Our Fudda — which are in Uganda,
Hallowed be thy game,
Thy Kingdom Come,
Thy will be done in Australia,
As it is in Uganda.
Count you dis day your daily dead!
Don't forgive us our trespasses,
As we shoot dem
What trespass against us.
Lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from Enoch,
For dis is de promised Land,
The Power and The Glory
For Idi and Idi Amin.



'The Philosophies of J. Edgar Whirlpool'

Life is like a chain: — If you break one link, the chain becomes weaker: — If you lose one link, the chain becomes a shorter, less meaningful one: — If the first link is strong, then strength will be in the chain: — If you join the two ends of a chain, you can see the continuing cycles of human life, continuing, that is, until the chain of human survival snaps and lies on the ground, limp and motionless — dead in every way.

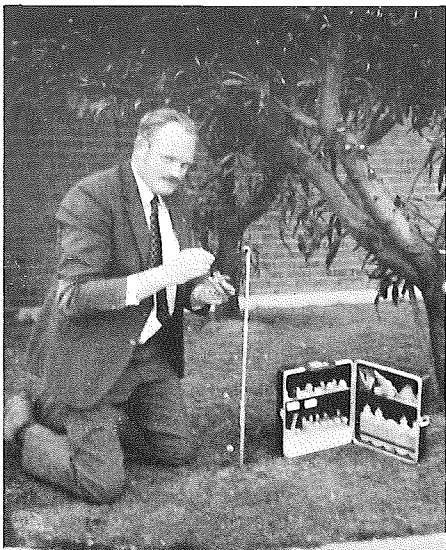
In this final break, we see the difference between life and the chain. When the chain dies, it can be revived by being mended. The "chain" of human life, or life as a whole, on Earth would not be repaired if that terrible split appeared in life's metal.

The strength of every individual link makes up the strength of the chain, and if one link weakens in some way, then the whole strength of the chain can be placed under suspicion. A chain can be a thing of strength.

The ends of the chain do not have to be held together by a pad-lock.

GOLF

Left to right: Warren Clark, Richard Bennett, Phillip Swinton, Malcolm Bruce.



WANTED

Mr. Doug Ewington

Mr. Ewington is a well known figure and personality throughout this College. He is the only geologist in the Northern part of the state and is well known throughout non-geological circles as well. Jane Vincent, Compton Allen, Mark Richardson and I had the pleasure of interviewing Mr. Ewington so that we could provide the students with his philosophies, his motivations, and what has made him a successful teacher.

When asked the question why he wanted to become a teacher he replied with the answer that he had an uncle who was a teacher and he influenced him greatly as a child. He became a teacher as a matter of course on completing his geological training.

By the end of this year, Mr. Ewington will have completed twelve years of teaching since leaving University of which six have been at L.M.C. After completing his first year of teaching at L.M.C. he was transferred to the matriculation classes at Burnie. After spending a year there, he returned to L.M.C. and has spent almost five consecutive years here as Senior Master of Geology.

His interests outside the College include the Scout movement, particularly the Sea Scouts, and boating. He is a member of the Tamar Yacht Club, and until recently he was the secretary of the club.

Mr. Ewington won the coveted Medal of Merit, which is given to a select few annually for outstanding service to scouts over a minimum period of ten years.

Mr. Ewington's talk and demonstration on boating and life-jackets at a recent assembly showed just how entertaining someone who knows his subject matter well can be. The assembly had been in progress for over three quarters of an hour before Mr. Ewington spoke and he had been preceded by four very interesting speakers, including our student from Texas, yet he still held us with his witty, informative and, at times, dramatic address.

Because he is the only geologist in this part of the state Mr. Ewington is often quoted on the A.B.C. in respect to such matters as the pollution of the Tamar and the nature of uranium deposits in Northern Tasmania. The views of Mr. Ewington on the Uranium debate are as follows:

"My feelings towards uranium mining are quite simple. I don't honestly believe there is a satisfactory way of storing wastes and, therefore, I believe there should be a moratorium until a satisfactory way of storing such wastes be proven. It particularly annoys me that there are people in society who know nothing of the debate whatsoever and yet are very vociferous".

There was, and is, a rumour that this year will be Mr. Ewington's last at L.M.C. When confronted with the question he said that he "had set his sights on a position in Hobart", and in addition he has applied for long service leave. At the time of the interview he was waiting for notification.

He feels that education will not change within the next few years and that education at the moment is caught up in a vicious circle; in some ways parents expect too much of their children, employers are asking too much in the way of qualifications and the standards of education in the basic skills in primary and secondary schools are not up to those in the past.

Mr. Ewington's services and teaching abilities have been invaluable to this College. If he does leave Launceston Matric and head for parts unknown, I think we shall all miss him. The magazine committee wishes to thank Mr. Ewington for giving up his valuable time so that this article could be written.

Peter Samuel.

My Experience of a Geography Excursion

That we must bring **warm clothing** on this epic excursion into the depths of the Tasmanian wilderness (beyond the black stump, a tramp in the mulga, carry on up the jungle and all that) was repeatedly emphasized by our well-meaning Geography teacher whose chief concern no doubt was our welfare. Being a diligent and conscientious student, trusting that the inevitable human error factor would not rear its ugly head on this occasion, I arrived at the bus depot at 9 a.m. precisely, having been accompanied across the road (because of the treacherous traffic) by my similarly swathed tutoress of the social sciences.

"Kelmont Vale", which turned out to be "Melton Vale" was our destination on that bright, **warm** sunny day (our furs were to be used once out on the arctic back-roads of that never-never place to whence our tyre treads turned).

Fate's sinister hand was again at work, however, allowing once more the trusting female nature (that of my learned instructoress this time) to supersede native commonsense. Her male counterpart was to be our leader, forcing at tongue-point the innocent bus-driver to take that fatal route.

Roads have a very nasty habit of looking strangely alike. Signs, too, can be deceptive; their lettering must, under no circumstances, be unquestionably trusted. In other words, our planned journey was somewhat protracted (8 **extra** miles) along an enchantingly countrified lane whose scenery was interesting geographically and pleasing aesthetically. Bumping along the Whitmore road we rounded the corner to be confronted by a straw-chewing, ruddy-faced, long, scrawny farm lad in overalls and a check shirt hanging courageously on to the reins of his munching, dribbling draught horse which stood 18.3 hands high. Actually I should say that is what we all expected to find. (I mean to say, we were beyond the civilised fringe of Launceston). The completely business-like front put forward by this entirely normal looking person standing by his motor-bike was thoroughly convincing. He even spoke intelligibly and even knowledgeably on the subject of his farm, so much so he even stunned our lecturers with his vast sea of information. At the end of it I mentally noted that this 'we've just recently bought a new tractor for \$30,000' and 'our weekly running costs equal about \$1,000' walking bank-balance was a person definitely to strike up a good relationship with. Indeed, the farm seemed so well managed and prosperous (profit maximisation is the guiding principle behind a commercial venture such as this) that I wondered secretly whether this had been a set-up between the teachers and the farmer ('impress the kids', 'give them a good case study', 'a living example of the theory which we spend months forcing into the torpid selves').

Westbury welcomed us with open arms; the locals plodded out-of-doors to witness the highspot in their year. Sniggering and prodding each other, they watched us painfully try to conjure up visions of the street names, which someone had inadvertently failed to put on the street posts (perhaps scared of misleading us). Anyway, we again foolishly heeded our printed instructions, and joyfully set about our tasks; complete rundown on the urban land-use of the village in **one hour**! House, house, house, house, shop . . . house, house, house, house, house . . . there's definitely evidence of some commercial activity somewhere here, I'll try not to blink too much and perhaps I'll even see the C.B.D.

An hour and a quarter later found us sneaking back to the bus, wondering how this innocuous little village could grow to such monstrous proportions as to nearly constitute an urban conurbation with Hagley, once you ventured along its quaint little (?) streets.

With a sigh of relief us city-slickers left them country-hicks and headed, to the thunder of our rumbling stomachs, back to the big smoke. Every bush, flower tree and blade of grass which poked its head out of the podsollic soil was carefully written down, to be used for the "vegetation" section of our assignment.

N.B. Names have been with-held to protect the innocent and I want to pass my Geography prac.

P.B.

GRAFFITI FOREVER

A student sits down to study,
An ordinary run-of-the-mill,
Slightly creative, but not overly so, student.

He stares in dismay at the clean blank walls
That surround him and his graffiti covered psychology books.

His girlfriend, in the next-door carrel,
Wonders where her favourite poem has gone

And how she is going to study
Without the informative, creative writing
That used to cover these areas of taxpayers' money.

The S.R.C. at L.M.C. has decided
To try to keep up with the values of the time

(as most conformists do)
By being spotlessly "Omo clean",
So that not a spot of character can show
Although,
While the students go crazy
Wondering where they are going to write
Their future masterpieces
So that the whole school (or those who study) may share their creativity.

What has happened to the thought-provoking, deviant, curious minds,
That used to prominently air their views on the study carrels?

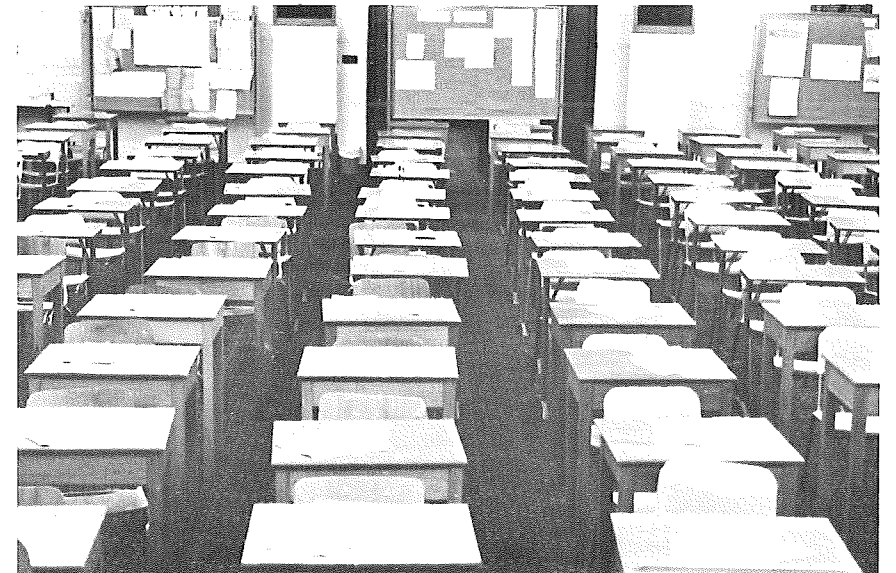
What you ask? They have been crushed
by the S.R.C.,
And their minds have subsequently perished,
And desert now exists where once were lush green pastures of thought.

REGGIE 1977.



During the weekend April 15-17 a group of Social Psychology students attended a camp at Bridport. The photo presents a section of the female participants displaying an awareness of the objectives of the camp — togetherness and personal communication.

THE JULY ORDEAL



ANGLE . . ANOTHER ANGLE . . WRECKTANGLE

Under the guidance of Mr. Bardenhagen, an enthusiastic committee produced the first edition of the College Newspaper, "Angle" in April. Articles covered included items on contemporary social issues such as uranium, mining and the "save the whales" campaign; sport with articles on cricket and caving; interviews with first year students concerning their thoughts on Matric life; an article on comfrey, poetry puzzles, and other items of interest.

The second edition called "Another Angle" covered a wide range of topics and reports on College activities. An interesting article written by Pam Fotheringham was titled "What's Happening in Launceston" and suggested a wide range of activities available for all.

A page was prepared on graffiti in the library, and reports were published on abortion, the class structure of our society, World Vision activities in the College, the Social Psychology camp at Bridport, and a comprehensive report on College football.

"Wrecktangle" was felt by many to be an apt name for the third and final edition of this year's College Newspaper, published late in second term. We received valid criticism regarding poor spelling, grammar and our stand in publishing several critical letters. Despite these criticisms, we felt this edition had merit in that it showed that L.M.C. students are not apathetic about College matters.

We printed fourteen letters to the editor covering topics such as assemblies, mid-year reports, exams and student activism. Other articles submitted covered road death statistics, Matriculation courses and employment prospects, and driver education courses.

Active interest and strong feelings in respect to S.R.C. activities were evident in letters published in each edition. As mentioned, in the third edition of the newspaper, we published a series of letters hotly debating issues concerning the S.R.C.

Throughout the year Mr. Keshow provided the newspaper with articles of great interest to those at the College. The results of a survey he conducted were printed in the second edition showing that over one half of all students were reasonably well informed about events happening on the regional, national and international scenes.

Simon Thollar's witty but devastating attacks on women appeared in each edition, in both poetry and prose.

During the year we sold over one thousand copies of our newspaper. The involvement and response from both students and staff was strong and helped our newspaper succeed.

Our thanks to Mr. Bardenhagen for his help and encouragement and to our committee for sustained interest and support.

The Editors
Alison Turner and Dianne Cross



NEWSPAPER COMMITTEE

FRONT ROW (left to right): Felicity Poole, Pam Fotheringham, Pam Benemann, Lori Grose, Alison Turner, Dianne Cross, Chris Taylor, Fiona Mehegan, Sharon Rigby.
BACK ROW: Mr. Bardenhagen, Eileen Philpott, Jenni Griffiths, Peter Samuel, Simon Thollar, Michael Merrington, Phillip Murphy, Elizabeth Bone, Virginia Thompson.

TONI BATTEN

Sixteen and a half year old Toni Batten is our first-year student who left at the end of August on a United World College Trust Scholarship, partly subsidised by the government. She will spend two years at the United World College of South East Asia in Singapore.

Toni first became aware of the scholarship through our bulletin sheet and, after passing preliminary application forms, was first interviewed at the college. There were more nailbiting weeks before she was informed that she was one of three successful applicants.

The others were a girl from Hobart and a boy from Wynyard who attends Don College and also goes to Singapore. The final interview was held in Melbourne and, according to Toni, was the most gruelling. A panel of three men fired questions at her such as "What do you think of the current economic situation?"

The scholarship includes air fares, expenses, six dollars a week pocket money and additional air fares for a holiday home in the interim. She was only given four weeks notice to pack and enough injections

— typhoid, cholera, smallpox, and polio — to give even the bravest of us qualms.

Academic subjects she has to undertake are English, another language, one of the humanities subjects, a science subject, Maths and another general subject. Three of these subjects are done at a higher level while the other three are subsidiary. At the end of two years she sits for the International Baccalaureate, an international exam which qualifies you for Universities all over the world. This year Toni has been studying Spanish, Indonesian, Australian History and Geography all at level III with the exception of Spanish.

Her outside school interests are dominated by National Irish dancing, for which she has three lessons a week and missed three weeks of school earlier in the year to participate in the Tasmanian Military Tattoo for the second year running.

And to think it all started with the bulletin sheet...

Pam Fotheringham

S.R.C.

Active but criticized

Despite the many projects undertaken this year by the S.R.C. and its committees, it still came under a good deal of criticism. This had its effect on the morale of S.R.C. members with the result that early enthusiasm of some dwindled and a few were left to do most of the work.

Some of this criticism may have had a basis but what you couldn't help notice was that the criticism came for the most part from students who were not prepared to involve themselves in College life at all.

We members of this year's S.R.C. firmly believe that we did work for the general welfare of students in the College, not only in respect to working conditions but also in making the life of the College more attractive to students, particularly in respect to social events.

Reports of the activities of S.R.C. committees as published in this magazine would seem to confirm this.

LOCKER ROOMS:

This year the S.R.C. instigated a plan to upgrade the locker rooms. What we discovered was that Launceston Matric is well down on the list, even for minor improvements. Obviously old institutions like this take second place to new ones. Plans for a completely new area for student locker rooms, cafeteria etc. were drawn up ten years ago but it looks as though it is going to be a good many years yet before these dingy and unsatisfactory locker room areas are replaced.

