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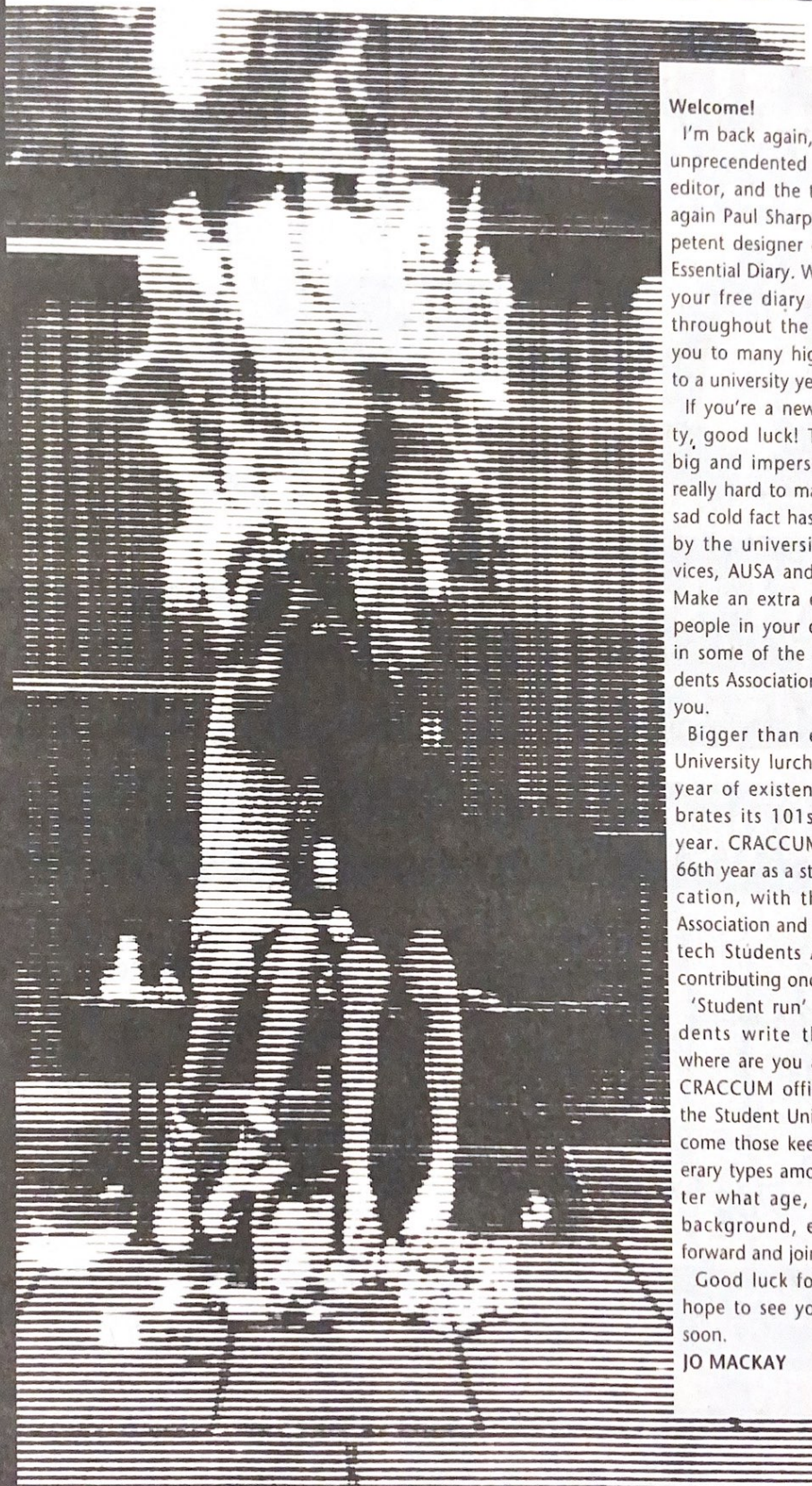
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Welcome!

I'm back again, for a probably unprecedented second year as editor, and the tech ed is once again Paul Sharp, the very competent designer of AUSA's 1992 Essential Diary. We hope you use your free diary if you got one throughout the year. It'll alert you to many highlights specific to a university year in Auckland.

If you're a newcomer to varsity, good luck! This place is so big and impersonal, it can be really hard to make friends. This sad cold fact has been lamented by the university welfare services, AUSA and students alike. Make an extra effort to talk to people in your classes, and join in some of the events the Students Association is planning for you.

Bigger than ever, Auckland University lurches into another year of existence. AUSA celebrates its 101st birthday this year. CRACCUM celebrates its 66th year as a student run publication, with the ATI Student Association and Carrington Polytech Students Association also contributing once again.

'Student run' means that students write the articles. So where are you all? We're in the CRACCUM office, top floor of the Student Union, and we welcome those keen journalistic/literary types among you, no matter what age, gender, ethnic background, etc etc to come forward and join the team.

Good luck for this year, and hope to see you soon.

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My interests are in literature, classical music, flower gardens and dogs (I have American cocker-spaniel).

I'm 28 years old, no children.

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to you from Elgin in the North-East of Scotland with a special request.

I would like to write to a young New Zealand person within the 20-30 age group with similar interests to myself with a view to exchange holidays in the future.

I am a 24 yr old vegetarian, my interests include hill-walking, animal welfare, travel and socialising. I have travelled extensively, but never had the opportunity to visit New Zealand. I have a great desire to do so.

The part of Scotland I live in is known as the 'Gateway to the Highlands'. It's an ideal base for exploring - Elgin is 38 miles from Inverness, and not far from the West Coast of Scotland which is great for island hopping.

I hope you will be able to help me. Here's hoping I hear from you soon.

Yours faithfully,
Deborah Perkins

10 Victoria Road, Elgin, Moray,
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A TRUE STORY

Dear Craccum,

Hols are fun, but going back to uni sux shit. I'm about to go and hang myself, but before I do, I just want to say that the government and our society is stuffed (ask any taxi driver, or student or beneficiary or grey person). Remember to keep cool and relax - don't study too hard cos you aint gonna get a job anyway.

Positive Thinker

USE A THICK ONE

Dear Fellow Students,

I just want to warn all the unsuspecting law-abiding cyclists out there to not bother bringing your nice, new, shiny, beautiful bike to uni unless you have a damn good lock for it. I got two nice, new, beautiful bikes stolen from around this place last year, both with their virgin shine still glistening on their mute and defenseless bodies as some bastard with wire clippers broke two good chains (those six-foot long types with the combination padlock) and fucked off with them. It's a real downer coming out of a day of lectures to find your bike nowhere to be seen. The first one didn't even have insurance. The only locks they can't break (as yet) are those thick metal bar ones. If you value your transport, don't let them take it away from you.

Have a good year.

Sarah G.

LETTERS - KEEP THEM BRIEF, LEGIBLE, AND GET THEM TO US BY TUESDAY NOON, WITH YOUR REAL NAME ENCLOSED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT WEEK. DROP THEM IN TO THE CRACCUM PIGEON-HOLE AT AUSA RECEPTION, THE CRACCUM OFFICE ON THE TOP FLOOR OF THE STUDENT UNION, OR POST TO CRACCUM, AUSA, PRIVATE BAG 92019, AUCKLAND.

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TO ALL MAAORI STUDENTS AND STAFF

of 1992 and previous years (especially those who were, or are members of the Māori Students' Association - Ngāa Tauria Māori:

This year in MAY, the Ngāa Toki hui - 'Te Huinga', will be held at the university marae - Waipapa marae. This is an exciting week-long gathering of all the Māori student bodies from all around the nation. It is a time to make contact with our cuzzies from other campuses, to exchange information, to politicise and socialise, to celebrate being Māori, and to strengthen our stance within the New Zealand University Students' Association, amongst other things. If you are interested to know more, or to help (which would be greatly appreciated) contact Jesamine Wanoa (education vice-prez) on 3090789 ext 812 between 10 am and 4 pm, Tues-Fri, or come in and see me personally at the Students' Association office. If there are other students who are not Māori, but who are interested to know more about this group, please feel welcome to come and see me also. Nau mai, haere mai koutou katoa.



HAERE MAI HAERE MAI HAERE MAI

To all those first years and to all of you returning students.

The start of '92 to some is quite a scary concept. A new year. Goals that need to be attained. Financial headaches to get over. Academic pressures yet to be realised. Remember to keep your social thought processes in action at all times. University should be a time of enjoyment not servitude.

