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# ROBB CHANGES THE GUARD

*“Farewell” to Jill Spilsbury and “Welcome” to Michael Maas*

## FROM JILL:

*It seems only a minute ago I was saying “hello” and now I’m saying “farewell”. The past eighteen months have been every bit as exciting and as challenging as I knew they were going to be. Previous knowledge of Robb was limited to “looking over the fence”; getting to know Robb College from “inside the fence” has been an experience I have truly enjoyed. I’ve met many talented people - parents, alumni and residents - from many different backgrounds. Despite the differences, all of them are passionate about Robb College. And this is part of the magic of Robb. The camaraderie, the shared highlights (and lowlights) of their experiences here seem to remain with those who have been in residence for always.*

*In 2003, Robb College is no longer the college it was when you, the Alumni, were in residence. Society changes, staff change, residents change, and, as a result, so does the College. The arrival of a new Principal is inevitably a time when everything associated with the College is ‘under the microscope’ and the learning curve is steep. But I am confident that Michael will enjoy the same support and friendship as I’ve experienced and thereby ensure a long and successful future for Robb College.*

*My special thanks and warmest wishes to you all.*

*Jill*



## FROM MICHAEL:

*I am very honoured to have been appointed the new Head of Robb College. It has certainly been an interesting first two weeks, but I have thoroughly enjoyed all the challenges that have been put before me. It is an exciting time for Robb, being fully occupied for the first time in a number of years and having the prospect of expanding the College with the building of the East Court.*

*This is the first time I have been involved with a college or an educational institution. My background is large corporations, together with the last seven years being in recruitment at the senior end of search and selection. I feel very comfortable with my ability to bring a sense of structure to the College, both in its management and future development. I have a passion for personal development and the welfare of people in general.*

*I look forward to working with the staff, the university, the residents of Robb College and its affiliates to make this College the best College it can possibly be. I welcome suggestions in any area that will enhance the development and improvement of the College.*

*Thank you Jill for the great start.*

*Michael*

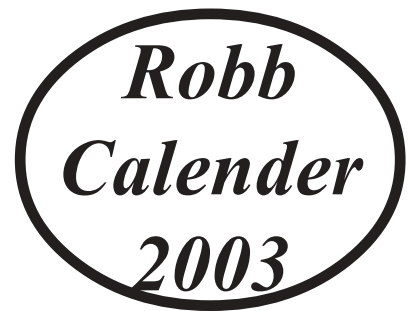


# 2003 Scholarship Winners

Hannah Marriott - Tattersall's Hotel/UNE Union Scholarship  
 Angus McLaurin - Tattersall's Hotel/UNE Union Scholarship  
 James Roberts - Robb College Rugby Scholarship  
 Ellie Tucker - Alice Coventry/Senior Common Room Scholarship  
 Charles Hollingworth - UNE Country Scholarship  
 Josephine Bieber - UNE Country Scholarship  
 Paul Matten - Country Equity Scholarship & Foundation Scholarship  
 Felicity Knapman - Country Equity Scholarship  
 Kirsty Speed - Gwynn James Prize  
 Lauren Redman - Fellows Scholarship



*The Scholarship winners at the Introductory Dinner 2003*



- 4-5 April Science & Health Graduation
- 5 April South Court Cocktails
- 9 April Inter-court Debating
- 11-12 April EBL and Ed. Graduation
- 7 May Inter-court Quiz night
- 11 May North Court Luncheon
- 23-25 May Parent/Student Weekend
- 23-25 May Art & Craft Exhibition
- 6 June Christmas Buffet Dinner
- 30 July Chopper/ Stropper Ball
- 6 August Inter-court Public Speaking
- 16 August Robb Ball
- 17 August Robb Ball Recovery
- 18 August Affiliate's Cocktails
- 22 August VC/ Faculty Dinner
- 10 September Robb College Rural Focus Dinner
- 12 September Open Day
- 14 September Robb Rugby Race Day
- 17 October Valedictory Dinner
- 31 October Presidents Changeover

## Letter From Catherine Marriott - Currently on exchange at Washington State University

I have just gotten back from a trip down to Sacramento and Yosemite National Park and also San Fransiesco which was a bit of an added detour. I arrived down in Sacramento to stay with a mate and his house mate and so they met me at the airport and Isaiah, (the mate not the house mate) was wearing this aussie outback hat so that cracked me up. Isaiah, (who is a chopper instructor pilot) took me flying over the Sierra Nevadas which was so awesome, I got to see the bridge off the first scene of XXX (the movie) and also Eddie Murphy's house, well one of them, which was absolutely fabulous. The mountains there are just beautiful and we went and landed on a creek which was awesome as you couldn't have just got there from the road, only chopper so that was bloody spectacular.

