1) Climate Change and World Heritage Values
A recent DEH publication, *Climate Change Risk and Vulnerability*, which among other issues notes current and future challenges posed by climate change for Australia's World Heritage properties.

Following on from this, Heritage Division of the Department of the Environment & Heritage and the Australian Greenhouse Office are considering developing a project to look at all sixteen of our WH properties with a view to outlining the properties' values against current and potential threats stemming from climate change. DEH are looking to engage a consultant who can comfortably work in the world of climate change and WH values. In the first instance this would involve a desktop analysis, matching climate change and WH values, and identifying priority areas for possible further attention.

DEH is interested to know of individuals or organisations that would have the necessary skills and knowledge for such a project. Please contact Rachel Cates, Policy Section, Heritage Division, DEH, ph 6274 2002, or email to rachel.cates@deh.gov.au

2) Review of the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*
As you may be aware, the original Godden Mackay Logan Report into the Review of the Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995 (the Act) that was tabled in August 2005, included 80 recommendations for changes to the Act and operations of the Tasmanian Heritage Council and Heritage Tasmania.

Following a series of stakeholder workshops in November 2005, Professor Mackay has proposed a further two recommendations (Recommendations 81 and 82), clarified recommendations 37 and 45, and modified recommendations 41 and 62.

A list of all the recommendations including those that have been revised or added following stakeholder consultation is now available online at www.heritage.tas.gov.au.

For further information, please contact Ester Guerzoni, Communications Coordinator, on 6233 4152.

3) Issues related to the Heritage provisions of the EPBC Act?

After nearly two years of operation, many Australia ICOMOS members will have had experiences in working with the heritage provisions of the Commonwealth's EPBC Act. To inform our ongoing discussions with the Government, and given that operational improvements may be contemplated at some stage, Australia ICOMOS is interested to compile a list of issues and possible improvements arising from the experience of our members. Interested members should send a brief email outlining the issues you have encountered and your suggested solutions/adjustments, to Duncan Marshall (marsd@ozemail.com.au) in the first instance by 23 December.

4) Editor of Historic Environment

Dr. Aedeen Cremin has for a number of years carried out the somewhat herculean task of General Editor Historic Environment, of the journal of Australia ICOMOS. The journal is refereed and published as three issues each year. Two issues are based on conference papers, and are funded from conference profits or other income associated with the conferences. The third issue is unthemed and is intend to enable Australia ICOMOS members to publish on topics other than those covered by the conferences - these papers may be solicited by the General Editor.

If you are still reading this you will be interested to know that each issue of the journal takes about four months to prepare. The refereeing and sub-editing stages can be lengthy and complex procedures, and are coordinated by the General Editor. Each issue also contains a number of book reviews, which are coordinated by Dr Linda Young. Dr. Young receives books from the publishers and sends them out to reviewers, generally members of Australia ICOMOS with expertise in the particular field covered by the book.

Aedeen is intending to retire as General Editor after publication of the second volume
in 2006, due for publication around the middle of the year. If there are any other interested and suitably qualified potential editors out there in ICOMOS world we would like to hear from you. Please contact the Convenor of the Australia ICOMOS Publications Committee, Peter Romey on 03 6251 2330 or peter.romey@portarthur.org.au.

5) Now available

*All copies held at Aust ICOMOS of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act User's Guide have been distributed.

There are limited supplies of sales items allocated to the conference which are still remaining and we would like to offer these to interested people who were unable to attend.

Still available are:

Assessing Social Values: Communities and Experts $5
T Shirts (size s m l xl) $10
Historic Environment Special Edition June 2000 - (Index Volumes 1-14) $5.00

This special offer will only be available until the end of 2005.

We also have recently received stocks of the Australia ICOMOS Lapel Pins at $6

Please forward your cheque and details of your order to

Australia ICOMOS Inc
Cultural Heritage Centre for Asia and the Pacific
Deakin University
221 Burwood Highway
Burwood Victoria 3125

6) Proceedings of the 15th General Assembly of ICOMOS, Xi'an, China
17 21 October 2005
Available on the ICOMOS web site

From ICOMOS International Secretariat

Dear Colleagues,

The ICOMOS International Secretariat is pleased to inform you that the pages on the ICOMOS web site dedicated to the 15th General Assembly of ICOMOS -
http://www.international.icomos.org/xian2005/home_eng.htm have been updated, thanks to José Garcia of the Documentation Centre, with the following material:

- **Elections**: ICOMOS Executive Committee 2005–2008 and detailed election results. For the complete addresses of the newly elected Executive Committee members please consult: [http://www.international.icomos.org/adresses.htm](http://www.international.icomos.org/adresses.htm)

- **Final Resolutions of the 15th General Assembly**: Please note that this version of the resolutions contains some small modifications compared to the draft distributed at the General Assembly - it reflects the discussions and decisions on resolutions taken by the General Assembly and has had slight language editing to take out spelling mistakes etc. Most importantly, please also note that in the HTML version of the resolutions available on the website, the International Secretariat has made links to all the important reference documents mentioned in the resolutions, so as to give you some background information on the issues raised.

