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# MOORE NEWS



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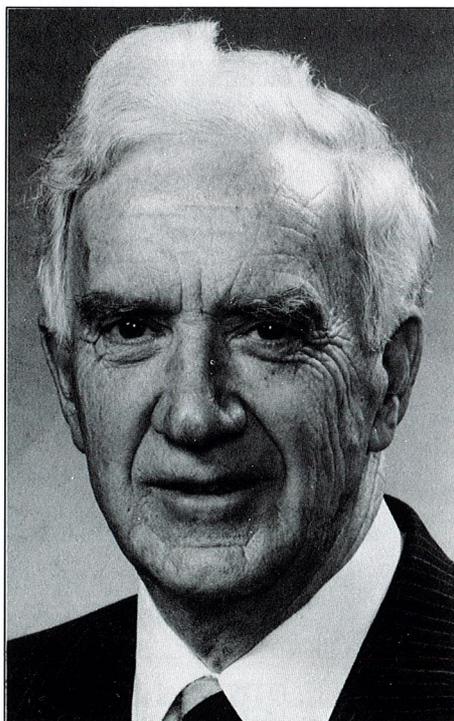
*Nehemiah 7:2*

## **DAVID BROUGHTON KNOX 1916 - 1994**

The whole College community mourns the passing on 15th January 1994 of Dr David Broughton Knox, aged 77 years, after a brief illness.

Known to family and friends as Broughton, Dr Knox was appointed to the staff of Moore College in March 1947 as a tutor and lecturer. His great interest was in Theology. After a 3 year leave of absence to obtain a doctorate from Oxford, he returned in 1954 as Vice-Principal. When Canon Loane became a bishop in 1958, Dr Knox was appointed Principal, a post which he held for a record period of 26 years (1959-1985).

Dr Knox supervised the affairs of the College during years of great change in Australian society, in the Church and in the College itself. He was committed to preparing ministers of



the gospel who were spiritually-minded and prayerful. He worked tirelessly to purchase property surrounding the College and it is his vision which has made it possible to maintain a residential college in Newtown. The current status of the Library as one of the finest theological collections in Australia is a tribute to his energy and foresight.

After he retired as Principal in February 1985, Dr Knox continued to lecture in Theology until the end of 1988.

The Moore College community will always remember Broughton Knox with deep affection and gratitude. He was a man who loved God, and he brought all the extraordinary gifts with which he was blessed to sharing the knowledge of God with others.

### **A Lasting Memorial**

In recognition of the great contribution made to Moore by Broughton Knox, the College Council has decided that the new teaching centre should be named in his honour.

The new building is to be known as the

### **Broughton Knox Teaching Centre**

and the large lecture theatre on the first floor as the

### **Broughton Knox Lecture Theatre**

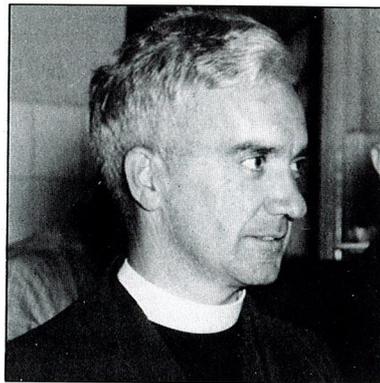
The centre will be officially opened by Archbishop Goodhew on Saturday 9th April 1994 (details overleaf). All are most welcome on this special occasion and it is hoped many will take the opportunity to honour this outstanding man of God.

**Principal**

## We remember . . .



*Broughton Knox second from left in Moore College photograph of 1947.*



*Broughton in 1956.*

***"He respected scholarship but his abiding passion was God"***

Obituary by Peter Jensen.



*Broughton responding to the 1986 presentation.*



*With Ailsa and Donald Robinson on being presented with *God Who is Rich in Mercy* in 1986.*

***"He has relentlessly pursued the quest for the heart of theology, which for him is nothing other than the knowledge of God"***

***"He has a powerful and original mind and the enviable gift of a teacher - the ability to create an appetite for theology in his students."***

From "David Broughton Knox: An Appreciation" by D.W.B. Robinson, then Archbishop of Sydney, in *God Who is Rich in Mercy*, the book written in Broughton's honour.