The next day, I went up to Lake Tahoe, which was absolutely beautiful as well. It was so funny as Lake Tahoe

is on the border of Nevada (HUGE gambling state) and California and as soon as we got over the border there were casinos everywhere, the boys tried their luck but I didn't, mind you I should have. I told this guy to put five bucks on 6 at the roulette table and it won, I couldn't believe it. On the Thursday, we all went to Yosemite National Park which was bloody great stuff. Lots of rocks and water falls and stuff to look at which was just super. We went for a bit of a hike and stuff so that was fun. We hiked up to see this so called mirror lake. It was nothing more than a bloody puddle so if you are ever there, don't bother going to see that little bad boy. Anyway, the views were stupendously fantastic. Don't know if that is a word but it sounded cool.

On the way home, we all decided that we wanted to eat seafood so we took a slight detour (about 260 miles out of the way) and went home via San

Fransisco which was really random but the Crab was so damn good. Really filled a hole so that was well worth the trip - the boys had prawns. Then we drove home, was really an awesome day. The next day I flew back up to Pullman. I only have six weeks left here and then I am off on my trip which is going to be great. I can't wait.

Take care,  
Love Mazz



*DeAnna Barone is the current WSU Tutor on exchange at Robb College*

## Open Letter - Armidale, Robb College and me...

Studying in Australia became my dream as I finished at university in Indonesia in 2000. But as East Timor had just won its independence I returned home and worked for the United Nations. It was whilst working for the UN that I won a scholarship to continue my studies in Australia - I was very happy as I had waited for this for a long time.

My arrival in Australia was overwhelming in many ways. In March 2001 I arrived in Armidale together with 31 other East Timorese students. I had thought Armidale was a big city but on arrival at the airport I was quite shocked and I remember we all said 'Dili is much bigger than Armidale'. At the airport we were met by Mrs Judy Colman, Director of the Language Training Centre and Dr Ray Nyland, the then Master of Robb College. Split into two groups, half were driven to Mary White College and my group went straight to Robb as it was late at night and quite cool.

On my first morning I went for a walk to look around and it was exactly how I had imagined Armidale to be, quiet and green. I had to admit, however, that in the beginning I found it very difficult to adjust to the culture and people, especially Robb students! Moreover, English was very different when spoken by locals, but it only took me a few days to make friends and to greatly improve my English. I still remember the first word of Aussie slang that I heard - 'Bonza'.

For me Robb College was my second home and I really enjoyed my time there quickly becoming involved in all the parties, club and societies. In November 2001 I was the last person to move out of Robb College as everyone had already left for the Christmas break. I found it very hard to leave.

I am currently studying in Canberra and staying in John XXIII, a college very similar to Robb - but I do miss Armidale and hope I can find time to have a holiday staying in Robb. I would like to thank all the staff and students who offered their kindness, friendship and help to myself and my fellow East Timorese, you will always be welcome in my country.

Lastly, I must add how much I enjoyed playing in the Robb Soccer team and hope you had a successful season. (*Robb's Mens soccer team won the 2002 Premiership, Ed.*)

Cheers

Luis De Sousa Sequeira

### CONGRATULATIONS

Dr John Corbett was named a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia for service to agricultural science, livestock grazing research and animal production, and to the community of Armidale Dumaresq in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. John is a Fellow on the Robb College Senior Common Room.

