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Gosford Hospital
The Entrance/Long Jetty Hospital
Woy Woy Hospital
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Wyong Hospital
Community Health Services

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The Central Coast Area Health Service is a government subsidised public health service dedicated to providing diversified, balanced and co-ordinated health services which:

- strive to enhance the dignity, independence, optimal functioning, quality and length of life of its consumers.
- are responsive to the changing health needs of residents and visitors in the Gosford and Wyong Local Government areas.
- are accessible to all persons regardless of social, physical, intellectual, cultural, geographical, age or financial circumstances.
- are characterised by compassion, clinical competence and respect for individuals and families.
- encourage self-responsibility for health within the community.
- promote the development of professional skills.

The human and physical resources of the Central Coast Area Health Service will be directed towards the provision of health services and be managed in accordance with the following principles:

- efficiency and effectiveness.
- fiscal responsibility.
- high ethical standards.
- fairness in dealing with the organisation's constituents.
- comprehensive attention to the physical, mental and emotional well being of citizens in the Central Coast environment.
- pursuit of the objectives in the Area Health Services Act 1986.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CENTRAL COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE ...

1. To promote, protect and maintain public health and for that purpose to provide health services for residents of the Central Coast.
2. To achieve and maintain adequate standards of patient care and services.
3. To adopt and implement all necessary measures (including systems of planning, management and quality control) that will best ensure the efficient and economic operation and use of resources in the provision of health services.
4. To provide for the effective coordination of the planning, provision and evaluation of health services.
5. To establish and maintain an appropriate balance in the provision and use of resources for health protection, health promotion, health education and treatment services.
The Area Health Board comprises 10 members appointed by the Minister of Health, the Chief Executive Officer and an elected staff representative.

Chairman: Neville R. Wallwork, O.A.M. (from 1/8/88)
Vice-Chairman: Barry M. Margin (from 1/8/88)
Treasurer: Mervyn J. Mote (from 1/8/88)
C.E.O. and Secretary to the Board: Neville R. Boyce
Board Members:
- Clement A. Morrell (from 1/8/88)
- Leslie F. Graham (from 1/8/88)
- Barry K. Fullerton (from 1/8/88)
- Lawrence R. Flynn (from 1/8/88)
- Prof. Donald W. George (from 1/8/88)
- Sister Judith Sippel (from 10/10/88)
- Theresa Findlay-Barnes (from 10/10/88)

Staff Representative: Janet Wakefield (from 23/12/88)
It is with pleasure that I present the 45th Annual Report of the Central Coast Area Health Service.

The year has certainly been one of great activity and development all of which has been relative to the future growth of our services.

After years of negotiations the Area Health Service finally acquired Beane Street which is, of course, vital to the future consolidation of the Gosford campus. This will now allow for the construction of the link between the Surgical Block and the old hospital.

In relation to our other development activity the 15th May, 1989 witnessed the official opening of the new Psychiatric Unit by the Minister for Health, Mr Peter Collins, M.P. At the same time the bulk earthworks at the Gosford Hospital site commenced.

The Area has also been advised by its Consultant Architects that tenders for the Gosford Development Programme will be sought in August, 1989 and in respect of the Wyong Redevelopment Programme November, 1989. With the Government’s support and commitment, both Programmes are on line for their projected late 1991 completion.

I am also delighted to report that the Killarney Vale Hostel, to be built along similar lines to the Woy Woy Hostel and under the management of our Central Coast Community Care Association, should be commenced shortly.

Whilst overshadowed by our planned building works, the need for upgraded diagnostic equipment has always remained one of the highest priorities of the Board. In this regard the Board has welcomed a number of important developments:–

- Our long awaited C.A.T. Scanner has been approved and will be installed during November, 1989.
- An upgraded Ultrasound Machine is to be funded by the Department and installed in September, 1989.
- Funding of our much needed Angiography Service has been brought forward and it would be hoped this vital diagnostic service will be available to the Gosford Hospital by early 1990.
- A Department of Health grant of $615,000 has allowed for the replacement of our cardiac monitoring equipment within the Operating Theatre Suite, Intensive Care Unit and Coronary Care Unit.

All of the above will ensure our major acute hospital at Gosford is much better equipped to provide quality acute services to the residents of the Central Coast.
APPRECIATION
First and foremost to the Minister for Health, Mr Peter Collins, M.P., I would extend the sincere appreciation of both the Board of Directors and I for his understanding and support throughout the year. This was particularly evident through his commitment to our Gosford and Wyong Hospital Development Programme.
The year was also significant in that it marked the twentieth birthday of the Gosford Hospital Pink Ladies and I must take the opportunity of congratulating not only the Gosford group but also those supporting our Subsidiary Hospitals and indeed, all of our volunteers for their invaluable assistance throughout the year. 1988-89 also brought with it the announcement of a new Board of Directors with nine new members joining Mr Boyce, Sister Janet Wakefield, Staff Representative and myself on the Board. Whilst new to the health arena the new Directors have brought to the Board a wealth of knowledge and experience and I am pleased to acknowledge my appreciation of their support and enthusiasm.
As is customary I would like to conclude my report with my appreciation for all who have assisted or supported the Area Health Service and the Board of Directors in one way or another.
Our local State and Federal Members of Parliament once again demonstrated
their willingness to acknowledge and support our needs with their respective Governments.

At a time when our inpatient services again reached record levels it has been reassuring to have experienced the support and co-operation of our Visiting Medical Staff. To the Chairman of the Medical Council, Dr David Darnell and all of his colleagues I extend the appreciation of the Board of Directors and the Senior Executive of the Area Health Service.

Finally to our Chief Executive Officer, Mr Neville Boyce and his Senior Executive I would extend, on behalf of both the Board and the residents of the Central Coast, our sincere appreciation for their ongoing commitment to the provision of quality health services.

I am very much aware of the time and effort contributed by Mr Boyce and his Senior Executive to the Area Health Service and I am particularly grateful for the support they have afforded both the Board and myself.

NEVILLE R. WALLWORK, O.A.M.
Chairman of the Board
CHEIF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The obvious correlation between the population growth and our increasing patient activity was never more obvious than in 1988-89 when we again achieved record levels of activity throughout our Area Health Service.

The number of inpatients admitted stood at 29,353, the non-inpatients occasions of service 713,745 and the number of babies born a record 2,864. Yet against this demanding background and financial constraints our final budget result was only $5,545 unfavourable in a budget of $79,250,776.

At the same time there were many other highlights throughout the year, apart from those alluded to by the Chairman.

- The establishment of a new Area Management Structure to be appointed on five year contracts. The positions and the successful applicants were Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Director of Health Service Operations, Mr Graham McGuinness; Area Director of Nursing, Miss Bobbie Carter-Brown and Director of Finance and Budget, Mr Phillip Cowdery.

- A wide range of accommodation relocations and improvements necessitated, in the main, by our growth and increased activity. These are outlined in detail elsewhere in this report.

- A major upgrade of our computer services with the acquisition of a new mainframe computer at a cost of $600,000 and the implementation of many new software systems. We were most fortunate to have benefited from a Department of Health grant of $450,000 toward the cost of this equipment.

- A commitment given and planning well advanced toward the appointment of our first full-time Hospital Chaplain.

- Hosting the very successful Combined Regional Workshop for the Australian College of Health Services Administration with two hundred hospital delegates attending from across the state. My Deputy, Mr Graham McGuinness, was the Convenor of the Workshop.

- A number of changes to senior positions within the Area Health Service which included the appointment of Dr Bill Mitchell as Deputy Medical Superintendent and Mr Paul Warwick as Executive Officer, Community Health Services.

- The retirement of our Chief Engineer, Mr Roly Brown, after twenty-three years outstanding service to the Area. Mr Brown's replacement is Mr Bob Nolan.
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- The resignation of Mr Barry Kinnaird, Executive Officer Community Health Services after 10 years service in this important development role. Mr Kinnaird has taken up an appointment as Senior Planning Officer, South Western Area Health Service.

- The election of my Deputy, Mr Graham McGuinness, to the State Council of the Australian College of Health Service Administrators.

As we reflect on what has been a most successful and rewarding year I believe that the major challenge for my senior staff will be to prepare our Health Service for major redevelopments in 1991-2.

Recruitment

The difficulties confronting hospitals throughout the state in recruiting and retaining nursing and resident medical staff are well documented.

In our case we face the added challenge of staffing an additional 120 beds at Gosford and 100 beds at Wyong at a time when other major hospital developments will be commissioned in Sydney and Newcastle.

The Senior Executive is mindful of this challenge and will be developing appropriate strategies.

Accommodation

Relative to our recruitment strategies will be the need expand residential accommodation of prospective nursing and medical staff.

We are all most aware of such shortcomings on the Central Coast and, in particular, within the Wyong Shire and a number of entrepreneurial approaches to this problem are being considered.

Contracting of “Hotel” Services

The Government’s commitment to calling for tenders in respect of the provision of our traditionally described “hotel” services; i.e., cleaning, catering, etc., will obviously become a more prominent challenge to the Area Health Service.

It is our belief that we have achieved a high level of efficiency in most of these areas and will, therefore, be most competitive when we submit our own in-house tender. Nevertheless the Government’s expectations of achieving a level of efficiency competitive with that of the private sector will continue to place pressure on the Area to explore and maintain our own internal efficiency.

Appreciation

There are, of course, so many who deserve my special thanks for their support and dedication throughout the year not the least of whom are our staff who have responded so magnificently to the challenges we have faced over the year.

I would also like to record my appreciation and admiration of the marvellous contributions of our Volunteers, Pink Ladies and Auxiliaries who, again, made such a major contribution to our Service. The community should be extremely indebted to them for their efforts.

To Mr Neville Wallwork and his fellow Board Members may I express my sincere gratitude for their enlightened
counsel and support throughout the year. With the exception of our Chairman, Mr Wallwork and Sr. Wakefield, the Staff Representative, all were new to their appointments and I am sure they have found the challenges of their role as enthralling as they are worthwhile to the community they represent.

Finally to each and every member of my Senior Executive I would extend my deep appreciation on a job-well-done. I am, indeed, indebted to have such high calibre staff supporting me in this challenging responsibility and, in this regard, I would particularly wish to single out my Deputy, Graham McGuinness, our Area Director of Nursing, Bobbie Carter-Brown, our Area Medical Superintendent, Rod Kennedy and our Director of Finance and Budget, Phillip Cowdery.