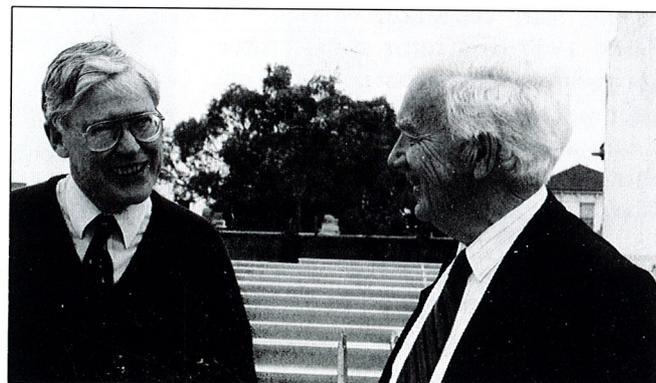


*With Sir Marcus Loane on the roof of the new centre in October 1993.*

***"Broughton's light could not be hid"***

***"He often stood unabashed at the heart of the storm"***

Sir Marcus Loane at the Thanksgiving Service for D.B. Knox, 19th January 1994.



*Sharing a memory with Peter Jensen at the site of the new teaching centre, October 1993.*

## GRAND OPENING



## OPEN DAY

### SATURDAY 9TH APRIL 1994

### All Welcome!

2.00 pm - Official Opening of the Broughton Knox Teaching Centre  
by the Most Reverend R. H. Goodhew, Archbishop of Sydney

Followed by

Inspection of the Broughton Knox Teaching Centre  
Tours of the Moore College Campus  
Afternoon Tea

Entry via the Dining Hall foyer, 2 Carillon Avenue, Newtown.

Parking is available in the surrounding streets or for \$5 at Western Avenue Underground Carpark, Sydney University (entry 80 metres along Western Ave from Carillon Ave gate).

For any queries concerning the arrangements please telephone Heather Jones, Development Officer, on 519 2644.

## Fire Strikes Moore Graduate

Andrew Macaulay, Pastor of Como Presbyterian Church, with his wife, Kate, and 14 month old daughter, Ruth, made a dramatic escape on Saturday, 8th January, just minutes before fire engulfed their home and adjoining church. Such were the conditions, as fierce winds whipped up flames from the valley, that neither police nor fire-fighters were on hand.

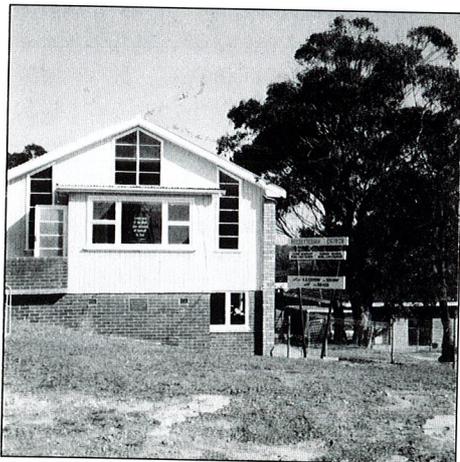
Minutes previously Andrew and a friend had been hosing down the roof, surrounded by smoke but with no fire in sight. They were just descending says Andrew, "when the flames were suddenly there!" He describes yelling to Kate (then 3 months pregnant), "Grab Ruth and run!" and, with family in the car, backing out of their drive and up the street as flames left over them and spot fires broke out all around.

The Macaulays' church and house were among 87 buildings in the Como/Jannali area destroyed that day and many more homes were damaged and uninhabitable. Of the Como Presbyterian membership, 50% lost their homes and at least 9 families from Anglican churches in the area are also known to have lost homes.

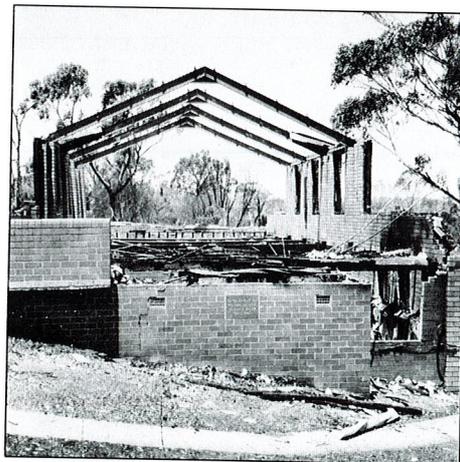
The use of St Anne's Anglican Church at Como has graciously been offered to the Macaulays' congregation for services until a new church is built.

Andrew says, "The priority is healing the hurt. The hardest thing is that I feel the tension between the need to rebuild our own lives emotionally and spiritually and the need to minister to others who are experiencing the same problems".

Andrew graduated from Moore in 1992. The whole College community extends love and sympathy to them and to all families who lost homes or suffered damage in the fires.



*Como Presbyterian Church and the manse next-door before the fires.*



*Immediately after the fires of 8th January 1994 - a church in ruins.*



*Andrew, Kate and Ruth Macaulay with all that escaped the fires - the new church sign and two lecterns.*



*Andrew addresses members in a Service of Hope and Encouragement beside the ruins of church and manse.*

## Moore Prayer Points

*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God".*

Philippians 4:6

### Give thanks—

- for the life and ministry of Dr Broughton Knox, and especially for his service to Moore College.
- for Richard Gibson being able to join the College Faculty.
- for Peter O'Brien's new book *Consumed by Passion*.
- for the safe arrival recently of a number of babies in the College community.