ART DEPARTMENT:

Everyone knows what a make shift the Art Department facilities here are. The S.R.C. co-operated with the staff in trying to get something done. Some changes began in October. These will improve conditions in the different areas already being used and also include the building of a staircase to the bottom of the Art Department. Up till now the bottom of the Art Department has been of little use because City Council regulations prevent classes from using it. It will now become useful as a storehouse and for small studios.

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INTER COLLEGE MEETING:

The first Inter-S.R.C. meeting was held on 20th May of this year. Representatives from all Matric Colleges in Tasmania attended this meeting at Launceston Matric, held in conjunction with the annual sports day. Many items of interest were discussed at this meeting. The main suggestions were:

- (1) The need for financial aid for mature age students. At present the amount a mature age student receives is \$43.00 per week. They are allowed to earn \$1,500 extra per annum, plus a \$10.00 living away from home allowance. This is considered to be inadequate, as most students do not find time to keep a part time job.
- (2) There is need to draw attention to the inappropriate use of funds, for example on expensive equipment which is rarely used.
- (3) Lack of sporting facilities. Hobart Matric has to pay \$472.50 a year to rent out a ground; this doesn't include other facilities.

RETURNING OF EXAM SCRIPT MARKS:

This matter was brought up at the inter-College meeting. It was decided by the Launceston S.R.C. to push for this. The S.R.C. thought it would be beneficial for each student if exam script marks were returned after the end-of-year exams. It was considered that a student could see where he went wrong and he could also check the marking. At present, we are still trying to achieve this.

COMPULSORY DRIVER EDUCATION:

The idea of compulsory Driver Education arose relatively late in the year. The S.R.C. feels that it is essential for all students to learn how to drive under proper instructors. At present students have to cover the cost of \$5.20 per lesson. Because of the high fee many students are not able to participate in this activity.

As yet no one is interested in this important idea. Perhaps this is ironical in view of the fact that these lessons could save drivers' lives. The initial outlay for this would be little in the light that human lives would be saved.



S.R.C.

FRONT ROW (left to right): Juliet Wood, Juli Condon, Andrew Smith, Peter Samuel, Pippa de Salis.
MIDDLE ROW: Jo Cleveland, Jenny Booth, Tanya Beattie, Jo Harding, Vicki Boyd, Lyn McKenzie, Susan Harper, Pam Miller, Hazel Trebilco.
BACK ROW: Stewart Corrick, Mr. Brian Watson, Steven Smart.

ASSEMBLIES :

It was considered that these were educational but should not intrude on lesson time. It was decided to request a special time slot for assemblies.

UNIVERSAL PASS :

At present, the I.D. Card is not being used to its full potential. The I.D. Card is used merely for taking books out of the Library. The S.R.C. feels that the I.D. Card should have a photo and record details such as blood type, date of birth, and address, so that students don't have to carry a bulk of cards with them. All students in Tasmania have to have separate cards and passes, such as bus passes, cinema passes, train passes, and so on. Each Matric College in Tasmania is working on this, and several members of parliament are interested. We are confident that by the end of this year, or early next year, all Matric Colleges will have this form of identification.

CHANGES :

Windcheaters :

In the past the College windcheaters were obtained from the mainland. As the quality of these was often poor and stocks arrived irregularly, it was decided by the S.R.C. to change to a local firm. A competition is to be run for the logie on the front of the windcheaters.

SEMESTERS :

There were changes in this year's term arrangements. This year terms were still divided into four quarters, but the year was also in two semesters. It was felt by most students that the original term system was better and that August exams were held at a good time. This year students felt the exams were far too early, and not enough study of the courses they were taking had been undertaken.

EXAMS :

A referendum was run by the S.R.C. to see whether students wanted the location of exams changed. The majority of the students said they preferred to have them at Launceston Matric rather than at the Albert Hall as in the past, and they will be held at Launceston Matric this year and in the future.

Juliet Wood,
Secretary of S.R.C., 1977.

STUDENT LEADERS SPEAK OUT

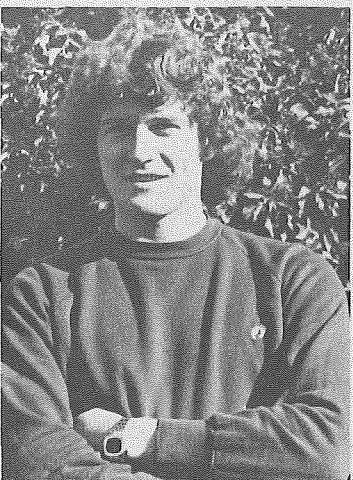
After reading the S.R.C. reports in a number of past CHURINGAS it has become clear to me that there are some who feel that the Students Representative Council is outmoded and has no function to play in College life.

Let me put this to those who criticise the S.R.C.

The Students Representative Council was originally formed, in my view, to provide a place for students to air their views on College life and also as for co-ordination for student activities.

On looking through past Churingas it is apparent almost immediately that the social atmosphere of the College has changed. Gone are the days of slave day, Miss Matric and other such well worth while functions. Now is the time for study.

At this point let me pause and clarify this statement, "Now is the time for study". Over the past three years the College atmosphere has changed considerably; many explain it as student apathy, but it is not only student apathy, it's also a lessening of staff participation.



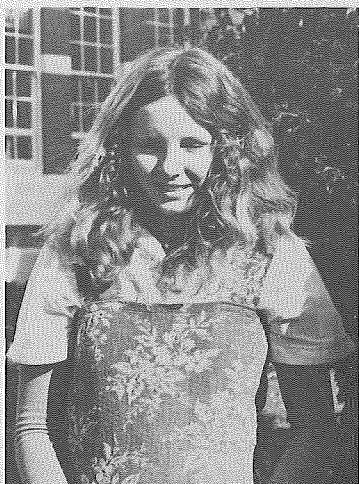
The explanation is to be found in the strains placed on both student and staff by the highly competitive system in which we work. This system and atmosphere is the LAUNCESTON MATRICULATION COLLEGE, and we are all affected by it. At the present time it is by name as well as by fact a Matriculation College, and until this College is changed, hopefully into the proposed Community College, social life will continue on a downward trend and the only thing that will go up will be academic standards.

I therefore recommend to 1978's S.R.C. not to despair and resign as many of this year's S.R.C. felt like doing, but struggle on as the Students Representative Council, because it is a worth while organization as will be shown eventually. I particularly urge them not to form into a clique, which is usually inevitable with such an organization as this which must spend so much time together.

Andrew Smith
President of 1977 S.R.C.

The first thing that I noticed at the beginning of this year was that even though I had spent some time working with the previous S.R.C., and that I had quite a few ideas of what I'd like to see done in the College, I was not sure exactly how to go about these ideas, and of my actual role as Vice-president.

Although the S.R.C. was selected early in the 1st term it was not until the end of that term that anything was actually achieved, this being the inter-college S.R.C. meeting. It had, therefore, taken the S.R.C. approximately ten weeks to learn their function and what could be done for the benefit of the students. I feel that this was a great waste of time and could be prevented if the S.R.C. of one year made a report for the incoming S.R.C. This report would contain helpful information explaining to the S.R.C. what the previous S.R.C. had tried to accomplish so that these ideas could be followed up, thus avoiding waste of time.



Even though it has not been a greatly accomplished year, especially after the terrific achievement of the abolition of exam fees by the 1976 S.R.C., it has been a good year. The things that we did not accomplish, such as the refurbishing of the locker area will, I hope, be followed up by next year's S.R.C.

The S.R.C. received its fair share of criticism this year as it probably has done since it was first founded. I think this criticism is needed as it helps to improve the S.R.C. and the people within it. As always along side the critics there are the supporters and the S.R.C. received a great deal of support this year from students whether they were in committee or whether they had just taken an interest in a particular function or campaign that the S.R.C. was running.

I myself, and I'm sure that the whole S.R.C., would like to thank these students for their support and help throughout the year and to wish the next S.R.C. a simple 'good luck' (because they're going to need it).

Juli Condon
Vice President

TUTOR GROUP 1

FRONT ROW (left to right): Leanne Wood, Wendy Johnson, Amanda Willmot, Christine Harrison, Helen Davies, Maryann Peck, Gillian Button, Heather Johnstone, Selena Dixon.
BACK ROW: Mr. Bardenhagen, Richard Ord, Robert Howard, Jeffrey Bremner, Malcolm Mead.



TUTOR GROUP 2

FRONT ROW (left to right): Melissa Myer, Kristina Koning, Jan Lord, Penny Gleadow (Chris Bennett), Sally Pickett, Anne Hooper, Sandra Thow, Jenny Billet.
BACK ROW: Deborah Atherton, Robert Schler, Anne Blackborrow, Simon Howard, Barry Squires, Sally Kerrison.
ABSENT: Jenny Hasdell, Sheryl Sinclair.



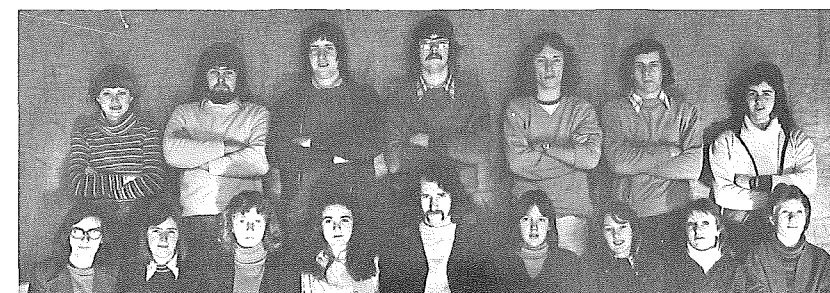
TUTOR GROUP 3

FRONT ROW (left to right): Theresa Bugg, Desley Clarke, Belinda Bartlett, P. N. Calcraft, Cathy Young, Helen Nixon, Stella Laker.
BACK ROW: Ian Williams, John De Graaf, Michael Shaw, Martin Witheford, Peter Roberts, Mark Broxton, Phillip Priest, Steven Parker, Stephen Dufy.



TUTOR GROUP 4

FRONT ROW (left to right): Kim Senior, Debbie Partridge, Elaine Groenewold, Jennifer Stone, Mr. M. Cassidy, Angela Bretzke, Karen Forsyth, Deborah Russell, Rosemary Zuber.
BACK ROW: Rhonda Hawkesford, Shon McIntee, Doug Watts, Greg Bird, Graham Mathason, Mark Du Sautoy, Natalie Harrison.
ABSENT: Dianna Dean, Martin Wolfhagen.



TUTOR GROUP 5

FRONT ROW (left to right): Toni Batten, Elizabeth McCulloch, Sally Northeast, Anthea Kirkham, Ian Clarke, Fiona Bond, Joanne Brooker, Pam Fotheringham, Penny Russell.
BACK ROW: Michael Van Der Molen, Craig Preece, Steven Bland, Michael Jacobson, Nick Richardson, Eileen Philpot.
ABSENT: Gerhard Gerike, Peter Claridge, Jane Driscoll.



TUTOR GROUP 6

Left to right: Susie Romeo, Maria Perry, Jennifer Stingle, Mrs. C. Craw, Sandra Bell, Sarah Davies, Elizabeth Gibbons, Kim Trickett.





TUTOR GROUP 7
FRONT ROW (left to right): Jerry Holder, Andrew Hudson, Jane Vincent, D. Ewington, Ruth Butler, Karen Dowle, Derek Bratt, Jamie Cooper.
BACK ROW: Graeme Smith, Greg Bowen, Gordon Paul, Wim Vaessen, Peter Lange, Brett Mitchell, Andrew Cole.



TUTOR GROUP 8
Left to right: Jeremy Davis, Helen Ten Haaf, Anne Broomby, Julie Whittingham, Elizabeth Knox, Jenny Wheeldon, Richard Austin, Rachel Payne, Mr. Gibson.



TUTOR GROUP 9
FRONT ROW (left to right): Stephen Archer, Andrew Finney, Helen Tremayne, Pippa de Salls, Joanne Harding, Mr. M. Gray, Scott Knight, Rodney Parsons.
BACK ROW: John Wright, Arend Schenk, Iain Larner, Philip Branch, Andrew Flood, Steven Edwards, Philip Stevenson, Rohan Lane, David Hutchinson.
ABSENT: Roger Barnes, Daniel Howard, Garth Pilcher.



TUTOR GROUP 10
Left to right: Janet Grimmond, Irene Hansen, Paul Schwamm, Vicki Boyd, Andrew Smith, Gail Hendley, Catherine Joyce, Anna Burchill, Elizabeth Luck, Julie Simms.
Absent: Jeff Mitchell, Wally Stanisz, Jimmy Taurian.



TUTOR GROUP 11
FRONT ROW (left to right): Linda Broad, Judy Davey, Christine Rehrmann, Jeanette Mallett, Mrs. J. Harland, Christine Taylor, Irene Kroeze, Debbie Slater.
BACK ROW: Pam Benemann, David Miller, Michael Green, Brian Stokes, Eileen Gibson.
ABSENT: Marcelle Brown, Sally Johnson, Lindy Johnstone, Dean Mance.



TUTOR GROUP 12
FRONT ROW (left to right): Aile Vanderburgh, Jennifer Booth, Maree Scott, Jo-Anne Wathen, Mr. How, Jenny Gunton, Debra Mortimer, Virginia Thompson, Melinda Richardson.
BACK ROW: Lori Grose, Stephen Taylor, Kevin Barwick, Kerry Leonard, Richard Phair, Judith Harwood.
ABSENT: Alison Collis, Julie Condon, Kim Graham-Jones, Astrid Palmer.

TUTOR GROUP 13
FRONT ROW (left to right): Igor Papst, Spencer Wilson, Rodney Spark, Leon Prewer, Dennis Lloyd, Warren Clark, Michael Scott, Hilton Fletcher, John MacLaine.
BACK ROW: Raymond Bradford, Brett Harrison, Elizabeth Bone, Heather Lack, Ross Parish, Ray Johnston.
ABSENT: Cathie Batten.



TUTOR GROUP 14
FRONT ROW (left to right): Wendy Hoyle, Fiona Mehegan, Elizabeth Symons, H. Kent, Sandra Shields, Vicki Bailey, Cheryl Kilby.
BACK ROW: Richard Stranger, Stephen Clancy, Stewart Corrick, Carolyn Rieper, Fiona Pegg.
ABSENT: Marlene Frankcombe, Nicky Nicholas, Malcolm Upston.



TUTOR GROUP 15
FRONT ROW (left to right): Debbie Hudson, Susie Aulich, Shirley Gillam, Alison Rhodes, Elizabeth Larcombe, Kim Holloway, Mrs. Kent.
BACK ROW: Anne Skinder, Greg Edsall, Simon Harris, Michael Warren, Debra Youd.



TUTOR GROUP 16
FRONT ROW (left to right): Lindy Chugg, Susie Allen, Rosemary Ritchie, Christine Brown, Yvonne Coomber, Vanessa Smith, Amanda Trickett.
BACK ROW: Mr. A. Keshow, Craig Johnson, Stephen Le Fevre, Richard Bennett, David Frelek, Gregory Woodruff.



TUTOR GROUP 17
Left to right: Edwina Rockliffe, Stephanie Mills, Dianne Brown, Andrew Mackay, Mr. A. E. King, Ann Phillips, Dianne Woodhouse, Jennifer Sims, Elizabeth Moore.
Absent: Caroline Ball, Jackie Procter, Gloria Rawnsley, Katie Von Stieglitz.



TUTOR GROUP 18
FRONT ROW (left to right): Susan Hope, Lisa Cockrell, Sue Bartholomew, Jillian Wilkinson, Lexene Linger, Pamela Watson, Janette Stewart, Kaye Gourlay.
BACK ROW: Margaret Johns, Bruce Archer, H. G. Kruesmann, Tim Phillips, Carolyn Ricketts.
ABSENT: Catherine Miller.





TUTOR GROUP 19
FRONT ROW (left to right): John Lee-Archer, Kaylene Knee, Jenny Garwood, Dianne Cresswell, Anne Kaczmariski, Donna McGushin, Max Carriero.
BACK ROW: Richard Badcock, Gary Slater, Andrew Edmunds, Anthony Allwright, Scott Atkinson, Robert Lancaster, Greg Clarke.



