



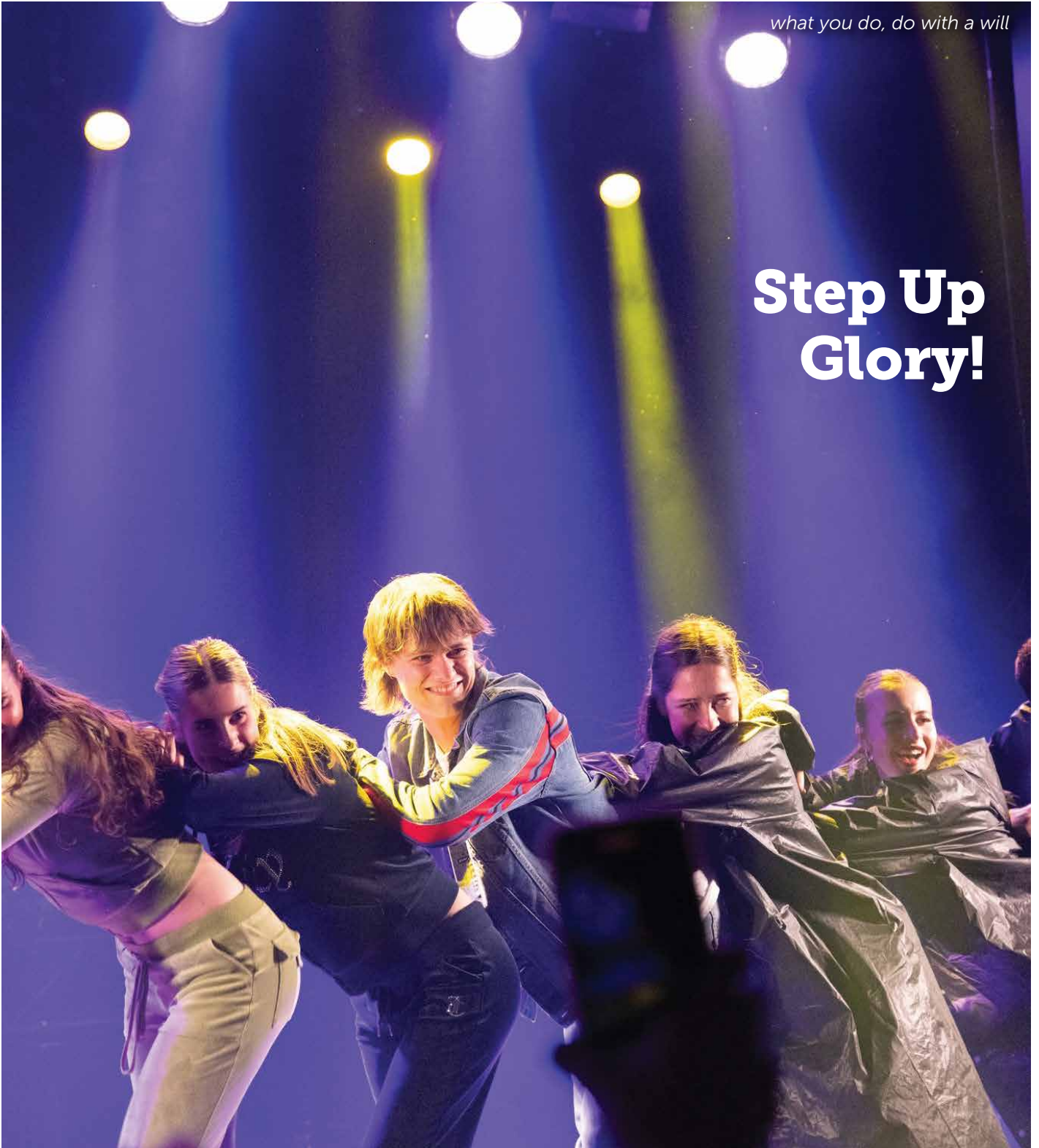
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The legacy of Council Presidents

As we welcome Lisa Williams (UC 1984) to her role as Council President, it is timely to reflect on the importance of this role to our College and its journey.

The first President of Council, Dr Georgina Sweet OBE (1937-1938), successfully led the Provisional Committee (set up in 1917 to establish a non-denominational college for women attending the University of Melbourne) through a period of great hope, frustration and endless activities until 1936, when the foundation stone for the College was laid. She chaired the special committee set up to frame the College's Memorandum and Articles of Association, then led the Council in the selection and appointment of the Principal, Dr Greta Hort (1938-1949). Dr Hort always spoke with "warm appreciation of the wise and helpful co-operation of Dr Sweet in her first months of office" (Annual Report, 1946). Dr Georgina Sweet's outstanding accomplishments as leader were characterised by her wisdom, far-sightedness and dedication. From the outset she maintained a clear vision of what a women's college would look like, and dedicated many voluntary hours towards achieving the founders' original objectives.

These same qualities have been characteristic of all the women and men who have succeeded Dr Sweet as President. Her successor, Mrs Eilean Giblin (1938-1940), steered the Provisional Committee through its most difficult period, securing the site for the College in the face of renewed political and community opposition. Her wisdom was apparent from her tireless lobbying of politicians, who would have the final say in granting crown land (then the Carlton Cricket Ground) as the site for a college. Writing individual letters to every Victorian state politician, she put

forward the case for allocating the site to University Women's College. Her far-sightedness meant that she could see the long-term value in adopting the aspirational Kingsley Henderson Master Plan, to provide for the future building development of the College.

One of the most influential founders of the College, Miss Eveline Syme (1941-1946), succeeded Mrs Giblin as President. Described in the Council minutes as "a woman of great foresight and quiet determination" she would be remembered with gratitude not only for her work and devotion to the College; but also for "her quiet firmness, her determination and patience, her wise words, deep artistic feeling and imagination, and her friendly interest and understanding." She also donated to the College and endowed scholarships.

These early Presidents and pioneering women had a clear sense of purpose and a vision for the College, which contributed to its own distinctive image and character.

The rapidly changing nature of contemporary society in 1975, however, saw the move to somewhat alter the character of the College. It fell to an unsung president of distinction, Miss Lysbeth Hunn (1975-1976), to lead the Council to the point of agreement whereby it could change its name and amend its Memorandum and Articles of Association to admit male students.

To achieve this, supported by other far-sighted Councillors, Miss Hunn built

on a letter from the University Academic Board's representative on Council, Professor of Botany, T C Chambers to "generate a policy of what the college could be and should be." For while the College was clear in its distinctive purpose when it was founded, with the changes implemented in 1975, Professor Chambers noted "we must make it clear that University College is evolving its own distinctive image" and "generate and implement ideas which would make University College one of the most sought-after places of residence associated with the University."