### and pray –

- for Mrs Ailsa Knox and family, that God will sustain and strengthen them.
- for those affected by recent bushfires, in particular for funds for temporary housing for the Macaulays while their home is being rebuilt.
- that new students at Moore will settle quickly to their studies and to the life of the College, and that students who completed their training in 1993 will know God's strength and guidance in their new ministries.
- for the Opening of the Broughton Knox Teaching Centre on 9th April, and that the financial needs of the College in connection with the building will be met.

## Consumed by Passion

What was distinctive about Paul's missionary activity and what did Paul have in common with other Christians? Why is there so little in the Pauline letters about the need for Christians to evangelise? Did the apostle expect believers to be caught up in God's saving purposes as he was?

These are some of the questions Peter O'Brien, Vice Principal of Moore College, addresses in his latest book *Consumed by Passion*. It is a call to Christian men and women, who have come under Jesus' rule as Lord and experienced the saving power of the gospel, to be committed to its ongoing dynamic advance.

## Moore Past Student Report

Senior Student at Moore in 1989, Stephen Gibson spent 2 years as Assistant Minister at St Clement's Mosman before taking leave of absence to accept a position in the USA. He has recently returned to be Rector of Narrabeen Parish. Of his experience overseas he says,

"In my 2 years as Associate Rector of St Andrew's Fort Worth, Texas, I was conscious of serving in a very different church culture: the Episcopal Church of USA.

The time away has certainly given me an even greater appreciation for Moore College. A training which is academically rigorous but always sits under biblical authority is almost unknown in Anglican seminaries (theological colleges) in North America. In fact it is unusual to meet someone in North American Anglican circles who has received a solid biblical grounding. As one rector I met put it, 'The average Baptist Sunday School teacher would know more about the Bible than most Episcopal clergy.' So even the remaining conservatives struggle as Anglican seminaries have become both too liberal, abandoning biblical authority, and too specialised, for example graduating ordination candidates who have never taken an Old Testament subject.

In all of this I am very thankful to God for my training at Moore and pray that the College will continue to be an instrument in God's hand for the extension of his Kingdom in Australia and beyond."



Stephen Gibson, Rector Narrabeen Parish.

## New Faculty Member

This year Moore welcomes back Richard Gibson who graduated BTh (1 Cl. Hons) in 1989 and has spent the last 4 years as curate of St John's Mt Druitt. Richard joins the College faculty and will be teaching the Gospels and Greek to 1st year students, plus a term on Genesis 1-11 to 2nd years. Richard, his wife Tracy and their children - Emma (8), Matthew (5) and Helen (4) - are currently settling in and readjusting to life in Newtown after the green space of Mt Druitt.



Richard and Tracy Gibson.

## Is this a record?

The ladies of St Clement's Lalor Park Moore College Prayer Group have been praying for this College regularly every month for 24 years.

Our warmest thanks to Audrey Little and all the members of the group. Praise God for your faithfulness.

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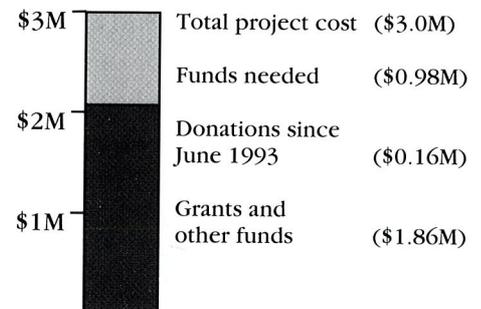
## From the Development Office

It is exciting for dreams to be realised and the new Broughton Knox Teaching Centre looks better than any of us dared to hope. Congratulations to our architects and builders.

While the whole College community mourns the death of our longest-serving Principal we rejoice that the new teaching centre is to be named after one who contributed so much to Moore.

We rejoice too that so many have responded with generosity to our appeal for financial assistance. To those who have given, our most sincere thanks.

However, as you will see from the chart, we have a way to go yet.



With \$0.98M still needed to pay for the new centre, may I urge all who support Moore's vital role in 'the defence and proclamation of the gospel' to consider prayerfully making a sacrificial donation.

### Bricks and mortar are not the issue.

In our Archbishop's own words "*our focus here is on people - a godly faculty training able and committed students to preach the saving gospel of Jesus Christ and to care for his church*".

Will **you** help fund the Broughton Knox Teaching Centre? Please return the attached slip with your one-off donation or a pledge.

I do hope you can join us on 9th April for the Opening Ceremony.



Development Officer