NEVILLE R. BOYCE,
Chief Executive Officer

Dr Bruce Shepherd addressing the successful Combined Regional Workshop conducted in April, 1989.
SENIOR EXECUTIVE REPORT

The Senior Executive representing all facets of the Area Health Service is the Executive decision and policy making forum for the Area and continues to provide that vital link between service delivery and management.

It has again been faced with a most difficult year in endeavouring to balance service demands with increasing population and community expectation against a finite budget. Nevertheless it has met the challenge with great enthusiasm and believes its success is evidenced by the financial and activity achievements outlined in this report.

The issues of population growth, increasing demands on our service and a high uninsured rate, as highlighted elsewhere in this report, only serve to remind the Senior Executive of the importance of an efficient and effective public health system. It is therefore most appropriate, at this point, to acknowledge the wonderful support and commitment the Senior Executive has received from the entire staff.

Whilst heartened by the progress achieved in relation to the redevelopment of the Gosford and Wyong Hospitals, the problems associated with the recruitment of adequately trained Resident Medical and Nursing staff was again the focus of much attention.

Nevertheless, recruitment of R.M.O.’s has become much more competitive and a series of strategies have therefore been put into place and are designed basically to either balance service with training or to relieve R.M.O.’s of non-essential duties.

These problems stem basically from the growing shortage of R.M.O.’s within the public hospital system. Added to this is the new system of allocating junior medical officers to networks based on teaching hospitals from which secondments to peripheral hospitals are made. Fortunately, we have been able to minimise the effects of the networking system through negotiations with our teaching hospital at Royal North Shore.

Quite apart from the major building development programme, several major advances have been made in the enhancement of diagnostic equipment and accommodation for the Pathology Department and funding approval for the provision of a C.T. Scanner and upgraded Ultrasound equipment for the Radiology Department. Coupled with this progress have been major advances through the formalisation of the Anaesthetic Service into an authoritative department with the appointment of two additional Anaesthetists and an Administrative Head and agreement to provide office accommodation within the Operating Theatres.

Significant progress has also been made in terms of improving Accident and Emergency services, culminating in the recently advised full two year Accreditation status being granted by the College of Emergency Medicine.

A second phase of the Geriatric Assessment Team has been funded and recruited for the Wyong Shire. This will ensure that the aged are appropriately supported or placed in hostels or nursing homes as necessary.

A pre-admission clinic has been commenced with a view to enhancing the throughput of surgical patients and an additional General Surgeon has been appointed.
Additional Staff appointments in the areas of Hospice and Palliative Care and Pathology have further enhanced services. Following industrial unrest by R.M.O.'s, the Department of Health considered it essential that Directors of Clinical Training be appointed in each major hospital. As a result we have managed to recruit an excellent candidate.

All areas of Nursing continue to work to their full capacity in meeting nursing needs of both hospital patients and the community clients. The continuing challenge of recruitment of nurses has required a number of initiatives which has had many of the senior nursing personnel travelling the State promoting nursing on the Central Coast. The problems that beset nursing in terms of recruiting and retraining trained staff have become a Statewide problem and, to date, solutions are not being easily found. However, considerable innovative thought is being given to this issue, although the Senior Executive is cognizant of the need to achieve the desired balance between the popular trend toward “flexible” rostering and the nursing needs of patients over the entire twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week. In regards to nursing and medical staff recruitment, the Senior Executive is committed to improving accommodation standards which has proven to be a major determinate in attracting staff.

The programme the nursing service of the Area is offering new graduates of nursing, has proved most successful.

Nursing Open Day — another recruitment strategy.
This programme allows for orientation to the Area and experience in Medical, Surgical, Critical Care, Paediatrics and Operating Theatres. Educational programmes for nurses have been provided in-house with the Midwifery educational programme continuing to produce committed staff for the Obstetric Unit. Post basic courses provided through the New South Wales College of Nursing are being well attended by staff wishing to improve their skills and education.

We have welcomed nurses from Hong Kong in the latter part of 1988; their pre-registration status means that after three months experience they gain registration in New South Wales and then attend the College of Health Sciences for two year's education after which they are awarded a degree in Nursing.

The Community Health Programme continues to provide a wide array of direct and indirect services to individuals and groups in the community. As with nursing and medical recruitment, however, the attraction of trained staff in the areas of Podiatry, Psychology, Dietary, Social Work, Physiotherapy, Speech Pathology and Occupational Therapy has been a major hurdle.

One of the major challenges facing the Senior Executive in the upcoming years is the assessment and adaptation of the myriad of computer software products available within and outside the health system. Particularly so is the development of worthwhile and productive programmes in the areas of Clinical Evaluation, Clinical Costing, Management Information and purpose specific programmes for individual departments.

We hope that the upcoming year will be significant in the successful planning of computer developments within the system.

During the year the “hotel-like” services continued to play their essential support role to treatment and community health services and facilities. In particular there has been significant reduction in staffing, sick leave and worker’s compensation costs.

“Team” Cleaning has been introduced in the Domestic Services Department and has proved cost-effective.

Two major projects have been undertaken by the Maintenance Department involving alterations for a new and larger Pathology Laboratory and the reconstruction of Level 3 of the Health Services Building to provide needed administration accommodation.

Computerisation in the Supply Department has improved inventory management and reduced “holding” costs.

A new dishwasher and minor renovations in the kitchen have improved the functioning of the Catering Service. Plans are being formulated for significant changes to the food service which will require large capital outlay but yield considerable future cost savings. Approximately 1.3 million meals were prepared during the year.

During the year physical improvements to the linen sorting area have been made. The demand for linen processing increased 5.8% whilst costs have been held constant.
This last year has seen further developments in both the medical staff, changes to the hospital complex and the promise of further equipment enhancement. The Medical Council has welcomed the appointments of Dr John Woods (Cardiologist), Dr Peter Gale (Rehabilitation Director), Dr Greg McDonald (Director of Accident and Emergency), Drs David Temperley and Alastair Watts (Anaesthetists). The functioning of the hospital is enhanced by these appointments and one can only hope that budgetary restrictions will not stand in the way of further appointments in the future. A modern, well equipped hospital can only function if the appropriately trained personnel are available. The Medical Council farewelled Dr Beryl Collier this year and expresses its appreciation for her many years of service to the hospital and its patients.

We have also witnessed the opening of the new Mandala Unit, the beginning of construction work for Stage III and hopefully, by the end of the year, a new C.A.T. Scanner within the hospital. To complement these developments the Medical Council has compiled a comprehensive report on the future needs of the Area Health Service particularly with regard to manpower and beds projected over the next 5 to 10 years. In considering the future it has become obvious that not only are we currently lacking in beds and in some cases staff to meet current needs but a major effort will be needed to prevent this situation from deteriorating with the rapid growth of the Central Coast population. The time required to develop new facilities means that planning for Stage IV must begin without delay.

Looking forward to the next year, the Medical Council views with apprehension the recent Parliamentary Public Accounts Committee report into V.M.O. remuneration which seems short on fact and long in supposition. Having been through the stormy period of the 1985 dispute the Council had hoped that the agreement arbitrated by an independent judge would allow us to devote our time and energies to the more important task of patient care. One can only hope that commonsense will prevail. The goodwill that has just started to re-emerge over the past 4 years must be encouraged to develop, not be thrown away needlessly.

Dr D. B. DARNELL,
Chairman, Medical Council
HEALTH SERVICE
DEVELOPMENT

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Accident and Emergency departments in the Central Coast Area Health Service had approximately 70,000 presentations in 1988; the majority being at Gosford (36,000) and Wyong (21,000). A 10% increase in attendances at Gosford A&E has occurred in 1989 and there is a similar trend at Wyong A&E.

Significant developments in A&E services include:

- The appointment of a new Director of Emergency Services, Dr Greg McDonald, after the unfortunate death of Dr P. B. Buchanan.
- Rapid progress in the planning of a new A&E Department at Wyong Hospital.
- Funding for a major study on "Injuries in the Elderly" which will be a pilot study in Australia.
- The acquisition of computer hardware and software to improve clinical standards and patient surveillance in Accident and Emergency.

ADMITTING OFFICE

With the Central Coast Area being one of the fastest growing residential areas in New South Wales, the increasing demands on hospital beds has been reflected in the pressures placed on this service. The substantial population of aged persons on the Central Coast requiring specialised medical attention, has not only required treatment in hospitals, but also placement in nursing homes and similar institutions. The Nursing Home Placement Services, Respite Care Services and the Geriatric Assessment Team are assisting in the easing of acute bed demand pressures; albeit the waiting lists remain high.

The high activity and occupancy rates within the medical and surgical wards, reflect the workload and demands placed on this department. Mrs Fran Wasson replaced the popular Admitting Officer, John Rae, in June, 1989.

ADOLESCENT SERVICE

The rate of new referrals was similar to that of last year however, occasions of service increased by 16% and services to unregistered clients by 13%. There has been a gradual change in the type of referrals seen as other services become available to young people through other government departments and agencies. Our clientele now comprise more cases which fall outside the brief of those services. These include more older adolescents and more multiple problem families, many of whom are blended and new to the Central Coast area. Many referrals are coming from the medical sector; psychosymatic and eating disorders, acute crisis through Accident and Emergency and the Acute Care Team, problems of stress, aggression, sexual offenders and presentations of suicidal behaviour. The Service has received fewer referrals from schools for behaviour and/or attendance problems but more for stress, motivation and peer problems and they tend to be more for students in years 11 and 12.
BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING
The new Biomedical Engineer has concentrated on three main areas during the year:
(a) Implementation of accreditation standards.
(b) Clinical activities which involves routine checks on patients with pacemakers.
(c) Biomedical Engineering service which involves the repair and modification to a large fleet of equipment throughout the Area Health Service.

BLOOD BANK
In the year ended 30th June, 1989, 5,391 donors gave a total of 9,431 donations, of which 78.6% were fractionated.
At the Annual General Meeting of the Gosford/Green Point Red Cross Branch, 53 donors were thanked for their outstanding donations; 5 donors exceeded 100 donations with one having donated on 175 occasions.
We are receiving excellent co-operation from five local High Schools — Erina, Gosford, Henry Kendall, Terrigal and The Entrance, who arrange for their Year 11 and 12 students to donate in school hours. We hope to encourage more schools to participate this year.
Early in January, Jan Wishart was farewelled after nine years with Gosford Blood Bank. We wish her well in retirement in Queensland.
Three computer programmes are now well and truly in our repertoire, with more to follow when the Serology Department terminal comes on-line, later this year.

