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Green light for new \$10m road safety research centre



Photo Mark Trumble

A new \$10 million Automotive Safety Research centre at the University of Adelaide will focus on improving safety for all road users.

South Australian Premier Mr Mike Rann said the Motor Accident Commission and Transport SA would provide \$1 million per year for 10 years towards the Centre for Automotive Safety Research (CASR), to be located on the University of Adelaide's North Terrace campus.

The CASR will incorporate the university's internationally renowned Road Accident Research Unit.

The new centre will work closely with local car manufacturers, other universities and government organisations. The broad operating aims of the CASR include:

- Working with local automotive manufacturers to enhance automotive safety and South Australia's capabilities in automotive safety research;

- Continuing to conduct commissioned safety research for such organisations as Transport SA, the Motor Accident Commission and the Australian Transport Safety Bureau; and

- Developing research training programs in road safety for graduates from Australia and overseas.

The Director of the CASR will be current Road Accident Research Unit Director Professor Jack McLean.

Professor McLean said the new centre would build upon the considerable achievements of its predecessor, starting with a \$343,000 two-year research project to be done in conjunction with Mitsubishi.

"This new project with Mitsubishi is an excellent example of how the CASR will work collaboratively with local manufacturers for the benefit of all road users," he said.

"CASR researchers will be working with Mitsubishi engineers in Australia and Japan to add to our understanding of what happens in the unfortunate event of a pedestrian impact with a vehicle. We aim to use simulation and modelling to help contribute to the development of better pedestrian protection devices."

The University of Adelaide's Vice-Chancellor, Professor James McWha, said the State Government's contribution to the university was a timely reminder of the value of partnerships between universities, governments and industry.

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Adelaide changes fee-based entry for 2004

The University of Adelaide is making fee-based entry more accessible for South Australian students.

The move gives SA students greater opportunity to attend one of the nation's most prestigious universities.

This means that from 2004 local students who take up a fee-based place will have the same opportunities to study at the University of Adelaide as international students currently do—with the same cut-off scores for entry. (Previously, cut-off scores for Australian fee-based students were higher than those for international students.)

The advantage of fee-based places is that students who meet the required cut-off score are guaranteed a fee-based place in the degree of their choice. With HECS (Higher Education Contribution Scheme) places, because of limited supply and high demand there is no guarantee that students who meet the cut-off will automatically be accepted into their chosen degree program.

Another benefit is that students who enrol in a fee-based place will free up HECS places for other students who need them.

Vice-Chancellor Professor James McWha said many bright and capable students in South Australia were currently missing out on university study under the HECS system. This was because the cut-off scores for entry merely reflected supply and demand for HECS places, rather than the required academic standards.

"We know that there are students who achieve excellent results at Year 12, but many of them cannot make the high cut-off scores required for some degrees. Even if they do meet those cut-offs, there is no guarantee they will gain entry to their chosen degree because of the limited HECS places available," Professor McWha said.

"We believe that talented students who have the desire to go to university, and the ability to successfully complete their studies, should not be disadvantaged simply because they do not achieve the HECS cut-off, or because of a lack of HECS places.

"Fee-based places will enable students who meet our academic standards to bypass the HECS system, giving them the opportunity to study the degree of their choice, while at the same time freeing up HECS places for students who need them."



Professor McWha said the University of Adelaide was committed to equity of access, and already offered scholarships to worthy students who were studying in HECS places.

In addition to those scholarships, the university would provide new scholarships to support up to 10% of Australian students who took up a fee-based place at Adelaide.

"These scholarships will be reserved for students with high academic standards who also meet the criteria for financial need," Professor McWha said.

"This is just one of the many ways in which the University of Adelaide is working to improve the accessibility to university study for bright students in South Australia.

"Offering more opportunities for study means that we are offering more South Australians a future in their chosen field of interest."

Adelaide has offered fee-based places to Australian students since 1998, with fee-based entry available in all of the university's undergraduate degree programs except Medicine.

More information about fee-based entry to the University of Adelaide can be found at this website: www.adelaide.edu.au/afbs/

Story by David Ellis

Five-star rating for prestige

The University of Adelaide has received a positive rating in the latest *Good Universities Guide*.

Widely recognised as the "bible" for those choosing a university course or campus, the 12th edition says the University of Adelaide has a "very good combination of student services and a staff-student ratio to be proud of and snares the highest proportion of top-scoring South Australian school leavers".

The university receives five-star ratings for its prestige status, student demand and staff-student ratio, and four stars for research grants, research intensity, and a "toughness" to get in.

In highlighting historical data such as Australia's third-oldest university and the first to teach women on equal terms with men, it adds: "the main campus has the kind of setting that all universities should have, in the thick of the city action".

The Guide also reflects the quality of Adelaide's students, showing that a high proportion of undergraduates go on to do honours and postgraduate work.

"It is always encouraging to be viewed in this fashion and in a medium that is well researched by potential students," said the university's Vice-Chancellor, Professor James McWha.

Story by Howard Salkow

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McWha's Words will return in November

New programs are out of this world

The countdown is on for the University of Adelaide's range of new undergraduate degrees and academic programs for 2004.

The university has a host of new programs across all faculties, offering something for everyone.

The space industry is ever-growing and a new Engineering degree is designed to propel students into this exciting industry and other associated high-tech fields.

The **Bachelor of Engineering (Aerospace)** is a four-year degree covering high-tech materials, aeronautics, space science and astrophysics, space vehicle design, aerospace propulsion, hypersonic aerodynamics, and guidance and control.

This degree will also be available as part of a combined degree, giving even more flexibility and options to the career paths you want to take. The combined Aerospace degrees available in 2004 are:

- **Bachelor of Engineering (Aerospace)/Bachelor of Arts;**
- **Bachelor of Engineering (Aerospace)/Bachelor of Mathematical and Computer Sciences;**
- **Bachelor of Engineering (Aerospace)/Bachelor of Economics;**
- **Bachelor of Engineering (Aerospace)/Bachelor of Science.**

Another range of combined Engineering degrees will also be on offer in 2004, this time involving the Bachelor of Engineering (Petroleum):

- **Bachelor of Engineering (Petroleum)/Bachelor of Science (Physics);**
- **Bachelor of Engineering (Petroleum)/Bachelor of Science (Geology and Geophysics);**
- **Bachelor of Engineering (Petroleum)/Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical);**
- **Bachelor of Engineering (Petroleum)/Bachelor of Engineering (Chemical).**

A **Bachelor of Teaching** will be available at the University of Adelaide from 2004, and will take the form of a four-year double degree.