TUTOR GROUP 20
FRONT ROW (left to right): Bob McMahon, Denise Renton, Timothy Spark, Leeanne Bolch, Steven Kelly, Debra Mazengarb, Helen King, Barbara Burgess.
BACK ROW: Julian Adkins, Nicholas Bartoll, Nicholas Cosgrove, Margaret Van Peelen, Merrill Hume, Lynne Briginshaw.



TUTOR GROUP 21
FRONT ROW (left to right): Helen Bartlett, Leanne Henderson, Julie Miller, Suzanne Olsen, Susanne Brown, Fiona Quick, Alison Turner.
BACK ROW: Dennis Chung, Robert Prydon, Scott Shelton, Stephen Cronin, Nigel Wood, Antony Reid.
ABSENT: Andrew McIlfree, Julie Kelty, Edward Payne.



TUTOR GROUP 22
FRONT ROW (left to right): Ian Atherton, Leanne Butt, Jennifer Griffiths, Mr. David Newman, Lynne Imlach, Faye French, Anthony Collins.
BACK ROW: William Bonar, Philip Swinton, Philip Young, Graeme Butterworth, Paul Schwabe, Quentin Pinner, Niall Stewart, Michael Plass.



TUTOR GROUP 23
FRONT ROW (left to right): Heather Pagdin, Annette Hamilton, Susan Harper, Mrs. Pickup, Jennifer Von Stieglitz, Toni Britton, Jo-Anne Smith.
BACK ROW: Deborah Knox, Roslyn McClelland, Maurice Vialle, Neville Collins, Alan Harris, Claire Phillips, Deborah Elmer.
ABSENT: Vicki Johnson.



TUTOR GROUP 24
FRONT ROW (left to right): Anna Cox, Jo Cleveland, Juliet Wood, Miss M. Robertson, Elizabeth MacFie, Sally McCarron, Lucia Perry, Sandra Schubert.
BACK ROW: Jeremy Langman, Shane Mallinson, Brett Duhig, Michael Adams, Anthony Woodward, Tony Preece.
ABSENT: David O'Brien.



TUTOR GROUP 25
FRONT ROW (left to right): Andrew Amiet, Ian Wilkinson, Kieran Nixon, M. Salier, Susan Caruthers, Malcolm King, Paul Rutland.
BACK ROW: Alan Pedley, Kym Mansforth, Shane Curran, Karl Goiser, David Whittle, Anthony Street, John Schade.
ABSENT: Dale Creely, Ian Green, David Siggins.



TUTOR GROUP 26
FRONT ROW (left to right): Noel Poon, Gino Frantangelo, Elizabeth Cassidy, W. R. Scharapow, Valerie Calcraft, Leigh De La Motte, Brett Harmon.
BACK ROW: John Brown, Paul Bakes, Bruce Lyons, Robert Deeth, Mark Snodgrass, Scott Jetson.
ABSENT: Michael Parsons, Robert Rhodes, Michael Welch.



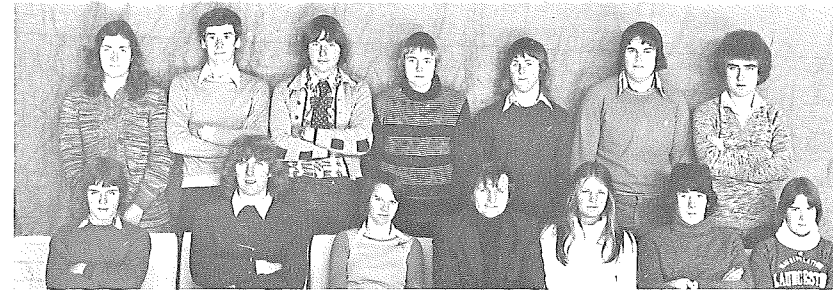
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FRONT ROW (left to right): Lisbeth Hopkins, Amanda Smith, Debra Hills, Mrs. M. Smith, Karen Willis, Elizabeth Stonjek, Linda Johnston, Leanne Hardwicke.
BACK ROW: Catharine Salter, Stephen Barnes, Trevor Gilbertson, Allison Trimble, Michael Merington, Lynton Janman, Debbie Le Fevre.



TUTOR GROUP 28
FRONT ROW (left to right): Jane Rowsell, Jane Cooper, Susan McElwee, Mrs. Mary Stancombe, Debbie Barker, Sharon Conroy, Julie Turner.
BACK ROW: Alice Bartlett, Heather Lightbody, Renee Heys, Doreen Van Galen, Cranston Gilbert, Merryn Collins.



TUTOR GROUP 29
FRONT ROW (left to right): Richard Anthony, Philip Clarke, J. G. Stocks, Jackie Chrispijn, Karina Page, Steven Fair.
BACK ROW: Greg Badger, Russell Annear, Brendan Daly, Malcolm Bruce, Jayne Targett.



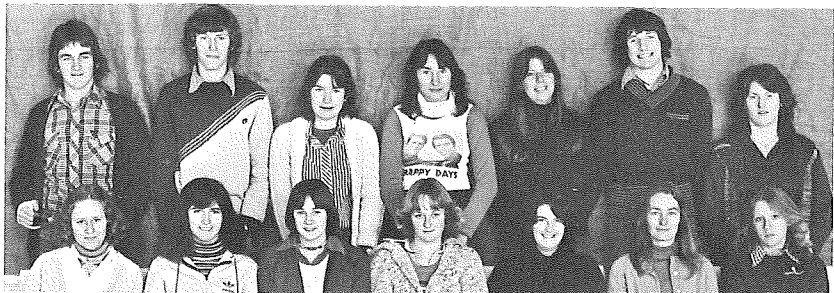
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FRONT ROW (left to right): Roger McBain, Paul Kearney, Christine Murray, Greg Suitor, Lynda Smith, Phillip Reid, Lyn Walmsley.
BACK ROW: Jean King, Andrew Cash, Mark Richardson, Jan De Haan, Michael Williams, Peter Haworth, Sandy Brunacci.
ABSENT: Roslyn Chugg, Judy Poynter, Kerry Williams, Chor Lup Chan.



TUTOR GROUP 31
FRONT ROW (left to right): David Clarke, Garry Hennessy, Louise Turmine, Stephen Swift, Martin Coupe, Malcolm Moore.
BACK ROW: Greg Fogarty, Michael Hyde-Wyatt, Layne Robertson, Robert Clark.
ABSENT: Nick Burrows, Peter Nicholas, Doug Philp, Jamie Grant.



TUTOR GROUP 32
FRONT ROW (left to right): Philip Murphy, Dianne Cross, Natalie Smith, Mrs. H. Trebilco, Gail Brown, Susan Sernaggia, Lyn MacKenzie.
BACK ROW: Jill Taylor, Karl Cundall, Peter Samuel, Brian Stronach, Robert McDougall, Tracy Jetson.
ABSENT: Michael Davy, Diane Exton, Alison Kirk.



TUTOR GROUP 33
FRONT ROW (left to right): Anne Prosser, Karen Turmine, Michelle Newman, Julie Bird, Ms. M. Walter, Monika Campbell, Elizabeth Lord.
BACK ROW: Scott Goodman, Stephen Fleming, Helen Ranson, Toni Brunacci, Fiona Walters, Randall Wadley, Lyn Jago.
ABSENT: Kim Jansson.



TUTOR GROUP 35
FRONT ROW (left to right): Sharon Callahan, Nigel Richardson, Sharon Thomas, Mr. Stephen Watson, Jillian Woodworth, Gaye Parish, Teresa Kretowicz.
BACK ROW: Brian Edmunds, Timothy Milton, David Lester, Brett Fryett, Scott Southam, Peter Hills, Ricky Shelton.
ABSENT: Dean Draper.



TUTOR GROUP 36
FRONT ROW (left to right): Debra Brown, Rosalie Hazelwood, Rhonda Gaiser, Andrea Barker, Mr. John Jermy, Susan Hoult, Tanla Beattie, Robyn Cox.
BACK ROW: Ann Macdonald, Carolyn Klapche, Stephen Snooks, Alan Ho, Peter Bland, Kathryn Singline, Rosanna Jones.
ABSENT: Frances Chitty, Allison Kremmer.

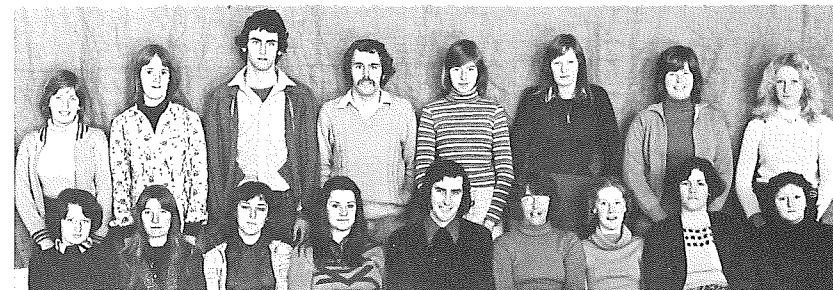


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FRONT ROW (left to right): Margot Nicholas, Karen Lindsey, Pam Miller, M. Woolhouse, Lesa Geard, Debbie Woodward, Bronwyn Stanley, Karen Smith.
BACK ROW: Felicity Poole, Egidio Longo, Wayne Betts, Stuart Harvey, Suzanne Stagg, Janne Cunningham.
ABSENT: Alana Dilger, Louise Hart, Sarah Turner.

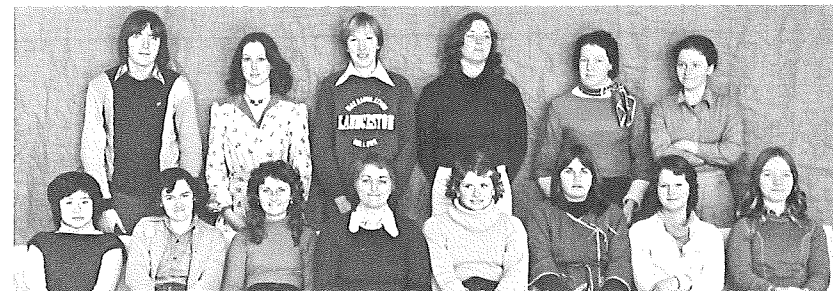
TUTOR GROUP 38
FRONT ROW (left to right): Naomi Brown, Zena Rathovski, Ann Hellyer, Alex Zivkovic, Mr. Woolhouse, Sharyn Rigby, Debbie Mills, Kathy Lockhart, Bronwyn Du Sautoy.
BACK ROW: Anne Boon, John Elkerton, Megan North, Mark Crawford, Alistair Fyle, Tim Partridge, Andrew Younger, Compton Allen, Nathalie Ranson, Susan Janes.



TUTOR GROUP 39
FRONT ROW (left to right): Kerrie Byrne, Karen Whitney, Kinchem Hegedus, Catherine Nielsen, Mr. Graeme Young, Claire Eade, Kathryn Hall, Susan Fitzpatrick, Tracey Spinks.
BACK ROW: Sallyanne Flood, Margaret Jongschaap, Michele Di Guglielmo, Garry Pike, Jane Ion, Elizabeth Bourke, Jennine Peters, Sharon Yaxley.
ABSENT: Deborah Ritchie, Julie Kolka.



TUTOR GROUP 40
FRONT ROW (left to right): Hiroko Hara, Debbie Ann Maddern, Meris Maree Page, Michelle Maree Douglas, Susan Marie Squires, Suzette Mary Cullen, Lindy Ann Willis, Alison Jane Fraser.
BACK ROW: Robert John Gibson, Kerry-Anne Kaye Jones, Wendy Dianne Battese, Caroline Gai Best, Fiona Elizabeth Tait, Allison Marie Kremmer.
ABSENT: Hazel Hilda Adriana Zoe Kolkert, H. R. Huxley (Tutor), Sharyn Lee Smith.



Entertainment Committee

The entertainment committee this year consisted of a fluctuating number of people that sometimes reached thirty. Pippa De Salis was president and Chris Taylor a very efficient secretary.

Throughout the year some successful, and some not so successful dances, balls, and folk evenings were held. The first ball was almost a success. The profit from the ball was below what was expected and the initial cost was not covered. We were twenty five dollars short.

This ball had an autumn theme, and the committee thought it was appropriate that the hall be decked out with small trees and bowers of red berries. Ham, chicken and fruit salad was served. Delicious!

Folks and Blues evenings were held throughout the year in the students common room. Many students within the College, and a few from outside L.M.C., attended and had a great time.

A gala Folks and Blues evening was held on 19th August. Many local artists performed, and nobody went home disappointed.

To keep the year from being a dull one, several discos were held. One was held at T.C.A.E. and another at the Trades Hall.

The end of year ball will be held at the Albert Hall with Anthem playing. This group is a knock-out and it should be a night to remember.



ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

FRONT ROW (left to right): Cate Salter, Andrew Smith, Sally Pickett, Juliet Wood, Anne MacDonald, Chris Taylor, Alex Zivkovic, Elizabeth Stonjek.
2nd ROW: Juli Condon, Jo Cleveland, Belinda Bartlett, Pippa de Salis, Alison Rhodes, Sue Harper.
BACK ROW (zigzag): Ms. Walter, David O'Brien, Tim Phillips, Anne Phillips, David Frelek, Katherine Singline, Bruce Archer, Anne Prosser, Shon McIntee, Steven Kelly, David Whittle, Cathy Nielsen, David Clarke, Fiona Mehegan, Jeannette Mallett, Mr. Brian Watson, Karen Turmine.

The committee also arranged the performance of a lunch hour magical show. This performance was such a success that it should have been put on film for Bill Bixby's Wonderful World of Magic!

To all those who helped the entertainment committee, and the committee members themselves — thanks for making it a great year.

Charity Committee and Community Service

HELP GIVEN HERE AND IN THAILAND

The Community Service activity of the College, now in its third year of operation, has proved to be most successful. It represents a formal course which provides interested students with an educational experience in conditions of life in the community. In addition, the course provides an opportunity for students to play an active role in helping the less privileged in the community.

In particular, the committee has responded several times this year to calls from service organizations for help in raising funds through selling buttons and door knock appeals. As well, the committee extended substantial help to a Launceston family throughout the year and has sponsored a World Vision child in Thailand.

RAISES \$268

To carry out its several activities the committee has to raise funds during the year, and money so raised met all the expenses incurred in providing help in the community. The committee raised a total of \$268 through conducting raffles and a generous donation from the Parents and Friends Association.

Members of the committee took turns to take four children of a Launceston family out on Sundays, to places like city parks, the zoo, the airport, the Great Lakes and other outer areas for picnics. During the year a close link has developed between

the family and the thirteen student-members of the community service group.

About \$60 has been spent in this way. Moreover, members had to give up their own time on Sundays to become available for the four children.

WORLD VISION CHILD

The Charity Committee has also acted on behalf of the College in the continuing maintenance in Thailand of a World Vision child. Until September of this year the College has periodically sent money to the World Vision to maintain a Thai child called Van Ponjan. This child unfortunately, had to move to a remote area of Thailand and it became no longer possible for the World Vision to establish contact with him. Instead, the World Vision has now directed the College donations to another Thai child named Charchana.

All in all, this particular course has been most beneficial to the student-members and the committee sincerely hopes that the College Community Service programme will continue to gain strength in future years. The Committee wishes to recommend this course to all students who wish to become involved in the life of the local community. It also wishes to thank its co-ordinator, Mr. A. Keshow, for his continuous advice and organizational help in all its activities.

Lynn McKenzie, President



CHARITY AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

FRONT ROW (left to right): Cathy Nielsen, Janette Mallett, Juliet Wood, Karen Turmine, Lyn Mackenzie.
BACK ROW: Mr. Keshow, Sue Hope, Rhonda Hawkesford, Anne Prosser, Sarah Davies, Sue Harper.

MONDAY TOO FAR AWAY

They say he died of heart failure. I disagree. It was an overdose of sedatives. 'Monday too far away' indeed; he collapsed on Sunday.

