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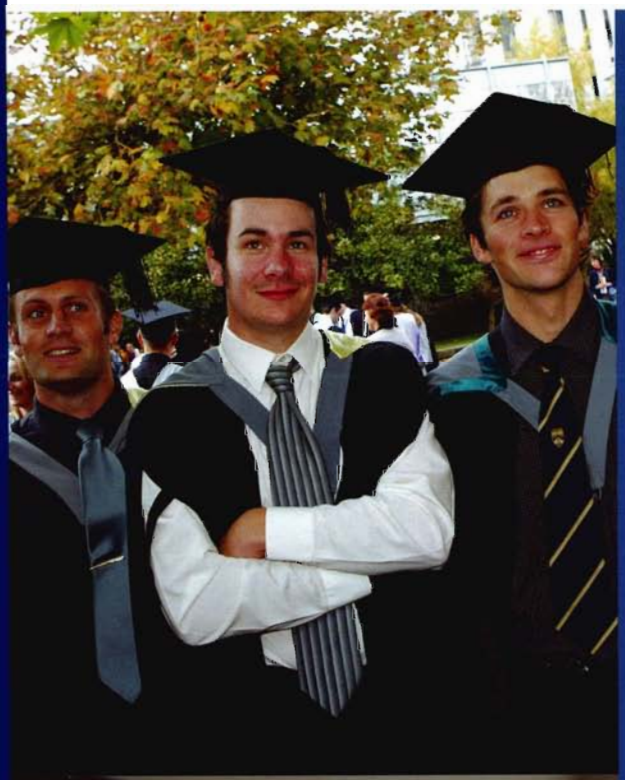








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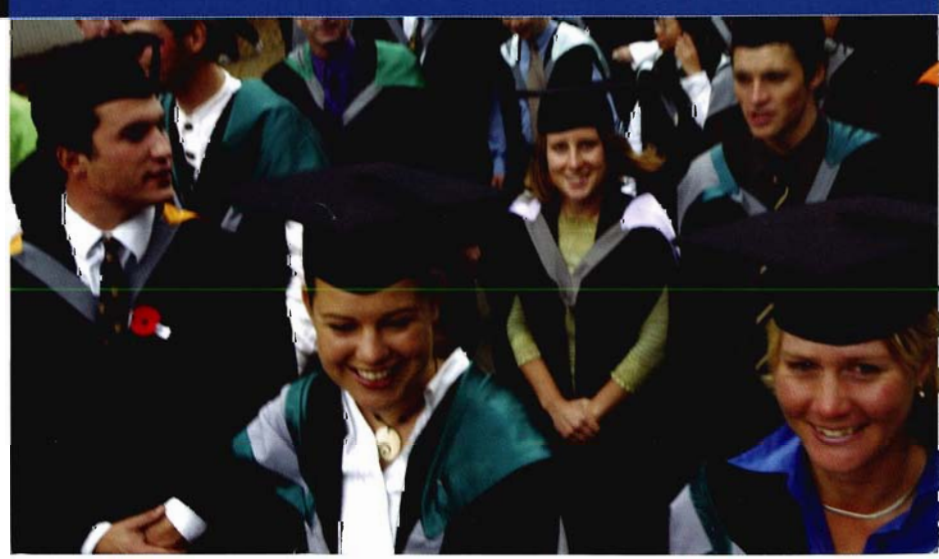
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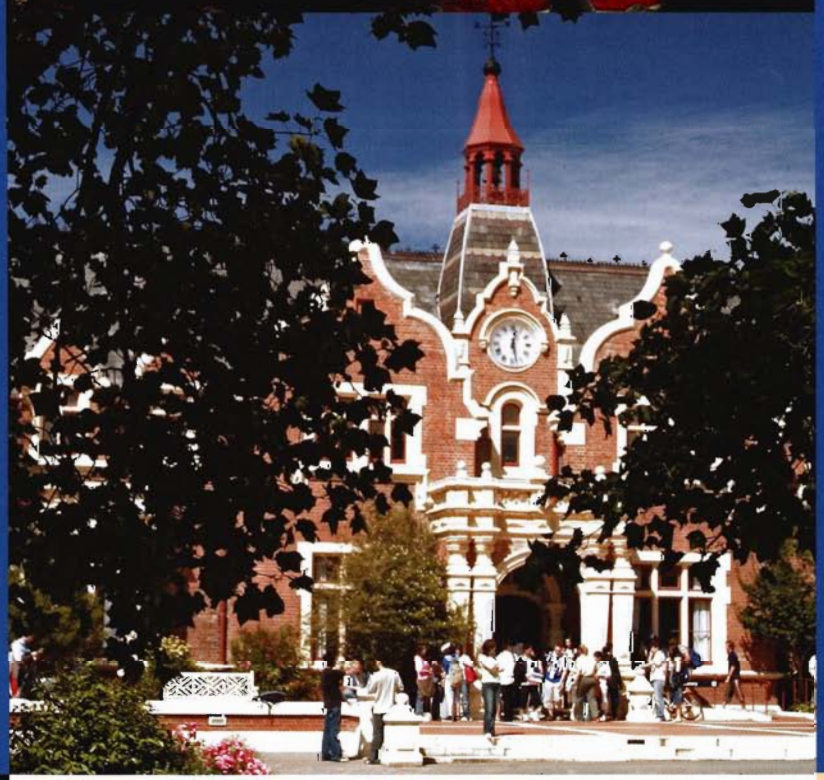
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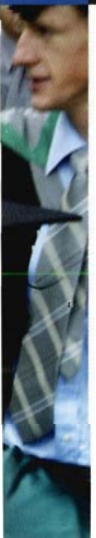
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From the Alumni Office

Another year down. I can't believe how quickly it has flown by. Once again it was great to meet so many alumni from all over New Zealand and Western Australia.

A big milestone this year sees the Lincoln University Alumni Association celebrating its centenary. There will be specific information about the day sent out to you all mid year.

Please fill in the "Have your say" form that is included in this edition of Alumni News. It will help the office keep up to date with the things you really want out of your Alumni Association.

I am looking forward to meeting even more of you this year.

Keep in touch.

Kind regards

Katherine Prusas
Alumni Manager
Lincoln University Alumni Association



Foundation Studies Graduation Ceremony

From the President

Fellow Alumni,

Let me open this message by extending the Association's congratulations to three special alumni. Firstly to Vern Clark on his Order of New Zealand award for his many and varied contributions to agriculture and to the community. I know that he holds a special place in the minds of the many alumni he taught. Secondly to Mike Dunbier our 2005 Bledisloe medalist and Peter Falconer our International Alumni Medal recipient for their notable contributions at home and abroad.

I am pleased to report that after long drawn-out negotiations with the Historic Places Trust we have reached a written agreement to our plans for the refurbishment of Ivey Hall and Memorial Hall. This agreement means we can now test your personal philanthropy with confidence and renewed vigour. We need your personal support because it will demonstrate to the various trusts and philanthropic organisations we are approaching that Lincoln alumni have long arms and short pockets, not the reverse.

We are well on our way to our first half million, what we need now are two thousand alumni pledging $1000 each over a five-year period to get us there – a dollar a day for three years would be better still, and tax deductible as well. I dream about an alumnus being prepared to match 10% of the $7.5 million an Auckland graduate has just donated to that institution – that would be real philanthropy.

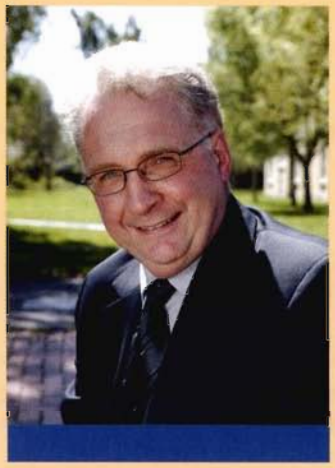
This last year has seen the University move on from the 125th celebrations with the appointment of a new Vice-Chancellor, Professor Roger Field, a new Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Dr Chris Kirk, and a new Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Professor Sheelagh Matear. The Association congratulates them on their appointments and looks forward to an increasingly strong relationship as they develop their vision of a robust and vibrant future for Lincoln. Equally we are delighted to welcome alumnus Tom Lambie, our new Chancellor as he takes over the reins from Hon Margaret Austin. On behalf of the Association let me thank Margaret for her leadership of, and dedication to, Lincoln University and the Association over many years. She has been a superb public face for Lincoln in a wide variety of settings and fora.

Finally, let me signal two important upcoming events that you might like to attend. This year the Association will be 100 years old and we are currently planning to hold the 100th AGM in November at the time of the original one. Next year, 2006 is the 125th anniversary of the Rugby Club and we are starting to plan for that too. Keep the branch and class reunions going and remember we are happy to help organise them. Make sure we know where you are, preferably with an email address.

In conclusion let me express my personal thanks to my executive, especially Past President Errol Costello and Alumni Manager Katherine Prusas for their support this last year. A similar accolade to all the branch and class reunion organisers – your contribution is vital and appreciated.

Neil Gow
President
LU Alumni Association

Message from the Vice-Chancellor



While 2004 might be seen as something of an "in between" year - straddling the period from the excitement of the University's 125th anniversary in 2003 to the conviviality of the Alumni Association's centennial in 2005 - it has been far from a time of standstill on campus.

Big things have happened in the life of Lincoln University in 2004 and this edition of Alumni News will give you a good idea of what has happened over the past 12 months.

Teaching and research and the involvement of students are of course the lifeblood of the University and it has been a year of very positive outcomes in both these areas.

For the third consecutive year the University experienced significant growth in enrolments. In EFTS terms the number went up 8 percent to 3649 and as a headcount the figure increased 16 percent to 4811 students. Since 2001 the number of students has in fact risen by 35 percent from 3561.

Of course that's good news for all of us and for the Alumni Association in particular, it signals a healthy membership for the future.

The research focus of the University continues to establish new levels of excellence. The visit by the Prime Minister to open the University's Centre of Research Excellence, the National Centre for Advanced Bio-Protection Technologies and its associated Biotron was a particular highlight in 2004.

Alumni of the different generations will remember Prime Ministerial visits in their eras. They are always significant occasions and this was the first visit by the Rt. Hon. Helen Clark.

The CoRE that Ms Clark came to launch is of immense practical research significance to the country with a strong focus on biosecurity and associated research and she took a keen interest in its planned activities.

You can't have research without funding and a most significant event during the year was the release of the Tertiary Education Commission's Report on Performance Based Research Fund (PBRF).

Lincoln University won 6.5 percent more Government funding for research in 2004 under the PBRF formula than in 2003, making it the second highest "winner" among the eight universities and second only to Otago University. In other words, in terms of external research funding Lincoln was the highest earner of any of the non-medical universities.

The additional income derived from PBRF will be used to support research growth and innovation.

Other major points of interest in 2004 that made the year memorable included -

- The first ever "graduation ceremony" for our Foundation Studies students.
- The achievement of five of our scholars being selected for the New Zealand Women's Cricket Team that toured England and Ireland, including pace bowler Louise Milliken who was named Lincoln University's Sports Person of the Year.
- The achievement of MSc student Nicola Turner being runner-up in the Foundation for Research, Science and Technology's inaugural MacDiarmid Young Scientists of the Year Awards.
- The achievement of Dr Derrick Moot, Senior Lecturer in Plant Science, winning one of the National Tertiary Teaching Awards. This is the second year in a row that Lincoln University has featured in these prestigious awards.
- The increasing importance of the University having a strong international focus, in terms of curriculum development, research and the students on campus.
- The Appeal to support the refurbishment of the West Wing of Ivey Hall and Memorial Hall. I hope that alumni will continue to support these important projects.

All of this and much more is covered in the pages ahead. I hope you will read it with interest and will take the opportunity to keep abreast of activities and achievements at your university.

On a personal note, this is my first message to you as Vice-Chancellor.

May I wish the Association well for its centennial year.

Roger Field
Vice-Chancellor

New marketing campaign emphasises the 'real' deal

A new marketing campaign was launched by Lincoln University in August 2004 to increase awareness of the evolution of the University as a place of real learning and real thinking that is relevant to the real world.

The campaign includes promotional exposure in cinema advertising, on the back of buses, on bus shelters and in magazine and newspaper advertisements around New Zealand.

The graphics are simple with strong impact, hard facts and figures are used and the uniqueness of Lincoln University and its evolution as a leading tertiary institution are celebrated.

An important consideration with the new marketing material has been to achieve "cut through" in the mass of education advertising out there in the marketplace, says Marketing and Communications Manager Sarah Hannan. You really have to stand out to get your message heard or seen.

The colours, images and messages in the campaign have all been carefully thought out to achieve this aim.

"Lincoln University has evolved over time, student numbers continue to increase and we want to make sure that prospective students, their families and communities have a real picture of our institution as it is today," said Vice-Chancellor Professor Roger Field, endorsing the new campaign.

"There are still those who see Lincoln University as just an agriculture college. We are proud of our history but times have certainly changed. Lincoln University now has over 100 undergraduate and postgraduate programmes ranging from Commerce to Environmental Management. Lincoln University has a focus on applied learning and solving real world problems. The University works in partnership with industry to ensure course content is real and relevant to the working world. We want our students to leave Lincoln University with qualifications that mean they are sought after by employers internationally."

In 2004 Lincoln University had a roll of over 4500 with an increase in student numbers of 8 percent on 2003.

Professor Field says the University undertook extensive research to underpin the campaign.



1993: Was this the advertising that brought you to Lincoln?



2004: Examples from the latest campaign.

Some of the interesting facts that feature in the campaign include:

- WE ARE JUDGED ON YOUR SUCCESS. WE MAKE DAMNED SURE YOU SUCCEED. In 2003, 89% of Lincoln University graduates got jobs within six months of completing their qualification.
- WHERE HAVE ALL THE GRADUATES GONE? In 2003, 95% of final year Agricultural Science students were offered employment before finishing their degrees.
- NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY. A SIMPLE KNOCK ON THE DOOR WILL DO. At Lincoln University there is one fulltime academic staff member for every 15 fulltime students.
- MORE DAVID THAN GOLIATH. In a selection process involving New Zealand's major research institutions, Lincoln University was the only South Island institution selected to host one of seven Centres of Research Excellence.
- CHICKS. DON'T LET ANYONE TELL YOU LINCOLN IS FOR BOYS. 44% of students are female.

And some interesting people also feature:

- THINK. SOMEDAY YOU'LL BE PAID TO. B.Com.Ag graduate (1990), Geoff Ross, is CEO and the brains behind 42 Below – New Zealand's first locally produced premium vodka. Since the first bottle sold in 1999, 42 Below has stormed its way onto the top shelves of bars around the world.
- IF AGRICULTURE IS THE BACKBONE OF NEW ZEALAND, WHO IS THE BACKBONE OF AGRICULTURE? Emeritus Lincoln Professor Ian Coop was instrumental in breeding the Coopworth – New Zealand's second most numerous sheep.

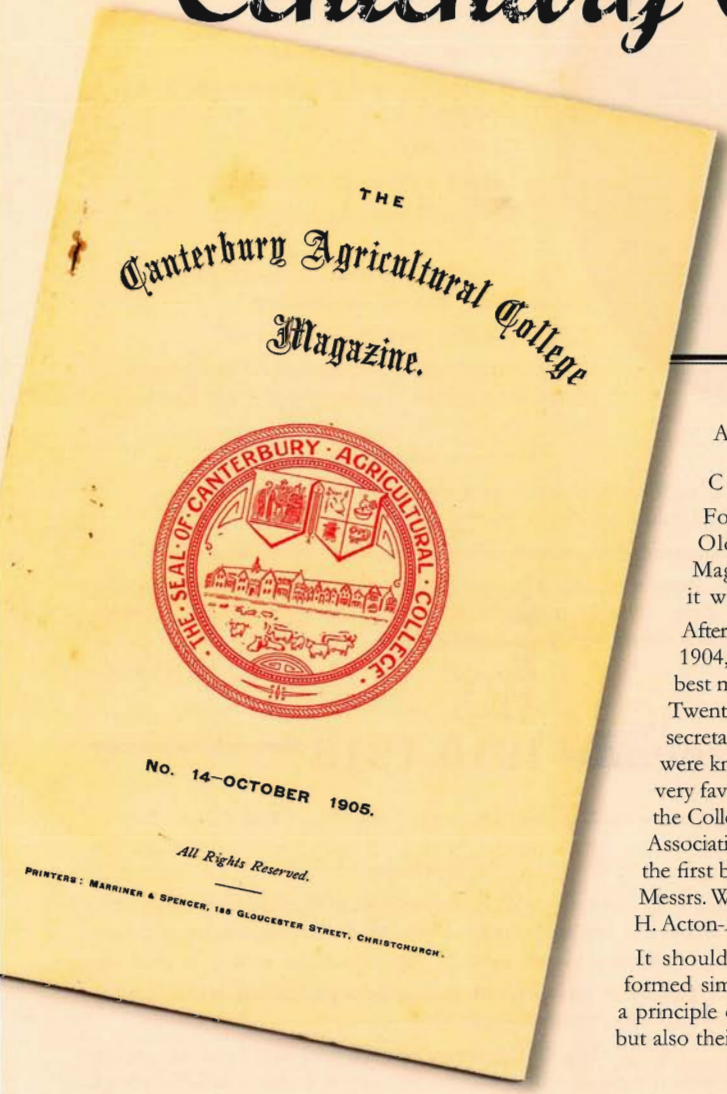
"Students who come to Lincoln University want freedom and independence to grow as individuals but also in terms of learning, thinking and challenging themselves. This marketing campaign takes our target audiences on a journey to visit and see Lincoln University as it is now," concluded Professor Roger Field.

Centenary Celebrations

On November 11th 2005 the Alumni Association will reach its 100th year. We have got together a few excerpts out of the magazines from the past 100 years and put them together for you to have a browse through.

Celebrations for the centenary will be held in November. A confirmation of the day's events will be sent out mid year.

Enjoy the walk back in history...


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Decade 1900-1909

Agricultural College Magazine 1905

C.A.C OLD STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

For a great many years past there has been a strong feeling that an Old Students' Association should be formed. In a number of this Magazine published in 1895, attention was drawn to this matter, but it was not until November, 1904, that these ideas were put into effect.

After a cricket match, "Past v. Present", played at the College on November 12, 1904, a meeting of the old students present at the match was held to consider the best means of preventing old students from losing their interest in the institution. Twenty two were present, and the Director, M. W. Lowrie, presided. The acting-secretary reported that circulars had been sent out to all old students whose addresses were known, and that over forty replies had been received, the great majority being very favourable to something being done to help old students to keep in touch with the College. After discussion it was unanimously decided to form an Old Students' Association which should hold an annual re-union dinner in Christchurch, the date for the first being fixed for November 11, 1905. The following committee was elected:- Messrs. W. Lowrie (President), H. A. Knight, J. W. McCrostie, L. Ingram, J. Henderson, H. Acton-Adams, F. L. Wise and B. Seth-Smith; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. G. Rennie.

It should be remembered that Agricultural Colleges in other countries have formed similar associations, and their members are satisfied that by adopting such a principle of mutual help they are promoting not only the welfare of their College but also their own interests. We need say nothing more in favour of the Association.

GEORGE RENNIE

Agricultural College Magazine 1905

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS

I have been induced to take up this subject, as the importance of agricultural education does not appear to be fully recognised by young men who intend taking up farming as a profession or means of livelihood.

It is well to remember that a man's association with the soil must grow with it: there seems to be a sort of instinct in connection with it, a kind of second nature that helps one to do the right thing at the right time, that which the outside observer is often to inclined to term "good luck".

To the student I say, "Beware of the term." The element of luck most certainly enters into most things, but it is more often the result of good or bad management. It is better to think of it as such at any rate, and if you are not better pleased you will find it much more satisfactory in the end.

To the student I also say, "Do not look upon your self as a schoolboy, but as a man trying to learn the business of his future life. Act as a man, and you will be treated as one."

Farming has many anxieties and disappointments, but it has also many pleasures. If you feel that you have no real love for farming, but only look upon it as a means of making money, then take the advice of an old student and farmer, and try some other profession. You may get more excitement, but you will assuredly miss the most healthy, the most independent life.

H. A. KNIGHT
Racecourse Hill

Canterbury Agricultural College 1907



Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine June 1906

ILLUSTRATED INTERVIEWS.

No. 2- J.C.ALLAN, ESQ

"Hullo! The very man I want. I believe you are the captain of the first fifteen?"

"Yes. What's the matter?"

