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Introduction

This is the Annual Report of Australia ICOMOS, the Australian national committee of the International Council for Monuments and Sites.

The term of each Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee runs on a calendar year basis, from its appointment at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of members at the end of one year, to the appointment of a new committee at the AGM of the following year. This forms the basis of the Annual Report reporting year. In 2016-17, the reporting year is October 2016 to September 2017.

In accordance with Australian business practice, our audited financial statements are reported on a financial year basis. Therefore, the financial report in this document is as at end June 2017.

Structure

The Annual Report is organised as follows:

Executive Committee reports:
- Office bearers
- Standing programme co-coordinators
- International Vice President
- State Representatives
- Major Events

These are followed by reports on the activities of the various Australia ICOMOS groups and committees:
- Reference Groups
- Working Groups
- Committees

The final set of reports is related to the International Scientific Committees in which Australia ICOMOS members have an involvement.
National Executive Reports
President’s Report

Ian Travers M.ICOMOS

Having served on the Executive Committee for four years, with a year as Vice President to each of my predecessors, Liz Vines and Kerime Danis, I can now fully appreciate the tough acts I have to follow! But it is hugely pleasing to look back on such a productive year, and one in which Australia ICOMOS' extraordinary members and highly motivated and capable Executive Committee have laid the groundwork for much greater success in the years to come.

It has been a pleasure to meet more of the Australia ICOMOS membership and learn more about the incredible breadth and depth of their contribution to cultural heritage conservation nationally and globally. Yet, as widely identified during development of our new Strategic Plan (see below), there is work to do to raise the profile of the organisation in Australia, and to develop (and in some cases regain) the influence in cultural heritage decision-making that this expertise and achievement warrants.

The reporting year began with another successful conference in partnership with the National Trust of Australia at the magnificent setting of 'The People's Ground' - the monumental Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), with over 250 delegates in attendance. But I remember sitting in one of the 100,000 seats and realising that we delegates represented a similar proportion of the Australian population! So achieving these aims is no easy task.

Nevertheless, we have opportunities in the next few years, including through identified roles under the Australian Heritage Strategy and other exciting initiatives described below, to improve the recognition of Australia ICOMOS, to take a leading role in advising government, and to drive better heritage practice in partnership with other like-minded bodies within and beyond the cultural heritage sector.

I have just been re-elected to the Executive Committee, for what will be my final two-year term, and I look forward to doing my utmost to help us seize those opportunities, and to promote and advance the goals of Australia ICOMOS in what are very exciting times for our organisation.

Key Achievements

In the past year I, my colleagues on the Executive Committee and our fellow members have contributed to heritage discourse in a wide variety of ways and on numerous fronts. This has been a busy year, especially due to a number of state legislative reviews beginning or in train, and as the organisation continues to grow (at the August meeting our membership increased to 680). But amongst these constant challenges and achievements the following stand out as worthy of particular note.

General Assembly 2020 Bid

After several previous attempts that weren't quite able to reach critical mass, Australia ICOMOS has successfully lodged a formal bid for the Triennial ICOMOS General Assembly to be held in Sydney in 2020 (for our Victorian members I should stress that I fought for our corner). Whilst Australia has previously hosted the Advisory Committee at the former North Head Quarantine Station, and the World Heritage Committee has met in Sydney and Cairns, there has never been a triennial General Assembly in the Asia-Pacific Region. Our bid to host the 2020 General Assembly and accompanying Scientific Symposium therefore responds to enthusiastic worldwide interest. It also presents a wonderful opportunity for Australia and Australia ICOMOS to showcase our cultural heritage management credentials, to learn from hundreds of the World's best heritage experts, develop new initiatives and build enduring partnerships.

The backing that the bid has received is remarkable, including from the Commonwealth and NSW State Governments to the tune of $2.6 million in financial and in-kind support, as well as substantial undertakings by the City of
Sydney. To this is added commitments from a very impressive list of national and international bodies, foundations and industry leaders. The final submission was the product of a huge amount of work throughout this year, for which we owe considerable thanks to the Bid Convenor Richard Mackay, International Vice President Peter Phillips and NSW State Representative Bruce Dawbin, all of whom I worked with in the working group. The bid would also likely not have come to such fruition without the guidance and hard work of the team at Business Events Sydney.