It is designed for students wishing to become secondary school teachers in the areas of English, other languages, Society and Environment (areas such as History, Legal Studies, Geography, and so on), Economics, Mathematics and Information Technology, and Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

The double degrees available with the Bachelor of Teaching are:

- **Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Arts;**
- **Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Economics;**



Photo NASA

- **Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Mathematical and Computer Sciences;**
- **Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Science;**
- **Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Social Sciences.**

Five new Science degrees will be on offer in 2004 in a wide range of areas, from molecular and drug design to high performance computational physics:

- **Bachelor of Science (Animal Science);**
- **Bachelor of Science (Agricultural Science);**
- **Bachelor of Science (High Performance Computational Physics);**
- **Bachelor of Science (Molecular and Drug Design);**
- **Bachelor of Science (Viticulture)/Bachelor of Oenology.**

For more information about the new University of Adelaide undergraduate programs for 2004, or any degree or program being offered next year, phone the Student Centre on (08) 8303 5208 (or toll free for country and interstate callers on 1800 061 459), email student.centre@adelaide.edu.au, or visit www.adelaide.edu.au/courses



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New study aims to improve quality of later life

Could speed of thought and memory be the key to helping elderly people cope better in their day-to-day lives?

That's the question being asked by two University of Adelaide PhD students.

Sara Howard and Tess O'Connor, from the University of Adelaide's Department of Psychology, are working to discover what common factors influence elderly people's day-to-day functioning. Their results could help to improve the quality of life for elderly people in the future.

Around 130 people aged 70 and above have volunteered for the new study.

"The key issue we're interested in is what determines how well people can function in everyday life," said Sara Howard.

"Can you still drive a car, cook, clean the house, do the shopping,

pay the bills and function independently in your own home? Many elderly people have no difficulty doing these things, while others are less confident, and we would like to examine what determines these differences."

The students suspect a combination of health, physical state, and thought processes will predict the "functioning level" of an elderly person—that is, what they are able to achieve on a daily basis.

"However, we also suspect that a large number of other considerations like gender, diet and overall quality of life will play a role," Miss Howard said.

The study involves completing questionnaires about diet, life satisfaction, motivation, activities



Sara Howard and Tess O'Connor
Photo David Ellis

of daily living (such as cooking), and health. It also take into consideration simple cognitive measures (such as vocabulary, general knowledge, memory, speed of thought, reasoning and paying attention) and physical measures (such as height, blood pressure, and hand strength).

The students are using simple tests that they hope can predict everyday functioning outcomes.

"The key to this might be speed of thought or how well someone can remember new information for short periods of time," Tess O'Connor said.

Story by David Ellis

Around 20 more people are needed for the study. Elderly adults (70+ years) based in Adelaide are invited to participate. For more information, or to volunteer, call 8303 3055.

Adelaide supports Learning for Life



The University of Adelaide is supporting a worthy educational program run by The Smith Family. For more than 80 years The Smith Family has been serving the disadvantaged in our community. Social disadvantage is often closely linked to educational disadvantage. Learning for Life is a Smith Family program that aims to unlock opportunities for disadvantaged children to participate more fully in the education process. Every student assisted by The Smith Family

is assigned a support worker, who is funded by businesses through a scheme called the Guardian Club. The University of Adelaide is supporting The Smith Family's work by joining the Guardian Club as a support worker sponsor. Above: Vice-Chancellor Professor James McWha presents Dr Norman Ashton, General Manager for The Smith Family in South Australia, with a \$1000 cheque for the University's 2003 Guardian Club membership.

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"Automotive safety research has benefits for all of us, and I am delighted that the State Government has acknowledged the substantial efforts of Professor McLea and his research team, whose work is recognised internationally," he said.

"This is yet another fine example of the way the University of Adelaide is working with industry and government to provide enormous benefits for the community."

Premier Mike Rann said the CASR would be led by local researchers but have international scope.

"I am very pleased that Professor McLea has agreed to head up this new expanded facility," he said. "It will draw upon the expertise of South Australian universities and the automotive industry to find new and better ways to make our cars and roads safe for all road users.

"An important consequence of the Centre's establishment is that it will attract distinguished researchers from around the world to come here to work for long or short periods on the work of the Centre."

Story by Ben Osborne

Book takes author from pub rock to PhD

Mark Carroll's journey is an unlikely one.

He's gone from being a rock guitarist to publishing a book on the ideology surrounding classical music during last century's Cold War.

But the lecturer at the University of Adelaide's Elder School of Music last month realised the culmination of years of academic hard work with the launch of his book *Music and Ideology in Cold War Europe*.

After living and working in Sydney for many years as a guitarist in various bands and also as a session musician and travelling "gun for hire" for a host of country music luminaries and club acts, Dr Carroll returned to Adelaide in the 1990s and obtained a Bachelor of Music (Honours) through the then Elder Conservatorium.

He went on to complete his PhD through the Elder Conservatorium in December, with his thesis being subsequently converted into *Music and Ideology in Cold War Europe*, published by the prestigious academic printing firm Cambridge University Press.

He is now a part-time lecturer at the University of Adelaide's Elder School of Music, and spends his other working time in Canberra at the Australian National University.

"I grew up in Blackwood, and always loved living there," Dr Carroll says. "After spending a lot of my working life playing guitar in bands and on the road, I wanted a new direction and my wife and I decided to come home.

"The Bachelor of Music was fun to do, and the PhD was just an extension of that, and now I've released my first book—it all seems a bit strange but I'm doing what I want to do and really enjoying it.

Even without Dr Carroll's personal history behind it, *Music and Ideology in Cold War Europe* remains a valuable and timely contribution to music scholarship.

"Essentially it's a look at how both the West and the East used music as a propaganda tool during the early Cold War period," Dr Carroll says. "In particular it looks at how this cultural struggle played out during a major international arts festival held in Paris in 1952.

"The main thing I wanted to show with the book was that composers in the 20th Century were not writing music in a vacuum; they and their music were very much affected by what was happening around them."

Story by Ben Osborne



Dr Mark Carroll



News in Brief

National stem cell conference

A major national conference examining ethics and the associated implications for the future of stem cell science will be held at the Waite Campus on Tuesday, September 30.

The free conference features speakers such as Democrat Senator Natasha Stott Despoja, ABC Science reporter Robyn Williams, Oxford University School of Ethics Professor Julian Savulescu and University of Adelaide Executive Dean of Sciences Professor Peter Rathjen.

Registration for the conference, which is being held at the Charles Hawker Conference Centre at Waite from 9am to 5pm on September 30, is required: phone Anna Kilgour on

(03) 9345 6986 or email kilgoura@murdoch.rch.unimelb.edu.au

TREENET Symposium

South Australian Premier Mike Rann will open the annual TREENET Symposium being held at the Waite Campus from Thursday, September 4 to Saturday, September 6.

The TREENET Symposium gives an excellent opportunity to discuss street tree related topics and to meet other people involved in street trees in a relaxed atmosphere.

Mr Rann will speak on the theme "Urban Forestry: Government Perspectives", while other themes being explored by speakers include "Trees with potential", "Innovations in arboriculture" and "Street tree values, costs and benefits".

Three new research projects will also be launched, with one a demonstration stormwater harvesting trial in a nearby roadway.

For more information about the Symposium, visit www.treenet.com.au or phone (08) 8303 7078.