"I want some information for the College Magazine, and, will you kindly answer me the following questions – 'When were you born?'"

Mr. Allan hereupon produced a diversion, by taking a referee's whistle from his pocket, blowing loudly upon it, and the College police answered immediately. But, before the police actually arrive, he was considerate enough to give the interviewer the option of clearing out, or taking the consequences.



JACK ALLAN.

As the interviewer has been ordered by the committee to sound the captain on his life history, he had no other option, than to accept the latter course. When the XV. arrived, and heard what was the interviewer's object, they disobeyed their captain's unreasonable command, and unanimously agreed to assist the interviewer, as it was for the benefit of our readers, and commanded him to give the information requested.

"When were you born?"

He sulkily replied, " How should I know?"

"How old are you then?"

"I was born on 3rd October, 1886. Work it out."

"Where were you educated?"

"Educated! In the best school in New Zealand."

" But where?"

" Hang it man, Christ's College."

"I suppose picnicking is your favourite sport?"

This question, through personal reasons, was left unanswered.

"Is football your favourite game?"

With a sarcastic smile, he said: "I don't know. But I have played in every match since I have been at the College."

"Have you done anything else?"

" Yes. Won the bicycle race for two years, and won a scholarship into the second year."

I remarked, "An example of 'Mens Sana in Corpore Sano,' then."

The captain, and his subordinates, asked in one voice – "What the d-l's that?" By that, the interviewer saw danger approaching, and beat a hasty retreat with his valuable note.

H. W. HESSE.

Decade 1910-1919



Lincoln College 1928

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, May 1919

The Dance.

The annual dance was held on the first night of the third term of last year. A committee was appointed to superintend the decorations, and their efforts with the able assistance of Mrs. Alexander were most pleasing.

Miss Scott was unfortunately away on a holiday, and her usual untiring energy was much missed.

As usual, the dining room was cleared for dancing, and it presented a gay spectacle with its festoons of bunting and its host of lively youth "tripping the fantastic toe." The floor after much careful preparation and considerable anxiety proved excellent. Supper was served in the lecture room, the long desks covered with white cloths making admirable tables. Bunches of greenery interspersed with wattle, blue and gold crepe, and an abundance of flags, produced a very artistic effect. The board room was set aside for non-dancers, who amused themselves by smoking and playing scallywag.

The music was again supplied by Miss McDonald, and was much enjoyed by all. When the programme was completed no one was ready to break up such an enjoyable evening; consequently some extras were played, and after singing the National Anthem and giving three cheers for Mr. And Mrs. Alexander, our guests began to depart.

In conclusion, we must say that great credit is due to the dance committee, and especially Mrs. Alexander and Miss Owen, who by their help contributed largely to the success of the evening.

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Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, May 1919

Editorial [edited]

Since our last issue the Great War has come to an end, an Armistice having been signed in November last, and it appears to be probable that before these lines are in print the Allies' peace terms will have been accepted by the Germans, and the nations of the world will be able to take a fresh breath and get going again with their reconstruction plans, and with the re-building and extension of their business and material designs.

We have had little to break the usual routing of our College life, although the last term of last year was rather an interrupted one. Following on the excitement caused by the signing of the Armistice, came the outbreak of the influenza epidemic which was mainly responsible for the non-publication of this magazine in December. That one issue should have been missed seems a great pity, but under the circumstances it was found impossible to publish.

The question of a memorial to Old Boys fallen in the War, which has been discussed several times, has at last begun to take definite shape. It is proposed to erect a memorial hall where students will be able to meet for indoors recreation. For this purpose the sum of £2000 has already been raised, and it is understood that shortly will commence the building of a structure which will for all time perpetuate the memory of those of our gallant comrades who laid down their lives for the Empire's cause.

Decade 1920-1929



1927 Rugby 1st XV

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, June 1924

THE COLLEGE SCONE.

A favourite food of mine
Is the dear old College scone,
The cooking is divine
For 'twill stand being jumped upon.

As a weapon of attack,
It is very hard to beat,
As with a sounding whack
It lands upon your seat.

And when at night you're waking,
And start to roll and groan
You conclude it's through the baking,
Of that leathery College scone.

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, Dec 1923

FOOTBALL

This season has been the most successful the College has had for many years. Both teams were successful in winning the Ellesmere Senior and Junior Shields, and the Senior Seven in winning the Seven-a-side Tournament.

The First Fifteen played 13 matches – won 13 and lost 0.

The Second Fifteen played 14 matches – won 13, lost 0, drawn 1.

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Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, Dec 1927

WAR CRY.

We are printing the war cry again this year in an attempt to bring it more to the students' notice. This war cry or haka is seldom heard at football matches because most of the present students have no idea that a College war cry exists. Perhaps in the future enthusiastic barrackers will use it more frequently.

Rikina Kareti e
O.
Rikina Kareti e.
O.
Whaka tanga tanga kia kaka,
Whaka tanga tanga kia kaka,
Kei pehia hoe ete hoa riri.
Hi ha.
Hi ha.

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, December 1922

FOREWORD

We would like to state what are, in our opinion, the functions of this the College Magazine.

It serves as : -

1. A medium of expression of our teachers' opinions on agricultural topics.
2. A record of all the College activities.
3. A permanent record of the year's doings on farm, in class, and on the playing fields.
4. A means of keeping Old Boys in touch with College.
5. A medium for publishing results of original work done at the College.

We hope that this issue will in a slight measure meet these demands. We invite criticism, and would welcome articles of a controversial nature. Our readers are invited to reply to any statements which do not meet with their approval.

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The Pierrots, 1920

R. E. Tolhurst (Archie) G. R. Cracroft Wilson (Tim) A. W. Cargill (Digger) R. McMillan (Bob) J. H. Pennycook (Penny)
R. C. Smith (Dick) F. G. Jones (Jum) H. E. Pearce (Phyllis) A. H. Partridge (Paderewski) L. W. McCaskill (Mac)

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, December 1920

Decade 1930-1939



1932 Farm Group

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, December 1935

'----AND SO THEY LEARN." [edited]

When I came to the College as a very young lad,
Said I to myself said I.
I'll teach them things to surprise many a cad,
Said I to myself said I.
I can't believe that an old man like Dick,
Whose eyes are so kind and whose shirts are so chic,
Can tell the sharp end of a fork from the thick,
Said I to myself said I.

But I'd only been here four days of a week,
Said I to myself said I,
When hooligans grabbed me and spoke of a creek,
Said I to myself said I.
They said "you're a bounder and a so-and-so skite,"
My body they greased as black as the night,
And troughed me in water with cries of delight,
Said I to myself said I.

So all you young wiseheads who enter this place,
Said I to myself said I,
Don't air your great knowledge but wear a blank face,
Said I to myself said I.
Look on Second-year Dips. as chaps who know all,
Otherwise for sure at the trough you will call,
And bear on your seat the marks of your fall,
Said I to myself said I.

I.D.B. & J.G.C.

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Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, December 1935

NOTES FROM TWO OLD BOYS, 1891-1892

Reminiscences by old men usually bore youth to distraction, or cause a guttural noise in their throat, ending in "doddering old ----, his memory is to pot, and his literary style a relic of the past."

At a small confab of Old Boys on Farmers' Day (I think it was) at Lincoln, a few of us discussed the best way of helping the Director to feel that, at any rate, he had the hearty goodwill of the Old Boys, while we knew the same feeling of goodwill was also uppermost in the mind of every student taking the course.

From the names then supplied from the Register, we sent out 400 circulars, but my memory fails to elucidate how many answers were received. The result was that we held the inaugural dinner at Coker's, in 1905. Another dinner was held in 1906, after which the Association almost went out of existence until 1911. From then onward it was very active for a number of years.

The few memories to follow are those of my old study mate, Frank Knight, and myself, proving how invaluable is the Old Boys' Association. I might mention that our fast friendship formed at Lincoln, was renewed 35 years after we shared the old study down the short lane at the College, in 1892, though we had not seen one another all that time.

Of the staff at that time the best remembered are.....Herbert Allington, farm manager, whose instruction was of great value to many of us on our own farms. One thing he taught us which I can pass on to all readers, via: the importance of early bare fallow for wheat. "Land makes more in three weeks (and consequently contains more in the soil essentials for wheat) before the turn of the sun, than it will make in three months after the turn."

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Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, December 1935

ODDS AND ENDS [edited]

We couldn't stage the annual College car race—none of the entered vehicles would go.

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Another cold day for the Capping Procession. If only women would cease wearing Berlei we would be warmly clad at "Procesh."

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The Second Year Diploma staged "Irrigation in Canterbury." They were at least enthusiastic. One member at least seemed to be well (internally) irrigated.

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P.A.S. and Len E. have staged a thrilling contest for the sleeping-in-lectures trophy.

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Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, December 1935



FARM GROUP, 1935.



STUDENTS' EXECUTIVE.
D. R. Wilkie, D. Neilson, R. D. Dick, P. Deans, W. Murray (Secretary and Treasurer), A. C. Wright (President), I. D. Blair (Vice-Pres.)

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, December 1935

FARMS VISITED

It has been the aim of the College Staff that the Second Year Diploma students visit as many differing types of farms as possible. It is essential that we have first-hand knowledge of farming practices in all districts.

We are much indebted to the staff – academic and domestic – for the way in which they have worked to make our trips a success.

In every instance the owners or managers went out of their way to explain their farming methods. One and all has to sincerely thanked.

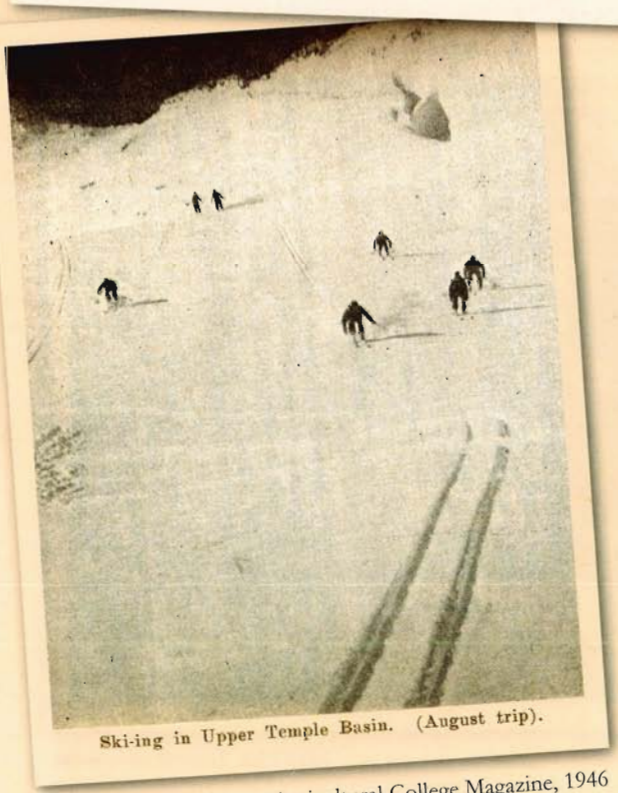
The following farms were visited:-

A. Amos, Wakanui.
D.M. Christie, "Riverbank," Methven.
R. J. Low, Highbank.
Sir Heaton Rhodes, "Otahuna," Tai Tapu.
Messers Berry and Halliburton, Halswell.
Mrs. M.. S. Martin "Glendale," Coalgate.
John Deans, "Kirkstyle," Coalgate.
James Deans, "Homebush," Coalgate.
W. K. Tyson, Springston.
P.V. Bailey, Springston.
J. Johns, Belfast.
Rutherford, "Leslie Hills."
J. B Currie, Lincoln.
Date Forests, Hanmer.

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Decade 1940-1949





Ski-ing in Upper Temple Basin. (August trip).

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1946

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1945

C.A.C.L.I.N [ed.]

Lincoln College has at last got itself a permanent means of expression in the form of a fortnightly rag – Caclin to wit. We hope and trust that future students of Lincoln will support Caclin and never lose sight of the fact that it is their paper to express their ideas.

As time marches on Caclin will improve, and with improvement will come a wider circulation and the possibility of bursting into print. The Editors look forward to the day when Caclin will take its place beside contemporary publications of the other Universities. Until that day however we once more exhort all students to back Caclin up to the hilt and give its new editors and staff a flying start in 1946.

C.R.S W.I.L

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Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1941

FEMMES AS FARMERS [edited]

"Women's Land Army short course of instruction to be held at Lincoln College.' (the People's Rag). Impossible – what visions it conjures up, teams running riot, caterpillars blissfully crawling over concrete fence posts – our reputation as farmers will be ruined. Such a scheme can never be put into operation.

But wait, don't you think that there has been something lacking in this place over the last sixty years? Surely it will liven up the old ruin if one can, on occasion, hear chortles of feminine laughter waking up the echoes in our dreary corridors.

Still will that compensate for the necessity of shaving every day? By Jove, that's a point, a bloke can't get around with a week's growth on, while there are women about. Why? You ask. That's awkward, how can I crawl out of that? I know, one can't feel superior to the weaker sex when one is looking like a clump of prickly pear. I had better stop these wanderings I am getting positively morbid.

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They are going to be let loose on the farm this week, now things are really going to happen. I wonder if the women will be milking the cows in the morning? " They are, you say!" That's right, it will provide a bit of diversification in the early hours to see feline cowspankers at work.

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continued overleaf



L B Morgan

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1941

RIDING DOWN TO LINCOLN

Riding down to Lincoln
In a one horse train,
Came the female farmers,
Knowledge to obtain.
Have they proved apt pupils?
Are they dull and dense?
According to Prof. Hudson,
You'll know that three months hence.

When told of our arrival
The McKeekan Prof. began
To moderate his language
For he's a gentleman
With self restraint enormous,
He uttered nothing rash;
And all we heard him saying
Was tut, tut, bother, dash.

Mr. Bill MacDonald
Scorning female charm,
Didn't want the women
Hanging around the farm
Busting up his tractors.
Still, we think you'll find
That the way we drove them
Made him change his mind.

Working in the garden
Is our idea of bliss
And its is a pleasure
That you should not miss;
With a load of apples
Pears, or beet, or marrer,
Mock goes first to clear the way
And let's you push the barrer.

Rules and regulations
Abound where'ere you go;
Such and such is out of bounds,
And also so and so;
No lingering round our building
Or Prof. Will start to frown,
And when you go to bed at night,
Be sure your blinds are down.

Sadly home from Lincoln.
On Saturday we go;
We do not like to leave you,
We've liked our sojourn so,
We feel that we must tell you
How we have enjoyed our stay,
And so we say good-bye and hope
We'll meet again some day.

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1941 5th Herd Testing course

continued from page 9 'Femmes as Farmers'...

It seems I was wrong, those girls turned out more chaff in one day than the boys ever did. Oh well, we had never really tried so it's not that bad.

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Their time is up – they take their departure, leaving us with mingled feelings and a song. Their disturbing presence is no longer an excuse for neglect of work but somehow there is an empty air about the dining room.

Those feelings are beginning to sort themselves out now. Land girls were not so bad after all, we miss them and they have imbued in us a deep respect for women folk – striving as they are, to help the country's war effort.

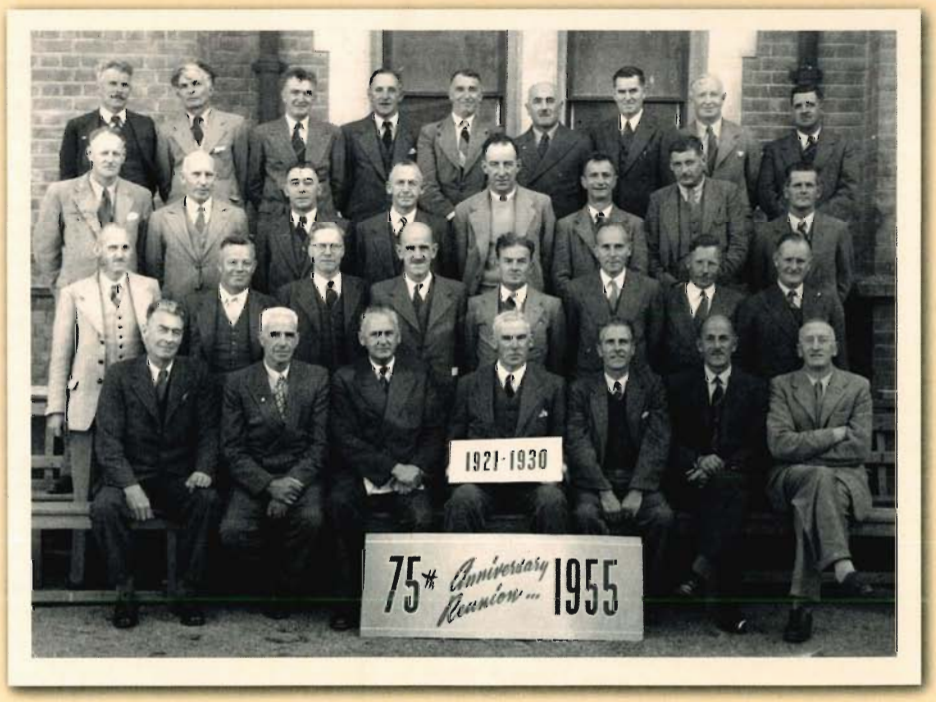
J.M.H.

Decade 1950-1959

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1955

History of the College

Excellent progress was made during the year by Dr. I. D. Blair in writing up the history of the College. He handed over the draft copy during the 75th Anniversary Dinner held at the College in May.



1955 75th Anniversary group

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1955

OLD STUDENTS ON THE COLLEGE STAFF

J. W. Calder (18-20) who has served on the staff thus far for 31 years, was this year appointed the Chair of Agricultural Botany, a position last occupied at the College by the late Dr. Hilgendorf.

L. W. McCaskill (19-20) left in April for a period of refresher leave embracing a fair cross-section of the United Nations. He is expected to return from the United States in November.

M. G. Hollard (42-43) also on refresher leave and for a longer period than usual (one year) left in August accompanied by his wife and two children and was to study aspects on animal husbandry based on Edinburgh and within the organization now directed by H. P. Donald (29-32).

H. E. Garrett (34-38) was invited to present a paper at the August meeting in Melbourne of the Australia and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science. He spoke on managerial efficiency as exemplified by a Canterbury farm which has been under the guidance of A. H. Flay's (25-28) Farm Advisory Service for the past 17 years.



VFM at Opera 1950

Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1955

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Seventy-fifth anniversary gave many Old Students an ideal opportunity to visit the College. The Executive of the Association had made arrangements for the Old Student functions and the largest number ever to attend a reunion were present. The old haunts stimulated memories of youthful days and the scenes of toil, study, repose, inspired pleasant and many humorous reflections. Many returned, I think to pay tribute to an alma mater, which had contributed much to the success and happiness of the men who had been in residence at Lincoln. At the Reunion there were Old Students representing all stages of life and development of the College and it seemed that age after all was merely a classification of interest. The younger generation met in a whirl-wind of mirth and jet-propelled news while older men mellowed with time, looked for familiar faces of their years. The "Seventy-fifth" was a memorable occasion.

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The Association is deeply interested in Old Students of the College. Interest in the gatherings at Invercargill, Dunedin, Timaru, Blenheim, Wellington, Hamilton, indicated the enthusiasm among members throughout the country for the ideal and purpose of the Association. I would like to remind you of the privileges and benefits received from membership. The opportunity to attend functions arranged for us where contemporaries meet, alone makes membership worthwhile. This Association appears to be unique however, in that it distributes to its members bulletins on agriculture, copies of the Hilgendorf Memorial Lectures and a regular flow of news in the annual magazine. Also all are able to take an active interest in administration of the College by electing three members of the College Board of Governors.

