

## **FAREWELL TO:**

- **Dianne Crow** who resigned effective 12<sup>th</sup> July. During her 2 years as a technical officer in Hobart, Di completely reorganised the Chemistry Store, managed the store inventories and School deliveries, not to mention setting-up for the 1<sup>st</sup> year practical classes. We wish her well and will be sorry to see her go.
- **Jongkolnee Jongaramruong** or Aei as we all know her, who returned to Thailand after 5 years at the School of Chemistry to await the examiners' results of her PhD thesis. She will be teaching at Burapha University and we hope to catch up with her again for graduation.
- ACROSS visitors: **Dr Milko Novic** who has returned to Slovenia, **Dr Narumol Vachirapatama** to Thailand, **Marion King** to Ireland and **Kathalijne Oudhoff** to The Netherlands.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

- **Tim Jordan** who has been awarded an AINSE Postgraduate Research Award. In addition to a top-up to his APA Scholarship, Tim will be provided with access to the accelerated mass spectrometry facilities at ANSTO over the next three years to quantify the contribution of fossil fuel and biomass combustion to air pollution in Launceston using radiocarbon analyses. The project will form part of Tim's PhD research and be carried out under the supervision of **Dr Andrew Seen**, Dr David Fink (ANSTO) and Dr John Gras (CSIRO).
- **Doug McLean** on his engagement to Angela Strk.
- **Brian and Jennifer Yates**, the proud parents of Alison, born 27 May 2002. Patrick and Mark are very excited to have a little sister.



*Alison Yates*

## **VISITING LECTURER**

**Dr Mark Rizzacasa** is currently visiting the School as the 2002 Tasmanian Alkaloids Lecturer. Dr Rizzacasa is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Melbourne and is giving an Honours course in Asymmetric Synthesis at the Hobart campus. During his stay Mark has also given the 2002 Alkaloids Lecture entitled "Synthesis of Bioactive Metabolites from Myxobacteria". Mark's stay will also involve a visit to Tasmanian Alkaloids at Westbury as well as the School's Launceston campus.

## **CONFERENCES**

*25th International Symposium on Capillary Chromatography*

**Prof Paul Haddad** and **Dr Mirek Macka** attended the 25th International Symposium on Capillary Chromatography held in Riva del Garda, Italy, from 13 to 17 May 2002, a jubilee gathering of this most significant series of conferences on capillary separations, attended by numerous quite famous