Every night he used to enter "The Great American Dream". How was he to know it does not exist and never will — a figment of the capitalist imagination. Slim, tanned beauties — flawless complexion and impeccable make-up — basked in the sunshine of masculine admiration. Houses with long, sweeping drives bordered by an avenue of trees or high rise flats whose decor boasted sumptuous luxury created a sense of inviolable security and gracious living.

Backstage were the diet pills, the plastic surgeons whose deft skill left only a tiny stitch behind each ear, too small for the camera to pick up and hidden anyway by a screen of permanently lacquered curls. The inevitable bitchiness, the tantrums, the chain-smokers, the tired eyes dark-ringed by countless sleepless nights, all hidden from the unsuspecting viewer.

Money, power, fast cars, outrageous women whose stock-in-trade conversation was a slurred "Daahling, I love it". This became his reality.

Each night he entered the dark, sacred cave to drool at the feet of his idol. More and more reality faded, his very brain became drained and numbed, till after an unsatisfactory snatch of sleep, he woke bleary-eyed, uncomprehending, to stagger through the daylight hours and return harassed and bad-tempered, to sink gratefully into his favourite chair, once more transported by his impossible longings.

On that fateful Sunday there was a power black-out. Strangled by the silent dark he collapsed, never to return to his void and empty world.

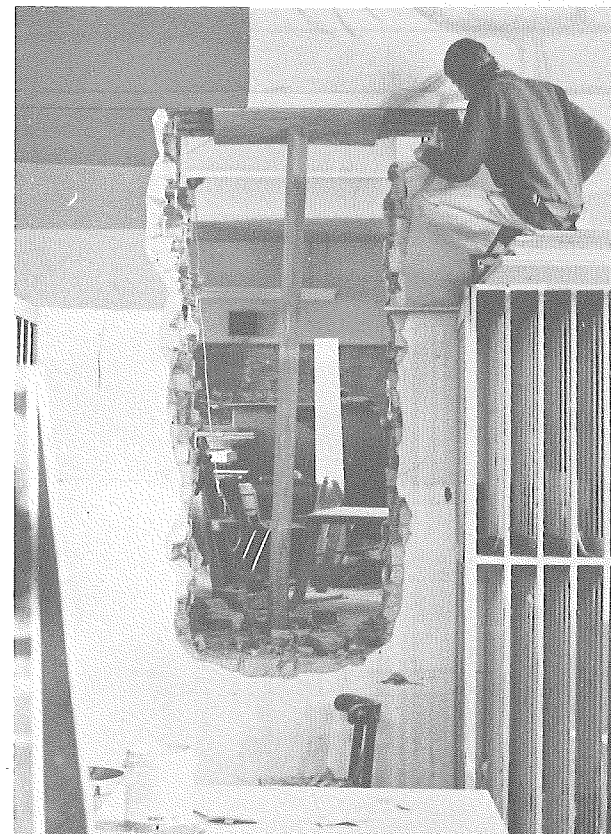
Life is too short to be lived as an illusion.

Pam Bensemman



FILM SOCIETY

Left to right: Gordon Paul, Belinda Bartlett, Kathryn Singline, Anne Phillips, Peter Samuel.



The S.R.C. worked for these improvements to the Art Block.



FACILITIES COMMITTEE

FRONT ROW (left to right): Doreen Van Galen, Elizabeth Cassidy (Treas.), Jenny Booth (Pres.), Jo Harding (Sec.), Margaret Jongschaap.
BACK ROW: Mr. Scharapow, Jean King, Shon McIntee, Greg Bird.
ABSENT: Kieran Nixon.

1977 Awards

S.R.C. President

Andrew Smith, Juli Condon (Vice).

Secretary

Juliet Wood, Vicki Boyd.

Treasurer

Peter Samuel.

Magazine

Jennifer Griffiths, Peter Samuel.

S.R.C. Awards

Cate Salter, Alison Rhodes, Sally Pickett, Sue Harper, Stewart Corrick.

Charity

Lyn MacKenzie.

Entertainment

Pippa De Salis.

Debating

Greg Woodruff.

Public Affairs & Forum

Pam Miller.

Facilities

Jenny Booth

Newspaper

Alison Turner, Dianne Cross.

Music

Wayne Betts, Helen Ten Haaf.

Peggy Pedley Award for Magazine Article

Pam Bensemman.

Vicki Daymond Award

Gino Fratangelo.

Film Society

Ann Phillips.

Blues Awards

Athletics and Soccer

Peter Schwamm.

Tennis

Kerri Byrne.

Hockey

Joanne Harding.

Netball

Debbie Mills.

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CHAMPIONS

Men's Badminton

Michael Welch.

Women's Badminton

Gail Hendley.

Men's Squash

Tim Phillips.

Women's Squash

Jenny Von Stieglitz.

OUR HOSTELS

Parkside

This is a report on the state of the Parkside Boys Hostel for Matriculation and Technical College students. The hostel is situated at 103 Canning Street, south of the Brickfields. It is a red, two storeyed brick building built by MEUM ABULDEM ALASTUMA MENI YEERZ, the first Tasmanian Aborigine.

Enough with history but perhaps you had better be warned you are left to your own devices deciding which parts of this report are true and which are false.

The facilities provided by the hostel are very good. A stereo player (which belts out continuous static) a snooker table and a table tennis table are situated in the modern games room which is popular with most students. The hostel is carpeted throughout. Heaters are supplied for almost every room, which are adequately spacious. The hostel was painted early in the year. Unfortunately the 'hostile' has a barbed wire fence around to discourage predators, door-to-door salesmen and Health Department Inspectors.

Seriously though, at the start of the year the hostel was filled to capacity but a few boys were asked to leave and a number of 'Tech' boys obtained jobs. The start of the year witnessed a number of initiations. Short sheetings were quite common as were fire extinguishings — extinguishing people that is. A number of strange things have happened at the hostel. The washing machines, unsatisfied with hostel food, mangle and gulp clothes. Flying saucers and plates are frequently seen in the kitchen and dining room.

Fire extinguishers have consistently throughout the year mysteriously emptied themselves — usually onto a resident. Other residents have suffered toothpastings — a hostel specialty.

The sleeping facilities are the joy of every resident. The mattresses resemble boards (a bad word at the hostel for reasons which will become obvious later on). One hostel pillow is too low, two are half a pillow too high. The blankets adequately cover any bed measuring five feet by five feet.

The study facilities provided are excellent with a compulsory quiet period 6.30-8.30 p.m. Recently more space has been created through the removal of some study carrels and this has led to a more relaxed and better study atmosphere although many people study in their rooms.

The matron is nice and sees that the hostel is run correctly. The housemasters try to control us. They are Mr. John Gibb, Kings Meadows High School Art teacher, head Housemaster, good for art problems; Mr. Michael Gray, good for physics problems, a Matric teacher; Mr. Graham Young, good for history problems and Mr. Dennis Lim, a C.A.E. student, good for getting a loan of his push-bike.

One of the highlights of the year has been the visit of the board who control the hostel. Throughout the year at different intervals they have had tea with us and discussed any problems we have had.

After an unsuccessful recommendation by the board a new set of less severe rules was proposed by the students. These included, STOP! YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED PAST THIS CHECKPOINT. BREATHING IS NOT ALLOWED AS AIR IS PRECIOUS, NO NOISE ALLOWED, STOP BREATHING, LIGHTS MAY ONLY BE TURNED ON IN EVENT OF POWER FAILURE, ENTERING ROOMS STRICTLY PROHIBITED WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT OF FEDERAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. As you can see the hostel is not very lenient as they would not allow these modifications to present rules.

In all honesty though the hostel has been like home. Washing up is compulsory (still), making beds is still compulsory and instead of one brother to fight with there are 30 all the same size. So none of the comforts of home have been lost.

The high point of the hostel year was when speculation ran rife that a girls' hostel would be built next door but unfortunately it turned out to be a creche.

"The food at the Hostel has been excellent" said a student (covered by a cook with a rolling pin). In second term the cooks accidentally used their year's supply of curry powder in a curry so any curry given to us now is from next year's allowance. The most hardened tough is said by hostel lads to be "as mean as hostel toast". The most popular foods this year have been pineapple, beef and custard, as these have been most popular with the cooks.

Actually the hostel isn't really bad, but it is faced with a very big problem next year which at this stage appears unsolvable; that is the return of most of this year's first-year boarders.

S. Fleming

Hillcrest

Some reflections by Naomi Brown

When you live at Hillcrest it's like having forty sisters. Well, who wants forty sisters you ask. When it comes to homework there are always plenty of people to help you with it.

Mysterious and unexplained things sometimes happen in the hostel, like strange and ghostly apricot tarts flying over bathroom walls and landing on your head.

Life in the hostel is good fun at times, but sometimes you wish you could burn it down, along with a few people in it. Seriously, living in the hostel means that you have to learn to get along with people. If you hate lending things it is not advisable to come to the hostel. Of course, there are rules and restrictions, such as no smoking in your rooms, in at 6.30 during the week, (late passes may be obtained), midnight Friday and Saturday nights and 10.00 on Sunday nights. Tea is at 5.30 (or thereabouts) and study is from 6.30 to 8.30 — there is no study on Friday nights. The hostel has such luxuries as a colour telly, an eight-ball table (the champions being Sally and Karen), a record player and a piano.

At meal times, grace is mumbled in two seconds flat and then there is a stampede to get tea first. The scrap bucket is usually full by the end of tea. There is a roster for tea duty; this consists of filling the water jugs, getting the teas out of the warmer and washing up. Everyone loves tea duty.

If you like your private life to be private, again it is not advisable to live in the hostel, for everyone knows everything about everyone else.

If you like a good stir, by all means come to the hostel.

Generally, the girls get on well and there is no segregation between first and second year students; though at times a few nice words are heard flying around in dorm one, where Vicky and the Flinders Island girls hang out.

Whenever we needed a mother or some friendly advice, Vicky Manson was the one we all turned to for she always had some friendly advice to push down your throat. But, alas, Vicky has left us now to fend for ourselves.

We hostel girls would all like to thank the cleaners for making our beds when we are running late for school, thank the cook and the gardener for looking after us, and especially thank Matron for the concern and care she has for us.



Life at Parkside

WE COULD BE ON THE WAY

We are not a Community College yet but to judge by the use made of the College after four o'clock and at week ends, we're on the way.

There are probably up to thirty different groups in this city who use the College regularly, another twenty who use it from time to time and it is also the venue for public lectures, concerts, seminars, plays and public examinations.

Here is a quick run-down on some groups that use the College regularly.

Monday Evenings: Launceston Bridge Club, Crescent Ladies Choir, Technical classes, Newstead Harriers, North Launceston Athletic Club for Women, Churinga Men's Hockey, Port Dalrymple Yacht Club, T.G.I.O. Netball, Ravenswood Olympic Soccer.

Tuesday Evenings: Migrant English classes, Northern Tas. Women's Hockey Association, T.G.I.O. Netball.

Wednesday Evenings: Launceston Youth Orchestra, National Dancing Group, Spartans Basketball, Northern Amateur Athletic Branch, Esperanto Club, Migrant English, Personal Relationships Tutorials, A.L.P. West Launceston Branch, Northern Highlanders Pipe Band, Tech. classes.

Thursday Evenings: Launceston Bridge Club, Seekers' Basketball, Migrant English, Adult Education H.S.C. classes, Kings Meadows Basketball Team, SPELD organization.

Friday Evenings: Launceston Male Choir, Launceston Youth Orchestra, Launceston Chess Club, Society for Growing Australian Plants, Bass Electorate Council.

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In addition to the above the College is used by Lifelink for lectures; the Launceston Bank for Savings, Telecom and the Public Service Association for examinations; the International Meditation Society for meditations; the German Shepherd Dog Club for meetings of owners; Bass J.C.'s for week-end seminars; Multicap; Career Nights; Northern Tas. Council for Regional Development; the Launceston Players for rehearsals of plays; the Launceston Repertory Society and The Playing Firm for the presentation of plays.

Obviously next year, with the College initiative in offering short-term and H.S.C. subjects to adults and the mounting of a publicity campaign to make the community aware of these opportunities, the College will be an even busier place than it has been this year. It seems likely that a full-time caretaker will be appointed shortly. We need one and some of the new matriculation colleges already have them.

CANTEEN MAKES PROFIT

The College canteen by September this year had already made a net profit of \$1,308. This is an excellent result considering that prices charged on most items are well below shop prices.

The College is managed by Mrs. V. Barnett who is assisted by a rostered team of mothers of past and present students.

Curtains for rooms in O.S.H., a new, small second-hand refrigerator for the staff room and one hundred dollars for charity have been provided from canteen profits.

Herbie

A Short Story by Pam Bensemam

Sixty five, white shoes, Bermuda shorts, Hawaiian shirt. ... Surely not ...

"Gooday, luv."

I look around. Yes, he was talking to me.

"Ha ... hallo."

"You goin' to Lawnceston too?"

"Herbie, leave 'er alone, come 'ere."

"But, Sid, I was only ..."

"Shaddup, Herbie. Like a smartie, luv?"

"No thanks."

"I will, Sid."

"I know you will, Herbie. I bought them for you. P'raps they'll soak up all that grog you've been guzzlin' all afternoon."

"But it was nice wasn't it, Sid."

"Awright, awright."

Watch Herbie, Sid, not the posters of girls in bikinis which you'd like but know are too young for you. Well, perhaps you have tried to look dashing, but ...

"D'ja sell drinks here?"

At an airline office? ! ! !

We're shown the way or rather Herbie is guided kindly but firmly to the airline bus, which happens to be a car. What else can you expect on an out-of-the-way island like Flinders?

Luckily Herbie sits in the front, Sid's fumes are quite sufficient, thank you. It would look a bit bad to stick my head out the window so I suffer in silence for the short two mile trip.

Plane has arrived. Herbie makes a successful attempt to ensure his luggage is not lost amongst the sea of six suitcases.

Conversation centres on Flinders. They're on a 'flying tour'. The scenery must have looked good through the frosted windows

of the bar, or perhaps they were recuperating from the hundred yard walk from their hired car to the bottom of Strezlecki Peak.

Sid used to live here as a boy. "I remember the time ..."

We cross the 'tarmac' and prepare to board the plane. Watch your head, Herbie, you're not in a jet now. Not enough room to swing a cat. Fumble for seat belts and we're off.

Yes, Herbie, that is the sea down there but for goodness sake keep your head up! Mumbles of intelligent observations and polite questions.

I smile kindly and answer in monosyllables. Drunks are often schizophrenic; dull mostly, interesting in snatches of lapses.

Herbie is getting personal. Naughty Herbie — Sid's not watching him, he's looking out the window.

"How old are you?"

"Twenty-six."

A bit prompt but put it down to female defensiveness.

Gosh, if he can swallow that, he can swallow anything!

Blessed sight of Launceston, although the forty five minutes has been entertaining.

Spared further comment? But no ...

"Like a drink tonight?"

"Sorry ..."

I do a 'Herbie act' off the plane, nearly breaking my leg, and half-run to the waiting taxi.

Herbie wanders disconsolately after Sid.

"Where are we Sid? I thought Fiji was further than this."

"Herbie, you talk too much."

QUADRANGLE STUDIES



VALE GWEN PICKUP

After teaching Biology at L.M.C. for thirteen years, Mrs. Pickup, one of the very widely known teachers on the staff, retires on November 7. In actual fact, she will be back for three days in February but essentially her period of service will end with the final assembly when she begins her Long Service Leave.

Mrs. Pickup is one of those people with a very distinctive personality and is well remembered by anyone who comes in contact with her. Perhaps something of this is tied up with her wide range of interests. She is, for example, very fond of books, films and plays. She is a member of the T.C.A.E. film society and the Playing Firm, a drama group whose activities have their centre in this College. She is also a member of the Launceston Bridge Club and the Launceston Tennis Club.

One topic in which Mrs. Pickup is well versed is nutrition and diet. She has read widely in this field and, over the years, has taken short courses for students entitled Health and Beauty and Eating for Health; recently she has also taken courses in Human Physiology for students who intend to become nurses.