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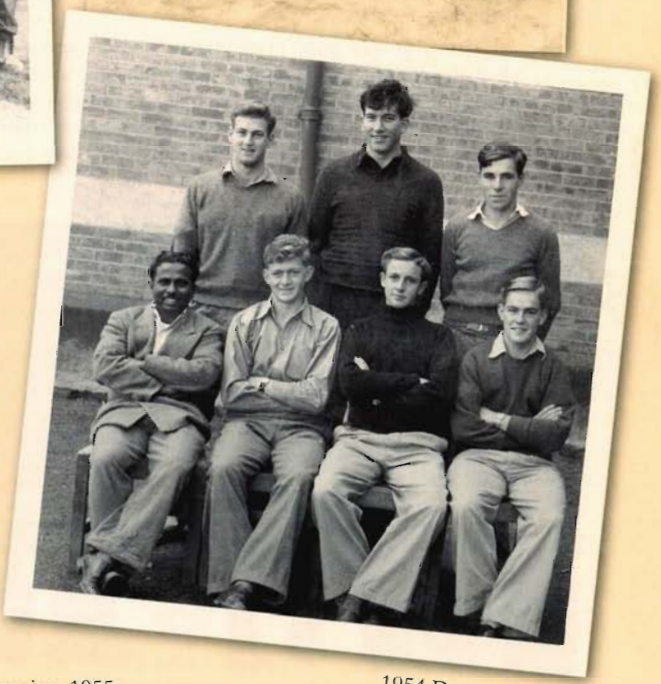
Canterbury Agricultural College Magazine, 1955

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Students this year seem to have been much more socially inclined than in past years. This may be due to the older students in the new Diploma course or to more transport, in that way of private cars, being available, whatever the reason all functions were organized by the committee have been well attended and consequently much more enjoyable.

To start the ball rolling a dance was held in Hudson Hall in the early part of the year, before the Degrees, Intensives and V.F.M came back. This was run by the Diploma II and with a truck load of Teachers' College girls everyone had an entertaining night.

To introduce the Freshers to some "likely talent" an Introductory Dance was run in early March, again with the assistance of Teachers' College girls.



1954 Degree 1

PEARL HARBOUR

One look down Calder Drive at the College during a day when there is no Ranfurly Shield match being played in Christchurch clearly indicated that the city's main car wrecking firms are situated far too close to the centre of town. For some of the Lincoln wrecks to get back to their rightful homes seems to be beyond their mechanical abilities so that they just sit peacefully under the trees enjoying a long overdue rest.

The local residents seem very sympathetic towards College car owners. In fact one transport operator changes the oil in his trucks regularly so that he can give this near perfect oil to our College cars which don't require an oil change as they burn any oil put into them faster than it can be changed. One of the models even has a system of diluting the oil with water which makes the oil go further (along the road).

Finally it has been estimated that if all the cylinders of all the cars under the trees were joined together they would make a pipe line long enough to reach the centre of Lincoln Village to pipe beer back to Hudson Hall.

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Decade 1960-1969

Lincoln College Magazine, 1961

ASIAN STUDENTS AT LINCOLN

Since 1946, forty-one students from Asian countries have taken courses at Lincoln and the day may come when an old students' reunion is held in some place like Bombay or Kuala Lumpur. The presence of these Indians, Malayans, Indonesians and so forth, has contributed to our understanding of the situation and needs of other people. We have often wondered how they felt about their experience in New Zealand and at Lincoln in particular. One of them, M. Perera (54-56), Department of Agriculture, Polonnuruwa, Ceylon, has written as follows:

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I WAS IN KIWI LAND [edited]

By M. PEREERA (Ceylon)

In February 1953 I made the longest journey of my life on a Scholarship under the Colombo Plan to New Zealand. As an Asian I had read so much on apartheid in South Africa, and colour bar in Great Britain, and the United States, that for the first few days of my stay in New Zealand I became colour conscious on the slightest indifference shown towards me. Many Asians when out of home in a white country have the same feelings as myself, and if they are honest they will admit it.

On the first day of my stay at Lincoln I was introduced to a Chinese from Malaya as if he was my next-door neighbour in Ceylon. The impression left in my mind then by the New Zealander who introduced me was "Now lad, I have introduced you to one of your own, I am sure you will be happy." This Chinese was as much as stranger to me as a New Zealander.

... ...

For one year I boarded with an English family. I was really my home. I began to change my ideas and realized that most Asians are sensitive of their colour and suffer from complex (superiority or inferiority).

The next three years of my stay in New Zealand was spent at Lincoln where within a short spell of time every one of my class mates to a man was one. Soon we found lots in common. The tables changed. Now the Asian was trying to find what was common with his fellow men in a white land rather than differences. This approach changed the entire outlook, I soon found that I was inseparable from many of my New Zealand student friends who were and are near and dear to me.



1963 Hort 1

Lincoln College Magazine, 1968

OCCUPATIONS OF GRADUATES IN AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE (1959-67) [edited]

D. B. McSWEENEY (47-48)

There is an interest in the careers students carve out for themselves after they leave Lincoln. Each year the Magazine notes activities concerning Old Students. These records give only a partial picture though. It may be that in focusing attention on the success we may gloss over corresponding failure. A more satisfactory way to see the full picture is to carry out follow-up studies of a whole group of graduates.

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We need to know how employable our graduates are. We also need to know the pattern of movement overseas. With this information we are in a much stronger position to press Lincoln's claim for more resources on the grounds that our graduates contribute directly and in large numbers to New Zealand's development.

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Lincoln College Magazine, 1965

EASTER TOURNAMENT

Easter Tournament always attracts two classes of people with its magnetic appeal: the competitors and the supporters, whose name is thought to be derived from the fact that when observed they always appear to be either desperately trying to support an unfortunate competitor who had misjudged his own capacity, or trying with somewhat less success to support themselves.

As far as sport was concerned, Lincoln did very well when its size relative to the other universities competing is taken into consideration. Perhaps the field where we had out best success was the athletics which were held appropriately on the home ground in fine weather on Saturday and Monday.

Perhaps some mention should be made of the other activities associated with tournament. The Drinking Horn once again gave students an opportunity to prove to themselves that they can hold their own in a swill with anyone. It also provided those people who believe (in this ignorance??) that students squander most of their bursaries on beer, with much useful ammunition with which to bombard us.

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Lincoln College Magazine, 1963

COURSE NOTES

DIP.HORT.I.

This year's Dip. I.'s, I fear to say,
Are not per-fect in any way.
They moan and groan and mess around,
Breaking this and that from sky to ground.
They argue, scrap and cause a row,
And burn house plants (like I know how!).

But despite these drawbacks here today,
We've got our "Chair" now, anyway;
And Lincoln College Hort. Division
Has made this short and true revision.

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Our Nelson reps, a bright squad three
Smoke and sing, and drink bottles of "tea";
With brains in boilers, bombs and bacco
They'll make the grad, or there'll be whacko.

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So that's the reason the Dept.'s poor,
When it starts off season '64.

T.I.M.



MORNING OF AUGUST 1st, 1975 (note also lost roof tiles)

Lincoln College Magazine, 1975 The End of Araucaria

Decade 1970-1979

Lincoln College Magazine, 1975

OVERSEAS VISITING SCHOLARS

From Oregon State University – five students in the third year of their Agricultural Science degree course, arrived last January and had working experience on New Zealand farms, before they entered the equivalent course at the College.

From California State University – five students from various units within the California system arrived in February and will also be occupied here for a year.

The Oregon contingent includes one woman student, the Californian two.

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Lincoln College Magazine, 1975

OVERSEAS STUDENTS AT LINCOLN

There are 70 overseas students at Lincoln in '75 comprising 7 percent of Lincoln College students.

The majority of students come from: Malaysia (33), Australia (11), U.S.A. (10). Other students coming from Thailand, Sri Lanka, Nigeria, Vietnam, Bangladesh, England, Uganda, Laos, Singapore and Korea.

Although most overseas students come to New Zealand under bursaries quite a large number (38) come privately and it is thought that the committee could do much to assist these people as they have special needs.

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1975 Students Executive



100 YEAR ARCHITECTURE CYCLE. Left to Right: LIBRARY-ADMIN., HILGENDORF WING, EAST WING (at rear), IVEY HALL.

Lincoln College Magazine, 1975 100 year Architecture Cycle



Decade 1980-1989

Lincoln College Magazine, 1983

Honorary Life Members Gather at the College

On the evening of February 20, 1984, the four Honorary Life Members of the Lincoln College Old Students' Association gathered at the College as guests of the Executive. It was the first time all four had been together.

Until now no tangible sign of honour they hold had been given to them, so the Executive thought it appropriate to present each with a plaque of the College Crest with a suitable engraving.

It was a happy occasion and one which will be remembered by those present as the time when Charles Upham held the floor, replying on behalf of the recipients to a speech by the President, recalling many an amusing incident during his times as a student.

Lincoln College Magazine, 1984

THE DISAPPEARING SCULPTURE

The event hit the 6.30 p.m TV One news , set the campus buzzing and had a few people scratching their heads.

What happened?

Three metres of steel sculpture vanished and in its place appeared a Dip.Ag. masterpiece!

College journalist, James Homes, recorded the events in the College Newsletter as follows:

'Only days before a specially-commissioned sculpture was to be cemented into a permanent place on the Registry forecourt, a replacement sculpture of farm machinery parts and scrap metal from around farms appeared in its place. Staff and students found the sculpture had been replaced when they got to work on Monday 15 October.

'Two Diploma in Agriculture students later in the day claimed responsibility, but, at that time, no-one was saying where the original had gone, by next morning the original sculpture was back.'



The College line-out (with half-back Bruce Deans) from left: Walker, Groundwater, Fechney, Anderson, Aitkenhead, White, Stewart and Gollan.

Lincoln College Magazine, 1981

Decade 1990-1999

Alumni News, 1995

ALUMNI – That "A" word – what it means

When Lincoln achieved university status in 1990, the Executive Committee of the Association debated at length the idea of a name change from "Old Students' Association" to "Alumni Association".

There were several reasons put forward in favour of the change.

1) Some former students objected to the word 'old' in LCOSA.

2) Others saw the old name as too restrictive (former students only).

3) The use of the word 'alumni' had been adopted in many overseas universities, including the United Kingdom, and very recently in other New Zealand universities.

4) Many sought a name which was all embracing, encompassing former students, staff, Council and friends of Lincoln. An 'Old Students' Association' or a 'Graduate Association' would have disenfranchised many and remained an exclusive body

So the 1990 AGM approved a Notice of Motion to change the name to Lincoln University Alumni Association Incorporated.

The Latin alumnus (a student) is formed from the verb alere, to nourish, and refers to the relationship between a child and its nurse. This concept is close in meaning to the regularly used phrase, alma mater (bountiful mother) which for many years was the name of the Association's newsletter.

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Alumni News, 1999

Decade 2000-2009

To be continued...

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We hope you have enjoyed this look back over time and we are looking forward to following this story up in the next Alumni News 2006. If you have any items or stories of interest – please feel free to contact the Alumni Office.

Lincoln alumnus accepts Chancellor's chair



Lincoln University Council Members December 2004

A Lincoln alumnus, NZ Federated Farmers president Tom Lambie of Totara Valley, South Canterbury, was unanimously elected Chancellor of Lincoln University at the final 2004 meeting of the University Council, on 7 December.

Mr Lambie, a member of Lincoln University Council since February 2003, has succeeded the Hon. Margaret Austin who retired from the Chancellorship after five years in the job.

Mrs Austin remained a Council member until the end of her term, 31 January 2005, thus completing 10 years of service, spread over two periods of appointment.

A Bachelor of Agricultural Commerce graduate of Lincoln University (1980) and a Kellogg Rural Leadership Scholar (1995), Mr Lambie has been National President of Federated Farmers since 2002. He was National Vice-President from 1996-2002 and is a past South Canterbury Provincial President.

He farms a 308-hectare dairy farm near Pleasant Point and the property has been fully Bio-Gro certified organic since 1991.

Also elected at the December Council meeting was a new Pro-Chancellor (deputy to the Chancellor). Mr Don Couch of Lyttelton has succeeded Ms Charlotte Williams of Wellington who was Pro-Chancellor from 2002 and also held the position in the early 1990s during Lincoln's first years as an autonomous university.

Mr Couch is Deputy Kaiwhakahaere (chairman) of Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu. He has been the Rapaki representative on the Runanga for six years and spent 30 years in Canada working in management roles in tertiary education.

On the motion of Ms Williams the Council carried a unanimous acknowledgement of Mrs Austin's contributions to Lincoln University and her dedication to education in general.

Mrs Austin is a former secondary school teacher, Head of Science at Christchurch Girls' High School and Assistant Principal at Riccarton High School.

She was Labour Member of Parliament for Yaldhurst over 1984-1995 and served as Senior Whip then Minister of Research, Science and Technology in the Labour Government of that period. She took up the shadow Education Portfolio when Labour went into Opposition. Subsequently she was a foundation member of the United New Zealand Party.

First a Parliamentary Representative on the University Council, then a Ministerial appointee, Mrs Austin completed a total of 10 years of service spread over the two periods - 1984-87 and 1997-2005.

Mrs Austin is Chair of the New Zealand national commission for UNESCO.

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Eco-n led year's launches

The first half of 2004 saw Lincoln University involved in three major "launches" - of the commercial product Eco-n; the Marlborough Wine Research Centre; and the National Centre for Advanced Bio-Protection Technologies.

The official launch of Eco-n on 12 February was the culmination of an eight-year research and development collaboration between Lincoln University and Ravensdown Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.

Eco-n is a "clean green" means of reducing water pollution, helping cut global warming and ozone layer depletion, and improving the environmental sustainability of intensively farmed grassland agriculture.

Its principal ingredient is a nitrification inhibitor that helps to retain nitrogen in the soil.

The new, breakthrough technology was launched at a Focus Day at the South Island Dairying Development Centre, attended by over 500 people representing farming, commercial, scientific, environmental and other interests, plus the media.

At the heart of the research leading to the development of Eco-n is the principle of retaining animal urinary nitrogen in the root zone by limiting its conversion from ammonium into nitrate. Nitrate is easily leached from the soil and can contaminate aquifers and groundwater, whereas ammonium is retained by the soil.

More than that however, by stalling the production of nitrate, more nitrogen remains in the soil for plant use.

At the same time, there is less nitrogen emitted as nitrous oxide. Nitrous oxide is a powerful greenhouse gas and Eco-n will therefore help New Zealand to meet its commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions under the Kyoto Protocol.

Indeed, estimates indicate that if Eco-n was applied to all grazed pastures in New Zealand even at 50 percent efficiency it could immediately reduce the country's agricultural nitrous oxide emissions to 1990 levels, as required under the Kyoto Protocol.

Central to the conversion process are soil bacteria known as nitrosomonas. They're the bacteria that start the conversion of the urinary-sourced nitrogen from ammonium to nitrate.

The idea of using an agent of some sort to inhibit this process of nitrification by reducing the activity of the nitrifying bacteria has been used overseas with the aim of reducing nitrate leaching from nitrogen fertilisers. However in grazed pasture systems in New Zealand, most nitrate leaching comes from animal urine rather than from fertilisers.

The uniqueness of the Lincoln work is the development of a new soil treatment technology that can be used to reduce nitrate leaching from animal urine patches.

The Lincoln University scientists responsible for the Eco-n research, Professor Keith Cameron and Professor Hong J. Di, of Lincoln University's Centre for Soil and Environmental Quality have had a long association researching the movement of solutes through soil and the Centre with its unique campus-based lysimeter laboratory, has an international reputation for the quality of its soil studies.



Lysimeters used in the Eco-n research

The product, as developed by Ravensdown and Lincoln University, is a fine particle suspended solution and is applied by spray technology with two applications a year recommended - one around April-May covering the winter period and the other around August, covering spring.

The cost, announced by Ravensdown at the launch, is $63 per hectare per application, $126 per hectare for the two applications.

Professor Cameron describes the work as a "New Zealand solution to a New Zealand problem" where stock are grazed outdoors all year round with a resulting return of urine derived nitrogen to the environment. Five papers have now been published in the international, peer reviewed scientific journals.

The Lincoln University scientists have demonstrated that through the processes they have been researching it is possible to -

- reduce nitrate leaching by 60 percent, thus reducing the impact on groundwater quality
- reduce potassium, calcium and magnesium leaching by more than 50 percent
- reduce emissions of the greenhouse gas nitrous oxide by 75 percent
- increase spring pasture production by 20 percent
- increase pasture production 10 to 15 percent per year.

The traditional view has been that fertiliser, particularly nitrogen fertiliser, has been largely to blame for nitrate contamination of groundwater. However, data now shows that fertiliser applied to pasture soil has minimal impact on what is draining to groundwater.

The livestock urine patch, on the other hand, and particularly that of the dairy cow, is the main cause of nitrate leaching. The rate of nitrogen can be the equivalent of between 700-1000 kgN/ha.

Noted by the Environment Commisioner

Lincoln University's research and the development of Eco-n with Ravensdown are mentioned in a major report released by the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment in November.

In *"Growing for Good: intensive farming, sustainability and New Zealand's environment"* Dr Morgan Williams said that nitrification inhibitors had the potential to contribute to a reduction in the impacts of nitrogen in the environment.

Noted by Hon. Pete Hodgson

Hodgson says researchers and Ravensdown, which has been marketing the product since early 2004, are likely under-selling the benefits to avoid disappointing their clients.

"Whichever way you look at it, it is really important research. In that area of science whatever is good for the atmosphere appears to be good for farming, and vice versa."

Award ceremony recognises Lincoln's pioneering Foundation Studies programme



Foundation Studies academic procession

The success of Foundation Studies at the University, a programme described by its Director Derek Chapman as "uniquely Lincoln", was celebrated in full academic style on 11 August with its first formal certificate presentation ceremony.

"You are pioneers," said Chancellor Margaret Austin, welcoming the certificate recipients to the ceremony in the Stewart 1 lecture theatre which had been turned into a mini-Town Hall for the occasion.

An academic procession brought the participants - University Council members, staff, and students - from the Foundation Studies Centre's Hudson Hall base to the Stewart Building, behind mace bearer Terry Kerr, a Senior Tutor in economics and maths.

Vice-Chancellor Professor Roger Field said that in excess of 75 percent of Foundation Studies students eventually transfer to Lincoln University programmes.

Foundation Studies Director Derek Chapman said it was a privilege to welcome so many students to the ceremony.

Because the Certificate in Foundation Studies is a pre-university qualification, successful students have not been able to participate in Lincoln's traditional capping ceremonies and until now they have simply received their certificates in the post or by hand.

"The huge success of Foundation Studies at Lincoln University and the outstanding effort put in by the students over the past four years made us realise that the programme deserved its own ceremony of recognition," said Mr Chapman.

Over 1000 students have enrolled in Foundation Studies at Lincoln since its inception in 2000.

Foundation Studies is a university entrance qualification designed and developed by Lincoln University to prepare candidates for tertiary studies. It is a one year fulltime course and is recognised as an entrance qualification for all New Zealand universities. Students complete the eight-paper certificate over two semesters taking a core of compulsory subjects - Computing, English Language and Communication, Mathematics, Learning and Study Issues, Statistics, and Integrative Studies - and choosing two electives from a choice of Accounting, Economics, Science and Environmental Studies.

Lincoln's was the first Foundation Studies programme designed in New Zealand expressly for New Zealand conditions.

The first certificate holder from the first intake in 2000 to complete a degree at Lincoln University graduated in April 2004. Taku Tokuriki of Japan was capped Bachelor of Resource Management. Another member of the first intake also graduated in 2004 - overseas. Korean Cho Hung Gi was capped Bachelor of Computer Information Systems at Columbus State University, Georgia, USA.

Overall the first Lincoln University Foundation Studies student to graduate with a university degree was Jeremy Ng of Singapore who successfully completed a Bachelor of Commerce at Canterbury University in 2003.

The Lincoln University programme was designed particularly for international students and there were eight different countries represented in the first intake. Since then representation has grown to about a dozen different countries covering Asia, Africa, the Americas, the United Kingdom and Europe, and the Pacific.

Mr Chapman says a fundamental point about Lincoln University's Foundation Studies programme is that it was set up as a "bridging" programme rather than a "knowledge acquisition" programme.

"Most other Foundation Studies programmes concentrate on the acquisition of knowledge but we have really concentrated on the acquisition of skills, not the least of which is the important skill of problem solving.

"The authors of the Lincoln programme set out to design a programme that was integrated in nature and skills based."

Those authors included Neil Fleming, a Director of Lincoln University's Education and Learning Services Centre, Student Learning Tutors Catriona Cameron and Jeanette Allison, Senior Lecturers Peter Cosgriff and Lyn Holland of the Economics and Marketing Department, and secondary school teachers Dale James and Raewyn Saunders.

The concept was the brainchild of Lincoln University's International Director Geoff Ormandy who first put forward the idea in 1994 after being involved in a similar development at another institution. The concept was brought to life by a project team comprising Geoff, Dr Lily Belabun as the Project manager, John Goodrich, the University's Academic Services Manager, and Professor Tony Zwart, now Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Business Development).

Former Linwood High School Principal Derek Chapman was recruited to be Director and he, academic coordinator Cathy Early and administrator Gail Hughes have been with the programme since the start.