This remains our goal to this day and is reflected in another strategic decision taken by the Council in 2015 to undertake the UC Redevelopment Project. This has provided us with wonderful modern facilities, but was not without its challenges. We are particularly grateful, therefore, to outgoing President Jane Peck for her wisdom and strong, decisive leadership over the past six years. Like her predecessors, with a clear sense of purpose and direction, Jane ensured that the College would not only survive the significant challenges it was facing, but ultimately, thrive and prosper.

As we look to a sustainable future, we are delighted to welcome her successor as President, alumna Lisa Williams. We look forward to working with Lisa in continuing to meet the challenges of the future and exploring the possibilities for the College as we approach our 90th Anniversary in 2027.

Dr Jennifer McDonald
Head of College



New year, new beginnings

I can't believe how fast this first semester has gone. Entering this new year with fresh faces and an abundance of enthusiasm, it has been so fulfilling to see unique and beautiful connections formed in such a short space of time.

The college experience is dynamic and special. It is a place that is constantly evolving and changing in what it means for all of us. Jumping into 2024, my main goal was to make UC a place where everyone can belong from the moment a first-year student walks through the door on their very first day. Whether it's waking up before sunrise to support our rowers, getting ready for ball, rehearsing for the musical, participating in sport, or going to social events, I truly believe we have found a place for everyone to get involved and feel a sense of belonging. I am constantly reminded within our corridors and daily interactions, what a beautiful and open community we have here at UC.

For our first-year students, leaving the nest of home and entering an early chapter of adulthood does come with challenges of navigating new friendships and academic expectations.

But I believe the support of second year students since orientation week (students who have felt these exact emotions), has given them the confidence and ability to reach out to a comprehensive support network.

Another new year means new beginnings for all of us. In my commencement address I acknowledged that this year marks the start of new connections and experiences to be had through meeting unique people and learning more about yourself and what makes you feel fulfilled. I advised our students to get involved in as much as they can; to try new things and activities.

I am constantly reminded how lucky I am to be living in such a special place. A place where something

new is happening every day, yet has an overwhelming sense of comfort and familiarity. I am constantly inspired by the support of the leaders of our community, including the administrative staff and the passionate members of the Student Club executive team. Each and every individual puts everything into spirited events that make student life at University College so special.

I look forward to seeing how the rest of our year will play out. I know it will be filled with love, passion and yes, die-hard spirit. I hope next semester doesn't go by too fast.

Antoinette Boxall
Student Club President
2nd Year Bachelor of Urban and
Regional Planning Student
RMIT

"There is a beautiful sense of autonomy about this age, where we can afford to try and fail and laugh and be young."



Getting to know each other on Welcome Saturday

Starting off strong

Welcome Saturday is a day that requires enormous courage from everyone involved.

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Courage for the new UC students to leave their families at the door and walk into an unfamiliar environment, with new people, marking the start of their tertiary life.

Courage for their parents to wave farewell and let their children head inside without them.

Courage for the O-Week Leaders, who stepped up to make the week as enjoyable as possible; waiting at the door to greet, move-in, and help settle new students into the UC way of life.

This day may be full of mixed emotions, but it is vitally important for the cohort starting their UC journey. This year we welcomed 208 new students through our doors – all of whom put on their O-Week shirts and name tags and threw themselves into mingling with their peers and experiencing the culture at UC.



Tom Deane and Jess Scott welcoming new families to UC



Sophia O'Connell and the UC Boar



Erin Appleyard and family



Ozair Rahman



Corridor smiles

N-Week planning and preparation

This year, Saturday 10 February marked the beginning of a jam-packed week of preparation to welcome the 2024 cohort of new UCers. From Saturday to Saturday, 60 keen and dedicated O-Week Leaders (OWLs) completed numerous workshop sessions around leadership and consent, as well as mental health first aid and fire warden training to help keep everyone safe during O-Week.

The biggest part of the week, however, was activity planning. Each OWL team was assigned a different activity to develop, book and oversee for O-Week. This involved contacting lighting and sound companies, country musicians and mobile laser-tag companies. Other groups were working out the logistics of an Amazing Race around Melbourne and a Survivor activity around UC. One of the biggest highlights for the OWLs was seeing their activities being enjoyed once everyone moved in.

The OWLs also began to break the ice between themselves and the newcomers. They made team videos, PowerPoint presentations and name tags, and contacted the new students in their teams to check in and answer any questions they may have had. When the OWLs weren't planning for O-Week, they were bonding as a collective team, enjoying barefoot bowling and meals out before the task of welcoming the new cohort began.



N-Week leadership workshop



Angus Courtney, Fletcher Quinlan, James Steer and Fergus Bear



2024 Student Executive



Kate Wilding and Charlotte Bott

Time for fun, 41

BingO-Week started with a bang, as 60 nervous and excited O-Week Leaders (OWLs) waited for the first of the 200 new students to arrive on Welcome Saturday. After the exhausting work of getting everyone through the door, the week officially kicked off with a briefing and address by the UC staff team.

After the formalities, the fun began, with all of the O-Week groups officially meeting each other in preparation for the week together. BingO-Week entailed many

team-building and cohort-integrating events that allowed the new students to mingle and explore their new social setting, and in many cases their new city.

The OWLs organised bush dancing, a silent disco, Survivor and an Amazing Race. Small group bonding activities were held as well, such as a corridor decorating night, fruit salad dinner and morning yoga. The week closed with a Bingo-themed party, which featured many fabulous op-shop outfits, walking frames, walking sticks, pearl necklaces, cardigans and button-ups.



Bridgette de Salis



Silent disco



Lachlan Palmer and Antoniette Boxall

Cheers to a new year

This year's Commencement Dinner took place on Wednesday 28 February, after the welcome return of our remaining senior students to campus. Our beautifully dressed and gowned students enjoyed the opportunity to take photos and mingle in the Goblin Courtyard. The forecast of rain and high winds meant the usual alfresco reception was replaced with drinks and canapes served in the Syme Dining Hall. Resident bagpiper, Hamish Hare, performed as guests entered the dining hall, found their tables and were seated before the formalities began.

Head of College, Dr Jennifer McDonald, opened the event and introduced Wurundjeri Elder, Uncle Daniel Ross, to give a Welcome to Country. It was a privilege to have Daniel speak to us about what it means to him to be an Aboriginal man, his passion for the preservation of his language and culture, and how he is committed to the breaking down of barriers for others to access and celebrate First Nations culture. Indigenous Representative, Jasmine Glass, thanked Daniel for his words and for welcoming us all to the land of the Wurundjeri people, on which our College sits, and where our special event took place.

