

## NATIONAL NEWS

8pm on the last Saturday of each month, is donating all its proceeds from screenings over the next four months to the ACT AIDS Action Committee.

The lineup of films includes Fassbinder's erotic masterpiece *Querelle*, supported by Genet's *Un Chant d'Amour* and *Pink Triangles* on June 29; the superb *Death in Venice*, supported by *Shadows* and Kenneth Anger's classic *Fireworks* on July 27; *Leather Boys* and *Farewell To Charms* on August 31; and the comedy *Norman, Is That You?* on September 28.

All screenings begin at 8pm and tea and coffee are available afterward.

### TRANSEXUAL ATTACKED AND RAPED

**SYDNEY:** A transsexual, aged 33, was found bashed unconscious in a street in Bondi by a woman who called a taxi and took the victim to Prince of Wales hospital.

The victim of the attack had been walking home on the night of Thursday, May 9, when a man jumped out of a Ford Falcon, grabbed her from behind and dragged her into the car.

She was driven to a street nearby where the men pushed her into the back seat. On discovering their victim was a transsexual they swore, attempted to choke her and punched her in the face before raping her.

They later pushed her out of the moving car.

### GAYLINE TRAINING COURSE

**MELBOURNE:** Applications are now being accepted for voluntary workers (men and women) on the Melbourne Gayline Telephone Advice and Information Service, for a training course at the centre.

Applicants must be self accepting gay/lesbian and express a genuine interest in gay/lesbian issues.

For further details please call Gayline on (03) 329 5555 during operating hours.

### CALL FOR RAILWAY HOARDINGS TO BE USED FOR AIDS EDUCATION

**SYDNEY:** Government-owned railway advertising hoardings should be used for AIDS education, said Paul Dexter in May. He was answering criticism from Dr Michael Robinson of the Queensland AIDS Task Force that the Gay Army was a radical minority group deliberately sabotaging attempts to combat the spread of AIDS.

Dexter scoffed at Robinson's accusations, pointing to the stance he and the Gay Army had adopted. He went on to attack the Government and the Health Department over their lack of positive action to stop the spread of the disease, and for their pessimistic attitudes.

"We're back to the old mentality, back to the closet," he said.

He urged that the government-controlled billboards be used to promote sex with condoms, sexual hygiene and monogamous relationships.

"This would reach the person who can't take gay newspapers and AIDS pamphlets home or to the workplace," he said.

### SYDNEY ENTERTAINER, WENDY WAYNE, MURDERED

**SYDNEY:** Wayne Kerry Brennan, better known to patrons of Darlinghurst as Wendy Wayne, was murdered in her Kings Cross flat on the night of Sunday, April 28, or the early hours of the following Monday morning.

Wendy's body was found by a friend Kenneth Beckham in her flat in Darlinghurst Road.

### ANTI-NUKE GAYS & LESBIANS MARCH FOR DISARMAMENT



A strong contingent of gay men and lesbian members of Enola Gay, working in the interests of nuclear disarmament, took part in the May Day parade through the streets of Sydney. The group is highly visible on the local scene and has also taken part in numerous Palm Sunday Rallies. (Photos: John Jenner)



A police spokesperson said Wendy had received a sharp blow and had then been shot at close range, once through the back and once through the back of the head. No bullets were found and the murder weapon was not recovered.

Reports that she had been sexually assaulted were not confirmed though speculation was rife as to the identity of the murderer and the reason for the killing.

Wendy was an entertainer at Oxford Street night spot Pete's Beat.

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### NEW MINISTER ARRIVES FOR VICTORIAN MCC

**MELBOURNE:** Following a change in Immigration Department policy, Rev Samuel Kader has been able to take up his position as pastor of Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) Melbourne. Under the previous policy, MCC had to be registered as a church under Section 26 of the marriage Act, and this required a demonstrated need to regularly perform marriages. It was a requirement that excluded MCC, for although it has several heterosexual people in its congregation, it primarily ministers to members of the gay community. The policy was changed following representations made by the leader of the Australian Democrats, Senator Don Chipp.

Rev Jim Dykes, pastor of MCC Sydney, who journeyed to Melbourne to welcome

Reverend Kader said he was very excited by the appointment.

"He should prove to be a fine addition to the Church's work in Australia and I am pleased he has already plugged into the workings of the Victorian AIDS Council," Rev Dykes said.

Rev Kader is a past chairperson of the MCC AIDS Task Force in the United States and has spent a lot of time working with people with AIDS, their lovers and spouses. He is also a registered nurse which will provide additional assistance in this work.

Rev Dykes is also pleased at the change of policy regarding ministers of religion as it will make his own position much easier. Eventually he hoped to take out Australian citizenship, he said.

### TWO LOVERS KILL DENTIST

**SYDNEY:** Two gay lovers, Glenn Roberts (22) and Steven Perry (22), were sentenced to life imprisonment in May for the brutal murder of Peter Regan (53) at his Sydney home in September of last year.

On a charge of robbery they were sentenced to 14 years jail with a non-parole period of seven years, to be served concurrently with the life sentence.

Roberts and Perry had gone to Regan's home looking for drugs. Regan had propositioned Roberts and the assault had then taken place. Regan had suffered 12 fractures to the skull.

Counsel for Roberts claimed the young man had resisted a sexual advance from a man older than himself with violence because "he lacked a father figure."

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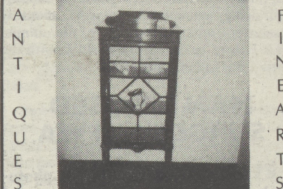
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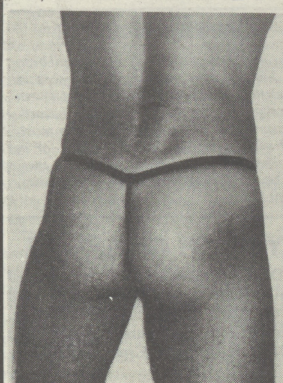
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