The enterprise started with three staff members and it now has nearly 20, some of whom are also part of the associated English Language School that was established in January 2002 as an off-shoot of the Foundation Studies operation.

"Like Foundation Studies this enterprise has been highly successful and there has been almost a 100 percent conversion from it into other Lincoln University programmes.

"We offer the standard English language programme leading to the IELTS test plus the EAP (English for Academic Purposes) programme as an alternative to IELTS. EAP has been a revelation, it has changed the face of our school. Now the New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee's Committee on University Academic Programmes has just approved a Lincoln University Certificate in Academic English," says Mr Chapman.

"That means we are able to offer is a whole package from English Language Studies through Foundation Studies into full degree programmes and on to postgraduate study. It's a package very consistent with what international education agents are seeking for their clients, so it's really a good example of Lincoln University responsiveness to market developments."

International night maintains tradition

International Night has been part of the Lincoln campus social calendar since at least the early 1960s and the 2004 version held on a frosty July evening lived up to the tradition of being the best variety show in town.

Former staff members Associate Professor Alistair Campbell and Dr Pat Campbell, both long connected with the event, remember the early days when ticket sales were extended to the Lincoln Village community and it was a truly community concert. Alumni from all the decades since the 1960s will have their own memories of International Night, an event of three parts - display, dinner and concert, with some years a fourth part too, a barn dance.

While there wasn't a sit-down dinner as such in 2004, but a selection of international nibbles, the concert was a full bill of outstanding performances.

The Master of Ceremonies was Henare Johnson, an energetic maestro if ever there was one. As Vice-Chancellor Roger Field said, Henare is probably a cultural icon in his own right and he certainly kept the evening rolling along at an enjoyably good pace. Henare is a masters student at Lincoln in Indigenous Planning and Development and has a cadetship with Tourism New Zealand. If he ever has to turn to another career he could definitely get one as a warm-up artist or MC!

As is traditional, the concert followed the cultural displays and nibbles in the dining hall.

The overall organiser of International Night was Gabriela Gomez Fell from Chile, the president of the University's International Club. Her team included Yoshi Uchida from Japan as stage manager, Oliver on lights, Stewart on sound, Sarah Beaven on the curtains, Stephen Firth on the doors, Rowan Hegglun on the spotlight and Beth as a runner. Helen Jansen did the posters, Fatima Garcete looked after the recipes and helped Juliana Torres paint the backdrop, Hanh Le was in charge of the cooking and provided assistants for Heather Watson who did the cooking, Cici Huang organised the cultural displays, and Carol Greenwood looked after the presale of tickets.

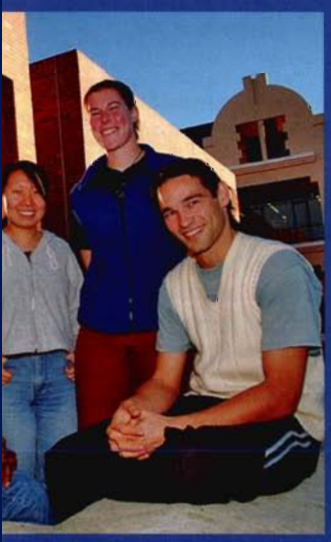




Of course the stars of the night were the on-stage performers and there were presentations from Aotearoa, the Solomon Islands, India, China, Malaysia, Japan, Latin America, South America, Germany and England. Songs, dances, and even a performance based around the intricacies of dressing in a kimono (much more complex and time-consuming than one would think!). And didn't the audience love the international haka competition, led by Henare, and won by a Japanese student.

Congratulations for a great night's entertainment. Everyone involved kept the benchmark as high as ever.

Postgraduate Conference a stimulating occasion



Four months of preparatory work gave rise to two stimulating days of intellectual and social interaction as Lincoln University postgraduate students enjoyed their annual Postgraduate Conference over 28-29 June.

The annual Postgraduate Conference lets the University's postgraduate students practice the presentation and communication skills that they will need as their careers unfold and it also lets them describe and discuss their research projects in a public and critical forum.

Based in the University's Commerce Building and organised by students for students, the event was funded by the Lincoln University Postgraduate and Research School with sponsorship by ASB Bank Ltd and BTI New Zealand.

Eighteen students presented research papers over the two days and the programme also included a range of guest speakers.

The student presentations covered a wide range of topics reflecting the disciplines studied at Lincoln. Examples ranged from Xiaomeng Sun's paper on the Values and Meanings of Botanic Gardens to Chinese Visitors and Maurice Marquardt's paper on An Investigation of the Greenhouse Gas Balance of the Marlborough Region to Amanda Phillips' presentation about On-Farm Indicators of Magnesium Status in Dairy Cows and Alice Miller's paper on Creeks as focal points for the invasion of an exotic herb in New Zealand's mountain vegetation.

Lincoln University places great emphasis on the well-rounded preparation of its postgraduate students for their careers and they are encouraged to attend workshops and seminars on communication and presentation skills in parallel with their studies.

The prize for Best Overall Presenter went to international student Esteban Carabelli of Argentina who presented his research on measuring sustainable management of Argentinean forests in Tierra del Fuego.

The six best presenters were Amanda Phillips (Animal & Food Sciences Division), Emmanuel Yamoah (Bio-Protection), Allan Rhodes (Environment, Society & Design Division), Xiaomeng Sun (Applied Management & Computing), Maaike Schotborgh (Soil, Plant & Ecological Sciences), and Esteban Carabelli (Commerce).

Busy year for Employment & Industry Liaison Unit

A buoyant employment market in New Zealand throughout 2004 generated opportunities for the University's graduates and students seeking Practical Work positions.

To everyone who employed Lincoln University students and graduates during 2004 a big "thank you". The role that alumni play in encouraging Lincoln students to pursue fulfilling career paths and the opportunities they so often provide are part of the unique character of the University. The supportive national and international network of alumni is a valuable bonus for those studying at Lincoln and going out into the world with Lincoln qualifications.

The sixth, annual, on-campus careers fair, the Lincoln University Employment Expo, was held in July. Run in an exhibition style, these events provide an opportunity for employers and students to come together on an informal basis to discuss, describe and explain career opportunities and qualification requirements.

The growth in the popularity of these annual expos led to the original venue being outgrown in 2002 and latterly they have been held in the Student Union Building, allowing more employers to take part.

The Employment and Industry Liaison Unit, centrally located on the ground floor of the Forbes Building, was renovated over the Christmas period. The opportunity was taken to revamp the display and resource area and the results are pleasing. It is now easier for students to find the information they need to assist them with their career planning and job searching.

If you're coming on to campus you will find the Unit on the ground floor of the Forbes Building, opposite the University Bookshop.

Alumni Manager Katherine Prusas is located in the same area, so if you're heading to the Alumni Office you will see us too.

We look forward to hearing from you in 2005.

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Lincoln courses for Chinese academics open new era in links with Peoples' Republic

A new era in the relationship between Lincoln University and the Peoples' Republic of China opened in February 2004 with the arrival of 24 Chinese academics on campus for six months of professional development in science and English language usage.

The Chinese academics, agricultural scientists from a range of provinces, came to the University following a successful bid by Lincoln to offer a programme to help meet the Chinese Government's drive to promote the use of English in its university science courses.

A second group of 25 academics - 24 agricultural scientists plus one landscape specialist, again from a range of provinces - is now at Lincoln for the first six months of 2005, as part of this plan for China's science academics to gain experience in English-speaking universities.

The University's International Marketing Director, Geoff Ormandy, sees huge potential in expanding the Chinese professional development market.

It is more secure than the private student market because the academics are sponsored by universities or the Government, he says.

The academics spend the first part of their six-month stay at Lincoln in fulltime language study with the University's English Language Centre. In the second part of their stay they are assigned to particular disciplinary areas and scientists to assist with research and develop their language skills in a workplace context.

The project co-ordinator on the Lincoln campus is Peter Braithwaite.

At the "graduation" for the first group of academics, on 15 July 2004, Lincoln University Council member Dr Robert Wynn-Williams, deputising for the Chancellor, described the programme as a "great success".

Present at the "graduation" ceremony was China's Ambassador to New Zealand Mr Chen, making his first visit to Lincoln University. Also in attendance were the Embassy's First Secretary (Education) Mr Xia and Attache Mr Yang.

The Ambassador described the project as "significant" because it was the first training programme of its type between the two countries. China was going through an exciting process, he said, and the upgrading of agriculture was a top priority for China's Government and people.

"China and New Zealand have entered a very exciting stage in the growth of their relationship," he said.

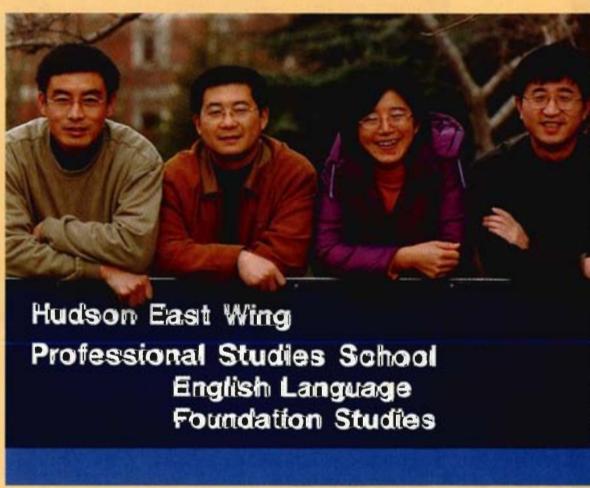
The free trade arrangements being negotiated will "open a floodgate of opportunities in a vaste array of areas" he said. Particularly in agriculture, in grassland studies and environmental protection.

"New Zealand has a lot to offer China in this exciting process."

To mark the occasion of his visit, the Ambassador presented Lincoln University with some Chinese language teaching material.

On behalf of the University, Professor Tony Zwart thanked the Chinese Education First Secretary, Yang Xiaochun, for the "major role" he had played in the project. And he congratulated the scholars on their success.

The programme had established a "valuable relationship", he said, one that the University wanted to develop further.



'Winds blowing in NZ's favour' for Turkish students to study here

Students from Turkey could join the international mix at Lincoln University following encouraging words from the republic's Deputy Prime Minister when he visited the campus on 22 September.

His Excellency Associate Professor Abdullatif Sener, who is also Turkey's Minister of State, said he believed there was a large number of students in Turkey who would like to spend part of their study terms in New Zealand or other places abroad.

At the time of the Deputy Prime Minister's visit, Lincoln University had no students from Turkey among the 60 different countries represented on campus and no academics from Turkey on the staff. The University has however had a significant involvement in the past in aid and other projects in Turkey and both the Vice-Chancellor Professor Roger Field and the Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Business Development) Professor Tony Zwart, who welcomed the Deputy Prime Minister to the campus, have worked there. Professor Field was involved with the establishment of Yasar University in Izmir and Professor Zwart helped establish an agricultural economics research institute in Ankara.

Concerning study destinations overseas for Turkish students, His Excellency said they would make their preference in terms of "the way the wind was blowing" and there was a favourable breeze blowing towards New Zealand.

The Deputy Prime Minister was accompanied on his visit by Turkish officials representing foreign trade, agriculture, transportation, commerce and industry, energy, and public works. The party also included New Zealand officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Speaking informally on the lawn in front of Ivey Hall after the official part of the visit in the Council Room, the Deputy Prime Minister referred to the close links between Turkey and New Zealand that have emerged with the passage of time as a result of the Dardanelles campaign of the First World War. He noted the commemorations that take place involving visits to Turkey and Gallipoli by young New Zealanders.



Vice-Chancellor Roger Field with Associate Professor Abdullatif Sener



Ambassador says '*Buon giorno*' Lincoln University

Not only did China's Ambassador to New Zealand make a first visit to Lincoln University in 2004 (see story elsewhere in this Alumni News) but so did Italy's Ambassador.

Her Excellency Dr Liana Marolla and embassy staff members accompanied a delegation of Italian parliamentarians and parliamentary staff members to the campus on 1 November.

The group of 10 from Italy was led by Ms Gabriella Mondello of the Forza Italia Party.

After lunch in the Vice-Chancellor's lounge the party visited the Heinz Wattie's Lincoln University Organic Farm, Kowhai Farm, to see a commercial organic farm in operation, then they went to the Lincoln University Dairy Farm to view the afternoon milking.

The group's New Zealand visit was organised through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Recent links between Lincoln and Italy have largely centred on the University's viticulture and wine activities. In 2001 Professor Mario Fregoni, Professor of Viticulture at the University of Catolica del Sacro Cuore, in Piacenza near Milan, a past president of the International Organisation du Vin, visited Lincoln University. The following year he presented a medal from his university to Lincoln as a gesture towards future cooperation in the viticulture and wine areas.

Also in 2002 the then head of the Centre for Viticulture and Oenology Associate Professor David Jackson received an Italian prize, Letteratura e Scienza Vitivinicola, for his book The Production of Grapes and Wines in Cool Climates.

Pictured: Members of the Italian parliamentary group visit Kowhai Farm at Lincoln University on 1 November.

Stellar success for University netballers



Lincoln University's Sports Scholarship programme has now been running for six years. It started with three codes - rugby, cricket and netball - and has grown progressively to cover six different sports.

As far as netball is concerned, we are starting to see some success stories coming through, says Scholarships Manager Jane Edwards.

Lincoln University Netball Club has entered a scholarship team into the Christchurch Netball competition since 2002 and up until the 2004 season the best result was second in the Senior grade.

The 2004 season started with a squad of 10 players entered in the Senior grade. The goal was to win the grade at the end of the first round in order to be promoted to Premier grade, the top grade in Christchurch.

This was a goal that could be achieved with a lot of hard work and team spirit, but it was by no means an easy achievement.

After a shaky start the girls got to know one another and coach Frances Granger began to form them into the tight team unit required to achieve the first objective of the season.

The team was successful in winning the Senior grade, in fact it went right through the first round unbeaten, and so was duly promoted to Premier. To build on this success, the objective for the second part of the season was upgraded with the new goal being to win at least two games in Premier grade and finish in the top six to avoid having to play relegation games.

The girls worked hard and won two games to finish in sixth place and have automatic entry into Premier grade for the 2005 season.

What makes this achievement more amazing is that this team came together at the beginning of the season with none of the girls having played together previously. They faced teams who had played together for a number of years and teams with Canterbury Flames among the players and who had the maturity that comes with playing in senior grades for longer.

The young Lincoln University team were a true example of a star team being able to compete against a team of stars and the 2005 season is greatly anticipated.



Shield back at Lincoln and into hands of former coach

Rugby's "holy grail" the Ranfurly Shield made a sentimental journey back to Lincoln University in 2004 and into the hands of the man who helped win it for Canterbury 35 years earlier, former coach Sir James Stewart.

The Shield was brought out to the University by a victorious Canterbury team, on the campus for a training session, after wresting the legendary trophy from Bay of Plenty in one of the year's challenges.

As JD Stewart, Professor of Farm Management at Lincoln University and later Principal, Sir James coached the Canterbury team that brought the Shield to Canterbury in 1969, lifting it from Hawkes Bay, 18-11.

Under Stewart, Canterbury went on to hold it for 12 defences through to 1973 when beaten by Marlborough 13-6.

Among the regular players in Stewart's Shield team was Lincoln agricultural commerce student and future All Black Ian Hurst, the father of current Canterbury halfback Ben Hurst.

Ben, pictured here with Sir James, was on hand at the University for the Shield's return and to meet his father's coach.

A Canterbury representative in his playing days as a hooker, Sir James also represented New Zealand Universities and was a member of the Canterbury University and Lincoln University senior teams.

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Rugby at Lincoln suffers clout of big city clubs

The 2004 season was not one of great success for the Merivale-Lincoln University Rugby Football Club. The trend of recent years continued and the Senior team struggled over the season and the Colts were knocked out at the semi-final stage of their competition.

It is interesting to note that Canterbury University faces the same problem. The increased competition for players and the "big" clubs of Christchurch – Old Boys, Marist/Albion, and Christchurch - with the resources to target leading student players make it hard for smaller clubs, like MLU, to survive.

The most unfortunate aspect of the season was the loss of one of the Colts Division II players in a car accident. Stephen Weir, from Grassy Creek in Western Southland, was killed when he was going home after his Semester One exams. Tribute was paid to Steve at a large funeral in Invercargill and at a service held in the Memorial Hall at Lincoln. The club has a memorial trophy for Steve and this was won by one of his team mates, James Wadsworth.

There will be a celebration of 125 years of Lincoln University (Lincoln College, Canterbury Agricultural College) rugby in 2006. We plan to make a major effort over this celebration as it will be the last time that many alumni rugby players get the chance to meet their old mates. For this celebration we would like to see a wide range of teams and their coaches from different eras get together.

We will be getting a group together to get this event under way in the near future and will need some input from past players, especially those based in Christchurch.

People who want to organise team reunions should contact the Alumni Office for addresses. Two years ago we had a very successful reunion based around the teams that Roger Lough had coached. If that function is anything to go by then the 125 years celebration should be a great occasion.

Locking the 2004 Colts scrum was one Fraser Peacocke, son of Dave Peacocke a member of the 1981 championship winning Lincoln College team. Dave and team mate Roger Mannering were able to share a beer after watching one of the games. The Colts also provided other linkages with the past. Their team manager was Adam McCall, son of Lloyd McCall and another of the locks was Brendon Kreft, who is a nephew of Tom and Chris Coughlan.

Tradition to be revived

Traditional rugby rivalries between Lincoln and Massey will be revived in September this year with the re-establishment of an annual match between the two universities.

The first match between the two institutions - scheduled for 3 September - will be confined to agriculture students.

Rugby matches between Lincoln and Massey were a regular annual fixture from 1952 – 1966 when they played for the L.A. Brooks Trophy. If anyone knows who donated it, we would be interested to know. They can contact the Alumni Office.

Lincoln University Scholarships Manager Jane Edwards is getting a committee together to revive the matches and the old rivalry. Sounds a good idea.



Campbell Johnston, Dan Somerville and Greg Somerville

Lincoln University as a nursery of rugby was illustrated in the Canterbury Southland NPC game. In the Southland team were Jeff Wright and Jason Rickard who were up against Campbell Johnston and Greg Somerville. Greg also featured in the highlight of the senior season – the critical win over Shirley. In that game he formed a front row with his younger brother Dan – the team captain and Campbell Johnston.

Players to distinguish themselves in the Seniors during the season were Dan Somerville, Hadyn Cummings and Alex Tai. Hadyn Cummings was quite outstanding at halfback and how he never made a rep team is a mystery. In the Colts team the captain Glen Gregory led the team well and was well supported by Tyler Ashworth and Jim Stephenson in the forwards and Ryan Moseby in the backs. Players who made rep teams include: Glen Gregory and Brendon Kreft – Canterbury Under 19s, Cantabrian Under 19s – Mike Hope, Fraser Peacocke and Simon Pearce.

Over the last two years the club has staged successful end of season functions. In 2003 Andy Dalton was the speaker and his contribution to the club was greatly appreciated. Bill Bush was the speaker in 2004. It is quite amazing to see how these young guys respond to these All Blacks whose careers were virtually completed before the young players were born.

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Award-winning Lincoln lecturer uses 'sports talk' to encourage student excellence

Taking a cue from sports coaches and sports commentators has helped make Lincoln University's Dr Derrick Moot (pictured) one of New Zealand's top university teachers.

Dr Moot, a Senior Lecturer in Plant Science, won a 2004 National Tertiary Teaching Award for Sustained Excellence, one of just 10 awards made from 30 nominations countrywide. The awards, in three categories - Sustained Excellence, Innovation, and Excellence in Collaboration, with a Prime Minister's Supreme Award - are open to universities, polytechnics, colleges of education, private tertiary providers and wanganga.

Introduced in 2002, the awards are presented annually under a Government-sponsored programme to encourage good teaching practice across the tertiary sector. This is the second consecutive year that a Lincoln University lecturer has won a Sustained Excellence award.

The awards were presented at parliament on 23 June.

"We frequently hear coaches and commentators exhorting players to give 100 percent effort on the sporting field or games court but we seldom hear such calls in the pursuit of academic excellence," says Dr Moot.

"Well, I make a point of challenging my students in this way.

"My motivational philosophy when working with students is, where appropriate, to draw sporting analogies to encourage them to maximise their potential."

Dr Moot has a strong sporting pedigree himself, in volleyball and lawn bowls. In volleyball he is a national referee with 16 tests to his credit and he is the current president of the Canterbury Volleyball Association. In lawn bowls he is a former Canterbury junior singles champion has been a member of successful interprovincial and club teams at provincial and national levels.

