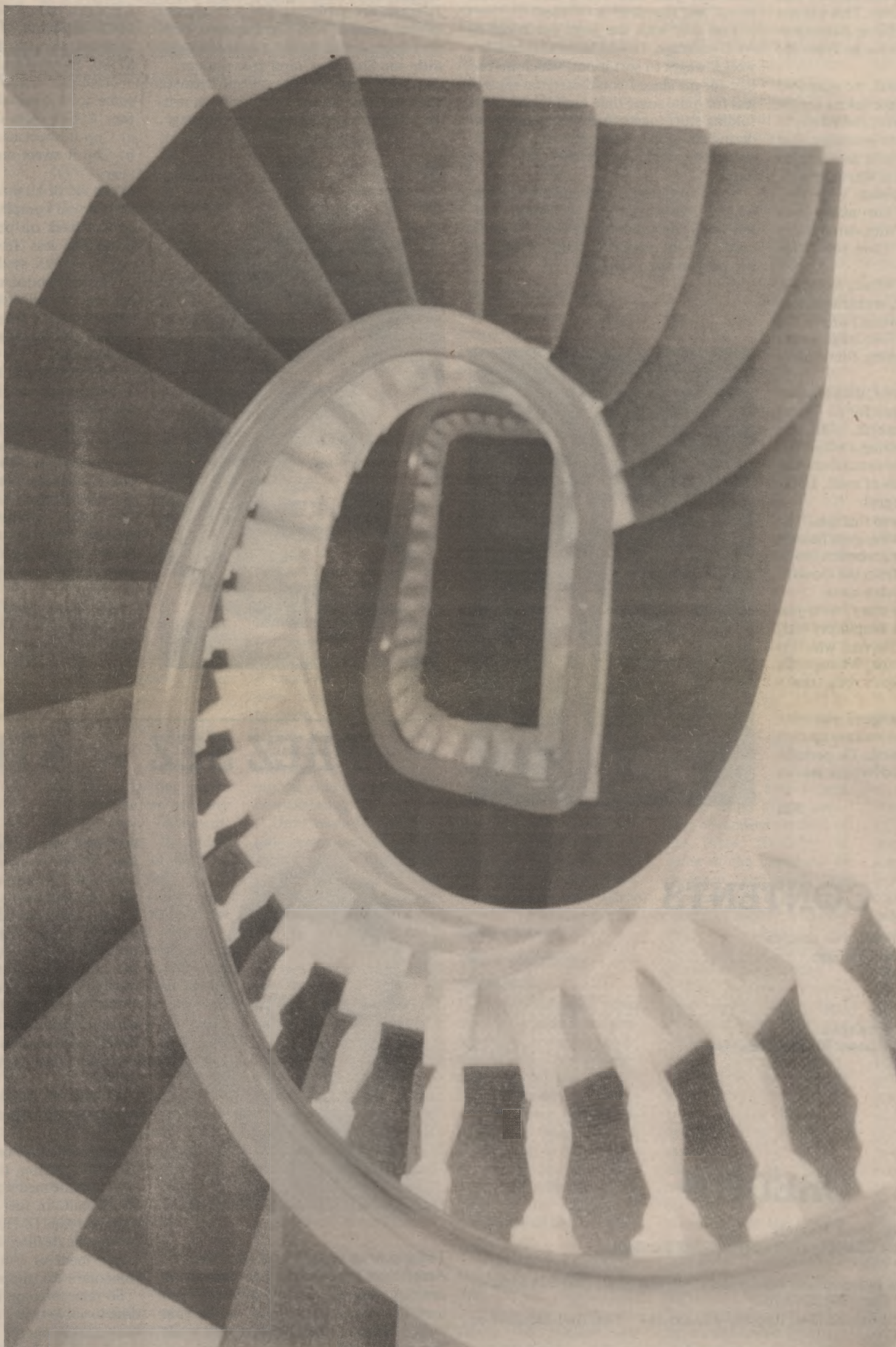


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## Editorial #1

## Editorial #2

Well it all started one Saturday morning with the three adventurers and Dave's decision to check out the winefest in Whangarei. The trip up was the most unpleasant part, the driver was a madwoman, throwing apples out the window and then trying to run them over. This was not so much fun for the back-seat passengers with weak and seedy stomachs from the night before.

On arrival in Whangarei, we were told to depart (as we didn't have tickets for the festival), so we sent Dave, the scout, in for a wee look and ticket scrounge. But never fear, luckily the three adventurers (and Dave) always find a way to get in.

After passing the bouncers with Yogi Bear hats, we began our merry trek around the wine tents, with compulsory sculls of each one and food scoffs for young Cuwan.

After downing a few wines, making a few thousand friends etc, we blended into the happy scene at Sherwood Forest. The lay-out was great with four huge stages and various bands catering for various folds.

The food was also grand, with a barby as the source of sustenance for all — and for some more than others, with one member of our party scoring a whole lettuce, two tomatoes, four cucumbers, ten onion rings and five plates of meat. Luckily no-one else was hungry!

But there is a sad note to this tale. The IHC have been making wine-glass holders for the festival for nearly seventeen years, but now with funds cut from the Government, their workshop must close.

Well to conclude this story, we'd just like to say how great the hospitality was, as with the Tikipunga Tavern, which is more than we can say for Whangarei's hotspot nightclub 'Pips', but that's another story!

Now that we have intrigued you with this tale, you yourself can venture up next year, as it is an annual event. Or perhaps send one of your own adventure stories to *Craccum*.

SM

The arrival of rain would seem to signal the end of the cricket season and once again I'm reminded of an old war wound which will stop me playing rugby this season. The last bout of surgery is due some time this year and I'm a little worried about one aspect of it — cost.

You see, with the huge cut backs in ACC coverage, I could be looking at a few weeks' wages to sort it out, which isn't so bad for me since I could carry on regardless for quite some time until I can get the folding stuff together. For someone wandering about in a bit more strife, the consequences could be rather more of a hassle.

So, a word to the wise (and a whole sentence to the E-team): if you demo yourself when you're out on the piss, it's gonna cost you a lot more than a little invigorating pain in the morning.

Yours in moderation  
Steve



## PREZ SEZ — AUSA

Teenaa koutou ngaa tauira maa. Though there are a number of other stormy issues raging around campus at the moment the one I'd like to discuss this week is highlighted by a letter to the editor in the last *Craccum*. A Bell bought up the fact that Telecom are replacing the free phones around campus with Cardphones. Telecom approached AUSA to do the same with our Student Union free phones. Our first response was to tell them to 'flick off' (see Steve, I can write an article without resorting to gutter-language, just!!!) Unfortunately they have taken off



their gloves and given us an ultimatum. If we don't replace the free phones with card phones by April 1st they will charge us 20 cents per minute on those phones.

At a quick calculation that's ten phones at 20 cents per minute, in use constantly 8 hours a day, 5 days a week, 30 weeks of the academic year, we are looking at \$150,000 per year instead of the present \$7500. Spooky stuff possums....

Needless to say the situation needs some solid discussion. The options that face AUSA seem to be:

- Cop it sweet and install cardphones.
- Cop it sweet and pay up \$150,000 a year.
- Get rid of all public phones in the student union complex.
- Cut back on public phone facilities, providing less free lines through the AUSA PABX system.

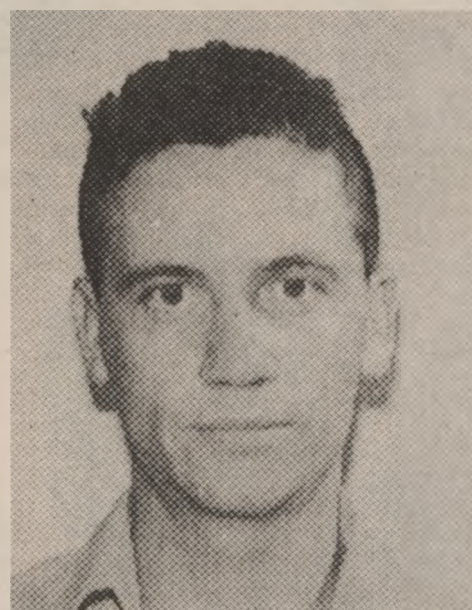
This last option seems the most practical but it will require upgrading the present PABX from a 6 line to a 10 line system and making 4 lines available for student use.

As from April 1 this will be charged at 3 cents a minute (business rates) which will double our present expenditure on free phone facilities. We might then provide 5 cardphones in the Maidment Phone Booth complex. These are options I want you, the student body, to think about and give us feedback on. I would like to see the matter discussed at the Autumn General Meeting at 1pm on Wednesday March 28 in B.28. Come along and have your say. It's your money, help us spend it wisely.

On that sombre note I'll sign off for this week. Take it easy and don't let the greebies get ya.

Ka kite anoo, e hoa maa.  
Ella Henry

## PREZ SEZ — ATISA



last week was the battle for Hilary Morgan. Which is quite amazing; the emotions and bitterness of this struggle are very real and very painful for the people directly involved but is it really *NEWS*? It could be easy to dismiss the excesses of the media as the work of the gutter-press from overseas; unfortunately our own media has been in there, boots and all. TVNZ showed on Holmes a report very much tilted towards the mother of Hilary, while the News at 10 or is it 10.30 viewed a report tilted very much towards the father.

Whatever happened to objective reporting? Or better still did it ever actually exist?

During the debate on user-pays education last year, getting the students point of view into the media proved to be extremely difficult. In fact the most prominent article in the NZ Herald on the whole issue was on dealing with the theft of some Department of Education papers from someone's car supposedly by students.

So many wrongs in the world, so little time to solve them. At the moment I haven't got the energy to walk to the letter-box let alone beat the media back into shape. I'm seriously considering retiring and devoting my life to watching rugby league and then winning Mastermind in 2020 with my accumulated knowledge. All I have to do now is find some way of surviving all these hot summers.

Regards  
Brett Williams

PS. Always remember Do The Right Thing!

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# REASON AND CHRISTIANITY

In last week's issue of *Craccum*, an article concerning the thoughts of an atheist was published. This article presents a Christian response to that article, and outlines some of the great mass of evidence that supports the Biblical account of history. The presence of the living God, in the person of Jesus Christ, today, is a truth which cannot and has not been disproven by any scientific process or reasoning. The pathway to salvation that this offers is the great glimmer of hope in an increasingly uncertain and confused world.

THE BIBLE is the basis of a Christian's belief in God. The veracity of its message, events recorded by it, and the record of what was said (or written, in the case of the epistles if the Apostles) is thus of fundamental importance.

Civilisation today has the ability to transmit, record and reproduce information as never before. It is possibly a subject few give thought to, but how can we be sure of the accuracy of a very ancient book; the record of a civilisation that dates back millennia? While today we have the ability to communicate perfect copies of speeches, written material and even photographs of events, by means such as television, facsimile and photography, it must be remembered that if one goes back even as far as the turn of the century, there was no television, and radio was in its infancy. Newspapers were the fundamental source of news. A few decades earlier, and these consisted purely of type and line drawings, as the half tone process for reproducing photographs did not exist.

Go back another century and there were no photographs, only ponderously slow silver plates. A century or two more and it's curtains to printing.

So, before long, it is seen that there is no mechanical way of recording data. Copies could only be made by hand. Surely errors of a gross magnitude would creep in between generations of copies?

The first question relates, obviously, to the veracity of the scriptures. How accurate are they, compared with the originals? We know that Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible, about 1500 BC. The rest of the Old Testament was written over the period 1500 BC to 400 BC. The New Testament was written between 40 AD and 100 AD. The potential for mistranslation and the gradual inroads of errors would be enormous.

Today we know that the New Testament is backed by 5,000 copies of Greek

copies of the original which date to 200 to 300 AD. As the originals were written in Greek, (not Latin) and not long before time, it is reasonable to suggest that they are accurate, particularly when the 5,000 copies corroborate one another. No other book dating from this period of history has anything like this degree of verification: the earliest copy of the works of Tacitus (a renowned Roman historian) were written in AD 100, but the earliest currently available copy dates to 1100 AD, and only 20 copies are available from this period to allow verification. Would we disregard these writings because of it? We don't, although by comparison the New Testament is verified by a vastly greater wealth of much earlier copies.

## The Old Testament

THE OLD TESTAMENT does not have the abundance of supporting copies that attest to the accuracy of the New Testament. Until recently, the oldest Hebrew copy of the Old Testament dated to AD 900, a full 1,300 years since the last books of the Old Testament were written. On first impressions, one might conclude that the Old Testament has little more evidence supporting its accuracy than other ancient writings. There are two factors that alter this.

Firstly, the Jews regarded the veracity of the Testament as being of such utmost importance that there was the most incredibly pedantic and complex set of rules devised to ensure scribes copying the work did so reliably. Some of the rules (such as the colour of ink to be used) seem to bear no relation to the accuracy of the manuscript, but the implication of such a pedantic set of rules was that the likelihood of error was negligible. Copies which abrogated even one of the most minor rules were not regarded as authentic, and generally ended up being burned.

A recent discovery was that of the Dead Sea Scrolls, a collection of 40,000 fragments of writ-

ing. From these over 500 books, including many of the books of the Old Testament, have been reconstructed. Some of these date to 200 BC, hence much earlier copies of the Old Testament have recently become available to cross check the accuracy of the Jewish copyists. Variations that were discovered have proven to be essentially stylistic — consider, for instance, how English has changed since common usage even 200 years ago.

## Is it a true account?

WE HAVE seen that the Bible as we know it today is a very accurate copy of the original. The next question is whether or not the events described in it, the people and the places, are all correct. Obviously, it would be absurd to go to such painstaking lengths to record accurately a historical account if it were fiction. Notwithstanding that, the evidence supporting the Biblical account is overwhelming.

Until recently, one dispute some scholars had written off the Biblical record of the fall of Jericho as folklore. A recent archaeological study (details of which were published on page 8, *NZ Herald*, Friday, 9 March) corroborates the Biblical record. Archaeologist, Bryant Wood, of the University of Toronto, says, "When we compare the archaeological evidence with the Biblical narrative ... we find remarkable agreement." This was due to the manner in which the mud bricks that composed the wall of the city were arranged, indicative of a collapse as described in the Bible.