Following a Student Club address and toast given by President Antoniette Boxall and Vice President Lachlan Palmer, the formalities were completed. Guests were then invited to enjoy the wonderful dinner that had been carefully curated by the Executive Chef, Tom Brockbank, and his team.



Dr Jennifer McDonald, Uncle Daniel Ross and Liz Agostino

Guests were delighted to hear Tom introduce the menu and describe each of the courses, and how they had been specially created for the night.

Over the evening it was lovely to hear the excited chatter that filled the room, and to watch people catch up, or meet each other for the first time, and make new friends.

Commencement Dinner has always heralded the start of a new year, bringing in fresh energy and a unique cohort full of promise – and this year was no exception.

Liz Agostino
Dean of Students



Hamish Hare



Clancy Joyce and Abi Hodge



Ella Cornish and Macey Callander



Ava Thornton and Jacob Hatcher



Maddie Wilson and Lulu Morgan



Tom Plunket, Sam Erez and Angus Shand

Semester snapshot

Throughout the year the UC Student Club organises many fun activities that encourage the UC spirit.

In exciting news, we won the annual Intercollegiate Step Up Dance Competition held in March. It was an incredible example of hard work, creativity and coordination, and our UC spectators in the crowd put on an almighty display of cheering and support.

It was UC's turn to host the intercollegiate trivia night this year – and we won this too! We've also had some informal, student-led UC trivia nights, which are always lots of fun.

This semester we've welcomed some esteemed guests at our High Tables, including Professor Margaret Jollands, the Deputy Dean of Learning and Teaching at RMIT's School of Engineering, and Professor Alec Cameron, Vice-Chancellor and President of RMIT, and there are more guests to come in Semester 2.

The 'Enchanted Forest' themed ball was held on Wednesday 1 May at the Plaza Ballroom, efficiently organised by our Ball Representatives, Neve Maguire and Jessica Scott. The night was positively magical, with a jazz band playing throughout the three-course meal, a gorgeous UC floral arrangement, and even an LED tree. Students also enjoyed surprise guest ABBA (or an ABBA cover band at least) to dance the night away.



Step Up Dance Competition



Professor Alec Cameron, Dr Jennifer McDonald and Elizabeth Cameron



Sasha Thompson, Dr Jennifer McDonald, Professor Margaret Jollands, Liz Agostino and Kalya Green



Ed Charles, George Evans, Harry Morris, Patrick Hayes, Hugo Absolom, Jack Beasley, Alex Newman and George Ingram



Jess Rothwell, Abbey Thompson, Jessica Scott and Amelie Lumsden-Steel



Lulu Morgan and Caden White



Mackenzie Jacka and Gemma Murdock



UC 'Enchanted Forest' Ball at the Plaza Ballroom



An evening of connections and gratitude

A lovely autumn evening was the perfect setting for our annual Donor Reception on Wednesday 6 March.

President of Council, Jane Peck, and Head of College, Dr Jennifer McDonald, hosted 80 alumni, students, staff and community members.

Guests and students alike were encouraged to mingle in the Giblin Courtyard and make connections. It was wonderful to see our new scholarship recipients get to know their scholarship supporters and other members of the UC community.

Stories were shared of the College's history, and the similarities and differences of being a student then and now.

In her remarks, Dr Jennifer McDonald acknowledged the support of our

donors and the huge difference that their generosity makes to our students.

Jane Peck reflected on her experience of receiving a scholarship during her time at UC, saying "I lived here for two years... It would have been impossible for me to come to college if not for the foresight and generosity of others."

Jennifer and Jane both referred to the transformative power that scholarships can have for our students, providing enriching experiences and expanding their horizons just by being at UC.

We also heard from UC Student Club President, Antoinette Boxall, who thanked UC's donor community on behalf of the student cohort.



Ada Winter-Irving

If you or someone you know is interested in supporting the UC Scholarship Program, please contact the Advancement Office on +61 3 9349 9113 or advancement@unicol.unimelb.edu.au



Dr Jennifer McDonald, Ava Thornton and Jacob Hatcher



Portia Northcott chatting with the Loverings



Lillie Quinlan and Janet Walstab



Victoria Jan, Jane Peck, Lynne Broughton and Sienna Pegg



Norma Binding

2024 scholarship recipients

Congratulations to our 2024 scholarship recipients and thank you to our generous donor community, who make these scholarships possible.

Charles Ledger	Barbara & Max Murray Scholarship	Sophie Garner	Jill Williams Scholarship
Ada Winter-Irving	Barbara Howlett Scholarship	Lily Ivey	Jill Williams Scholarship
Jessie Herington	Barbara Howlett Scholarship Lena McEwan Scholarship	Amiee Lowe	Jill Williams Scholarship
Benjamin Black	Binding Scholarship	William Pennington	Jill Williams Scholarship
Jack Burton	Binding Scholarship	Lillie Quinlan	Kathy Skelton Scholarship
James Steel	Binding Scholarship	Ava Thornton	Kiss-O'Donohue Scholarship Triggs Scholarship
Alexander Grice	Botha Family Scholarship	Portia Northcott	Loving Scholarship
Victoria Jan	Broughton Scholarship	Sienna Pegg	Lyn Gilbert Scholarship
Alexia Bennett	Chambers Family Scholarship	Phoebe Irish	Margaret Bullen Scholarship
Cai Rowland	Corbett Family Scholarship	Edward Bramwell	Margaret Garson Scholarship
Jude Enticott	David Syme Charitable Trust Scholarship	Alexander Russell	McGregor Family Scholarship
Mackenzie Jacka	David Syme Charitable Trust Scholarship	Scarlett Sheldrick	McGregor Family Scholarship
She-in Kim	Davidson Family Scholarship	James Steer	McGregor Family Scholarship
Carly Rozitis	Davidson Family Scholarship	Pearson Chambel	Meredith McComas Scholarship UC Western Australia Scholarship
Sebastian Monahan	Deborah Seifert Scholarship UC Victoria Scholarship	Ainslie Allthorpe	Muriel Crabtree Scholarship
Jack Beasley	Dr Anne G Jabara Scholarship	Mia Sugiyanto	Myra Roper Scholarship
Charlotte Skene	Duncan Family Scholarship	Jacob Hatcher	QLS Wimmera Mallee Scholarship
Anika Sridharan	Elizabeth Shaw Scholarship	Electra Beltrami	Tweddle Scholarship
Finn Love	Gates Buchanan Scholarship UC ACT Scholarship	Gemma Murdock	Wheeler Scholarship Stewardson Walpole Scholarship
Willem Sanders	Hughes Family Scholarship UC Victoria Scholarship	Antoinette Boxall	UC Leadership Scholarship
Philippa Bull	Jill Eastwood Scholarship Ros Terry Scholarship	Lachlan Palmer	UC Leadership Scholarship
		Billie McKessar	UC New Zealand Scholarship



Anne Robertson, Jessie Herington and Rob Cross

Access for all

Did you know about one-third of students need significant financial support to come to UC?