Voice students star in *Figaro*

Eleven voice students in the Elder School of Music's Bachelor of Music program will star in a collaborative production of Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro* this month.

This much-loved opera will be presented by the Elder School of Music together with Adelaide Institute of TAFE (AIT) Arts on September 11, 12, and 13 in Scott Theatre at 8pm.

The production stars voice students Eugene Raggio as Figaro and Fiona Linn as Susannah.

Also in major roles are David Hayton (as Count), Holly Wotton (Countess), Sky Ingram (Cherubino), Tom Brennen (Basilio), Lachlan Scott (Bartolo), Declan Lorenzin (Don Curzio), Mark DeLaine (Antonio), Mary-Ann Ashmore (Marcellina) and Jessica Dean (Barbarina).

The Marriage of Figaro will also feature the Elder Conservatorium Symphony Orchestra conducted by Musical Director Carl Crossin.

The technical crew for the performance are all AIT Arts students.

Tickets are \$22/\$14/\$8 and are available from BASS.

Water-saving study yields high hopes

At a time when water is becoming a more highly valued commodity, new research shows Australian farmers can potentially save water on crops without losing profits.

It's all thanks to the use of an organic compound known as polyacrylamide, which can reduce excessive leaching of water through sandy soils.

Polyacrylamides are long chain carbon molecules that can alter the behaviour of water in soil, acting like a "sponge" to soak up water more effectively and hold it in place in the soil.

Polyacrylamide can be added to irrigation systems in the form of a fine powder, which dissolves into irrigation water at the point of delivery.

University of Adelaide student Shane Phillips has been studying polyacrylamide use for several years. Mr Phillips is currently studying for his Masters in Applied Science at

the university's School of Earth & Environmental Sciences.

"By adding polyacrylamides to the irrigation process we can increase water retention in the root zone of sandy soils where the water is needed most, and reduce the frequency of irrigation, thereby saving water. At the same time, the technique is able to increase plant yields," Mr Phillips said.

"Considerable success in using these organic compounds has been demonstrated overseas, and our experience in Australia is also extremely positive."

Mr Phillips has studied the practical results of polyacrylamide usage in drip irrigation in Australia, such as in vineyards.



"In drip systems the use of polyacrylamide has increased water retention in sandy soils in the top 40cm of the root zone," he said.

"In a vineyard trial this season, this resulted in a marked difference for a crop at Lake Cullularaine in north-west Victoria. The rows of vines that were not treated with polyacrylamide showed visually more leaf burn than those that had been treated, and the yields from the treated area were also higher.

"In the driest continent on earth the use of polyacrylamides represents a

novel means for growers to increase water use efficiency, yet maintain farm profitability," Mr Phillips said.

"The extensive research on polyacrylamides world wide, of which this is just a part, suggests that uptake of this technology could well become common practice in the not-too-distant future.

"With the reality of water restrictions facing many growers in the Murray Darling Basin, the benefits of using polyacrylamide as part of their irrigation management program should be seriously considered."

TaikOz to get Adelaide's blood pumping

The Australian/Japanese drumming sensation TaikOz returns to Adelaide this month—and you could win a double pass to see them perform.

The internationally acclaimed taiko drumming fusion group is returning to Adelaide for a limited season and to conduct workshops in music and breathing techniques.

Co-founded by University of Adelaide graduate Ian Cleworth in 1997, TaikOz is described as one of the most exhilarating and

exuberant groups to hit the stage, as evidenced by its sell-out shows at the 2002 Fringe.

TaikOz performs in Adelaide at the Norwood Concert Hall from September 4 to 6. Tickets are \$36 and \$26 concession, and can be purchased through VenueTix phone 8225 8888.



To celebrate the return of TaikOz to Adelaide, the *Adelaidean* is giving away two TaikOz prize packs. Each pack consists of a double pass to see the group at its Thursday, September 4 performance in Adelaide, as well as a TaikOz CD.

To enter, call the *Adelaidean* office on (08) 8303 5174 – the first two callers will receive one prize pack each.

US\$1.2m grant to study “stress” on eggs and embryos



A major new study to investigate the long-term impact of lifestyle and health “stress” on eggs and embryos begins this month.

How do poor nutrition, extreme exercise, smoking, assisted reproductive technologies and other adverse health situations impact on fertilisation in women? Can these “stresses” of health and lifestyle lead to health problems in children years later?

A US\$1.27 million grant from the National Institute of Child Health and Development (NICHD) in the United States has been awarded to an Australian research team to find out the answers to some of these questions.

The team is led by Dr Jeremy Thompson, Head of Clinical and Research Embryology at the University of Adelaide’s Reproductive Medicine Unit, based at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, and comprises researchers from Adelaide’s Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology and the University of Queensland’s Department of Physiology.

The funding is part of the NICHD’s National Cooperative Program on Female Health and Egg Quality. Of around 35 international applications, seven have been funded, including the Adelaide/Queensland team. Their five-year research project begins this month.

“Fundamental questions regarding the long-term health of children conceived during poor

maternal health or adverse lifestyle choices, or conceived in the course of infertility treatment, remain unanswered and are logistically difficult to resolve,” Dr Thompson said.

“Our team has shown, using animal models, that the ‘microenvironment’ surrounding the early embryo can influence subsequent fetal development, even if the change in the environment is something quite subtle and the exposure to the change occurs only in the first days following fertilisation.

“We believe that if the microenvironment surrounding the egg or early embryo varies from normal conditions, then this will induce a molecular and biochemical stress response that ‘programs’ embryo development, leading to altered fetal development.

“The embryo still grows and appears relatively normal, but is adapted to the ‘new’ environment. The adaptation is long-term, even if the change in the environment isn’t.”

Dr Thompson said the association between ‘embryonic programming’ and potential risks of adult onset diseases, such as cardiovascular disease and Type II diabetes, remained unclear.

“Growth-retarded fetal development is known to have long term consequences for adult health,

but there are many other mysteries here waiting to be solved,” he said.

Using animal models, the research team will look at what happens to the egg and early embryo when they develop in situations where their microenvironment has changed, and study the link of those changes with fetal development and longer-term effects.

“By understanding the effect of the microenvironment on cellular and molecular behaviour of eggs and embryos, we hope to improve the developmental outcomes for both mothers and babies,” Dr Thompson said.

“This knowledge will also assist health professionals develop strategies to reduce the risk of adult onset diseases caused by problems in early development.”

Progress by the research team will be substantially aided by the recent arrival of Dr Michelle Lane to the University of Adelaide’s Reproductive Medicine Unit.

Dr Lane is an internationally recognised authority on the effect of the microenvironment on early embryo development, and has joined the Adelaide team from the Colorado Center for Reproductive Medicine, Denver, USA.

“We are very excited by the arrival of Dr Lane. This further establishes Adelaide as an internationally recognised centre of embryological research,” Dr Thompson said.

