

ANU Emeritus Faculty
Annual Report to Council, 2004

This report covers the 2004 calendar year

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**Chair's Report to the ANUEF Annual General Meeting
1 December 2004**

First I extend my deep thanks to the Committee we elected this time last year for their time and generosity. Each member rendered a significant service to the Faculty.

Office Bearers

Peter McCullagh: Deputy Chair and Convenor of the Science Honours Elective.

Mac Boot: Secretary

Peter Scardoni: Treasurer

Members with portfolio

John Sandeman: ACT Government

Beryl Rawson: ANU Civic Interface

Giles Pickford: Events Officer

Ian Mathews: Media Officer

Chris Bryant: South Coast Outreach

Nik Fominas: Web Site Officer

Bruno Yvanovich: Membership Officer

Members at large

John Grant

Judy Slee

Also I should thank David Walsh who took on the job of Office Manager and who has been particularly useful in setting up the office computers, telephones, etc.

Peter Scardoni organized ATEM to pay for the excellent photocopier bought from the Students' Union for which we are very grateful.

Finally I thank Rick van Haeften for his assistance with obtaining computing facilities and Nancy Sever for locating our Fred Ward furniture and the etchings by Petr Herel, which are on loan from the ANU Art Collection.

NEW PROJECTS

This year we added a PhB Honours (Arts) course on 'Rights' to the teaching load of the Faculty. Our Science elective on 'A Sustainable Australia' continued on into its second year.

At the request of the Vice-Chancellor we have taken on the task of preparing obituaries for publication when called on by the Chancelry.

We have inaugurated ANUEF News which is a quarterly edited by Ian Mathews. All members have good reason to thank Ian for this worthy initiative.

We have organised a visit to Ballarat for those of our members, and others, who wished to attend the Sesquicentenary of the Eureka Stockade.

Finally, we were visited by the Director and the Deputy Director of the ANU School of Art and requested to consider supporting the Emerging Artists Support Scheme. A grant under this scheme is \$5,000. Three of our members attended the 2004 Exhibition by the Emerging Artists earlier today. While the Faculty cannot support this level of gift, individual members may well be inclined to do so. [NOTE: the Faculty donated \$5,000 in March 2005]

CONTINUING PROJECTS

John Sandeman, with Mike Gore, Nik Fominas and Peter Scardoni, have made some progress with the ACT Government and industry on solar research; and on a course in security against terrorism which involves ADFA.

Beryl Rawson, with Judy Slee and John Grant, has been involved in the Gateway project; which aims to connect University Avenue with the ANU in a more friendly and useful way.

The Web Site has simply got better and better under the management of Nik Fominas. New features are being added regularly. Our continuing hope is that the web site and database will one day be given enough space to be housed in the ANU Computing Service. At the moment the bulk of it is on Nik Fominas's own server.

The Lecture series this year included talks by Fyfe Bygrave, Gordon Ada, Tim Curtin, Maev O'Collins, Deryck Scarr, Geoff Davies and Adrian Gibbs. A Public Forum was held in the lead up to the ACT Government Election on 'Canberra and its National University'. It was chaired by the Vice-Chancellor of the ANU, Ian Chubb; and the speakers included Ted Quinlan, Deputy Chief Minister and Brendan Smyth, Leader of the Opposition. It was poorly attended, but a useful discussion was held.

DECLINING PROJECTS

Not everything we do has an indefinite existence. We have a declining role in the two Summer Schools for Teachers which we inaugurated in 2002.

The Conference on the Public Intellectual was abandoned after much work on the concept stage of development.

The South Coast Outreach project, which was initiated by Bill Crow in Bermagui and assisted by Chris Bryant and Judy Slee, did not crystallize.

An idea for a wine tasting was dropped.

AFFILIATIONS

We have two affiliations with outside organisations.