One of her favourite activities is taking her two boxer dogs for their morning work.

As well as a distinctive personality, Mrs. Pickup also has, of course, a very distinctive accent. She and her husband came from England to Tasmania to live in Stanley twenty-two years ago. She taught at the Smithton High School and the Forest Area School where, though very inexperienced she had to teach a half a dozen different subjects. Looking back, Mrs. Pickup says perhaps that was the most stimulating period in her career. She also taught at Broadland House for two years before coming to L.M.C.

Mrs. Pickup is a very sociable person, a very helpful person, a friendly person. She is also someone whose judgements are respected because they are pretty often shrewd and perceptive.

Churinga takes this opportunity of wishing her a very happy and active retirement.



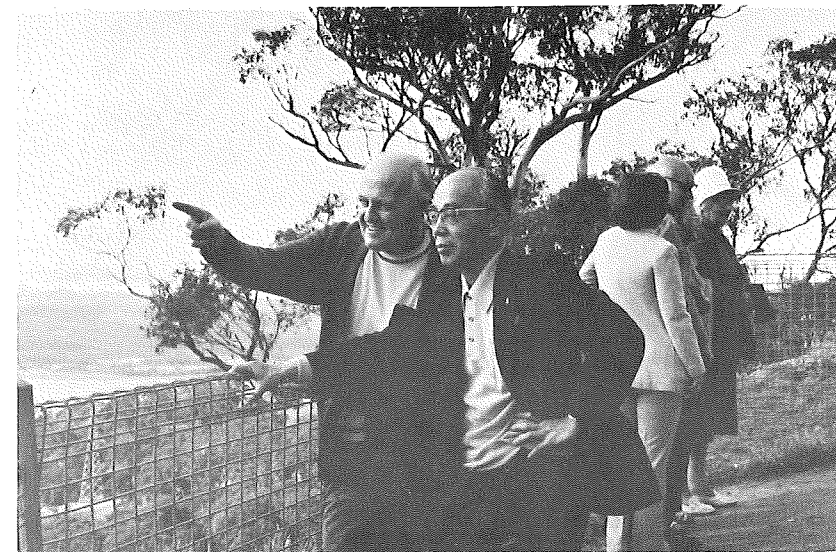
MR. TACHIBANA

One of the most colourful, bright and interesting personalities to visit the College this year was Mr. Ken Tachibana, from Japan, Pictured below with Mr. Gibson at Brady's Look-out.

Mr. Tachibana spent six weeks here mainly at the College but also visiting schools and Colleges in the South and North West.

His address to the assembly on Japanese religion was most entertaining and it was very obvious that he liked us as much as we liked him. It was remarkable how easily Mr. Tachibana fitted in. It is well known he was one of the main singers at a staff social; he sang songs from Noh, a Japanese classical drama.

Before he left, Mr. Tachibana drew up detailed plans for a Japanese garden to be established at the rear of our language building, O.S.H. Among the many features of the garden will be a water lily pond and a shishiodoshi. If you don't know what that is, it's a wooden construction which moves up and down in flowing water. The Japanese used it to frighten away wild boar. Chrysanthemums will, of course be a feature of the garden, being traditionally associated with the Emperor, and there will also be DAIMYO bamboo, flowering plum, cherry, azalea, fragrant olive, dwarf pine, black pine, golden privet, a lacquer tree and a maple. A lantern will be hung near the water-lily pond.



LMC. AND THE WORLD IN 1977

U.S.A. Exchange students Tammy Carr, Lisa Cockerell, Lori Grosse, Jeff Mitchell, Joe Tart, Evelyn Ventreck.

CANADA Rossario Beaulieu on exchange '76 to '78, Carrol Braumberger.

GERMANY Exchange between Robert Deeth and Thomas Ohi. 1977 Malcolm King.

ITALY Massimo Carriero.

MALAYSIA Chan Char Lup.

SINGAPORE Toni Batten in August on a scholarship for two years at the United World College.

HONG KONG Alan Ho.

JAPAN Visiting educationist Mr. Ken Tachibana; exchange between Eileen Gibson and Yuriko Tsurutani; visit from Sakiko Tsuruhari to whose family Paul Whittle went last year; visit from former student Leon Bender now on a scholarship at Tokyo's University of Foreign Studies; Yoko Teresima spent last year at Deloraine High

NEW CALEDONIA

FIJI

ASSORTED

School and had two months with us this year; visit by officials of the Japan Society for Aid to Traffic Orphans (our students have offered 12 billets to visiting members of the Society next January) and various casual visits by Japanese.

Jenny Sims polished her French for three weeks in a family to whom she was introduced by former student David Rogers.

We are sorry to be losing Mr. Keshow, our very own High Commissioner from Fiji! Kathy Young having a holiday there in September is the only other contact we can claim this year.

A moral Rearmament Group with members from Malaysia, Japan, China and New Zealand visited the College and spent a lot of time with students.

Under cover of language-study OSH students have enjoyed Indonesian, Japanese, Chinese and Italian meals!

An International Cooking Group in the second quarter of the year also sampled various culinary specialties in the Home Economics House.



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The school system here is quite different but the students and teachers have been really friendly and the whole year was really nice
Lori Grosse

Penso che in questa scuola gli insegnanti ti aiutano molto, sia per le materie che insegnano che per i tuoi problemi. Massimo



I found matric to be a really great place. I even felt at home - minus the "language barrier."
Carrol Braumberger



The students and teachers at Matric helped me - and the other exchange students as well - when we struggled in a strange land and if very much appreciated
Lisa Cockerell

The stereotyped image of Aborigines and kangaroos hopping around in Tasmania was proved wrong after my first day here. I find the people here very easy to get along with and appreciate their friendliness.
Evelyn Ventreck



WHERE THEY WENT

It's still called Launceston Matriculation College but figures taken out last year again confirm that for hundreds of students matriculation is not an appropriate goal. The majority of L.M.C. students do not go on to University or Advanced Colleges but go directly into employment, which is why the College has been keen to introduce vocationally-oriented subjects here and why much time has been spent on working out arrangements so that students, while they are here, will be able to study technical subjects at the Technical College along with their academic subjects; see the article — **A Different Kind of College.**

The figures on this page indicate the destination of students who left the College last year.



Royal Park — an asset for us at lunch time.

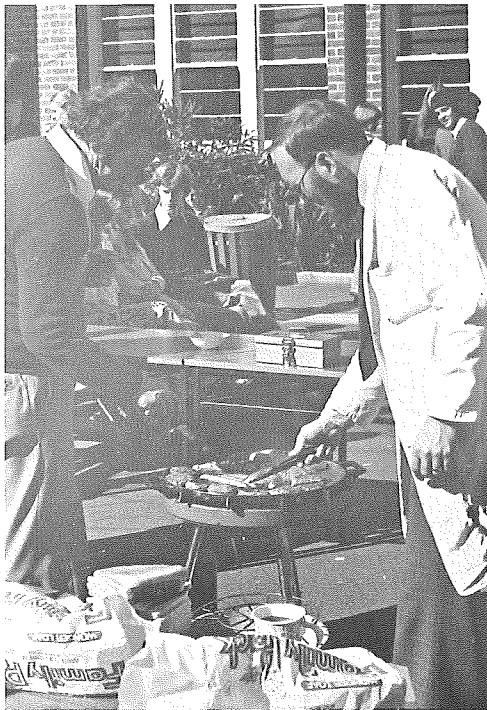
LAUNCESTON MATRICULATION COLLEGE OCCUPATIONS AND TERTIARY DESTINATIONS OF STUDENTS WHO LEFT DURING OR AT THE END OF 1976

CHOICE	Male	Female	Total	%
University				
Agricultural Science	4	1	5	
Veterinary Science	0	0	0	
Science — Teaching	1	5	6	
— Non-Specific	9	3	12	
Engineering	4	0	4	
Arts — Teaching	1	12	13	
— Non-Specific	3	10	13	
Economics, Commerce	1	0	1	
Law	0	0	0	
Medicine	3	1	4	
Dentistry	0	0	0	
Architecture	0	0	0	
Defence Colleges	1	0	1	
Non-Specific	3	1	4	
Total University	30	33	63	14.0
C.A.E. & Other Similar Tertiary Institutions				
Teaching	12	51	63	
Accounting, Business Administration	1	1	2	
Agricultural College	0	1	1	
Architecture	0	0	0	
Art	3	5	8	
Engineering	0	0	0	
Surveying	1	0	1	
Industrial & Applied Chemistry	1	0	1	
Medical Laboratory Technology	0	1	1	
Pharmacy	0	0	0	
Para-Medical	0	3	3	
Social Work	1	1	2	
Music	0	2	2	
Librarianship	0	0	0	
Non-Specific	3	3	6	
Total C.A.E. etc.	22	68	90	20.0

CHOICE	Male	Female	Total	%
Other Vocations				
Nursing	0	34	34	
Dental Nursing	0	5	5	
Cadetships, Technicians	10	2	12	
Apprenticeships	18	0	18	
Police	3	0	3	
Defence Services	2	2	4	
Commerce, Banking, Clerical	34	37	71	
Retail	6	17	23	
Agriculture	0	1	1	
Forestry	0	0	0	
Home Duties	0	20	20	
Miscellaneous	20	16	36	
Total Non-Academic	93	134	227	50.3
Continuing Secondary Education	17	15	32	7.1
Unemployed	6	17	23	5.1
Unknown	9	7	16	3.5
TOTALS	177	274	451	100%
University of Tasmania	27	27	54	
Mainland Universities	3	5	8	
T.C.A.E. (South)	3	13	16	
T.C.A.E. (North)	17	50	67	
C.A.E. etc. — Mainland	2	5	7	



Two Overseas Scholarship winners, John Deeth, who went from here to Germany and Thomas Ohi, who came to here from Germany.



Those two experienced gentlemen, WATSON and SCHARAPOW, barbecuing steaks and sausages.



Joanne Harding and Jenny Booth wait for customers at their Milo and coffee stall. Profits from their stall and profits from the barbecues were spent providing a free barbecue for the College.

CANTEEN

Catering for the inner student is the College canteen. Here there is available a good selection of nutritious, wholesome tucker, as well as the normal sweets and ice creams which students demand. (A recent dental report deplored the amount of rubbish available in most canteens, but, without these lines, the canteen would lose up to \$400 per fortnight of its revenue).

An added attraction to the canteen is its lower prices, which far undercut surrounding shops on most lines. These lower prices, plus added variety, have been responsible for an increase in the canteen's patronage.

Indispensable to the canteen are the ladies, who under the direction of Mrs. Barnett provide excellent service. This volunteer labour is drawn largely from the ranks of students' parents. There are some who continue to come even after their children have left the college, simply because they enjoy it. (New volunteers are always welcome).

All in all, the canteen is an essential part of the college, simply because 'an army marches on its stomach'.



MAGAZINE COMMITTEE

FRONT ROW (left to right): Pam Fotheringham, Catherine Joyce, Rodney Spark, Peter Samuel, Jenni Griffiths, Chris Taylor, Naomi Brown, Fiona Mehegan, Sharon Rigby.
BACK ROW: Mr. McMahon, Mrs. Grimmond, Mr. How, Mr. Watson, Massimo Carriero, Allison Turner, David Frelek, Eileen Philpott, Lori Grose, Michael Merrington, Simon Thollar, Dianne Cross, Phillip Murphy, Mrs. Craw, Mr. Bardenhagen.



1977 DRIVER EDUCATION

Driver Education has been part of the College short course programme for several years. This year 50 students enrolled for the seven practical and seven theory sessions. Practical lessons were held during free periods and are given by road safety officers, police officers and two local driving schools. Lessons can be offered at a much cheaper rate than can be obtained elsewhere. Theory sessions were held for one hour per week and included subjects such as insurance, the traffic code, defensive driving etc. Films were supplied by the Department of Road Safety. On 21st July sixteen students attended a defensive driving course at the Symmons Plains race circuit. Various driving tasks were set by Road Safety officers and students had a most enjoyable day testing their driving expertise. Mrs. Craw, Mr. Allen and Mr. Watson took the opportunity of testing their skills as well. (Mr. Allen had a go at the course record!) This was a rewarding day and if possible will be repeated next year. In 1978 the course will be conducted over two quarters and it is hoped that many more students will take the opportunity to gain their licence and improve their mental attitude to Road Safety.

JUDO 77

PETER SAMUEL REPORTS

Judo is an exciting sport. At L.M.C. Judo is perhaps more exciting than it should be. It certainly does not lack action, exhaustion and even surprise.

Mike Gray, a tricky blue belt, is the staff member responsible for this elective. The elective was held on Thursday afternoons at the Methodist Church in Paterson Street, opposite Birchalls. In 1976 the Judo sessions were held at Fred Suitor's, but negotiations were not made with him this year. The Paterson Street Church is the dojo (Judo Hall) of the Launceston Judo Academy.

I joined the Judo group at the beginning of the year, as did Andrew Amiet, Ian Wilkinson, Geoff Bremner, Helen Ten Haaf and Leanne Hardwicke.

Quentin Pinner, Craig McKenzie, Debbie Brown and Geoff Hardwicke were already established Judo players. In short, they murdered us.

Besides Mike's valuable help and advice, we received first class advice from Ian

O'Neil and Milo Pickle, who are both members of the Launceston Judo Academy, and are black and brown belts respectively.

Judo players came and went throughout the year. Approximately a quarter of the way through the year, Naomi Brown joined the group, and became super fit. Anthea Kerkham came to a few sessions, and wasn't satisfied until she had wiped us all out. (She is a green belt!).

Another formidable player is Kieran Nixon. She joined us in the last term. Kieran has an orange belt.

Leanne Hardwicke, Geoff Bremner, Andrew Amiet, Ian Wilkinson, Craig McKenzie, Helen Ranson and myself, managed to get our yellow belts.

Judo is fun. It was fun this year. The students wish to thank Mike Gray, (who probably won't be with us next year — best of luck Mike), for his efforts. Thanks must also go to Ian O'Neil and Mr. Milo Pickle for giving up their valuable time to help us. And finally, the Launceston Judo Academy must be thanked for letting us use their facilities.

Until next year, IPPON!!



JUDO

FRONT ROW (left to right): Peter Samuel, Helen Ten Haaf, Andrew Amiet, Debra Brown, Leanne Hardwicke, Helen Ranson, Gordon Paul.

BACK ROW: Mike Gray, Ian Wilkinson, Malcolm Bruce.

THEY MADE THE NEWS

YOUTH CARES



Launceston Matriculation student, Anne Blackborrow (16), of Trevallyn, was one of 14 students to break records yesterday, in The Examiner Northern Secondary schools athletic championships. Anne (pictured) added 16cm to the open javelin event with a throw of 30.04 metres. A number of superb performances from many young athletes, highlighted the championships, held at the Launceston Church Grammar School in blustery wind conditions. A full report and results will be in The Examiner tomorrow.



• Lyn McKenzie

Students aid fundraisers

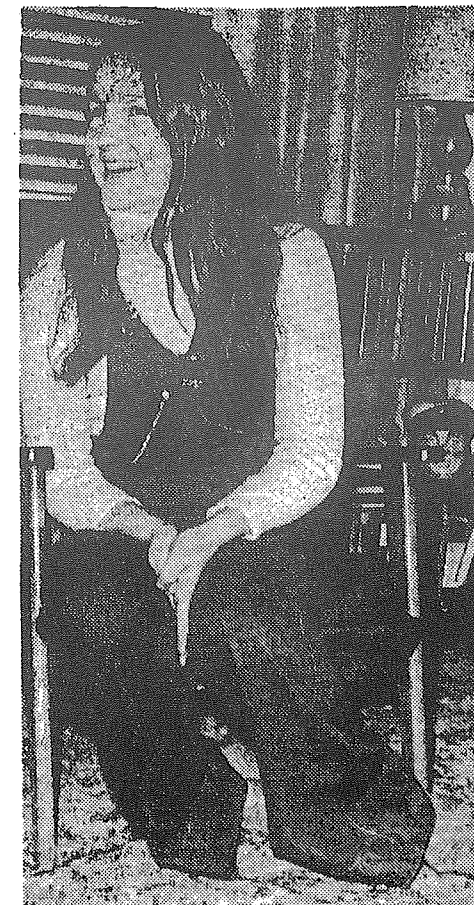
Many service organisations in the community rely on door knocks to provide the major portion of their finance — but door knockers who will give their time are not easy to find.