Story by David Ellis



Graduations

Shouwn a man in demand

Shouwn Oosting got more than he bargained for when he graduated in the August ceremonies.

Not only did he receive his Bachelor of Commerce and also become the first indigenous person to have the honour of bearing the ceremonial mace – but he became the public face of the university!

Shouwn's achievements in obtaining his degree and being macebearer – as well as helping raise three young children and working part-time – were highlighted in a front-page article and picture in *The Advertiser* (Tuesday, August 6).

His wife, Deborah, and children Jerome, 3, and twins Joshua and Isaac, 18 months, were on hand to see him lead the academic procession and receive his degree – and then straight after the ceremony, talk to *Advertiser* journalist Nhada Goodfellow and pose for photos taken by Tait Schmaal.

Shouwn, 30, took all the extra attention and demands on his time in his stride. He is now partway through completing a Bachelor of Law degree, which he will do while working part-time with the State Attorney-General's department.

"I never would have done any of this if it wasn't for my wife; she convinced me that I was capable of doing something like this," he said.

"I've got three beautiful children and a beautiful wife, and the qualifications I am getting from Adelaide are setting me up for where I want to go in life, so while I'm really busy, life is really good right now."

Shouwn Oosting with his three children, Jerome (back), and twins Joshua (left) and Isaac.



Family praise for Pauline

It was finally time for Pauline Wilkinson to step into the spotlight. After devoting her life to raising her four children, the 65-year-old graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in the August ceremonies – and her children couldn't be happier.

Her son Steven – now an academic at the University of East Anglia Norwich in the UK, and who travelled to Adelaide especially for the occasion – described his mother as someone who had lived her life for others.

"All the way through with her four children, she always put them first," he said.

"She's always been capable of doing something like this and we're just so proud of her that she's finally put herself first and achieved what she has. She deserves all the praise she gets."

Pauline, typically, wasn't overly comfortable in discussing her achievements.

"I owe it all to the Para West Adult Campus – if it wasn't for them then I couldn't have got this far," she said. "I finished Year 12 with them, which gave me the confidence to come to university."

"For my BA I majored in English and Philosophy – and now I'm thinking about doing Honours in English!"

Pauline Wilkinson (centre) with family members (from left) daughter Diane Weston, sons David and Steven Wilkinson, and granddaughter Molly Weston.

Stories by Ben Osborne
 Photos by Ben Osborne and Howard Salkow



Lynn Arnold receives PhD

Former South Australian Premier Lynn Arnold (left) received his PhD in Education at the August graduation ceremonies.

For his PhD, Dr Arnold examined the sociolinguistics and languages policies of Spain, especially Bable in the Asturias. His thesis is regarded as a milestone in research on languages and has received praise from Australian and international scholars.

He is pictured with Vice-Chancellor Professor James McWha, who later spoke at a celebratory seminar held at the University's Centre for Intercultural Studies and Multicultural Education for Dr Arnold. Current Premier Mike Rann also spoke at the seminar.

This month, Dr Arnold assumes the role of Deputy Director of World Vision International for the Asia Pacific Region.



(Far left) Hayley Bignall returned from her job at a Netherlands observatory to receive a PhD in Astronomy. She is pictured with her mother, Kay.

(Left) Joshua Crase, a graduate of Computer Systems Engineering in 2002, received further recognition for his brilliant final-year results when he was presented with a University Medal at the August ceremonies. Joshua is now working as a Systems Analyst at Mayne Pharma in Melbourne.

(Right) President of the Waite Institute Students' Association, Rebecca Crouch, had the prestigious honour of being macebearer at the Sciences/Health Sciences graduation.



Dr Shom Goel (centre) was awarded the prestigious Honours Alumni University Medal for his outstanding performance in graduating with a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery. The nominees for the Medal are Honours students of outstanding academic merit from all Faculties, with the winner being the most outstanding among them. Dr Goel was ranked the top MBBS student in each of his six years in the course, and along the way received some 19 prizes and scholarships. He is pictured with the Head of Paediatrics Professor Don Robertson (left) and Alumni Board member Dr Robert Penhall.



Cool ideas heat up EChallenge

What do a pocket-sized recording studio, fashion design software, an automated boat cleaning service and Adelaide's first hookah lounge have in common?

They're all business ideas that have made the semi-finals in the University of Adelaide's Entrepreneurs' Challenge.

The EChallenge, as it's known, is offering more than \$70,000 in prizes to teams that can demonstrate the skills to turn business dreams into reality.

Each team comprises entrepreneurial-spirited individuals, including committed and bright students from the University of Adelaide who view this as an important stage of their learning process.

Now into its third year, EChallenge has the support of major sponsor Hewlett Packard and is coordinated by the University of Adelaide's Graduate School of Business.

This year, the world of the EChallenge continues to spin with fresh and innovative ideas. Twenty-five teams have reached semi-final stage, with ideas ranging from new alcoholic beverages to aerial photography using remote-controlled aircraft.

The semi-finals will be held on September 17, with the finals a week later. The winning team receives prizes to the value of \$50,000, the second team \$17,000 and the third \$6000.

Among those to reach the semi-finals is a concept for a location device, no bigger than a 20-cent coin, to be used in a resort environment. Initially designed for safety, the device will also act as a cashless point-of-purchase for all locations within the resort, freeing consumers of the worry of carrying cash or credit cards.



EChallenge semi-final team Genii have a concept that will improve safety and enable cashless transactions at ski resorts
www.adelaide.edu.au/echallenge/

"Traditionally, ski resorts have issued paper tickets to their clients," said Austin, a member of the Genii team and semi-finalist.

"Genii eliminate the need for paper tickets to the benefit of both the client and the resort.

"The skier can be located in the resort environment at any point in time—great for socialising with friends and locating lost children—and they don't need to worry about carrying cards or money."

From the resort owner's perspective the information Genii provides would ensure a safer mountain and better use of staff through its ability to provide real-time information for mountain management and resource allocation, he said.

"Other information such as the habits and preferences of individual clients will enable the resort to market directly to the customers' needs, subject to the customer consenting."

With the competition hotting up as the EChallenge heads toward this month's final, ideas like these add to the excitement of the event, said the project manager of Echallenge, University of Adelaide Commerce/Law student Marissa Haltis.

A committee member for the past two years and runner-up in the inaugural Challenge in 2001, Ms Haltis knows first-hand the benefits of taking part in this prestigious competition.

"EChallenge not only taught me about commercialising a business idea and writing a business plan, it helped develop personal skills, such as public speaking, time management, negotiation and communication skills," she said.

"I did not hesitate when the opportunity was presented to assume the project manager's role. I am passionate about this event and my objective is for others to benefit as much as I have."



Newsmakers

The complex moral and ethical issues surrounding genetic testing for hereditary conditions was the subject of **Dr Bob Richards's** appearance on *Radio ABC 891* (August 11).

Dr Scott Snyder was featured in the *Age* and *Sydney Morning Herald* (August 5) as part of a major story on the issues surrounding student downloads and privacy.