We now eagerly anticipate the International Board’s decision that will be announced at the Delhi General Assembly in December. In the event that it is successful, all Australia ICOMOS members are warmly encouraged to lend their assistance to the planning and running of the event. Australia ICOMOS has a very strong record of organising conferences and other events, but this would be something special, and there will be much to do!

The Strategic Plan
One of the main tasks for the Executive Committee in 2017 has been to progress the new Australia ICOMOS Strategic Plan for 2017-2022, building on the review of the old plan undertaken last year through planning sessions at each of this year’s Executive Committee meetings. A larger, facilitated session, to which representatives of all Australia ICOMOS National Scientific Committees, Reference Groups and current Working Groups were invited, was held in conjunction with the February Executive Committee meeting in Sydney. Very productive group discussions covered the role and purpose of Australia ICOMOS, reflecting on where the organization has been and where it should be going.

We are a large National Committee of ICOMOS with a diverse and active membership engaged in a very wide range of activities. However, given always limited resources and the recognition that time is given voluntarily by our membership, we realise the need to carefully choose our causes and focus on particular issues (the new Strategic Advocacy Reference Group will be of great use in this regard – see below). The Strategic Plan is therefore looking to build on Australia ICOMOS’ particular strengths – chief amongst which are the provision of expert advice and the development and promotion of best-practice approaches and process.

The Executive Committee made the decision to engage consultants to assist in the development of the new Strategic Plan to provide an outside perspective and momentum. With a better recognition of what represents ‘business as usual’ for Australia ICOMOS, the content is now truly strategic, comprising an easily reviewable 5-year Strategic Plan achieved through an annual Action Plan. I feel that the result is a structure and framework that is straightforward, but which effectively translates the ambitions, energy and ideas of our organisation. A preliminary draft Strategic Plan will be presented to the members at the Australia ICOMOS AGM,
and a very big thankyou is due to Executive Committee member Edwina Jans for coordinating and driving the process this year.

New National Scientific Committees, Reference Group and Working Groups
The dedication and expertise of Australia ICOMOS members continues to be apparent in their involvement in the ever-growing number of specialist committees. Most of the 28 International Scientific Committees (ISCs) include Australian members, and five currently have Australian Presidents. The ISCs are now paralleled in Australia by four National Scientific Committees, those on Cultural Landscapes and Routes (NSCCLCR), Intangible Cultural Heritage (NSCICH) and Energy and Sustainability (NSCES) having been joined this year by the National Scientific Committee on Fortifications & Military Heritage (NSCFaMH).

The new Strategic Advocacy Reference Group (SARG) has been established to develop and review strategic level advice for Australia ICOMOS in relation to advocacy for cultural heritage in the political and government arenas. Speaking as the President I can certainly see the benefit in a body that can help Australia ICOMOS to achieve consistency of message and focus in this space, especially as presidents and the other members of the Executive cycle through their terms.

As of 2017, Working Groups include the new Heritage Planning Working Group (HPWG) that has been established to examine Australian planning policy and provisions for heritage conservation and identify actions that could be taken to address or mitigate issues. Also, in the spirit of greater cooperation with our colleagues across the Tasman, the ANZ Joint Cultural Heritage Risk Preparedness Working Group has been established to better enable Australia ICOMOS and ICOMOS New Zealand to collaborate in promoting the protection of cultural heritage in times of disaster. Thanks to the convenors and founder members of each of these new bodies which together will greatly increase the capability and influence of Australia ICOMOS.

International Day for Monuments and Sites & Jim Kerr Address
Australia ICOMOS events were held across the country in recognition of the International Day for Monuments and Sites (18 April), including the third Jim Kerr Address at the Sydney Opera House. Once again the Jim Kerr Address was a great success, with notable Australian architect Richard Johnson AO MBE presenting on the continued value of that which we inherit from our past and its contemporary relevance as an expression of our living culture to a very appreciative audience of over 120. The Sydney Opera House have generously committed to holding the address again next year, and we thank them for their continuing support in providing the venue, as we do our corporate and government sponsors for their ongoing support.