UC is constantly evolving to attract a diverse range of talented students, providing first-class programs and facilities to support their journey through university. However, many students struggle with the expenses associated with tertiary studies.

Students from low socio-economic or Indigenous backgrounds, government schools and rural areas are most at risk of not embarking on tertiary education, and accommodation costs are a big factor for those moving away from home.

Our available funds cannot keep pace with the increasing cost of university, accommodation and wider cost-of-living pressures faced by students and their families. Our long-term aim is to have sufficient scholarship funds to enable the most deserving students to come to college regardless of their capacity to pay.

Since 1937, our scholarship program has played an integral role in improving accessibility to the University College experience for those students requiring fee relief and financial support.

We need your help to enable us to increase the number of scholarships we are able to award.

Make a donation today

All donations to the UC Scholarship Fund (no matter the amount) are used to provide financial assistance and support to our students.

For more information, or to make a donation, contact the Advancement Office on +61 3 9349 9113 or advancement@unicol.unimelb.edu.au. You can donate online by visiting: unicol.unimelb.edu.au/support-us



Ros Terry chatting with Pip Bull

"I've had the most incredible time at college, and I hope you will help other regional students like me access the same opportunities."

Jack Burton (2023-24 UC student)

If you are not in a position to support UC with a donation, please consider volunteering as part of our UC Mentoring and Career Advice Program to share your experience with our students.

Contact advancement@unicol.unimelb.edu.au to register your interest.

Celebrating leadership

In March we held a celebratory thank you dinner for Jane Peck, who has stepped down this year as UC Council President after six years.

The evening began with drinks in the Senior Common Room alongside other Council members and key staff that Jane has worked with over the years. Head of College, Dr Jennifer McDonald, thanked Jane for her years of service and for helping us navigate some of the trickiest times in UC's recent history, including the redevelopment project and COVID pandemic. She then presented Jane with a gift themed around one of her favourite chefs, Neil Perry.

Jane also voiced her thanks to everyone for their support over the years, before everyone headed into the Mural Room for a feast of the senses. Our Executive Chef, Tom Brockbank, had prepared a unique degustation menu for the occasion, inspired by some of Jane's favourite flavours. It featured tuna carpaccio, lamb navarin, lemon tea tart, European cheeses and more, accompanied by matching wines.

Although Jane has stepped back as President, she continues to be part of our wider Council, and we thank her for her many years of service to the College so far.

"Jane's devotion to the College is remarkable and we thank her most sincerely for her time, interest, advice, and understanding."

Dr Jennifer McDonald



Jane Peck and Dr Jennifer McDonald



Hon Phil Honeywood, Zita Unger and Antony Elliott







Cheering on the rowers

Game on!

A semester of sport and spirit

Our amazing athletes have represented UC in ten different sports throughout semester 1, achieving some excellent results while embodying passion and unwavering camaraderie.

The year kicked off with cricket, led by captains James Steel and Jess Rothwell. UC's trademark die-hard spirit shone through, highlighted by a thrilling one-run win by the men's team, defeating Newman in the final stages of a match that was seemingly out of reach. Shortly after the conclusion of the cricket, our UCers competed in tennis. It was a respectable effort from the team, with the competitiveness of the matches not reflected in the results.

UC's first strong result came from the Athletics Carnival. The women's team, driven by captain Lily Hall, finished day one in first place whilst the men's team, captained by Flynn McGarry, fought their way to fourth place at the end of both days (spearheaded by men's individual third place winner, Dude Kelly). It was a huge success, with much of the College getting down to support our

athletes, who finished in a respectable fifth place overall.

Spurred on by our newfound momentum, UC backed up our solid athletics performance a week later at the Cross-Country Carnival. The outstanding leadership of captains Jacqueline McBratney-Owen and Pearson Chambel saw four top-ten finishes from Lachy Gance, George Evans, Catherine Greenhill and Sophie Coltish, propelling the team to an outstanding third place in both the men's and women's competitions.

After a well-earned mid-semester break, intercollegiate sport returned with the Swimming Carnival. Donning the UC maroon and blue, and wielding cardboard signs of support, we made the pilgrimage to Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC) to cheer on our swim team. Despite a great fight, UC didn't take out any wins.

The men's and women's hockey teams, led brilliantly by Seb Morell and Pippa van Wijck, both persevered through their challenges, with an excellent 2-0 score against the St Mary's women's team. Unfortunately, both teams bowed out in their respective quarter finals.

The difficulties unfortunately continued into table tennis, despite a superb effort from all players. The silver lining was evident through two exceptional performances from Will Pennington in the men's singles, bringing down some highly-talented opponents.

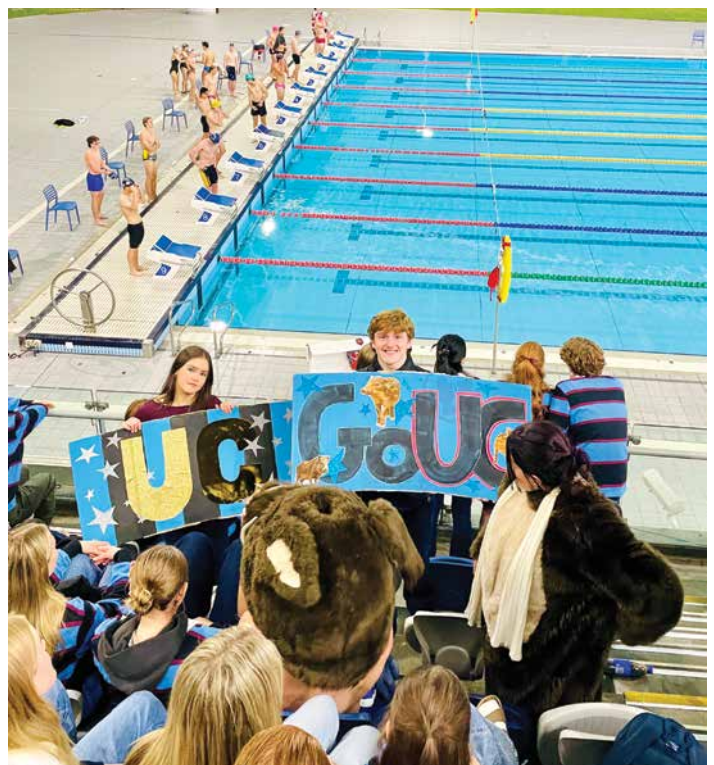
Creating one of the highlights of the year so far, both the men's and women's soccer teams engaged in countless highly entertaining battles.