A few more examples will suffice to prove the point. 2 Kings 18.14 records that the Jewish King had to pay the King of Assyria 300 talents of silver. Yet, the discovery of the Cylinder of Sennacherib threw doubt on this, as it recorded that the King of Assyria received 800 talents. Which is correct? Surely the Bible would be correct on minor details like this — evidence to the contrary would suggest sloppy recording of history

and throw doubts on the veracity if the whole record. As it happens, the two accounts corroborate each other, as exchange rates existed then, as they do now. The Assyrian talent of silver was equal to exactly three-eighths of the Palestinian talent!

Some have claimed that Moses was never in Egypt. Yet, this criticism was refuted by Dr A. Yahuda, who was the professor of Medieval Hebrew Literature of the University of Madrid. He proved beyond doubt that the man who wrote Genesis and Exodus [Moses], had an intimate acquaintance with Egypt, its people and language.

There are many more. For instance, evidence supporting the Biblical account of the Flood of Noah has been discovered, and also, evidence supporting the account of the Tower of Babel (which was never finished).

We know from Roman records of the veracity of the events of the New Testament, particularly, the crucifixion of Christ, the role of Pontius Pilate, and also, the fact of the census in Augustus Caesar's time, in which Joseph and Mary participated immediately prior to the birth of Christ. Critics have claimed this latter event to be at variance with the facts, but archaeological evidence uncovered by Sir William Ramsay proved that this census did, indeed take place, as described.

Over the years, many theories have been proposed where the account of events is at variance with the Biblical record. Hard, proven facts have never been at variance with the Biblical record.

## What about the miracles?

IT IS PROBABLE that there is no topic more controversial amongst skeptics than the miracles described in both the Old and New Testaments. Many attempts have been made to explain these away. A good example of the folly in trying to rationalise away the miracles is afforded by the example of the escape of the Israelites from Egypt.

An interesting theory offered here was the Israelites actually escaped across the *Reed Sea*, evidently a very shallow body of water nearby, not exceeding three feet in depth. Propounding this theory with great vigour one day, its chief proponent was perplexed and irritated when one member of the audience proclaimed that it was evidence of a great miracle.

The learned gentleman paused with baffled fury

to hear the explanation as to what was so miraculous.

"Wow! Drowning the entire Egyptian Army in three feet of water," explained the man.

Other individuals have, over the years attempted to promote many explanations to rationalise away many of Christ's miracles. None of their explanations have held up to scrutiny.

What is recorded in the New Testament is the story of how a bunch of very humble men, fishermen, publicans and the like, became so fortified by their experience of Christ in the flesh, the presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives and the bidding of Christ to spread his gospel to the "corners of the Earth" that they defied authority, stood against hostile crowds and went out and did precisely what it was they had been instructed to do, namely preach the gospel. Many of them suffered terribly on a personal level for doing so. Peter, for instance, was ultimately crucified himself, upside down. Paul was shipwrecked and spent years as a prisoner. He and Luke were flogged and imprisoned, but released when an earthquake struck terror into the heart of their jailor. These are not the actions of men from humble backgrounds.

## Rebuttal of the "Gems"

SO FAR, we have looked at the issues of the accuracy of modern versions of the Bible, fleetingly at some of the vast bulk of evidence supporting the Biblical record as a true record of history, and very briefly at some of the criticisms that have been offered of the miracles.

The article entitled *Gems on Christianity* [and other matters] actually put virtually no arguments forward to attempt to discredit either the factual nature of the Bible, or the truth of the Christian worldview. The article was essentially a dirge on certain actions of the Church, rulings of the Church over the centuries and how scientists and the Church [note "the Church" not "the Bible"] clashed in the past. A few remarks were thrown in to lament the fate awaiting the unbeliever, as though this were evidence of anything contrary to the Bible! Science apparently is treated with great reverence by the atheists, as they claim it does not substantiate the Biblical record, although they offer not a shred of evidence to show any point upon which science disagrees with the Bible. The Bible never pretended to

be a scientific textbook. If it was, it would be virtually impossible to assimilate a work so large. In all things it is important to have a sense of mission. The Bible covered the record of man's dealings with God, and his son Jesus Christ, through whom we have redemption. To incorporate astronomy, physics and science at all, is going beyond its mission. Notwithstanding this, science has not disputed anything in the Bible; for instance, the claim that the miracles are not scientifically possible is irrelevant as the creator of the universe [God] can obviously intervene on a level beyond that attainable to man alone. The Bible deals with spiritual matters and as such, a consideration of science is outside its brief.

The "Gems" on the Church predictably covered matters such as the Inquisition and the stand against the scientific teachings of people such as Galileo and Copernicus. So what? Actions of a man made institution, the Church, reflect nothing at all on the nature of Christ, his followers [Christians], or the Bible. The Age of Grace, which was ushered in by Christ, offering his message of redemption to sinners [all of us] never contained any exhortation to the Church to kill, torture or force anyone to accept any point of view. It was to be offered to all, not forced upon them. The excessive zeal of men is to blame for the Inquisition, although it is true to say that people of the time, generally, were superstitious and primitive in their concepts of justice. To judge them by modern standards is absurd.

The "Gems" in discussing Christianity, make the most ridiculous assertions. It is stated that the New Testament describes "the hell of the future." On the contrary, it offers a path of salvation to all, not just a select group, but to all. It doesn't take great effort, it doesn't cost money, all it requires is acceptance of Jesus Christ as saviour and Lord, admission that a saviour is needed (ie of sinfulness) and that's it. That simple action saves man from the consequence of his own actions from the beginning. The Lord God would have many reasons for destroying his disappointing creation, man, for not following his divine commands. Instead, as a patient father he gives him chance after chance, and finally, his Son, Jesus Christ, as a sin offering sufficient to expunge the sin of all men.

Philip Ross,  
Technical Consultant to  
*Craccum* 1990



# ELECTIONS

## EXEC BY-ELECTIONS AT AUSA

### ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS OFFICER



Julian LaValette

Hi. I'm Julian LaValette and running for the position of Environmental Affairs officer.

My interests and abilities for this position can be gleaned from my academic credentials.

I have completed a BA in sociology and philosophy and am currently doing a Masters in Management Studies and Labour Relations as well as completing a Bsc in Life Sciences.

These qualifications have not only made me technically aware of environmental problems and solutions but have also given me the political and economic understanding to pose practical and would-be desirable solutions.

Portfolio capabilities aside, my qualifications extend to management and administration. These are of utmost importance, for at the end of the day the executive is responsible for managing student's money and providing students with services. I have been acting EAO since February and have made crucial personal links, necessary for a united Executive. Over this time I've been active in arranging a carpool network. I am also helping DOC (et al) organise an Earth Day fair on Campus.

Future projects involve:  
 .An environmental awareness column in Craccum.  
 .A rubbish campaign — focusing on consciousness raising and better disposal arrangements.

.An investigation into recycling possibilities for university rubbish as well as use of environmentally friendly products.

.Participate in lobbying on local/regional/national environmental issues.

Julian LaValette  
Acting EAO

Yo, we've decided to run for EAO as a collective of people better known as the Engineering Society Executive.

We felt that as a group we will be better equipped to represent the interests of the majority of people.

In this day and age of Nuclear Energy and Ozone layer depletion, affirmative action must be taken to protect the environment.

As Environmental Affairs officers we will actively pursue Nuclear Power in New Zealand as *this looks good overseas*.

Also native bush should be cut down so buildings and roads can be built and the Coromandel should be strip mined providing valuable mineral resources for all New Zealanders (and some overseas representatives).

All these things should ensure engineers will find work in New Zealand and not have to leave the country. And therefore in our master plan, improve the environment.

The Engineering Society  
Executive

Hi plebs, for those of you who don't hang around A.U.S.A. much, I am usually known as Gort. I am a B.A. student finishing this year and doing only three papers, so I'll be able to devote heaps of time to this position on Exec. Last year I took over the position of C.A.O. when that became vacant mid-year and as no-one complained I assume I did a pretty good job. In 1988 I was co-editor of *Craccum* which, in case you weren't around then, was noticeable superior to last year's efforts.

As far as the environment goes, I'm all for shit-stirring the government and other authorities to protect our native flora and fauna (forests and birds) as well as our marine resources. We all know drift-netting sucks, but you may not know that some areas and species around New Zealand are being overfished by foreign fleets. Why can't NZ fleets make the megabucks instead and do so more responsibly?

There are lots of other things that need to be changed if NZ is to remain clean and green into the 21st century. Things like lead-free petrol, biodegradable alternatives to plastic bags etc, better controls on mining and logging and how about beer cans you can eat after you've emptied them so you don't have to raid McD's every time you get the munchies?

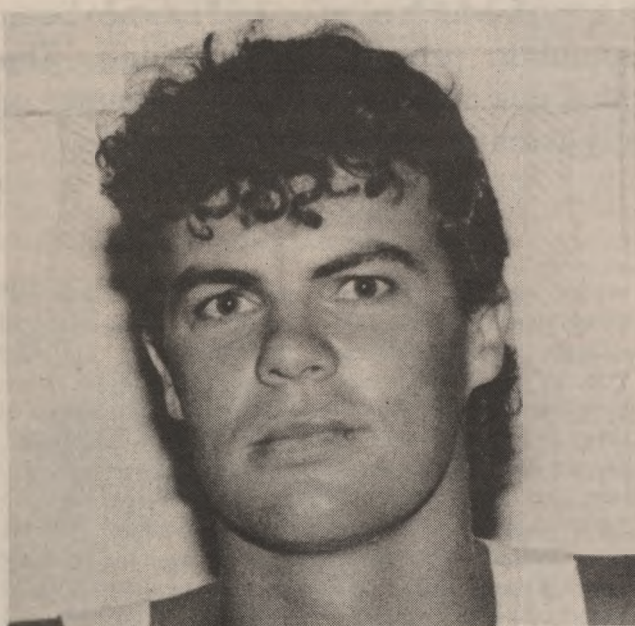
I know most of you can't be bothered voting, what with the current wave of student apathy etc, but seeing how you've read this you might as well vote for someone — so vote for me. I promise it won't hurt a bit!!!

Gort  
a.k.a. Simon Holroyd



Gort

### INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS OFFICER



Mark Townsend

Giddy, my name's Mark Townsend and I'm standing for IAO.

You may ask what does the International Affairs Officer do? Well, I didn't know either until it was carefully explained to me by someone in the know.

Basically the position is responsible for informing students of events of possible national importance occurring overseas and then organising some sort of action to support or protest against it.

Being a devoted reader of the *Herald*, *Dominion*, *Time*, *Pravda* and *Marvel Comics* I'm well aware of what's happening in the wide blue yonder and hence able to take effective steps should something truly horrible happen.

I'm the vice president of an organisation with over one thousand members and from this I've gained human resource management skills, obviously useful in effective protest action.

In addition, I haven't had my views 'shaped' by a formal political studies course — I rely solely on my own ethical upbringing.

So get out to those booths on Monday and Tuesday and vote Townsend for positive action.

Cheers Mark

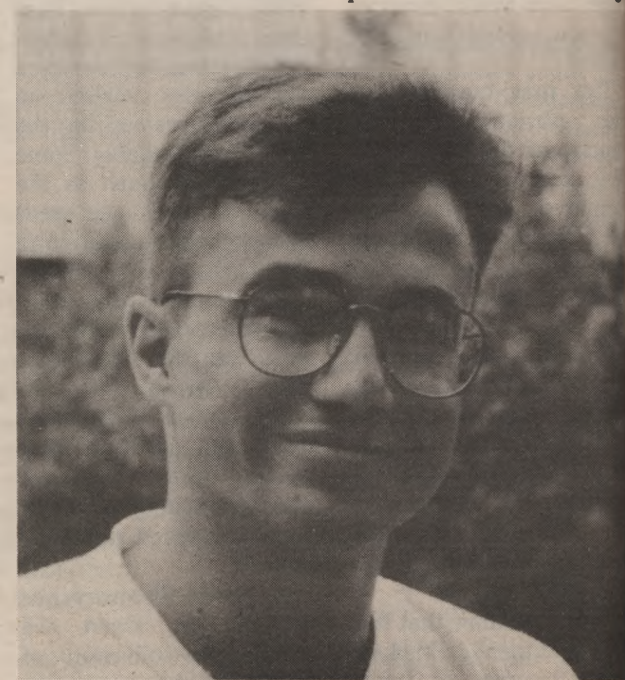
Friends, Students, Countrypersons

My name is Robert Bennett and I am running for International Affairs officer. I shall not lie to you and pretend this is an important portfolio because it is not. Welfare office is of much more importance to most of you.

However with reference to this particular portfolio I believe I am highly qualified. I have a BA majoring in Political Studies, including stage III papers in (i) European politics,

relevant because Eastern Europe has recently abandoned communism and embraced free market policies; (ii) South African politics, relevant because part of your union fees goes to the sponsorship of a Black Southern African student; (iii) Political Philosophy and Ethics, relevant to understanding the motives of politicians and an understanding of the difference between rhetoric and real politics; and; (iv) Political Statistics, relevant to interpreting all the statistical shit the Government is likely to throw at us this year which will either be 'lies', 'damn lies', or 'statistics'.

Also of concern to me is: The Government's despicable attitude to the Tianamen massacre — "naughty but hey — who cares, let's do business, want to buy NZ steel?" The fact that NZ students have had little or no contact with Eastern European students sporting contacts withstanding; Maintenance of the anti nuclear policy which is not so much anti-nuke but anti-American control which enables NZ to make



Andrew Sporle

its own political statement to the world to the envy of many American cronies like Australia.

My general policy is a responsible attitude to the spending of your money. I cannot promise swimming pools, lower cafe prices or cheaper Shadow's beer because this is pissing in the wind.

The most important thing you can do is vote for the candidate who best represents your interests.

Robert Michael Bennett

### WELFARE OFFICER

Hi folks. I'm Andrew Sporle and I'm running for the position of Welfare Officer.

This year's going to be a particularly tough one in which to be a student. On top of all the usual hassles involved with being at university this year we're on the receiving end of tuition fees, tougher criteria for bank loans and increased restrictions on entry to courses. Surviving is going to involve not only the usual amounts of good luck but also knowing your way around the university. And that's where the Welfare Officer comes in.

AUSA's Welfare Officer not only gets to sit on three welfare-type committees of the university, but also acts as a liaison between students and the university on matters of personal or collective welfare.

As a "graduate student" who has been at Auckland University, either full-time or part-time for a number of years I believe I know "the system" pretty well by now. (Especially as I've been on the receiving end of it a couple of times).

If I'm elected my first priority will be to improve liaison between AUSA and the relevant sections of the University (such as fees, allowances etc) so that your Association is better able to assist students in their dealings with the University.