### Robb College Tutors & College Club 2003

Senior Resident Tutor - Olivia Rogers  
Resident Tutor - Mitch Allen  
Resident Tutor - Cate Darcy  
Resident Tutor - Suz Herbert  
Resident Tutor - Will Lardner  
Resident Tutor - Oscar Pearse  
Resident Tutor - Heidi Rodgers  
Resident Tutor - Ed Thomas  
Resident Tutor (from WSU) - DeAnnaBarone

JCR President - Richard Blackburn  
Vice - President - Shelly Reid  
West Court President - Luke Bell  
South Court President - Jane Davies  
North Court President - Stuart McClintock

Secretary/Social - Jane Murphy  
Treasurer - Sam Lisle  
Traditions/Dining Hall - Adam Bensch  
Project Officer - Ellie Tucker  
Cultural Officer - Fiona Ross  
Marketing Officer - Alistair Spring  
Sports Officer MB - Terrie Muhlebach  
Sports Officer PT - Trent Thompson  
SFK Officer - Amy Abrahams  
Affiliate Representative - Jim Massina

## Students Raise Money for Youth Suicide on National Boardshorts Day

(Robb 2001)



Pictured above is the new Master of Robb, Micheal Maas, with students dressed in boardshorts to raise much needed funds for the prevention of youth suicide. The student wore boardshorts for a day to highlight the issue and were able to raise a large amount of money through their efforts.

## ROBB COLLEGE FOUNDATION

The end of 2002 and the beginning of 2003 have been both exciting and frustrating for the Foundation. Jill Spilsbury's expert guidance during 2002 produced an upturn in the College fortunes so that we could look forward to a good year in 2003 and would be able to make some progress towards addressing the College's underlying problems. The Foundation's funds increased to just on \$100,000 because of the generosity of several anonymous donors and we really wanted to make a start on improving the 'down at heel' appearance of the College. However, the University administration did finally approve the new Residential System Business Plan and the appointment of a new College Head. Also the Foundation could not move on its plans until the University administration completed its due process.

A Robb College Planning Committee was set up in April, 2002 to identify and evaluate the market demand for on-campus accommodation at Australian regional universities in general and UNE in particular. If there was shown to be a demand for a particular style of accommodation not already offered at UNE, the Committee was to have sketch plans/proposals drawn up and costed for its provision on the site of Robb College. Finally, the Committee was to investigate possible funding sources

The interim report of this Committee showed that there is a trend towards more upmarket accommodation (such as single rooms with ensuite bathrooms) throughout the Australian University system and that some students are prepared to pay more for these facilities. It seemed that at long last we might have the opportunity to build the long-needed East Court of Robb!

Jill, Alan McKenzie (Chair of the Heads of Colleges), Edwina Ridgway (representing other College Heads) and I met in January this year to plan how we could take advantage of

this opportunity. There were indications that UNE and the College system would have an increase in student numbers in 2003 and so we decided to delay matters until we were sure. Our hopes were realised and the College is now full. We therefore prepared a proposal for in principle approval of construction of East Court for the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the University.

Finally, we were able to arrange a meeting in March with Graeme Dennehy (Executive Director), Randall Albury (Pro Vice-Chancellor, Academic), Jill, Alan, John Dunnet (a Trustee of the Robb Foundation) and me, to sort things out. Two exciting decisions came out of this meeting:

1. Permission to proceed with planning for East Court provided it is staged in such a way that proceedings can be put on hold in the event of a sudden downturn in internal student numbers
2. Graeme agreed to discuss with Randall and the VC the possibility of using some of the projected surplus in the UNE current account for the 2002/2003 financial year to fund a University contribution on a dollar for dollar basis with the Foundation, so that we can commence the re-cladding of the external walls of the College.

The final piece of excitement was the arrival of our new College Head, Michael Maas.

Facilities Management Services will now approach architects to come up with concept plans for East Court and once these have been produced and accepted, the Foundation will launch a major appeal. We will be calling a meeting of the Foundation Trustees in a few weeks to plan our progress into the future.

*Wal Whalley*  
Chair, Robb College Foundation

### ROBB COLLEGE FOUNDATION

I would like to donate:

\$50      \$100      \$250      \$500      \$1000      Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Send to Robb College Foundation, UNE 2351

I understand these funds, which are tax deductible, will be used by the Robb College Foundation to upgrade College facilities and to initiate scholarships to help retain gifted later-year students in Robb College. I also understand that if I donate \$500 or more I am entitled to have my name (if a past student) affixed permanently to a chair in the College Dining Hall and I will also become a Life Member of the Foundation.