1. Our continuing affiliation with RAPLink has become even more useful with our involvement in a joint project called Rustic (Rural Students in the Community). Our member Elizabeth Murphy writes:

“The questionnaire for the planned survey of community needs and community student support for young rural students in tertiary education is about ready to go. Our special thanks go to Faculty members Don Anderson and Dick Johnson for their comments on the questionnaire. We have acted on their suggestions. The project chair, Dr Elisabeth Patz, is planning to send the questionnaires out on Monday 29 November to all 56 Area Consultative Committees in Australia, to rural and remote psychologists through the Convenor of the Rural & Remote Interest Group of

the Australian Psychological Society, and to several individuals who have expressed interest in it as a result of RAPLink's newsletter items. If ANUEF members would be interested in participating, they should let Giles Pickford (a member of the Rustic Group) know immediately, so that we can send them the questionnaire. We hope to have it completed by 10 December.'

We thank RAPLink for their generous donation of \$100 to the ANUEF.

2. ANUEF has decided to become a founding member of a new organisation called CHASS (Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences). This group, Chaired by Malcolm Gillies, is a new Lobby which will promote the interests of the Humanities and Social Sciences to governments and industry.

CONCLUSION

The ANUEF has come a long way since the first meeting in 1999, which was attended by Bob Gollan, Maeve O'Collins, Anthony Low, Gerard Ward, Alan Barton, Colin Plowman, Peter Stewart, Rafe de Crespigny, David Hambly, Giles Pickford and myself.

With the allocation of space, first in the Concessions Area where we are now, and soon in a slightly larger space in a new building which is going up behind the Law Faculty, I am confident that the ANU has sent a clear signal to us that we are needed, that we are useful and that we are to be regarded as a continuing part of the ANU community.

Therefore, after five years, it is time for me to stand down and let new hands and hearts take on the roles for which they are well prepared. I thank you all.

John Molony
Chair

2005 Committee Members

The following Members were elected to the positions shown below at the 2004 AGM.

Chair	Peter McCullagh
Deputy Chair	Peter Stewart
Treasurer	Peter Scardoni
Secretary & Events	Giles Pickford
Asst. Secretary	Chris Bryant
ACT Govt. & Industry	John Sandeman
ANU Civic Interface	John Grant
Media	Ian Mathews
Web Site	Nik Fominas
Membership Officer	Verna Rosling
External Outreach	Barry Ninham
Ideas for the Future	Peter Stewart
Office Manager	David Walsh

ANUEF Honours Electives

Sustainable Australia

The Emeritus Faculty elective on 'Sustainable Australia' was offered for a second time in 2004. One goal of this course was to provide an opportunity for interested students to investigate an issue free from the artificial constraints usually imposed by the rigidity of the disciplinary structure on which tertiary education is now based. A second goal was to afford the chance for small group learning in association with a range of people who would not otherwise be available to students. A novel feature of the 2004 course was its interaction with a year 10 class in a Queensland high school. The success of this interaction has prompted planning for the 2005 course to be run in tandem with half a dozen high schools. The potential of the topic, and of the course format, to attract very able students was reflected in the assessment outcome, namely six out of six High Distinctions.

Peter McCullagh

Aspects of Rights

This course was taught by way of Emeritus Faculty and one guest lecturer giving lectures, followed by seminars, on a range of topics, each of which was prefaced by a tutorial on set reading, taken by Jeremy Shearmur (Philosophy, School of Humanities), who also convened the course and gave an initial two-lecture introduction on the topic discussing a range of historical and philosophical points. Fred Langman then spoke on Disputed Rights, with particular attention to abortion and euthanasia. John Molony gave a topical lecture on Eureka and the Prerogative of the People. Hilary Charlesworth spoke on The International Human Rights System. Beryl Rawson discussed 'The paterfamilias: family, household and rights in classical Rome'; Dick Johnson, the topic of 'Education: Right or Privilege?'; Tony Johns spoke on 'Human Rights in Islam'; and Thomas Mautner gave two lectures and seminars on the theme 'What are Rights?'. The next week took the form of a panel discussion on issues raised by the students, while James Jupp closed the course by addressing issues relating to immigration and minorities.

This course was successfully team-taught to a small group of third-year students, with preponderantly law, international relations and philosophy backgrounds. The group was self-selected for the challenge of the course, and not surprisingly attained very good results: of the nine students who completed the course (one still has a delayed result because of a disability, while another took an incomplete fail), four received High Distinctions, four Distinctions, and one a Credit. These very high marks are in line with the marks that these students received when undertaking other courses.