- **Xi'an Declaration on the Conservation of the Setting of Heritage Structures, Sites and Areas**: again, please note that this version has had slight language editing, compared to the draft distributed at the General Assembly. Again, in the HTML version, we have made links to all the reference documents mentioned in the Declaration so as to provide you with the most complete information possible. I wish to thank ICOMOS Spain for its kind help in translating the declaration into Spanish.

- **Proceedings of the Scientific Symposium** "Monuments and sites in their setting - conserving cultural heritage in changing townscapes and landscapes" (coming soon): the papers presented during the symposium will be posted on the website in the coming weeks as soon as I have cleared up copyright issues with China.

- **Gazzola Prize and Honorary members 2005**: A short presentation on Ann Webster Smith, Gazzola Prize laureate 2005 and the list of ICOMOS members who were made honorary members by this General Assembly.

I would be grateful if you could circulate this information to your members. In due course we will enrich the website with further information: copies of official speeches, keynote presentations, photographs etc. as we receive them from the authors. Many of you who attended have asked us for a list of participants - I am in contact with our colleagues in China to receive this.

I invite you to consult the website if you want to download any of these documents and to visit it regularly in the coming month for any new postings.

With best regards
Yours
Gaia Jungeblodt
Director

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7) **2nd Annual Ename International Colloquium**
From ICOMOS International Secretariat

Dear Colleague:

The Province of East-Flanders, the Provincial Archaeological Museum - Ename, the Flemish Heritage Institute, and the Ename Center for Public Archaeology and Heritage Presentation are pleased to announce the revised format of the 2nd Annual Ename International Colloquium to be held 22-25 March 2006 in Ghent, Belgium

WHO OWNS THE PAST?
Heritage Rights and Responsibilities in a Multicultural World

For questions or requests for additional information, please visit our website www.enamecenter.org or contact colloquium@enamecenter.org.

We hope you find this colloquium to be of interest and look forward to seeing you in Ghent!

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8) APPEAR PROJECT: public access to archaeological sites in an urban context

From ICOMOS International Secretariat

LATEST UPDATE
9 December 2005

Dear Sir, Madam,

We are pleased to inform you that the following documents are now available on the APPEAR website, http://www.in-situ.be:

- The proceedings of the APPEAR international symposium, "Urban pasts and urban futures: bringing urban archaeology to life", held at the Committee of the Regions in Brussels on 4-5 October,

- The first draft of the APPEAR guide circulated during the symposium,

- Newsletter No 5, providing details of a Consortium meeting in Madrid and the international symposium,

- Position paper No 3, "Archaeological excavations and conservation", written by Gianfranco Zidda. Whereas preventive conservation is quite widely known and there are many European or international recommendations, conventions and guidelines about it, its implementation is far from being universally adopted,

- Position paper No 4, "Excavation, exhibition, conservation or reservation."
Technical criteria for a decision-making process", written by Antoni Nicolau Martí. Particular attention is drawn to the necessity for a tool for the analysis and evaluation of archaeological remains which is usable and relevant in the development of urban projects.

We would be very grateful to receive your comments or suggestions on the first draft of the APPEAR guide, at the following e-mail address: insitu@win.be

Thank you very much for your time and please do not hesitate to contact us.

The APPEAR Consortium

The APPEAR project is financed by the European Commission through the programme "Energy, Environment and Sustainable Development", key action 4: The city of Tomorrow and Cultural Heritage, action 4.2.3.: Foster integration of cultural heritage in the urban setting.

9) Editor for Australian Garden History

Editor's note: Historic Environment is not the only journal looking for an editor!

Expressions of Interest

Editor for Australian Garden History

After 5 years of editing the Society's journal Nina Crone has advised that she wishes to hand over the responsibilities to a new editor after the completion of Volume 17, Number 5, May/June 2006 and the National Management Committee is calling for expressions of interest in the position.