CENTRAL STERILE SUPPLY DEPARTMENT
We have had another successful year whereby six people were selected to attend the sterilising technology course. All six graduated, giving a total of fourteen staff with the sterilising technology certificate.

The purchase of an anaesthetic decontaminator, also an anaesthetic drying cabinet has improved the processing of all respiratory equipment immensely.

CHILD HEALTH SERVICES
The new Day Mothercraft Cottage in the grounds of Wyoming Hospital has now been commissioned and is extremely well received. This project was provided through Operation Barnabas; a non-profit charitable community organisation. All staff and clients at this service are truly grateful for the efforts of this group.

Staffing has been one of the major problems during the year with recruitment difficulties in Social Work, Medical Officer and Psychology positions. Recent improvements in these areas herald a better time. The new Karing Early Childhood Centre and the Terrigal Centre are proving to be extremely successful. With the availability of special funding a nurse was employed to research and evaluate the effectiveness of Asthma Self Help Information Groups. A nurse was also employed to promote and carry out Measles Immunisations on the Central Coast. Early evidence suggests that Measles Campaigns within the schools last year have been highly successful.

COMMUNITY NURSING
The Community Nursing Team has had, yet again, another busy year with the current registered clients being visited at the end of the year numbering 1,138. Direct face to face nursing care still remains the primary function with an average time of 5.6 hours per day being spent by each nurse on direct services. The average monthly turnover of clients is 20% with 140,703 direct occasions of service having been provided by nurses and 22,367 occasions of service by Health Service Aides. The Gosford Sector Community Nursing Service, including the Stomaltherapist and Diabetes Educator were relocated from the Health Services building to new premises on the corner of Stephen and Beane Streets during the year. An extension is underway to enhance confidentiality and office space.

All Extended Care Centres have been operating at full capacity during the year with Fridays being reserved for the Confused Elderly. Day Care Centres have continued to be well supported with a continual update of activities and crafts. The Womens' Health Nurse has conducted many educational programmes for special groups and continues to be extremely busy. The Confused Elderly programme has had funding supplementation through the Home and Community Care Programme and currently operates from seven Centres throughout the Central Coast. The Stomaltherapy Nurse has endeavoured to decentralise services by providing more venues from which to
operate. This effort has been met with mixed response with some facilities having responded with great interest. The Diabetes Educator has had a busy year with involvement in the education of new nursing staff, medical staff through clinical conferences and in-service training educational programmes have been provided to all wards and subsidiary hospitals with the use of the Aims Glucometer.

**DENTAL SERVICES**

The Dental Department has, of necessity, been compelled to allocate an increasing amount of working time to emergency dental treatment, presumably caused by the population influx and the continuing unemployment situation.

This has resulted in a blow-out of the waiting time for definitive dental treatment by appointment. This situation has fortunately been relieved by the continuation of the “Special Dental Scheme” for conservative treatment by the private sector.

The Orthodontic Service continues to be a source of satisfaction. Although demand outstrips supply it is pleasing to report that we are continuing to provide an effective service when most regions of the metropolitan Sydney area have closed their orthodontic departments.

**DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES**

A Drug and Alcohol Clinic at Wyong Health Services has been introduced on Wednesdays. The Drug and Alcohol Referral and Assessment Centre continues to work with people in crisis and take people to detoxification in Sydney. The private Methadone Clinic in Wyong Shire sees people using illegal substances. Very few illegal drug users now present at the hospital clinics. All of the above services have resulted in a reduced client load for the Central Coast Drug and Alcohol team; waiting time has also been reduced and we are now able to see people the week that they present for treatment. Educational programmes have been ongoing for community groups, schools and staff with special workshops having been conducted for nursing management of acute alcohol withdrawal syndrome.

In order to provide a complete and integrated Drug and Alcohol Programme, the Senior Executive Medical Administration is preparing plans in the development of new and enhanced services.

**ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT**

The Department has had a 15% increase in tests performed during the year. Greater use has been made of our services by the Pre-anaesthetic Clinic. The effect of this has been to even out the workload, removing much of the hassle of too many tests in too short a time.

**HEALTH PROMOTION**

A major undertaking in the year was the preparation of a Strategic Plan identifying priority areas. The greatest finding from that was the lack of accessible local health status data; a problem which will be addressed with the appointment of a Planning Officer in 1989. The highest priority was given to Smoking Related Illnesses with successful projects on Smoke Free
Health Service Development

Zones in restaurants and research into Smoke in Licensed Clubs. The Area Health Service went completely Smoke Free in December, 1988.

Other programmes were provided by the Women's Health Educator with the major focus on Incontinence and a Middle Years Programme. The Skin Cancer Campaign was a high profile project involving Health Promotion, Adolescent Service and Community Nursing staff.

Work in schools continued with regular Health Weeks in primary schools focusing on Nutrition in School Canteens. Asthma was a new focus for the year with public seminars resulting in the re-establishment of a local support group.

Lifestyle Programmes remain in high demand in the areas of Easy Pace Exercise, Aquafitness, Fresh Start and Relaxation. Shortly before the end of the year funding under the Health for All Programme announced a Safe Living Programme for Older People. This will entail Injury Surveillance and Intervention and will be the only project of its kind in Australia.

Hospice Palliative Care Service

The Hospice Palliative Care Foundation was established during the year. This organisation is responsible for the Palliative Care Day Centres at the old Roma Hospital in Gosford and at Wyong Hospital, where patients and their carers receive excellent support.

The recently refurbished Information and Resource Centre.
from trained volunteers and are taught the skills of relaxation and meditation.

During 1988-89 additional funding for the Service became available under the Medicare Incentive Package. As a result:

(a) A secretary has been employed.

(b) Two additional nursing staff have been employed, so that there are now 5 full time Palliative Care Nurses providing a consultancy and support service, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

(c) An additional medical officer is soon to be appointed.

The year has been one of consolidation for the Service.

INFORMATION & RESOURCE CENTRE

The Information and Resource Centre, formerly the Library, provides a range of information and research services and distributes a wide variety of print, audio visual and computer based materials to the staff of the Central Coast Area Health Service. The Resource Centre also provides all bookings and loans of audio visual equipment within the Health Services and recently took over the operation of the Patient Television Service.

Highlights of the year include:

- Shifting into larger, renovated premises.
- Acquisition of a computerised, integrated library management system.
- Significant increases in on-line searches and library loans.
- Upgrading of book collections.
- The doubling of video titles held.
- Increased co-operation with the Audio Visual Unit.

MEDICAL IMAGING

The major changes during the year have centred around the implementation of a computerised hospital reporting system and the expansion of computer services to Wyong. Integration of the Chest Clinic X-ray films has been effected with the support of all staff.

The Department is currently awaiting delivery of a new Image Intensifier for Theatres as well as a new Mobile X-ray Machine. Tenders have been called for a new Ultrasound Unit and C.T. Scanner and once installed a wider variety of examinations will be able to be performed. Renovations are planned to receive these major equipment enhancements.

MEDICAL RECORD ADMINISTRATION

With the resignation of Mrs Carolyn Booker, Miss Susan Troy was appointed to the position of Head of Department. The high workload of the Area Health Service has been reflected in the now inadequate storage capacity for medical records in the department. Additional compactus bays have been ordered for the relocation of five years of records (approximately 40,000 records) to the secondary storage area underneath the department.

Community Health Records, now centralised in the Medical Record Department, offer a unique record tracing system on the computer P.M.I. screen. This project of updating all Community Health Record locations onto the computer was undertaken this year and is very near to completion.
It is anticipated extra work will flow from the new Freedom of Information Legislation introduced on 1st July, 1989 which offers the public a legally enforceable right of access to information held by Government Agencies and Ministries including Medical Records.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
This year has been one of consolidation of the integrated Mental Health Services together with some notable new developments. The long awaited completion of the new Mandala Clinic and the transfer of services from the old premises were perhaps the most significant of these. Apart from providing more beds, it also provides facilities for patients to be admitted under the Mental Health Act, thus avoiding the disruptive transfers to Macquarie Hospital which have been necessary in the past. The Mental Health Acute Care Service is now housed within the new building and this has encouraged close integration with the inpatient services.

Community Health Centre based staff, including community psychiatric nurses, psychologists and social workers continue to provide accessible, multi-disciplinary and integrated services to the local Community; working not only with other components within the Mental Health Service but also other community agencies.

The Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services, comprising Living Skills Centres, residential facilities and the work programme, continue to expand. Innovative programmes within the Living Skills Centres encourage the development of social and personal skills often in close association with Transitional Enterprises (the private community group with activities and accommodation, social and recreational areas as well as the work programme) continues to upgrade working skills and prepare clients for the workforce.

The residential services continue to require increased resources. Towards the end of the financial year, funding for new positions was approved and soon the service will be able to offer a three tiered supervised group home system with houses in Gosford and Wyong.

MORTUARY
The major change in services this year was the equipping and participation of the Central Coast Area Health Service in the Sydney Eye Bank Programme. Enucleations are conducted regularly enabling support for the corneal enucleation harvesting programme.

NEUROPHYSIOLOGY
Patient referrals to the Neurophysiology Department remain evenly divided between children under 14 years and adults.

The ratio of outpatients to inpatients is approximately 2:1. The youngest patient seen in the past year was 1 day old and the oldest was 89 years. The new 21 channel EEG machine has two programmes specifically for neonatal recordings. All patients now have a cardiac tracing recorded during their EEG. This facility was not available on the previous machine.

NUTRITION AND DIETETICS
Nutrition and Dietetics entered a new era during the year when research
dietitian, Clare Christensen, was appointed to conduct an 18 month community nutrition project. The Commonwealth and State funded project was designed to investigate the risk of cardiovascular disease in power station workers on the Central Coast and whether the risk could be reduced through a nutrition program. Data from 280 Central Coast workers was gathered and will be compared with that from 140 power station workers from the Hunter region who will act as a control group. Although initial results indicated a relatively low level of risk among local workers the impact of the nutrition program was noticeable. Serum cholesterol levels of Vales Point workers were significantly reduced. The project should be completed in December, 1989.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Occupational Therapy services have been consolidated during the year with the opening of Mandala, growth of the work programme for Mental Health clients and expansion of the Geriatric Assessment Service to include the Wyong Shire.