My second goal is to improve student knowledge

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Association. In order to  
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articles in **Craccum** (Steve  
willing) on matters rele-  
vant to student welfare,  
keep regular office hours  
and organise special events  
on campus (watch out for  
the *Fun and Safe Sex*  
week).

Cheers and have a good  
year  
Andrew

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES REP

Kia ora koutou katoa.  
My name is Pare Pana-  
pa and I am a 2nd year  
student doing a major in  
Anthropology and Maori.  
Currently within the  
University year I am act-  
ing Clubs and Societies  
officer and have thus  
gained an insight into the  
running of this position.

Essentially, what I have  
incorporated into my poli-  
cies for 1990 is basically  
concerned with the pro-  
motion of Student activi-  
ties within a club or society  
system. Not only am I  
looking at the promotion  
of student activities on a  
regional basis but also on  
a national level. Through  
major networking on an  
internal and external sys-  
tem, this can be achieved  
given time.

Another policy of mine,  
which complements the  
promotion of student ac-  
tivities is the question of  
communication. In previ-  
ous years communication  
between the clubs and so-  
cieties on campus has been  
non-existent. In order for  
this problem to be amend-  
ed I propose to establish  
regular forums, meetings  
etc, where any of the dif-  
fering clubs and societies  
can discuss common  
issues.

Eg, Maori Association  
can discuss different cus-  
toms with the Cook Island  
Association.

Along with the other  
policies, I also plan to take  
a firm stand on the discou-  
ragement of unconstitut-  
ional clubs and societies  
on campus. Initially, this  
will make me an unpop-  
ular person on campus but  
in order for any real  
progress to be made for  
the betterment of other  
clubs and societies, some-  
thing must change.

As we enter into the  
year 1990 of course, a po-  
litical stance must be  
adopted by everyone and  
thus I plan to help inform  
people on the Treaty of  
Waitangi issue culminat-  
ing in helping to incor-  
porate its meaning into the  
constitution.

If there are any ques-  
tions concerning my poli-  
cies for 1990, feel free to  
ask me at the forum in the  
quad on Friday.

Na Reira  
Pare Panapa

# HUMOUR

## HOROSCOPES



**Sagittarius:** Pretty ugly name isn't it?

**Capricorn:** We have received no submis-  
sion from this sign.

**Libra:** A distant relative will inherit a large  
sum of money but you won't find out.

**Aries:** Something may happen to you to-  
day unless it doesn't.

**Pisces:** Something may happen to you to-  
day unless Mrs Smith in Napier changes  
her mind and has coffee with her Weetbix.

**Taurus:** You will find that peple are avoid-  
ing you more and more. This is because  
of your bad breath, fleas and repeated  
dares to radicals to blow you up.

**Gemini:** You will pass all your exams this  
year.

**Barina:** Everyone else will be confused for  
a moment.

**Virgo:** Not for long in *this* place.

**Leo:** Are you sure you're a Leo? If you  
haven't got a beard you're not a Leo (un-  
less of course you're a woman, whereupon  
you may be a Leo if you have a tail).

**Cancer:** Heavy bumper.

**Aquarius:** You'll find yourself writing a  
very complimentary letter to your local  
student newspaper.

**Scorpio:** You are a distant relative of a  
New York police hero called Hawk whose  
Indian half-brother Quincy testified in the  
Iran-Contra hearings but was allowed to  
go free after his pregnant Prussian mistress  
was held hostage by 38 cross-eyed Span-  
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turned into a shocking pink anorak by an  
anteater called Pam. You will find this out  
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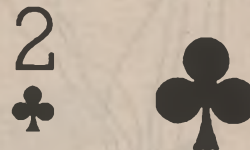
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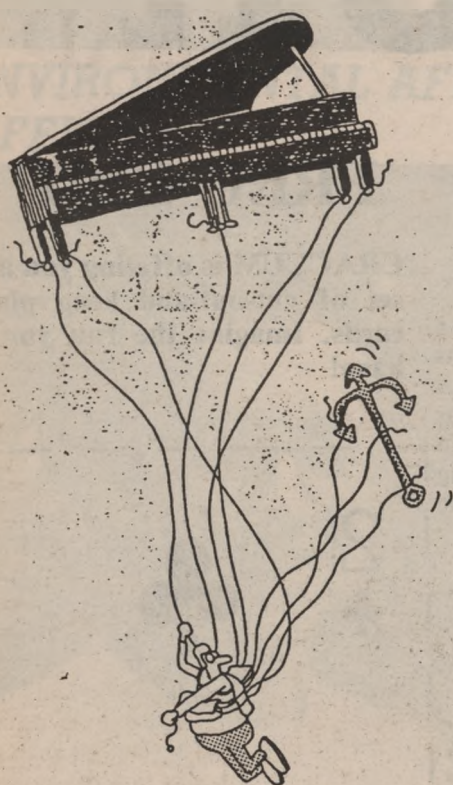
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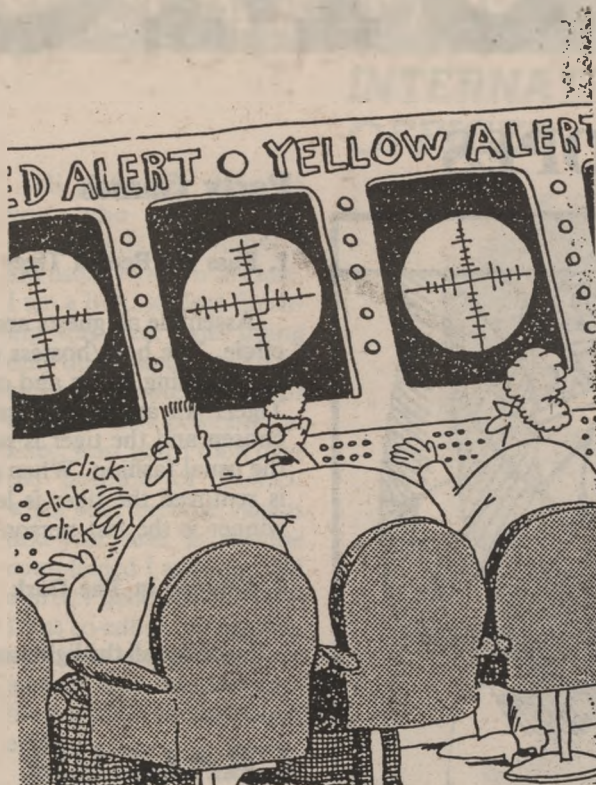
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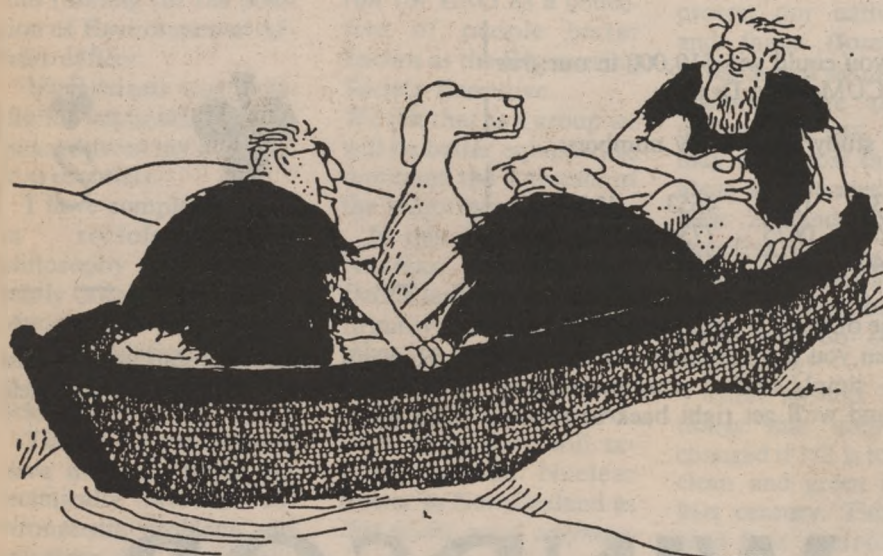
Murray didn't feel the first pangs of real panic until he pulled the emergency cord.



"OK, Baxter, if that's your game, I'll just reach over and push a few of *your* buttons."



"Well, I guess that ain't a bad story — but let me tell you about the time I lost *this!*"



"Fair is fair, Larry... We're out of food, we drew straws — you lost."



Harold would have been on his guard, but he thought the old gypsy woman was speaking figuratively.



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# OVERCOMING BABEL

## ATI LANGUAGE SCHOOL ROARS AHEAD

With a roll of about 2000 and a new building, ATI's School of Languages is flourishing. And now the school is leading the country in the field of training interpreters, for which there is a strong demand in business and the state sector.

When it started up in 1976, ATI's language school was part of the communications department and had just four classes.

But steady expansion saw it break away and by the end of last year its roll stood at 2000. The school still had just four classrooms of its own and tutors spent much of their time finding teaching space for their students.

"We were really scrambling around all the time to get accommodation," says the school's head, Roger Stokell. "In fact, our operation was spread right around the city."

Stokell says the arrangement was very unsettling for students and meant the school's managers were distanced from its activities.

So this year the school packed up and moved to its own new premises on Queen St, a facility with 18 classrooms which were quickly filled. It was a move Stokell says which has reunited the department.

The School of Languages' 55 teaching staff offer courses in English to speakers of other languages, Access English to help improve unemployed people's employability and foreign languages. As well as the major European languages, the school offers training in Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese), Japanese, Korean and Spanish.

Among the school's more unusual courses are one in English for foreign-speaking doctors and



another language in teaching for adults.

But the school's big waves have been made in the area of interpreting and translating, where Stokell says the school leads the way.

"We have evolved a leading role in community, interpreting and the health care interpreting is a new thing for New Zealand. It's a major breakthrough, I think, in training in New Zealand."

Stokell says the school offers the largest number and range of such courses in the country.

"In New Zealand there's very little training

in the vital areas of interpreting and translation, particularly interpreting because of our multicultural society. There are very few courses going on in New Zealand. We've concentrated on these three courses here at ATI, there's a little bit going on in Wellington and that's about it."

Demand for health and community interpreting has come largely from the state sector and the Housing Corporation and Health Department have been keen to support the programmes by paying for staff to enrol.

"They have recognised

the need to have a proficient person interpreting. Up to now they have had to use anybody that's on the staff and there's no standard, they don't know what their standard is. Worse has been that in health interpreting families have had to come into hospitals. That's a situation which is not good professionally because often it's intimate details and they don't want a family member being part of all that."

Stokell says the demand for community interpreters has also been strong with refugee numbers on the increase.

"Community interpreting is basing itself on the Tongan and Samoan languages this year, as it did last year and next year we're hoping to move into an Asian language, like Vietnamese or Khymer (the language of Cambodia)."

Stokell says the demand for languages will increase despite the dominance of English.

"Our first full-time language course finished last year, which was Japanese and everybody was employed at the end of that course."

"I can't speak for the rest of the country but

Auckland's actually humming as far as the need for foreign language skills goes. It's not just the language it's also the social and etiquette skills that people want to get hold of."

Because of this need, Air New Zealand, together with the Pacific Asia Travel Association and language tutors including Roger Stokell, put together a Japan skills programme for colleges. Stokell: "That's a good example of the need that major tourist companies are seeing now for skills."

"People who are working in business, but particularly in hotels and airlines, need to be able to communicate with people. One of the worst features of New Zealanders or English speakers in general is that they expect everyone to speak English. When they don't understand they tend to start shouting to make themselves understood and of course that is often seen as being totally belligerent to foreigners."

Stokell says you don't need to know a whole language to be fluent in it and an example of this is Air New Zealand's German training for cabin crews, particularly on the Frankfurt route. Stokell says the crew learn the basics at the language skills school so they can cope with German speakers.

"They will be able to offer drinks and things to German speakers on the plane instead of just showing them and rattling things under their noses, which is rude."

Stokell says the pressure for the School of Languages to expand is high.

"That's by student numbers and the people we have to turn away. The problem is funding. There is a great pressure for us to expand which shows how healthy languages are."



# EASTERN EUROPE: A RISING IMPERIALIST TIDE?

by Roger Telfer for Communist Club

The past few months in Eastern Europe have been marked by revolutionary upheavals. One by one the Stalinist regimes in East Germany, Romania, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, have been challenged by mass reform movements. This has set the scene for the capitalist media and their right-wing ideologies to crow about the end of communism and the superiority of capitalism. The Western ruling classes have used the events in Eastern Europe as some sort of twisted evidence of the superiority of their capitalist systems. The present crisis of capitalism, the stagnation and destruction are swept aside, as we are told that there is no alternative to capitalism and that we have to live with it. Poverty, homelessness, hunger, illiteracy and massive unemployment for working people in the West is glossed over for the celebration of the end of 'communism.'

In public the imperialist countries are gloating at the demise of their traditional opponent, but in private they are profoundly concerned about the consequences. The crisis of Stalinism in Eastern Europe directly calls into question the whole framework of global relations which was established after 1945.

The key to understanding the current upheaval in Eastern Europe is the analysis of Stalinism. Stalinism is the ideology of a parasitic caste of bureaucrats who usurped workers' power in the USSR and set up Stalinist bureaucracies in Eastern Europe, at the conferences of Tehoran at Potsdam after 1945. However, it is with the Soviet Union itself, that the rise of Stalinism began.

The Soviet Union began as a healthy workers' state, with workers in power and workers management and control of the surplus from state property. Because of the economic backwardness and the destructive impact of the imperialist war, the USSR was forced to attempt to build socialism with its own undeveloped resources. It was forced to re-introduce capitalism in the countryside and rely on non-workers to run the state, this required the bureaucratisation of the first workers' state.

After the death of Lenin in early 1924, and under the leadership of Stalin, whom Lenin tried unsuccessfully to remove as general secretary of the party, the power of the bureaucrats was consolidated. By 1928 the threat to the bureaucracy from Leon Trotsky and the Left Opposition had been smashed and the bureaucracy was able to take power from the working class and use it to expropriate the surplus produced by Soviet state workers.



The result was an unstable degenerated workers' state ruled by the Stalinist bureaucracy. The instability of its rule followed from the bureaucracy's lack of class roots in property. It was doomed to manoeuvre between international capitalism as a source of finance capital, trade and technology and the working class and socialised property forms on which it was parasitic. It could rely upon neither the law of value, now workers' democracy to develop the economy.