The Students Association is here to help you. In particular a student executive has been elected. Their jobs are varied and with our collective experience we can probably help you with any university problem. You will find us right next door to the main cafe and the Quad. Are you sick of not getting an allowance. Were you perplexed when asking for a student loan. Do you wish to be aware of things which affect you directly as a student. Then you are invited to the Education Action Group meeting at 1pm in the Council Room. This is your university - what you put in is what you get.

May the Lord bless you and keep you in '92. In his holy spirit and in Jesus' name I pray. No eira teenaa koutou teenaa koutou teenaa koutou katoa.

DOUG AUSA President

IT'S A GIVE AWAY. \$1050 fee refund.

Watch Quad this week for your 'RenJvelopY'? AUSA Orientation Information Hunt.

EDUCATION ACTION GROUP

Thousands of students have been turned away from courses at Auckland. Drastic cuts to allowances and high fees make it hard for others to attend. It's time to say 'enough'. The Students' Association is organising a march against the government's treatment of education. Help us. Join the Education Action Group. It meets every Tuesday at 1pm in the Council Room (by AUSA reception). That's tomorrow, don't forget.

ROLL OF HONOUR

If you know someone who couldn't make it back to varsity for financial reasons, come and tell us. We're compiling a roll of honour for fallen students. We'll plant a white cross for everyone who couldn't make it back.

Contact the EAG-table in the Quad at lunchtimes this week, or Paul the AVP through reception.

FIRST YEAR GENERAL MEETING

There is a compulsory meeting in the Rec Centre for all first year students, convened by the Students Association. Date: Tuesday 10 March, 1-2pm. Write it in your diaries!

STUDENT JOB SEARCH

Our aim is to find part-time job for students as well as one-off jobs (i.e. 1-2 days work) and full-time holiday employment for the May, August and Christmas holidays. You can enrol if you're part-time or full-time at any university, polytechnic or teachers college - bring your student ID.

SJS is situated in Room 139 (next to TV room, above Maidment Theatre).

Hours are Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm, plus late nights on Wednesdays until 6.30pm.

Adam Green, 5th year BSC student: 'The queues are terrible. What's the fucking point of both pre-enrolling and enrolling? They should amalgamate the two. It's too hot today, they should do something about that too. I'd rather be at the pub, but I'm skint after paying my bloody rent.'

Brenna BA Psychology 3rd year: It was OK - I'd heard horror stories about queues.

Rachelle Akehurst, 3rd year BA student, with friend **Matthew**: 'Enrolment wasn't too bad for me this year, although someone in the Geo Dept mucked up my form so I had to go back and get it signed again. I had a



friend who waited six and a half hours in a queue on Thursday. That is inhumane. Six and a half hours is a long time.'

Anthony BA/LLB 3rd year: It's one way of turning nice people into psychopaths.

Steven Esau, 3rd year BSC student: 'I came to enrol early this morning, but then there was a computer jam ... you have to have a lot of patience. Everything looks more efficient than last year. I can't see any way they could make it faster. Some of the people running enrolment aren't very encouraging - if you do something wrong it's like, get lost!'

Michael BA 3rd year: The Dean of Arts didn't turn up at ARTS 215 on Tuesday morning. It really pissed me off. I waited for 1 1/2 hours.

Annie Cheah, 2nd year BSC student: 'When I enrolled today they told me my Accounting paper - that I had already pre-enrolled in - was full! My friend told me to keep pressing them, so I did, and then they said there was room. I was pretty shocked about it all. Another thing - why weren't we told in the student guide what 'decision pending' involves? Lots of people got that on their enrolment form and didn't understand it.'

James BA/LLB 3rd year: Worst incompetence I've ever seen on the part of both staff and students.

Chris Loh, 2nd year BA/BSC student: 'Enrolment went really good until I got to Student Loans. A lot of people weren't warned about all the stuff they had to bring in.' ●



ADMINISTRATIVE VICE PRESIDENT RANTS

Welcome to Auckland University for 1992.

And what a welcome we've turned on for the more than 24,000 who pre-enrolled this year. The entertainment has included comga lines that run for an entire block of Symonds Street, overnight departmental camps where you can meet other people with similar interests and breathtaking displays of bureaucratese as you're asked to produce documents you've never dreamt of when you apply for your loan. Between them, the government and the university have made enrolment something harder to achieve than getting a degree.

But now that's all behind us right? Wrong! The majority of students will be getting little or no allowances this year. The majority of students will have to live off money borrowed from their parents, the banks, or the government. The majority of students will probably never get out of debt again in their lifetime.

Pissed off? You bloody well should be.

Students get one of the rawest deals of any sector of the community. We get less money than someone on the dole even though we're trying to 'upskill' as the government wants us to. We have to pay fees that are seven or eight times what we paid just six years ago. And worst of all we're asked to saddle ourselves with a 'generous' student loan we can pay off when we get a job. Get a Job. What a joke. There's a quarter of a million people unemployed.

Pissed off? Damn right!

The Students Association (AUSA) is trying to do something about all these problems - after all, that's our job. But we can't do anything unless we get help from you. We need lots of people to help us organise protests, do publicity stunts and generally get other students motivated to do something about their bum deal.

Pissed off? Do something about it.

Well that's my education rant for this week. Get involved in anything going round uni during Orientation. I'm sure some smart arse has told you before, life's what you make it.

Remember: don't complain about it, do something.

Love and wiggly bits,

Paul Admin Vice-Pres



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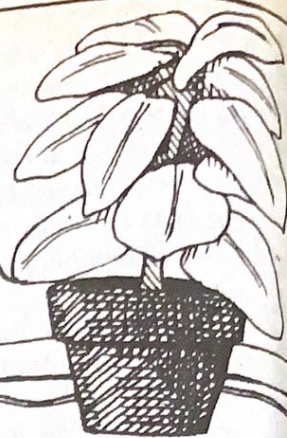
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WHO LAUGHS
IS FIRST!



Advice from an old hand is always advice worth considering. Words of experience are helpful when doing something new. So to all first-years out there, take a tip from a former student. Stuart Vogel, the University Chaplain lends a helping pen...

Jumping.

into university life

for the first time can be a pretty bewildering experience. It is not easy making the jump from high school (particularly when you are head toad in the pond) to university, where you are sometimes made to feel like a tadpole in a bog. It is important however, that you come to terms with the place and why you are here. So, for what they are worth, here are some hints for newcomers from someone who has been swimming in the university pool for a while now, previously as a student, and now as Chaplain.

1. GET TO KNOW THE PLACE. Pick a friend (if you have any here yet) and do the tourist thing for a morning. Wander through the cafe and the bookshop and have a look at what is there, and at the prices. Find the Student President's office and the Student Travel Bureau. Wander around the grounds and read all the plaques. See who built what and who planted which tree. Take a walk around the

faculty buildings (you are entitled to) and read the departmental noticeboards, even if you have no intention of studying in that department. Find out where the marae is, and what the kids in the creche play on. Go on the library tour organised by the library staff. Take your time. You won't fail because you took a morning off to size the place up.

2. JOIN A CLUB. They will all be on offer during Orientation. Pick one that you are interested in and find out what sort of programme they have for the year. You will be able to work out how much time you've got for club activities once you are into your course. Just remember you CAN take time off to recharge the batteries, and still pass well. If you don't think you can afford time to relax, check your workload. At university you should learn how to balance work and fun too, so don't feel guilty about it.

Check out some of those wild ideas that you might not have taken too seriously at first, like joining the drama club or the university hockey team. You may surprise yourself.

3. EXPERIMENT WITH YOUR COURSE A LITTLE. If your course is not preset and you have some freedom of choice, take a look at those subjects that you think you might like to do at some stage. Look at subjects and courses that intrigue you as well as ones which will eventually help you get a job. Go to the lectures in the first week and see what is in the various courses. You can change course within the first fortnight for little cost. You are entitled to "shop around" a little.

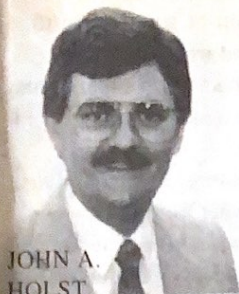
4. GET TO KNOW YOUR LECTURERS. If you have any questions at all, ask them. Most lecturers are only too pleased to see students in the first weeks. After all, YOU are what makes teaching interesting for them. If you think you will major in a subject, make a special point of meeting the staff who teach it. You will have to live with them for the next three, four or five years and they with you. You might as well get along with them.