In terms of standards, as for 'Sustainable Australia', there was a strong element of self-selection involved. We had one of the strongest groups of students that I have ever had in a tutorial, with really excellent discussion. We have got the kind of distribution of marks that we have, because poor students didn't choose to take what was - in some respects - a really demanding course.

Jeremy Shearmur

ANUEF Lecture Series

The following Lectures were given in the 2004 ANUEF Lecture Series.

18 March: Fyfe Bygrave 'Growing Australian Red Cedar: The Tree of Australia's History'

15 April: Gordon Ada 'Vaccine Usage and Development: with an update on the HIV/AIDS vaccine situation'

17 June: Tim Curtin 'Equitable financing of Higher Education: Taxes versus Fees'

15 July: Maev O'Collins 'Norfolk Island and the Commonwealth of Australia: Continuing the Uneasy Relationship'

18 August: Deryck Scarr 'Ratu Sir Kamisese Kapaiwai Tuimacilai Mara Uluilakeba 1920-2004: a very tentative outline of a life'

15 September: Canberra and Its National University. A Public Forum led by the Vice-Chancellor of the ANU, Ian Chubb; Ted Quinlan, Deputy Chief Minister of the ACT and Brendan Smyth, Leader of the Opposition in the ACT

20 October: Geoff Davies 'Economies for People and Other Living Things'

8 December: Pat and Adrian Gibbs 'Ballooning – hobby or obsession (an illustrated travelogue)'

ANUEF 2004 Excursion

The Chair, John Molony, and ten members and guests attended the Sesquicentenary celebration of the Eureka Stockade in Ballarat in December.

The experience was interesting and enjoyable. It is written up in the ANUEF 'News' of March 2005.

ANU Emeritus Faculty

Unconfirmed Minutes of the of Fifth Annual General Meeting

The 5th Annual General Meeting of the Emeritus Faculty was held on Wednesday 1 December 2004 at 5.00 pm in the ANUEF Room, Building 17, Union Court.

PRESENT: John Molony (Chair), Peter McCullagh (Deputy Chair), Mac Boot (Secretary), Dick Johnson (Returning Officer), Ken Taylor, Ian Mathews, Fred Langman, Henry Zapasnik, Nik Fominas, Gordon Ada, Beryl Rawson, Peter Stewart, Barry Ninham, Pat Gibbs, Diana Riddell, Thelma Hunter, Elizabeth Murphy, John Sandeman, Stewart Turner, John Grant, Helga Griffin, Jim Griffin, Cedric Mims, Judy Slee, Chris Bryant, Ian Marshall, Verna Rosling, Isabel McBryde, Giles Pickford.

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed the members to the fifth Annual General Meeting. Apologies were received from Peter Scardoni (Treasurer), Barry Ninham, Fyfe Bygrave, Adrian Gibbs, Maev O'Collins, Pauline Griffin, Jack Golson, Ralph Elliott, Don Anderson, Alan Barton, James Grieve, Jill Waterhouse, Margaret Travers, Colin Steele, John Champness, and Gerard Ward.

2. Minutes of the Third Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 4th Annual General Meeting held on 3 December 2002 were confirmed. (Fominas/McCullagh) CARRIED.

3. Chair's Report

The Chair's Report is included above on pages 2 to 4 above.

Motion: that the Chair's Report be received. (Sandeman/Turner). CARRIED.

4. Treasurer's Report

The Auditor's report and Accounts for the period 1 December 2003 to 30 November 2004 were tabled at the meeting.

Motion: that the accounts for the period 1 December 2003 to 30 November 2004 be accepted and the membership fee for 2005 be set at \$20. (Pickford/Griffin) CARRIED.

5. Report of the Returning Officer

Richard Johnson was appointed Returning Officer by the Committee. A call for nominations to the twelve positions on the Committee was circulated on 5 November 2004. The Returning Officer reported that he had received the following nominations by the closing date: Barry Ninham, Giles Pickford, Peter Scardoni, Peter Stewart, and Verna Rosling.

As the quota of twelve positions had not been reached, he had accepted the following nominations after the closing date: John Sandeman, Peter McCullagh, Nik Fominas, Ian Mathews, David Walsh and John Grant.

He declared all the above candidates elected unopposed.

Motion: that the Returning Officers Report be received. (Slee/Stewart) CARRIED.