There is little optimism for this month's critical World Trade Organization meeting in Mexico,

according to **Andrew Stoler**. He told the *Australian Financial Review* (August 6) that a survey conducted by the university's Institute for International Business, Economics and Law showed key diplomats and private sector figures were not expecting agreement on the best framework under which to liberalise agricultural trade.

Professor Jason White appeared on *Radio Adelaide* (August 15) to discuss how most of the major

players in World War Two gave amphetamines to their soldiers in a bid to keep them awake and concentrating for long periods of time.

More doctors should have a regional or rural background, **Gillian Laven** told *ABC Upper Murray* (August 4). She said a University of Adelaide study examined how to retain GPs in regional areas, and that regional doctors have different needs and issues.

In a major opinion piece for the *Adelaide Review* (August 1), **John Spoehr** called on all sides of politics to reach a strategic consensus to save the ailing River Murray.

Professor Mike Innes told the *Sunday Mail* (August 10) that new research overseas showing that the so-called Six Degrees of Separation really was true would have practical applications for the telecommunications industry.



THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE
Openday2003

There's no doubt about it: Open Day 2003 at the University of Adelaide went off with a bang!

The Department of Chemistry's Dr Lou Rendina (left), along with Dr Greg Metha, enthralled audiences when they mixed magnesium metal and potassium chlorate in dry ice—with explosive results.

Open Day at the University of Adelaide is one of the institution's biggest days of the year, and the 2003 event was no exception.

Thousands of people got a chance to see the university in full swing: from interactive and hands-on displays to live music performances and good food and drink.

It was also an invaluable opportunity to see what programs and career pathways the University of Adelaide can offer, with program talks extremely well-attended.

Photos Ben Osborne



School of Agriculture and Wine staff Mr Bob Barrett (left) and Dr Sue Bastian detail some of the finer points of wine-making to a member of the public



Dr John Wayman from the Department of Surgery helps a budding young surgeon come to grips with her keyhole surgery technique on a special training device



Thousands of people visited stately Bonython Hall to find out what the University has to offer

Animal scientist is new Roseworthy director

The University of Adelaide's Roseworthy Campus, which is globally renowned for its excellence in agricultural research and education, has a new Director.

Professor Phil Hynd, who is also interim Head of the School of Agriculture and Wine in the Faculty of Sciences, has been appointed Director of Roseworthy.

Located 50 km north of Adelaide, the Roseworthy Campus is the University of Adelaide's centre for research and education into dryland farming, agronomy and animal science, and involves partners from industry and government.

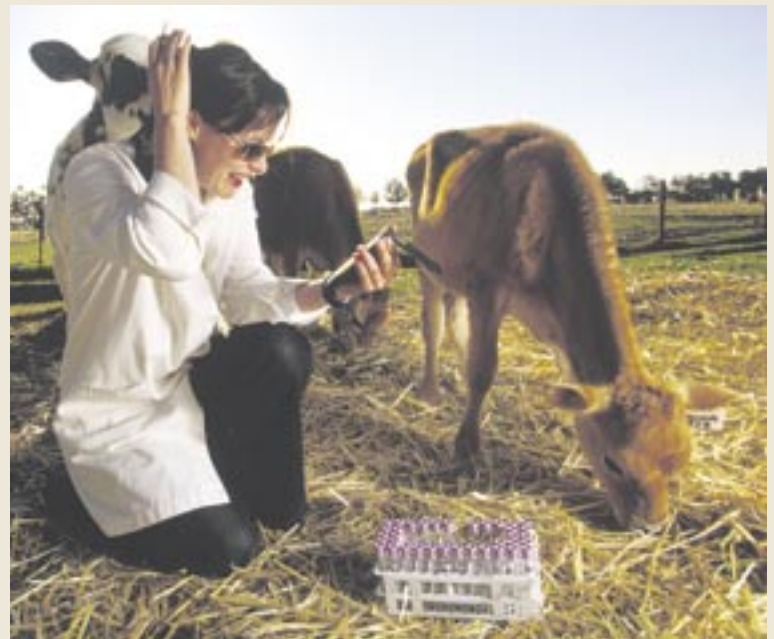
Professor Hynd has a distinguished career in the field of animal science and holds the position of Professor of Animal Production.

He has an international reputation for his work in combining animal nutrition with the application of genetic biotechnologies to improve animal performance. His research includes improvements to wool and hair follicles in sheep to provide better quality wool to industry and consumers.

"Phil Hynd has been instrumental in leading the discipline of animal science at the University of Adelaide into the 21st century, and we are pleased that he will apply his leadership to the Roseworthy Campus as its new Director," said the Vice-Chancellor, Professor James McWha.



Phil Hynd



Roseworthy is among the top centres of agricultural science in Australia

"Roseworthy has become a major centre of teaching and research for the animal biotechnology and dryland agricultural industries. We believe Professor Hynd's scientific track record and his experience with industry and government will enable Roseworthy to enhance its already excellent national and international reputation."

Professor Hynd said he looked forward to building on Roseworthy's excellence in research and education, and community outreach.

"Roseworthy continues to draw major funding from industry and government, and the campus is among the top centres of agricultural science and education in Australia," Professor Hynd said.

"I believe our work with campus partners, rural industries and government will become stronger than ever in the near future, with Roseworthy being a leading focal point for information, communication, learning and new technologies for the rural community."

Story by David Ellis

Coming Events

Monday, September 1

1pm Clinical & Experimental Pharmacology seminar: "Effects of middle cerebral artery occlusion on glial and neuronal proteins" by Diane Lee (Flinders University). O&G-Pharmacology Seminar Rm, Level 6, Medical School North, Frome Rd.

1.10pm Law School seminar: "The Constitutional Authority to Deploy Australian Military Forces in the Coalition War against Iraq" by Professor Geoff Lindell (Law School, Adelaide). Rm 2.16, Ligertwood Bldg.

1.10pm Student workshop: "Managing a PhD". Counselling Centre, ground floor, Horace Lamb Bldg.

Tuesday, September 2

1.10pm Student workshop: "Meditation". Counselling Centre, ground floor, Horace Lamb Bldg.

3.10pm Anthropology seminar: "How to survive 'Democracy' in Israel: An Arab Perspective" by Bassam Dally (Mechanical Engineering, University of Adelaide). Rm 430, Level 4, Tower Bldg.

Wednesday, September 3

1pm Constructing Environments talk series: "Cultural Complexion: Marion Cultural Centre" by Michael Pilkington (Phillips/Pilkington Architects Pty Ltd, SA). Hughes Lecture Theatre, Rm 309 Hughes Bldg.

Thursday, September 4

12.05pm Psychology seminar: "Challenges in the Treatment of Post-traumatic Stress" by Dr Reg Nixon (Flinders University). Departmental Library, Rm 526, Hughes Bldg.