**NAME** (include maiden name): \_\_\_\_\_ **Years at Robb:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FAX:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Robb College Women's Sporting Association

Robb College Women's Sporting Association has grown from strength to strength in recent years. It has improved not only through members, but also through team performances, commitment and spirit. Our community consists of over 130 members, those women living at Robb College, and our affiliates living in town. In 2003, we aim to raise the profile of women's sport at Robb College, and in the broader community.

In 2002, all four netball teams reached the semi-finals, 3 in the finals and 1 premiership win; 3 mixed netball teams, resulting in a premiership trophy in the A grade competition; 2 hockey teams were fielded and the soccer team made the finals.

In 2003 we will field 4 women's netball teams, 3 mixed netball teams, 2 hockey teams, 1 basketball team, 1 water polo team and 1 soccer team.

In 2003 we have restructured the executive body. It now consists of a President and Vice-President, who do all the administrative work. We have social committees who we intend to host events to not only raise our profile, but to inject some much needed funds. Finally, we have a representative for each respective sport.

In order to maintain existing equipment and to purchase new uniforms, we have embarked upon a sponsorship campaign. We have obtained two sponsors, but we are still looking for a major sponsor.

With an enthusiastic executive body, and the support from the women and men in college, 2003 looks to be a promising year.

*Nikki Bensch, R.C.W.S.A. President 2003*

## Alumni News

### TURNER/DUNCAN Wedding

A Tutor/Student romance led to the altar last year for **Rob Duncan** and **Liz Turner** who were married in Brisbane in August 2002 and now live in Albury where Rob works for Dept. of Ag. and Liz for the National Bank.

Caught up with at the wedding were **Courtney Harley** working in Brisbane after spending time overseas and in Adelaide, **Petrice Loader** who married Ben Dobbin in 2001. They live in Meandarra. **Caity Otto** works at Pittwater Council as a Town Planner and lives with **Melissa Hollahan** who works for Telstra in the city. Lis had spent some time OS based in Edinburgh. **Maree Maunder** had been part of the OS group but is now working as an accountant in Moree. **Sarah White** and **Carrie Walton** are living and working in Texas saving hard for planned travels to South America, Thailand and Cambodia. **Michelle Commerford** works in accountancy in Armidale and **Sarah Robson** is overseas after some years working in Sydney. **Kirrily Pollock** has headed for Sydney where she's working as a Market Analyst for Ridley Corporation.

### BARNETT/HEBITON Wedding

**Natalie Barnett**, spent three years as a Tutor at Robb whilst completing her Ph.D. in Genetics with CSIRO. She married West-Australian Mathew Hebiton in Perth in September 2002 though they live and work in New York. Matt trades stocks and shares and Nat is Clinical Trials Co-ordinator for the Neurological Dept. of New York University, having swapped from animal to human genetics.

**Annie Ramsay** was among the wedding guests having flown over from Adelaide where she is working for SARDI as Project Officer with the Selection Demonstration Flock Project which aims to tackle many of the important issues at the centre of the Merino breeding industry. She is living in Gawler and says that whilst South Australia has many attractions, Gawler is not one of them!

Annie passed on news of **Alex Murray** travelling in Cambodia where she has been running a few workshops and talking about rice. She was due to return to be bridesmaid for **Kate Porter's** wedding to Chris Dorhey in January 2003.

Dear Robb Alumni,

Due to the continued increase in production costs for the Robb 'Roundup' Newsletter we will only be producing two (2) copies per year. We would also like to decrease the production costs by offering the Newsletter via the Internet to those of you who have access. If you would like to take advantage of an electronic version of the Newsletter could you please complete the form below:

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# 2003 JCR President's Report

This year started in a typical fashion for Robb with a packed itinerary for O-Week. This year is a change for Robb from previous years because we have a full college and even have members of 105 fresher team in common rooms. O-Week ran very well and from what the College Club could see everyone enjoyed themselves thoroughly. To date we have had two formal dinners where the first years have meet a lot of the second third and affiliate year groups.