Sooner or later the in-built tendency to stagnation would force the bureaucracy to attempt to restore access to the capitalist market and the law of value. After a long period of stagnation, the Soviet economy reached a crisis point in the mid-eighties, forcing the bureaucracy to open up the economy to the capitalist

world market.

However this would expose the bureaucracy to the unchecked ravages of capitalism on the one hand and also the possibility of a workers' revolution against

Stalin would get a 'sphere of influence' in Eastern Europe.

In those countries of Eastern Europe where The Red Army had defeated The German Army includ-

nuine workers' control, the bureaucratic regimes can only plan from above. The defects of the Soviet economy, its inability to match resources with needs and to develop la-

ing class.

The effects of the opening up to capitalism is dramatically illustrated by Poland which is under an IMF austerity plan, to repay the massive loans needed to prop up Polish economy. The repayment of these loans has been at the expense of the Polish working class. Facing massive price increases, (many basic have trebled) declining wages, unemployment and a general cut in their living standards, the Polish working class will fight back, as will the workers of all Eastern Europe. The Stalinists or temporary Stalinists (Civic Forum, National Salvation Front etc) are prepared to re-introduce elements of the market and to 'corporatise' state property in the hope of rejuvenating productivity. Since this coincides with interests of imperialism to open up the Eastern Bloc for exploitation, the revolutionary working class must rely on its own strength to defend socialised promises and centralised planning. While we wish the overthrow of the Stalinist bureaucracies in these countries, we recognise the gains these countries have with socialised property forms and centralised planning that is why we are against the reintroduction of capitalism in Eastern Europe. We also recognise that capitalism will only be reintroduced in the Eastern Bloc at the expense of the working class.

We welcome the demise of the Stalinism as well as defending the socialised property and planning which the Stalinists bureaucracy's have been the worst kind of cancer. Hiding behind the false facade of 'socialism' or 'communism.' These bureaucracies have never achieved socialism or even communism. While the Eastern Bloc states have rested on post-capitalist property forms. They have been prevented from achieving real socialism, communism, by the parasitic, Stalinist bureaucracies who are now preparing to deliver the working class of Eastern Europe to the ravages and exploitation of capitalism.

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the bureaucracy. The twin policies of 'perestroika' and 'glasnost' are designed to minimise these risks. Perestroika attempts a controlled restoration of the law of value; glasnost attempts to defuse and contain working class resistance to increased exploitation.

The origin and subsequent history of the Eastern European states are closely related to Stalinism and the degenerate workers' state that the USSR had become under Stalin. After Hitler's invasion of the USSR not only carry to the main burden of war (over 20 million dead), but to suppress the inevitable revolutionary uprisings that accompany imperialist wars. In exchange for using the Red Army and the Communist Parties to suppress and smash working class uprisings in Germany, Greece, Indochina and elsewhere,

ing eastern Germany, the Stalinist bureaucracy became the occupying power. It smashed workers' uprisings in these countries, defeated the workers' occupations of factories (ie Czechoslovakia), purged the Communist Parties of any revolutionaries and expropriated foreign, especially German capital. Thus Eastern Europe under Stalin's control was ruled by puppet bureaucratic regimes, the strings pulled by the Kremlin. Poland, East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria became like the Soviet Union, Workers' states, but degenerate from birth.

Like the USSR, the degenerate workers' states in Eastern Europe are unable to plan their economies efficiently. Isolated from the world capitalist market and the operation of the law of value, and from ge-

bour productivity and the forces of production, were duplicated in Eastern Europe. Economic stagnation set in early on for these states. In Czechoslovakia one of the most industrially advanced, the national income was declining by 1962. In Poland, stagnation gave way to economic decline after 1979, with negative growth reaching 8% by 1982.

In the face of chronic stagnation and decline, the Stalinist bureaucracies in the USSR and its puppet regimes — the Eastern Bloc were forced to turn to the capitalist world for salvation. This desperate survival strategy is an attempt to overcome the structural defects of the collapsing economies and save the bureaucracy as a privilege, parasitic caste. This is the essence of Perestroika and Glasnost, the reintroduction of capitalism, with the Gorbys as the new rul-

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# IST TECH POISED TO ESTABLISH BAR

BY Michelle Hardenbol

ATI will soon be able to enjoy its own student bar; the first polytech bar in the country — after one and half years of lobbying from ATISA.

The bar, which is being set up in the A Block student lounge on ATI's Wellesley Street campus, is expected to open at the end of this month.

Nearly 90% of ATI students said they were in favour of the bar in a recent poll and the ATI council approved the project at its February meeting.

ATI Students Association manager Gary Williams believes the bar will be the first non-smoking bar in the country, and says it will be promoted as a club with an emphasis on moderate liquor consumption.

"I don't want it to be a booze bar," Williams says. "We want a good quality bar." And it sounds like it will be.

Williams says most ATI students are aged over 20 and can use the bar, although membership to the social club will be limited to 5000 at the cost of \$1. Only ATI students can join and non-members won't be able to get in without going along with

a member.

Williams says the bar will offer mini-meals, bands and alcohol at below average prices. It will initially open Monday to Saturday with set hours of 4pm to 10pm. Williams said the bar would close at 10pm but people don't have to leave immediately. Drinkers can finish their beers at a relaxed pace but will be allowed to stay no later 11pm.

The bar looks like finding favour with students, 3500 of whom said in the recent poll that they were for the bar. Just 540 (13%) said they were against it.

Meanwhile, the ATI council has set up a special bar management committee to run the bar professionally. New Zealand Breweries is now building a cool room and keg system for the bar.

It looks like the organisers are approaching the project with a sound professional attitude and will be ready to offer a good service when the bar opens later this month. I'll drink to that.



The ATI Student Bar

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# COPING WITH DISABILITY

## A GIANT STEP FORWARD

In our world where to be different is to be odd, people with physical disabilities face awesome barriers and disabled students are no exception. While facilities on campus have improved in recent years, students with handicaps must still clear a momentous hurdle to be accepted as people.

by Max Chapple

Martin Sullivan first came to Auckland University in 1971 after he lost the use of his legs in a car accident. He left after just six months, partly because of the institution's inaccessibility for wheelchair bound students.

"University wasn't accessible at all and it was a huge place so the environment was really quite hostile to people with disabilities," he says.

When he returned a decade later, Sullivan found that the level of consciousness about handicapped students had increased markedly. Students with disabilities could now get almost anywhere and the AUSA had appointed a disabled student's resource officer to aid those with handicaps.

"It's really accessible now, it's really wonderful," says Sullivan, who is president of the West Auckland Disabled Persons Assembly.

"I give full marks to the University for the way it has really opened itself to students with disabilities. The staff are most co-operative, there are no physical barriers. There's no place that isn't accessible to people in wheelchairs."

The one exception is, ironically, the student union itself, which has no public lifts. AUSA has resolved to install lifts if any major alterations are made to the building.

While Sullivan says he now has few practical problems with the university, he says other students with disabilities would benefit from help in specific areas.

"Blind students need readers, people who can volunteer to read to people; deaf people have problems getting to their lectures from time to time."

"The most difficult thing really is parking. We've got to use our own vehicles so we've got to find parking around the campus. We do get special parking but parking's at a premium and able bodied

people tend to nick the parking spaces."

Sullivan says the first year is always the toughest for students with disabilities but they find it earlier when they establish their intellectual credentials.

"As your university career progresses people see that there's a person who's a hell of a lot more than someone who's blind or in a wheelchair or hearing impaired. And people tend to see you more as the person you are rather than a body that is a bit disabled or quite badly disabled."

"It's a two way thing. When people start accepting you for the person you are, not a body, it's really good for yourself and it's good for other people."

Sullivan says this is why the disabled have been trying to change the way able bodied people refer to them. He is now writing a thesis on disabilities and how paraplegics' handicaps change the way they see the world.

"For year's we've been saying don't describe us as disabled people. That's why we prefer the terminology persons with disabilities, because as soon as you describe us as a disabled person we're disabled before we're a person."

"We say we are persons who have a disability. We also happen to like rugby or cricket or netball. We also are interested in the politics of the country. We're interested in racial concerns, a whole host of other things and just one small part of our identity happens to be our disability."

Sullivan says discrimination is linked to language.

"The language we use denies a part of our reality and it silences and cuts out certain sections of our community and of our society, so it's discriminatory. It shapes our view of the world. If we talk about disabled we are disabling them, we're disempowering them, we're making them 'other'."

"I've been in a wheelchair for 20 odd years now so I tend to think that people are pretty cool to us. But when I go out with my wife, who is able bodied, she notices a lot more the way people treat me quite differently."

"The people we're mixing with are better educated so let's hope that they're broader, they tend not to patronise."

"Some people patronise us, but there's a really fine line between patronage and real concern."

Sullivan says the odds are stacked against students with disabilities.

"We have a hell of a lot more to cope with than students without disabilities. Students with disabilities are having to deal with a whole lot more shit. They've got to deal with shit at a personal level, like exclusion and not being treated as a valued being."

Vicki Terell, a BA graduate who is now studying for an MA in sociology, says fellow university students treat her as an equal but outsiders are patronising.

"I had a lot of trouble getting work and I found in the outside world I'm discriminated because of my speech and my co-ordination. Sometimes people think I have an intellectual handicap."

"I'm finding since I got my BA it's actually worse because I know that I've got the intellectual ability. I feel like hanging a sign around my neck saying 'I've got a BA'."

Terell says some people outside university patronise her. And it hurts.

"I can understand why but it doesn't make it any easier to cope with on an emotional level."

AUSA disabled students' resource officer

John Lambert, who has held the position for three years, says one problem disabled students face is that many take a long time to adapt to university.

"A lot of people with disabilities don't undertake a full time course so they never really get used to the system."

That's because of a lot of fatigue or complications which are bound to occur.

"That's my main job all the time, collecting information for those who are almost permanently in the first year student situation. They've never been fully integrated. A lot simply don't integrate because they're not in the same age group or they're not here all the time." Despite this, Lambert says students with disabilities are usually treated well by their able-bodied fellow students.

"I believe all our stu-

dents find university a really congenial place compared to the common street situation or going to a supermarket... because university students are here to challenge their thinking and if they come across anyone different the difference is appreciated and not shunned."

Lambert says this gives students with disabilities confidence for coping with the outside world.

"There's a great personal growth that comes through university. It's quite common for disabled students to do quite poorly in their first year and their grades gradually progress."

Much of Lambert's time is spent catching up on lectures or sorting out problems on behalf of disabled students. He says the students' individual departments should be the first port of call, but disabled students are hesitant to ask for help.

"For a while, students who are new to the university don't really know how to approach their department. They feel they're sort of imposing or they're going to strike somebody who doesn't appreciate their disability."

Lambert says many disabled students are older and are trying to train in a second vocation.

"There're very few people with congenital disabilities, those who are born with a disability. Two thirds of the people here with a disability which interferes with their study have had it as a result of an accident or age."

The university's disabled population can be divided in to three groups of roughly equal size. They are:

- Those with congenital diseases like blindness, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy and rheumatoid arthritis. Lambert says that some have learning disabilities as well and may be unlikely to get to university at all.

- Accident victims. Lambert says many do not come



AUSA Disabled Student Resource Officer John Lambert: 'Disabled people feel they're imposing or they're going to strike somebody who doesn't appreciate their disability.'

PHOTO: Kieran Clarke



# DISABILITY FROM MANKIND

## SKILLS FOR THE SIGHTLESS



by Max Chapple

While many disabled students have to adapt to educational structures designed for the able-bodied blind students at ATI's Akoranga campus have their own computer skills course to prepare them for real employment in the outside world.

The Royal New Zealand Foundation for the Blind business computing course, a joint project of the Foundation and ATI is New Zealand's first and only such programme.

The four-week courses began last year and the foundation claims a 92% success rate.

The Foundation's national advisor (vocational services), Vic Sinclair, says the course is a major success and is exceeding expectations.

"There have been some who by gaining computer skills have been able to maintain employment. Then there are others who have gained employment and others who have gone on to further education," he says.

Sinclair says the largest number of students were unemployed before they now have jobs.

Sinclair says he asked ATI to help in setting up the course when it was realised blind and partially-sighted people were being disadvantaged by not having computer skills.

He says the course creates competitiveness and therefore equality for blind people.

"You can't get a job unless you're competitive.

You can't get a job on sympathy or patronage," he says.

Course co-ordinator Paul Stuart of ATI says blind and partially-sighted people from all over the country attend the course.

He says the students use standard personal computers. Totally blind students have their computers linked to voice synthesisers and partially-sighted people use large image systems.

Stuart says students first learn to use these special facilities and are then trained in word processing, spreadsheets and database work.

He says the skills gained on the course are those recognised in the workforce.

"The whole idea of the course is to teach them about standard computers and to use industry standard packages... to give blind people skills that enable them to get into the workforce.

I don't see much point in teaching them heavily restricted programmes that are designed for blind people because when they say "I can use programme X" the employer will say "well what the hell's that?"

The course will soon include optical scanning, a system which enables computers to "read" documents without manual input. Blind students can then have the material recited to them by a computer-synthesised voice.



ATI Liaison Officer Jan Fitz-gerald: 'We're slow but I think we're starting.'  
PHOTO: Kieran Clarke

the university, Auckland Technical Institute is making moves towards better accommodating students with disabilities.

Liaison officer Jan Fitz-gerald says efforts are being made to improve disabled facilities but there is still much work to be done.

"Remembering that this is a very old campus and there have been no new buildings built here for 18 years, we have got nearly

every building on this campus accessible to people in wheelchairs."

Meanwhile Fitz-gerald says the arrangements at ATI's Akoranga campus on the North Shore are not satisfactory.

"I don't believe that everything is accessible there and I find it quite difficult. People in wheelchairs need to go such a long way around the building to get to their ramp whereas you or I

could go straight through the front door.

"I don't believe the Wellesley St ATI is 100%. We have very heavy front doors here, particularly for someone in a chair who's got to push them."

But things are looking brighter for the handicapped tech student. An application has been made for a special needs co-ordinator, who will work with students with learning difficulties and physical

disabilities.

Already deaf students have a helping hand in Dierdre Ward, a part-time representative for deaf and hearing impaired students. Her role is to encourage deaf students to attend ATI and work with tutors encouraging people with disabilities to come to the institute. The Health and Counselling service also takes an active role in the needs of the disabled.

"We're slow but I think

we're starting, which is at least a positive move," says Fitz-gerald.