6. Appointment of Auditor

Motion: that the Committee be empowered to seek out an Auditor and make a suitable appointment. (Sandeman/Bryant) CARRIED.

7. Other Business

7.1 University Briefings

The Deputy Chair addressed the meeting about an idea he had conceived for taking the ANU out to the community, through a series of briefings on topical issues. A document was tabled. The concept was endorsed by the members.

7.2 Thanks from our Affiliate RAPLink

Elizabeth Murphy thanked the Faculty for the use of the Faculty's accommodation for RAPLink and its sub-committee meetings.

7.3 Accolades

The Chair thanked all Committee members for their hard work during the year and wished the retiring members well: Beryl Rawson, Mack Boot, and Judy Slee.

7.4 Vote of Thanks to the Chair

Peter McCullagh spoke about the contribution that the founding Chair, John Molony, had made to the Faculty, and moved that the new room which had been allocated to the Faculty in the Fellows Lane Cottage be named 'The Molony Room'. (McCullagh/Pickford). CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

GP 16/12/04

Audited Accounts for the period 1 December 2003 – 1 December 2004

**THE AUSTRALIAN
NATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

**EMERITUS
FACULTY**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR
1 December 2003 - 1 December
2004**

INCOME

	\$
Members Fees Paid 2003	75.00
Members Fees	1590.00
Donation	106.00
Deposits Eureka	900.00
Interest	1.58
Total	<u><u>\$2,672.58</u></u>

LESS EXPENSES

Speakers Dinner	322.65
Postage	371.79
Glasses	80.00
Advertising	119.23
Refreshments	119.99
News	187.15
Letters/Printing	
CHASS	100.00
Membership	
AGM 2003	300.00
Credit Union Fees	63.80
Eureka Payments	900.00
Total	<u><u>\$2,564.61</u></u>
Surplus for the Year	<u><u>\$107.97</u></u>

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL
POSITION AS AT 1 December
2004**

ASSETS

Cash at Credit Union	1239.20
Credit Union Shares	10.00

Total	<u><u>\$1,249.20</u></u>
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**LESS
LIABILITIES**

Members Fees 2005	50.00
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Total	<u><u>\$50.00</u></u>
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NET ASSETS	<u><u>\$1,199.20</u></u>
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**MEMBERS'
FUNDS**

Balance at 1 December 2003	1091.23
Add Surplus (Deficit) for Year	107.97

Total	<u><u>\$1,199.20</u></u>
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**P. A.
Scardoni
Honorary
Treasurer**

**Pauline Hore, BEc,
CPA
Honorary
Auditor**

Appendix - Who is in the ANU Emeritus Faculty?

The ANU Emeritus Faculty's full membership and its various programs are shown on our web site www.anu.edu.au/emeritus

But most of the work output of the Faculty comes from individual effort. In this sense it is very similar to any other Faculty. The collection of thumbnail sketches below will assist those who are interested to 'see' the ANUEF individually, as well as collectively. Twenty-four of our 119 members have contributed to the sketches below.

Gordon Ada (retired biologist)

Gordon Ada was head of the Microbiology Dept at the JCSMR from 1968-86. On retirement in 1987 he did a consultancy for The World Health Organization Geneva and then spent three years at Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, Baltimore. He has been a Visiting Fellow, now in the Division of Immunology and Genetics, at the JCSMR since mid-1991. His interest is in Vaccines and Vaccination, and apart from writing two books on this subject, he lectures groups of visitors to the JCSMR and to final year students at Canberra High Schools/Colleges on the importance of vaccination mainly against the common childhood diseases. This is because this subject is not covered in the School courses, so students are often unaware of the great effect the Australian Vaccination Program had had in lowering the mortality rate of especially very young children.

Jan M. Anderson FAA, FRS, FDhc (Umea)

Jan Anderson works in the field of Photobioenergetics in the Research School of Biological Sciences at ANU.

Geoffrey Borny (theatre studies academic, actor, director)

Geoffrey is the recently retired Head of Theatre Studies at the ANU and is currently a Visiting Fellow in the Faculty of Arts. He gives occasional lectures in the Drama department at the ANU and holds seminars for CPAS [The Centre for Public Awareness of Science]. He is continuing his research on Shakespearean performance conventions and is in the process of seeking a publisher for a recently completed book on the playwright Anton Chekhov entitled *Interpreting Chekhov*. He will be directing a production of Harold Pinter's *The Caretaker* for Free Rain Theatre Company in April/May 2005.