Athletics



UC women's soccer team



Swimming carnival



Hamish Hare, James Lee, Fergus Bear and James Mawson

The men's soccer team defeated Newman in a thrilling penalty shootout to advance to a quarter final. Despite the outstanding efforts of goalkeeper Thomas Watson, the team exited the tournament courtesy of an agonising last-minute goal from St Mary's.

Captained by spectacular goal scorer Lily Ivey, the women's soccer team managed to propel themselves into being the focal point of UC sport in semester 1. After defeating Newman, UC quickly became a formidable force, knocking off intercollegiate powerhouse Ormond in a heart-stopping penalty

shootout quarter final, before beating Janet Clarke Hall in the semi-final to earn a grand final berth for the first time in recent history. Despite an exceptional run and tough competition, UC women's brought home silver.

In the early hours of a cool autumn Saturday morning, UC marched down the Yarra behind Hamish Hare's bagpipes to the annual Rowing Regatta. After many weeks of training and organisation, coaches Tex Freeman, Elsie Quinn, Mackie Whitley and Molly Woolcock sent the two crews out onto the water, bravely led by captains Ben

Gorell and Phoebe Dunoon. Willed on by their fellow UCers from the riverbank, the rowers powered their way to an A final and a B final, where their hard work paid off with excellent results of second place in the men's competition and fourth place in the women's.

Pip Bull

Female Sports Representative
2nd Year Bachelor of Science Student
University of Melbourne

Theo Dipane

Male Sports Representative
2nd Year Bachelor of Science Student
University of Melbourne

FROM THE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Upon my appointment as President, I would like to give my thanks and gratitude to Jane Peck, the outgoing President, for her wonderful work leading the College through the past six years, which included some extremely challenging times. We are very fortunate that Jane will remain as a Council Member, and I want to particularly thank Jane for her generosity and steadfastness in continuing to Chair the Advancement Committee and for her highly valued contributions to Council.

Forty years ago this year, I walked through the doors of UC as a first year commerce student at the University of Melbourne, arriving from country Victoria. I had two fabulous years at UC, which created a platform for the variety of things that I have experienced and enjoyed since. I am honoured to be at UC as a Council Member and to lead the fine group of Council Members who govern the College.

One of the things that I enjoy immensely is talking with and listening to UC's students. With three children who are also in this generational group, I'm constantly inspired by the can-do approach of students today. Their interest in getting involved for the benefit of others, their willingness to challenge or contest long-held ideas in favour of new ways of thinking, and of course their ability to have a lot of fun. At High Table over the past year, I have had the opportunity to talk with many students and I thoroughly enjoy their conversation and candour.



Jane Peck and Lisa Williams

Many things have changed in the forty years since I was a student at UC – the food for one! (although the late-night dashes to Lygon Street were a lot of fun). But what hasn't changed is the opportunity that College provides to make your world big. This might simply be moving from somewhere else, it might be your studies, it could be getting involved in college and university life. It is the opportunity to make your world big that provides transformative experiences that will stay with you throughout your life and shape the way you think and work in the world.

I encourage all students to explore the opportunities of college and to make your world big.

The Council currently has 12 members, with seven alumni ranging from the 1970s to the 1990s and five independent members. The College is in a sound strategic and financial position, and well through the impacts of the major rebuild and COVID years. Governance remains strong, with all

Council Members contributing through committee work. I would particularly like to thank the Councillors who chair the various committees and contribute directly to this governance work.

The Council, together with the College's management team, will shortly embark on its work to review the strategic plan for 2025-27 and to ensure UC remains a college of primary choice for students. Another key focus of the Council's thinking will be how we can ensure that our future position enables financial support, so that the tradition of UC as a College for rural and regional students remains strong.

I thank Dr Jennifer McDonald and her team for their tireless work in attracting residents to UC each year. For their work in providing a rich and valuable experience for residents, and for creating and enabling that transformative experience that past students talk about and remember with fondness. For it made their world bigger.

Lisa Williams
President of Council

Recognising our highest academic achievers

On Monday 22 April, we celebrated the academic achievements of 32 students, who each achieved an average result of 80 or over for their full year of studies in 2023. These successful students were presented with the Fellows Award Certificate and a voucher of \$100 during the celebration, which took place in the Syme Dining Hall.

The event was hosted by our Head of College, Dr. Jennifer McDonald and attended by College Fellow, Professor Sheila Fitzpatrick, who is a distinguished historian of modern Russia/the Soviet Union and an alumna of the College. Also in attendance was UC Council President Lisa Williams, Council Vice President Anna Crameri, Council Members Antony Elliott and Micaela Jemison, former UC Fellows Medal recipients Fox Crowley (2018 and 2019) and Anna Bartos (2021) and UC staff and students.

Dr Jennifer McDonald delivered the evening's address, and the former Fellows Medal recipient address was given by Anna Bartos. We also had the wonderful privilege of hearing the Fellows Address from Professor Sheila Fitzpatrick. Sheila spoke about looking for inspiration for her speech, then serendipitously hearing the song *Moon River* on her radio, with the words: "there's such a lot of world to see." She saw this as a perfect reference to this exciting chapter of student life. After the speeches, our Dean of Studies announced the 32 students who were the recipients of the Fellows Awards.



Professor Sheila Fitzpatrick



Jacqueline McBratney-Owen, Jack Burton and Alice Pembroke

The ceremonies were concluded with the presentation of the UC Fellows Medals and a voucher of \$100 by our College Council President, Lisa Williams. The Fellows Medals were awarded to the highest achieving undergraduate, Walter Coop, and the highest achieving graduate student, Sebastien Foucaud.

Andre Louhanapessy
Dean of Studies

The College would like to congratulate the following students for their outstanding academic achievement in 2023 and for receiving the UC Fellows Award:

Felix Allanson	Walter Coop	Jasper Hamilton	James O'Connor	Imogen Smyth
Katelyn Allison	Mara Dalton	Samara Herpich	Lachlan Palmer	Oliver Starkey
Ella Bithos	Anna Dunlop	Liam Hounsell	Alice Pembroke	Tom Thornton
Benjamin Black	Sebastien Foucaud	Ella Liang	Thomas Plunkett	Arya Vasa
Jack Burton	Ben Gorell	Skye Mackenzie	Elsie Quinn	Ashley Wong
Dominic Campaign	Hannah Groom	Jacqueline	Sydney Rice	
Laura Cheng	Helena Haldane	McBratney-Owen	Sarah Roberts	



Cancer Council morning tea

Pancakes with purpose – a semester of community service

UC has eagerly stepped into helping the community this semester, showing support to numerous charities and acts of kindness to keep our community safe.