5. BE READY TO BE CHANGED BY WHAT YOU LEARN. University study is not about just absorbing a whole lot of facts which can be dumped back on to your exam paper or essay and then forgotten. Some subjects won't grab your imagination and you will grin and bear them. Some will, or should, however, and you may even get quite excited. Dissecting frogs may put some off, but it can show you (and I hope this doesn't sound too corny) how marvellous, fascination and intricate the world is. Study of the great works of literature can be a bit heady at times. But reading Dostoevski's novels, for example, may also show you something about life and Truth that you didn't expect. Be open to discovering new insights. Expect to grow, allow it to happen and share what grabs you with someone. They may think you are off the wall, but its a great way to be written off.

And you are welcome at the Maclaurin Chapel for a cheap cup of coffee if it all gets a bit much to take.

Stuart Vogel
University Chaplain

Presbyterian minister Stuart Vogel succeeds Ray Galvin as the new Maclaurin chaplain. He has studied Chinese at Auckland University, and worked in Taiwan with the Presbyterian church on a Chinese minority dialect project. Upon returning he established a Chinese church in Howick before being appointed to the university position. ●



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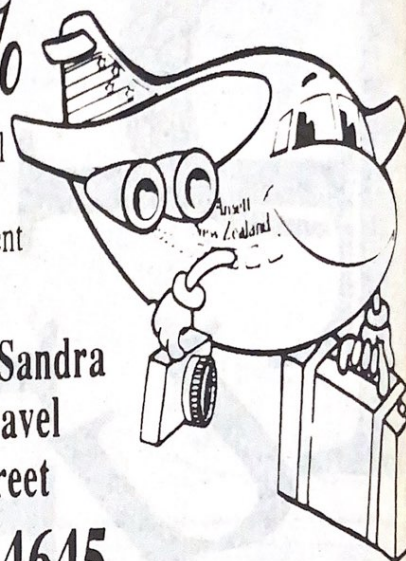
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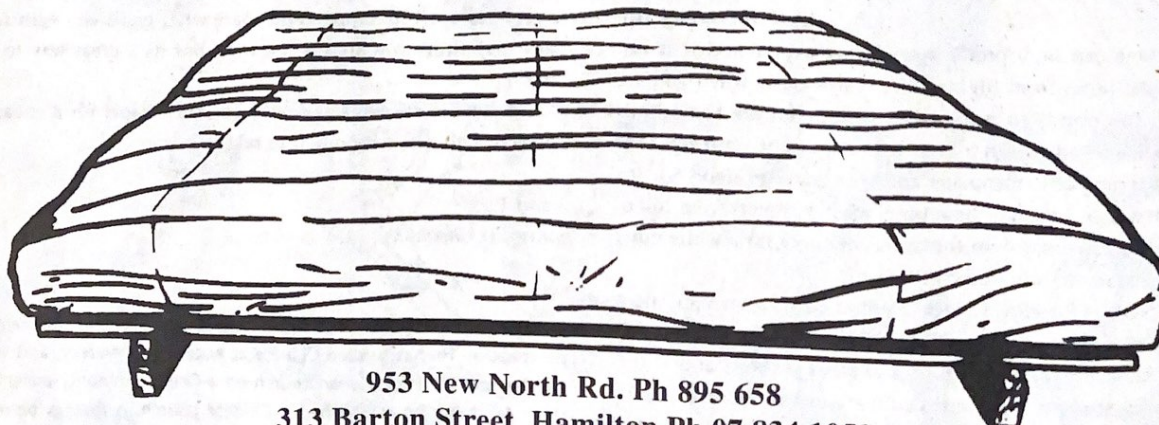
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There are of course some people who don't feel a need to make new friends or to form relationships with the 'strangers' around them. However, I wonder if it is really necessary or exciting to stick with school or interest based social groups. Why not move beyond current associations? After all everyone starts off as somewhat of a stranger (corny but true).

The impersonal nature of Auckland University is a sad component of the worldly society of the 1990s. Such large, impersonal environments have prompted the emergence of dating services and friendship clubs/organisations overseas. Dating agencies are now well established in many major cities, and in the USA for example a number of colleges have dating and friendship networks available for students.

In the mid 1980s following some activity in the personal columns of newspapers, dating services started to appear in New Zealand. Just as was the case when they first appeared overseas such services were instantly stigmatised. They were regarded as a source of hope for desperados and rejects. Playing off this image many prostitutes would join up in order to obtain clients from a range of 'no hopers' who were vulnerable.

Now, however, the novelty and shame associated with dating clubs is starting to wear off as our society is increasingly exposed to modern ideas, and dating services and friendship clubs are gradually becoming more and more accepted. Overseas, attitudes towards personal services are nowhere as hostile or negative as they are in New Zealand.

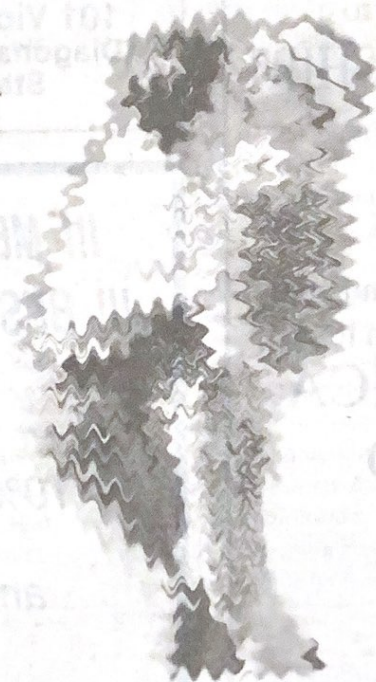
I feel that the presence of such shows as 'Blind Date', 'Studs' and 'The Love Connection' have not exactly promoted a good genuine image for dating services. Though, on the positive side, such shows have helped make friendship clubs seem not such an alternative/outrageous concept.

Many complaints have indeed been levelled at personal services, but often ignorance has fuelled unreasonable attacks. Claims of money making schemes and low chances of success do have some basis, but charges of sleaziness, and of a clientele made up of 'losers' are less valid.

Today, as the organised dating industry becomes more mainstream, maybe we should

Student Match!

Dating Service



Who thinks Auckland University is a really social place - a place where many opportunities exist for people to meet?
Not me!

reconsider our attitudes and maybe take a risk away from our normal schemata. Personally, I have been reluctant to promote the use of dating services too much as I prefer other individual means of people contact. However, this year, being AUSA Welfare Officer and being concerned with students' psychological well-being, I feel there is a need to bring to students' attention the operation of Auckland's own STUDENT DATING SERVICE!

I encourage students to join in this worthwhile and politically sound friendship club. I am a member. Unlike other dating services, Student Match is run by students, is exclusively for students, and is inexpensive. Student Match is a great way to meet new friends and possibly form relationships. The service will match heterosexual and gay partners - just specify on your form. Also, it is ideal for students wanting marriages of convenience due to allowance cuts.

Student Match has been set up by two science students, who hope the service will become an integral part of campus life and will contribute to a better university atmosphere. Membership is free up until the end of the first week of lectures, so it's a great idea to join now. Females especially should join since they are currently under-represented. There being more men than women is a problem usually associated with dating services dealing with the 18-28 age range - although the situation reverses in the 35+ age group. Student Match caters for ALL tertiary students (tech as well as university) regardless of age or sexual orientation.

So how does the service work? The first step is to ring 358-3605 and get a membership form sent to you. On this form you describe yourself in terms of physical appearance, interests and tastes. It also gives you an opportunity to state if you are looking for a marriage of convenience.

When you fill out this form and send it back to Student Match, you will be placed on the database for the rest of the university year. During this time for a small fee of ten dollars you can have a search made by filling out a search form. Three people will be found and rung to see if they wish to meet you. With their consent you will be given their phone numbers. At all times your confidentiality is guaranteed. Neither your phone number or name will be revealed without your consent.

In the wider perspective Student Match should be seen as a way to meet new friends and make the campus a more friendly place. With your support it can really work. ●

Barry Kirker
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In the initial weeks of term around the various campuses you may have spotted the Trade Aid table. Volunteers from the movement are there to circulate information and display some of the crafts available from the Trade Aid shops around Auckland.

What distinguishes Trade Aid from any

what the producer thinks they are worth with the cost of overheads added on. All profits are returned to the group and in some cases they are pre-paid. Groups are also encouraged to establish other local and export markets to reduce their dependence on New Zealand.

TRADE AID

other shop is, as the name suggests, the principle of trade as aid. As an alternative trading organisation, it works from the assumption that current trading patterns are unjust. This becomes blatantly obvious when considering the situation in many third world countries - small scale local producers are rendered economically powerless. Traditional ways of life are lost as people are pushed off their land by large landowners and forced into the cities to find work. Developing their craftwork is an alternative when the people can no longer continue to sustain themselves in the ways they had in the past.