The Occupational Therapy Department has been involved in the establishment and running of the Staff Rehabilitation Service which offers occupational rehabilitation to our employees who suffer injuries at work. This has been a multidisciplinary effort using the expertise of occupational therapy, physiotherapy, social work, personnel and psychology departments and the Director of Rehabilitation, Dr Gale.
PATHOLOGY

The highlight of the year under review was the commencement of the department expansion programme, highlighted in the facility development section of this report. The appointments of a Deputy Director of Pathology and a senior Microbiologist have been welcome additions to the Department. As part of the overall plan for improved clinical input, funding has been approved for the appointment of a part-time Specialist Consultant Microbiologist.

The year has also produced significant upgrading of equipment in all laboratories. However, a number of changes during the year resulted in disruptions. Despite these events, the Department recorded a 10% increase in workload. Implementation of laboratory computerisation is well in hand and trials are scheduled for February, 1990.

PHARMACY

The Pharmacy Department has had an extremely busy year with the successful implementation of many clinical initiatives. Educational programmes have involved on-going weekly lectures to cardiac patients, a pilot Asthma in Childhood Programme, lectures to nursing staff, lectures to patient groups, the Journal Club and publications in the Clinical Bulletin.

The Drug Committee has ratified its terms of reference, commenced the publication of the drug committee newsletter, conducted and evaluated a drug utilisation review on the more expensive intravenous antibiotics and reviewed the approved drug list.

Changes in policies and procedures include development of the Aseptic Policy and Procedure Manual, incorporating a staff training programme, review of antiseptic guidelines, development of the Pharmacy Department Strategic Plan, alteration to stock purchasing, drug distribution systems and receipt and greater participation by pharmacists in physician ward rounds.

PHYSIOTHERAPY

The Physiotherapy Department has again had a very busy year with increasing demands for services for inpatients and outpatients at all hospitals, particularly Wyong and Long Jetty. Rehabilitation of orthopaedic, neurological and amputee patients continues to be of great importance in ensuring return to a level of maximum independence. The paediatric physiotherapists have been involved with an 18-week-old baby screening test to identify early developmental problems in infants. Physiotherapy students from Cumberland College of Health Sciences have continued to attend for their five weekly clinical secondments and many work experience students from local schools have spent time with us.

Physiotherapists participated in a successful Back Care Day in April with a display at Erina Fair with much interest shown by the general public.

PODIATRY SERVICES

Throughout the past 12 months Podiatry has continued to provide a wide range of services to the Central Coast despite staffing problems at the end of 1988. Podiatry services are provided at Woy Woy Aged Care Centre, Gosford Health Services Centre, Kincumber Health Centre,
Long Jetty Hospital, Wyong Hospital and Toukley Health Centre.

Services include: regular preventative foot care for "high risk" patients, acute foot care, assessment of foot function for adults and children, prescription and fabrication of foot orthoses, foot care for inpatients, education programmes especially for diabetic and arthritic groups and consultations to disabled children in special schools.

We particularly would like to acknowledge Home and Community Care Programme for their financial support throughout the year, providing us with sessional staff as well as some new equipment.

**REHABILITATION AND GERIATRICS**

The last twelve months has been a period of consolidation and formalisation within the Rehabilitation and Geriatrics Department. Until the arrival of Dr Gale, Rehabilitation and Geriatrics were both under the supervision of Dr R. M. Hughes. Since December, 1988, Dr Gale has been Director of Rehabilitation and Dr Hughes Director of Geriatrics with responsibility for the Geriatric Assessment Service and Cardiac Rehabilitation.

Rehabilitation programmes continue to be held, the most popular being the Back School for chronic back pain and
the Cardiac Rehabilitation Programme. Both of these run continuously throughout the year. Rehabilitation programmes for chronic respiratory disease, arthritis and post mastectomy have also been held.

The prosthetic clinic has been held every Thursday at Woy Woy and in the Health Services Building, Gosford. We have been serviced by a prosthetist from Sydney, who has travelled up each week.

Orthotics continue to be busy. We have a staff orthotist (splint maker) who attends the orthotics clinic held fortnightly, as does a private orthotist.

Accreditation has been obtained from the Department of Industrial Relations and Employment to be providers under Workcare. This will add to the increased number of general rehabilitation patients and musculo-skeletal injuries seen by the outpatient rehabilitation team in the H.S.B. at Gosford.

The Geriatric Assessment Service has been functioning well in the Gosford area and has recently expanded to the Wyong Shire. There is a heavy demand for patient assessment and advice on supports at home or the need for placement.

RESPIRATORY PHYSIOLOGY
Since July, 1988 the biggest change to the Department came with the donation, by Dr Keay Foster, of a computer system to process the documentation and calculation of tests. The software for the system was developed by the Respiratory Technologist, Mr G. Nolan.

Demand for tests has continued to increase in 1988-89 and were it not for the computer system this growth could not have been accommodated.

The mix of inpatient and outpatients tested changed during the year due to an increase in demand for inpatient testing following improvements in the availability of results.

The second major change this year was the commencement of charges for all outpatients and private hospital patients. The Department is now generating a considerable income for the Health Service.

SOCIAL WORK
Social work services are provided throughout the Area Health Service either as members of the Community Health Teams or attached to specific inpatient facilities or clinics. The major changes during the year include the increased workload associated with involuntary admissions and additional inpatient beds at the new Mandala Clinic, the development and expansion of the Geriatric Assessment Service enabling more appropriate placements and efficient utilisation of acute beds, the establishment of a specialised respite care service, the developing support for the pre-admission clinic and the high rate of referrals to the Sexual Assault Unit.

SPEECH PATHOLOGY
The alternative system of service delivery which was implemented two years ago in order to reduce waiting lists has been effective in maintaining flexibility in the management of the large and demanding paediatric case load. However, due to further increases in demand, the waiting lists are once
again of considerable length and are steadily increasing.

The department has continued to provide client intervention strategies that include parent and teacher training, Drop In Clinics, pre-school and group programmes. Regular weekly therapy is now limited in most cases to children with severe communication impairments.

A community education programme was successfully conducted at pre­-schools and child care centres on the Central Coast. Training and inservice education programmes were also conducted for teachers in order to assist them in the management of communication skills in the classroom.

The Department has conducted two Quality Assurance Programmes in order to evaluate community perceptions of the services offered.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

Our service was the first Area Health to establish a Staff Rehabilitation Programme and Policy. This Programme has had an impact upon workers' compensation costs and emphasises early return to work following injury.

The Occupational Health and Safety Committee members received accredited training during the year.
This year has been highlighted by the New South Wales Government's commitment to major re-development plans at both Gosford and Wyong Hospitals. The task of planning an Area Health Service capable of serving the rapidly increasing Central Coast population has drawn upon the skills, foresight and expertise of many people including; staff, consultants, architects, health department officers, planners and of course, the politicians both local and in particular the Minister for Health.

By 1992 the service will comprise some 800 hospital beds with 100 additional beds at Wyong and 120 at Gosford. The Wyong Hospital will provide Medical, Surgical, Rehabilitation and Obstetric Services, whilst the Gosford project will enhance Surgical, Medical, Intensive Care, Accident and Emergency and Diagnostic facilities. The Area Health Board is most proud of the redevelopment plans and recognise the committed efforts of all parties involved in the planning process.
MANDALA PSYCHIATRIC UNIT
Completion of the new Mandala Unit in May of this year has heralded a new era for psychiatric services on the Central Coast. The additional 12 beds includes facilities for involuntary patients who previously had to go to Sydney for treatment. The quality of the facility is a credit to the efforts of the builder, consultants and health service staff.

GOSFORD HOSPITAL STAGE III REDEVELOPMENT
Plans have been completed for Stage III and the bulk earthworks contract has been let to Robson Excavations Pty. Ltd. with expected completion in October of this year. Tenders for the main contract and nominated sub contracts have also been called and it can be expected that construction will commence in the latter part of October. Stage III will comprise additional surgical and obstetric facilities, critical care units and diagnostic facilities.

WYONG HOSPITAL STAGE II
Detailed planning has continued for Stage II which will provide an additional 100 beds and enhanced Medical, Surgical, Obstetric, Accident and Emergency and Diagnostic facilities. It is anticipated that construction will commence in February, 1990.

PATHOLOGY
The entire top floor of the Pathology...
Building has been completely refurbished and is due for completion in September, 1989. Three of the existing laboratories will be relocated, together with specimen reception. This expansion programme is much needed and in addition to enhanced equipment will improve services dramatically.

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICES FOR PAY, PERSONNEL AND FINANCE DEPARTMENTS**

During the year the “Barn” on the third level of the Health Services Building at Gosford, was refurbished to house the Administration Departments mentioned. This facility provides modern, professional and comfortable offices and has allowed for more integration between these departments.

**LAUNDRY**

Much needed extensions have been provided for the soiled linen and sorting areas of the laundry. Preparation is currently being made for the receipt and commissioning of a 600 lb washer/extractor unit from Port Kembla Hospital.

**WYOMING MOTHERCRAFT COTTAGE**

This facility sponsored by Operation Barnabas and located on the Birralee site at Wyoming has enhanced the provision of Mothercraft services to local residents. The Board is delighted with this facility and acknowledges the wonderful generosity of the organisers under Operation Barnabas to get this project going.

*Extensions to the soiled linen and sorting area of the laundry.*
MENTAL HEALTH LIVING SKILLS CENTRE (KALINDA)

With the Stage III earthworks taking place, this Living Skills Centre was relocated to Holden Street in a refurbished house. Staff and clients are delighted with this facility.

WORD PROCESSING DEPARTMENT

Again, due to the Stage III development, the Word Processing Department moved into newly refurbished premises on the lower level of the Pathology building. The Department is comfortably and functionally and is well received.

INFORMATION AND RESOURCE CENTRE

The northern wing of the Nurse Education Centre, was refurbished to house the Resource Centre. This unit is now one to be proud of with an integration of video, audio, books, journals, articles and audio visual equipment in a most functional area.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

 Whilst not being major, other facility developments undertaken during the year were:–

(a) The preparation of a suitable room for the new ultrasound equipment.