Helping organisations such as the Salvation Army, Red Cross and the City Mission with door knocks is one of the activities of the Launceston Matriculation College Community service group.

The group was formed at the college three years ago. This year it has 12 members.

The president of the group is Lyn McKenzie (17). "If someone like Red Cross rings and asks us to help in a door knock, we do it," Lyn said.

Lyn said the group was running a raffle to raise funds to help with its activities and support a World Vision Child.



Toni Batten, of Trevallyn, bubbles with excitement at the thought of leaving Australia at the end of August to study at an international college in Singapore for two years.

Rock climbing — it's sheer pleasure, says Rob

Three years ago Rob McMahon fell 30m (100 ft) down a sheer rock face on Ben Lomond.

He broke his wrist and a few ribs.

But Rob was lucky — if the taut rope had snapped under the pressure of his fall he would have landed 100m below.

The rope stopped his fall 16m (50 ft) below anchorman Bob Frew, but Frew's leg became tan-

By NEIL KEARNEY

gled in the rope and was broken.

McMahon climbed to a top ledge to raise Frew and the third climber, Michael Joyce, to a safe position.

Joyce went for help,

and 20 hours later Frew was carried from the mountain on a stretcher.

It was Northern Tasmania's most spectacular rock climbing accident.

But it didn't scare them away from rock climbing — Frew and Joyce are not enthusiastic climbers, but they have

climbed in the past two years.

And Rob McMahon still climbs on most weekends and holidays in summer.

He agrees that it is a dangerous pastime, but adds that the danger is much easier to see and prepare for than in action sports.



• Rob McMahon

Assemblies 77

There isn't any doubt that this year's assemblies made a big impact on the College. Many were dramatically different from the conventional assemblies to which, as students, we are accustomed. They were frequently a talking point round the College. By accident Churinga approached two people to write something about them. When their reports came in, they turned out to be quite different from each other and we publish both.

MR. WALKER

Some students look at a College programme which includes regular assemblies and ask why? Others look at one which omits them and ask why not?

The former group questions whether they are necessary, if they need to be compulsory and the amount of time they take a student away from his work; the latter group seeks opportunities to inform on student activities, to advertise functions and to introduce personalities with ideas.

A simple answer to this problem would appear to be assemblies with voluntary attendance where those who want to do their informing, advertising and introducing may do so to their hearts' content without worrying the others. However, it is the others whom the informers, advertisers and introducers especially want to reach because evidently these are the people who do not read information sheets, listen to public address announcements or take any notice of overdue library cards. To the people wanting assemblies for one reason or another there is no question of voluntary attendance; they must have all of the students.

In attempting the impossible, to please all of the people all of the time, a committee of staff and students was formed at the beginning of the year to deal with this assembly question. The committee decided that assemblies were desirable because it was good for the students and teachers to meet on occasion as one body. (An obvious decision considering that the student representatives would be from the interested pro-assembly group).

Moreover, it was decided that an attempt should be made to devise a programme from which even the most rabid opponent of assemblies could see some benefit to be obtained. It was considered therefore that assemblies should aim to provide students with aspects of knowledge that would be helpful to them in everyday life; they should seek to influence people's taste and judgment by introducing new and different points of view; and they should provide a platform for talent and a forum for ideas.

This programme was all very well in theory but it presented a tremendous challenge to any speaker who had to convey some particular proposition to what was virtually a class of 600 students. Looking back over the year's activities, even the anti-assemblites would have to begrudge the organisers some success. Remember the very effective dramatised version of first aid with Suitor's academy award performance of mouth to mouth resuscitation? And Newman's Galbraith-like analysis of the economy? The non-competitive games that the group played on stage and the ball they launched into the audience? Or Gino Fratangelo's magnificent display of talent which carried him to an Australian weightlifting title?

Surely performances such as these would have done much to win over the opposition — if they had only been there to see them. Unfortunately when they ask the question "why" they do not necessarily want an answer and, therefore, it looks as if trying to reconcile the two groups will be a part of College life for some years to come.

ALISON TURNER

Mr. Scharapow sat helplessly gagged, bound to his chair and bleeding profusely... Mr. Woolhouse dangled from ropes strung high above the Assembly Hall, and the rifle, handed to a female student, was fired at a person sitting in the front row.

Student terrorism at Launceston Matric? No, these were merely parts of the General Studies programme for 1977. Mr. Scharapow's injuries were part of an introduction to First Aid. Mr. Woolhouse was demonstrating some of the finer points of caving, and the rifle shot was merely a harmless bang which followed a talk on firearm safety.

Assemblies this year were planned by the General Studies Committee, which comprised both staff members and students. Guest speakers and topics were chosen with the aim to inform as well as entertain.

Topics covered during the year included: the potential and future of arts and crafts in Tasmania; Launceston City town-planning; a comparison of Tasmanian and Japanese education systems; Red Cross; how to fail at a job interview; and the art of mental relaxation.

During second term, we were fortunate to have as a guest speaker Mr. Dunn, who spoke from personal experience of and involvement in recent unrest in East Timor and Australia's part in this affair.

Assemblies, as usual, provided an opportunity for the Musicians and Speech and Drama students of the College to display their many and varied talents. Their performances provided a welcome break from some of the longer items in assemblies.

Criticisms of assemblies and suggestions that they should not be compulsory were voiced during the year. However, to most, the change away from assemblies where routine College announcements took up the bulk of the assembly, to assemblies which were both entertaining as well as enlightening, was welcomed. Looking to 1978, it is hoped this trend continues, and assemblies become of even greater interest and relevance to Matric students.



We would like to have had a better photographic record of the many varied Assembly entertainments provided during the year. However, left we have Mr. Blackett of Legana, presenting his popular talk on fire-arms and right the comic dramatization of how and how not to present and conduct yourself at an interview for a job. A good feature of the Assemblies has been the student and staff participation in a number of the items presented.

NOSH IN THE OSH

To the uninitiated this means, of course, a national dish in the Oriental Studies House, conveniently located right next to the Home Arts House. These culinary experiences have been a feature this year for students of foreign languages. National dishes prepared and partaken of have included Italian, Japanese, Indonesian and Chinese.

Rodney Spark's mouth must have watered when he took these photographs of a Japanese meal being consumed one lunch hour.

In the top picture we see Robert Deeth and Noriko Scanlon getting down to it; in the middle picture we see Hiroko Hara giving Julie Whittingham a little necessary tuition in the handling of her chopsticks and in the bottom picture Mr. Walker samples the day's offering with Sakiko Tsuruhara and Anne Broomby. All three expressed real satisfaction. The College has benefited immensely from the presence in it this year of so many overseas students.



STUDENTS EAT WELL

It seems that most L.M.C. students are gluttons for punishment; every barbecue and drink day run by the Facilities Committee this year was a success. Coffee, milk, hot chocolate, hamburgers and sausages were sold through the year at special low discount prices.

As well as this the Committee dealt with the many complaints about the school's present facilities. The common room was cleaned up, the blind in the maths' room repaired, clocks put in the balcony classrooms, etc.

We did have a few suggestions from students but I can't say our suggestion box was ever over-used. Perhaps our best one was from Rudy who suggested we provide lunchtime strip shows to cater for the MCP's (Male Chauvinist Pigs) and others in the school. For some strange reason this didn't ever get under way. Long may Rudy continue to offer his valuable suggestions.

As President of the Facilities Committee I would like to thank members for their help with the services we have provided this year. Good luck to the Committee of '78.

Jenny Booth



L.M.C. PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (EXECUTIVE & GENERAL)

A ROUND-UP BY DIANNE CROSS

This year the Parents and Friends General Meetings held at the College have been very well attended — by the teaching staff of L.M.C.! Once again the apparent apathy of parents and their obvious wish to remain uninvolved in College matters is apparent and is, of course, rather unfortunate and perhaps somewhat appalling. Nevertheless, much has been achieved this year, both through discussions of various College issues and financially by means of canteen profits.

These achievements have been instigated by the P. & F. Executive, a body consisting of parents, staff and students. The parents involved were Mr. D. Lyons (Chairman), Mrs. E. Shields (Secretary), Mrs. E. Warren (Treasurer), Mrs. D. Burchill, Mrs. K. Hawkesford, and Mrs. K. Finney; the teachers were Mrs. H. Trebilco, Mr. A. King, Mr. C. Lane and Mr. K. J. Walker; the students were Andrew Smith, Joanne Harding and Susan Harper.

Meetings of this Committee have been held monthly throughout the year and attendance has been good. The main business of the Executive has been to apportion the funds supplied by the Canteen Committee, and to hear reports from Mr. K. J. Walker and from S.R.C. representatives regarding College activities and plans. The P. & F. Executive has also arranged general meetings of parents.

The main expenditure for the year has been the purchase of a larger second-hand refrigerator for the Staff Room, new curtains for the Oriental Studies House, inevitably known as "Osh", plants for the establishment of a Japanese Garden surrounding Osh, prizes for award winners, and records and other items for the Music Department. A \$100 donation was given to the L.M.C. Charity Committee and funds were also used to finance the publication of "Community".

The P & F Executive has continued efforts to reduce noise in music rooms, but the Education Department has not carried out its proposed double-glazing of the windows due to the expense involved. However, negotiations are continuing though it is apparent that the Association will probably be required to accept responsibility for part of the cost if the job is to be done quickly. The need is urgent.

A major topic of discussion this year has been the proposed collaboration between L.M.C. and the Technical College in 1978. Indeed an article was included in the first edition of "Community" entitled, "Technical College — Matriculation College — The Beginnings of a Partnership". In addition a full explanation of this proposal was given by Mr. Walker and Mr. Lane at the general meeting of Tuesday, 20th September. In view of the relative importance of the subject it was a pity that attendance was only approximately 60, including staff and Executive. A video was shown on college activities for the interest of parents.

On Tuesday, 23rd August, the Executive Meeting was held at Hillcrest Hostel. Members shared dinner with the L.M.C. students and had the opportunity to talk to

them informally and to inspect Hostel facilities.

The Annual Conference of the Tasmanian Council of P. & F. was held at Hellyer College on Saturday, 20th August. As the Executive President, Mr. Lyons was unable to attend the Conference, Mrs. Shields attended as voting delegate and Mrs. Warren as observer. A full report is on file if any member is interested and wishes further details.

The P. & F. Associations of the College's three feeder schools, Kings Meadows, Riverside and Prospect, were invited to send a representative to attend Executive meetings with a view to providing continuity of membership and closer co-operation between these two phases of education. A welcome was extended to representatives of Kings Meadows and Riverside to the general meeting on Tuesday, 20th September.

Congratulations to the Parent, Teacher, Student Executive for a highly successful year.

A FEW WORDS REGARDING "COMMUNITY"

As a response to the definite need for a link with the community and in an effort to fill the gap in communication apparent between the College and the community at large, the Parent-Teacher-Student Association published a newsletter, "Community". Distribution was wide and varied, covering all schools, local politicians, the town library and other community interest groups. Letters of encouragement and support were received by the Editors from many prominent members of our community such as the Minister for Environment, Housing and Community Development, Mr. Kevin Newman, and the Director General of Education, Mr. A. V. Gough.

"Community" was intended to arouse interest and motivate parents and for that matter, the general public, to become involved with the College. Articles of interest, such as the proposed amalgamation of L.M.C. and the Technical College in 1978 and an article on Mature Age Students with special reference to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dorey (a retired couple who studied Chinese at the College this year), plus other items of interest were included.

An article entitled "The P. & F. to be or not to be" presented the problem of the dilemma facing P. & F. meetings, for it is strongly apparent that when meetings are held few parents attend and when meetings are not held some parents want to know what has happened to them. The article requested parents to respond by forwarding their opinions and ideas on P. & F. meetings — what form they should take, why parents attend or do not attend. Few replies were received but in those that did arrive there was a strong trend towards explanation as to why parents did not attend meetings.

The general feeling appeared to be that the strict formal meeting procedure predominating at High School P & F meetings



A new L.M.C. publication for parents and the community generally.

that parents had been used to, of reading the minutes of the last meeting, taking apologies and the like, made those attending the meeting (and to quote from one letter received) "decidedly restless and exceedingly bored", and deterred them from attending P & F meetings at L.M.C.

It seems appropriate here to say that items such as the reading of the minutes and other formal routine business is solely taken care of by the L.M.C. P. & F. Executive at their monthly meetings, leaving general meetings free simply for parents to raise problems, ask questions, to be stimulated by discussion and to hear a report from the Executive Committee on what it is doing. P. & F. general meetings at L.M.C. are completely informal.

As the article appearing in "Community" suggested, it can be argued that when students reach the senior secondary level they are not in the place long enough for their parents to establish more than a superficial contact. It may be at this stage that parents may prefer to establish contacts individually, rather than as a group. Parents are encouraged to make such individual contact and it seems that the majority of students are remaining in the College for at least two years and that seems to be sufficient time in which to establish more than a mere superficial contact provided, of course, one becomes actively involved from the start.

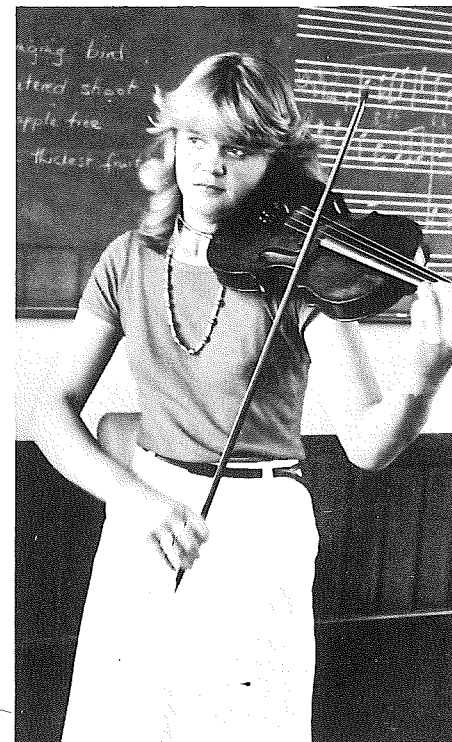
Make a concentrated, concerned effort next, year, parents. Become involved. The College needs your support!

MATRIC MUSIC



THE L.M.C. ORCHESTRA

FRONT ROW (left to right): Irene Kroeze, Karen Lindsey, Julie Simms, Sarah Turner, Deborah Atherton, Joanne Harding, Jane Rowsell.
BACK ROW: Helen Ten Haaf, Jill Taylor, Greg Clarke, Stephen Barnes, Stuart Harvey, Wayne Betts, Felicity Poole.



Helen Ten Haaf, winner of the White Scholarship in the Devonport Eisteddfod for the most outstanding instrumentalist under 18.



Pictured above are students who distinguished themselves at the Launceston and Devonport Competitions this year. They are Jill Taylor (piano), Karen Smith (vocal), Helen Ten Haaf (violin), Desley Clarke (recorder), Jane Rowsell (clarinet), Sarah Turner (recorder) and Sandra Shields (vocal).

There has been an increase in the number of students taking the A.M.E.B. Theory and Musicianship courses, and we congratulate Wayne Betts, Kaye Gourlay, Bronwyn Stanley and Sarah Turner on obtaining extremely high marks (honours) and also the other members of the class who all passed, many with credits.

During the year, various college groups have taken part in concerts for outside organisations as well as in the Combined Schools Music Festival. The culmination of the year's efforts was displayed in a successful concert held in the college in October, with again the accent on group rather than individual music making.