Trade Aid sets out to help these people who are frequently exploited by middle people and exporters who buy the craft cheaply and sell it at a large profit.

Trade Aid is a non-profit making organisation run mainly by volunteers. They import and sell commodities and crafts from selected producer groups in the third world. Returning the profits to these groups assists them in achieving self-reliance and shows that there is an alternative way to trade that is just and does not exploit people. In New Zealand Trade Aid sees that establishing direct partnerships and working to remove trade injustices educates us the consumers that there is a fairer way to trade.

Producer groups are carefully selected by Trade Aid New Zealand using various criteria. For example the group must participate in some form of collective decision making and profit sharing, the product must be adaptable to the New Zealand market, etc. The double oppression of women in third world countries is recognised and so groups operated for or by women are given preferential consideration. Positive discrimination is also applied to those attempting to revive or preserve their cultural heritage.

The prices of the products are based on

Just Jute Campaign

Trade aid imports a range of jute products from Bangladesh - shopping bags, plant hangers, paper - made by a women's cooperative. Jute was Bangladesh's main export until plastic substitutes caused the industry to slump. However with today's growing environmental concerns jute is again favourable as it is a renewable and biodegradable resource. Bangladesh has a history of exploitation and repression as well as natural disasters such as the devastating cyclone and tidal wave of April 1991.

Making jute handicrafts has enabled women to earn a much needed income substantially greater than that from selling raw jute. Every purchase of a Just Jute product shows support for environmentally sustainable development and social justice through fair trade.

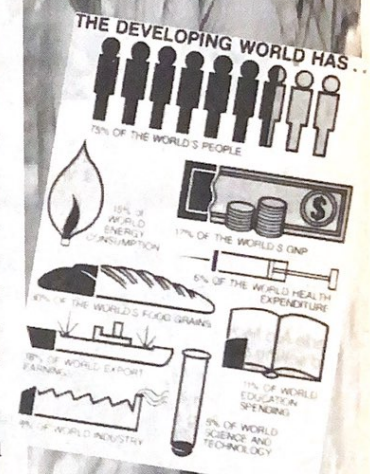
The Tuia Cooperative

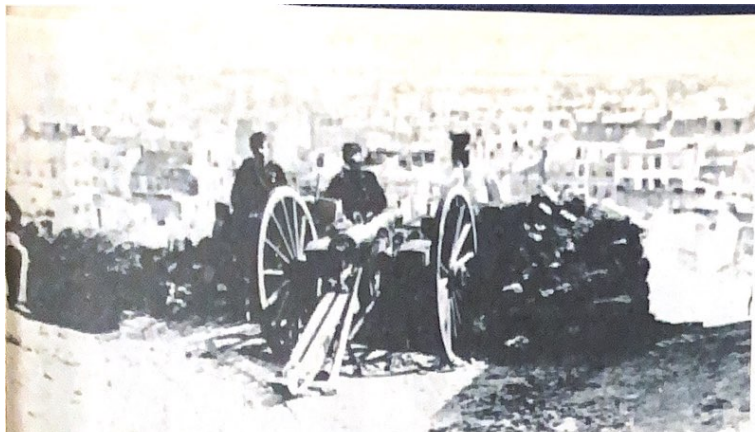
Trade Aid also stocks bone pendants and earrings made by the Tuia Cooperative in Paparua prison in Christchurch. The Co-op was formed with the aim of rehabilitation through the group developing the skills of bone carving, business administration and collective decision making. It also works to preserve the cultural heritage of the Maaori people and to give its members a sense of self worth.

Trade Aid is an organisation working for justice. You can participate in its campaigns by buying from your local Trade Aid shop. It's great for presents and yummy teas and coffees from Tanzania, Nicaragua and the Cook Islands. Or even better you can offer your services as a volunteer in one of the shops by giving them a ring. The three shops in Auckland are: 93 Hurstmere Road, Takapuna. 55 George Street, Papatoetoe and 74 Pitt Street, City, Phone 771367. Pay them a visit! ●

Victoria Logan

Trade Aid is an organisation designed to correct trade imbalances and inequalities between the first and third worlds.





Left: Paris Commune revolution.
Below left: Havana, Cuba 1959. The Revolutionaries
and the victors ride in triumph through the streets
hearing Castro speak from the Presidential Palace.

Wars have been happening since time immemorial. By waging wars nations have

built empires and oppressed other nations for the benefit of the imperial state. On the other hand the oppressed have also been driven to war in their quest for liberation and independence. When confronted with the notion of war its dual nature should always be considered.

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Clausewitz defined war as 'the continuation of politics by other (ie violent) means'. Likewise it can be said that peace is the continuation of politics after war as well as the period when nations prepare for war.

The classic modern example is the arms race which took place after World War II, led by the US when Secretary of State J

Burns stated the need to 'get tough with Russia' and combat the so-called spread of communism. This policy has been the cover under

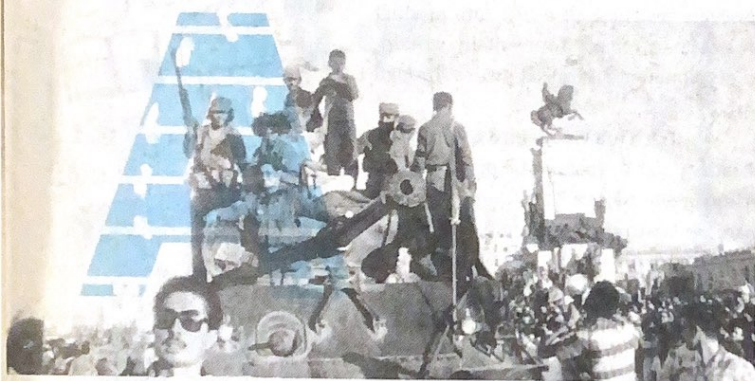
which the US has justified its interference in conflicts around the globe. Take any war such as the Korean in the 1950s or the case of Nicaragua, and you will find that US intervention has always been serving the interests of the oppressor class over the oppressed. These examples also show that wars are just and unjust - ie wars of liberation as opposed to imperialist wars.

Wars of liberation emanate from conditions of extreme exploitation. Where people are confronting a repressive system that engenders violence to maintain its existence, war becomes the only option left in order to bring about real social

change. In this instance, war can be perceived as being just.

By contrast, imperialist wars are concerned with the division and redivision of the world in the interests of the strong powers. These wars disguise the fact that they actually serve the interests of the monopolist capitalists while the people are the ones that bear the burden. World War I is the most clear example in which great powers sought advantage for monopolies and carved up the world into their respective spheres of economic influence. Acting for the ruling classes, the governments of the nations that took part in WWI appealed to nationalism and patriotism in an attempt to gain credibility for their war efforts in the eyes of the ordinary person. The nature of these wars is without doubt unjust.

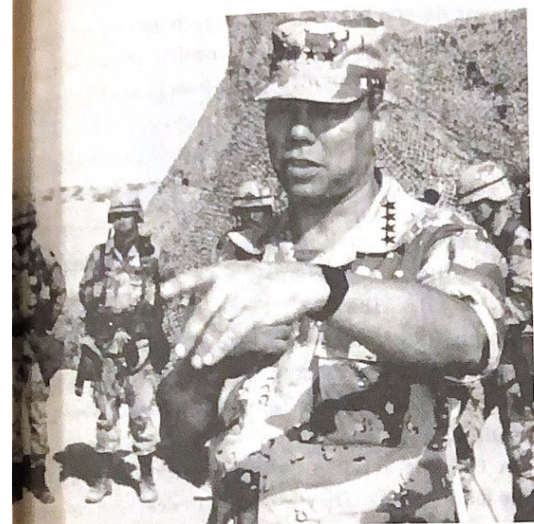
Another common ploy is to use the magic word 'democracy' - something everybody wants more of. A contemporary example is the Gulf War. Democracy did not exist in Kuwait before the Iraqi invasion and the country was instead run by an oligarchy, mainly Kuwait's royal family. Over 60% of the country was made up of mostly Palestinians, Filipinos and Indians who had no rights as citizens even though they worked to create the wealth that the royal family sits on. Kuwait was conveniently created by the British in 1922 and just happened to have a lot of oil - the real cause behind the war waged by the US and its allies last year. Now the war is over who suffered the consequences? Over 100,000 Iraqis died and the 'lucky ones' are living in dire conditions as a result of food shortages, poor sanitation and the outbreak of epidemics for which they have no medical supplies as a result of the ongoing sanctions. Saddam Hussein is still in power and, in Kuwait, foreign workers continue to be persecuted as the ruling class has returned to its former position. This