(b) Office and Reception counter enhancements in the Clinics and X-Ray areas of Gosford Hospital.

(c) Enhancements to the Front Office area of Gosford Hospital.

(d) Relocation and establishment of offices for the Sexual Assault Team on level 2 of the Health Services Building at Gosford.

(e) Development of a Discharge Lounge for patients prior to going home.

(f) Development of a Cytotoxic room in Pharmacy of Gosford Hospital.

(g) Relocation of the After Hours Pharmacy store.

(h) Relocation and enhancement of offices for the Admitting Staff in the Accident and Emergency Department of Gosford Hospital.
The Promotion of Better Health
EDUCATION SERVICES

NURSING

The Area Health Service continues to provide a Postbasic course in Midwifery Training, which, with the increasing birth rate, is a most important aspect of health services on the Central Coast.

Recent graduates of the training programme are:
- Graeme Barnes
- Lois Barker
- Rosalind Bayliss
- Amanda Biddle
- Amanda Carpenter
- Sheelagh Carson
- Suzanne Christie
- Bernadette Couch
- Marie Donnelly
- Liane Easton
- Jacqueline Fairley
- Carol Gaiter
- Gina Gorey
- Lois Hall
- Michele Henderson
- Jacaline Hunter/Kelly
- Natalie Law
- Maree Lockett
- Anne McArthur
- Alexa McArthur/Dunbar
- Janice McDermott
- Anne Marshall
- Rosemary Mason
- Debra Mawson
- Roslyn Mors
- Julie Moynihan
- Stephen Murdoch
- Leah Place
- Malcolm Reeds
- Catherine Roan
- Susan Robertson
- Kim Shepheard
- Tracey Small
- Lynnette Taylor
- Sandra Townsend
- Annette Wright

Graduates from the N.S.W. College of Nursing include:
- David Bolton .......... Coronary Care
- David Alex Brown ..... Coronary Care
- Jennifer Kidd .......... Coronary Care
- Anne Coote ............. Intensive Care
- Lyndal Preston ............ Oncology
- Louise Vincent ............ Orthopaedic
- Anne Phillips/Farr ........ Orthopaedic
- Barbara Thomas/Butler .. Orthopaedic

Inservice Training Programmes were provided to develop and maintain skills for staff in a number of areas. These include: Palliative Care, Critical Care, Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation, Infection Control, Drug and Alcohol Withdrawal Assessments, Eye Donations for Corneal Graft, as well as use of specialised new equipment, such as use of the new IVAC Volumetric Pump for Intravenous Monitoring.

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY

The Medical Record Department runs a sixteen week Terminology Course each year to introduce staff to the basic principles of Medical Terminology.

The course involves a general outline of each body system followed by specific terms relating to diseases and operations pertaining to that system. Systems covered include structuring of terms, musculo-skeletal, skin and subcutaenous tissue, cardiovascular, blood and blood forming organs, respiratory, digestive, genito urinary, gynaecology, endocrine, nervous, eye and ear.

At the end of the course students sit for a two hour exam and on passing receive a certificate. Twelve students sat for and passed this year’s exam.
The course is an invaluable tool for staff whose work requires them to read, type or write medical information or for those staff wishing to further their careers in the hospital system. This year several vacancies were offered to students outside of the hospital system who were charged a fee to cover course costs.

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY COURSE EXAM RESULTS
JULY, 1989

Helen Beazley
Linda Birt
Yvon Clayden
Sharyn Jones
Annette Keegan
Lesley Lasscock

Pat Lees
Eileen Locker
Christine McMurrine
Patricia Miley
Nicki Webb
Lorraine Woods

STAFF DEVELOPMENT
During the year a large number of staff attended workshops, conferences and short courses in order to keep abreast of changes in their professions and to update their skills.

Many staff were also granted study leave for undertaking academic courses.

Staff participating in the ongoing Cardiac Pulmonary Respiratory Training Program.
CONSULTANT AND VISITING STAFF

Department of Medicine

Consultant Emeritus Physician
Maddox, Sir Kempson, MD, FRCP(Lon), FRACP, FACC

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Bliss, David William, MBBS, BSc, FRACP
Darnell, David Bruce, MBBS, FRACP
Dwyer, Damien Francis, MBBS, FRACP
Foster, Keay, MBBS, MD, MRCP, FRACP
Robilliard, John, MBBS, FRACP, FRCPC
Thomas, Mark Donald, MBBS, FRACP
Woods, John, MBBS, FRACP

Visiting Associate Physicians
Arndt, Douglas Vernon, MBBS, DTM&H, DM&E, FRACGP
Caska, Zdenko Josef, MD, MRCP, ARSM
Harvey, Allan John, MBBS
Minogue, Francis John, MBBS

Nuclear Medicine
Consultant Physician
Choy, Daniel, MBBS, FRACP

Renal Medicine
Consultant Renal Physician
Collett, Paul, MBBS, FRACP
Mahony, John F., MBBS, FRACP

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Harris, Phillip, MSc, MBBS, FFARACS
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Lewis, William R., MBBS, FFARACS
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Visiting Dermatologist
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Consultant Radiotherapist
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Consultant Obstetrician & Gynaecologist
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Hurley, Raymond, OBE, MBBS

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Orthopaedics

Visiting Orthopaedic Surgeons
O’Malley, David Francis, MBBS, FRCS (Ed)
Stokes, Ian, BSc, MBBS, FRACS
Wije-Tunga, Lucian Sydney, MBBS, FRACS

Oto-Rhino-Laryngology

Visiting Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeons
Deves, James, MBBS, FRCS (Ed), FRACS
Salmon, Andrew, MBBS, FRCS, FRACS
Vandeuleur, Terence Joseph, MBBS, FRACS

Urology

Visiting Urologists
Farebrother, Trent Douglas, PhD, MBBS, FRACS
Ruthven, Stephen, BSc, MBBS, FRACS

Vascular Surgery

Visiting Surgeon
Bourke, Bernard, MBBS, FRACS
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Klineberg, Bruce, MBBS, FRACGP
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Macauley, Bruce, MBBS
Miller, George, MBBS, Dip. Anaest., Dip. Obst., RACOG
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Mikula, Dusan Pavol, MD(MUDr.)
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Smith, Nicholas, MB, Chb
Vaughan, John Edward, BPh, MBBS
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Pragasma, Edwin Deva, MBBS
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Miss J. Witchard, RGN, RMN, Renal Cert., CCC

Clinical Nursing Services
Mrs S. Ayshford, RGN, Dip/Admin.(Nursing), FCNA

Infection Control
Miss D. Peberdy, RGN, RMN, OrthC., CCC

Nurse Planning Officer
Mrs H. Beach, RGN, RMN, DNA, MCN(NSW)

Clinical Nurse Consultants

Surgical Units
Miss B. Thomas/Butler, RGN, RMN, Ortho MCN(NSW)

Medical Units
Mrs C. Pinkstone/O'Brien, RGN, RMN, ACC, CCC

Critical Care
Miss J. Gemmell, RGN, ACC, RMN, MCN(NSW)

Child Health
Mrs M. Clark, RGN, RMN, RMEn, DComH

Diabetic Consultant
Mrs B. G. McElhone, RGN

Palliative Care
Miss J. Kemmis, RGN, RMN, Oncology, FCN(NSW)

Obstetrics
Miss L. Power, RGN, RMN, RMEn

Womens' Health
Ann Conning, RGN, RMN, Womens Health Nurse Cert.

Nursing Unit Managers — Level 3

Blood Bank
Miss L. A. Cotton, RGN, RMN

Senior Reliever/Night Duty
Mrs D. Lee, RGN, A+E Cert. (From 4-8-88)
Mrs K. Coventry, RGN, RN, RMN, DAS, MCN(NSW) (From 7-11-88)

Obstetric Delivery Suite
Miss B. Love, RGN, RMN

Obstetric Night Duty
Miss C. Charles, RGN, RMN (From 24-7-89)
Mrs S. Ryden, RGN, RMN

Operating Suite
Mrs D. Lamont, RGN, OT
Cardiac Unit
   Miss P. Cameron, RGN, CCC, ACC
Accident and Emergency
   Miss J. Barnett, RGN, A+E Cert.
Day Duty Wyong
   Mrs M. Beattie, RGN, CCC, DNA, MCN(NSW)

Nursing Unit Managers — Level 2
  Evening Duty/Wyong
   Mrs J. Eisner, RGN, CCC
  Night Duty/Wyong
   Mrs M. Martin, RGN, RMN
  Intensive Care Unit
   Miss R. Harrison, RGN, RMN, ICC
  Mental Health
   Mr P. Santangelo, RPN, BA

Nursing Unit Managers — Level 1
  Community Nursing
   Mrs J. Clift, RGN, Dip.Admin.(Nursing), FCNA
   Mrs P. Woolfe, RGN, RPN
   Mrs M. McCurdy (Acting), RGN
  Mental Health
   Mr K. Mark, RGN, RPN, DCHN, RMN

Early Childhood Health
   Mrs J. Stephens, RGN, RMN, Child and Family Health, IBCLC, MCN(NSW)
Female Medical (M1)
   Miss T. Schumacher, RGN
Female/Male Medical (M2)
   Miss C. Sullivan, RGN, RMN
Male Medical (M3)
   Mrs J. Sadler, RGN
Male Medical (M4)
   Mrs M. Collins, RGN
Orthopaedic Unit (S1)
   Mrs A. Stones, RGN, ORTH Cert.(Mat. Leave)
   Miss F. Thomson, RGN, RMN, ACC, OT Cert.
   (From 22-6-89)
Male Surgical (S2)
   Mrs J. Whinfield, RGN, RMN
Male and Female Surgical (S3)
   Miss L. Bateman, RGN, RMN
Female Surgical (S4)
   Mrs A. Moody, RGN
Neo Natal Nurseries
   Miss L. Abercrombie, RGN, RMN

Sister Beach and Sister Gallagher inspecting the plans of the Stage III site.
SENIOR AREA HEALTH SERVICE STAFF

Mandala Clinic
Mr C. Scott, RGN, RPN, DNA, MCN(NSW)