Bill Castleden (vascular surgeon, avocado grower, environmental campaigner)

Bill was Associate Professor of Surgery at UWA and Head of Surgery at Fremantle Hospital until he took early retirement in 1997 to become a full time avocado grower and environmental campaigner. He lives in Margaret River in the South-West of Western Australia and also helps to run a short-term accommodation property there (Aura Luxury Retreat). He convened "Doctors for the Preservation of Old Growth Forest" in WA which helped to preserve all the remaining unlogged forest in WA and spawned similar organisations in other States. He is now Chair of "Doctors for the Environment, Australia" www.dea.org.au and maintains that an inadequate response to climate change presents the greatest threat to the global environment and to human health and well being.

Nik Fominas (spatial scientist, software engineer, business strategist and facilitator)

Nik manages the Emeritus Faculty website and provides administrative support to the Emeritus Faculty secretariat where needed. As well as running his own business consulting and special projects facilitation company, he provides ICT support to the Country Education Foundation of Australia and the Australian Knights Templar as well as being the honorary webmaster for the ANU Meningans. He serves on a various boards and committees and recently accepted an invitation to be a panelist on the ACT Government's Business Springboard Program. Nik has been recognised by the Canberra Business Advisory Service for the business coaching and mentoring support he provides their clients and was awarded an AusIndustry Certificate of Achievement for Business Excellence in relation to his work in Spatial Technology Diffusion. He was also honoured with two Australian Safer Communities Awards for his work in developing and delivering a very successful national program of Spatial Technology seminars and workshops especially designed for Australia's Emergency Management community. He is a keen fisherman, bushwalker and explorer generally enjoying what nature has to offer.

John Grant (committee member, educator, golfer)

John is a Visiting Fellow at the ANU Centre for UNESCO where he promotes the activities of the Australian UNESCO Education Network. He is also an auditor with the Australian Universities Quality Agency, a member of the Queensland Ministerial Higher Education Advisory Committee and of the Australian Institute of Sport Research Committee. John convenes the ANU/Civic Interface Sub-Committee of the Emeritus Faculty. He needs to find more time to play golf if he is to realise his ambition of improving his handicap.

James Grieve (French scholar, linguist, translator)

James Grieve, as a Visiting Fellow in the School of Language Studies, continues to teach advanced writing skills in French and some literature to undergraduates. The American edition of his translation of Marcel Proust's second volume, *In the Shadow of Young Girls in Flower*, appeared last year. He spent much of last year translating from the French a scholarly work on autism, Laurent Danon-Boileau's *Children without Language*, to appear in 2005 under the imprint of Oxford University Press (New York). At present he is engaged in translating a scholarly work on the origins of language, *Aux origines du langage*, by Jean-Louis Dessalles, to be published by Oxford University Press (UK). Recently he has read conference papers on the translation of Proust, on the work of the contemporary grunge poet-cum-novelist Michel Houellebecq and on the enigmatic late Victorian novel *The Crime of Crimes* by Tinsley Pratt (1899), in which he argues that 'Tinsley Pratt' is a pseudonym of Oscar Wilde (published in *The Art of Lying*, ed. Dobrez, Dobrez and Lloyd Jones, 2004). As he has done for the past thirty-eight years, he occasionally reviews books for *The Canberra Times*. As a member of the Emeritus Faculty, he assists with the program of obituaries. From time to time, he writes a novel for Young Adults.

Adrian Horridge (biologist, vision scientist)

Adrian Horridge retired in 1992. He is currently a Visiting Professor in RSBS. He is engaged in a full time research program on "What honeybees see and how to copy their visual system". He has a grant and currently an assistant, and an office in RSBS measuring 2.5 metres by 2.5 metres, and a shed outside. He has published forty-four refereed papers since retirement, mainly on what bees see. This year three long papers are already out.

Peter Lane (geologist, environmentalist, cyclist)

Although Peter is essentially a retired petroleum geologist he continues his involvement in the industry as a non-executive director of Tap Oil Limited, a company he jointly floated in 1996. On environmental matters Peter is primarily interested in forest management and has published papers on the financial aspects of forestry. He has also recently written and published a book "Geology of Western Australia's National Parks" <http://www.mronline.com.au/nationalparks/> Peter is a keen sailboard rider and enjoys cycle touring when there's a following breeze.