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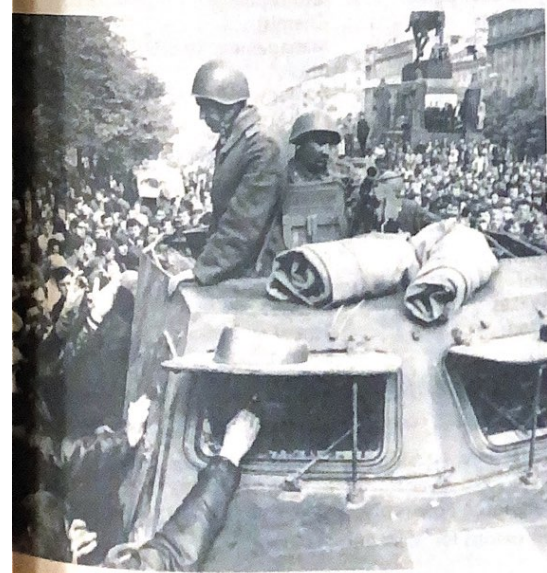
Below: US General, Colin Powell in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Storm against Iraq, 1991
 Bottom: Crowds throng the streets to plead despairingly with the invading Russian army in Prague, Czechoslovakia, 1968.
 Right: US military actions this century

was definitely not about democracy.
 When considering an issue like war, some people



turn to pacifism seeing it as an alternative to warfare. The problem with pacifism is that ideologically it denies historical evidence that social change has always come after a major war. It denies the violent nature implicit in our world system by assuming that it can be changed through passive resistance. This is not to say that non-violence has no role in seeking social change but those who believe that peaceful tactics can by themselves achieve any significant change must remember that those in charge use repressive -ie non-peaceful means - to consolidate their power and the only way out is to wage a war of liberation. ●

Tanya Jurado



- 1901: US troops intervene in Colombia.
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- 1907: US troops intervene in Honduras.
- 1910: US troops intervene in Nicaragua.
- 1911: US troops intervene in Honduras.
- 1912: US troops intervene in Cuba.
- 1912: US Marines occupy Nicaragua for about 90% of the time until 1933.
- 1913: US troops intervene in Mexico.
- 1914: US troops intervene in Haiti.
- 1915: US Marines land in Haiti and occupy it until 1934.
- 1919: US troops intervene in Honduras.
- 1920: US troops intervene in Guatemala.
- 1924: US troops intervene in Honduras.
- 1925: US troops intervene in Panama.
- 1932: US sends 3 warships to El Salvador. They help crush peasant insurrection, 30,000 killed
- 1933: US establishes the Somoza dynasty & National Guard when Marines finally leave Nicaragua.
- 1950: Korean War starts. US sends troops to Korea - and they are still there today.
- 1953: US State Department helps overthrow the popular government of Iran and installs the Shah.
- 1954: CIA establishes a mercenary army to overthrow Arbenz government in Guatemala.
- 1958: US Marines are summoned to Lebanon after CIA helps rig 1957 elections.
- 1960: US blocks efforts for a political settlement and a neutralisation of Vietnam.
- 1961: US unsuccessfully invades the Bay of Pigs in Cuba, with disastrous results.
- 1962: US starts naval blockade of Cuba.
- 1964: US kills student protestors in Panama Canal Zone.
- 1964: CIA implicated in Brazil's coup d'etat.
- 1965: "Justified" by the manufactured Bay of Tonkin "Incident" in 1964, the US begins its direct invasion of Vietnam.
- 1965: US invades Dominican Republic.
- 1970: US is involved in the overthrow of Sihanouk and US troops penetrate 20 km into Cambodia.
- 1970: CIA helps overthrow the legitimate government of the Belgium Congo (now Zaire).
- 1971: US begins air attacks into Laos.
- 1973: US sponsored coup in Chile overthrows popular elected government. Allende murdered.
- 1975: CIA destabilises Labour government in Australia.
- 1981: US starts financial and "advisory" support of the Contras in Nicaragua. From now until Chamorro's election in 1989, there are only two weeks when the US isn't holding military "exercises" in Honduras.
- 1983: US Marines, with US Naval support, intervene in Lebanon to protect new "Christian" government.
- 1983: US sends military hardware to "assist" in Chad.
- 1983: US invades Grenada and installs pro-American regime.
- 1986: US bombs Libya in an attempt to eliminate Gaddafi.
- 1987: Was the US involved in the Fijian coup?
- 1989: US invades Panama for the 20th time.
- 1990: In December US fighter planes buzzed Manila, Philippines to prevent the attempted coup.
- 1991: US leads the military attack on IRAQ.

harassment

You know you are being harassed when you are verbally or physically intimidated, bullied, treated unfairly, or systematically and maliciously picked on in class by a lecturer or another student or whoever....

It's often far more difficult working out what to do next. Often the harassment is quite subtle and you might feel that others would think you're paranoid or overreacting. Often the harasser has you in a tight spot - they may be a tutor or lecturer who has power over your grades, or a student who subtly keeps their distance but follows you around until you are too scared to study in the library after dark.

The thing is that no one should have to put up with being intimidated or threatened. You will have enough stresses already at university with study and financial pressures, and in almost every case there is a way of dealing with harassment, so don't put up with it, not even low level harassment, but take some power into your own hands and deal to it.

The university will support you in this. It is university policy, as stated above, that harassment is unacceptable, and there is a network of people from each department who are willing to be contacted at any time for advice and help regarding harassment. There is also a Mediator, Matthew Fitzsimmons, who is employed specifically to address harassment around campus. You can contact anyone on the list, it doesn't have to be the person in your department, or Matthew, if you're having problems. The people at Student Counselling can also offer some support and help, as can the university chaplains. It doesn't matter how big or small the problem is. The main thing is, if you are concerned or distressed, then the issue is big enough and serious enough for the contact people and they won't mind being contacted at all.

So what can a contact person offer? The power at all times is totally in your own hands. They'll listen to your story, TOTALLY CONFIDENTIALLY and present to you the various options, from ones as staunch as the university discipline procedures or even legal procedures, and other ways of making a formal complaint to the university, to setting up mediation sessions with the alleged harasser, to a myriad of informal solutions and suggestions. You can decide what action to take from there. Of course, going to a contact person is not going to instantly cure all your problems, and it is not the only way to deal with harassment either, but it's a damn good start. It'll at least mean you'll have started to fight back and telling someone else is often the beginning of the end of the harassment.

DO REPORT HARASSMENT WHEN IT OCCURS - IT IS UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR AT ALL TIMES. REPORTING IT, EVEN IF YOU DO NOTHING MORE, EMPOWERS YOU. SOMEONE ELSE WILL KNOW, AND CAN OFFER SUPPORT AND IDEAS ON WHAT TO DO NEXT. REPORTING HARASSMENT ALSO MAKES THE UNIVERSITY A SAFER PLACE FOR OTHERS.

'The University of Auckland finds harassment, whether on sexual, racial, academic, religious, sexual orientation, disability or other grounds, by staff or students, totally unacceptable. STUDENTS OR STAFF USING THE UNIVERSITY FACILITIES SHOULD NOT HESITATE IN USING (THE CONTACT NETWORK) IF THEY FEEL THEY ARE BEING HARASSED.'

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Creating a harassment free environment depends on two main sorts of actions. First, the subjects of harassment do complain. In this way harassers are made to face the consequences. Secondly, if you witness a harassment incident, make clear your abhorrence of such behaviour - whether by friend, colleague or acquaintance. Be prepared to actively support a person who has a complaint they believe to be legitimate. A combination of social pressures and effective procedures will reduce if not eliminate unprofessional and abusive attitudes and actions.

IN THE LIBRARY - Flashers sometimes wander through the library, and there are loads of private nooks for things to happen in. Keep an eye out for your safety. If you are subjected to, or observe harassment in the main library, report it immediately to a member of library staff at Lending Services or Information, or in the other libraries, to the lending desk. They are ready to deal with complaints promptly, to locate the offender and take appropriate measures.

HARASSMENT NETWORK 1992

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ATI and Carrington Polytechnic also have harassment networks. Contact the Student Unions for more information.

FOOD

BUDGET- ING ON A BURSARY

Curry Peanut Satay

- 500g of chuck (read cheap) steak
- 1 medium onion
- 2 or 3 large mushrooms
- 1 tablespoon of curry powder
- 2 tablespoons of soy sauce
- some pepper
- 1 1/2 cups of water
- peanut butter

Dice the steak (i.e. cut it into chunks). Put curry powder, a little pepper and the soy sauce in a bowl. You could add some sweet herbs, like basil, as well if you like. Mix the water into this GRADUALLY with a spoon, so it doesn't go all lumpy. Then put the steak in this to marinade.