1pm Chemical Pathology seminar: "A politically incorrect history of witches and other inconvenient women" by Professor Leigh A. Burgoyne (Biological Sciences, Flinders). Seminar Rm 1, 4th Floor, Reiger Building, WCH.

Friday, September 5

1.10pm Elder Hall Lunch Hour Concerts: Farewell recital by Honours students Pei Jee Ng (cello) and Pei Sian Ng (cello) with pianist Lucinda Collins, featuring works

by Beethoven and Kodály. Elder Hall. Tickets \$5 at door from 12.30pm.

1.10pm Learning & Teaching Development Unit seminar: "Beyond Policing Pedagogy: Plagiarism, scholarly values and knowledge economies" by Deane Fergie (Anthropology). Seminar Rm 2, Level 2, Schulz Bldg.

1.10pm Student workshop: "Managing Difficult Emotions". Counselling Centre, ground floor, Horace Lamb Bldg.

4pm Obstetrics & Gynaecology seminar: "Immunoregulatory Gene Polymorphisms in Caucosoid women: Risk of Infection, Preterm-Prelabour Rupture of Membranes and Preterm Birth" by Margaret Annells (Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, WCH). Seminar Rm N229, Level 2, Medical School North, Frome Rd.

6.30pm Performance: "Mad Dogs and Surrealists" by composer-performer Stephen Whittington. Live music with two classic Surrealist silent films. Auditorium, Art Gallery of South Australia. Tickets: \$30, \$22 concession, \$10 students. Bookings: 8207 7050.

Sunday, September 7

3pm Performance: "Mad Dogs and Surrealists" by composer-performer Stephen Whittington. Live music with two classic Surrealist silent films. Auditorium, Art Gallery of South Australia. Tickets: \$30, \$22 concession, \$10 students. Bookings: 8207 7050.

Monday, September 8

12.30pm Colgate Dental Research Centre seminar: "Porosity in resin modified GIC" by Dr Peter Koutsikas. Colgate Australian Clinical Dental Research Centre Boardroom, 2nd Floor, Adelaide Dental Hospital, Frome Rd.

Tuesday, September 9

1.10pm Student workshop: "Meditation". Counselling Centre, ground floor, Horace Lamb Bldg.

3.10pm Anthropology seminar: Discipline Committee meeting. Rm 430, Level 4, Tower Building.

American fellowship for Adelaide graduate

An Adelaide architecture graduate could find his recent winning project placed alongside the works of past greats such as Frank Lloyd Wright.

Tristan d'Estree Sterk, a graduate of the University of Adelaide's School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design, was recently awarded the lucrative US\$25,000 Schiff Fellowship for a project titled "frais".

Besides the handsome prize, his entry could be included in the permanent architectural collection of the Museum of the Art Institute of Chicago alongside the works of Wright, Louis Sullivan, Mies van de Rohe, Renzo Piano and Frank Gehry. Mr Sterk is currently studying for a Master's degree, specialising in robotic and responsive architecture at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

The Schiff Fellowship is a competition for students who study architecture within Chicago's three architecture schools—the Illinois Institute of Technology, the University of Illinois Chicago and the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. He competed against 14 of the finest students in Chicago.

"The project: 'frais: making responsive technologies apparent and socially relevant within a contemporary architecture', was designed as part of my first two years of study for a Masters degree in Chicago, however the work is based on an idea that I first had while studying architecture at the University of Adelaide," Mr Sterk said.

"My graduating project from Adelaide, for a responsive dance theatre at Grange Beach Jetty, first established my interest in robotic, responsive architecture."

In terms of being placed alongside Wright, the humble Sterk views this as a great honour.

"Some names will never be forgotten and Frank Lloyd Wright is one of them. My first architectural book given to me covered the work of Frank Lloyd Wright, and the first 'real' piece of architecture that I saw was the Guggenheim in New York City (one of Wright's greatest works).



Tristan d'Estree Sterk holding an "actuated tensegrity structure", modified from the work of Buckminster Fuller. Tristan's work has earned him a US\$25,000 fellowship. Photo and story by Howard Salkow

"I will never forget the moment when I walked through the door and into the interior space. Everything, all of the questions that I had about architecture, fell into place at that point in time. To be included alongside Wright, in the permanent collection of the Museum of the Art Institute of Chicago, would be a much appreciated honour," he said.

Mr Sterk said winning the Schiff Fellowship in Chicago, and having the opportunity to be a part of the architectural tradition of such a great city, meant a great deal.

"The monetary award also gives me the ability to focus on my studies, enabling me to finance building a functioning prototype of a responsive building envelope."

After completing his Masters his desire is to begin a PhD and continue designing responsive buildings for real and socially relevant applications.

"My long-term aim is to work as a designer for NASA and improve the sustainability of built spaces," he said.

Wednesday, September 10

1:10pm Wine & Horticulture seminar: "An overview of floriculture in Chile" by Dr Matias Avendano (Native Green, South Green and Green and Flowers, Chile). Plant Research Centre Auditorium, Waite Campus.

Thursday, September 11

12.05pm Psychology seminar: "Transformational Leadership" by Dr Sally Carless (Monash University). Departmental Library, Rm 526, Hughes Bldg.

1pm Chemical Pathology seminar: "The Gentle Art of Orchid Growing" by Dr Tony Bourne (Director, Histopathology, Women's & Children's Hospital). Seminar Rm 1, 4th Floor, Reiger Building, WCH.

Friday, September 12

1.10pm Elder Hall Lunch Hour Concerts: Wendy Heiligenberg (violin) and Stefan Ammer (piano) featuring works by Busoni and Schubert. Elder Hall. Tickets \$5 at door from 12.30pm.

1.10pm Learning & Teaching

Development Unit seminar: "Plagiarism: Rules, Policies and Guidelines" by Geoff Crisp (LTDU). Seminar Rm 2, Level 2, Schulz Bldg.

4pm Obstetrics & Gynaecology seminar: "Embryo health - don't stress it!" by Dr Michelle Lane (Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Queen Elizabeth Hospital/Repromed). Seminar Rm N229, Level 2, Medical School North, Frome Rd.

Monday, September 15

1.10pm Law School seminar: "What is the best way to regulate the insurance sector in the light of the collapse of HIH? Policy only liability insurance as a market mechanism alternative to prudential regulation of direct insurers" by Andy Schmulov (Accounting and Law, RMIT). Rm 2.16, Ligertwood Bldg.

Tuesday, September 16

1.10pm Student workshop: "Meditation". Counselling Centre, ground floor, Horace Lamb Bldg.

3.10pm Anthropology seminar: "Re: orienting - the development of research and discipline-centred approaches to the transition to university study" by Deane Fergie (Anthropology, University of Adelaide). Rm 430, Level 4, Tower Bldg.

Wednesday, September 17

1pm Constructing Environments talk series: "Sequential Journey: Waterfront Geelong" by Kevin Taylor (Taylor Cullity Lethlean, SA). Hughes Lecture Theatre, Rm 309 Hughes Bldg.