Applying principles of sports motivation to academic achievement obviously works because Dr Moot's nomination portfolio for the top national teaching award was full of endorsements from former students who praised his methods.

Tracey Reddecliffe, for example, a Master of Science graduate with First Class Honours in Crop Physiology and now a cereal agronomist with PGG Pyne Gould Guinness Seeds, said that Dr Moot epitomised what a postgraduate supervisor should be - "a motivator, a sounding board, a bundle of knowledge and enthusiasm, and an extremely approachable person".

In her area of study Dr Moot made her feel part of the team, she said.

"He has the ability to build up a student's self-esteem, to fill them with motivation and encouragement whilst always challenging their potential by raising the goalposts."

Andrew Dumbleton, an agricultural science honours graduate and now a Programme Leader with Wrightson Research, praised the goal-setting and timeline techniques used by Dr Moot.

"Dr Moot set goals and timelines for me to achieve my desired outcome and then pushed me to achieve the high standards I had set for myself," said Mr Dumbleton.

"He has the ability to motivate and place students in an academic situation that allows them to use what he has taught them to do something brilliant themselves."

Dr Moot says that his aim is always to have his students achieve their highest possible academic standard. Ninety percent of the honours level students he has supervised since starting his formal lecturing career at Lincoln University in 1996 have achieved first class honours.

Although he has been a lecturer for only eight years Dr Moot has twice won Lincoln University's own Excellence in Teaching Awards - in 1999 and 2003 - and he has been consistently evaluated as among the top 10 percent of lecturers at the University. He is widely regarded as having a natural gift for communicating.

Dr Moot holds a Bachelor of Agricultural Science degree with First Class Honours in Plant Science and a PhD in crop physiology. The research dissertation for his honours degree concerned lucerne grass mixes that may be suitable for the Canterbury dryland environment and he has subsequently become an acknowledged expert on lucerne cultivation and its use as a forage crop.

A past pupil of Christchurch's Cashmere High School, he has had professional employment as a plant scientist in the United Kingdom, at Long Ashton Research Station, Bristol; in the United States at Oregon State University's Crop Science Department; and with the former DSIR in New Zealand in its Wheat Research Institute.

At Lincoln University Dr Moot teaches at all levels - diploma, undergraduate, honours, masters, and PhD. He is also a regular speaker at field days and at scientific and technical conferences and his research has been widely published in the scientific literature.

According to Lincoln University's own Teaching Award citation, his ability to connect effectively with a diverse range of people comes from a "natural gift for communicating".

He believes that the need for Lincoln University staff to be involved in the transfer of knowledge and technology to the wider rural community has never been greater, and that there is a big demand for independent advice and research results.

He acknowledges that he is part of a team at Lincoln University and that any personal achievements are the result of the "collegial and collaborative support" of colleagues.

He says that trying to explain his teaching ability takes him into an "uncomfortable area bordering on self-promotion", but he believes his greatest asset is a relaxed, welcoming, conversational style.

"I aim to be inclusive and participatory, while at the same time provocative and challenging to ensure that critical thinking and analysis are major components of every learning opportunity."



Professor Steve Wratten

Fellowship distinctions for ecologist and soil scientist

Two Lincoln University staff members received significant fellowships in 2004 for services to their respective sciences.

Professor of Ecology Steve Wratten was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand and Associate Professor Hong J. Di (now a full Professor) was made a Fellow of the New Zealand Society of Soil Science.

Professor Wratten has been a staff member at Lincoln University since 1993 and his expertise and leadership in his specialist field of ecology were acknowledged with his appointment to a personal Chair in Ecology in 1996. Most recently (2004) he won a Lincoln University Excellence in Teaching Award, Sustained Excellence category.

Professor Wratten is internationally known for his work on the ecological basis of the biological control of agricultural, horticultural and viticultural pests.

"It is nice that the Royal Society of New Zealand, the country's premier science society, has recognised the importance of agro-ecology through the fellowship it has awarded me," he says.

"Plant and insect interactions - the essence of ecology - are fundamental to agriculture, horticulture, viticulture and forestry, and these are the powerhouse activities of New Zealand's land-based economy."

The award of a Fellowship of the New Zealand Society of Soil Science to Professor Hong J. Di acknowledges his outstanding contributions to soil science and his distinction as a researcher.

A staff member at Lincoln University since 1995 and before that a masters and PhD student, Professor Di has a research focus on understanding the fate of fertilisers, pesticides and organic wastes applied to the soil.

For the past 10 years he has been closely involved with Lincoln University's research on nitrification and nitrate contamination of groundwater in intensive grazing systems. Together with colleague Professor Keith Cameron and commercial partner Ravensdown Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd he has been associated with the development of the soil treatment Eco-n.

New Professors

Two associate professors have been awarded personal chairs in their discipline areas - Associate Professor Ross Cullen of the Commerce Division becomes a Professor in Resource Economics and Associate Professor Hong J. Di of the Agriculture and Life Sciences Division becomes a Professor in the area of soil and environmental science. Both are Lincoln alumni.

Ross Cullen's promotion to professor comes 37 years after he first set foot on the Lincoln campus as a young Diploma of Agriculture student fresh off his parents' Lovells Flat farm, where he had worked for a couple of years after leaving Balclutha's South Otago High School.

He completed a Dip.Agr. with Distinction in 1970 and a Diploma in Valuation and Farm Management the following year before going on to Otago University for a BCom (Hons) in Economics and a PhD.

Professor Cullen came back to Lincoln as a Senior Lecturer in Economics in 1991. He was Head of the University's Department of Economics and Marketing for four years in the mid-1990s, is a past Director of the Agribusiness and Economics Research Unit (AERU) and is currently Deputy Director of the Commerce Division.

Hong J. Di completed a Master of Applied Science in Soil Science with First Class Honours at Lincoln University in 1988 and a PhD in 1991. He the became a Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Department of Soil Science followed by a period in Australia as a Research Fellow in the Department of Soil Science and Plant Nutrition, at the University of Western Australia. He returned to Lincoln as a Research Scientist and was progressively promoted to Senior Research Scientist/Lecturer, Senior Lecturer and then in 2003 Associate Professor.

Originally from China, Professor Di holds a BSc (majoring in Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry) from the Agricultural University of Hebei, near Beijing, and he was an Assistant Lecturer there in the Department of Agronomy, from 1983-86. In 2004 he was made an Honorary Professor of China's Academy of Agricultural Sciences.



Professor Hong J. Di



Professor Ross Cullen

Research scientist appointed foundation Professor of Dairy Production


Dr Richard Dewhurst

Englishman Dr Richard Dewhurst, with a first class honours degree in agricultural and forest sciences from Oxford University and winner of the prize for the Best First Class Honours Degree in Biological Sciences in his year (1984), has been appointed foundation Professor of Dairy Production at Lincoln University.

Dr Dewhurst, member of a three-generation British dairy farming family, and with a PhD from the University of Bristol, takes up the post at the start of June.

"The new professorial position will boost the leadership Lincoln University is giving to the development of sustainable dairy farming in the South Island," says Vice-Chancellor Professor Roger Field, "and we are delighted to appoint someone of Dr Dewhurst's calibre to this important post, which is a first at Lincoln.

"The establishment of a Chair in Dairy Production is another step by Lincoln University in support of dairy farming and New Zealand agriculture in general."

Dr Dewhurst is currently a Principal Research Scientist and Team Leader (Nutrition and Microbiology) at the Institute of Grassland and Environmental Research, Plas Gogerddan, Aberystwyth, Wales. He has been with the Institute since 1993 and is also an Honorary Lecturer at the University of Wales.

Earlier posts include a lectureship in the Grassland and Ruminant Science Department at the Scottish Agricultural College.

As a Group/Team Leader at the Institute of Grassland and Environmental Research, Dr Dewhurst manages a team that combines expertise in ruminant nutrition, plant biochemistry and rumen microbiology.

He and his staff are involved in research projects on dairy and beef nutrition, rumen function and rumen molecular ecology. His own research is at the interface of dairy nutrition/ milk composition and rumen function.

"Monitoring the rumen ecosystem is essential in order to understand the relationships between feed composition and nutrient utilisation or product composition," he says.

"My dairy nutrition work has been directed at increasing forage intake, improving nitrogen utilisation, increasing milk protein content and increasing levels of beneficial fatty acids in milk."

He has completed a large series of experiments identifying intake, production and health effects of dry cow feeding strategies in high-forage dairy systems.

A current emphasis of his work is on legume silages for milk production - improving the efficiency of nitrogen use and enhancing their beneficial effects on polyunsaturated fatty acids in milk.

In relation to this he has been working with plant breeders to produce forages and alter agronomy and ensiling techniques to enhance the fatty acids in ruminant products.

He is keen to develop strategies to increase the utilisation of forages and forage protein in dairy production systems, with a particular interest in legume silages and high protein concentrates.

Non-invasive and less-invasive techniques to study rumen function have been a constant theme of his work.

"Advances in analytical equipment and in multivariate statistical techniques have provided a new impetus for this work," he says.

"Developments in milking and feeding equipment will facilitate on-line monitoring of nutritional status, including rumen function, as an application outcome of this work."

Current work includes investigating odd-chain fatty acids in milk and digesta as microbial markers and products of plant and microbial metabolism in rumen head-space gas.

"This work is supported by the development of molecular microbial ecology techniques," he says.

Dr Dewhurst says that he looks forward to using his experience of analysing correlations within fatty acid profiles to work with human nutritionists and dairy technologists to define improved fatty acid profiles in milk.

The effects of body reserves on performance and health of dairy cows is another research interest.

Dr Dewhurst says that despite working in a research institute for the past 10 years, he has maintained good contacts with staff and students at the University of Wales through jointly co-ordinating and lecturing on an honours courses and supervising honours projects.

Lincoln University Vice-Chancellor Professor Roger Field says that with dairy exports making up about $1 in every $5 of New Zealand's export income it is vital that a natural resources based university like Lincoln should provide the highest quality education for the industry and leaders of tomorrow.

"The new Chair in Dairy Production is a contribution towards that aim, and we welcome the appointment of a foundation professor."

Rhodes Scholar returns as senior lecturer

Lincoln University's Rhodes Scholar of 1991, Grant Edwards, has returned to the campus to take up a senior lectureship in Plant Science, the position vacated by his old honours supervisor Dick Lucas who retired during the year.

Life has gone full circle for Grant. After graduating from Lincoln University with a Bachelor of Agricultural Science degree with First Class Honours in Agronomy, he then completed a PhD as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University researching foraging behaviour in sheep.

Completion of his PhD was followed by a postdoctoral fellowship at Imperial College, London, a FoRST postdoctoral fellowship back in New Zealand with AgResearch, Palmerston North, then a return to the UK to lecture at the former Wye College, now part of Imperial College.

Grant was this University's sixth Rhodes Scholar and coincidentally studied at Oxford's Lincoln College.

Dick Lucas was delighted with the appointment of his former honours student and said that he and colleague Dr Derrick Moot would form a "powerful nucleus" for pasture science at the University.

Alumni Profiles

1940's

Name: Michael F Anderson
Degree: DipVFM
Year Started: 1946 as Rural Field Cadet
Year Graduated: 1950
Michael worked as a rural valuer in the NZ Valuation Department before moving to Fiji with the Development Bank. He subsequently worked with the Commonwealth Development Bank of Australia and Papua New Guinea Development Bank where he completed this type of work in 1970 as Loans Officer in charge of all loans over $500. He later worked as a farmer in Australia and New Zealand and has led a busy life in civic affairs. He is now retired in Hamilton. Michael has been widowed twice and is married now to Pamela. He has five very successful children.

1950's

Name: Vince A Ashworth
Degree: DipVFM
Year Started: 1951
Year Graduated:1955
After completing his Dip VFM Vince worked with the Lands Department from 1956 to 1957. He then spent two years working for the Piako Farm Improvement Club. In 1960 he worked at Ashworth and Associates as a Farm Management Consultant until 1976 when he took up the position of Senior Agriculturalist with the World Bank. Since 1988 Vince has work as an International Agricultural and Rural Development Consultant.

Name: Tom I Crossen
Degree: DipHort, BSc
Year Started: 1955
Year Graduated: 1958
From 1959 to 1963 Tom taught in Victoria and Western Australia. He was then Head of the Science Department at Aquinas College in Western Australia until 1963. Tom then moved to take up the position as Head of Department of Biology at St. Andrew's College in Christchurch in 1964. From 1968 – 1974 he was senior tutor in Biological Sciences at Christchurch Polytechnic and in 1975 became lecturer in viticulture at Roseworthy College in South Australia. Tom then moved on in 1993 to work as Head of the Department of Viticulture and Wine Science at Curtin University in Western Australia. Since 2003 Tom has been the Director of Crossfield and Associates in Western Australia.

Name: Gowan B Duff
Degree: BAgrSci
Year Started: 1959
Year Graduated: 1964
From 1964 to 1998 Gowan worked for Dow Agrosciences (formerly Ivon Watkins Dow Ltd.) He worked in Agricultural Science Technical Sales and later as an Economic Evaluator and Business Analyst. Gowan is now retired and living in New Plymouth.

1960's

Name: Warren J Renton
Degree: DipAg, DipVFM
Year Started: 1960
Year Graduated: 1963
After finishing at Lincoln, Warren worked for six months with the Lands and Survey Department. He then moved to Australia and worked as a consultant along with Norm O'Garr (DipVFM 1963) to a farm improvement group in Dalwallinu from 1964 to 1969. Since then Warren has been self-employed in the same area, 255 km NE of Perth, Western Australia.

Name: Alexander G Foote
Degree: DipAg
Year Started: 1964
Year Graduated: 1966
On finishing at Lincoln, Alexander returned home to Motueka and worked in the horticultural industry as well as on the family dairy and sheep farm until 1970. He then joined the Water and Soil Division of the Ministry of Works as a technician and became involved in soil conservation research. The position was initially at Brightwater near Nelson and then at the Aokautere Soil Conservation Centre, Palmerston North. In 1990 Alexander began evaluating forage legumes and seed production processes with AgResearch- Grasslands. He is now with the plant improvement group at AgResearch, breeding grass, legume and herb forage cultivars for New Zealand and overseas farmers.

Name: Ian R McKillop
Degree: DipVFM
Year Started: 1965
Year Graduated: 1965
Ian started farming in Australia and then in 1970 returned to New Zealand and proceeded to work in rural banking for 34 years. This took him too many places including Hamilton, Greymouth, New Plymouth, Palmerston North and Wellington. Ian is now retired in New Plymouth.

Name: Ron J Lockwood
Degree: DipAg, DipVFM
Year Started: 1968
Year Graduated: 1971
Ron worked for the Rural Bank for 12 years, two years in Christchurch, and the following 10 in Hamilton. He then spent five years with AMP Rural Loans and then became self employed as a valuer and farm consultant in Hamilton. Ron was involved in Canterbury and Waikato rugby for 10 years

Name: John Clendon
Degree: DipAg, DipVFM
Year Started: 1969
Year Graduated: 1971
John spent three years with the Valuation Department after completing his studies at Lincoln. From 1976-1980 he was attached to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in New Zealand's overseas aid programme before joining the International Plantations Group of Unilever PLC. For the next 18 years John worked in Unilever's plantation operations in the Solomon Islands, Malaysia, Thailand and in the UK. In 1998 he became Managing Director of Univanich Palm Oil PCL which is Thailand's largest palm oil producer, recently listed on the stock exchange of Thailand.

Name: Max R Tregonning
Degree: DipAg, DipVFM
Year Started: 1969
Year Graduated: 1973
After working in soil conservation in the Wairarapa, Max moved to Feilding to manage a farm. This led on to valuation work in and around Feilding and Valuer Registration. Max is currently working with the Horowhenua District Council as Property Manager.

1970's

Name: John Aspinall
Degree: BAgrSc (Hons)
Year Started: 1971
Year Graduated: 1974
Since leaving Lincoln, John has been farming at Mt Aspiring Station. He is a member of the National Board of Federated Farmers and chair of the Hieracium Control Trust. John is a previous chair of the High Country Committee and a previous member of the Otago Conservation Board. He has also been appointed to the Biosecurity Ministerial Advisory Committee.

Name: Grant D Porteous
Degree: DipP&R, PGDipP&R
Year Started: 1975
Year Graduated: 1979 & 1991
Grant was the Manager of Parks with Whakatane District Council from 1980 to 1995. He then became the Director of Parks for New Plymouth District Council in 1995, a position he held until 2002. He currently works as Manager of Planning and Design for New Plymouth District Council

Name: Andrew R Hazledine
Degree: BAgrSci
Year Started: 1975
Year Graduated: 1980
Sandy is currently living in Wanaka, exporting seafood and also growing grapes and making wine.

Name: Raymond J Bird
Degree: BCom (VPM)
Year Started: 1979
Year Graduated: 1981
Raymond worked as a valuer for the Valuation Department in Te Kuiti and Rotorua before starting his own business in Hamilton which he operated from 1984 – 88. After a couple of years overseas Raymond returned to Hamilton where he works as a retailer.

1980's

Name: Ian G Carr
Degree: BAgrSc
Year Started: 1980
Year Graduated: 1984
Ian worked at Glaxo, Pitman-Moore, InterAg, AgResearch and Stockguard before setting up Rurtec, of which he is now the managing director.

Name: Iain Ogilvie
Degree: DipAg, DipFM
Year Graduated: 1980
After farming for many years and ending up in 1993 on a property at Reporoa with 750 dairy cows, Iain "retired" to a 111ha dry stock unit and sold farms for five years before returning to Auckland in 1998. He sold general real estate until 2001 when he took six months off

to research what makes residential property investment work. Iain then set up the LBI Property Group which has four companies in it to date. They each specialize in advisory, mortgage broking, building and management. He regularly speaks nationally. A further company is expected to be registered in mid-2005 as a licensed real estate office. The role of the group is to optimise clients' investments for maximum return in their retirement years. The website is: www.lbi.co.nz

Name: Paul D Peterson
Degree: DipAg, DipFM
Year Started: 1981
Year Graduated: 1982
After managing a sheep and beef farm in Harihari in 1983, Paul started working at Wrightsons. From 1984-1991 he was located in Feilding and from 1991 has been working at Hunterville as a livestock representative.

Name: Andrew B Wright
Degree: DipAg, DipFM
Year Started: 1983
Year Graduated: 1986
Until 1985 Andrew was involved in the management of sheep and beef and then held senior positions in dairy farming until 1988. From 1988 to 1994 he successfully managed the Lincoln University Dairy Farm, increasing production by 28%. From 1994 Andrew started managing an 1800-cow unit in Tasmania until 2000. From 2000-2003 he was involved managing corporate dairy units in Victoria and New South Wales. He is now an agricultural consultant to predominantly dairy farmers with Intelact Limited in Australia. Married to Sue with a 22 month son, Henry.

Name: Martin Toop
Degree: DipHortSci
Year Started: 1984
Year Graduated: 1985
Martin taught horticulture at Christchurch College of Education before moving up to Wainuiomata to teach at the local high school. Martin is now retired.

Name: S Jane Baxter
Degree: BCom(Ag)
Year Started: 1986
Year Graduated: 1990
Jane worked for KPMG for a number of years in New Zealand and in the Cayman Islands. After that she worked for the Anglican Diocese of Waiapu, based in Napier, followed by five years with the NZ Wool Testing Authority. Jane also formed her own company (IBIS Group) which provided management consulting advice. She has now sold IBIS Group and joined Lion Rock Merchandising, a company that has purchased the IP of the national icon Buzzy Bee.

Name: Michael E H Hutton
Degree: BCom(Ag)
Year Started: 1986
Year Graduated: 1989
Michael joined Merial NZ as marketing manager in 1998. He left New Zealand to join the Global Strategic Group, Ruminant Enterprise for Merial, in 2000 based initially in Lyon, France, and then Atlanta, Georgia, USA. He was appointed Country Delegate Canada, in charge of Canadian operations in 2003, based in Montreal.

Name: Jude Tarr
Degree: BCM
Year Started: 1986
Year Graduated: 1989
Jude's current role is general manager, Stonehurst Farm. This is a working farm in Hope, Nelson. Stonehurst Farm has four business units: Horse Trekking, Riding Centre, Equestrian Centre (delivering equine courses in joint partnership with the Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology) and Fence Contracting. Stonehurst Farm is a sixth generation 260 ha working family farm. Apart from the horses there are cattle, Cashmere goats, a sustainable forestry and firewood block and they care for a historic native bush reserve (Max's Bush). Stonehurst Farm is a Qualmark endorsed visitor activity and is affiliated with the International League for the Protection of Horses (ILPH). It maintains links with the University by hosting an annual study tour group from Lincoln when students are on their South Island tour. The current owner- director, Laurence Max, also attended Lincoln back in 1980.