The Community Service Committee has formed, meeting fortnightly to plan the next fundraisers and voice the ideas of the wider resident body. The committee is comprised of five second year students (Charlotte Ryan, Joy Masek, Carly Rozitis, Jasmine Glass and myself, Edwina Magnus) and four first year students (Charlotte Skene, Thomas Watson, Ella Manning and Maddy Wilson).

International Trans-Visibility Day

The first charity event of the year was held on 27 March for International Trans-Visibility Day. The purpose of this event was to spread awareness about the continuous fight for full equality of all transgender people. To show support for this cause, a group of UCers cooked delicious pancakes all morning to sell and raise funds.

With the help of the 2024 Wellbeing and Equity Representatives, we shared information about how individual actions can positively affect the lives of transgender people.

Cancer Council Morning Tea

Our Cancer Council Morning Tea took place on 23 May, and is an annual event at UC. This year, UCers were given the chance to compete in a baking competition, where their treats were sold to raise funds, with \$180 raised in total. Thank you to our UC chefs for their support and to the Dean of Students, Liz Agostino, and Student Wellbeing Coordinator, Katie Saya, for their help in organising the event.



Jess Scott, Edwina Magnus, Charlotte Ryan and Lily Hall on pancake cooking duty

The winners were:

Chef's Choice – Triple Choc Brownies by Carly Rozitis and Jackson Parker

People's Choice – Nutella Brownies by Alex Graney

Most Creative – White Chocolate and Raspberry Cookies by Charlotte Skene

Edwina Magnus
Community Service Representative
2nd Year Arts Student
University of Melbourne



Front row: Sean Bellato, Liz Agostino, Dr Jennifer McDonald, Andre Louhanapessy and Jessica Lang.
Back row: Tejaswini Srihari, Seung Hoon Byun, Jamie Papworth-Dent and Sher Maine Tan.

Basketball and BBQs

As another academic year began, and another semester at UC unfolded, the Senior Common Room (SCR) welcomed new members and old into the UC community. The SCR embodies a space for post-graduate students and tutors (both residential and non-residential) of UC to come together. It also provides an opportunity for the undergraduate community to draw upon the collective experience of the SCR members.

What is better at bringing people together than good food? Nothing! The SCR kicked off the year with a pizza and board game night, offering us a chance to get to know one another, and set the tone for what we expect to be a busy but exciting year. Ahead of Welcome Saturday and an action-packed Orientation Week, SCR members were able to sit back and relax. We discussed the expectations of the year to come, whilst sharing stories of the years that have gone by.

As President of the SCR, my focus is on the potential of the SCR to reach out and create valuable experiences

for the undergraduate community at UC and strengthen our interactions. In this spirit, we held a basketball and barbeque event, the first of its kind, to welcome back the students, put names to the faces of the SCR members and (as cliché as it sounds) break the ice. It was a great evening, with a wonderful turnout that resulted in everyone coming together for good food and a good time (sprinkled with some competitiveness in the basketball tournament).

Throughout the semester, the SCR also capitalised on other chances to interact and build relations with

students and one another, through High Tables on Mondays, intercollegiate sporting events and academic and career-oriented events, such as the Pathways Dinner. I look forward to seeing what the next semester holds for us. I would also like to thank the SCR members for their involvement and extend thanks to all those who provided a platform for us to do so. Here's to an even better Semester 2!

Tejaswini (TJ) Srihari
Senior Common Room President
Master of Global Media
Communication Student
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Weaving wellbeing into the semester

Our Wellbeing Committee elected its new members for 2024 and has had a fantastic start under the leadership of our Student Wellbeing Representative, Joy Masek. Due to overwhelming student interest, we expanded our committee size and currently have ten active members. Each member brings their own unique experience, interests and ideas, which we will work to implement throughout the year.

The Wellbeing Committee organised a very successful Wellbeing Week in week 7. The week was full of activities designed to encourage connectedness within the community, placing a focus on mental health. Movie nights, baking, yoga, trivia, and a Pleasant Friday Afternoon musical event were highlights, with posters and other information also distributed to promote awareness of various topics.

Mental health is always a topic that our students are passionate about, and this semester we offered 20 spaces for interested students to take a Mental Health First Aid training course. These students developed the awareness and skills to support fellow residents and community members, and they now have a tangible skill and certificate that can be added to their CV.

With so many important issues and stressors facing our residents, the Wellbeing eNewsletter is now being sent to students on a weekly basis.

This semester we've covered topics including: transitioning to college life, building a support network, hangxiety and alcohol use, academic wellbeing and support, self-care, loneliness, setting boundaries, gendered violence and tips for managing end of semester stress. Weekly newsletter distribution has increased our levels of engagement, with more than 85% of our students reading the newsletter each week.

Respect Week at the University of Melbourne provided UC staff and students the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities and programs that focused on respect and consent. A particular favourite was a panel featuring Chanel Contos, the founder of Teach Us Consent. In conjunction with Respect Week, and as a companion to our more formal UC policies, we created a brochure of Sexual Harm Support Resources. The brochure places a focus on UC, university, and community supports. It is discreet in



Liz Agostino at Respect Week

size, with clear and concise content, and provided to all UC residents. Alongside our yearly consent education and trainings, the brochure is an additional resource that will support and empower our residents.

Students are gearing up for a busy end to semester 1, so check-ins will be a priority to ensure our students are maintaining their wellbeing as they head into exams. There is always a lot happening within the wellbeing space, and we have many great ideas planned for this year – watch this space for more to come!

Katie Saya
Student Wellbeing Coordinator

Reflecting on achievements at Governors afternoon tea

Head of College Dr Jennifer McDonald and President of Council Lisa Williams welcomed 25 of our College Governors for a special afternoon tea in June.

Along with sampling delicious food offerings prepared by the College chefs, guests were given an overview of UC's significant achievements over the past year, including improvements in accommodation and facilities; developments in our marketing and fundraising strategies; and the quality of UC's academic support. The Governors were also updated on the successes of the College's wellbeing and student services team.

In her remarks, Dr McDonald reflected on the important role played by our Governors and their service to UC. She said "with your support and leadership, we will continue to build our capacity to provide a collegiate educational experience where students enjoy a living and learning experience that can be truly transformative."

It was wonderful to welcome these important members of the UC Community to College and enjoy a lovely afternoon together.

UC Governors are appointed by the College Council in recognition of their contributions. There are currently 107 Governors of the College located across Australia and around the world, reflecting our global community.



