Volume 20, Number 1, of Australian Educational Computing (AEC) marks the 20 year anniversary of the journal. Previous contributors, along with the two ACCE Fellows for 2004, were invited to submit papers reflecting on the last two decades of computers in education. Anne McDougall invites us to revisit some of the early pioneering work of Papert and others; Geoff Cumming, who contributed to the very first AEC journal, reminds us that more research is still needed; Ron Oliver argues that advancements in use of educational technologies in schools has been slow and; David McKinnon (also a contributor to the first edition of AEC) and Lena Danaia report on the use of the Charles Sturt University Remote Telescope and argue that professional development has not resulted in widespread use computers in classrooms. So in twenty years how far have we come and where are we going? I remember addressing an audience a couple of years ago and the title of my paper was Technology matters but good teaching matters more. The person introducing me indicated that I seemed to be stating the obvious as everyone knew that this was the case. But is it? After 20 years of computers in education how far have we really come; are we ignoring the past and has our message about teaching, learning and technology really been delivered?

ACCE Educator of the Year

Congratulations to Trevor Galbraith of Sacred Heart College in Sorrento, WA. Trevor is the ECAWA 2004 Educator of the Year and the ACCE national Educator of the Year. Trevor is a teacher dedicated to the advancement of computing through innovation, leadership, motivation and enthusiasm. He is the editor of ECAWA's newsletter, LOGIN and has been a tireless worker for the Association. This combined with his contribution to ICT at Sacred Heart and in the wider educational community has earned Trevor state and national recognition. Trevor’s Principal had this to say about Trevor's contribution to ICT in Education; Trevor is a gifted teacher and there are very few teachers who would spend as much time as Trevor in preparing and presenting the variety of work that he does for such a diverse range of students within the college.

In his time at the college staff, students and parents have been exposed to a vision for the future that is based on best practice but within the constraints of budgets and resource availabilities. The vision for the future is not possible unless the staff share a pedagogical understanding on how ICT can improve learning outcomes. Trevor has spent an enormous amount of time working with teachers so that they feel confident to take the next step in using ICT.

ACCE Award for Outstanding Leadership

Congratulations also to Tony Brandenburg for winning the ICTEV and the ACCE award for outstanding leadership. Tony is the president of ICT in Education Victoria and Board member of the Australian Council of Computers in Education. His paid employment is as Professional Assistant to the Director of Catholic Education in the Diocese of Ballarat, a role that includes responsibility for ICT in the diocese. He is also the Victorian representative on the National Catholic Education Commission Technology Working Party and on many committees of the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria. He has been involved in ICT in Education since graduating from The Australian Catholic University in 1978 where in his final year he received an award for research into the integration of IT into the primary curriculum. At this time his work was with BBC Master computers and the original Apple computers, many of which he still has in the garage at home. He is still an apple user, something he doesn’t let his colleagues forget. Tony lectured in Computers in Education at the Australian Catholic University for three years in the early nineties, focusing on his passion for the integration of ICT.

Jim Fuller

It is with sadness we mark the passing of the 2000 ECAWA and ACCE Educator of the Year, Jim Fuller. Jim was known locally, nationally and internationally by his famous web site http://www.southwest.com.au/~jfuller/ . I did not know Jim personally but by all accounts he was a dedicated educator, a generous, selfless man, and a tireless worker for ECAWA and the ICT in education cause.

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