Blue Shield Australia
As of 1 July 2017, Australia ICOMOS is the Chair of Blue Shield Australia for a two-year term. In April, I and others attended a hand-over meeting with members of the previous Blue Shield Australia Committee at the Melbourne Museum. We have since effected a smooth transition and established the Australia ICOMOS representation on the committee. Although administration falls to this committee, where necessary to ensure a successful tenure, Australia ICOMOS will provide support in its initiatives, chief of which is currently the symposium being planned for the 29-30 January 2018 at the National Library of Australia in Canberra. Thanks to each of the Australia ICOMOS representatives on the Blue Shield Committee, and to the other pillar organisations.

Australia ICOMOS President's Award
This year will see the second round of the Australia ICOMOS President’s Award that was initiated by recent past Presidents Elizabeth Vines and Kerime Danis to encourage and support those early on in their career. There are two categories for the Award; 1) a student / young / early career heritage practitioner; and 2) a trainee / apprentice or early career tradesperson, who in each case have made an outstanding contribution to a heritage project.

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Nominations have been sought and the award committee is currently assessing the nominations. The Awards will be formally presented at the Australia ICOMOS AGM in Canberra. Many thanks to Vice President Mary Knaggs and Executive Committee member Wayne Johnson for coordinating the award assessment process.

Heritage Quality Framework and related initiatives
The concept of an Australian Heritage Quality Framework is supported in the 2015 Australian Heritage Strategy, and the Australia ICOMOS Australian Heritage Quality Framework project was presented to the Heritage Chairs and Officials of Australia and New Zealand in October 2016. Further information, including a discussion paper, was submitted to their subsequent meeting in May 2017, but there is apparent limited support at present, due to the perception that the Framework represents additional red tape. Australia ICOMOS is considering forming a working group to ‘flesh out’ some of the proposed measures in order to enable greater understanding and, hopefully, support. Vice President Mary Knaggs, the coordinator of the Australian Heritage Quality Framework Project, Donald Elsmore and their colleagues on the steering committee are to be strongly commended for their dedication to this very important project.

Related to the Australian Heritage Quality Framework, Australia ICOMOS has recently contacted a number of government authorities in relation to the shortage of skills in traditional trades and the consequent impact on conservation works. At the time of writing there had been some initial positive response to these approaches. Another related project is the development of a partnership with the International Specialised Skills Institute, with whom Australia ICOMOS member David Young and I met in early April 2017. The International Specialised Skills Institute has subsequently partnered with Australia ICOMOS to support a second successful round of the Heroes of Traditional Trade (HOTT) photographic competition. The winners of the 2017 competition were announced at the Skills Week Launch in Sydney at the end of August 2017.

Australia ICOMOS Mentoring Program
As I write this (in September), the 2017 mentoring programs are reaching a conclusion after another successful year. The Victorian program, in its fifth year, established thirteen mentoring pairs, whilst the NSW program, in its third year, established eighteen pairs. That the program continues to thrive is largely down to the hard work and dedication of the organising committees: Kristal Buckley, Kate Darian-Smith, Gareth Wilson, Anita Smith and Keir Reeves in Victoria, and Kerime Danis, Cameron Logan and Stephen Brown in NSW; and, as ever, huge thanks to all of our mentors for providing guidance and connection that is already bearing fruits amongst our young and emerging professionals.

Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee
Executive Committee
The Executive Committee have held three meetings to date in Sydney (February 2017), Perth (May 2017) and Melbourne (August 2017), with the fourth to be held in Canberra in October 2017 to coincide with the Australia ICOMOS AGM. As for last year, it was decided to have four face to face meetings (as opposed to some via Skype, as had been trialled previously) in order to better facilitate development of the Strategic Plan 2017-2022. The Executive Committee meetings each provided opportunities to meet local members, and for presentations, tours and social events.
Four Executive Committee members will step down at the AGM, either coming to the end of their term or to pursue other challenges, each having performed important roles in this last Executive Committee. For myself and on behalf of the membership I thank each of the leaving members, and I look forward to encountering them in other Australia ICOMOS capacities in the near future. At the same time, we look forward to welcoming the new Executive Committee members who begin following the AGM.

Executive Committee out of session decision-making and social media
The Executive Committee has this year moved away from the previous system of group emails to an on-line tool for making out-of-session decisions with the aim of saving precious voluntary time. The particular system being used also provides a flexible on-line voting system of a type that raises the possibility of full-membership votes, but that is something for future consideration.