Paediatric Unit
Mrs C. Moffitt, RGN

Outpatients Clinic
Miss G. Nunan, RGN, CNS, MCN(NSW), JP

Mrs L. Mitchell, RGN, RMN

Obstetric Unit
Miss C. McCloy, RGN, RMN

Renal Unit
Miss C. Pollard, RGN, RMN, Renal

Day Surgical Ward
Mrs J. Wakefield, RGN, Staff Representative Board

Ward Unit/Woy Woy
Mrs D. Streher, RGN

Rehabilitation/Woy Woy
Mrs M. Rickey, RGN

Ward Unit/Long Jetty
Mrs L. Parks, RGN, RMN, DNA

MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION
Area Medical Superintendent and
Area Officer of Health
Dr R. J. Kennedy, MBBS, DPH, DHA, FRACMA

Deputy Area Medical Superintendent
Dr R. D. Healey, MBBS, FRACGP
(Res. October, 1988)

Dr W. C. Mitchell, (Comm. November, 1988)

Clinical Superintendent
Dr M. Kearney, MBBS

JMO Clinical Co-Ordinator (Part-time)
Dr R. D. Healey, MBBS, FRACGP
(Comm. May, 1989)

Medical Research and Projects Officer
Dr D. J. Tibbetts, MBBS

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT
Director of Emergency Services
Dr G. I. McDonald, MBBS, FACEM

Staff Specialists A&E
Dr M. Donoghue, MBBS, FACEM

Staff Specialist A&E
Dr D. Kirkpatrick, MBBS, FACEM

INTENSIVE CARE UNIT
Director of Intensive Care
Dr A. McDoogh, MBBS, BSc, (Med) FFARACS

PATHOLOGY SERVICES
Director of Pathology
Dr R. Haskell, MBBS, FRCPA

Staff Specialist Pathology
Dr R. Suggitt, MBBS, FRCPA

RADIOLOGY SERVICES
Staff Specialist Radiologist
Dr A. Dutt, MBBS, FRFR (E), MRAD (UK), FCCO

PSYCHIATRY SERVICES
Director of Psychiatry
Dr J. Bardon, MBBS, FRANZ Psych

Staff Specialist Psychiatrist
Dr N. O'Connor, MBBS, FRANZ Psych

GERIATRIC SERVICES
Director of Geriatrics
Dr R. Hughes, MBBS, FRACP, FAAMR

REHABILITATION SERVICES
Director of Rehabilitation
Dr P. Gale, MBBS, FFARACS

PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES
Director of Palliative Care
Dr B. Shaw, MBBS, FFARACS

OBSTETRIC SERVICES
Staff Specialist Obstetrician (Part-time)
Dr I. Teoh, MBBS, MRCOG, FRACOG

CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES
Director of Child Health
Dr J. Feather, MBBS, PAED Physician

DENTAL CLINIC
Director Dental Clinic
Dr A. Ellerton, BDS

PARAMEDICAL DEPARTMENTS
Diagnostic and Therapy Services
E.C.G. Department
Mrs G. Hill, BSc, ASCTA

E.E.G. Department
Mrs L. Johnstone, ANTA

Nutrition and Dietetics
Mr W. Shrapnel, BApp SC (AppChem), GradDipNutr&Diet

Occupational Therapy Department
Ms Maree Cummins, DipOT

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SENIOR AREA HEALTH SERVICE STAFF

Orthoptics
Ms C. Purtell, DOBA

Pathology Services
Mr K. Swales, FACBS, AIMLS, DipMT

Physiotherapy Department
Mrs J. Redford, BAppScPhys

Podiatry Department
Miss S. Quinsey, MAPodA

Psychology Department
Miss S. Quinsey, MAPodA

Radiology Services
Mr S. Horner, MIR

Respiratory Laboratory
Mr G. Nolan, MTEC, ARTP

Social Work Department
Ms D. MacLean, BADipSocStudies

Speech Pathology Department
Mrs J. O’Callaghan, BAppSc

SUPPORT SERVICES
Admitting Officer
Mrs F. Wasson

Audio/Visual Department
Mr Peter Holloman

Biomedical Engineer
Mr John Shonk

Blood Bank
Sr L. Cotton, RGN
Mrs M. Stallard, STC, CSSD(Dept)

Drug and Alcohol Service
Mr K. Taylor, RPN

Health Promotions
Mr D. Tutt, BAppSc

Infection Control Sister
Sr D. Peberdy, RGN, RMN, Orthc, CCC

Medical Librarian
Mr P. Davies, BA, Dip.Lib.

Medical Administrative Assistant
Mr B. McLean

Medical Records Department
Miss S. Troy, MRA

Doctor Terry Sands consulting with a new Central Coast resident (Holly) and her mother Louisa Morrison.

Page 41
Mortuary
Mr A. Organ

Pharmacy Department
Mr R. Linsley, PhcMShP

REGISTRARS
Accident and Emergency
Dr M. Bastick, MBBS
Dr P. Hungerford, MBBS
Dr G. Nieuwkamp, MBBS
Dr P. Smith, MBBS

Anaesthetics
Dr M. Pallas, MBBS

Medicine
Dr H. Dewey, MBBS
Dr J. Burrell, MBBS
Dr J. Center, MBBS
Dr C. Hore, MBBS

Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Dr P. Nelmes, MBBS

Paediatrics
Dr G. Brown, MBBS

Surgery
Dr E. Trinajstic, MBBS
Dr A. Cohen, MBBS
Dr M. Bayfield, MBBS
Dr G. Stewart, MBBS

I.C.U.
Dr N. Janes, MBBS

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION
Financial Management
Director of Finance and Budget
Mr P. Cowdery, Acc.Cert.

Deputy Manager, Financial Services
Mr R. S. Wright, Com.Cert.BHA

Financial Accountant
Mr P. Matheson, Acc.Cert.

Revenue Accountant
Mr L. Cambourn, Dip.Com.ACA

Manager, Payroll
Mrs J. Leonard

Facility Development
Project Director
Mr G. Moore, Dip.Mgt., AAIM, AAIPA

Lola Martin and Sue Troy demonstrating the computerised operation of the Patient Master Index to Dr Bill Mitchell, Deputy Medical Superintendant.
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Senior Area Health Service Staff

Subsidiary Hospitals
Executive Officer, Wyoming and Woy Woy Hospitals
Mr R. Brown, AASA, CPA, BHA, AHA
Executive Officer, The Entrance/Long Jetty and Wyong Hospitals
Mr J. Verhagen, AASA, CPA, ACISA

Personnel Management
Personnel Manager
Mr P. Bayley, Pers.AC, MIPMA (to 7-5-89)
Mr M. O'Malley, Pers.AC, DHA (from 8-5-89)

Auditing
Internal Auditor
Mr J. Clucas, MNIA, AHA, MIA

Management Consultancy and Computer Services
Manager, Computing and Consultancy Services
Mr J. Sawtell, Pers.AC, DHA
Management Analyst
Mr P. Warwick, AAIM
Management Analyst
Mr M. O'Malley, Pers.AC, DHA

Service Departments
Support Services Manager
Mr P. Bayley, Pers.AC, MIPMA

Maintenance
Chief Engineer
Mr R. Brown, MIAME, AIHE
Mr R. Nolan, (from 17-7-89)

Domestic Services
Domestic Services Manager
Mr E. Gray, JP

Linen Services
Linen Services Manager
Mr L. McMullen, DIA, HLMAA

Catering Services
Catering Services Manager
Mrs F. Wouterlood, CSC

Information Services
Information Officer
Mrs D. Livingstone

Supply Services
Supply Manager
Mr N. Post

Security Services
Manager, Security Services
Mr J. Finucane

An essential behind the scenes service, the Internal Transport Department, comprising of wardspersons and porters, plays a vital role in patient care and hospital functioning. Above: the Communication Control Centre of this service.
REPORT FROM THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Financial Statements and Statistical Data which follow this report reflects the Board’s responsibilities in the management of the financial services of the Area Health Service.

The presentation of reports reflects a consolidation of data representing the Gosford Hospital, Woy Woy Hospital, The Entrance-Long Jetty Hospital, Birralee Hospital and Wyong Hospital, together with the Central Coast Community Health Services.

The reports will also show the continued growth of the Area both financially and statistically.

BUDGETS

On 17th August, 1988, the General Fund Recurrent Budget for 1988-89 was received.

As in 1987-88, separate budgets were received for each Programme listed below:–

Programme 2.3. Public Hospital Services
Programme 2.8. Psychiatrically Ill
Programme 2.9. Developmentally Disabled.

BUDGET FLEXIBILITY

With the introduction of a modified Global Budgeting concept, flexibility was allowed between line items as follows:–

1. Budget transfers were allowed between Salaries and Wages, Superannuation and Goods and Services.

2. The allocation nominated for Repairs and Maintenance represented the minimum level of expenditure required. The allocation could be increased by transfers from other budget items, but not reduced.

3. The allocation received for Payment of V.M.O.’s was a fixed budget which could only be varied to enable the employment of Staff Specialists.

4. There was no authority to transfer funds between nominated programmes, i.e. 2.3, 2.8 and 2.9 without the prior approval of the minister.

PRODUCTIVITY SAVINGS

The Premier announced in his financial statement of 2nd June, 1988, that all portfolios would be required in 1988-89 to achieve productivity savings. The target for the Health portfolio was 1.5%.

The savings target for the Central Coast Area health Service was $844,000.

Representation was made to the Department during September, 1988, advising strategies proposed to ensure the Area operated within the context of the 1988-89 Budget.

Approval was given to the strategies proposed, excluding the closure of beds. In order to ensure that present services were maintained, a once only supplementation of $850,000 was provided to the Area in 1988-89.