7.30pm Australian Institute of Physics public lecture: "Catch, move and twist using optical tweezers" by AIP Women in Physics Lecturer Professor Halina Rubinsztein-Dunlop (University of Queensland). Union Hall.

Thursday, September 18

12.05pm Psychology seminar: "Emotional Intelligence and its Measurement" by Jan Warwick. Departmental Library, Rm 526, Hughes Bldg.

1pm Centre for Molecular Genetics of Development seminar: "Central nerve regeneration: molecular pre-requisites and the role of training" by Professor Lyn Beazley (University of Western Australia). Seminar Rm 1.02, Molecular Life Sciences Bldg.

1pm Chemical Pathology seminar: "Making Our Hospital Safe and Secure" by Anne Leahy (Occupational Health Consultant) and Brian Milde (Security/Fire Safety Manager). Seminar Rm 1, 4th Floor, Reiger Building, WCH.

Friday, September 19

1.10pm Elder Hall Lunch Hour Concerts: Elder Conservatorium Wind Ensemble, Robert Hower (conductor) featuring works by Gorb, Stanhope and Shore. Elder Hall. Tickets \$5 at door from 12.30pm.

1.10pm Learning & Teaching Development Unit seminar: "An anti-plagiarism approach to learning and teaching" by Ursula McGowan (LTDU). Seminar Rm 2, Level 2, Schulz Bldg.

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Kandiah Kumarasivam (1932-2003)



The University of Adelaide prides itself on its multi-cultural atmosphere and welcomes international students from every corner of the globe. In the early 1950s, however, life for an international student was quite different from that experienced by students today.

For instance, a standard evening meal consisted of meat and three vegetables, spices were almost unheard of and the only curry dish available was "curried sausages" made with the mildest curry powder to be found.

It is hard to imagine how a young man would have felt leaving his family and culture in Malaysia to come to study in Adelaide. One man brave enough to take this step was Mr Kandiah Kumarasivam. It is with much regret that we acknowledge the passing of Mr Kumarasivam, and we would like to take the opportunity to make the community aware of his achievements.

Mr Kumarasivam commenced his studies at the University of Adelaide early in 1952 and went on to excel in his chosen field of Civil Engineering.

Records show that in 1954 he topped his class in Strength of Materials, before going on to graduate in April 1958.

After graduation Mr Kumarasivam assisted his two brothers to come to Australia. Both studied at the University of Adelaide and are now distinguished members of the South Australian community.

In 1965 Mr Kumarasivam founded his own engineering firm, Kumarasivam, Tan & Affrim (KTA), they merged with Tenaga Ewbank Preece in 1993 to become KTA Tenaga. Over the years KTA has been involved in some of the most progressive Engineering work undertaken in Malaysia, such as working on the Genting Highlands Resort and the Petronas Twin Towers.

Mr Kumarasivam was most interested in the environment and how humankind impacted on the world around them. In 1984 he was elected to the position of Founding President of the Environmental Management and Research Association of Malaysia (ENSEARCH). He also assisted with the founding of the Centre for Environmental Technologies (CETEC). Both of these organisations aim to assist in the promotion of a better environment.

In 1997 Mr Kumarasivam was awarded Malaysia's highest honour in the field of environmental work, the Langkawi award. He was also recognised internationally, receiving the "Fok Ying Tung Prize" from China in 2001.

Further information regarding this extraordinary man's life can be found at: www.ensearch.org/

Our sincerest condolences go to Mr Kumarasivam's family.

Contributed by the Faculty of Engineering, Computer & Mathematical Sciences

Eaden art exhibition

A new art exhibition at the Barr Smith Library is undoubtedly a special collection.

The paintings are by the late Robin Eaden, who, along with her partner Tim Mares, was an academic in the Department of English before they died tragically in a car accident in 2001.

The Mares and Eaden families have arranged for an exhibition of her work to be displayed in the library's Ira Raymond Room from Friday, September 12 to Friday, September 26.

All proceeds from the exhibition will go towards the Mares-Eaden Fund, an annual prize for studies into Early Modern English literature given to commemorate Tim and Robin's life and work.

Prior to her death, Robin was gaining a reputation as an artist.

Working mainly in watercolour, she was a member of the Adelaide Art Society, the Artists' Voice, the East Torrens Community Art Society and the Burnside Painting Group.

She had informal solo exhibitions and her work was shown in many group exhibitions.

Coming Events

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Monday, September 22

12.30pm Colgate Dental Research Centre seminar: "Pediatric dentistry in Japan" by Dr Yoshiaki Ono. Colgate Australian Clinical Dental Research Centre Boardroom, 2nd Floor, Adelaide Dental Hospital, Frome Rd.

1pm Clinical & Experimental Pharmacology seminar: "Using zebrafish to investigate the functions of the presenilins" by Dr Michael Lardelli (Genetics). O&G-Pharmacology Seminar Rm, Level 6, Medical School North, Frome Rd.

Thursday, September 25

1pm Chemical Pathology seminar: "Are there useful markers for lysosomal storage disorders?" and "Stored substrates in MPS type IIIA" by Dr Maria Fuller and Kerryn Mason (Chemical Pathology). Seminar Rm 1, 4th Floor, Reiger Building, WCH.

Friday, September 26

9.15am Supervisors' workshop: "Supervising Postgraduate Research Students". University policies and strategies for the improvement of postgraduate education, and good supervisory practices. REP Seminar Rm, Level 8, 10 Pulteney St. More information

email: gerry.mullins@adelaide.edu.au; or to enrol, email: graduate.centre@adelaide.edu.au by September 22.

1.10pm Elder Hall Lunch Hour Concerts: Masters students Fiona Corston (piano), Stephanie Wake-Dyster (clarinet) and Katherine Howard (cello), with Wendy Heiligenberg (violin), featuring works by Benjamin and Mendelssohn. Elder Hall. Tickets \$5 at door from 12.30pm.

7pm Inaugural Annual Don Dunstan Human Rights Oration: "Human Rights: Squandering the Legacy" by Julian Burnside QC. Elder Hall. \$10 or free for concession card holder. Bookings: phone Josie on 8303 3364.

Tuesday, September 30

9am-5pm Free National Conference: "A New Look at Ethics and Stem Cells", featuring Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (Australian Democrats), Robyn Williams (ABC Science Reporter), Professor Julian Savulescu (University of Oxford), Professor Margaret Otlowski, (University of Tasmania), Professor Peter Rathjen (University of Adelaide), Robert Klupacs (ES Cell International) and others. Charles Hawker Conference Centre, Waite Campus. Registration required: phone (03) 9345 6986 or email: kilgoura@murdoch.rch.unimelb.edu.au



Alumni News

James Crawford lecture goes international

The inaugural public lecture in the James Crawford Biennial Lecture Series on International Law will have a definite global flavour.