Fitz-gerald says the number of disabled students at ATI is low but they are the students who need special attention.

"I would say at the absolute most, including all of our part-time students, there would be about 50. But then that's 50 really important people."

into contact with him because they have artificial limbs which do not interfere with their university life.

"People with age-related problems, including those in their late 50s who have had to leave work because of their health.

Lambert says that says this gives disabled students might total 80.

"They're significant numbers but unless you're in a wheelchair you don't stand out."

One of the ones that doesn't stand out is Aileen Carrington, who despite serious sight and hearing difficulties has been at university for four years.

"I think you get on alright but you've got to be prepared to help yourself," she says. "Things have improved considerably, I mean they're making more facilities available to handicapped people in the way of ramps and things like that.

"My disability is that I can't see out of one eye and I can't hear out of one ear and I find that most of the lecturers are fairly sympathetic if you explain it to them. Tutorials I find the most difficult."

Carrington says deaf people need more power points at the front of lecture theatres in order to run tape recorders.

Despite coping with most courses, some situations make it hard for people with hearing problems to take part.

Carrington: "Last year I was doing a maths paper and although they provided plenty of coaching it was useless for me to hear so I didn't go and consequently I didn't sit the paper."

Lambert says many educational practices are changing to the advantage of students with disabilities. Extra time has been given at tests, disabled students can now use typewriters if they need them and some departments automatically record lectures.

Across the road from



# TELEVISION WITH TRAVIS BRICKLE

When the latest series of **Minder** now screening here first aired in Britain it suffered an unkind reception from critics complaining about both weary plots and exhausted characterisation. After watching the first few episodes myself I have to agree that things are starting to look more than just a bit overly familiar.

In his role as Arthur, George Cole is skirting dangerously close to self-parody at times as he lays on the cowardly smarm just a bit too thick, and it is easy to speculate that his reasons for returning were more financial than artistic.

Coming back to his Terry role after starring in the TV adaptation of Fay Weldon's 'Lives and Loves of a She-Devil' could be considered a regression for Dennis Waterman, and he does look a little jaded. The nice-but-not-bright/thousand-useful-skills-guaranteed-to-keep-him-in-a-low-income-group-for-life aspect of his character has now been well and truly explored and there doesn't seem to be much else left. Still, anything to keep our Tel away from doing more of those God-awful Tegal chicken ads.

The storylines have also become a tad too predictable. There is only a finite variety of arguments that Terry and Arthur can have about whether that truckful of appliances they are required to offload around the Eastend every other week is dodgy or not, and there are only so many different cunning plans that Arthur can come up with to stay ahead of Inspector Melish and the tax man.

Thankfully the writers have made up in part for the recycled plots by injecting the script with a sharper, surlier wit, the directors have politely refrained from showing Cole and Waterman's spreading bellies in profile, and the producers have chipped in with a swollen budget that has allowed for an interesting series of name actors to play the regulation small villain who sells Arthur



*Dennis Waterman (Terry), George Cole (Arthur) and Glynn Edwards (Dave the barman): you'd be smiling too if Thames paid you £150,000 to come back for a final series of Minder.*



that truckload of dodgy appliances each week — all of which makes **Minder** still worth checking out, even if I can't be bothered deciphering the rhyming slang anymore — snow white?

Thinking up new storylines has yet to become a problem for the weird and wonderful minds responsible for creating **Wiseguy's** plots. So far Organised Crime Bureau special agent Vinnie Terranova has dispatched of the megalomaniac mafioso Sonny Steelgrave, the drug and voodoo crazed CIA backed international arms dealers Mel and Susan Profit, is currently doing battle with a group of de-

mented and extremely violent white supremacists, and will soon be off to the West Coast to purge the world of corporate music free from corruption.

It takes tall, dark and brooding Vinnie up to ten episodes to infiltrate and bring down his prey, during which time he inevitably builds up a love-hate relationship with the central protagonist and is continually tormented about having to pretend to be a baddie in front of family and friends. These carry over elements have led to the show being dubbed a "crimesoap", and with its innovative (if slightly dippy) storylines, intense, occasionally experimental direction and sardonic di-

ologue, **Wiseguy** is one of my personal faves.

Ken Wahl can't really act but as Vinnie he is so well typecast that it doesn't really matter. His speciality is self righteous anger; Vinnie is never tempted by the criminal riches that surround him when he goes undercover and refuses to be drawn into gratuitous violence.

Hence one of Vinnie's friends or family has to get killed every few episodes so that he can go on another ratings-friendly vigilante spree without offending the producers' liberal sensitivities. The latest victim of this violent plot contrivance was Vinnie's brother, a priest (boy is someone going to get it for that one) and regular **Wiseguy** viewers would doubtless advise his new young accomplice, Richie, against making plans for too far in the future — other than making a will perhaps.

TVNZ have been copping a lot of flak for their decision to cut **Blackadder Goes Forth** by seven minutes each episode. However we here at **Craccum** applaud this brave effort to cram as many commercials as possible into a thirty minute stretch and by way of celebration have published this specially edited photo of Baldrick. What? Who are you calling sarcastic?

**Minder: ONE, Mon 8.30**  
**Wiseguy: TWO, Tue 9.30**

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## RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS "Mothers Milk" (EMI)

The Red Hot Chili Peppers grew out of the early '80s hardcore scene in L.A. They are a zany concoction of punk, rap, hard rock and pure funk with a distinctive high energy sound.

"Mother's Milk" is their fourth album. The first two albums "Sneaky Styley" and "Some of my best Jokes are Friends" were produced by the outrageous daddy of funk, George Clinton ("Parliament").

The lead guitarist and founding member Hillel Slovak died of a drug overdose after the Chili Pepper's third album "The Uplift Mofo Party Plan."

Since then the Chili Peppers have recruited John Fruisicante (a devoted fan since the age of 11) and have produced their best album yet "Mother's Milk" — fittingly dedicated to Slovak.

In contrast to the last album, which was predominantly rap/funk, "Mother's Milk" is a diverse mix of songs arranged in a manner which shows off each track to advantage.

Throwing off earlier tendencies to cover those very Californian pursuits of music, friends and sun, this album is lyrically more sensitive and aware.

"Good Time Boys" in the old tradition, expounds the pleasure principle and includes a potent mixture of heavy guitar, rapping vocals and chanting melodic choruses. "Drivin' around the world getting naked on stage" refers to the band's infamous naked encores (see the cover to the 'Abbey Road' EP for further reference...).

Two cover tracks are included in this album. A wonderful version of Stevie Wonder's "Higher Ground" and Hendrix's "Fire" with drumming like there's no tomorrow.

Contrasts between tracks like "Pretty Little Ditty" (an instrumental), the fast, theatrical "Punk Rock Classic" and "Subway to Venus" (with the meanest bass playing in the comos) make the album great listening (and dancing ...).

"Knock Me Down" refers to Slovak. "If you see me getting high, knock me down, I'm not bigger than life" and "Magic Johnson" to the bands favourite basketball star. The Chili Peppers have a penchant for hard exercise.

The last song on side two "Johnny Kick a Hole in the Sky" is especially relevant to us — it refers to the oppression of an indigenous people and the judging of history.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers are hard (if not impossible) to ignore. And if the reaction they're getting in the States is anything to go by (they even appeared on ETW a couple of weeks ago) these guys are going to be big news.

Get it while it's hot. Pick it while it's ripe ...

Cath Townsend

## Edwin Collins "Hope and Despair"

Released in the 1989 English Summer, this album has yet to make it to New Zealand, but if it does the wait will be worthwhile.

Edwin Collins was, with Zimbabwean Zeke Manyike, the force behind Orange Juice. When Orange Juice split Zeke headed for deepest Zimbabwe while Edwin headed for deepest Glasgow — and found Hope and Despair. There's 13 songs in all here, covering most situations that poverty in a Scottish City is likely to produce.

"Coffee Table Song" the opening song on side one fairly well sets the mood of the album lyrically, but the sombre tones are soon dispelled on the second song, "50 Shades of Blue." After that, it's a succession of catchy songs built around some neat guitar. Recent experiments with Country and Western are evident, notably on "Pushing it to the Back of my Mind" and "Wild-Eyed Child in Me."

Probably the most commercial song on the album is "50 Shades of Blue" and with lines like 'bright inspiration sure don't pay the rent.' Edwin Collins is hoping for some airplay, and he deserves it.

Richard Gourley

## POSITIVE VIBRATIONS Greetings from Planet Aotearoa (Pagan Records)

"Positive Vibrations" is a compilation of New Zealand music from the people who gave us "Spins and Needles" in 1988. Like "Spins and Needles" this compilation features bands from all over Aotearoa — some who have never before had their material on vinyl.

Among my favourite tracks on the album are those by Gisborne bands "The Wasp Factory" and "The Big Fix." "Steel Blue Skies" by "The Wasp Factory" is a truly wonderful song — it's a few years old now, but is rousing stuff. "All I'm saying" is the offering from "The Big Fix." It's full of interesting "That's Incredible" type stories and features Steve Simpson's superb vocals.

From Christchurch "The Catherine Wheel" ("Love and Justice") and "Dolphin" ("If only I Could Hold You Once Again") give us hot vocals and guitars to match.

From Wellington, "The Magic Roundabout" treat us to an instrumental delight "The Dawn." You can almost see the sun rising up over the horizon and everything come to life (there are even a few moreporks for good measure). Beautiful just beautiful. "Jonah's Throwaway" is a nice mix of pumping bass, jangly country-style guitars, powerful drums and a great melody.

Formerly of Wellington, "The Wild Poppies" are now based in the UK. Their psychedelic sound and haunting guitars on "Out of Mind" are reminiscent of the "The Church."

"Death Ray Cafe" features ex-Sneaky Feelings man David Pine. "All Gone Crazy" is very catchy with cool rhythmic guitars. New Zealand Pop at its best.

Also from Dunedin are "The Torquemadas" ("Teenage Head" is definitely in the AK'79 mode - Pogo material) and "Nick Smith and Salient" ("Ages Five" - a poppy number but the style seems

somehow dated). Palmerston North's "Bassett Road" give us some blues in "Angel Road" for good balance.

Auckland's contribution to "Positive Vibrations" comes in the form of the "Chainsaw Masochists" and "Hallelujah Picassos." Despite the name "The Chainsaw Masochists" do not play hard thrash. "Those Walls" is a soft track — a song to chill out to. "Hallelujah Picassos"

give us religious fervour like you've never heard — frenzied guitars and progressively more maniacal vocals. *Bent but good.*

Congratulations to Pagan for compiling the album. There is ample proof here that alternative music NZ style is alive and kicking. Let's hope we see more compilations of this quality emerging on a regular basis.

Cath Townsend

# MUSIC





# BEAT BREAST CANCER!

Breast cancer is one of the easiest cancers to detect and, if discovered early, one of the simplest to treat and cure. By examining your breasts once each month and having your doctor examine them once each year, you can make sure that if a tumour starts to develop, it will be detected early.

If during self-examination you discover a lump, you should see your doctor as soon as possible.

He or she will do tests to determine whether the lump is malignant (cancerous) or benign (non-

cancerous) and will decide whether treatment is necessary.

## How to Examine Your Breasts for Lumps

The best time of the month to examine your breasts is at the end of your menstrual period.

Take your time over the examination and follow each of the steps carefully.

If you find a lump, don't handle it, massage it or keep checking to see whether it has changed size. See your doctor as soon as possible.

This simple 3-step method offers the chance of less surgery and a better quality of life for women who develop breast cancer.

The best way to learn how to examine your breasts is to be shown by a doctor or nurse.

### 1 IN THE SHOWER

Examine your breasts during bath or shower — hands glide easier over wet skin. Fingers flat, move gently but firmly over every part of each breast. Use right hand to examine left breast, left hand for right breast. Check for any lump, hard knot or thickening.

### 2 BEFORE A MIRROR

Inspect your breasts with arms at your sides. Next raise your arms high over your head.

Look for:

- changes in size, shape or contour;
- bulging, swelling, puckering or dimpling;
- bleeding or discharge from nipple;
- retraction or difference in height of the nipples.

Then, rest palms on hips and press firmly to contract your chest muscles. Left and right breast will not exactly match — few women's breasts do.

By looking at your breasts regularly, you'll know what's normal for you and be able to see any changes.

### 3 LYING DOWN

Lie down on your back, putting a small pillow or folded towel under the right shoulder (this distributes breast tissue evenly on the chest). Put your right hand behind your head.

Using the left hand and the flat of your fingers, press gently but firmly on the right breast, feeling for lumps. Work from the outer edge of the breast towards the nipple, a small area at a time, until you've worked around the whole breast with your fingers. (Think of your breasts as a wheel with spokes). Also feel the nipple area.

Do the same for the left breast, putting a towel under the left shoulder and your left arm behind your head, feeling with the right hand.

The important thing is that you feel every area of the breast.

### WHY YOU SHOULD EXAMINE YOUR BREASTS MONTHLY

Cancers of the breast are the most common cancers in women, and most of these are first discovered by women themselves. Since women whose breast cancers are discovered early and treated promptly

are likely to have a better outlook, it's important to learn how to examine your breasts properly. Use the simple 3-step breast self-examination (BSE) method shown here.

### WHEN YOU SHOULD EXAMINE YOUR BREASTS

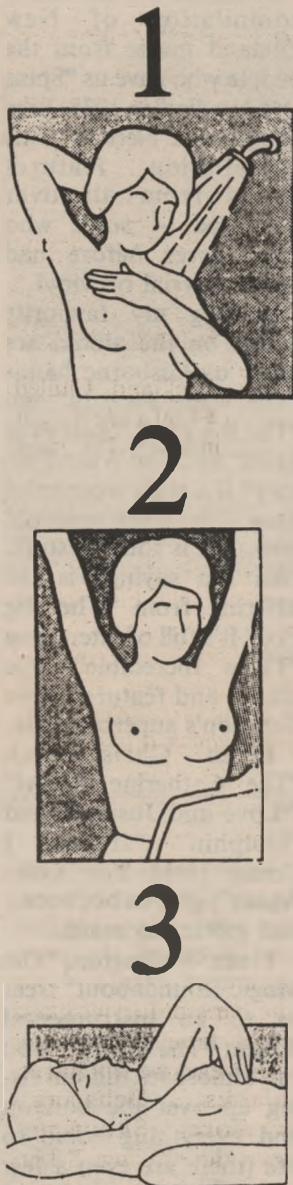
Your risk of getting breast cancer increases after the age of 35, but it's a good idea to begin monthly BSE by the time you reach 25. Do it a few days after the menstrual period (before

the period, many women have tender or "lumpy" breasts). After the change of life, choose a convenient day, such as the first of the month.