SPECIAL FUNDING (Programme 2.3)

Funds were specifically provided for the following projects:–

1. Budget Enhancements
   General Elective Surgery .................. $280,000
   Orthopaedic Registrar .................... $50,000
2. Geriatric Assessment
Expansion Project ......................... $81,815

3. Medicare Incentive Package
Palliative Care ............................ $218,950
Post Acute Care (Asthma) ............. $28,500

4. Health Promotion & Education
Cholesterol Project ...................... $24,000
Women's Health Project ............... $27,000
Regional Area/Health Promotion ...... $32,000

5. Measles Campaign
1988-89 Programme ..................... $14,000

6. National Better Health Programme
Older People ............................. $40,000

SPECIAL FUNDING (Programme 2.8)
Funds were specifically provided for New Unit projects approved during 1988-89.
1. New Psychiatric Unit
Mandala Clinic ............................ $283,200
2. Enhancement Funds
Work Programme Equipment .......... $41,900

SPECIAL FUNDING (Programme 2.9)
Funds were specifically provided for New Start projects approved during 1988-89.
1. Project 2.7.1 C.R.U.
103 Avoca Drive ......................... $216,670
2. Project 2.4.1 A.T.C.
Kincumber ................................... $123,260
3. Project 2.6.1 A.T.C.
Long Jetty ................................. $78,500
4. Project 2.2.1 C.R.U.
Northumberland Way .................. $92,490

PROJECTS

1. Salaries and Wages
Expenditure on Salaries and Wages during the year totalled $55,619,679 and represented 70.2% of total payments. Last year we spent $49,772,166. The variation of $5,847,513 represents an increase of 11.8% on the previous year's expenditure. Award costs included in the above totalled $2,254,350.

2. Superannuation
Superannuation payments increased by $1,046,639 to $2,796,554 and represented 3.5% of overall expenditure. The main contributing factor causing the increase mentioned was the full year cost of the employer Basic Benefit of 3.0%.

3. Payments to Visiting Medical Officers
Payments made to Visiting Medical Officers totalled $4,883,729 or 6.2% of total payments. This represented an increase of $731,090 from the previous year. This was due to an increase in payments approved for Private Practice Loading, a 2.3% Hourly Rate rise and increases in Cataract Surgery rates. Inpatient activity also increased 3.5%.

4. Goods and Services
Payments for Goods and Services totalled $14,080,700 representing 17.7% of total payments. This was an increase of $931,861 from the previous year or 7.1%. Increase in patient activity, together with the approval of a number of specific projects contributed to the increase in payments.

5. Repairs, Maintenance, Renewals (R.M.R.)
R.M.R. reflected payments of $1,880,537 or 2.4% of total expenditure. Last year we spent $1,687,043.
RECEIPTS — Patients Fees
Revenue from Patients' fees rose from $9,844,154 in 1987-88 to $10,788,813 in 1988-89. This represented an increase of $944,659 or 9.6% over the previous year. The increase was mainly attributed to the full impact of new fee rates announced in 1988, an increase in inpatient activity and an improvement in our collection rate from 94.2% in 1987-88 to 98.0% in 1988-89.

RECEIPTS — Recoveries and Other Receipts
Revenue from both sources totalled $2,269,066 in 1988-89. This represented an increase of $208,310 over the previous year.

Revenue paid to the Department of Health in 1988-89 totalled $13,057,879.

CAPITAL FUNDS
The Department of Health provided finance by way of special grants to enable the following projects to be completed:

1. L.M.I.
   Pathology Renovations ........... $150,000
   Laundry Ext. — Soiled Linen Area . $25,000
   E.R.C.P. Surgical Equipment ........ $30,000
   Laundry — Linen Folder ........... $33,000
   Relocation, Finance
   Pay/Personnel .................. $15,980
   Furnishing — Mother Craft
   Cottage, Wyoming ............... $18,000
   Relocation Paediatric Therapy
   Area .......................... $7,000
   Recarpet — Level 2 H.S.B ........ $6,926
   Fire Service S1 and S3 .......... $25,500
   Dental Equipment ................ $8,000

2. Asbestos Removal Programme
   1988-89 Programme ................ $30,000

3. Hospital Service Improvement Programme
   Update Anti Natal Ward .......... $14,000

4. Upgrade Computers
   C.C.A.H.S. 1988-89 .............. $450,000

APPRECIATION
The continued support shown for the Service by the people of the Central Coast by way of donations is most encouraging to the Board and Staff. A full list of donations received during the year is published in the accompanying pages of this report.

The Financial and Statistical Reports for all sections of the Central Coast Area Health Service follow and I ask that you accept these as a true and fair record of transactions for the year ended 30th June, 1989.

Dir. M. MOTE,
Treasurer

The new Mandala Clinic opened in 1989.
# GENERAL FUND

Statement of Financial Operations for the year ended 30th June, 1989

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Mr Collins, Minister for Health; Mr Wallwork, Chairman of the Board and Mr Doyle, Member for Peats at the Opening Ceremony of the new Mandala Clinic.

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REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Commencement of Audited Financial Statements

GENERAL FUND
Statement of Financial Operations for the year ended 30th June, 1989

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<td>Government Assistance Subsidy and Special Subsidy Grants</td>
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<td>82,703,030</td>
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<td>Less Transfers of Revenue to the Department of Health</td>
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<td>Payments to Visiting Medical Officer</td>
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<td>Gross Operating Payments</td>
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<td>Net Operating Payments</td>
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<td>Cash Surplus/Deficit for Year</td>
<td>287,518</td>
<td>(351,039)</td>
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# REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

## GENERAL FUND

Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1989

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<td>5,358</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</strong></td>
<td>5,358</td>
<td>6,463</td>
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|               |        |        |
| **NON-CURRENT ASSETS** |        |        |
| Land and Buildings | 26,037,415 | 26,508,625 |
| Plant and Equipment | 7,711,044  | 8,901,065  |
| **TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS** | 33,748,459 | 35,409,690 |

|               |        |        |
| **TOTAL ASSETS** |        |        |
| **CURRENT LIABILITIES** |        |        |
| Bank Overdraft | 1,461  | 12,989 |
| **TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES** | 1,461  | 12,989 |

|               |        |        |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES** |        |        |
| **NET ASSETS** | 33,752,817 | 35,403,164 |

|               | 1988 $ | 1989 $ |
| **ACCUMULATED FUNDS** |        |        |
| Balance at 1st July, 1988 | 33,161,368 | 33,752,356 |
| Add: Surplus/Deficit for Year | 287,518  | (351,039) |
| Fixed Assets acquired during the Year | 771,381  | 1,661,231 |
| Accrued Salaries and Wages — |        |        |
| — Current Year | 972,089 | 1,312,705 |
| — Prior Year | (1,440,000) | (972,089) |
| **BALANCE AT 30th JUNE, 1989** | 33,752,356 | 35,403,164 |
**REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**COMBINED SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS STATEMENT**  
(General Fund and Special Purposes and Trust Fund)

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<th>Source of Funds</th>
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<td>Other Receipts</td>
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<td>2,004,591</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>13,980,025</td>
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<td>87,059,856</td>
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<th>Application of Funds</th>
<th>1988-89 $</th>
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<td>Salaries and Wages</td>
<td>55,619,679</td>
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<td>Superannuation</td>
<td>2,796,554</td>
<td>1,749,915</td>
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<td>4,883,729</td>
<td>4,152,639</td>
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<td>Goods and Services</td>
<td>14,080,700</td>
<td>13,148,839</td>
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<td>Replacements, Maintenance and Repairs</td>
<td>1,880,537</td>
<td>1,687,043</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>12,731,054</td>
<td>4,010,305</td>
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<td>Department of Health</td>
<td>13,057,879</td>
<td>11,904,910</td>
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<td>Surplus</td>
<td>897,932</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td>87,059,856</td>
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*Modern Recreation facilities are available to clients of the new Mandala Clinic. Photo shows the music room. Opposite page features the therapeutic kitchen area.*

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# REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

## SPECIAL PURPOSES AND TRUST FUND

Statement of Financial Operations for Year ended 30th June, 1989

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<th>Description</th>
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<td><strong>BALANCE AS AT 1st JULY, 1988</strong></td>
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<td><em>Add Receipts</em></td>
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<tr>
<td>Interest</td>
<td>394,778</td>
<td>189,516</td>
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<td>Donations</td>
<td>3,617,511</td>
<td>1,590,535</td>
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<td>From Government</td>
<td>1,315,856</td>
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<td>Private Practice Trust Funds</td>
<td>1,313,350</td>
<td>1,315,966</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>7,338,530</td>
<td>430,000</td>
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<td><strong>Sub-Total</strong></td>
<td>14,443,052</td>
<td>4,012,246</td>
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| *Less Payments*                                   |        |        |
| Buildings                                         | 471,210| 192,150|
| Plant and Equipment                               | 1,164,892| 579,430|
| Private Practice Trust Funds                      | 1,313,350| 1,300,837|
| Other                                            | 9,781,602| 1,476,802|
| **Sub-Total**                                     | 12,731,054| 3,549,219|

**BALANCE AS AT 30th JUNE, 1989**                   | 1,711,998| 463,027|
SPECIAL PURPOSES AND TRUST FUND
Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1989

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<th>1989</th>
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<td>TOTAL SPECIAL PURPOSES AND TRUST FUNDS</td>
<td>3,636,733</td>
<td>1,545,881</td>
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Represented by:

**Assets**
- Cash at Bank: 1,429,754, 222,806
- Cash on Deposit: 2,206,979, 1,323,075

**TOTAL** 3,636,733, 1,545,881

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A clinical conference in the dining room at the new Mandala Clinic.

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REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

End of Audited Financial Statements

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<td>562</td>
<td>550</td>
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<td>Average available beds during year</td>
<td>558</td>
<td>546</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Inpatients</strong></td>
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<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Number in hospital as at 1st July, 1988</td>
<td>526</td>
<td>470</td>
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<tr>
<td>Admissions during year</td>
<td>28,827</td>
<td>27,895</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total patients treated</td>
<td>29,353</td>
<td>28,365</td>
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<td>Number in hospital as at 30th June, 1989</td>
<td>467</td>
<td>526</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bed days of inpatients treated</td>
<td>178,991</td>
<td>177,880</td>
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<td>Number of operations</td>
<td>9843</td>
<td>9627</td>
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<td><strong>Babies</strong></td>
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<td>Number of live births</td>
<td>2864</td>
<td>2702</td>
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<td>Bed days of newly born babies</td>
<td>14,668</td>
<td>14,193</td>
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<td><strong>Outpatients</strong></td>
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<td>Number registered</td>
<td>126,378</td>
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<td>Total occasions of service</td>
<td>713,745</td>
<td>694,851</td>
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<td>Number of Operations</td>
<td>1,744</td>
<td>1,171</td>
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<td><strong>AVERAGES</strong></td>
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<td>Daily average of inpatients</td>
<td>490.4</td>
<td>486.0</td>
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<td>Adjustment for outpatients and babies</td>
<td>376.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Adjusted daily average (A.D.A.)</td>
<td>866.6</td>
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<td>Average stay of inpatients (days)</td>
<td>6.1</td>
<td>6.3</td>
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<td>Bed occupancy rate (%)</td>
<td>87.9%</td>
<td>89.0%</td>
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<td><strong>STAFFING DETAILS</strong></td>
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<td>Staff employed at 30th June, 1989 (full-time equivalent)</td>
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<td>— Nursing</td>
<td>779.9</td>
<td>773.5</td>
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<tr>
<td>— Medical and Support Services</td>
<td>413.1</td>
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<td>— Other</td>
<td>635.8</td>
<td>626.3</td>
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AUDITOR-GENERAL’S
CERTIFICATE

The accounts of the Central Coast Area Health Service for the year ended 30th June, 1989 have been audited in accordance with Section 34 of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1983.