During the last decade, the emphasis in music education has swung away from the vocal to the instrumental, and this trend is reflected in the musical activities that take place in the college. We have been fortunate this year in being able to increase the hours of our valuable visiting instrumental teachers, Mrs. Elton and Mrs. Harding, and many students have taken the opportunity to learn an instrument either on a short course basis or for the whole year.

Although we were unable to raise a vocal group for the Launceston Competitions, we were very successful with our instrumental groups and achieved first place in the orchestral section, the recorder duet (Sarah Turner and Desley Clarke) and first, second and third places in the instrumental ensemble with the trumpet trio (Greg Clarke, Stephen Barnes, Stuart Harvey), Flute trio (Karen Lindsey, Jill Taylor, Irene Kroeze) and Clarinet Trio (Joanne Harding, Deborah Atherton, Jo Cleveland).

Outstanding solo winners were Helen Ten Haaf (violin), Sarah Turner (recorder), Jill Taylor (piano and vocal), Karen Smith (vocal), Jane Rowsell (Clarinet) and Sandra Shields (vocal). We did not enter any groups in the Devonport Eisteddfod, but Helen Ten Haaf was very successful in winning the junior and open instrumental solo as well as the coveted White Scholarship.

URANIUM AND WHALES

You would have had to be both blind and deaf not to be aware of the Forum and Public Affairs Committee's efforts throughout the year to stir up interest and feeling in respect to the two issues of uranium mining and whaling.

Posters round the College, entertainments for fund raising, debates visiting speakers, all these were part of the Forum Committee's programme.

Below is President Pamela Miller's report:

The first project which the committee decided on was to hear an ANTI-URANIUM MINING speaker, the notorious Dr. Bob Brown. A pleasing turn up gathered to hear his controversial speech. Later in the year we arranged for the screening of the film "Nuclear Power Stations".

I am sure that our ANTI WHALING CAMPAIGN received some type of reaction... whether it was good or bad is hard to say. Because of the depleted stocks of whales in the oceans, our Committee decided that it supported the proposals of PROJECT JONAH and called for a Moratorium on Commercial Whaling in Australia, and abhorred the decisions of the INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION.

To raise money for a venturesome programme of activities the S.R.C. was kind in loaning us \$50.

At first opinion was aroused by my giving the outline of our activities and beliefs in an assembly and we extended this by selling SAVE THE WHALE badges and stickers. The apathetic attitudes shown by some sections of the College during this and all other campaigns conducted in the school this year were deplorable.

On the 14th October we held a FOLK NIGHT for SAVE THE WHALES. I was lucky in getting BUSH TURKEY to play for free and a few other singers. I'd like to thank them for their kind gesture in doing their bit to save our whales. The proceeds from this went to GREEN PEACE, PROJECT JONAH and the WHALE AND DOLPHIN COALITION.

Although we have been helped in our effort by student support (or some student support), I would also like to thank Ian Clarke for putting up with us and helping us in any way he could, Juli Condon for her great effort in the FOLK CONCERT and THINKING OF OUR WHALES, and Sue Harper, Pam Fotheringham, and Cathy and Anne.

Although I have said too much throughout the year I guess I can finish by leaving you with this quote from F. J. Kennedy... "THINK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU... BUT WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY".

Pamela Miller, President



PUBLIC AFFAIRS & FORUM COMMITTEE

Left to Right: Sally Pickett, Mr. I. Clarke, Anne Prosser, Pam Miller, Susan Harper, Cathy Nielsen.

Where have all the linguists gone?

In today's automated confused society, man has enough trouble expressing himself coherently in his native tongue so it is with some relief and admiration that we see a truly remarkable phenomenon. That is, the emergence of the "golden breed".

Yes, the golden breed. Sounding like a windcheater, but definitely not as thick, they are the members of the college that have resorted, with great dedication, to their own chosen vernacularisms. For verily, they are the proud, they are the noble, they are the inhabitants of O.S.H.

Possibly a bit dramatic, but the introduction serves well to set the mood. At the College, between the Art block and the Home-arts building, camouflaged amidst a half concocted Japanese garden stands the Oriental Studies House i.e. OSH. And every morning come rain or shine, a middle-aged balding little Welshman climbs out of a blue Escort van and wanders into that same building. That man is Mr. Jack Gibson, and he is the benefactor and teacher of the above-mentioned happy little band of linguists. He's dabbled and delved deeply into languages since birth and now with interest and some gusto and enthusiasm he teaches French, Indonesian, Japanese, Chinese, Dutch and Esperanto.

He and his building do not present just the academic side of

the language world either. He has successfully incorporated the cultural aspect of the countries into the course, such as the Japanese garden, not infrequent foreign meals, and class introductions to natives or visitors of the country being studied.

For the students, when they are not studying, there is even a kitchen, complete right down to the green tea. (Unfortunately teacher insists that the kitchen is for him, but we students know otherwise!). All-in-all, languages are alive, kicking and improving at the college. BUT will it be the same next year?

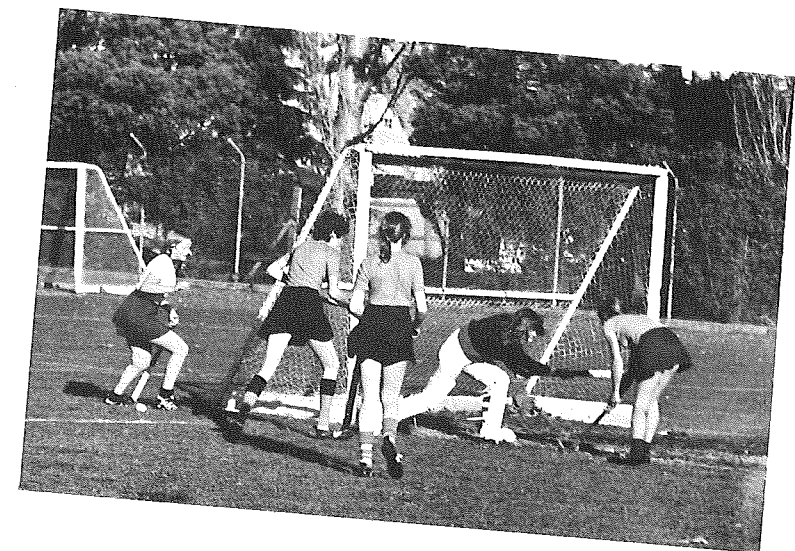
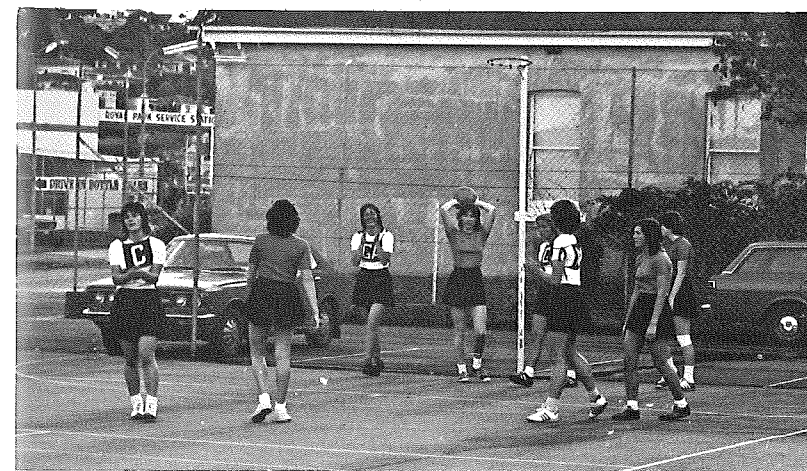
After 7 years of excitement and fulfilled ambition, the leader of the beloved little group is reverting back to a normal life. He is leaving the College and going to Burnie to take over the Teachers Centre. (Ah well, he doesn't know what he'll be missing, but that is his prerogative).

When he is gone, he will leave behind a small contingent of language teachers i.e. German, French, Spanish, Italian... but who will forget that impeccable Welsh wit and charm!! Our loss is Burnie's gain (or should that be the other way around)... whatever the case, his era and my article are drawing to a close.

Bon Voyage, Jack.

Simon Thollar.

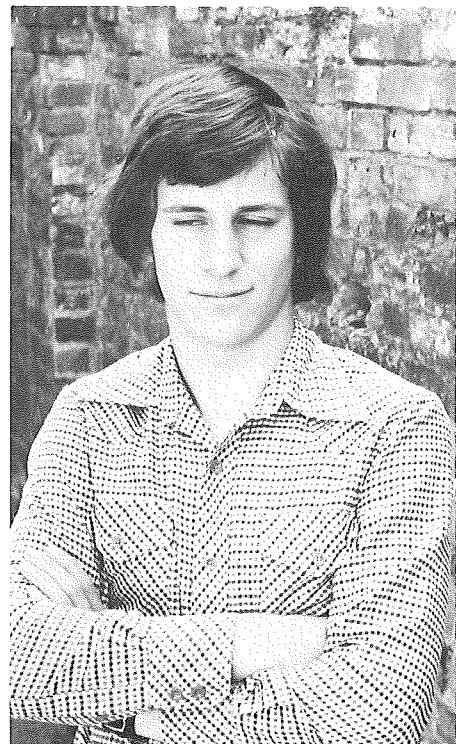
THURSDAY RECREATION



TO GERMANY

HAS BEEN - - - -

Robert Deeth has advised Malcolm King to be careful on New Year's Eve (of what we ask?) when he goes to Germany in mid-December. Robert was winner of a Society for German Australian Student Exchange Scholarship last year. The scholarship took him to Limburg in central Germany for three months. While in Germany Robert attended school. His recollections of his school experience are many; however, the poor facilities of the school stand out particularly. While Launceston Matriculation students complain about the inadequacy of their common and locker rooms, the students at Limburg go to a school where facilities are adequate to accommodate 1,200 students only, whereas 1,500 students attend. The school at Limburg differs from Tasmanian schools in that very little writing is done in class; rather, the pupils and teachers engage in discussion about the lesson material.



Being an avid soccer player, Robert was interested to note the standard in Germany. He believes that the top under-15 local team of Limburg would give the Tasmanian top team a very keen match.

Robert found the people of Germany very friendly and tolerant of his early language difficulties; he advises Malcolm to practise speaking German as much as he can before he leaves.

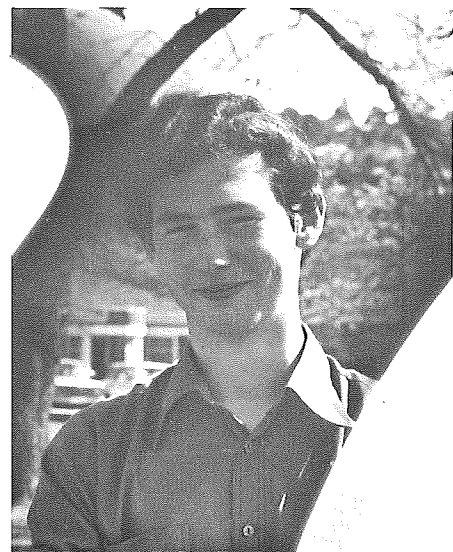
WILL GO - - - -

Malcolm has won the same scholarship as Robert for this year. Malcolm is also to be congratulated on his win in the German Australian Society of Tasmania Essay competition; the topic was 'A Dream of my Youth'. Malcolm wrote about a university drop out.

Malcolm thinks that he was chosen basically to sell Tasmania. Because he is English and has only been in Tasmania for three years, he feels that he is able to appreciate the beauty and tourist potential of Tasmania, perhaps more than a person who has lived here all his life. Malcolm is going to deviate from the norm and not promote the ocker stereotype of Australians. Instead of a toy koala or kangaroo, or a real boomerang (made in Taiwan), he will give the family he stays with Tasmanian Lavender oil and tea towels picturing Tasmanian scenes.

In Germany Malcolm hopes to attend a variety of operas (he remarked that Tasmania is culturally lacking here). Like Robert, he will attend school in Germany and in the future would like to return to Germany to continue post-graduate studies. Malcolm does expect to encounter some language difficulties but hopes to overcome these quickly. (Oh well!, Robert has told him what he is in for).

Jenni Griffiths



Many nasty and totally unfounded rumours were spread around in the latter part of this year concerning a certain senior physics teacher (i.e. senior in years) who was going to show the greater Launceston the beauty of the human body. This abhorrent event was to be the result of a rather erotic bet which would have only come off had Collingwood won the replay. This was not the case, however, thus saving us the shock, him the embarrassment and the police another arrest. Imagine the headline — "Streaker Saller" or the "Streaking Physicist"?

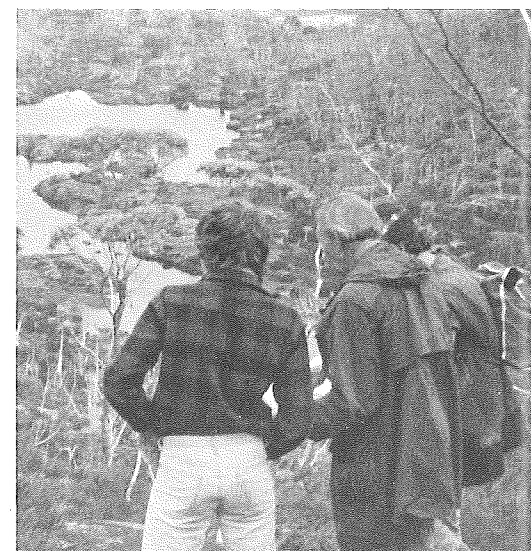
BUSH NAVIGATION

A COLLEGE ELECTIVE

It began with compasses in Royal Park, navigating from concrete corners to rubbish tins, with the only obstacle on the neatly mown lawns an occasional rose garden.

Out here, though, the concrete corner was a mountain and the rubbish tin was a lake. The scrub in between resembled Royal Park rose gardens only in the number of thorns and prickles it contained. The closest thing to neatly mown lawns were patches of sphagnum moss, which, unlike Royal Park lawns, tended to swallow you up from your boots to your waist.

The pencil thin contour lines and shades of green on the map, over which we had effortlessly traced routes in the warmth and comfort of Room 38, took on new meaning out here as we pushed our way up yet another steep scrubby gully.



The Biology S.M. with some of his fellow bush navigators on Cathedral Mountain.

In Royal Park, north by the compass and north by our instinctive sense of direction, were the same way. Here my compass was all wrong. I checked and found everyone else's was equally wrong.

What to do? Go in the right direction or follow all these misguided compasses.

Against all better judgement and just to show how wrong they are, we follow the compasses. An hour later we stumble out of the scrub on the shore of the lake we were supposed to be aiming for. Perhaps the map was wrong...

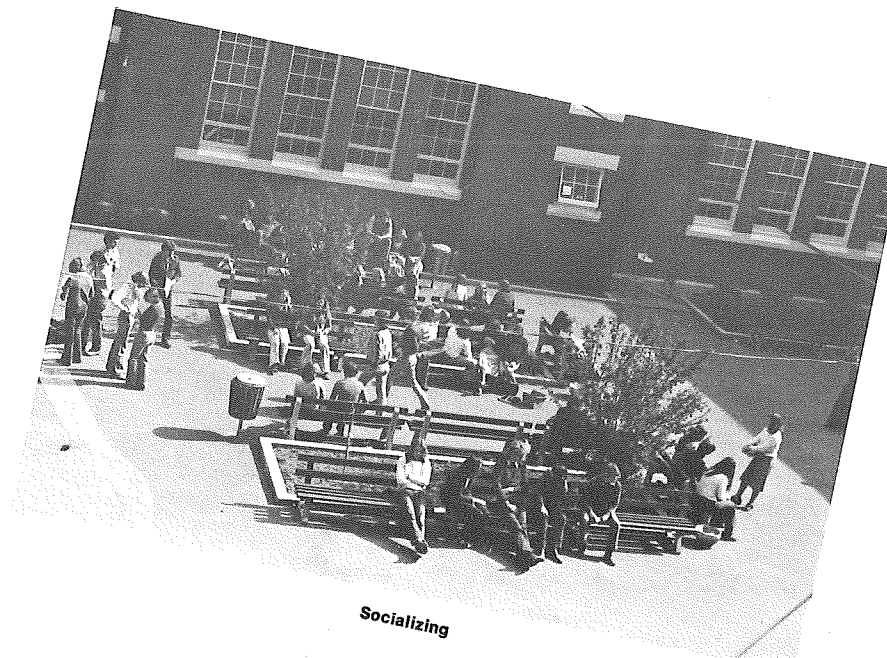
As a final comment on bush navigation; it is advisable at all times to take the SM Biology with you. There are three reasons for this. Firstly, he will provide you with long, rude sounding names to swear at the prickly Botany with, secondly he can cook packet dehydrated meals so they taste like *real* meat and vegetables; and thirdly, he usually knows where we are meant to be going...