### WHAT YOU SHOULD DO IF YOU FIND A LUMP OR THICKENING

If you find a lump or dimple or discharge during BSE, see your doctor as soon as possible. Most

breasts lumps or changes are not cancer, but all should be checked by a doctor.



# HARASSMENT ON CAMPUS

University policy is that harassment on campus is totally unacceptable — whether it is from lecturers, tutors, administration and general staff or other students and whether it is on racial, sexual, religious, academic, intellectual or other grounds.

Harassment may involve the improper assumption of power by one person over another. It may involve interference by offensive behaviour or unwanted attention in the pursuit of study, work or the enjoyment of university amenities.

Sexual harassment has been defined as sexual attention that is unsolicited, unwelcome and persistent. It may be comments of a sexual nature, unwelcome actions and touching, subtle or explicit requests for sexual activity or displaying obscene pictures and posters.

Harassment procedures were established following an AUSA survey in 1984 regarding sexual harassment and a University working party report on the need for such procedures. There are two features of the procedures — the contact network, first established in 1985 and the mediator, first appointed in 1986.

The Contact Network is a group of staff (both academic and general) and student representatives. They are available for students who wish to discuss a problem situation. This does not necessarily involve a formal complaint. The contact person can discuss the possible options for dealing as effectively as possible with a harassment problem. They receive some training in their role and are co-ordinated as a group by the mediator. A list of the contact network appears at the end of this article.

The position of the mediator is part time and has relative independence in the University structure to promote impartiality. Besides supporting the con-

Students can settle problems experienced at the University by using the harassment procedures. Let's look at what is regarded as being harassment and then at the procedures.

tact network the mediator is also involved in resolving complaints that are either referred on from the contact network or are the result of a direct approach. A third responsibility is for educational activities at the University aimed at preventing harassment.

Complaints made to either contact network members or the mediator are confidential and are only dealt with in a way that is requested by the complainant.

Students complaints have included the following:

- Sexual harassment by staff or student.
- Dissatisfaction with supervisor.
- Intimidation or bullying.
- Unfair treatment or discrimination by a lecturer or department.
- Use of sexist course material.

Options for responding to possible harassment depend on the needs of the situation. An initial step may be to keep a record or diary of incidents or gather information. A direct approach to the harasser by

the student alone with a support person or with a contact network member may be sufficient to resolve a problem. A contact person may approach a supervisor or Head of Department. The Mediator may become involved in either investigating a complaint and/or mediating a resolution. In some situations, it may be that formal procedures at the university need to be invoked, such as involving the Registrar, the Dean's Committee or the Discipline Committee. Support and assistance is available at the university from such as the Counselling Service, the Student Learning Unit and Liaison Officers.

Students experiencing harassment may feel that there is nothing that they can do about it, particularly if the harasser is in a powerful position. Harassment or conflicts that are ignored rarely disappear. The more they persist the more self esteem, work/study performance and enjoyment of life are undermined.

Approaching a contact person, where support is available, is a good start in dealing with a situation at the university that is causing discomfort, tension or stress.

### HARRASSMENT HELP

People who can help you with harassment complaints that are off-campus:

Auckland Help Foundation	ph: 399-185
Rape Crisis	ph: 764-404
Auckland Women's Health Collective (For advice on doctors and specialists)	ph: 764-506
Lifeline	ph: 607-706
Presbyterian Support Services	ph: 775-654
Race Relations Conciliator	ph: 372-352
South Auckland Women's Refuge	ph: 276-8868
Supportline	ph: 396-167
West Auckland Women's Refuge	ph: 836-6381
Womanline	ph: 765-173
Youth Resource Centre	ph: 798-488



# PUB CALL

To the tune of Sam Hunt:

And it was  
Because  
we were  
on a corner below  
the hill  
opposite the phone box  
we, the E-team did land  
at the Strand  
couldn't see a band  
wandered up to the bar  
bought a jar  
but didn't go far  
so bought six more  
Lisa did scream  
cause there was no Jim Beam  
got told to vacate  
because it was eight  
o'clock  
bad  
left and sad  
right to next bar  
to lounge.



The Strand is the oldest pub in Auckland. It has survived two wars, a depression and last year's *Drink the Pub Dry*. Students are still welcome.

At the corner of Stanley Street and Parnell Rise, it is a short abseil from varsity and a mildly arduous hike back.

The Strand has two bars; a public (corner) bar; and a lounge bar which extends into a garden area. The bars have strange licensed hours so beware you don't get stuck in the corner bar with ten jugs at eight o'clock.

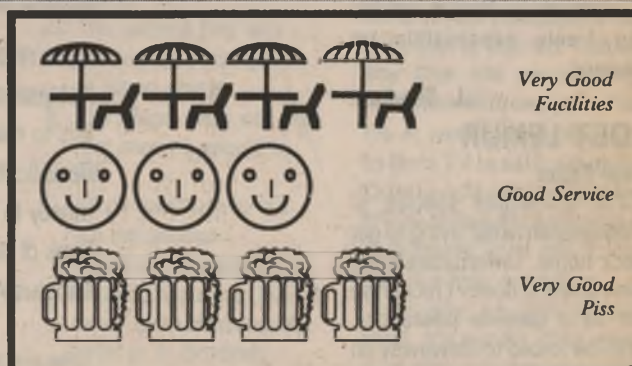
The public bar is of the classic style with a dart board, pool table, poker machines, bistro and tall tables, ideal for leaning upon and spinning bull.

The variety of beers is sensational; 13 beers on tap with

some of the best maintained lines in Auckland. Chilled glasses add a further touch of class. At \$4.60 a jug it's not the cheapest pub in town but certainly not the most expensive.

The lounge bar has a relaxed atmosphere and excellent decor (especially if you're into apricot walls). However at \$5.25 for a 'yuppie' jug the E-team was spewing. We found the service in both bars to be efficient but lacking in the matey department.

Overall the Strand has outlasted thousands of students and will outlast thousands more. An excellent drinking hole, however under-utilised due to the misconception of its distance away. The E-team says "check it out."



## The E-Team Rating

Next Week: The Occidental

## SPORTS

By AUSA Sports Officer  
Andrew Wickers

### AUSA SPORTS CLUB CONTACTS

Sports Club	President	Phone No
A U Barbarians Rugby Football	Vaifo'ou Pangatua	
A U Gymnastics Club	Rene Flachsmann	697-901
A U Men's Hockey Club	Tony Bell	523-3101
A U Netball	Sarah Coe	608-328
A U Orienteering Club	Alistair Landels	685-488
A U Rifle Club	Simon Cross	389-218
A U Rugby League	James Monaghan	665-515
A U Shotokan Karate Club	Gordon Wong	590-549
A U Tae Kwon Do	Robert Ashton	604-380
A U Underwater Club	Andrew Tennant	836-6593
A U Women's Basketball	Alice	763-920
Rowing	Julian Sutherland	556-805
Ski (U.A.S.C.)	Guy Bullot	557-023
Swords	M. Bovelander	444-9564
Legal Professional Students Sports Club	Lindsey Jones	496-348
Uni Squash	A McHugh	699-055
Uni Track Club	Bruce Jones	600-446
Women's Sports Fighting Club	Monique Chasteau	521-0469

### DB EASTER TOURNAMENT REPORT

Well I'm back now in my office after a week of fantastic rowing, on Lake Karapiro, so all you whinging bastards out there who've been complaining about me not being in my office — come in and see me and give me lots of money to come down to the tourney.

On the serious side of tourney I'm afraid to inform you that surfing has been taken off the programme of events — as some person doesn't have enough time to arrange it — however we still have: Athletics, Debating, Largebore Shooting, Waterpolo, Cycling, Table Tennis, Women's Hockey, Cricket, Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball, Windsurfing, Rowing. So pick out one of these and come

down to tourney — no experience necessary.

As far as transport goes, I have 60 seats — sorry only 40 left, the engineers just came through.

These seats will take the train down and the plane back. The cost is approximately \$250 return, however some sports are already fundraising — so if you're organised you'll get it a lot cheaper.

One last important piece of information is that at

the completion of tournament a Largebore Shooting NZU team will be selected and NZUSU have just decided to allow them to tour. So it will be advantageous if you are a Largebore shooter to be at tourney.

PS. Best time to catch me in my office is Thursday 10-2pm, but I'm in there at other times as well. Remember I am a student and do have lectures so be patient!



Don't forget Round The Bays on Sunday March 18 and don't bother breaking any records because if you do, we won't believe ya!



## BRAIN-DEAD COMMUNISTS

Dear Ed

I was disappointed to see, in Issue 2 of *Craccum*, yet another brain-dead communist attempting to justify the violation of human rights by invoking his favourite hate words "white imperialism."

R.M. Bennett claims "... free speech is not absolute but relative." Relative to what? Relative to how closely you agree with him?

I noticed that during Orientation Week 'Pathfinder Books and Pamphlets' ran a stand selling communist propaganda and material promoting terrorist organisations, both of which are offensive to most members of New Zealand's free society. Is this what Messrs Pym and Bennett think of as free speech? The promotion of one group that would dispense with technicalities and simply kill everyone who disagrees.

Their definition of free speech sounds like it was read straight out of "Mein Kampf" — so much for Nazism not being freely expressible on campus.

G.L. Shadbolt

## LOST LEMUR

Dear Editor

I'm an extinct species of Madagascan lemur trying to get back home. Unfortunately Air New Zealand doesn't recognise me as a genuine passenger. Will I be forced to stowaway on a log raft or can you offer me an alternative route?

Yours in frustration  
Myrtle Lemur

## A Question of Angst or What is Angst?

I came home one day drunk.

I ate some mushrooms, black with mildew.  
I fried them in three inches of oil in a pot  
not  
a pan  
and it only got luke-warm.  
Flowers and sunshine.  
Hi mum.

Sammy

P.S. I read a poem in burnished gold.  
I thought IF IT'S BURNISHED  
WHAT'S IT DOING HERE?

AND HERE?

## Down But Not Out

She doesn't know which way is up  
Through her eyes she's screwy  
If life has been the same for so long  
The change is even harder.  
"I live my life by these rules," she says  
As she seeks to discover others.  
"I've been loopy, of late,  
I've just finished something,  
one year before it was over."

Princess with more than one beauty,  
Sonatina.  
Uncertainty send thoughts, dreams,  
into another world, Sonatina.  
Songs of love, excitement  
Drag you under and above, Sonatina.  
Challenge yourself, Sonatina.  
Challenge the poet  
Challenge it all if you want  
I want to love you, Sonatina.

WRE 7/3/90

## SUICIDE PIGLET

Dear Piglet

Your case is a lost cause. If you truly are a lesbian then you have no future and no hope whatsoever.

Do the honourable thing, commit *hari kari* at once. Who knows — if you slice thinly enough we could all have some ham sandwiches (better than fish).

Yours truly  
Pig Farmer

## BRUCIE A BEAST?

Dear Editor

I would just like to bring to your attention the striking similarity between Bruce Alabaster, New Zealand Chairman of the Young Nationals and Vincent of "Beauty and the Beast" fame. Is Brucie a dimwit like Vincent?

Sincerely yours  
Peter Mal ihop

## MINOR PROBLEM

Dear Steve

Minority pressure groups are really only self-interested selfish greed organisations. They always have their hands out for some money or benefit or special treatment, which they call their "rights".

It's time to tell them all to go to hell, especially as they always expect the rest of us to provide and pay for them, at our cost.

Why should we always lose out to help these mutants?

Let them learn to support themselves for once.

J. Strauss

## MATT ON THE MARK

re Editor 'Craccum'

Matt Levin takes the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development to task and rightly so.

J.P.D. has ceased to represent the majority of Roman

Catholics since 1985 when it released a programme for radical social change to be implemented over five years.

An independent, indigenous form of Catholicism is their ultimate goal.

Boycott the J.P.D. lenten appeal. Instead give any donations to the Salvation Army and follow the message of Fatima.

Sincerely

Simon de Montfort

## MUSICAL NOTES

J. Strauss replies:

Two weeks ago I wrote in to say "Shadows is a pox hole". Today I stand by this. Who the hell is this Gort, Girt, Grotbag fellow anyway? He considers himself a real expert on pubs and drinking establishments does he? He says "Shadows is great." I say he's addled his poor brain by spending so much time in the joint.

Anyway, if he is the type of

patronage they get, then it just proves my arguments against the place. Low standards, low service, low expectations, low esteem.

It all goes to show what low standards Mr Girt must have also. Low standards, low expectations, low achievements, low esteem. Poor boy! He does fit the theme of the place rather well though.

For those of us with some brains.... Look for yourself; decide if Shadows is O.K. or if, as I said previously, "a pox hole".

As for piglet:

Yes, a fair comment. You are absolutely right. The place needs a catwalk for the bartop dancers. But cleaning it up to achieve better standards won't be bad. Certainly the *yuppies* won't be coming in, especially if you have the dancers, because they aren't into real drinking establishments and acknowledging their sexuality.

The yuppies are all the pink liberal woolly rubbish and couldn't face up to a real pretty naked body without going into fits of apoplexy.

Remember yuppies are into feminism. Yuppie boys like to beg their girls for a spanking and then feel guilty about it afterwards — the little perverts!

Besides, a clean up of Shadows would do well to attract more desirous maidens for Piglet to have social intercourse with.

Lets bring Shadows back to the mainstream.

Cheers  
J. Strauss

## SOBERING NEWS

Dear Steve

It is now 12.20 on a Thursday afternoon and Shadows is not open. What in the bloody hell is the problem?

A very dry and sober student

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### BAN THE BIBLES

Dear Steve

Did you see all the used religion salesmen in the Quad this enrolment? It was pretty bad to be harangued by these professional hucksters. God, they were all over the place, like a plague! Can't they be banned?

It's obscene to be confronted by a religious protection racket every time you set foot on campus. It amounts to little more than that either, despite the religio's claims of enlightenment. "Join us, or face dire consequences in the afterlife," the ranting goes.

I'll tell you one thing, if you do join you'd be facing dire mental consequences now.

I mean who can possibly believe the fairy tale brain-rot they preach? Take creating the world in seven days, for example. Everyone knows it takes nine months; which all goes to show their lack of experience in certain basic functions as well!