Sport this year has started on a high with MB winning both run-swim and also the swimming carnival and is currently placed first. PT is currently third with a lot of big wins in the cricket. In rugby, first grade were the winners of the plate final in the Armidale Knockout and

currently are playing practice matches to prepare themselves for the forth-coming season.

Beach Day was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> of March and as usual it was a huge success, Affiliate Kegs was on the 30<sup>th</sup> of March and was



*2002 JCR President Cam Dunnet with 2003 JCR President Richard Blackburn at the Presidents Changeover Dinner in October 2002*

held on the luscious lawns of Handel Street with South Court Cocktails on the following Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April. The Traditional North Court Luncheon is scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> of May and preparations for that are in full swing.

With such a full college and very little people here during the day it shows that people are making a huge effort to get up top for their thrilling lectures and tutes which shows in our last years academic results of having 80% of students passing all their subjects. All in all this is going to be a huge and exciting year for the mighty Robb College and to date is running with no glitches at all.

*Richard Blackburn,  
JCR President 2003*

## **Robb Rugby Report**

Robb Rugby has had a successful beginning to 2003, with the boys already forming the foundations of a premiership winning rugby club.

On the first weekend in March the Colt and 1st travelled to the Tamworth Magpies homeground to have a pre-season hit out against their respective sides. The Colts had a convincing victory, but unfortunately due to the failing light, the 1st's lacked the time to show their true colours.

Having entered two teams in the inaugural Armidale Rugby Knockout Carnival on 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March, the 1st grade team took out the consolation plate, having played St Alberts, and then finding Ballina had forfeited. However, getting to this stage was no small achieve-

ment considering the stength of the 17 teams fielded. All tries scored by our boys in all games were in true Robb Rugby Style. Throughout the carnival, our dedicated supporters were truly impressed by the cohesion our teams had formed in such a short time. On 27<sup>th</sup> March the Colt XV had a convincing win of 22-7 against the Armidale Schools touring side, who will be going to South Africa in just one week. The match was a good clean hit out, played in excellent spirits by both teams. Our forwards had an exceptional game, with moments of brilliance in the backline. Other games against this side are being arranged to give our boys a variety of competition.

We are looking forward to a huge season this year. A combined competition with the mid-north coast starting on 26<sup>th</sup> April, in addition to the New England teams, has given us the opportunity to place our boys against someone other than our traditional rivals, I'm sure they are up to the challenge.

*Richard Peatling  
Robb Rugby President 2003*



## **ROBB COLLEGE ALUMNI CELEBRATES FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS**

*By Gillian Turco*

What would it take for you to chose one charity event over another? Some people would say that it 'doesn't matter, any excuse for a party', others would comment that 'it depends on the charity that the ball is supporting' or that 'it would depend on how many people you would know who are going'.

Six degrees of separation and a committee of Robb College Alumni managed to attract a crowd of 860 people to the Australian Jockey Club to Alice's Spectacular, raising money principally for Multiple Sclerosis (MS). The evening was inspired by the late Alice Coventry, who was a drama teacher within the Armidale community for more than thirty years. It was during this time that her battle with MS gradually intensified, unbeknown to the majority of her students. A battle lost in September last year.

Alice extended enormous energy into each production she directed for both high school and university productions and into her 'children' and she had an impact in many people's lives. She did all this with grace and charisma and I wonder if she ever really knew just how many people that she touched in her years with NEGS and Robb College at the UNE.

For me being on the committee this was a personal experience that was like no other, which involved meeting a unique group of people who were committed to putting on a sensational evening for all that could attend. We wanted to raise awareness of Multiple Sclerosis and wanted to celebrate a life that inspired many others. I knew Alice for over five years and never knew that she had MS.

Back in October last year the seed was sown; should we hold a raffle to raise some cash for MS

NSW...should we grab a few people together and make a night out...should we go all out and organise a ball in Sydney. Alice would've chosen the last option – so did we. So on July 20 the AJC became the venue for Alice's Spectacular, a show for one night only and a show that will be remembered for the entertainment and the enjoyment had by all.

After months of planning, the weekend arrived and I can only share with you my perspective. I was excited, nervous and I was terrified. We had sold out of tickets two full weeks out from the Ball, we were returning late coming RSVP's, we were still unsure of just how it was all going to work and it seemed like an awesome task. The saving grace was the strength of the committee, all former students of Robb College at UNE.