1990's

Name: Tony Steven
Degree: BCom(Ag)
Year Started: 1990
Year Graduated: 2004
Tony has worked on dairy farms in the Canterbury region (on and off) over the last 15 years. In between, he spent three years as a professional chef, one year in fisheries and three months working for Montana.

He spent most of 2003 working on two dairy farms in West Wales (UK) then went on a month long Contiki tour through Europe. Tony returned home in November 2003 and started his current position as a research technician with Plant Research (NZ) Ltd, based at Lincoln University.

Name: Janyne Harman (nee Fletcher)
Degree: BCom(VPM)
Year Started: 1990
Year Graduated: 1994
After graduation Janyne worked in various commercial property management positions in Christchurch and Wellington before moving into tourism marketing for Totally Wellington. She decided to make a lifestyle change in 2001 and moved to Central Otago where she is working in wine marketing. Janyne is married with two children.

Name: Rebecca M L Fox
Degree: BSc
Year Started: 1991
Grad Year: 1994
Rebecca has spent 10 years in public health. Much of this has been spent working in the promotion, control and management of hazardous substances, communicable diseases, and food safety and quality. Most of Rebecca's time now is spent dealing with public water supply management. She has worked in the Manawatu, Queenstown/Central Otago and latterly the Wairarapa districts. Rebecca had some time away from public health to write quality and management programmes for rest homes.

Name: Stephen J Taylor
Degree: BCom(VPM)
Year Started: 1991
Year Graduated: 1995
Stephen has worked on the property cost estimates of the Auckland Eastern Transport corridor and was until recently employed with Transit NZ as a property consultant. Stephen is now working as a property advisor for Transpower on the North Island 400 kV Project.

Name: Simon J Evans
Degree: BCM
Year Started: 1993
Year Graduated: 1997
Simon did his OE to the UK from1998 to 2000. Since his return he has been working for Telecom in Christchurch. He was married in 2001 and has a daughter, Zoe, born in 2003.

Name: Paul O'Regan
Degree: BCM
Year Started: 1993
Year Graduated: 1996
After studying commerce at Lincoln, Paul went overseas on his big "OE", where he worked in investment banking as a credit and market risk analyst in London and Sydney which gave him some fantastic work experiences. Seven years later he has arrived back in New Zealand and he is now working in his home town of Blenheim as a finance manager with Rabobank NZ Ltd.

Name: Jennie I Callesen
Degree: BPR&TM
Year Started: 1994
Year Graduated: 1998
Jennie worked as a DOC ranger in Fiordland before moving up to the Abel Tasman National Park to work as a track and sea kayak guide. After working as a coaching coordinator in Nelson Jennie headed overseas for two years. Jennie returned to New Zealand and is currently working for the family seed cleaning and drying business in the Manawatu.

Name: Renee M Little
Degree: BPR&TM
Year Started: 1997
Year Graduated: 2001
After graduation in 2001 Renee worked for her parents for 18 months in their hotel in Timaru. In September 2003 she moved to Sydney where she is currently residing. Renee has worked for American Express since arriving there. She loved her time at Lincoln and says she wouldn't have spent her university years anywhere else.

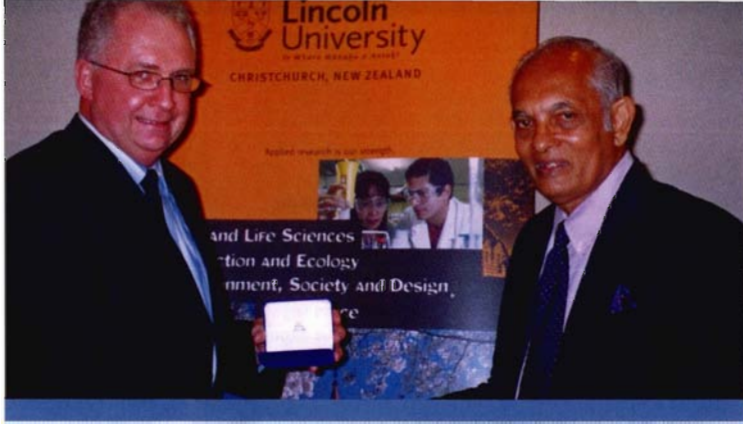
Name: Nicola F Martin
Degree: BRM (Tourism)
Year Started: 1998
Year Graduated: 2002
Nicola worked for Lincoln University as the North Island Liaison Officer and is currently employed as the Events Coordinator at Massey University.

2000's

Name: John Lowe
Degree: BSocSci
Year Started: 2003
Year Graduated: 2005
John is currently pursuing postgraduate studies in Analytic Philosophy at the University of Birmingham in the UK.

Lincoln University International Alumni Medal

- Dr Canagasaby Devendra



The second award of Lincoln University's recently created International Alumni Medal was made to Dr Canagasaby Devendra of Malaysia, pictured above with Vice-Chancellor Roger Field.

The medal recognises outstanding contributions by alumni in a country other than New Zealand and the following is based on his citation.

In Dr Devendra's case the contributions have been truly international. As a specialist in animal nutrition and animal production systems he has contributed his knowledge, expertise and wisdom at three levels - domestically, in his home country of Malaysia; regionally throughout the surrounding countries of Asia; and globally through assignments with most of the world's principal aid and development organisations, such as the World Bank, the United Nations Development Program, the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation, the Commonwealth Secretariat, and the US Agency for International Development.

In total Dr Devendra has contributed to the establishment, management, monitoring and evaluation of projects in crop and animal production and the use of natural feed resources in almost 20 different countries in addition to his own.

It is a contribution underpinned by rigorous academic preparation - he holds four degrees, his New Zealand Bachelor of Agricultural Science from Lincoln; a Master of Agricultural Science from the University of Malaya; a PhD from the University of Nottingham and a Doctor of Science, also from Nottingham.

It is, too, a contribution widely acknowledged by the accolades of others, for example he holds the Gold Medal of the Malaysian Society of Animal Production, of which he also a Fellow; he was the first Asian winner of the American Dairy Science Association's International Dairy Production Award and in 2004 he won the Asian Animal Science Award from Korea.

Dr Devendra has always acknowledged that his career has been built on the solid foundation of his initial training in animal science at Lincoln University.

Indeed it all began at Lincoln in 1957 when, as a 22-year-old, he enrolled for a Bachelor of Agricultural Science. Class numbers were small in those days and he was one of just over 20 in his degree group. He is remembered as "quiet and reserved, but with an engaging personality". He was very focused on his study, very dedicated and methodical.

Devendra is in fact well remembered by old friends at Lincoln, but before touching further on that, let me summarise his career path and the professional contributions that make him a worthy recipient of this medal.

In Malaysia from 1971 until 1984 he was with the Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute where he worked on fundamental and applied animal nutrition projects with goats and sheep and attained the rank of Principal Research Officer.

In Singapore from 1985 to 1992 he was with the International Development Research Centre as Programme Officer in Animal Production Systems. During this time he was involved regionally with a total of 80 projects in animal production systems in 13 Asian countries, targeted at encouraging efficient use of natural resources and the development of environmentally sustainable agriculture.

In 1993 - 1994 he worked as an independent consultant, undertaking work for the International Livestock Research Institute. Assignments took him around the world, from Latin America to North Africa.

In 1995 as a Senior Associate with the Institute of Livestock Research he managed projects in Asia and in 1999 he was appointed Team Leader for the institute's Crop-Animal Systems Research Network project involving five Asia countries including China. This work, funded through the Asian development Bank, is aimed at increasing the productivity of crop-livetsock systems.

Dr Devendra has a genuine international reputation in his field and is acknowledged as a leading figure in animal nutrition particularly in relation to goats.

The hard-working academic side of Devendra was clearly evident during his student days at Lincoln but there was high achievement too in another field. Devendra was a very accomplished cricketer and a valuable member of the Lincoln College 1st XI during his time in New Zealand.

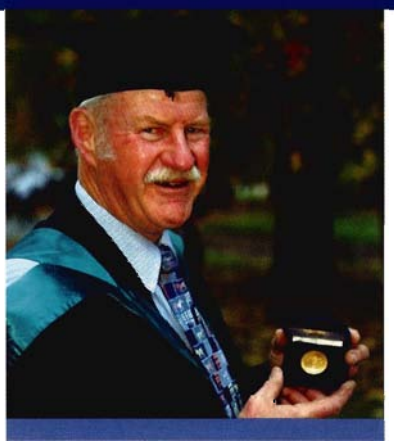
An off-spinner, he is recorded as being one of the College's two "best bowlers" of his period.

His 1st XI bowling partner, VFM student Tom Marks, pays a fine Kiwi tribute to Devendra recalling that he fitted into the team well and was really just "one of the boys".

In a sense that's how Lincoln likes to remember its students - they leave and go on to illustrious achievements in their careers, contributing to the betterment of their countries and the world, and the University welcomes the opportunity to honour them for this later in life with special awards, but in the Lincoln tradition there is probably no higher tribute than to be remembered simply as "one of the boys".



Bledisloe Medal 2004
- John Chetwin



Distinguished public service career

At Lincoln's 2004 Graduation Ceremony, John Chetwin, a former Secretary of Labour and Deputy Secretary to The Treasury, became the 71st recipient of the University's Bledisloe Medal, which acknowledges outstanding contributions to the advancement of New Zealand's interests by alumni. The following is based on the citation -

John came to Lincoln from his native Dunedin as a 17-year-old in 1959 and was part of that year's Bachelor of Agricultural Science intake.

It was a remarkable class and part of a remarkable era at Lincoln. An extraordinary number from the period went on to achieve top positions and become outstanding leaders in New Zealand's land-based industries and other areas of endeavour.

Behind many of these achievers, John Chetwin included, was the inspiration of a man who helped make that Lincoln era such a great one, Bryan Philpott, Professor of Agricultural Economics.

It was Professor Philpott who first introduced John to economics and later supervised his masters research, which he commenced after completing his bachelor's degree in 1963. The research concerned wholesale meat prices in the United Kingdom and led to John completing a Master of Agricultural Science degree with Honours in Agricultural Economics.

John's first step in what was to be a distinguished public service career of 39 years was as an Assistant Investigating Officer in the Economics Section of the Department of Agriculture.

From there, in 1969, he moved to The Treasury, also as an Investigating Officer, and his duties initially centred on agricultural policy and monitoring and forecasting developments in the agricultural and external sectors.

Both in the Department of Agriculture and in the Treasury John was closely involved in the work of the Agricultural Production Council, particularly its Economics and Meat committees.

Later the emphasis shifted to the analysis of trade policy issues, particularly those surrounding the United Kingdom's entry into what was then called the Common Market, and he became a member of the team advising Ministers of New Zealand's strategy for negotiations with British and Common Market governments.

In 1971 he was seconded to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as First Secretary (Economic) at the New Zealand High Commission in London.

It was a watershed period in New Zealand's economic history. The old trading relationship with Britain - that special partnership between "Mother Country" and Dominion - was ending. Britain was throwing in her lot with Europe and John Chetwin was right there at the hub, analysing, advising, negotiating, working tirelessly and assiduously as part of the New Zealand team determined to wrest the best possible deal for their country from the crucible of change and then to ensure that it was implemented effectively.

John was with the New Zealand High Commission from 1971 till 1975 and those who worked with him during this period have the highest praise for his contribution to the New Zealand negotiating effort.

Britain was the centre of the world for New Zealand in those days with butter, cheese, sheepmeat and other agricultural commodities our international currency. This was the context in which John had to operate and as a colleague of the time says "the 'grunt' in his analyses and briefings was impressive and he carried a 'donkey load' of work".

John returned from London in 1976 and went back to Treasury as a Section Head in the Internal Economics Division. In 1979 he was appointed Director of the Internal Economics Division and five years later he became an Assistant Secretary.

Trade policy analysis still featured strongly among his many skills and over 1985-86 he headed the New Zealand delegation to the Economic Policy Committee of the OECD.

He then spent a period setting up the new Corporate Services function and leading a complete revamp of the Treasury's organisation and management systems as a response to very serious staff turnover and morale problems.

The next step in his Treasury career was to Deputy Secretary, managing the Industries Branch.

In this post he had overall responsibility for policy advice and implementation in the areas of State Owned Enterprises, agriculture, energy, transport, communication and natural resources. Later his responsibilities were extended to include management of the Government's privatisation programme.

He is remembered from this period as "the quintessential public servant .. very measured ... sage ... good on detail and principle ... good with people and with good instinctive judgement."

John and his colleagues were close to the heart of all decision-making in State Owned Enterprise policy which wrought a revolution in New Zealand and thrust the country into adulthood.

He describes SOE policy as "an idea whose time had come" and today reflects with quiet satisfaction that he was able to play a central role in his country's journey to maturity.

In July 1994 when he left the Treasury to become Secretary of Labour, with the Department of Labour, succeeding one of his Lincoln contemporaries and fellow Philpott protégé, Jas McKenzie.

The creation of Work and Income New Zealand, an amalgamation of the employment functions of the Labour Department and the Income Support arm of Social Welfare and Employment, was on the political agenda and John was closely involved with bringing this new body into being.

During this time too, the Department of Labour developed the Human Capability Framework which became a powerful way of thinking about the development of the capacity of people and of the economic and social opportunities to use that capacity productively. This framework has become a foundation for Government human resource policies.

From 1995 to 2003 John led the New Zealand delegation to the annual conference of the International Labour Organisation. At the 2003 conference he was elected Chair of the Committee on Human Resource Development and Training.

In the words of two observers, one at each end of John's time as Secretary of Labour, he brought to the job a "masterful aplomb and a very shrewd brain", and he retired in 2003 "greatly respected and loved by his staff".

Lincoln University Alumni Association Bursaries

Congratulations to the 2004 recipients

Auckland/Northland:	**Christina Painting**	Bachelor of Science
Waikato:	**Elizabeth Farthing**	Bachelor of Tourism Mgmt
Gisborne/Hawkes Bay/Wairarapa:	**Stuart Bayliss**	Bachelor of Commerce in Ag.
Canterbury:	**Jodi Archibold**	Bachelor of Social Science
Otago:	**Riley Wilson**	Bachelor of Commerce in Ag.
Southland:	**Michael Lindsay**	Bachelor of Tourism Mgmt
	Overall:	**Christine Painting**

Awards of up to $2000 each are made annually to fulltime students normally resident in each of the following areas:

Auckland/Northland	Canterbury
Waikato/Bay of Plenty	Otago
Gisborne/Hawkes Bay/ Wairarapa	Southland
Manawatu/Wellington/Taranaki	International
Marlborough/Nelson/West Coast	

In addition, a full fees bursary is offered to the top ranked applicant for their first year of study.

Application close on January 31st each year. Further details are available from the Scholarships Office, P O Box 84, Lincoln University, Canterbury.

Bula, bula Jude!

Westpac Credit Card Winner

Alumnus Jude Tarr (BCM 1986-89) received exciting news over the phone in August - notification that she had won a return trip for two to Fiji.

It was all thanks to taking up a Westpac Lincoln University Visa. To promote the card, Westpac had generously sponsored eight trips to Sonailsali Island Resort, Fiji for six nights. One trip for each university. The competition was open to all staff and alumni.

If you are interested in getting an application form for a Westpac Lincoln University Visa card, please call Westpac on 0800 557 600 or contact the Alumni Office on (03) 325 3838 extn 8722 or visit this website: www.lincoln.ac.nz/alumni





Medal Mystery solved

In last year's Alumni News we ran a story on the gold medal awarded to the Dux of Canterbury Agricultural College in 1931, Mark Hall Rogers. The Alumni Office was trying to find out how the Dux Medal had made its way back to Lincoln University, instead of being with the family.

In the end we did not find out why it was returned to Lincoln University, but we can tell you that it has now been officially gifted back by the family of the recipient.

The response to our story was quick and informative. Thank you to all who rang the Alumni Office to help solve the mystery.

We found out that Mark Rogers passed away on 3 May 2000 and that he had been Secretary/Treasurer of the Students' Association in 1931.

Mark's sister Doris, accompanied by Glamis Niederer, came to Lincoln University to see the medal. While here, Doris very kindly gifted the Dux Medal back to the University on behalf of her late brother.

Thanks once again to all alumni who contacted the office with pieces of information about Mark.

It was nice to solve the mystery and learn a little more about this past Dux Medal winner, his work history and personal history.

Viticulture and Oenology

All Viticulture and Oenology graduates should make a diary note to attend the 6th International Cool Climate Symposium for Viticulture and Œnology. It is being held in the Christchurch Convention Centre 6 – 10 February 2006 and staff at Lincoln University have a major involvement in its organisation.

An exciting programme with international speakers and focus session leaders is being finalised, with the registration information due to go out in March 2004.

More information can be found on the web site: iccs2006.org.nz

Sometime around or during the week of the symposium the Alumni Association hopes to hold a reunion of V&O graduates. So, make a diary note to attend the symposium and catch up with your classmates at the same time.

Keep In Touch
– Update your contact details

All contact details received by 30th June go into the draw for $100 bookshop voucher.

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Life after Lincoln

Let us and other graduates know what you've been doing since leaving Lincoln University (150 words maximum)

Please share your information below

I agree to the possible publication of my 'news' in the Alumni News, and/or Lincoln University publications Yes ☐ No ☐

Signature Date

Do you know of other Lincoln Alumni who would like to receive the Alumni News?

Please give us their contact details.

Democracy in action - have your say about your association!

Here's a an opportunity for you to let us know what you want/expect from your Alumni Association.

For example, would you appreciate two editions of Alumni News per year; what do you want to read about in the Alumni News; do you want to have specific focused reunions; do you want professional development courses available for you, mentoring opportunities etc?

It is also an opportunity for you to give some suggestions and voice your opinions. Please feel free to write what you want. Thank you for your time.

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P O Box 15
Lincoln University
Christchurch
Or fax to 03 325 3812

Methven Young Farmers' Club

Notable record of Lincoln scholarship winners

By Jim Stone

Angus Walter McKay of Methven passed away on 25 January 2005. A third generation Methven resident, Angus was a student at Lincoln College and completed a Dip VFM at the end of 1947, after having his course interrupted by wartime military duties.

Angus was one of a group of six members of the Methven Young Farmers' Club who won scholarships for study at the then Lincoln College. Most were scholarships offered by the Lincoln College Old Students' Association (now Lincoln University Alumni Association) for Young Farmers' Club members to study at Lincoln.

The first scholarship winner from the club was John H.Oldfield, whose studies were also interrupted by military service. John finished his studies (Dip VFM) and joined the College's Farm Management Department as an assistant lecturer (1951-52) then became Farm Overseer (1953-55). He subsequently became a well known farmer and valuer in the Tai Tapu area and passed away not so long ago.

The next scholarship recipient was Angus McKay. Angus spent some time with State Advances in Southland then moved back to Canterbury and farmed in the Methven district for the best part of 50 years. He retired to Methven township about 10 years ago. He was a stalwart of the Methven YFC and patron of that group. He had extremely wide knowledge of farming in the Mid-Canterbury region.

R.W (Bob) Wightman was the next scholarship winner and he was followed by C.J. (Colin) Wilson, who received the Old Students' Scholarship and completed a diploma over 1943-44. He would have been one of the youngest students at Lincoln at the time.

Colin returned to farming in Methven and has retired to the township. Among his achievements is that of becoming a successful rugby football referee. He served as a president of the NZ Rugby Referees Association and controlled matches at Ranfurly Shield level. He was also one of the first New Zealand rugby referees to adjudicate at that sacred rugby ground in Wales – Cardiff Arms Park.

J.H. (Jim) Stone was awarded the Canterbury Frozen Meat Co. scholarship to attend Lincoln and studied for a degree in Agricultural Science, graduating B.Agr.Sc. in 1950. Jim spent his working life with the North Canterbury Catchment Board working with another Lincoln graduate R.D. (Douglas) Dick. Their area was soil conservation.

M.V.(Michael) Poff was the sixth Methven YFC member to receive a scholarship for Lincoln and he did the Intensive Course 1948 and VFM in 1949. Mike returned to the family farm in the Rakaia Gorge after that.