Ian Mathews (journalist)

After retiring as editor and editor in chief of *The Canberra Times*, Ian established three publications which keep him protected from gardening. They are: *UNity*, a weekly e-mail bulletin monitoring Australia's obligations and responsibilities to the United Nations, as reflected in parliamentary activity and legislation; *Stand To*, the national publication of the RSL headquarters; *The Order*, a bi-annual magazine for the Order of Australia Association. He is also the editor of the ANU Emeritus Faculty newsletter.

Thomas Mautner (philosopher)

Thomas Mautner, previously a member of the Department of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts, is a Visiting Fellow in the School of Humanities. At the centre of his varied interests is the history of moral philosophy. He has edited writings by the Scottish moral-sense philosopher Francis Hutcheson. Work on the second, revised, edition of his *Penguin Dictionary of Philosophy* was completed in February 2005, and work on a dictionary of modern thought planned by the same publisher is continuing. He participated in offering an advanced undergraduate course on rights in the second semester 2004. Among other current activities are the writing of contributions to a major Italian dictionary of philosophy, and papers and critical reviews mainly in the field of the history of philosophy.

Wolf Mayer (geologist and apprentice historian of science)

Wolf is a Visiting Fellow in the Department of Earth and Marine Science and has taught geology at both the University of Canberra and at the ANU. Since his "retirement" he has been mainly interested in the early geological exploration of the Australian continent. He is presently writing an account of the contributions made to Australian geology by scientists of the French Baudin expedition (1800-1804) and the impact of their work on scientific thought in Europe.

Peter McCullagh (scientist and shepherd)

Peter's research interests while at JCSMR were concerned with application of fetal surgical procedures to study development *in utero* and in bioethics. In the 1990s, he served for two terms on the Australian Health Ethics Committee. Since leaving ANU in 2001, he has been an Honorary Research Associate in the Faculty of Veterinary Science in The University of Sydney. He is currently a collaborator in one research project, supported by Australian Wool Innovation, on the development of the precursor cells of wool follicles and in another project, supported by the Nepean Hospital, which is examining the use of umbilical cord stem cells to ameliorate brain damage occurring around the time of birth. He is president of the National Brain Injury Foundation and his monograph entitled *Conscious in a Vegetative State? A Critique of the PVS Concept* was published by Kluwer/Springer in late 2004. Apart from medical subjects, he is kept

occupied and insolvent by maintaining the largest remaining flock of Elliotdale sheep (and their genes) on the planet.

John Molony (historian)

Since retiring after five years as Chair of the Faculty, John has commenced research on a subsequent volume of his autobiography, Luther's Pine. As a committee member of both the Eureka Stockade Association and Eureka's Children he contributes to the strengthening of the relationship between Eureka and Australian democracy. As a Visiting Fellow with the Australian Dictionary of Biography he regularly assists with editing the articles submitted to it. He expects his 'Australia Our Heritage, a history of Australia' to be published presently by Australian Scholarly Publications. Despite constant sniping from the envious, he refuses to relinquish his allegiance to the Carlton Football Club.

Elizabeth Manning Murphy (linguist, communication skills consultant, volunteer)

Elizabeth maintains her interest in linguistics at the ANU and continues to work in areas of applied linguistics in the workforce, helping public servants to write plain English. She is a busy editor and is the author of several textbooks on aspects of communication and business skills. She is Immediate Past President of the Commercial Education Society of Australia, and has served on a number of committees connected with education and communication. University posts include lecturer and tutor in linguistics and writing at the ANU, UC and ACU in Canberra. She has always been a volunteer in community work, and is a co-founder and currently Secretary, Newsletter Editor and Public Officer of the voluntary organisation RAPLink Incorporated. She enjoys classical music, theatre, good food and travel.