Dice the onions, peel and slice the mushrooms. Then put the meat and marinade into a hot pan, stirring constantly until about 1/2 the water has boiled away. The meat should be light brown, and stay at about the same size due to the water. Turn the heat down to about half, and then stir in the onions and mushrooms.

After that, stir in some peanut butter. Some means about two or three large tablespoons, but do this to taste. The overall consistency should be quite gluggy. By the way, this is quite a messy recipe and the pan will require a good scrub afterwards.

Serve with spaghetti or rice (good student staples) and a light salad. Serves four.

PS: This recipe is no good if you don't like peanut butter.

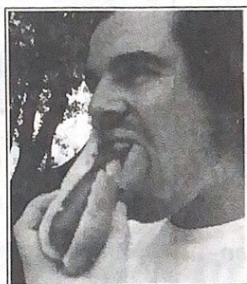
Stair Ramsden

CHEAP EATS

Eating cheaply is essential for a student budget. Home is where the food is, and first floor cafe budget meals five days a week is a pretty tragic home substitute, let alone nutritionally substandard. Making lunches needn't be a hassle and they'll save you heaps of dough too.

Eating cheap means buying cheap (or growing it yourself but let's not get into that here). Hints:

- Organisation, seldom a strong point in a student lifestyle, is pretty damn well essential if you want to eat well and save some money.
- A little meal planning cuts back on cost (only buy what you need, no rotting vegies in the fridge) and cuts down on preparation time.
- For variety, try planning meals around cheap seasonal food, rather than repeating the same old nightmares every week.
- Keep an eye out and shop around: don't expect to get everything in the same shop.



Where to shop:

- Supermarkets: AVOID if possible. They're convenient but you pay for it. The exception to this rule is some price reductions on perishables at the end of the day, or week. Go around closing time.

- Food co-ops, if you have the time and energy, are the cheapest way to buy fruit and vegetables.

- The Sunday morning food and flea market, in the carpark on the corner of Upper Queen St and K' Rd has some pretty cheap fruit and vegie stalls. If you manage to

get up on Sunday morning it's a pleasant way to buy your vegies and sort through the junk too. You can often also pick up useful items like kitchen utensils and lampshades cheaply. On Saturdays there's one in the Otara shopping centre.

- Try Club Veg. It started off as a co-op, but is now a delivery service. You don't have to do anything but ring up and say you're in for the week. For \$20 you get at least ten types of vegies, and three to five types of fruit each week. You can't choose what you get, but they provide recipes for the weirder items, and you get enough to feed four or five flatmates for a week. A lot of the food is organic, the organisers have contacts with all the organic growers in town. Fresh homemade pasta is also available. This is the easiest way to get good cheap food yet (great for busy student flats) - it's delivered to your door. Phone Lance on 865-670.

- Market gardens: if you're passing them out of town, it's worth stopping. Check out the Kelmarna organic gardens, in Hukanui Crescent, Ponsonby, if that's near you.

- Non-perishable foods: buy in bulk if you can. Check out the Asian food stores in Beach Rd and the top end of Hobson St. Some supermarkets do a range of non-packaged foods. There's a cheap bulk foods place behind the Balmoral shops next to the Warehouse, and cheap vegie shops around there too. Surplus stores sometimes sell food stocks cheaply. Geoff's Emporium in the Valley Road shops stocks some exotic foods, and Dave's Discount Disasters in the Kingsland shops is worth a look.

Happy shopping!

The Food Woman

BELIEVE

During last year, the Auckland University Navigators conducted surveys on peoples' personal beliefs. We conducted the surveys for three reasons:

- to cause students to think about what they do actually believe
- for interest's sake
- to give people an opportunity to look further at what the bible has to say about the issue and issues of life.

As promised to those who took part in the questionnaires, here are the results of 49 people we interviewed.

On the topic of PURPOSE TO LIFE:

78% said that there was a purpose to life

As far as LIFE AFTER DEATH was concerned:

77% said there was some kind of life after death. Of those:

29% said heaven and hell

6% said heaven but no hell

19% said reincarnation

23% said unknown spirit world

About the EXISTENCE OF THE UNIVERSE:

73% said the universe had some origin and meaning not explained in truly scientific terms

27% took the point of view that it is a product of random chance

About GOD:

88% said God existed in some form. Of those:

39% said that God was an unknown force

24% said He was personal, i.e. involved and knowable

About the person JESUS CHRIST:

57% said Jesus was a good man

14% said he was Creator of the universe

22% didn't know

The results clearly show that most people think we are here for a purpose and that after we end this life, we go onto something else. It is interesting that 88% thought that God existed in some form or other, i.e. Judeo-Christian or otherwise, considering we live in a society that seems to identify itself as atheist/agnostic. On the topic of the man Jesus Christ; although no one denied his existence two thousand years ago, only 14% went along with the biblical standpoint that he was Creator of the Universe.

We thank all those people who helped us do the surveys.

John Adie
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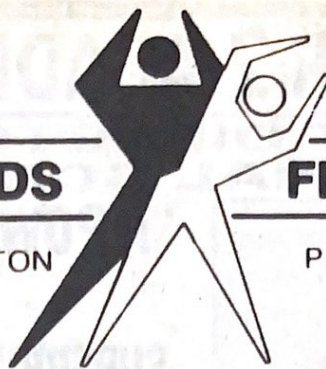
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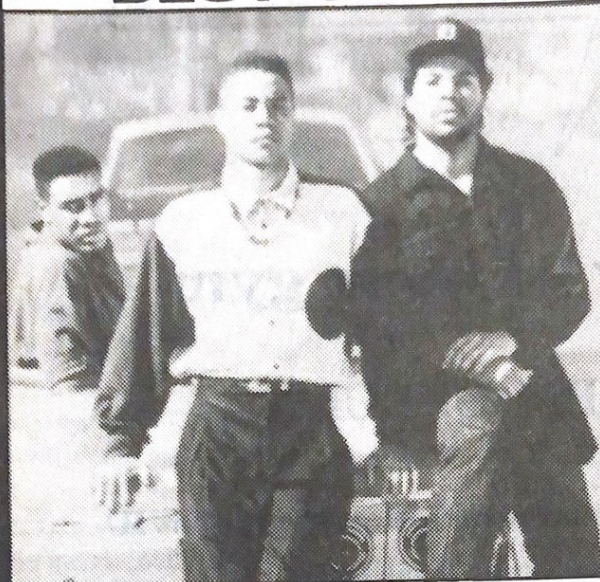
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**GEMMA GRACEWOOD,
ATISA SUB-EDITOR**

Kia ora. Welcome to the Atisa section of Craccum - the place where AIT students get to read about AIT happenings. These pages are 'leased' from the rest of Craccum, and you have to fill them. So! You are cordially invited to contribute. Those of you who think you can spell, write, draw, argue convincingly, interview, rave, and want to see your names or pseudonyms in print, go to it. There are very few guidelines - ie that I can read it, and that it's not particularly offensive. Craccum itself needs contributors too, so if you would rather write a general article, or simply a letter to the letters page, that's cool.

There will be a lot of interesting stuff appearing on our pages, eg:

- Atisa Executive Committee member report usually by one of the residents. This will keep you informed of the decisions the exec will be making for us.

- A reporter will be present at Exec meetings to make sure that they have your best interests in mind. The first of these reports appears this week.

- 'Tech Question of the Week', where you get approached in the caf by our photographer and asked the question of the week. It may be political, philosophical or just plain silly!

- Be ready also for the time you are invited to be 'Tech Sex Beast'. This will be your chance to show us your stuff - pose for the camera and answer a few standard questions. At the end of the year the Tech Sex Beast of the Year will be voted on, and you could win a fantastic prize!

- Notices, News & Naughty Bits. This column will include notices of upcoming events, bits of news from around campus, and the 'naughty' bits, ie the rumours running around the place. Any contributions to this section, like something funny you saw in the caf last week, will be very welcome.

- Manager's Advice. If you have a question for Gary, the Atisa manager, such as a concern about fees/allowances/loans, or complaints/caf food/lecturers/tutors or anything else, drop a line to him in Craccum, and Gary will answer your question.

- Students Say. Many students have wee stories about how they deal with a different aspect of tech - like what a hassle it is to wait in the queues for lunch, or how they stop falling asleep in lectures. If you have a story and/or a bit of advice for your fellow students, write a page about it and we'll put it in.

Please send all letters/articles/notices etc to 'Gemma, Craccum, Atisa' and drop them in to your nearest Atisa office. Have a good read!