In my opinion the accompanying financial statements, as shown on pages 48 to 54 consisting of:

— the General Fund’s Statement of Financial Operations and Balance Sheet;
— the Combined Statement of Source and Application of Funds;
— the Special Purposes and Trust Funds’ Statement of Financial Operations and Balance Sheet;
— the Patient and Staffing Statistics;
— the Notes to the Accounts of the Central Coast Area Health Service;

(i) are in accordance with the accounts and records of the Area Health Service;
(ii) have been properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Public Hospitals Act 1929 and Regulations thereunder;
(iii) the requirements of the Commonwealth Government in respect to the provision of free hospital treatment in so far as they affect the financial statements have been observed; and
(iv) the requirements of the Department of Health N.S.W., relating to the accounts and audit of public hospitals have been observed.

K. J. ROBSON, F.A.S.A., C.P.A.,
Auditor-General of N.S.W.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1989

Accounting Principles

1. Basis of Accounting
   In accordance with the requirements of the Department of Health a modified form of cash accounting is used.
   All transactions, apart from Salaries and Wages, are recorded on a Cash paid and received basis. Accrual accounting is applied in the case of Salaries and Wages.

2. Transactions not included in Published Accounts
   As a consequence of the use of cash accounting, the following have not been included in the Published Accounts:—
   (a) Patients Fees
       Debtors ..... $1,889,551
       Estimated Bad Debts .... .... $113,551
   (b) Value of Stock
   (c) Sundry Creditors .. ... .
   (d) Long Service Leave ......... .
       Annual Leave $8,250,000
       $4,112,128

3. Fixed Assets
   Plant, Furniture and Equipment are valued at original purchase price in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Health. No provision for depreciation is made. Additional Plant, Furniture and Equipment purchase is capitalised, but replacements are written off in the year they are purchased.
   Motor Vehicles have been revalued to reflect the cost thereof.

4. Land and Buildings
   The value of Land and Buildings is based on cost.
PROPERTY REPORT

Properties Owned/Leased by Central Coast Area Health Service or Health Administration Corporation.

Gosford Area
Site: Bounded Holden Street, Ward Street, Cape Street North and Racecourse Road, Gosford — Used for Hospital and Health Service delivery and staff accommodation. (Excluding 2 Ward Street).
59-67 Holden Street — Psychiatric Unit
69 Holden Street
75 Holden Street — Kalinda Mental Health Living Skills Centre
79 (part) Holden Street — Leased for staff accom.
87 Holden Street — Staff accom.
93-97 Holden Street — Staff accom.
23 Beane Street West — Child Care Centre
33 Beane Street West — Drug Referral Centre
70 Faunce Street — Leased for staff accom.
102 Faunce Street West — Diabetes Education Centre
13 Ward Street — Mental Health Group accom.
25 Racecourse Road — Leased for Mental Health Group accom.
“Roma”, Albany Street, East Gosford — Leased for Day Care Centre and Palliative Care Services
Unit 1/12 Redgrove Street, Green Pt. — to be used for Developmental Disability Services accom.
Lot 1, Frederick Goddard Close, Saratoga — to be used for Developmental Disability Services accom.
103 Avoca Drive, Green Point — used for Developmental Disability Services accom.
Site: Corner Pacific Highway and Kinarra Avenue, Wyoming — used for Hospital and Health Service delivery.

Wyong Area
Site: Pacific Highway, Kanwal — used for Hospital and Health Service delivery.
4 Jennings Street, Wyong — Mental Health Day Activity Centre and Early Childhood Services Centre
5 Kauai Avenue, Chittaway — leased for Mental Health Group accom. (subsequently moved to 210 Pollock Avenue, North Wyong — under lease)

The Entrance/Long Jetty Area
Site: Cornish Avenue, Killarney Vale — to be used for hostel.
Site: Wyong Road, Killarney Vale — used for Hospital and Health Service Delivery.
Site: On corner Yakkalla Street and The Entrance Road, Bateau Bay — Health Centre.
Lot 2, Northumberland Way, Killarney Vale — Used for Developmental Disability Service Accom.

Woy Woy Area
Site: Corner Ocean Beach Road and Kathleen Street, Woy Woy — Used for Hospital and Health Service delivery.

Toukley Area
Site: Hargraves Street, Toukley — Leased for Health Centre.
Premises: Lakeview Street, Toukley — Leased for Family Support, (subsequently moved to Wyong Hospital).

Kincumber Area
Premises: Avoca Drive, Kincumber — Health Centre.

Mangrove Mountain Area
RMB 1640, Mangrove Mountain — Health Centre.
VOLUNTEER SUPPORT
AND AUXILIARIES

OFFICE BEARERS 1988-89

A Riding Co-Ordinating Committee
President — Mrs M. Smedley
Secretary — Mrs N. Hadden
Treasurer — Mrs N. Hadden

Ettalong Beach
President — Mrs G. Morgan
Secretary — Mrs F. Sharwood
Treasurer — Mrs T. Keohane

Gosford
President — Mrs P. Jones
Secretary — Mr D. Jones
Treasurer — Mrs M. Fripp

Hardy’s Bay/Killcare
President — Mrs P. Woods
Secretary — Mrs S. Battishall
Treasurer — Mrs B. Touzel

Kincumber
President — Mrs N. Montgomerie
Secretary — Mrs R. Alexander
Treasurer — Mrs R. Healy

Ourimbah
President — Mrs D. Preston
Secretary — Mrs N. Donohue
Treasurer — Mrs E. Foott

Pink Ladies
President — Mrs M. Walker
Secretary — Mrs C. Joslin
Treasurer — Mrs D. van Donk

The Entrance/Long Jetty
President — Mrs T. Peck
Secretary — Mrs L. Cottle
Treasurer — Mrs I. Gow

Volunteers, Marcia and Doug Litchfield care for patients in the new discharge lounge at Gosford Hospital.

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Tuggerah Lakes
   President — Mrs M. Dobbins
   Secretary — Ms N. Andresson
   Treasurer — Mrs M. McDougal

Woy Woy Social Group
   Secretary — Miss E. Jones

Wyong
   President — Mrs P. Maloney
   Secretary — Mrs B. Williams
   Treasurer — Mrs S. Rowe

OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS

Our Area Health Service is probably the most fortunate in the State in terms of the number and enthusiasm of its volunteer groups.

Every year large donations are given by the hospital auxiliaries and other organisations and individuals. As over 70% of the Area Health Service budget is needed for salaries these donations are very much appreciated to buy additional medical equipment or to increase patient comfort. The auxiliaries meet monthly in many areas of the Coast. They are constantly fundraising and receive the support of their local communities in their activities.

Many of the programmes run by the Health Service would not be able to continue without the volunteer workers who provide transport and helping hands.

Men and women are always needed and are assured of a warm welcome if they would like to join our band of volunteer workers.

For further information ring Mrs Dorothy Livingstone on 25-9111, extn. 3221.

Mrs Maisie Miller, Life Member of Gosford Hospital Auxiliary has been taking the goodies trolley to the wards for the past thirty years.
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DONATIONS FOR YEAR 1988-89

Mingara Recreation Club .................. $2,230.00
Elizabeth Muir ............................ $15.00
Rose McColl (in memory of John) .......... $20.00
Dr E. McLeod ................................ $15,000.00
N.S.W. Justices’
Association Ltd. .......................... $45.00
National Mutual Life ....................... $500.00
D. Nelson ................................... $50.00
Mrs R. Nicholson ........................... $5.00
Norah Head Ladies
Auxiliary .................................... $1,431.97
J. T. O’Neill .................................. $25.00
Order of the Amaranth ..................... $8,000.00
Order of the Eastern Star,
Gosford ....................................... $50.00
Order of the Eastern Star,
Terrigal ...................................... $80.00
Ourimbah Hospital
Auxiliary ..................................... $2,500.00
Palliative Care Foundation ................. $2,100.00
V. Platulny ................................... $100.00
Pepsico Aust. Pty. Ltd. ..................... $580.00
Pink Ladies Auxiliary ...................... $500.00
Mrs Pittman .................................. $10.00
Pizza Hut Restaurant ....................... $580.00
M. G. Post and K. A.
Kasch ......................................... $50.00
E. C. and G. L. Renton ..................... $50.00
Estate of the late May
Riemer ....................................... $108.00
Mrs D. R. Roach ............................ $50.00
Rotary Club of Gosford
North ......................................... $500.00
Mr A. Russell ................................ $26.00
Mrs Jean Scott .............................. $20.00
Mr S. Smith .................................. $50.00
Gavin Symthe ................................ $1,078.46
Mrs Dawn Sparrow ......................... $90.00
Mrs Spratt ................................... $1,480.00
Sun Herald Toy Fund ....................... $220.00
Gosford Telephone
Exchange .................................. $90.00

The Wyoming Mothercraft Cottage, valued at approximately $180,000, which was donated through “Operation Barnabas”, during the year.
## DONATIONS FOR YEAR 1988-89

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<td>Tuggerah Lakes Auxiliary</td>
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<td>E. L. Webb and D. Sjoberg</td>
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<td>Woy Woy and District Meals On Wheels</td>
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### Gifts in Kind

- Blood Transfusion Service
- Grace Bros. Visual Presentation Manager
- Chickadee Chickens
- Mr Nathaniel Clouten
- Mr Fred Dwyer
- Dr K. Foster
- Doris Rosser
- Mr Harry Scales

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Mr Graham McGuiness and Sister Margaret Pearce receive a donation for the Children's Ward from Lisarow High School.

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