Barry Ninham (physical chemist, physicist, applied mathematician)

Barry is continuing research based mainly in Regensburg, Germany; Cagliari and Florence, Italy; Lund and Linköping, Sweden, and later, ANU. He is directing about 40 scientists in those countries. He has published about 25 scientific journal papers, and edited a special journal issue this year. He recently ran an International Conference in Regensburg, Germany, on Hofmeister -- specific ion effects in biology, and chemistry. The work involves a real paradigm shift in physical, colloid and surface chemistry of some moment. He recently remarried.

Maev O'Collins (occasional lecturer, thesis adviser and consultant)

As a Visiting Fellow in the Department of Political and Social Change, ANU and Adjunct Professor, at the Canberra Campus of the Australian Catholic University, Maev continues her interest in development, governance and social justice in Australia and the South Pacific. Other activities during 2005 will include lectures and informal contacts at the University of Papua New Guinea and the Norfolk Island Writers Festival, and the completion of several articles on development and community participation.

Giles Pickford (faculty secretary, poet, essayist)

Giles lives in Wollongong, but works in the ANU at least once a week assisting with running the ANU Emeritus Faculty and the Association for Tertiary Education Management Inc. Giles is a Board Member of the ANU Visual Arts Foundation and a Patron of the Drill Hall Gallery. For more information, including published and unpublished poems and essays click on <http://www.users.bigpond.com/giles.pickford/>

Ian Rae (writer, musician, counsellor, historian)

Ian lectured and counselled in writing and academic skills before taking early retirement in 2001. He also moonlighted as a bush/Irish musician (Ettamogah Philharmonic Orchestra) and a performer in operetta and musical comedy. After retirement he was a Visiting Fellow in RSPAS, continuing a long research interest in the Jesuits in China and Japan in the 16th century. Since 2002 he has been a full time writer of fiction, with short stories and poetry published under a *nom de plume*, and has recently had a book of stories published, *In Praise of Younger Women*.

John Sandeman OAM (experimental physicist)

John has been a Visiting Fellow in the Department of Physics, Faculty of Science since his retirement as Head of the Department. He was the inaugural Chairman of the Australian Consortium for Interferometric Gravitational Wave Astronomy, involving ANU, Adelaide University, UWA, and Monash. He is Chairman of the National Science Summer School Inc., Council which operates the National Youth Science Forum and is on the committee of the National Science Teachers Summer School. He was awarded an OAM for his services to education and the National Youth Science Forum in 2004.

Peter Scardoni (treasurer/One time accountant)

Peter assists in the administration of the Emeritus Faculty looking after the financial side. He also assists with the running of the Association for Tertiary Education Management. He serves on the board of the Brain Injury Foundation and is Treasurer of Pegasus, and Riding for the Disabled ACT. He audits some organizations such as the Fulbright Foundation and Chairs the ANU Meningans. His interests centre on business development and brokering opportunities for collaborations between research and industry. The resource base for research can be greatly enhanced with such collaborations to the mutual benefit of both. He plays tennis, goes fishing and bottles his own wine.

Peter Stewart (molecular biologist, microbiologist, biochemist, canoeist)

Peter lectures and examines second and third year students in Environmental microbiology and biochemistry, and in water resource science and public health as part of the ANUEF Honours elective. He worked closely with an Aboriginal Community in Bowen as a volunteer. He has attempted to follow Charles Sturt's route along the Murrumbidgee, but the drought made it impossible. He will have another go after it rains again.

David Walsh, (retired administrator and musician)

After finally leaving ANU employment in early 2004 from the part-time position of Orientation Coordinator, David became actively involved with the Faculty as Office Manager helping out with practical things about the Office. His longstanding interest in farming and land care has found an outlet in his work as volunteer and team leader with Conservation Volunteers Australia and he spends many hours out and about in bush settings working on a range of conservation projects. He continues his interest and connection in sport and enjoys reading (mostly biographies). Although no longer actively involved in music making David remains a devotee of ABC Classical FM which is a reminder of his early career in Broadcasting in NZ.

Gerard Ward (Pacific Islands geographer)

Gerard is a Visiting Fellow in the Centre for the Contemporary Pacific, RSPAS. Formerly he was Professor of Human Geography, and Director of RSPAS, ANU. He continues research on the Pacific Islands, particularly on questions of isolation and distance, and their impacts. He is Past-President (and currently Vice-President) of the Pacific Science Association, and enjoys dividing his time between Canberra and the south of France in an attempt to achieve an endless summer.