There may have been others of whom I am not aware but I think the Methven YFC contribution to Lincoln is worth recording. Also all six people were students of Methven District High School (now Mt Hutt College).

Generous bequest establishes new postgraduate scholarship fund



Donald James Hulston

Postgraduate research and development at Lincoln University is set to start benefiting from next year from the significant philanthropic generosity of a late alumnus, Don Hulston BAgrSc (1950) of Waihao Downs, South Canterbury.

Donald James Hulston died in August 2000 aged 79 after an outstanding career of rural leadership combined with farming his own sheep, cattle and mixed cropping property.

In the mid-1990s Don organised a trust deed whereby the residue of his estate, after family bequests, would go to Lincoln University.

The deed, dated 30 July 1996, was signed just before Professor Bruce Ross stepped down as Vice-Chancellor.

It expressed Don's wish that money from his estate should form a fund to "encourage and promote postgraduate research and development at Lincoln University with particular emphasis on practical and applied research and development in agriculture, horticulture, forestry and aquaculture, with the principal objective being benefit to the New Zealand economy and for the purpose of assisting related postgraduate study".

After Don's death and the settlement of family bequests, his trustee Arthur Wilson, a fellow alumnus (BAgrSc 1953), was able to present to Lincoln University a cheque from the estate for $500,000.

The presentation was made to Vice-Chancellor Dr Frank Wood at the Alumni Spring Luncheon in September 2001.

That money now forms the core of a scholarship fund to be administered through the University's Scholarships Office and the first awards should be made in 2006.

After wartime service in the RNZAF, Don Hulston came to Lincoln College in 1946 to study for a Bachelor of Agricultural Science degree following completion of the Intermediate Year at Otago University. He was President of the Students' Association in 1948 and also served on the executive of the New Zealand University Students' Association.

After finishing his Lincoln degree he farmed first at Prices Valley on Banks Peninsula, where he made his property available as a study farm for Lincoln students, then in 1953 he moved back to South Canterbury, where he had attended school (Timaru Boys' High).

In 1958 he was awarded a Nuffield Farming Scholarship and in 1962 he was one of a small group who formed the rural cooperative society now called CRT.

In addition he was a member of the establishment board of Ravensdown Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd, he served as a South Canterbury Provincial President of Federated Farmers and sat on Federated Farmers' Dominion Council.

He helped promote the Tekapo-Opihi augmentation scheme, initiated the joint Canterbury water resource study and the first regional resource survey. He was appointed to the Aorangi Regional Development Council when it was formed in 1974.

He was also a life member of Waimate Rotary Club.



Tim, Joanne and Steve Wilson

'Thank you, alumni'

Joanne Wilson, daughter of alumnus Jim White (1951-54 - and later Professor of Agronomy) received a heart-lung transplant 10 years ago, and she wants to thank the alumni who helped make it possible.

To celebrate, the family held a party on the anniversary in July 2004, something they didn't dare dream would happen. The doctors at St Vincent's Hospital in Sydney had said after the operation "If it's still working in five years, you'll be doing well".

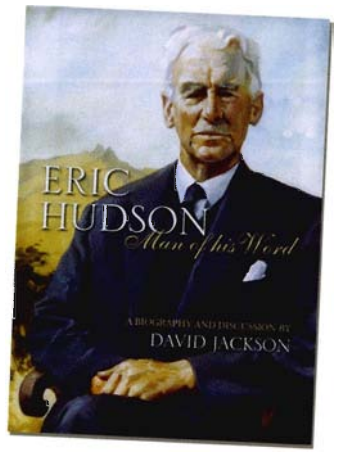
The operation cost more than $200,000 and was generously supported by alumni and University staff, several of whom were on the fundraising committee. They included Athol Hutton (1953-55), Chairman, Peter Boyd (1953-55), Bob Jessep (1952-55), Brian Robertson, the Alumni Secretary of the time, and Dr Alastair McArthur and John Taylor, of the staff.

After the money was raised, Joanne, husband Steve and son Tim lived in Sydney for two years and four months, waiting for a compatible donor. "It was like living in limbo" Joanne says, "whenever the phone rang you jumped like crazy".

Then on 19 July 1994 the phone rang at 3pm and by 7am the following morning the operation was completed. Joanne's parents, Jim and Barbara White, were on their way to Sydney within hours, and were able to see a transformed daughter sitting up brightly in bed that afternoon, with pink cheeks, fingers and toes, rather than the previous blue/black colour.

Joanne, now aged 47, has a daily drug regime to prevent rejection, which has some side effects. She also needs regular checkups by her specialists in Christchurch, Dr Peter Thornley and his team. But this is a small price to pay for a new and almost normal life. Once virtually confined to a wheelchair she now walks daily around Huntsbury Hill in Christchurch, and enjoys her hillside garden and other activities.

Hudson biography provides rounded portrait of legendary Lincoln director



A first-ever biographical study of a Lincoln College director/principal, suggests that the inexperience of the Board of Governors of the time may have been a factor in the events that led to his resignation and premature retirement.

Eric Hudson, Man of his Word by retired staff member Dr David Jackson, a former Associate Professor of Horticulture and 1993 Bledisloe Medallist, discusses the life, thoughts and writings of the man who headed Canterbury Agricultural College (popularly known as Lincoln College) from 1936 until 1952.

Professor Hudson was the first former Lincoln student to become Director of his old college and he is generally credited with "saving" the institution from the parlous state into which it had descended in the latter years of the long Alexander era and delivering it full of energy and vigour into the modern age.

The story of Hudson's departure is part of Lincoln's folklore. In September 1951 the Director followed established regulations by suspending a group of students who had broken the no-alcohol-on-campus rule by bringing some beer into the accommodation area after a rugby match. The students appealed the suspensions, a special meeting of the Board of Governors considered the matter and essentially overturned Hudson's ruling. He tendered a letter of resignation the next day and departed in August the following year.

The book draws attention to the "newness" of the Board of Governors at the time of the incident and the sensitive political atmosphere of the period - it was for example the year of the national waterfront dispute and the "snap election".

It is a pity that Hudson's resignation has come to dominate memories of his era, and here's where the value of David Jackson's book lies. He gives us a portrait of "the Prof" that fleshes out the whole man. His birth in Australia; coming to New Zealand as a youngster and having his mother die soon after; returning to Australia as a young man to work in the Outback; enlisting in the NZ Army in the First World War and being promoted rapidly through NCO ranks to commissioned officer, some nascent leadership qualities obviously coming to the fore in the crucible of war; wounded in the head on the opening day of New Zealand's involvement in the Battle of the Somme; his arrival at Canterbury Agricultural College after the war with his brother Abe (later a Student President and captain of the 1st XV); back to Australia to work in agricultural extension; then back to New Zealand and the apogee of his life's work, the years heading Lincoln College.

Hudson was a wide and deep thinker and through his surviving children Jackson has had access to family papers which form the basis of his discussion of Hudson's thoughts on life. Everything is there - from his opinions on advertising to his views on the Vietnam War (he wrote an important monograph on the subject, with a foreword by Prime Minister Sir Walter Nash).

Hudson also started to write an autobiography but completed only one chapter. Jackson includes this interesting fragment as Part II of his book. He is to be commended for giving light of day to this previously unpublished work of Hudson's.

A chapter of reminiscences includes contributions from old Lincoln hands, Sir James Stewart, Professor TW Walker, Bruce Ryde, Professor Paul Mulcock, George Rennie, Gerry Ulrich and Des McSweeney.

While the views expressed are entirely those of the author, given Hudson's status as the first alumnus to become director or principal of Lincoln College it is an appropriate publication in the centennial year of the Alumni Association.

See Memorabilia Page if you wish to purchase a copy.

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Studentship advances campus heritage work



Joby Barham

Lincoln University's heritage preservation activity has been strengthened thanks to a Summer Studentship project funded through the Environment, Society and Design Division.

Master of Landscape Architecture student Joby Barham was awarded the Studentship and, working over the summer break under the supervision of Lecturer Roy Montgomery, he compiled a comprehensive and electronically based inventory and catalogue of the University's heritage material.

Urgency has been given to the cataloguing of material by the planned restoration work on the West Wing of Ivey Hall and Memorial Hall. A room in the West Wing has been a repository for much of the University's non-built heritage collection and it was seen as important to catalogue this before it was displaced.

A considerable amount of Lincoln University heritage material has been preserved over the years but generally only informally or fitfully, says Roy, who teaches the paper Heritage Conservation, ERST 303.

"There have generally been bursts of enthusiasm at the time of particular anniversaries or changes in status of the institution, but the climate today is for organisations and institutions to show greater and more consistent responsibility for heritage matters.

"Some of this new emphasis is expressed in the Public Records Bill which, when it advances into law, will place statutory obligations on bodies to provide for the preservation of publicly important heritage material," he says.

"Good progress has been made at Lincoln with 'built heritage' such as the preservation and strengthening of Ivey hall in the 1980s and the plans to carry out further work in the near future including refurbishment of the West Wing.

"The University also has an excellent art collection that has been responsibly managed over several decades.

"We are now at a crucial point. We have Joby's inventory and catalogue, some emergency conservation measures in place and some nascent policies for future collecting and maintenance that are reasonably user-friendly.

"However, we cannot survive on Summer Studentships or the quiet agitation of staff from time to time. The work needs to be advanced in a programmed way," says Roy.

Lincoln University's Alumni Manager, Katherine Prusas, agrees that an important point has now been reached with the creation of an inventory and catalogue by Joby Barham.

"We have long been conscious of the importance of the heritage material in the University's keeping and that includes items gifted by alumni," she says.

"The association has always been happy to receive items from alumni and family members and if the collection is organised in a more programmed way its value will be enhanced considerably."

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Branch Reunions



1984 Diploma of Agriculture

By Wayne Rollinson

Friday 27 February was registration day with a quick tour around the University, a "Team" photo (for those who could make the Friday shoot) and the day concluded with a few drinks and nibbles. It was a great to catch up with so many class mates we had not seen for 20 years - yes, we all get grey, bald and older!

Saturday evening was main event of the weekend with a formal dinner and dance at the Grand Chancellor Hotel in Christchurch. This was attended by approximately 55 alumni plus their partners. The evening started and progressed well into the dinner with all past alumni introducing themselves to everyone and explaining what they had been up to over the last 20 years since leaving Lincoln. We also had "selected" alumni telling the odd yarn as the night progressed. Phil Alexander (Moose) was the compere for the evening and kept the stories and discussions alive until it was time to dance the night away.

Sunday was "brunch" day at Trent's Winery and was attended by most to say goodbye.

The weekend was enjoyed by all and it was pleasing to see the effort of so many to attend, especially those from the North Island and Australia (thanks Charlie, Richard and Gus). Until next time - yes there will be a next time, with Moose to organise - until then, good luck to all.





Mike Bradley presenting a cheque for over $500 to the Chairman of the 125th Anniversary Appeal, Neil Gow.

1960-62 Diploma, Intensive, VFM

By Evan Williams

Sunday 18 April saw 26 members and partners gather at the Commodore Hotel, Christchurch for an evening dinner and reunion with past staff members. Mr Vern Clark, Graham Thomson, Jim White, Bruce Ryde, and Mrs Grace Blair, Marjorie Garrett, Barbara White and Nan Thomson in attendance. Entertainment was provided by Brian Roberstson who spoke on the effects of Lincoln education on family life. An auction of Lincoln memorabilia raised over $500 for the 125th anniversary appeal.

In recent times we have held reunions in Perth, Blenheim and Tasmania and those present included members from Australia and the Falkland Islands. Monday's first stop was back to the halls of learning, a lecture update on Farm Management and a look at the impressive new Lincoln dairy unit before travelling on to Twizel.

Day 2 commenced with visits to the rowing venue and local salmon farm, a stop at a 780-cow developing dairy unit and cowshed, with no roof, in the Mackenzie area, before heading over the Lindis Pass to Queenstown via Wanaka.

Days 3 and 4 were spent enjoying the colourful autumn scenery of Arrowtown, the Gibbston Valley Winery, a trip to Glenorchy, and across to Walter Peak Station on the Earnslaw with barbecue and farm demonstrations, all being highlights.

Friday saw us gather at classmate Rob Mathewson's 5500 ha sheep unit at Wanaka for a farm inspection and photo before continuing our journey over the Haast Pass to Fox Glacier. We were then well informed by the local West Coast valuer Ian McLeod on the trip through to Hokitika then over Arthurs Pass with an animal stop at Castle Hill Station's new residence for sustenance, before returning to Christchurch and our farewell gathering.

1750 kilometres in seven days of perfect weather, much socialisation and friendship with our next trip scheduled for April 2006 in North Auckland. Our thanks go to organisers Dave Findlay and Mike Bradley and our bus driver host Peter Higinbottom (ex Lincoln) for their contributions to such a memorable trip.

1957-1959 Diploma of Agriculture

By Malcolm Barrer

45th Reunion Victoria Australia

23-28th April 2004

This was no "one night stand", this was nearly a week of touring some of the 'Best of Victoria' in wonderful company in the comfort of a luxury coach. Congratulations have to go to the organisers of this reunion – the Aussies were great, Ron and Jasna Hay, John and Sue Marricott, Jim and Di Wilson and Ian (Birdie) and Lucy Richardson and all the others.

We met at the Rydges – central Melbourne, nothing planned that first night but wonderful greeting and meeting people who hadn't seen one another for 45 years.

Next morning we walked to Federation Square to visit the Art Gallery and view the controversial buildings – fantastic! Luncheon in the boardroom at EL & C Baillieu Stockbroking Ltd – Ron Hay just happens to be the CEO there, and wined and dined and had the privilege of hearing from David Goodfellow how modern Australian farming works. Some then toured the MCG while others shopped. The evening started with a cocktail party at Ron and Jasna Hays home and culminated in a banquet at the Royal South Yarra Tennis Club.

Day two saw us heading out to Weenibee and then on to Geelong home of the famous College and the National Wool Museum. We then visited Tom and Andrew Gubbin's Le Mania Stud. Andrew is a Lincoln graduate and his father Tom is a great conservationist. Their combined skills are awesome. The Le Mania stud had its origins in North Canterbury with the Wilding family. Tom and Mary were very gracious hosts. A beautiful property! We then headed for Campendown.

Next morning was ANZAC morning and some of the party distinguished themselves by attending the Dawn Parade which hugely pleased the Aussie ANZAC's. John and Sue Marricott and Jim Wilson and Birdie Richardson provided us with a comprehensive commentary wherever we went – full of humour and anecdotal stuff.

A visit to John Gould, the Master of the Hounds was memorable. His hound breeding establishment was spotlessly clean but the smell had some of the party heading for the bus.

We visited a sheep station with shearing in progress where Andy Shand threw a fine fleece. The lady owner (one of the famous Baillieu family) had ditched her husband when he'd taken the slates off the woolshed roof to cover gambling debts, or so someone told us!

We visited the local MP's beautiful bluestone mansion set in its park-like surroundings, we drove the coastal highway past the 12 Apostles, and we toured through the Grampians staying at both Dunkeld and Halls Gap. We visited the nearly 10 000 hectares of Yarram Park another Baillieu-owned property supervised by the remarkable David Goodfellow and managed by the very hospitable Jeremy Upton.

The visit to Puunyant home of the Wilson family was one of the highlights. Jim and Di and Andy and his family are wonderful hosts. Jim also has a huge museum on the property full of amazing treasure.

Birdie and Lucy Richardson welcomed us at their home on a bleak, cold day with hot pumpkin and cucumber soup which could not have been improved on. Birdie and Lucy have really got things sorted. They own the farm, live in the house and lease the land. Both the quantity and quality of wine suggest the arrangement works well.

Thinking of wine, the tour of Soppelts underground collars at the Great Western Winery was definitely different; particularly of you're into dust, cobwebs, fungi and stuff. Good wine though!

The tour ended at Tullermarine Airport sadly, the party was over but not before we'd decided on another reunion for 2009 in New Zealand and somehow involving our old Alma Mater mates.



1961-62 Diploma and 1963 VFM

By Kerry Dunlop

Firstly to those of you who were at Cromwell thanks for coming. It was a wonderful opportunity to catch up with each other after 40 years and to meet wives and partners. It is amazing how quickly everyone made contact. Some of you were great at recalling events of our student days.

For the benefit of those of you who weren't at Cromwell we had a pleasant venue. After the initial get together, over drinks and a meal on the Monday evening, we were ready for the next morning when we all, including wives and partners, sat outside in the courtyard in the sun. This was an opportunity for old students to reflect on what attending Lincoln College had meant and done for us. It must say a lot for the College that everyone had something positive to report. Apart from recalling some of the amusing events such as Tiny sorting out his car on the brick wall of Ivy Hall, the main result was the focus and the extra determination it gave most in later life. This may not necessarily have been directly in agriculture.

We remembered those who have died. Kim Wright, Kelvin Stevens, Mark Wensley, Tony Challis and from VFM, Bill Gatenby, Norm O'Garr.

We had lunch at an innovative restaurant "The Big Picture" which is near Cromwell. It offers you the opportunity to experience the aroma room, with 60 different aromas, and then you can proceed to a small theatre. This has a nine-minute video showing, from a helicopter, the vineyards of Central Otago. The next nine minutes is wine tasting with the winemaker through the video describing each of the five wines as they are tasted.

Over lunch many stories and catch ups occurred. We then could either go off to golf, which Russell Lovelock had organized at Cromwell, or go to the gold mining museum on the Kawarau River. This was an interesting tour which included some panning for gold which was enjoyed by many. A boat load took the thrill of jet boating on the river.

Tuesday evening we had the conference room to enjoy our meal and music and dancing. The photographs were on display and therefore it was a good chance for our wives to see what Lincoln men were (are) made of!!

We were very pleased to have Bruce & Doris Ryde with us. Bruce gave us an excellent catch up on the current state of Lincoln University as well as reminiscing about some of our lecturers. These included Harry Garrett, Bryan Philpott, Ian Blair, Bill Baird, and Graham Thomson. We had apologies from Prof Tom Walker and Prof Jim White.

A number of you have thanked me for leading the charge. Thank you. I must thank Curly for faxing me the names of most of our Dip 1961-62 and VFM 1963. This was the starting point. It is suggested that another reunion be held in three years time. Possibly at Goughs Harbour with Rob Warden being the anchor man. Let us know of your ideas. We will keep you informed.



Lew Morgan, Harry Russell, Evelyn Dowthwaite (nee Oakley), Shirley Morgan

Mystery Creek Fieldays Reunion

This year we tried something a little different. On Wednesday 16 June we had a lunch at the Lincoln University Site, E24, from 12.00 until 2.00pm. There was a great response with approximately 50 people attending. It was great to see such a variety in ages and course representation. A great catch-up had by all.

1972 – 74 DipAg/VFM

By Linda Ward

Seventy-five former students and partners of the 72-74 Dip.Ag/VFM class met in Napier for a reunion on the weekend of 11-13 June, 2004. The first reunion was in 1984 and has been held every five years since. The previous venues were Wairakei, Queenstown, Auckland and Christchurch.

Everyone stayed at the Napier Travel Inn on Marine Parade. The reunion began on the Friday night with a "fork and talk" evening, including a roll call. On Saturday morning some of the group went on a trip to Hawke's Bay Dairies, a large dairy farming operation that has recently been developed at Matapiro, west of Hastings.

The bus trip was accompanied by a commentary from local resident David Ward, who pointed out the geographical and agricultural features of the land. Everyone met for lunch at the "Hound and Bull" in Taradale and afterwards it was back on the bus for a drive through Hastings and Havelock North, then up Te Mata Peak for a view over the whole of this part of Hawke's Bay.

The main reunion dinner was held at the Travel Inn on Saturday night. The guest speaker was Steve Wynn-Harris, himself a Lincoln old boy, who entertained us with anecdotes and jokes, followed by a superb dinner and finished just in time to watch the All Blacks play that night.



1972 - 74 Dip Ag / VFM

You can't go to Hawkes Bay without going on a wine tour, so Sunday saw half the group head off to Church Road Winery while the other half went to the Mission Estate for wine-tasting and a tour round the cellars. Everyone met for lunch at Ngatarawa Winery, where a catered lunch was waiting for us. The weather was just perfect – warm and brilliantly sunny. Lunch over, it was off to two more wineries, Brookfields and Esk Valley, before heading back to the hotel so those who had to leave on Sunday could depart. A group of 25 stayed at the Travel Inn for another night, dining at Breakers on Marine Parade that evening.