ATISA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT - PAUL SALMON, JOINT PRESIDENT

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all students whether returning or entering tertiary education for the first time. Auckland Institute of Technology has had quite a few changes this year. Most Commerce students are now in another building at 3 Wakefield/360 Queen St. The library at Wellesley St is being expanded at long last to take over several floors in A Block. We also have a recreation area at Wellesley St which will make the time you spend here a lot more pleasant. This development has been made possible by a joint effort between the students' association and AIT. Please come along to the opening of this area on the 16th of March. It will be opened at about twelve by the Wizard and David Lange. There will also be a live band playing afterwards. The Atisa Social Club is going well this year. We had a Karaoke on the 19th 20th and 21st. You can become a member of the Social Club if you are over 20 and an AIT student. University, Carrington and Manukau Polytech students and 'b' card holders are also welcome. The students' association has taken over the cafeteria at Wellesley St and will be running the one at Wakefield St when it is completed.

It is good that the government has realised that in terms of health students over 18 need to be evaluated as separate cases from their parents. However this again highlights the question 'why are students under 25 deemed to be dependent on their parents in relation to allowances?' If some people in this category have no way of affording medical care (ie their parents can't afford it or won't pay for it) have they any chance of attending tertiary study? Of course the answer that will be given is that they can use the loan scheme. But for myself I would see the loans scheme as a very last resort. Also the fact that the loans scheme is there doesn't justify this prejudice according to age.

I will now put an important question to you which will hopefully make you think. Did the universe happen by chance or was it created by a superior being? These are the only two options, there is no other. There are characteristics of both these options: chance has the characteristic of chaos whereas something planned has the characteristic of order. For example if you threw 20 desks into a room would they land in an ordered way? Of course not! They would land in a pile. Isn't this universe ordered? The earth rotates every 24 hours, there is a natural food chain, etc. Everything is balanced (apart from the human race trying to ruin it all, but that's another story) so this shows that there is someone who created this universe. In Romans 1:20 it says 'For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities - his eternal power and divine nature - have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men (sic) are without excuse.' Many people want God to do something special to prove he is there but actually he has already done it. His creation shows that there is a creator.

Well better go, may our Lord's peace and love be with you all.

Paul Salmon





MUSIC

The Specials Singles

This is a collection of singles from two bands; The Specials, and The Special A.K.A. which grew out of The Specials later in the 80s. Despite only a few albums between them, the number of hit singles was substantial and the quality high. English 'ska' was a brief but distinctive musical style melding sped-up reggae rhythms and punk sensibilities around the start of the 1980s. The Specials were at the vanguard and songs like *Gangsters*, *Rudi*, *A Message To You* and *Guns of Navarone* epitomise the energetic, infectious ska style, laden with brass and sung with attitude and (cockney) accents. It was the bringing together of working class white males and the new generation of english blacks. Bands like the Joe Boxers, and early Madness were also a part of the ska movement. But it was a short lived musical genre. Key figures like vocalist Terry Hall from The Specials went on to front 'Fun Boy Three' by 1982, and other Specials members set up The Special A.K.A. with Stan Campbell on vocals and two female back-up singers. Special A.K.A. were not SKA, but perhaps a new form of British pop/soul. Their big hits 'Racist Friend' and '(Free) Nelson Mandela' are here along with two others ending the album.

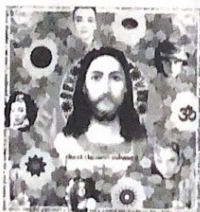
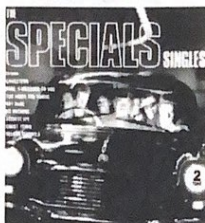
This album is an excellent collection of SKA, and The Special AKA tracks make a pleasant addition. Although some good Specials songs aren't here (like *Do The Dog*), there are 16 songs (most of the Specials tracks are 3 minutes or less) and those that I don't know from the past are just as infectious and enjoyable as the bigger singles. An extremely enjoyable album. 9

Various Closet Classics vol 1, The More Protein Sampler

Boy George's record label More Protein has been the vehicle for his own 'come back', in the form of 'Jesus Loves You'. Their album last year 'The Mainly Mantras' was very well received and contained many strong tracks. Also on the More Protein books have been acts such as E-zee Possee, MC Kinky, I-sus Ad, Jagdeep Singh, and Eve Gallagher.

The album is a collection of tracks from these people, including remixes of three Jesus Loves You songs. It opens with the dance hit *Everything Starts with an "e"* from E-zee Possee and MC Kinky and moves abruptly to MC Kinky's excellent *Inna we Kingdom*. The Jesus Loves You tracks stand out in their soulfulness along with the Chimes-like sound of Eve Gallagher. I-sus Ad rap well on *Pressure*, reminding me of MC Tunes. E-zee Possee have three songs and *Love on Love* featuring Dr Mouthquake on vocals is an excellent soulful dance groove, much like the best from Ten-City.

Boy George co-wrote 8 of the 11 tracks and remixed here and there too. These acts are virtually all his babies, and the album shows his undeniable talent. The power of tracks like Jesus Loves You's *Generations of Love* or 'One on One' (remixed here by Massive attack) and the quality of dance,



pop & soul music represented here make this an extremely good

Bassomatic Science and Melody

Funky Love Vibrations, track one on this album, is a very pop song with a great trumpet hook. I was surprised when BFM started it because it's so poppy, but as ever, commercial radio has pick it up.

Bassomatic is the brainchild of british producer/musician William He has co-written or written all 8 tracks on this their second album has vocalist Sindy Finn to help along with rappers The Sound of With a name like Bassomatic the dance market is Orbit's obvious p many of the tracks rely on now clichéd techniques of dance - brass hooks, rap breaks etc. Sindy Finn's vocals are none too

either - adequate but lacking character. On at the 50 ft Drum Demon the sound is tech house - but it's past its time. Much of the lyrics are very SAW and the song structures ly unoriginal. *Science and Melody* is nice, long. *Go Getta Nutha Man* is as successfully as *Funky Love Vibrations*. (Cathy Dennis can OK with some of these songs.) The last song *tain High* is quite good though - sultry and

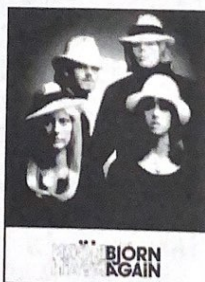


with a nice use of Michael Jackson's 'Mama se Mama sa Mamacoo from Thriller (*Wanna Be Starting Something*).

Overall, there's nothing here as sophis as last year's *Facinating* from the debut album. A disappointment. 6

CRASH HOT

New Zealand music now has its own promotional radio show. NZ has sponsored the six one hour shows, each made up of six ten-minute segments on a particular band or subject, and they are being broadcast each week on New Zealand's student radio stations. The show is interesting and well put together, a great way for people to learn about the bands they like, and the ones they can never remember the names of but like single they heard. BFM runs each 1 hour episode every Saturday at 4pm and also various segments from Monday-Friday at 4pm. This week is three. Check out the reports on JPS Experience, Second Child, Tame Records, 3Ds, Solid Cold Hits (new Dunedin Bands), and Greg Johnson



THE SWEET SOUNDS OF ORIENTATION

The eight days of entertainment mayhem begin on Friday and is now well underway. Today (Monday) sees Chris Knox, Graham Brazier, and Frank performing in the Uni Cafe at 8pm (\$6 if you haven't bought a \$30 Orientation Gold Card).

Tuesday's highlights include Snapper and Freakpower in the Uni Cafe at 8pm (\$8 without a Gold Card). Free movies start at 11pm in Rudman Gardens, running throughout the night. Wednesday is Clubs Day, with local clubs presenting themselves for you in the quad. At 10pm at Alfies Nightclub the Disco Fantastic party starts at 10pm (\$8 without The Card). Thursday The Bats play the Uni Cafe at 8.30pm (\$12 without The Card). Then on Friday at 1pm MC OJ & Rhythm Slave and Riot Riddum System perform for free in Rudman Gardens. Later we can all come to a max with Bjorn Again, at the Powerstation. The ultimate in FUN CONCERTS (Like all events, free with an Orientation Card, but \$20 if you haven't bought one). ●



After the hassles of enrolment and starting a new year, I guess you probably want something to cheer you up a bit. If I'm wrong, good luck because I'm writing this. And since still the networks have conspired to ensure virtually all the new season's offerings are comedies. Mind you, at least there have been some improvements.

Prime time is now down to two family situations - equalled by the number of shows specifically taking off family sitcoms. Could the breed be finally heading for extinction? Expect nostalgia, remorse and letters to the editor.