The Editor will be responsible to the National Management Committee for the content of the journal, its design and production and will have an Editorial Advisory Committee for reference.

The ideal applicants should have
*A knowledge of and enthusiasm for Australian garden history
*A good existing network of contacts in this field, or the ability to develop one
*Some editorial and/or writing experience
*Good computer skills and access to email, telephone and fax
*Good organisational skills and the ability to meet deadlines

A 'Position Description' can be obtained from the Executive Officer, Jackie Courmadias on (03) 9650 5043 or Toll Free 1800 678 446, E-mail info@gardenhistorysociety.org.au. Further information about the role and time commitment can be discussed with Nina Crone on ncrone@dcsi.net.au or the Chair of the National Management Committee, Colleen Morris (via AGHS Office as above)

Anyone who is interested in this position should forward an 'Expression of Interest' to Jackie Courmadias at the AGHS Office by Friday 3 February, 2006.
10) Regional World Heritage Training Workshop - Japan - March 2006

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) in partnership with a range of other bodies including ICOMOS is holding a World Heritage training workshop in Japan in March 2006. Applications from interested participants close on 15 January 2006. If you are interested please contact Duncan Marshall at marsd@ozemail.com.au for the information kit.

11) ANGKOR Landscape, City And Temple

University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia. 18 - 23 July 2006

Conference July 18 - 21
Public SymposiumJuly 22 - 23
Specialist workshopsJuly 22 - 23

The conference will provide an opportunity for the international community of researchers to contribute to a definitive overview of recent and ongoing research on Angkor, to discuss future directions and collaboration, and to participate in specialist workshops and training sessions. The conference is supported by UNESCO and the University of Sydney, and is presented under UNESCO patronage.

Activities will include formal conference papers, specialist workshops and roundtable discussions, training sessions and a public symposium. The conference will be organised around four themes:

- Economy and Environment
- City and Daily Life
- Monuments and Art
- Heritage and Contemporary Issues

Each theme will include a keynote address, and incorporate regional and global perspectives.

Registration
To register for the conference, and to ensure that you will receive updated information, please register on the conference web site:


The early-bird registration cost is AUD$330 (Australian Dollars). For those registering after Friday May 12 2006 the cost will increase to AUD$375 (Australian Dollars) for standard registration. For students the early-bird registration cost is AUD$180 (Australian Dollars). For those students registering after Friday May 12 2006 the cost will increase to AUD$220 (Australian Dollars).
For those who wish to have a printed booklet of abstracts, an additional AUD$22 (Australian Dollars) will be charged in addition to the relevant registration cost.

A Tax Invoice will be sent to you once payment has been processed.

Registration Options - Please indicate which registration amount you are paying. (Early-bird registration - on or before Friday May 12 2006):


PLEASE NOTE: The conference dinner is not included in the registration fee.

12) Volunteers for Katrina Assessment Team Needed

From US/ICOMOS

Dear ICOMOS Colleagues and friends of the international heritage community,

US/ICOMOS is working with our sister organization, the Association for Preservation Technology (APT) in securing professional heritage experts to volunteer their services in helping with the recovery efforts to rescue, assess and preserve the heritage sites of Mississippi and Louisiana in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Even as the news has faded from the front pages, the disastrous effects still linger. We realize that many of you may be able to help us since you have broad experience in dealing with the response to past catastrophes in your own countries.

APT is currently in the process of assembling the third assessment team to assist with relief on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. We are in need of six volunteers the week of Monday, January 23 - Monday, January 30. Team members should have significant experience with historic structures and should be able to perform structural evaluations of damaged properties. Structural engineers, preservation architects, craftspeople, architectural conservators and contractors are needed. Flexibility and the ability to work within a group in a heavily impacted environment is a must. Experience using Microsoft Windows and Office software is also very helpful.

Unfortunately, we have no funds available to pay for travel, but lodging will be provided to team members.

If you would like to volunteer your services, but cannot do it at this time, we want to hear from you so that we may contact you directly as more teams are assembled in the future.

For additional information the report from the second team is attached to this email. The report from the first assessment team is available at www.apti.org. If you have any questions please feel free to call or email me and/or Brian Robinson at brobinso@scad.edu.

Thanks and help us spread the word,
13) Government Media Releases

TITLE: HMVS Cerberus steams onto National Heritage List - Media Release 14
December 2005
PORTFOLIO: Environment and Heritage
SNIPPET: Senator the Hon Ian Campbell. The HMVS Cerberus, a warship that
protected Australia from 1871 to just after Federation, has been included on the
National Heritage List for its outstanding significance to the nation.