But seriously, these people must be the ultimate deluded nutters. They are very ignorant and hide this behind hocus pocus incantations. Then they have the gall to make pronouncements on real serious matters, outside their sect, like ethics or politics or social matters; about all of which they have no experience or serious contribution to make.

A university is about learning the truth and the truth requires rigorous standards of evidence to approach.

That anyone, in the absence of any evidence at all, can quote the religio line as fact and actually believe it, is beyond the limits of sanity.

How can they wear their religion as a qualification to make pronouncements on world politics for example (witness the inserts in the daily press), is beyond laughing about.

It's like Stalinists commenting on how to implement glasnost in the USSR or saying "Hey guys, fall out is good for you!"

Yours sincerely  
T Ainich

### INGERSOLL RANTS: JUST HOT AIR?

Dear Editor

Thankyou Freethinkers for some most enlightening germs by Robert Ingersoll; much rhetoric and little argument. A few brief comments:

If Christians have done bad things, proves it's not true, Christians have done good things, proves it IS true. Scratch argument one. I don't want to gloss over the evil that's been done by alleged Christians, but for lack of space let me say that utter misery has also been caused in the name of Atheism.

Witness the torture, imprisonment and death of hundreds of thousands (at least) in the Soviet Union, China, Cuba etc. For their religious beliefs. An outworking of Ingersoll's statement "Every preacher who teaches [religion] is an enemy of mankind."

On the other hand, Wilberforce fought for 30 years in the British Parliament to abolish

slavery after he became a Christian. 'Lest we forget.'

'Science' does not deny the supernatural, it says 'give me soem evidence I can test.' If you can measure it, you can say something about what you discover. We can't measure love. Yet does that mean it doesn't exist? We can't even measure Ingersoll's reason, yet he has enough faith in it to write of its wonders.

Oppenheimer and Whitehead, both non-theists and scientists, have each written that modern science couldn't have occurred outside of a Christian worldview. Because early scientists believed the Universe was created by God who was rational, they were sure they could use reason to investigate it. Religion was the cradle Ingersoll refers to!

The cartoon was good.

Yours rationally  
Jonathan Beazer

PS. This letter formed spontaneously over millions of years from pieces of black and white paper and was found in our fridge (anything grows there!).

### BOLD REPLY

Dear Editor

To "Imperialist Flag" (AKA Trevor 'Bold' .. AKA poor, lost Pom), New Zealand's "imperial glory of earlier times" consisted largely of NZ being exploited by Britain, so my first piece of advice to you is to become a jolly informed chappy by looking up 'glory' in the dictionary.

If certain students consider themselves too good for the Union Jack, it may be because their ancestors passed on this belief after fleeing the country from where it originated. To the rest of New Zealand - a great number of people of many races whose ancestors immigrated here from the part of the world not calling itself Britain (a substantial part of the world, you may be surprised to learn) and whose ancestors fought for NZ in both world wars (including those who you refer to as descending from cannibals), worked to make NZ prosper (in spite of exploitation by foreign forces) and procreated here, the Union Jack on our flag can seem simultaneously puzzling and offensive. If you love it so much, my second piece of advice to you is that you are the one who should "piss off" (I suggest some place where stars do not intrude upon the flag carrying your beloved Union Jack).

You claim to be proud of the fact your ancestors were not cannibals but I must point out that descending from a long line of morons is nothing to brag about either (some may consider it far worse). If your ancestors were not morons, my third and final piece of advice to you is that you should donate yourself to the Anthropology Dept immediately as living proof of recessive evolution.

D Bjornstrand-O'Hara

PS. Despite my dislike of someone else's flag hogging up a corner of ours, I do not approve of anyone being removed from

the Quad simply for flying it. Please let the University be a democratic institution where freedom of expression is allowed, whether these expressions are in harmony with Roger Pym's or anyone else's or not.

PPS. Perhaps students could submit designs for a flag which is more suitable to represent a post-colonial New Zealand. Craccum could do a feature, hold a competition or something.

### "FASCIST WHO?"

Dear Editors

Re: "Fascist Flag" by RM Bennett

It did not surprise me at all, upon doing some research to find that the name Bennett is a synonym for radical prick.

What an incompetent arsehole Bennett is to confuse freedom of speech with fascism and oppression with justice. In fact, to refuse the right of any persons to take pride in their nation's flag is disgraceful. Attempting to justify this action by labelling the flag a symbol of white imperialism is ignorance. Confusing the flag with Fascism and Nazism simply compounds the error.

The oppression of our flag is more fascist than any action of those who raised it. One wonders what vision the radical anti-imperialists have of New Zealand's future. Do they envisage a New Zealand where they reign supreme, communication in a sadly obsolete language and justifying the oppression of caucasian culture with the words "white-middle-class-fascist-racist-etc-etc?"

Well, RM Bennett, my culture . and yours if your surname is any indication . is the product of several thousand years of dynamic cultural exchange. In contrast, Polynesian cultures developed in relatively isolated environments. However, as a product of a culture forged from a great number of other cultures, I am prepared to accept your cultural affiliation. Just as I do not object to Maori war canoes in Queen Street, you should accept the national flag on Campus.

Jim

### LAMB'S BRAINS

Dear Editor

Imagine my surprise in late February when I read a letter to Craccum signed:

Gort

Craccum Co-Editor 1988

Whilst one could hardly expect someone with Gort's mentality to be objective it is nonetheless disturbing to note his puerile preoccupation with events of such minor nature. Hasn't he anything better to do? If I could, for just a moment, slip to his sorry level, might point out that Michael Lamb's letter was not in fact written to the Herald but to the Star. (Gort, these are different newspapers, the Herald comes out in the morning, the Star in the evening).

But I digress. Any rational person reading this would by now think as indeed I do: "So what."

A psychiatrist would no

doubt dismiss Gort's writing as the ravings of a jealous, insecure nobody whose own black hole of talent is put into sharp and shameful relief by the supernova of genius that is Michael Lamb. Why Gort tears himself down by comparing himself to those so clearly above him is beyond me.

Finally, if Gort thinks Craccum 1989 was bad then that is surely a damning indictment on his own efforts the year before, when Craccum quite clearly was inferior to the Michael Lamb version.

I hope this is the end of this trivial little episode.

A distant but still fervent admirer of Michael "Megabrain" Lamb.

### EXPLETIVE (DELETED)

Dear Fascist Bully-Boy (aka Chief Censor Steve)

Give me some space you bastard. Last week I submitted a letter complaining about the then suspected policy of censoring expletives. The letter was duly censored confirming my not too tentative initial hypothesis.

Steve does not censor ideas, no that would be too liberal of him — he censors words. Words which express ideas or give those ideas weight. Specifically, Steve's heinous crime is the censorship of expletives. Yes readers it's true! For two consecutive issues, no f-words-that-rhyme-with-duck have appeared in our newspaper. The said letter of course, contained several expletives which obviously "offended" poor Steve's sensibilities. Not only is his mother laughing at him now.

Steve's ban on expletives really is unparalleled. Even if this letter is published I still shall not be compensated because there is not a single expletive in

it. Get your act together Steve.

May the seed of your loin be fruitful in the belly of your woman.

R M Bennett

Ed Replies: Actually, people have been laughing at me all my life (sniff) because of my identity crisis. (I don't know whether I am Joe Stalin or Franco).

P.S. If an expletive is the only word you can find to lend appreciable weight to your ideas they must be pretty light on intelligence to begin with. Take a hike, berk.

### FLAG FIASCO

Despite the assertions of one sexless RM Bennett (a eunuch — no balls perhaps?), not all conservative nor fascist thinkers are white e.g. Desmond Tutu, Idi Amin respectively.

Indeed in Bennett's inane diatribe, said sexless being overlooks the following facts:

- 1) The NZ flag is not the symbol of the National Party.
  - 2) The current flag was chosen by a delegation of Maori chiefs.
  - 3) The Maori were not the first race of people in NZ.
  - 3) All people born in NZ are indigenous.
- Are there any pure-blooded Maoris in NZ? (I mean even Howard Morrison is ¼ Scottish).

Many students are sick and tired of the bullshit expounded by radical left-wing thinkers who distort history and modern day facts to suit questionable motives.

All cultures in NZ, be they of European, Asian or Pacific cultures must meld together to develop a new vibrant culture.

No one cultural group is completely right nor completely wrong.

A chocolate milkshake is made from blending dark brown cocoa and white milk.

Life would be highly illogical without chocolate milkshakes!

Spock

### BURGLARS KILL THOUSANDS

Dear Steve

It's time to bring back the death penalty!

And not just for murder, but burglary as well.

Who gives two dogs if it's good for criminals to face the hangman's noose or the butcher's hook (actually it's not too good for the criminals!).

Instead of all the expense and worry of trying to rehabilitate the crims and lawbreakers, we can stop them period.

No more reoffending!

Because you can't do crime on the end of a rope or with a meathook in your back.

Why do I mention burglars as well as murderers? Well, just think of your possessions as an extension of your life. They cost you time and money to get. (You have to spend part of your life at work getting the money to get a TV or car for instance). Once you have spent this time, it's permanently locked up in your goods! So in effect, a burglar is a little murderer.

Anyway, a burglar shouldn't steal. It's not on. If he does... no deals, no judgement, no forgiveness, no rehabilitation even. We will just turn him off!

See, no emotion whatsoever, just expeditious end of aberration!

In no time flat most of the crime would stop, one way or another!

Besides, we could even televise some more notorious executions as a salutary lesson to others contemplating doing naughty stuff.

Your mate  
T. Bold

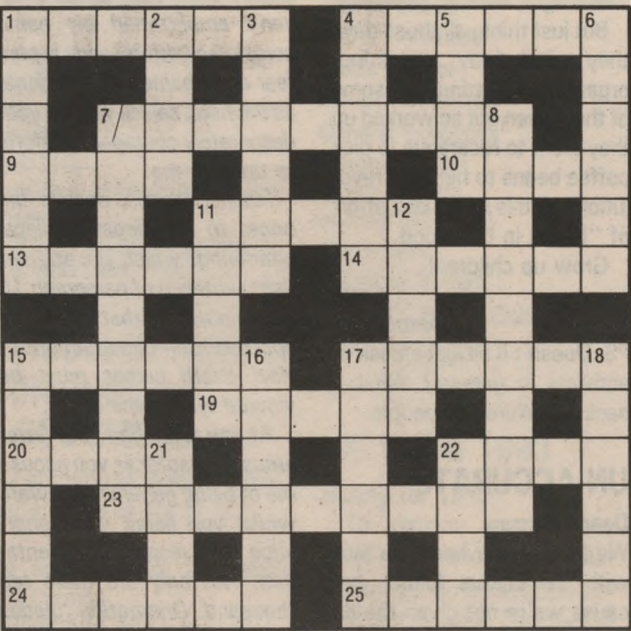
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## CROSSWORD



### SOLUTION NEXT WEEK

#### Solution to Crossword, Issue 2:

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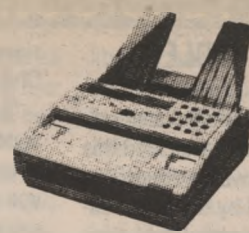
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## BAAAAA!

Hey Eds

What's with the sheep? Is this going to lead to some bestial Engineering ritual? And where does Flossy fit into all this?

Yours confusedly  
Daggy Boy

## VARSITY VIRGINS

Dear Steve

Recently published research confirms that the average university student does not lose virginity until the age of 22yrs!

Does this explain why so many of us are so frustrated? I had always wondered why so many of our number turned to causes and activism. Now I know the reason.

Obviously puberty comes too early for these people and it looks as if they may as well not have any sex organs at all. (Not that they would understand what they were for).

Best to go to Tech where the average action age is 18 years!

Yours  
T Bold

## LET'S PAY

Dear Steve

I disagree with student calls for free tertiary education. As a duly enrolled student I believe that we should pay for the privilege of drinking from the "well of knowledge" that is the University.

Why should some of us get our own personal education at some one else's expense? All these freebie degrees cost someone, somewhere to pay dearly for our advancement. Time to stop the "you owe me" handout brigade mentality and look after ourselves.

And if you reckon that graduates put more back in than they take out of the system, then please explain what good my degree in English Lit. will be to anyone but myself? After all by far the vast majority of us are taking degrees which do not directly benefit NZ's productivity one bit at all. While this may be a "socially" desirable thing, we are really only feeding ourselves from the few productive ones who work hard. I was proud to be accepted into Auckland University and happy to bear my share of my burden.

Also if you say you can't afford to be in University then perhaps you should be growing up and doing something useful somewhere else.

Lets stop bludging and begging and have some pride in our personal ethic. Lets be self sufficient and responsible.

Yours with anticipation  
M Levin

## HAIR'S ONE

Dear Steve

Have you noticed that many gays have grown moustaches and other facial hair? Have you noticed traffic cops have this too?

Is there a connection, illicit or otherwise?

Please let me know.

Signed  
The Hairy One

## HOW TIMES CHANGE!

To Steve Amanono

So the Sandanistas were rejected by the people of Nicaragua! My how times have changed, but everything stayed the same.

It seems despite claims to the contrary, the Sandanistas were not the democratic choice; ten years ago or today. Looks like they were the tyrants! I guess those clever yanks were right all along.

How silly all those naive students and pro-Sandanista protest activists look now. I wonder what sort of fairy story they'll invent to rationalise it all away.

Yep, I know, all the Nicaraguan people were duped by the American Capitalist Imperialists. (Everyone gets fooled except the imbecilic activists; just like every other protest, they always know they're right).

What convoluted self-righteous little minds they have! Them right, the rest all wrong.

But just think, all those days they toiled away; protesting, organising, plotting and some of them even got so worked up they went to Nicaragua to pick coffee beans to help the revolution. All this misguided effort of "babes in the wood."

Grow up children!

From  
J Santuccione  
PS. Doesn't it all just smack of activists in general? What a pack of failures as people.

## UN-ACCURATE

Dear Craccum

We have a few bones to pick with the Editors (plural, because we're not given the divine knowledge of which pillock edits and answers letter). Stand up and be counted, you hypocrites, (re: "Bad Deal", 26 Feb.). Further, do you think that "Had-it-up-to-here" is living in a masochistic fantasy world, as your first paragraph suggests? Just because you feel it's okay to act after 'extreme provocation', so did fascist Nazi Germany, (re: WW II concentration camps).