Lisa Williams



Hew Lovering and Dr Margaret Bullen



Jane Peck



Kerry Lovering

Step inside: a peek into College life



Kate Wilding and Maddy Wilson leading a tour

For the third year now, the University of Melbourne colleges have come together to open their doors in May. This Open House event is growing in popularity; this year we had approximately 450 people through the doors, with 194 of those being prospective students.

Every year this event's popularity has been increasing and we were very excited to welcome so many prospective students with their friends and families. It was also great to hear so much positive feedback about UC and our student tour guides.

Open House is a great opportunity for future students to gauge whether the feel, look and culture of any particular college is the right fit for them. There was a wonderful buzz of activity around UC as our student volunteers keenly welcomed visitors and took them around on tours. We had coffee carts, a sausage sizzle and our famous UC cupcakes on offer. Despite over 50 students helping out as guides this year, we could barely keep up with the demand for tours, and we extend our thanks to resident student, Claire Stevens, for helping coordinate the volunteer roster! The day was a resounding success thanks to the hard work and enthusiasm of our students and staff.





Guests ready for their tour



Bethany Bulmer and Patrick Hayes leading a tour



Dr Jennifer McDonald talking with guests



Claire Stevens, Ainslie Althorpe and Shehan Jayasekera



Bridgette de Salis

We are family

For the third year we hosted our successful Family Reception immediately following our Open House event in May.

We welcomed over 350 attendees to the Syme Dining Hall to enjoy drinks and canapés, and it was wonderful to see so many families arrive earlier in the day for a look around campus.

Head of College Dr Jennifer McDonald, President of Council Lisa Williams, and Student Club President Antoinette Boxall, all spoke to the crowd about the strong history of UC and the thriving student cohort of today. We thank every friend and family member who came along – it was a pleasure to host you all!



Family reunions





Freya Ferguson-Douglas and mum



The Quinlan family



Sophia O'Connell, Georgie Norris, Mackenzie Jacka and family



Professor Alice Payne and Alice Flynn

The path to connection

UC's much anticipated annual Pathways Dinner is the culmination of a process where second and later-year students are asked to identify an industry area of interest. The College then invites professionals from those areas to dine with our students, giving them the opportunity to network and learn more about various fields, companies or career paths.

This year, the dinner was held on Wednesday 15 May, and it continues to be a celebrated event, with 2024 seeing the biggest attendance to date. There were 74 students from various study areas and 23 industry professionals (most of whom are UC alumni) together with UC staff, bringing the total number of guests to 109.

Our Head of College, Dr Jennifer McDonald, opened the evening with a warm welcome and conveyed her appreciation to the President of the College Council, Lisa Williams, as well as to the industry professionals who had been very generous with their time in supporting the event.



The keynote speaker for this year's dinner was Dr Ellen Joan Ford, who has won many leadership awards, including the Manawatu Standard Person of the Year and the Sir Peter Blake Leadership Award. Ellen served in the NZ Army, completed an MBA and PhD, started her own business and is the author of #WorkSchoolHours, which builds on decades of research to suggest a better framework for the way we work. One of the key points she made in her keynote speech was:

"In addition to your studies in your respective fields, keep developing your human skills: emotional intelligence, relationship building, having difficult conversations, and being curious about the perspective of others."



Tanay Sonthalia, Ella Bithos, Rishad Sukhia and Dr Ellen Joan Ford



Catherine Greenhill and Dr Jeslyn Lim

It was wonderful to witness conversations taking place and connections being made throughout the evening, with several industry professionals continuing to chat with our students long after the event was formally concluded, sharing their knowledge and experiences.

The College would also like to extend its sincere thanks to our alumni, friends of the College, and our UC staff who assisted with the preparation of the event and their kind contribution to making it a success.

Andre Louhanapessy
Dean of Studies



Kathryn Bellion and Claire Stevens

FELLOW PROFILE: DR SARAH MASKELL



Late last year the College appointed Dr Sarah Maskell as a new Fellow. Fellows are recognised for their 'outstanding contribution to the wider community, their professional experience, or their ability to assist with the academic pursuits of students or residents of the College.'

We thought we'd tell our readers a little more about Dr Maskell's distinguished career as a research scientist. She holds a BSc (Hons) in Microbiology and a PhD in Genetics from the University of Liverpool in the UK. She also undertook post-doctoral research there, as well as at the Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine at Oxford University.

Sarah moved to Queen Mary University of London to take up a lectureship in genetics, which she held for seven years, before moving to work on antimicrobial and vaccine discovery at the University of Cambridge for a newly founded biotech company, Arrow Therapeutics Ltd.

After five years, she moved to grant-funded research in the Department of Veterinary Medicine at Cambridge, working on pathogenic bacteria such as salmonella. She then moved to Melbourne in 2018 with her husband, Professor Duncan Maskell, when he was appointed Vice-Chancellor of the University of Melbourne.

Dr Maskell has attended College events on numerous occasions with the Vice-Chancellor and always engages proactively with our students. We look forward to hosting Sarah at the College again soon.

What an honour!

UC congratulates Elisabeth Grove (UWC 1966), who was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the Australia Day 2024 Honours. Lis was recognised for her significant service to her local community of Hobsons Bay and the Williamstown Literary Festival.



VALE

We pay tribute to members of the University College Community, whose passing we have been informed of in the past six months.

Margarita (Rita) Avdiev
(14/04/1937 – 26/06/2023)

Dr Alan Gregory AM
(09/05/1938 – 28/04/2024)

Dr Sneja Gunew UWC 1964
(15/12/1946 – 08/01/2024)

Marion Watterson UWC 1951
(29/06/1933 – 13/07/2023)

Phyllis Wood UWC 1946
(11/12/1927 – 17/12/2023)



'Bible Joe' by Noel Counihan



'The Violet Seller' by Noel Counihan

Unveiling the colourful history of two UC artworks

'Bible Joe' and 'The Violet Seller' are two artworks that were donated to UC in 2004 by Mr Geoffrey Reed and Mrs Jess Reed (1992 Governor of the College); friends of Lady Derham, who have provided multiple other donations much appreciated by the College.

The subjects of the drawings were well-known figures in Melbourne throughout the 1930s. The portraits were created by artist Noel Counihan, who was known for creating portraits of notable Australian personalities;

particularly those through whom he could illustrate a level of social realism, such as the elderly, the poor, and the outcasts of society.

The 'Bible Joe' portrait represents Robert Gainsford Surgey, who would walk the streets always carrying a well-worn Bible, the works of Greek philosophers, and a blackened billycan; often reading aloud in Hebrew as he went. People knew little of his past, yet he became so well known that his death was reported on in newspapers as far away as Broken Hill.