TITLE: 10th anniversary of joint management at Booderee - Media Release 14
December 2005
PORTFOLIO: Environment and Heritage
SNIPPET: Booderee National Park celebrates its 10th anniversary of joint
management between the local Aboriginal community and the Australian
Government, Greg Hunt MP, Parliamentary Secretary with ministerial responsibility
for Booderee announced today. Booderee National Park includes Australia's only
Botanic Gardens on Aboriginal land. "Since the joint management celebration in
December 1995, the park's Board, with a majority of Aboriginal representatives, has
produced a first class management plan which is well on its way to being
implemented," Mr Hunt said.

14) PhD Scholarship opportunity Adelaide

An ARC Linkage Project PhD scholarship is available in the Louis Laybourne Smith
School of Architecture and Design at the University of South Australia for the period
2006-2008 on 'Cultural heritage in the sustainability of remote planned communities'.
The project will investigate the design history of Australia's post World War 2
planned remote special-purpose towns, linking appreciation of cultural heritage values
to sustainable development. Woomera Village in outback South Australia will be the central case study. The candidate will need to meet the normal entry requirements to a research degree at UniSA and have a background in built environment studies. Skills in historical research will be an advantage. Scholarship stipend is tax-free $24,650 per annum, CPI indexed, plus allowances for project-related travel. An Expression of Interest is required by 23 January 2006. Further information about the project is available at: http://www.unisa.edu.au/resdegrees/scholarships/industry.asp and from Dr Christine Garnaut: christine.garnaut@unisa.edu.au; p: (08) 8302 0204.

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15) Situation Vacant

Conservation Officer (Assessment)

Department of Housing and Works
Heritage Council of Western Australia
CONSERVATION OFFICER (ASSESSMENT)
DHW01125-PN2442

LEVEL 4 SALARY: $50,156 - $53,008pa (Full-time tenured position: 1 year contract, with option to renew, subject to funding, operational requirements and performance)

WORK TYPE: Fixed term Full Time

LOCATION: East Perth

JOB DESCRIPTION: The position will be required to assist the Senior Conservation Officer by carrying out the research into the history of heritage places for the State Register of Heritage Places. The position will be required to investigate and report on Register nominations and provide administrative assistance including document and workflow management. The position will complete the research, investigation and review the Council's assessment of places to support the Council's assessment and registration program.

SELECTION CRITERIA: The successful applicant will possess relevant tertiary qualifications and experience; knowledge of heritage assessment guidelines and conservation planning principles and the application of same; and well-developed written and oral communication skills. Please refer to the Job Application Kit for a complete list of the selection criteria applicable to the position.

FOR FURTHER JOB RELATED INFORMATION: Further information on this position can be obtained by telephoning Ms Christine Lewis, (08) 9221 4177 (during business hours). Do not call for an application kit.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: It is essential applicants obtain the Job Kit for full position information and application advice. Job kits may be obtained from the Dept of Housing & Works website: http://www.dhw.wa.gov.au, (look under 'Jobs'); alternatively call our 24 hour message bank on 9222 8173 or e-mail
16) Situations Vacant:
Senior Architect/Graduate Architect

Small inner Sydney practice, specialising in heritage and new work, seeking two people to join our team for a start in February 2006. We have a broad range of interesting and challenging projects, from new structures in significant context, to detailed conservation work. We are seeking people with good design, contract documentation, and communication skills.

**Senior Architect** - An experienced Architect, preferably registered in NSW with over 5 years experience. Knowledge of traditional construction and experience in running projects is essential.

**Architectural Graduate** - An enthusiastic, talented Architectural Graduate. Experience with Vectorworks, Photoshop and desktop publishing programs is essential.

Email CV to: [design5@design5.com.au](mailto:design5@design5.com.au) or fax to (02) 9319 0836. Applications close on Friday 16 December 2005.

17) Member request -Can you help?

Send a Melbourne overcoat to Paris?

Could someone in Melbourne lend me a size 14 winter overcoat/down jacket suitable for 2 weeks in Paris in January? linda.young@deakin.edu.au would be very grateful if you can help.

18) Secretariat Closure over Holidays

The Secretariat Office of Australia ICOMOS Inc will close over the Holiday period. The final email news for the year is scheduled to be distributed (next) **Thursday 22 December, 2005**. The office is scheduled to re-open on **Friday 13 January, 2006**.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Holiday season.