How can our student voice (Craccum) be edited. I use the term loosely — by grossly apathetic, unhip, non-funky, un-cool and unaware students, who aren't even Orientation freaks? Orientation is just once a year, you know. It's the best chance that 1st years get to become a part of the Varsity community.

If Craccum editors are unwilling or unable to provide Orientation information — these people are supposed to be running a newspaper with some journalistic ability — where are the students supposed to get it — The Yellow Pages? Toilet walls? Both prove to be insufficient!!!

We commend your changes, made to allow easier correspondence with Craccum, but object to the unprofessional editorial comments, while editing in a Stalinist manner (the Wall has fallen).

Looking forward to freedom of expression in Craccum or upcoming Editorial elections; your choice.

Yours sincerely  
Gordon S and Antony V.  
Stali-what? you can't be serious? If Orientation is your best chance to become part of the Varsity community, you obviously don't make any lasting friends during the year, which I can't say I find surprising.

As for calling me a hypocrite, you pathetic whining little cretins, both Sarah and I put our full names at the front of the paper. True, the reason I haven't emblazoned my name across the 'letters' page is pure fear and shame: The students as a whole, salute you for your desperately courageous efforts to unmask me.

Further to this, despite the boost to my megalomaniacal panderings which you attempt (last sentence of paragraph 1), the imputation that my views sparked the construction of Nazi death camps must be viewed with some doubt.

At any rate I find your letter amusing insofar as you accuse me of being generally unaware whilst you flaunt your ignorance with respect to Orientation. Not only are there ten thousand Orientation guides floating around campus, the Orientation Controller was quite satisfied with the material with which he supplied me, at the last possible moment. This tardiness meant there was insufficient time to reprint (redundantly) the O'week timetable. The reply to "Agitated" (Issue 1) was clearly pure opinion.

Here's hoping you can manage a letter each next week.

Steve

## PORK TALK

Hey Steve

What's the story? My male lesbian letter was meant to attract panting replies from lusty young bimbos and all you do is print cheap abuse from the WRO. By "male lesbian" I mean I like to wear workboots, chase dories and not shave my legs and this does not imply any sexual malfunction as seems synonymous with some lebbos. Anyway, this is minor prattle beneath the literary standards of your esteemed journal. This week's issue, "what's the beef with 'Womens Rights anyway?'" They've already got the votes and driving licences and as a result the Pigletmobile was smacked by a crazed dorie high on some menstrual hormone overdose. When are righteous blokes going to say enough of this abuse? As that great visionary and piss-head the Great Grand Piglet said a few years ago: "Give 'em the vote and the dorie will expect kitchen appliances, orgasms and equal pay." And he was right.

Lets face it; dorie now pollute the atmosphere with CFCs from hairspray, murder whales for face paint and demand valuable TV time for fluff like 'Neighbours' when they could show a decent porno flick or a footie match. It comes down to individual responsibility. If every bloke took his dorie aside and gave her the hard word on behaviour instead of listening to crap about rights and respect then blokes could drive around in peace and generally get on with things. As my old mate Most Feared Bob says: "If God had meant women to be equals, why did he give them kitchens?"

Yahoo  
Piglet

PS. What's with all the abuse of the flag? If anymore pussies bitch about it tell them to go back to banging rocks and rubbing sticks together because the flag stands for civilisation and that means Blokedom.

## "GEMS" OR "FOOL'S GOLD"

Dear Ed

It is incredible that in an institution dedicated, as University is to reason, research and truth, an article such as "Gems" (Craccum, 5 March 1990) can appear.

Ingersoll's view of the Bible is an extremely warped one indeed and bears about as much resemblance to the real thing, as do the current Government's election promises to the policy

it actually implemented.

While the Bible contains records of injustice, war and death, it also prescribes the cure for these and yet the patient rejects the medicine, even though it is administered by a Physician who was prepared to die for the patient, so great was His concern for the patient's health.

But enough analogy. Ingersoll equates Christianity with the Inquisition, the Pope and ignorance. It is none of these things. Ingersoll neglects to mention that Copernicus himself was a Christian who believed in a God of order, prompting him to study the universe with objectivity, logic and reason, which I as a Christian consider essential to any philosophical system of belief.

Ingersoll has taken "Gems" from a church history that is political as well as religious and used these to deride the belief itself and taken "Gems" from the Bible, suitably misinterpreted and twisted them and them presented them biased and out of context.

Christianity is not the Pope, a people or a political system but a relationship with God, which is logical, defensible and not a conflict with science. If Ingersoll's protegee wishes to see a paper on this last point, I can provide one.

I wonder whether Ingersoll's anonymous proponent has the guts to substantiate his pedagogue's views or did Ingersoll himself submit this article to Craccum? (Maybe ther is life after death after all).

Bruce Williams

PS. Loved Larson's Farside cartoon.

## BLACKADDER FAN

Dear Ed

Just a quick note while I'm sitting down. Great newsletter but please could you make it more absorbant and perforated so we can really get the feel of it.

Yours  
WC

## SOLVENT SLEUTH

Dear Craccum

I was thinking about installing a petrol pump on the front lawn of our flat and wonder whether any of our readers could tell me the technique that petrol stations owners use to site petrol pumps — since wherever they put them they always seem to strike petrol.

Victor Pratt

## RAVINGS IN THE ATHENEUM

Darlings

Re: Letter entitled 'Grotty Bar' issue 1 1990.

What sort of sniveling, prattish, homosexual, sub-human are you, to assert your false consciousness, upon the rest of the enculturalized, itinerant, intellectual civilised body of New Zealand intelligentsia.

It is deeply imbedded in tradition, in the mysticism of alcoholic wonderment, that 'Shadows' that irreverent Atheneum of Auckland University be a "Pox Hole."

After all where else can one cheaply numb the brain, emblazon the lavatories with vomit and frank ravings, soak the carpet in vino and broken glass and violate the air with the noxious fumes of cancer, with blatant disregard for the rest of humanity. If you want somewhere ageless, pristine and plastic I suggest elsewhere, you base, intimidated, insignificant cretin.

Lovies

The Blue Pimpernel

## DID YOU KNOW?

Dear Steve

Did you know that:-  
"Fighting for peace" is like "rooting for virginity?"  
Ray Galvin didn't.

From  
Matt Levin

## FORGERY FORTHWITH

Dear Listeners

Due to university becoming a place solely for the rich, students are advised of the following changes:

- 1) Persons requiring to post letters etc, to loved ones in China must now employ a personal secretary to perform such tasks. Better still deliver it personally.
- 2) Students wishing to purchase textbooks should fly to the country of publication and make purchases there. It's cheaper and more fun.
- 3) Students wishing to forge the ID card must now employ the services of a professional forger. Also will they now accept bribes for under-age entry into shadows?

Students wishing to voice their opinions about these changes should address a plastic milk bottle to the Prime Minister (no stamp required) inscribed with the words: "If I was Goff, I'd be off."

Dave the Team

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# NOTICES

## AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING OF AUSA

The Autumn General Meeting of the AUSA will be held on Wednesday 28th March 1990 in room B28 from 1.00-2.00pm. If the meeting is inquorate, a further meeting will be held on Thursday 29th March in room B28 from 1.00-2.00pm.

Persons wishing to have items placed on the agenda must have given written notice to the AUSA Secretary 14 days before the meeting (i.e. 14.03.90).

## MAIDMENT LUNCHTIME MOVIE SEASON - MONDAYS 1.05pm

March 12 "Return of the Living Dead," Part 2.  
March 19 "The Abyss."  
From the director of "Terminator" and "Aliens" comes a spectacular underwater saga about an oil rig crew that gets involved in a perilous mission to rescue a sunken nuclear sub. (140 minutes).  
Admission is only \$2 per film.

## EMPLOYMENT JAPAN

A programme is currently underway to employ an assistant english teacher with Hitachi Municipal Board of Education in Hitachi City, Japan. The appointment is effective from 1 August 1990 - 31 July 1992. Salary Y3,600,000 to be paid monthly. Applicants must be of New Zealand nationality and native speakers of english. See Careers Officer for the application form and terms of agreement.

## PSYCHO DAIZIES - FINAL GIG

The Psycho Daizies rock and roll for the last time at Ponsonby's Gluepot on Wednesday 14 March for only \$6.

## PEOPLE AND ASTRONOMY

Discussions held at Auckland Observatory, One Tree Hill Domain.  
March 15 "18 Billion Years of Space and Time."  
March 22 "Exploration of the Solar System."  
Cost \$10 per session, beginning 8pm.

## CRICKET

All of those interested in playing cricket at Tournay (Otago) please contact:  
Steve Aburn 665-228 asap

## SWIMMING WATERPOLO

This Thursday, 15 March at 1.05 pm at the Banana Bar (Globe), there will be a meeting for all persons interested in travelling to Dunedin over Easter to play Waterpolo, swimming or taste Speights. If you cannot make this meeting, contact Darren Kearney 498931.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC DISPLAY

Absence/Presence by Adrienne Martyn.

A visually striking exhibition, the artist has successfully managed to portray images which suggest the possibility of narration and passage.

George Fraser Gallery, Princes St.

16 March-16 April.

## WOMINSPACE JOURNAL COLLECTIVE

Come to our first meeting of the year on: **Thursday 15 March** at 1pm in Wominspace. All Wimin interested in writing reading, listening to and/or publishing poetry and prose welcome. Wimin artists welcome too. See you there or contact Sue, Home ph. 604726

## UNIVERSITY FEMINISTS

Meet Thursday lunchtimes 1-2pm in Wominspace. Contact Susan Rae x858.

## LESBIANS ON CAMPUS

Meet Mondays 1-2pm in Wominspace. Contact Susan x858.

## PHOTOSOC — AUCKLAND UNI PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Interested in photography? Want to do your own processing and printing?

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•Courses for beginners and more experienced people will be run on various aspects of photography throughout the year.

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Membership only \$15  
AGM to be held on the 20th March, 6.30pm. See noticeboard for more details!!

## 1990 COMMISSION - WEEK EVENTS

March 12-14 "National Mutual Touring Art Exhibition Number 6." National Mutual Centre.  
March 15 "Auckland Philharmonic Orchestra Concert" Aotea Centre.

March 16-24 "Saved of a Mermaid in his Lobster Pot" a production being held at the Pumphouse, Takapuna.

March 18 "Round the Bays Fun Run" Starting from Victoria Park. Make those running shoes useful again.

## FOOD CO-OP 1990

There will be a meeting for all those interested in being involved with the food co-op on Thursday 15 March in the cafe extension. The continuation of this service is dependant on your participation — so if you want cheap fruit and veges make sure you're there.

Andrew Spörle  
Welfare Officer

## CARPPOOL NETWORK AUSA

Join AUSA's carpool network. If you have spare space in your car and want to save on petrol or you need a lift to uni then pick up a carpool card from AUSA reception. Fill it out, hand it back and we'll match up drivers with passengers.

## SRC (STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL)

Every Wednesday at 1pm in the Quad or Cafe extension. Come and hear what students have to say about AUSA policy, actions of the Executive, clubs being affiliated to AUSA and decisions made that affect you and you didn't even know it.

## HYDRODYNAMIC MODELLING CLUB

As our first event and to get to know one another we are planning a walkabout tour of Auckland.  
Meet 5pm this Friday 16th March in Shadows, near the dartboards. Dress Formal.

## BEER BREWERS

The Brewer's Guild is holding its AGM in the Lower common room at 6pm this Thursday (15 March). Refreshments will be on sale. The meeting will elect the committee and start planning events for this year.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

Held at St Andrews Church, Alton Rd for all students. Ray Galvin, University Chaplain is the preacher. Sunday 18 March 1990.

## MASTERWORKS GALLERY

March 13-31. A Ralph Herschell Levy exhibition of his Ceramics will be held in the Habitat Courtyard, Parnell Rd, Auckland.

## MERCURY THEATRE - 1990

Hamlet by William Shakespeare. The season continues up until March 31. Concessions available for students.

## GYMNASTICS CLUB AGM

Held on 20 March 1990 in Library Lecture theatre B10 between 1-2pm. Come along and support your club. New members welcome. Training Tuesday and Thursday nights 6-8pm in the Rec Centre. See you there!

## CHRISTIAN FOCUS

Meeting in the University Maclaurin Chapel Hall, Friday 16 March 1pm. Helen Wadsworth and Peter Varey will speak on "Will Nicaragua survive?"

## AUCKLAND FILM SOCIETY

March 13 "Where the Heart Roams," USA 1987, 6.00pm.  
"Lighting over Braddock," USA 1988, 8.15pm.  
Charley Grey's Picture Theatre.

## MEDITATION A Skill for Life

Starting: Every Thursday 1pm from 8/3.  
Venue: Rm 033. Old Arts Building  
Cost: Free.  
Enquiries: Meditation/Yoga Centre.  
Ph 837-4321 Ananda Marga Meditation and Yoga.

## JOAQUIN ZEPEDA PAINTINGS & SCULPTURE

27 February-16 March, 1990  
Hours: Tues to Fri 11-5

The artist thanks the QEII Arts Council.  
Rodney Kirk Smith Art Ltd, 41 Victoria St West, Auckland.

## LOST

A silver and onyx bracelet at Alfies Nightclub Orientation Bad Boy Party — very special to me so whoever picked it up can contact me and collect a \$50 reward.

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## BISEXUAL CONFERENCE

If interested, remember to get more details and booking forms from the Student Association office. The conference takes place in Wellington 13-15 April.

## OTAGO EXEC 1990

**President**  
Donald Jones  
**Admin. Vice-President**  
Kerry McPhail  
**Education & Welfare V.P.**  
Helen Jamieson  
**Treasurer**  
Tim Clarkson  
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Antony Deaker  
Kirsty Graham  
Hamish McDouall  
Emma Reid  
Matthew Yarnell  
**Women's Rights Collective**  
yet to be elected

## CRACCUM STAFF MEETINGS

All interested students are welcome at Craccum staff meetings. We are looking for people to assist with reporting events around campus, photography, layout and production. Training in process camera work, photographic techniques and other facets of newspaper publishing will be given during the year.

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## SKI CLUB 1990

Joining for 1990:

To remain part of the UASC experience you should either Pick up a membership form from the Ski Club locker on the second floor of the Student Union Building in the TV Room. It has been moved since last year.  
or Send us a stamped self-addressed envelope (big enough to put a membership form in) and we will mail you the official 1990 membership form as soon as it becomes available.

Guy Bullo  
(Ph 557-023)





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