'The Violet Seller' was Margaret (Maggie) Malone who, despite the

title, was a matchstick seller and could be easily identified by her colourful hat covered in flowers and feathers. *The Herald* described her as a "tiny, indomitable figure" as she could be seen sitting outside the Royal Bank on Elizabeth Street regardless of weather conditions, matchsticks displayed atop an old wooden stool.

We are very lucky to have many beautiful pieces of art here at UC and look forward to sharing more about them with our community.

Jasmine Van De Veerdonk
Archive Assistant

A snapshot of Council Presidents

The twenty-five women and men who have served as Council Presidents over the years are a formidable group of people. Here is a snapshot of four of these loyal supporters of the College.



Lady Dorothy Leggatt

Miss Kathleen Syme OBE (1947-1953)

As an undergraduate at the University of Melbourne, Kathleen Syme OBE signed the petition from the Provisional Committee calling for a residential college for women. Together with her cousin Eveline Syme, her advocacy helped make University Women's College a reality two decades later. The Syme Wing, opened in 1953, was named after the cousins, who were both early and active members of the Provisional Committee, both members of the first University Women's College Council and both served as President of Council. Both chaired various Council committees at different times. Both donated to the College and endowed scholarships and, after Dr Georgina Sweet, were the most influential and effective founders of the College. The new Syme Dining Hall, opened in 2017, was named in their honour. In recognition of Miss Evelyn Syme's contribution to the College, the Minutes of the AGM in May 1954 note:

"... This meeting wishes to record its deep appreciation of the distinguished contribution made by Miss K A Syme during her seven years as president of the council. Through her enthusiasm, interest, and unflinching readiness to place her knowledge and her time at the disposal of the College, she has made a notable contribution to its well-being."

Lady Dorothy Leggatt (1954-1955)

Lady Leggatt was involved with the College for a period of more than fifty-five years. She was the first woman to edit the Melbourne University Magazine and wrote an article in 1917 entitled: 'Wanted, a Women's College'. She argued strongly the need for a non-denominational residential college for women, leading to the set-up of the Provisional Committee, with Lady Leggatt elected as the student representative. For the next twenty years she worked with the committee

until the College was finally established in 1937. In 1950 she was elected to Council and chaired the Council's Garden Committee. At a Council meeting in November 1950, Lady Leggatt reported on progress in the development of the grounds and gardens, including "that the electric lawnmower had greatly improved the appearance of the lawns." Not only do we have her report of this, but we also have a photograph of the aproned Mrs Leggatt actually using the mower in the courtyard – testimony to the diligence and dedication of the early leaders.

Mrs. Meredith McComas (1964-1967 and 1981-1982)

As the first former student to be elected President of Council, Mrs. McComas epitomised the aims of the founders; that this College should produce first class alumnae who would take their place in the world with integrity and distinction. As noted in the Council minutes "Mrs. McComas was the embodiment of all the things the College hoped for in its students." Amongst her many achievements Mrs McComas oversaw major revisions of the College Memorandum and Articles of Association. At the conclusion of her second term as President, the March 1981 Council Minutes noted:

"it has been the most exciting and stimulating experience to work with someone so dedicated to, and enthusiastic about improving every aspect of college life. I have a very high regard for her ability as an administrator, organiser and innovator."

Professor John Swan AO (2000-2002)

Professor John Swan skilfully navigated complex issues, including the introduction of GST and the use of computers and the internet within the College, with minutes from the time noting that "a plan was designed and carried out to ensure there were no problems with Y2K." Professor Swan

oversaw the integration of computers and high-speed printers in the Greta Hort Library, and communicating with students via email. The Head's Report (included in minutes for meeting 4 September 2000), noted that the wiring of the "whole College for internet connection" was going well. It was also observed that "requests for internet access increased from under 20 in 1999 to over 50 in 2000 and we expect this to grow..." On Professor Swan's resignation his successor, Anne Cronin "thanked him for his work as Council President, his leadership and his ability to bring people together for the benefit of the College."

Presidents of Council

1937-1938	Dr Georgina Sweet OBE
1938-1940	Mrs Eilean Giblin
1941-1946	Miss Eveline Syme
1947-1953	Miss Kathleen Syme OBE
1954-1955	Mrs Dorothy Leggatt
1956-1958	Dr Norma Kelso
1959-1963	Mrs Irene Rogers
1964-1967	Mrs Meredith McComas
1968-1970	Mrs Lesley Falloon OAM
1971-1972	Mrs Noël Piper
1973-1974	Dr Nancy Millis AC MBE
1975-1976	Miss Lysbeth Hunn
1977-1980	Dr Nona Seward OAM
1981-1982	Mrs Meredith McComas
1983-1984	Dr Marion Adams
1984-1985	Dr Jean McNaughton
1986-1990	Mrs Betty Marginson AM
1991-1993	Dr Lynette Dumble
1994-1996	Mrs Joan Kimm
1997-1998	Mrs Ruth Bunyan AM
1999-1999	Mr Frederick Davidson AM
2000-2002	Professor John Swan AO
2002-2017	Mrs Anne Cronin OAM
2017-2024	Ms Jane Peck
2024-	Ms Lisa Williams

Life 'On the Margins'

As has become tradition in March, we were thrilled to host the 2024 Broughton Seminar, presented by UC Governor and Fellow, Dr Lynne Broughton (UWC 1964).

This year's seminar, *On the Margins?* explored the kinds of imagery to be found on the edges, almost out of sight, drawing on Lynne's extensive research and knowledge of British and European medieval churches. Those attending the seminar had the opportunity to consider these images and figures not just as marginal, but rather as significant aspects of the church environment.

Our thanks to Dr Broughton for sharing her insights.



Lynne Broughton and Dr Jennifer McDonald



Rosemary Kiss



Lorna Henry and Gabrielle Henry



Prof Robert Gribben AM



Hosting the techies of tomorrow

Over the 2023/2024 conference season we were fortunate to host many academic camps and events on site. One of the most inspiring was the National Computer Science School's (NCSS) ten-day summer technology camp for year 11 and 12 students.

NCSS is organised by Grok Academy together with host universities the University of Melbourne and the University of NSW, and is the only summer school of its type in Australia.

NCSS brings together talented young people from around Australia for an intensive course of computer programming and website development in a university setting. As well as working in labs and attending lectures, students go on industry site visits and meet industry professionals in a variety of contexts, including talks and competitions. The students learn about generative AI, cybersecurity, cryptography and coding while staying in full-board accommodation on campus.

The program has been offered in various formats since 1996 and is sponsored by a number of large finance and tech companies, which helps keep the costs down for participating students. If you know a student who may be interested, they can visit grokacademy.org/ncss and register to receive updates. It was wonderful to be able to host such a worthwhile event on our campus.



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