Monday morning and the farewells were long and drawn out, no-one wanting to finish what had been a truly enjoyable weekend. A decision was made to hold the next reunion in Invercargill.

A website has been set up for the group at http://www.vfm72-4.co.nz.

Nelson Branch Reunion

By David Pratt

The Nelson Branch reunion was held at the Nelson Golf Club on 30 July, with a round of golf played during the afternoon followed by an evening function.

Despite the inclement weather on the Friday afternoon we had 19 golfers tee off for an enjoyable afternoon thanks to Rod Baxendine's efforts organising the golf. Hopefully next year we will have a few more starters.

An evening function carried on from the golf with 50 old students and partners attending a dinner and very enjoyable social gathering. Dick Bennision toasted Lincoln, with Neil Gow then providing an update on the University and its key initiatives including the proposed restoration of Ivey Hall.

All appreciated Neil's comments and his support for our local event.

The guest speaker for the evening was Lieutenant-Colonel John Howard who gave a very interesting 30-minute presentation of his time leading NZ peace keeping forces in East Timor during 1999. Now based in Wellington with the armed forces, he provided the group with insights into NZ's role in stabilising this area and politics surrounding NZ armed forces. He certainly left all with an appreciation of the hardship and risk faced by the local communities in this area and real life in a war zone.

Overall a very enjoyable evening, we unfortunately missed contacting or getting invitations to all old students in the Nelson region. Please contact or email the Alumni Office with your contact details to ensure you get an invitation to the 2005 reunion.

Southland Branch Reunion

By Peter Flannery

The Southland Branch's annual dinner was held on the 30 July at the Elmwood Gardens. The evening was attended by 81 alumni.

Chris Hartnell from the University spoke to us pre-dinner, and reinforced the importance of the appeal for the restoration of Ivey Hall. Chris explained that while a donation of $1,000 per person sounded a lot, it was able to be spread over three years, and was tax deductible.

Jon Newson then proposed a toast to the University, which was followed by an enjoyable meal. Rugby identity Bull Allen then entertained us with tall tales and true from his legendary past. It became apparent why Bull earned his nick name. It would seem it has more to do with his ability to spin it, rather than anything else. However, he proved to be an enjoyable speaker, mixed well with the members, and stayed until the last.

As always it was an enjoyable evening, held in a great venue, with a good speaker. Those who don't attend the annual dinner are missing a great night out.

I would like to thank the four sponsors, for helping to provide a low cost evening. They are, Malloch McClean Accountants, National Bank, Westpac and ASB.

Taranaki Reunion

The Taranaki function was held on Sunday 15 August at the Plymouth International, New Plymouth. There were 16 attendees ranging from the 1950's through to the 1970's. Everyone was really positive about their time at Lincoln and enjoyed having a catch-up.

The Alumni Office is in the process of updating the database and therefore encouraged alumni to fill in their questionnaire forms with a bribe of a prize. Roger Malthus won the cup and tie.

The group is really enthused about having a gathering next year and is keen to get more people on board.



Taranaki Reunion

Manawatu & Wanganui Reunion

The Manawatu/Wanganui function was held on Monday 16 August at The Bath House, Palmerston North. There were 30 attendees ranging from the 1950s through to the late 1990s. It was a cold, chilly evening so everyone appreciated the warm surroundings and warm food.

Waikato Branch Reunion

The Waikato Branch reunion was held on Thursday 19 August at Revert, Hamilton. There were 25 attendees ranging from the 1940s through to 2001. Sharon Orr is the new Branch representative for Waikato. There were some thoughts on changing the format for next year to go back to the dinner that coincides with the Mystery Creek Fieldays. If you would like to be involved please contact the Alumni Office and update your contact details.

Canterbury Function

The Christchurch Branch held its function at the Foam Bar on Friday 20 August. Approximately 25 turned up and there was a good representation from Lincoln University staff. Those who attended enjoyed the evening. A committee is being formed for a bigger and better function next year which will possibly be a sit down meal with a guest speaker.

Western Australia Branch Reunion

What a wonderful group of people. Jane Edwards (Scholarships Manager) and I were welcomed to the West Australia Branch reunion with open arms. The reunion was organised by Peter Falconer and was held on Wednesday 6 October at the Onyx Bar, Perth. There were drinks, nibbles, good conversation, great company and an update on where Lincoln was at. A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

Those who attended included the following: Peter Falconer, Ken Boughton, Sean Butler, Geoff Byres, Peter McSkimming, Allen Moore, Denis O'Sullivan, Steve Takiari and Max Wilson.

Victorian Branch

Secretary Keith Graham reports that the Victorian Branch held its annual dinner on Friday 5 November at its regular venue The Private Dining Room at the Student Union Building, Melbourne University, Parkville.

Forty-six past students and guests attended and the staff at the Dining Room made sure the night went well. The guest speaker was Jock Macmillan a Professorial Fellow at the University of Melbourne and an ex-Massey student who had spent 30 years in dairy research at Ruakura in New Zealand.

Among those attending were Marianne Gardner, Stan Deans, Don Lawson, Bert Eastoe, Mac Paton, John Forster, Brian Schuler, David Chapman, Ross Fellows, Jim Cone, Mark Paine, Robert Latimer, Peter Newman, Paul Donnelly, Ronald Hay, Malcolm Sellin, Alan Plunkett and Keith Graham.

The branch welcomes all Alumni in Victoria and anyone interested should contact Secretary Keith Graham Melbourne at (03) 9879 9420 or email kgraham@hyp.com.au

Wellington Branch Reunion

Thirty-four Lincoln old students attended a most enjoyable Christmas luncheon at The Wellington Club on 3 December 2004. Apologies were received from many others who, for various reasons, were unable to attend this year. We all appreciated the opportunity to catch up with many old friends and colleagues and were very pleased that once again Neil Gow was able to join us.

Following drinks and a splendid meal, Bledisloe Medallist and former Lincoln University Council member Neil Taylor proposed the toast to the University. Neil Gow responded to the toast and gave an update on present happenings at Lincoln and future events being planned.

Wellington alumni who are not on the email list and would like to attend this annual event in future, are invited to register with John Nimmo at john.nimmo@xtra.co.nz

Spring Luncheon

The Alumni Association's Spring Luncheon took place on Friday 17 September in Memorial Hall on the University campus on a good, crisp Canterbury spring day. There were 43 attendees who were treated to a wonderful buffet lunch in a great venue with a very funny and entertaining speech.

Alumni had come from places such as Alexandra and Lower Hutt and there was great support from local alumni, current and past staff members.

John Chetwin – Bledisloe Medallist 2004 provided some great entertainment with his speech especially in his suggestions for management tactics. I think everyone took away some goods points to try.

The Spring Luncheon is held every year in September. For more information please contact the Alumni Office.



Five Emeritus Professors: Tom Walker, Bernard Howard, Sir James Stewart, Reinhart Langer, Bruce Ross and Ian Coop

Obituaries

We also remember

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George Lindsay 1926 - 2004

George Lindsay, who died in Christchurch on 15 May after a long journey through Alzheimer's Disease, was an identity in New Zealand agricultural engineering.

A staff member at Lincoln College from 1953 to 1988, in the Department of Agricultural Engineering, George was a caring, sincere person who loved his work and his family and his work. He was always polite and dignified – a gentleman and also a gentle man.

George Gordon Lindsay was born in Ropley, Hampshire. On leaving school he went to the University of Reading and completed a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture.

After graduation he joined the National Institute of Agricultural Engineering in Yorkshire. From there he won a scholarship to Uppsala University & the Swedish Institute of Agricultural Engineers. He was in Sweden from 1947-1949, partly paying his way with English/Swedish translations and farm work. George then worked with the Scottish Machinery Testing Station from 1949 – 1951, then with the North Scotland Hydro-Electric Board from 1951-1952.

He married Heather Lockhart in Scotland in January 1953 and soon after sailed with his wife to New Zealand. George had been appointed to the job of Lecturer in Agricultural Engineering at Lincoln College.

The Head of the Agricultural Engineering Department when he arrived was Alec Riddolls, and staff members were Bill Baird, Ron Pierson, and Doug King.

George had a passion for agricultural machinery – which, through his lecturing and farm visits, he attempted to pass on to thousands of students over the years. He gained the nickname 'Stump Jump George' after extolling the virtues of the 'Stump Jump Plough'.

George was very keen on promoting tractor safety frames in the early 1960s, and working towards better and safer use of farm machinery.

A keen photographer, he used audio-visual aids to enhance his lectures to make them more interesting for his students. His vast collection of photographic slides of agricultural machinery show his dedication to his work.

George enthusiastically attended A&P Shows, the National Fieldays, engineering displays, the two World Ploughing Championships held near Lincoln, and numerous other field days and field trips. He served a term as Chairman of the Agricultural Machinery Committee of the NZ Standards Association and was a Member of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

George retired in April 1988.

Allan Ford 1950 - 2005

The New Zealand property industry lost a nationally and internationally respected leader with the passing of Allan Ford in January 2005 aged 54.

Allan's service to the valuation and property profession spanned 30 years and followed his completion of Diploma in Agriculture and Diploma in Valuation and Farm Management qualifications at Lincoln College between 1971-74.

He went to Lincoln in 1971 following a couple of years farming in North Canterbury after completing his secondary schooling at St Andrew's College, Christchurch.

His first employment was as a Valuer with the Government Valuation Department in Gisborne in 1974, from where he transferred to Hamilton and met his wife to be, Debbie. They married in 1982.

Allan was active in Institute of Valuers affairs in the Waikato and also in Rotorua/Bay of Plenty between 1982-92 and it was during this period that he left the Valuation Department and entered the private valuation field in Hamilton, initially under the name of Ford Munro Valuations.

In 1992 he was elected as Waikato Councillor to the NZ Institute of Valuers and in the same year established Ford Valuations and Ford Property Ltd.

Over the next six years Allan rose to be Senior Vice-President of the NZ Institute of Valuers and in 1996 he was awarded a Fellowship of the institute for services to the profession.

When the Property Institute came into being Allan served as inaugural President for 18 months over 2000 - 2001. During this period he invested much time and energy into setting in place a structure under which the new institute would operate.

After completing his term as NZPI President he continued to chair the International Committee and a significant legacy of his work is the excellent relationship between the NZPI and counterparts in Australia and around the Pacific rim.

In recognition of his high profile in this area Allan was appointed to the inaugural board of the World Association of Valuation Organisations. He was also awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Australian Property Institute.

Allan had a genuine belief that the New Zealand property professional needed to be part of the international marketplace. He was a firm believer in the globalisation of the industry.

Last year he was made a life Member of the NZ Property Institute.

(Thanks to Chris Seagar, President of the NZ Property Institute, for most of the above detail.)

Bruce Fraser 1955 – 2004

Bruce Fraser, most recently of the Applied Management and Computing Group where he was a Teaching Administrator (Computer-User Support) with the Property Group, died on 19 September aged 49.

From a North Canterbury farming family and an old boy of Christ's College where he excelled at sport and particularly cross country running, Bruce was confined to a wheelchair following a motor accident in his late teens. He went on, however, to a dedicated working and domestic life centred on Lincoln - both the University and the township.

Bruce's mobility in his motorised wheelchair around the campus, and especially within the corridors of the Burns Building, was legendary, as was his unfailing cheerfulness and courtesy.

Bruce started work at Lincoln University in 1977 after a lengthy period of recovery and rehabilitation in Christchurch's St John of God Hospital, during which time he met his wife Catherine. His early work at the University was concerned with the maintenance of a Management Information System for farmers set up by Malcolm Blackie and Professor Barry Dent in the Department of Farm Management.

He later became part of the Department of Accounting and Valuation as a computer analyst and in 1992 he travelled overseas to present two papers at international conferences in Austria on disability issues.

The logistics of such a journey were considerable but through his personal determination, the help of Catherine and encouragement of the University's Disabilities Network, he made it.

John Barclay 1930 -2004

A popular member and strong supporter of the Victoria, Australia, branch of the Lincoln University Alumni Association, John was born in Waimate, South Canterbury, but spent almost all his working life in Australia.

After schooling at Nelson College and Waitaki Boys' High, John was awarded a Rural Field Cadetship and following the required practical farming experience he attended Lincoln College.

While at Lincoln he played rugby as a hooker in the 1st XV and he completed a Diploma of Agriculture in 1951.

In the early 1950s he transferred to Sydney with a firm of wool buyers. From 1956 to 1965 he was Senior Rural Broadcaster for the ABC at Wagga Wagga and Sale (Victoria).

From 1965 to 1981 he was employed in rural politics, working as secretary of The Graziers' Association of Victoria and the Riverina for most of that time.

From 1981 to 2002 he ran his own business which contracted the management of Victorian rural fire brigades and also developed an Australian-wide Association of Rural Fire Fighters.

He retired in 2002 and moved to a retirement village in Tasmania from where he indulged his passions for overseas and local travel and the arts.

A stalwart of the Victorian branch of the Alumni Association, he attended the annual dinners regularly for 35 years.

Despite an operation for prostate cancer in 1995 and being deeply saddened by the death of his wife Joyce in 2001, John resolved to live life to the full - and he did.

He is survived by son Peter and daughter Sally Anne and two grandchildren.

(Thanks to Keith Graham for the above detail.)

Roland ('Nor'wester') Clark 1923 – 2004

Lincoln University lost a long-standing, loyal friend with the death during the year of Roland Clark - widely known by his pen name Nor'wester.

Born in Australia, but brought up in Northern Ireland, Roland emigtared to New Zealand with his family in 1958 and soon after took up the "Glenshane" property at Staveley, farming Drysdale sheep. For 14 years he was the secretary of the Foothills branch of Federated farmers.

In the mid-1970s he was instrumental in setting up the New Zealand Tree Crops Association, of which he became the founding President and later Patron and Life Member.

In 1984 he was awarded an OBE for services to horticulture and in October 2003 he received one of the special Lincoln University 125th Anniversary Medals. The citation described him as an "eloquent champion of agriculture and Lincoln University".

Marjorie Morse (nee Harrow) 1921 – 2004

A link with the earliest days of female students at Lincoln College was broken with the death of Marjorie Morse (nee Harrow) in November.

Marjorie, who came to Lincoln College in 1945, was only the third woman on the roll, the first two having arrived just the previous year.

Encouraged by her sister, Marjorie enrolled in the Diploma of Horticulture course and was awarded the qualification two years later becoming the first female horticultural diplomate in New Zealand.

From Lincoln she went to work at what was then the Burwood Girls' Training Centre, now Kingslea Residential Centre, where she taught gardening skills and was in charge of the extensive gardens there.

On her marriage to Deryck Harrow she turned her attention to developing a magnificent garden at their home in St Martins Road and a lifetime of involvement with gardens and flowers followed.

She and Deryck helped judge garden competitions for the Canterbury Horticultural Society. She joined Friends of the Botanic Gardens and also the Rock and Alpine Garden Society. She raised money for plants and trees for the Old Stone House, Cashmere, and she was on the Committee of the Friends of Princess Margaret Hospital.

Single-handedly she raised thousands and thousands of dollars for Princess Margaret Hospital through the sale of plants she propagated. This was a major piece of philanthropic work by Marjorie and it enabled the hospital to purchase many specialised pieces of equipment and other items for the health services provided there.

A very independent person, Marjorie would have needed considerable personal resolve to enter the male domain of Lincoln when she did. In his book The Seed They Sowed, College historian Dr Ian Blair makes reference to "Miss Harrow's" arrival as "the lonely first woman entrant in the horticulture diploma".

Gardens had been a love since earliest times and Marjorie's brother Geoff recalls that she took over the family flower garden at the age of 8 or 10. He says that perhaps she inherited her skills from her father who had a huge vegetable garden enabling the family to live on its own produce.

As an adult Marjorie developed an encyclopaedic knowledge of botany and plants and had a huge library of horticultural books.

She was a Life Member of St Martins/Opawa Garden Society.

Events for 2005

April

South Island Agricultural Field Days

Date: 6th-8th April

Venue: Lincoln University

Tea/Coffee Biscuits

Afternoon tea with 2005 graduands and staff

Date: Thursday 7th April

Venue: Food Hall, Lincoln University

Time: 3.00pm

Lincoln University Graduation

Date: Friday 8th April

Venue: Christchurch Town Hall

Time: 2.00pm

ANZAC Service

Date: 25th April

Venue: Memorial Hall, Lincoln University

Time: 10.00am

For more information please contact Errol Costello at Lincoln University on 03 325 3832

June

National Fieldays at Mystery Creek, Hamilton

Date: Wednesday 15th June

Venue: Site E24, Mystery Creek

Time: 12.00pm – 1.00pm (light lunch)

Get together and have a catch up with old friends

July

Sports Scholarship Ball

Date: July

Venue: Christchurch

For more information in attending or sponsoring please contact the Scholarships Office on 03 325 2811 or email scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

September

Lincoln vs. Massey Rugby Challenge (Ag Students)

Date: 3rd September

Venue: Lincoln University

For more information please contact the Scholarship Office on 03 325 2811 or email scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

November

Christchurch A & P Show

Date: 9 - 11th November

Venue: Lincoln University Site

Tea/Coffee Biscuits

Alumni Centenary Celebrations

Date: Friday 11th November

Venue: Lincoln University

For more information please contact the Alumni Office 03 325 2811 extn 8722 or email alumni@lincoln.ac.nz

AGM

Date: 11th November

Venue: The Lodge

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Ivey Hall and Memorial Hall Redevelopment Appeal

The 125th Anniversary appeal has given alumni and friends of the university the opportunity to assist with the much needed renovation of Ivey Hall (west accommodation wing) and Memorial Hall.

Progress to date:

- Heritage Buildings – Ivey Hall and Memorial Hall are registered with the highest historic classification by the New Zealand Historic Places Trust and Selwyn District Council. Lengthy negotiations have taken place in order to accommodate their requirements within the University's proposed redevelopment plans.
- Conservation Plan – A detailed Conservation Plan, produced in February 2004, was required to determine the heritage values of the buildings.
- Revised Plan – A Revised Redevelopment Concept Plan was prepared in June 2004. This revised plan has a number of features that enhances the original plan and incorporates many NZ Historic Places Trust suggestions.
- Agreement to Proceed – The NZ Historic Places Trust and Selwyn District Council have agreed to the Revised Redevelopment Concept Plan.
- Project Financing – It is envisaged that the entire redevelopment will be funded from alumni, friends of the University, businesses involved in agriculture and other industries.
- Funds Raised to End February 2005 – A total over NZ$360,000 has been raised from alumni and friends of the University. A total of 85 contributions have been made.
- The Future – Now that NZ Historic Places Trust and Selwyn District Council have approved the revised plan, appeal management are renewing their approaches to alumni, friends and businesses involved in agriculture and other industries both within New Zealand and offshore to build on the solid base already formed.

I am delighted with the Appeal to date but we still have a long way to go. This is an exciting project and will be a very significant milestone in the history of Lincoln University. For decades Ivey Hall (west wing) and to a lesser extent Memorial Hall have been underutilised. Now that we have the green light from NZ Historic Places Trust to redevelop these heritage buildings in a manner that will allow full utilisation, we need a commitment of donations in order for the redevelopment to commence.

I encourage every alumnus to make a donation towards this very worthwhile cause which will restore our heritage buildings into a first class facility for students, staff and alumni in the very heart of the campus.

I ask each alumnus to make a generous donation to the level they feel comfortable with in helping the appeal reach its goal. Donations may be spread over 5 years if you wish and personal tax rebates are available.

To those that have contributed generously, a very sincere thank you. To those considering making a donation we appeal to you to do so now. All you need to do is fill in the adjacent form now, tear it off and post it to us.

Let's work together to make Lincoln University an even better place.

Tom Lambie
Chancellor
Chair of the Ivey Hall and Memorial Hall Appeal Trust

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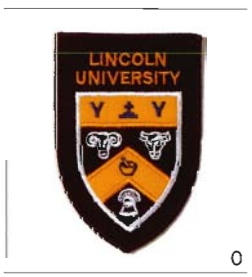

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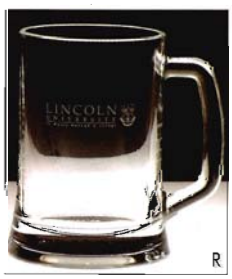
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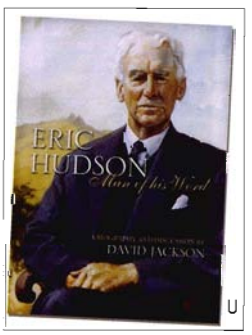

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