In fact I might as well start the ball rolling myself. What do university students traditionally like in their comedies - the sort of hard hitting alternative stuff that used to only ever get put on in the wee small hours? Not any more. No one seems to have noticed but the hard hitting comedies are now mainstream prime time. OK, so they're American, have big budgets and sometimes even happy endings, but the fact is the Bundys, the Simpsons and even the dinosaurs are going around treating each other like Vivian and SPG. Things have got a awful lot meaner. And now that we have what we want I'm not sure it's such a good thing.

Suppose all comedy requires cruelty - you always need a butt. And the crueller it is, the funnier it is. But I have a sinking feeling that that might say something not particularly nice about humanity.

Aarghh what am I saying. Another minute and I'd be voting Christian Heritage. Fingers crossed.

THEERS: There is no need to break a winning formula, and no one here intends risking it. The new series features the old cast, the old plot and the older jokes.

GOOD AND EVIL: Not really the former, it does feature Teri Garr as the latter. Not that she is a great actress or anything, but

she is good looking.

ALAS SMITH AND JONES: Thou art scheduled yet nowhere to be seen.

DINOSAURS: Not the mamma (sic) of all comedies but not as bad as its hype makes it seem. OK the cop-out love and kisses endings are invertebrate but sometimes something with a bit of reptilian bite slips through, usually when it gives up being family sitcom and exploits its 'situation'. TV shows Mr Ugh the talking caveman. Robbie and his friends scent mark territory. Live mammals get served for dinner. Given a million-dollar-an-episode budget, even the yanks couldn't completely cock it up.

MURPHY BROWN: More of the same.

THE SIMPSONS, MARRIED WITH CHILDREN, NIGHT COURT, ALLO ALLO: More of the same, only beginning to run out of plot ideas.

THE FULL WAX: More of the different.

THE GOLDEN GIRLS: Saw half of an episode, felt ill. Suspect a casual connection (allergy to cuteness?)

FAMILY MATTERS, HOME IMPROVEMENT: Sorry, I did mean to see these.

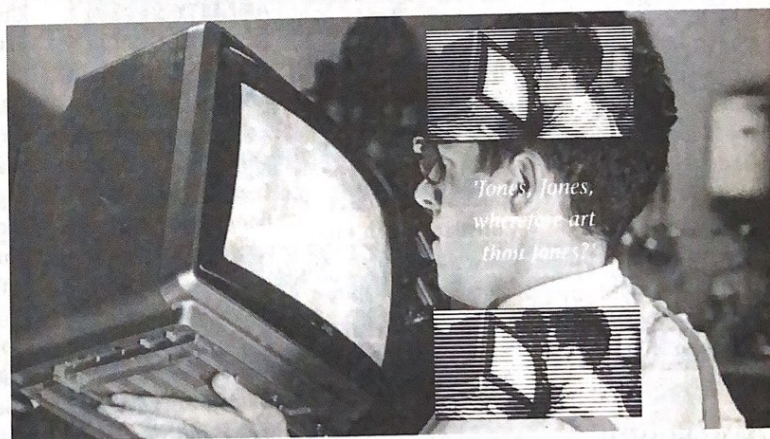
No, really.

IN LIVING

COLOUR: Variable. The best bits are usually 'Men on Film' and 'The Homeboys' Shopping Club'. (Gay jokes and black jokes. Add in the fly girls and you've got sexism as well. Amazing what you can get away with when you're from a minority).

THE NEW STATESMAN: Despite pretensions of presenting a political argument, Rik Mayall's attack on the Tories remains simply an expression of popular perceptions of politicians rather than any argument. Indeed B'stard seems often not a butt but a wannabe fantasy idol. But hey, let's not pick nits, he's still easily the funniest thing on television. ●

Following the lamented departure of Chris Keall, Kit Boyes has written this week's TV column.





NOTICES

PHOTOSOC

Darkrooms on campus, courses for beginners and advanced photographers, see notice-board by library overbridge.

DEBATING SOCIETY

University champions - learn how to speak in public, good for moots. Meet interesting people and argue with them. See notice-board before library overbridge.

AU ATHEISTS CLUB

First meeting room 114, Exec Lounge Student Union Building. See who's won the prize!!

ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION?

NUCLEAR FREE LEGISLATION?

You are invited to the Centre for Peace Studies and the Auckland University Environment Group's annual launching. Meet the lecturers and students concerned about these issues. Monday 2 March, 5pm, Coffee lounge, 2nd floor Student Union.

EVANGELICAL UNION

Yo! EU is happening for the first time this year on Tuesday 3 March at 1pm in the Maclaurin Chapel (on Princes St). Join me, and hundreds

of others (well, a hundred) to find out what EU is all about. Oh, by the way... we're born again, on-fire Christians.

AU NORML

Disorientation dance to be held in the Cafe on 13 March, starts 8pm. Members \$5, non-members \$8.

CHRISTIAN FOCUS

New series starting, with Rev Stuart Vogel speaking on 'Decent Christians in an Indecent Society?' this Thursday at 1-2pm in the Maclaurin Chapel.

'REFLECTIONS'

The Chaplain will begin a series called 'Reflections' every Friday 1-2pm in the Maclaurin Chapel beginning Friday 6 March.

LIBRARY TOURS 1992

Get off to a good start this year. Find out about the Library. Guided tours of the General Library for anyone new to the Library will depart from the Library foyer at the following times:

Monday 2 - Friday 6 March: Tours at 10.10am, 11.10am, 12.10pm, 2.10pm, 3.10pm, and 7.10pm. Monday 9 - Friday 13 March: tours at

11.10am, 12.10pm and 2.10pm. Monday 16 - Friday 20 March: Tours at 11.10am and 2.10pm. Tours last approx. 25 minutes. Other libraries in the university system also offer tours - check with the relevant library for dates and times.

BEGINNERS BRIDGE LESSONS

Free for students - starting March 15. Phone 521-0336. Akarana Bridge Club.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Meetings of the Varsity AI Group will be at 1-2pm on Monday (2 and 9 March) in the Executive Lounge (1st floor, Student Union). After the 9 March a new venue will be used (as yet unknown).

Anyone interested in human rights is most welcome. Leave your name and number in our pigeonhole at AUSA reception for more information.

BASIC MUSICAL SKILLS

A practical introduction. Intensive course for beginning musicians. Course no: G1.084. Thursdays 5-7pm, 12 March - 29 October (26 sessions). \$274: enquire at Continuing Education, Clocktower Building.

AMERICA

Are YOU interested in role-playing games? Board games? live role-playing adventures? THEN AMERICA (Acad-

emy of Middle Earth Role-playing and Individual Character Assimilation) is THE club for you! AGM: Thursday 12 March Lower Common Room, 6.30pm. Monthly meetings: First Saturday of every month, coffee lounge, 10am until...

CAN MEN CHANGE? A DAY FOR MEN AND WOMEN

2 courses: 7 March and 28 March, 9.30-4.30, \$45. Workshop taken by Rex McCann. Phone Cont. Ed. 3737-599 extn 7831 for details.

CRACCUM MEETING

First meeting of the year for all volunteers and interested helpers etc, this Thursday, 1pm in the Craccum Office.

COUNSELLING SERVICE

The following groups will be offered at Counselling throughout this year: Introduction to Assertiveness; Stress Management; Raising Children Alone; Women's Issues; Men's Issues. Contact Helen Barry, the Secretary,

Counselling Department to enrol and find out course dates. East Wing of the Old Arts Building above Campus Pharmacy and BNZ. Phone 3737-599 extn 7895. Groups will commence as soon as we have sufficient numbers.

NEWMAN HALL

Across the road from Old Government House gardens. Open each lecture day 8am-6pm for YOU to come in and relax in the lounge, make tea etc (50c), pray in the chapel, even study in the classrooms when not in use. Chaplains: Fr Paul Rankin, Sister Alapina Smith, Antony Hegarty. Mass: Monday and Friday, 1.10pm; Wednesday 6.10pm, followed by simple meal (\$2). Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion - Tuesday and Thursday 1.10pm.

MEDIA AND POLITICS

Issues in NZ Broadcasting; Community Media; The New International Order; Action

for Change: One Person Peavey: On break of Pearcal Comedy V all interesting talks/workshop - \$52: contact Ed. extn 78 details.

EARTH LITERATURE

Explore alternative an ecologically able future with Newman, MP the Miami Environmental Center 3 May: \$65. Phone Ed. 7831 for details.

STG WARGAMES CLUB

1st Meeting Sunday Lounge All Welcome. *Board Games *Wargames *Napoleonics

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