Professor Crawford is a University of Adelaide graduate and, now based at the University of Cambridge, he is widely regarded for his work in international law. He is currently Whewell Professor of International Law, Professorial Fellow of Jesus College, and Chair of the Faculty Board of Law.

Professor Crawford will deliver the inaugural public lecture in the Series

on Tuesday, September 23 at 6pm in Union Hall, with a lecture titled "The Rule of Law in International Law".

The University of Adelaide Alumni West Malaysia Chapter is hosting a live video linkup of this lecture, which is being held at the Australian High Commission in Kuala Lumpur on Tuesday, September 23 at 4pm for commencement at 4.30pm (Malaysian time).

For more information about attending the KL video linkup (RSVPs are essential), phone +603 2287 9788 or email admin@adelaidealumni.org

For more information about attending the event in Adelaide, contact the Alumni, Community Relations and Development office on (08) 8303 5800 or email elaine.baker@adelaide.edu.au



James Crawford

03 Alumni Events

MBA Alumni Association Seminar

'Strategic Leadership' with Dr Jens Mueller

Dr Mueller is Professor of Executive Management (Adjunct, Associate) at the Waikato University's Management School in New Zealand, and teaches MBA students and senior executives at several major universities in the US, Germany, Australia and New Zealand. He also specialises in managing firms 'in crisis' and works with shareholders, boards and managers as a 'trouble shooter' worldwide.

Date: Thursday 4 September **Time:** 6pm for 6.15pm start
Location: Santos Room, Adelaide Graduate School of Business Level 5, 233 North Terrace, The University of Adelaide
Cost: \$10
RSVP: Wednesday 3 September to Alison Wood on 8303 3306 or alison.wood@adelaide.edu.au. Bookings are essential as places are limited.

Commerce Alumni Association Professional Development Seminar

'Marketing Communication' with Jim Robinson

The Commerce chapter is hosting a presentation and networking session led by the Managing Director of leading Adelaide marketing firm Leo Burnett Robinson. Mr Robinson is a life member of the Adelaide Art Director's club, a member of the marketing committee of AICD (Company Directors) and SA Chairman of the Advertising Federation of Australia.

Date: Thursday 11 September **Time:** 6pm for 6.15pm start
Location: Equinox, Union House, The University of Adelaide
Cost: \$5 (Student), \$15 (Commerce Alumni), \$20 (Non-members)
RSVP: Wednesday 10 September to the Alumni, Community Relations and Development Office on 8303 3306 or alumni@adelaide.edu.au. Please note that places are strictly limited and must be booked and paid for in advance.

Attendance contributes to CPE hours for CPA and ICAA members.

Advance Notice!

Cornell Chapter (Arts and Performing Arts)

November 7 - AGM and Annual Dinner in the Ball Room at St. Mark's College
 Guest Speaker: Robyn Layton, QC

Florey Medical Chapter

November 16 - AGM and annual Vigneron's Luncheon, Glenelg Golf Club

Roseworthy Old Collegians Association (ROCA)

Friday November 7 - AGM and Annual Dinner, Glenelg Golf Club

University of Adelaide reunions

Golden Jubilee 1953 – 50 Year Reunion
 10 October 2003

30 Year Reunion for Graduates of 1972 and 1973
 15 November 2003

If you are a graduate of 1953, 1972 or 1973 and have not yet received an invitation to the above reunions please contact Kim McBride at +61 8 8303 3196. Members of staff, both academic and general, who were employed at the University during these years are also invited to attend the reunion program – please contact Kim McBride for further information.

Commerce Chapter seminar

Meet the new Deputy Chairperson of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, Mr Jeffrey Lucy, who will present a seminar on Corporate Governance at the University of Adelaide.

Date: Tuesday, October 21 **Time:** 5.30pm
Location: Equinox, Level 4, Union Building, North Terrace Campus

Mr Lucy commenced his 3-year term with ASIC in February and is based in Sydney. Mr Lucy is a Chartered Accountant and a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, the National Institute of Accountants, and the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Mr Lucy was made a Member of the Order of Australia for his contribution to the accounting profession, particularly through the ICAA, and to the business sector as an adviser on corporate and taxation reform.

Tickets will be available from the Alumni, Community Relations and Development office. For more information visit: www.commerce.adelaide.edu.au/alumni/

United Kingdom Chapter

The UK Chapter celebrates in September with a reception hosted by the Alumni Associations of South Australian Universities. This tripartite function, attended by University of Adelaide Vice Chancellor Professor James McWha, will bring together graduates from South Australian Universities in the splendid ambience of one of London's finest art deco buildings.

Date: Saturday September 6 **Time:** 2pm-5pm
Location: The Chancellor's Hall, Senate House, University of London

For more information, please contact Benjamin Leske on (08) 8303 3317 or email benjamin.leske@adelaide.edu.au

For information on any Alumni events please contact the Alumni, Community Relations and Development office, telephone 8303 5800 or visit www.adelaide.edu.au/alumni/

String quartet prepares for musical journey

The Australian String Quartet has just begun a journey of one kind, and is already preparing for their next journey in 2004.



The ASQ, Australia's only professional full-time string quartet, is quartet-in-residence at the University of Adelaide's Elder School of Music.

The group—consisting of Natsuko Yoshimoto (violin), James Cuddeford (violin), Jeremy Williams (viola) and Niall Brown (cello)—has just embarked on a five-week tour of Asia and Europe. They will perform in cities such as Bangkok, Hong Kong, Singapore, Beijing and Guangzhou before heading to London, Scotland and Austria.

Performances will include a rare concert inside the Forbidden City in Beijing, and at Eisenstadt's Haydn Festpiele—the first time an Australian group has performed there. Also on the tour itinerary is the Schloss Esterhazy just outside Vienna, where Haydn himself lived and worked.

And while there is much still ahead for the ASQ this year, the quartet is already thinking ahead to 2004, having just released its subscription season program for next year.

Billed as the quartet's most adventurous season yet, the 2004 season includes a celebration of the old and the new—and a year-long exploration of the works of Antonín Dvořák, commemorating the centenary of his death.

Each of the four concerts in the subscription season will contain

The ASQ (from left) Jeremy Williams, James Cuddeford, Natsuko Yoshimoto and Niall Brown. Photo Jacqui Way

one work by Dvořák, tying the year together in a musical journey that retraces elements of his life—from a fledgling composer writing love songs, to the older musician returning to Prague from New York.

As the ASQ writes in their 2004 season brochure: "An energetic narrative of folk music pervades every concert this year, from Dvořák's assimilation of 20th century American popular music to Haydn's gypsy improvisations and Stravinsky and Beethoven's use of Russian folk tunes.

"This year [2004] all of the works we'll be performing are new to us—we're very excited to be bringing this music to life, and look forward to sharing it with you."

Subscriptions to all four concerts in Adelaide for 2004 are \$132, or \$88 concession, \$45 student. Concert and dinner subscriptions are also available.

For more information about the ASQ, phone 1800 040 444 or visit: www.asq.com.au



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