A.T.

A DAY'S ACTIVITIES



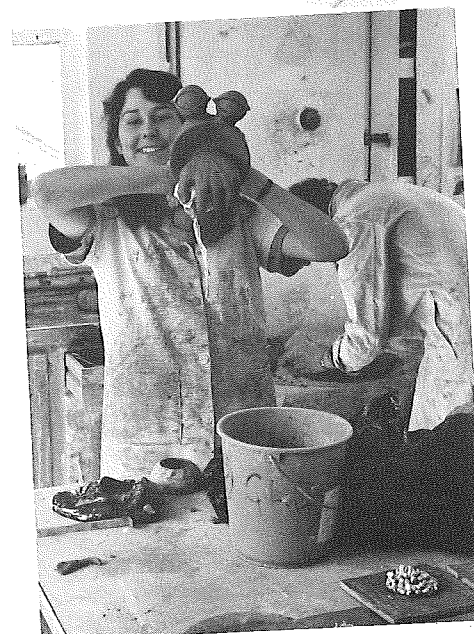
Serving



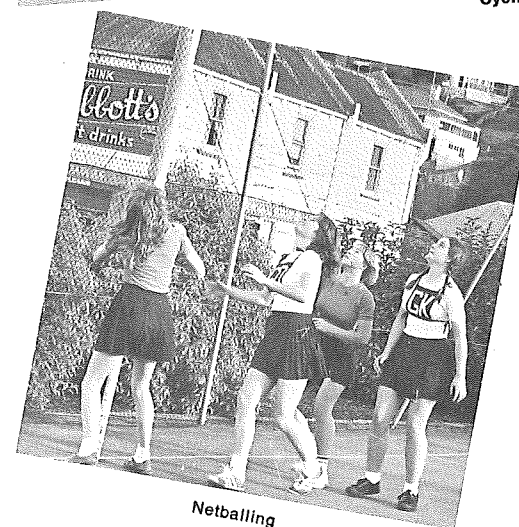
Socializing



Cycling



Potting



Netballing



Dancing

M.C.C.F.

If you have been wondering what has been going on in Room 26 regularly each Monday and Tuesday lunchtime, you can rest assured that it was not a secret undercover group plotting to overthrow the College administration. During these periods on Mondays members of the MCCF have been having Bible studies led by Miss Sue Priddle, initially, and Mr. David Reeve (Scripture Union director).

We are grateful to the people outside the College who have come to talk to us. During Term I, Mr. Laurie McIntosh, who is a Christian Youth Leader from NSW, spoke in the Assembly Hall. Later in Term III we had a visit from John Schaper, an associate of evangelist Billy Graham. They covered topics dealing with 'Evidence for the Christian in their Community Role' and the 'Objective of Northern Tasmanian Reachout' (involving evangelist Leighton Ford) and then in Term II the Covenant Players created a stir in the Assembly Hall with their various humorous sketches, which focussed on some ideas of Christianity.

The Fellowship also enjoyed two camps during the June and September holidays at the Baptist campsite beneath Quamby Bluff, Golden Valley, and finally at Carlingal, just north of the Batman Bridge.

Apart from doing a bit of bushwalking and generally playing around, we had studies which dealt with:

- how to present the claims of Jesus Christ to others?
- how to make Christianity more a way of life?

The studies were led by Mr. David Reeve, Mr. Laurie McIntosh and WEC students.

STUDENT SURVEY

In Term II, you may have been approached by a member of the group, and asked to complete a survey. The aim of the survey was to find out people's attitudes to Religion. Well, here are some of the results:

- DO YOU BELONG TO A CHURCH ?
YES: 72%
NO: 28%
- HOW OFTEN DO YOU ATTEND CHURCH SERVICES ?
NEVER: 39%
OCCASIONALLY: 55%
REGULARLY: 6%
- WHICH GREAT RELIGIOUS TEACHER DO YOU KNOW THE MOST ABOUT ?
JESUS: 76%
MOSES: 12%
BUDDHA: 6%
CONFUCIUS: 6%
- IF IT WERE POSSIBLE TO KNOW GOD PERSONALLY, DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HIM ?
YES: 72%
NO: 28%

LAUNCESTON & ENTERTAINMENT

There are lots of complaints about the lack of entertainment for young people in Launceston. Two members of the Churinga committee decided to approach a few students for their views.

The question was put to Graham Mathason, a second-year student, "Do you think that there is adequate entertainment for the 18 year old in the community?"

Here is Graham's response.

"Actually there is a fair amount of entertainment for 18 year olds; it's the 16 and 17 years old bracket that gets stung. There are quite a few hotels that feature live acts or recorded music; however, inadequate advertising and the age limit affect many. Another problem is that when anything is held, e.g. folk and blues evenings, concerts in the college, etc., we get pathetic attendances. (Main example was the concert here last term featuring Ian Paulin and John Malcom, Tasmania's finest musicians; a poor turn-up affected the atmosphere created by Paulin especially.)"

"Another hassle is that the only chance for a band to survive in Tasmania is to be a dance band. If a band wants to play more sophisticated music in which the object is not to see how fast you can move but to fully realise the musical potential of the performers in question, then they would have to do it for nothing or they would have to do it in someone's garage."

"The best idea so far conceived in Tasmania is our equivalent to Woodstock: yes... the mighty Basin Concerts. This year's Basin concert was excellent, featuring the (unfortunately) defunct Glebe Hotel and Airborne. We could certainly do with some more of the concerts. (I'd like to know if the donations we gave during the concert actually went toward future concerts.)"

"The re-introduction of 'Itchies' (the two-night variety; one night dance bands, other night folk music) would help. But again the problem arises: Itchies was called off because of lack of public support. How many concerts of overseas bands touring

Tasmania have been called off because of poor ticket sales? People complain because ticket prices are too high, but this is because of anticipation of poor attendances. If we put up with high costs for a while, then the ticket prices would come down."

"Another thing, why do we need excuses to have a bunch of friends round for a party? The average teenage person is very apathetic (including me). Sometimes I couldn't be bothered going out, and I think I wouldn't mind staying home."

"Unfortunately in Tasmania most venues are quite a way from the flow of things, and people without transport can find it a hassle to get to these, so I'd like to see more buses at some odd times."

"There's no point increasing the amount of entertainment within the college when what we're experiencing is a pathetic response."

To the question, "What would you like to see provided in the way of entertainment?", these were responses:

Rachel Payne: More restaurants, Indonesian and Indian food in particular. I think there is adequate entertainment in the College.

Liz Stonjek: Launceston needs more social clubs and youth groups. I would like to see more performing artists from outside the College perform in the College.

Gnomie (Naomi) Brown: More discos, dances, coffee shops, somewhere to get together. College entertainment is reasonably adequate but I'd like to see more Folks and Blues evenings, more novelty events such as fairs, slave-days involving staff as well as students.

Peter Richardson: There should be more coffee shops and meeting places where you can spend the evening with friends, more dances and groups playing. As for College I'd like to see more dances in the first two terms. Fancy dress dances are a lot of fun.

Crossing

Since I have a Life to Live,
I thank you for this
And let me Live it well.

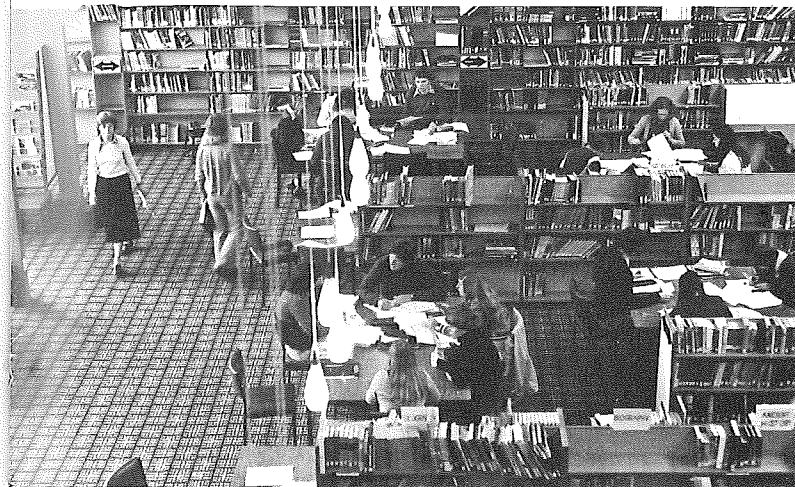
As I have eyes to see,
I see you.
I thank you for my insight
And let me see you.
When I am laid to rest
And my eyes are opened —
I shall see you even better
Than when my eyes were closed.

As the grass on the lawn,
I breathe, like the wind
Blowing the blades —
Oh take me far away
To meet you.

Your Life is more important
Than sight and breath.
And Life to me
Is a spirit of eternity.

Sandra Shields

THE ENVIRONMENT



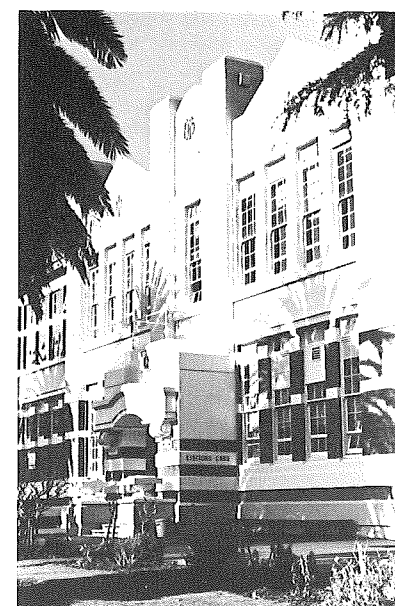
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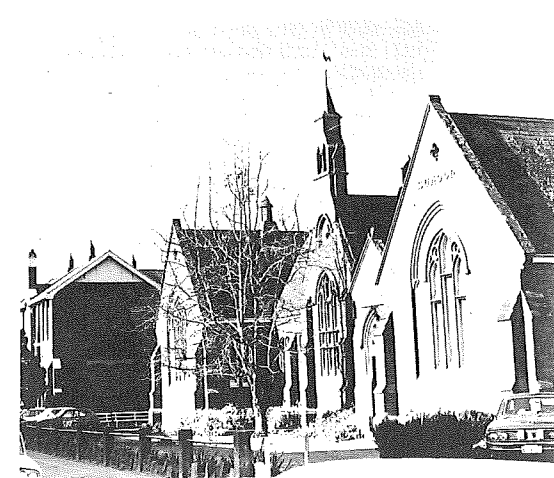
Morning break



Winter Sunshine



The Centrepiece — It still looks good.



Are we going to integrate with them?



Something wrong here.



He does a lot for our environment.

Potpourri

Total number of full-time teachers employed at L.M.C. this year was 45. In addition there were five part-time teachers. There were :— Mrs. Dunphy (Home Economics), Mrs. Elton (violin), Mrs. Harding (flute), Mrs. Maletta (Italian) and Mrs. Walker (Special English).

Last year the College inaugurated a scheme to provide individual assistance to students whose written expression or reading still required strengthening. We believe L.M.C. was the first to see the need for such assistance at this level.

The scheme has continued this year and with marked success. One hundred and thirteen students have benefited. The success achieved rebounds to the credit of Mrs. Di Walker, the tutor; Mrs. Walker's keen interest in the student's progress and her cheerful, lively personality, as well as her skill in this kind of teaching, have won her the confidence and respect of the students.

Some students have attended sessions for only a few weeks, others for months, a few even for the whole year. Mrs. Walker is employed by the College each morning of the College week from nine to eleven. Next year she envisages giving assistance in three areas — basic grammar, essay writing and matters of style for students aiming at credit marks in subjects where testing is largely done through connected writing.

We hear that a certain young female biology teacher will have an important announcement to make public soon.

Mr. Calcraft will be away for three months next year on a travelling scholarship. He will be visiting England and Wales. It is to be hoped that the people in those parts will be able to understand his accent which, over the decades, has had many influences brought to bear on it; to our ear it is now an almost unique thing.

Our congratulations to Miss Robertson who has been promoted to senior mistress in Geography and will take over from Mr. Keshow next year. Miss Robertson has taught at L.M.C. for five years, spent a year overseas and a year, 1976, teaching at Riverside High. Apart from her professional involvement, her interests are in music and cuisine and she is an excellent bridge player.

At the end of first term the College was sorry to have to farewell Mrs. Webb, our librarian. During her period as librarian library services in all subject areas were expanded considerably and it was common to hear teachers and students speaking appreciatively of the assistance they received. Miss Ann Walker came to fill the gap till the end of the year but has since been appointed our permanent librarian.

Congratulations to Mr. King who we learned just before sending our magazine material to the printer, has been appointed Senior Master in Languages at L.M.C.

We have heard of three staff members who earned themselves some kind of distinction this year. First, Mr. Walker who was elected to the executive of the Council of the Australian College of Education. The College of Education is the highest ranking educational body in the Commonwealth. In a quite different sphere, Mrs. Harland and her partner were equal first in a State-wide Congress of bridge players held at Burnie. And in a quite different sphere again, Mr. Stocks headed the committee which was responsible for the organization of the National Marathon held at Cressy this year. Sixty runners from all States in the Commonwealth attended and it was acknowledged that this was the best organized National Marathon ever held. As a result it now seems most likely that the Olympic trials for the National Marathon will be held in Tasmania.

As usual the staff has done its best to ensure the survival of the Australian race and we record these births — Steven James Scharapow, Matthew Lee-Archer.

COMPUTING AT L.M.C.

By Ray Johnston, Computer Studies Teacher.

Launceston Matriculation College is currently linked by telephone line to a powerful computing network based at Elizabeth Computer Centre at Elizabeth Matric College. A small computer housed at L.M.C. is used to concentrate terminals from the Launceston area. At present, Queechy High School, Alanvale Matric College and the Technical College have lines to this computer and other schools will be connecting shortly. L.M.C. currently

has three printing terminals able to print at 10 to 30 characters per second, and we hope to purchase two additional television like terminals called visual display units.

Students enrolling for computer studies have the benefits of access to a very powerful computing system and have the opportunity to undertake a major computing project on a topic of their choice. Students have developed programmes in fields as diverse as psychology surveys and hotel bookings.

The College also relies heavily on the computer for administrative tasks. Copies of the student's files and the College timetable are kept on a large magnetic disc, and information from these files is used to allocate students classes, print out timetables, tutor groups and report forms. It is also possible to print envelope labels, and it is hoped next year to be able to implement a library overdue scheme.

In the picture information is being entered on to the computer using a visual display unit. The disk unit is pictured to the right.



Editorial . . .

To sum up this year one must mention all the events and changes that have occurred in the College, like the . . . and . . . and not to forget the . . . and then there was the time that . . . Last but not least, the . . . The magazine this year features the . . . and as usual the . . . is presented; and to top it off we have a . . . which will be enjoyable reading. Churinga means . . . um . . . um . . . yes well. However, we do know that when you have a Churinga you will be safe practically anywhere.

Seriously though, Churinga has a sincere meaning. The aboriginal word Churinga refers to a sacred wooden object which was given to messengers of the tribe. When delivering a message to another tribe the object was considered as a passport and the messenger was safe as long as he carried it. Just as the aboriginals considered Churinga a passport, we, the students, consider that the Launceston Matriculation College experience is a passport, a passport to an enriched life.

Peter Samuel
Jenni Griffiths