I couldn't sit still on Saturday, watching the AJC be transformed into a theatre inspired piece, with a Moulin Rouge entrance-way, a backstage auction area and the Shannon Room a sea of red, blue, green and yellow was the work of many through the day. Darkness fell and the show was on. The array of costumes were sensational, from the tables dressed as a pack of cards, to the Elizabethan costumes on show, the court jester, the 50's gangster to the showgirls, cowboys, glamorous beauties and morning suit debonair.

The show opened with an acapella performance from Mandy Bishop and her troupe of performers, singing a medley of show tunes from productions directed by Alice in her many years with Robb College and also with NEGS. The applause was loud as it was justified, we were off to a cracking start.

860 people is an enormous crowd, credit must be paid to

James Dickson, who was presented with the awesome task of being Master of Ceremonies for the night. A gifted orator James was superb at keeping events moving along, even when between courses long-lost friends were moving around and catching up, after years of being in College, now connected through e-mails and cards at Christmas. That is the impact that a place like Robb can have on you. It is your sense of being a part of something big, something special and something everyone should have the chance to experience.

The personal highlight for me, and it still gives me goose bumps days later, was the courage, poise and strength demonstrated by Alice's youngest daughter Camilla, who shared with everyone her memories of Alice and also the debilitating effects of MS.

Camilla's speech described the downside of living with a woman as positive as Alice, noting that '...MS is a unusual disease, with the immune system attacking itself and the nervous system failing to accurately send messages to various parts of the body every day. Stranger still is the fact that symptoms are seen and unseen, sometimes apparent and sometimes not. More amazing still is that after so many years it is only now that inroads are being made into understanding this disease'.

MS NSW is a phenomenal organisation dedicated to understanding this disease and actually contributed the services of ten volunteers for the night which was invaluable. We are all touched at some point in our lives by someone special. MS effects nearly 15,000 Australians every year and MS NSW are doing everything they can to support ongoing research and I would encourage any of you who want more informa-

tion or want to support MS NSW to please go to <http://www.msnsw.org>

Can you paraphrase a night like last Alice's Spectacular? I don't think so. How much money we raised is not yet finalised, but thanks to all those people who made it possible including the Empire Hotel, Carlton and United Breweries, Visions in Style, Peter Baldwin (auctioneer for Richardson and Wrench), Dairy Farmers, Anne and Rob Everingham, Tucker Seabrook, Raymond Weil, BG Capital, MLA Live Cattle Futures and to so many more, you know who you are. Photos have been posted on the Internet site, <http://www.pictureanything.com/alicespectacular>

We know we have exceeded our fundraising expectations and can now fulfil our goal of providing money to the MS Society of NSW, establishing a scholarship for a returning student at Robb College and establish a memorial at Robb College for Alice Coventry.

Thank you to the people that attended, it was unique and special evening for many and special thanks to the members of the committee; James Dickson, Sarah Reynolds, Rowly Hirst, Chris Reynolds, Rob McCormack, Rob Buckley, Charlie Coventry, Todd Fergusson, Macey Caple, Charlie McWilliam, GillianTurco.

Through my years at Robb College, I met some amazing people, and this was experience I can never repeat. Robb gave me every oppor-

tunity to get amongst all that University has to offer and was the meeting place for all the committee members. For any information on Robb College, 02 6773 1700 and for the University of New England visit <http://www.une.edu.au>

So, will we do it all again?...I'd say yes, we'll let you know. Its hard to finish a commentary on a night that will be remembered for a long time, so I will keep it simple. Through all the planning and time put into Alice's Spectacular I have learnt plenty about the human spirit, embodied by the committee and apparent in bucket loads on the night.

My thanks to you all for planting a seed in October last year and seeing it bloom into a 'spectacular' event in July.



### *Tree Planting in memory of Alice Coventry at Robb*

In October 2002, family and friends of Alice Coventry gathered at Robb to plant a tree in the grounds as a memorial. The tree is situated on the western side of the North Court lawn overlooking the UNE Sports ovals. A sandstone bench has been placed near the tree with a plaque recognising Alices many achievements at Robb College.

She will be greatly missed.

## Valadicts 2002