Australia ICOMOS has had a Twitter account (@AustICOMOS) for some time, and we now have a LinkedIn account that all members are encouraged to join and use. The Executive Committee is trialling a Facebook page, and there is a new dedicated page for the mentoring program. Thanks to Executive Committee member Lisa Sturis and Secretariat Executive Officer Georgia Meros for bringing us up to speed in this area!

National Matters

Reconciliation Action Plan
Development of the Australia ICOMOS Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) is proceeding steadily, following completion of a first draft at the end of 2016. The February Executive Committee meeting in Sydney was preceded by a half-day RAP workshop, and a new more focussed version of the RAP is now under consideration by the Working Group. The RAP is intended to engage the whole organisation, and it has been integrated into the new Strategic Plan. Thanks to Working Group co-convenors Meredith Walker and Tanya Koeneman, and to all who have contributed to the RAP so far.

Improved communication with Commonwealth and World Heritage NGOs
My first task as President in mid-October 2016 was to participate in a teleconference organised by Australia’s World Heritage Focal Point. This meeting, in which representatives of the Australian Committee for IUCN and The Wilderness Society also participated, reflected an expressed willingness on the part of the Commonwealth to engage more effectively with Australia ICOMOS and other NGOs with an interest in World Heritage. This has been borne out by subsequent meetings at which Australia ICOMOS has been represented by Peter Phillips and Peter Romey, Convenor of the Australia ICOMOS World Heritage Reference Group.

The Executive Committee recognises the strong potential for synergy and collaboration with the Australian Committee for IUCN, in particular around the Nature-Culture Journey now being held at various international events, but also for pro-active joint engagement with government, including about Australia’s World Heritage Tentative List and the National Environmental Science Program. To this end it has resolved to invite the National Executive of the Australian Committee for IUCN to participate in a joint facilitated meeting in the near future.

Collaboration with other bodies and organisations
I have represented Australia ICOMOS in a series of consultation meetings to discuss NSW’s new Aboriginal cultural heritage reforms. The sessions were also attended by local representatives of the Australian Archaeological Association and, the Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists Inc. This collaboration has mirrored participation in a joint working group established to develop national standards for the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage, driven largely from the Australia ICOMOS side by Anne McConnell, Convenor of the Indigenous Heritage Reference Group.

Other collaborative initiatives in 2016-17 were discussions with the WA Department of Aboriginal Affairs around the creation of an advisory body containing representatives from peak heritage bodies, and a joint
Australia ICOMOS, Australian Archaeological Association and Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists Inc. submission on the management of the rock art of the Burrup Peninsula. The joint running of *The Peoples Ground* conference (Oct 2016) has served to strengthen our relationship with the National Trust of Australia, and Australia ICOMOS has also moved towards greater collaboration with the Federation of Australian Historical Societies, with Australia ICOMOS members assisting the heritage committees of various member societies.

**International Matters**

**Triennial Report**

In March, Australia ICOMOS was required to submit our triennial report for the period from January 2014 to December 2016. Thanks to the excellent work of our Secretariat and Annual Report Coordinator, this time the task was not as Herculean as it could have been. My great thanks to Executive Committee member Matthew Whincop and Secretariat Executive Officer Georgia Meros for the long hours they put into its completion.

The final section of the Report invites a summary of our committee’s current perspectives. I wrote that Australia ICOMOS continues to address issues that will be common in the experience of our sister National Committees, including the need to balance cultural heritage conservation with economic growth in the face of population pressure and climate change, and also recent global political shifts that lead to minimisation of regulation. I also highlighted that we are also in a time of generational change, and that supporting young and emerging professionals is therefore particularly important in Australia to ensure that the next generation of heritage managers is in place to build on this work. However, this must include recognition of the very practical difficulties faced by young professionals in contemporary society, not least the high costs of living (particularly in our state capitals). In closing I noted that Australia ICOMOS has the capacity and will (and to some extent the resources) to provide regional leadership and support to countries and regions with less developed heritage management systems than ours, the Pasifika Conference described below being a prime example.

**Pasifika Conference 2018**

Australia ICOMOS has supported ICOMOS Pasifika, the regional committee for ICOMOS representing Pacific Island Nations, since aiding in its establishment in 2007. Now we are very pleased to support a conference titled *iTovo: Solesolevaki e na Yalovata or Culture: Conserving it Together* to be held in Suva, Fiji on the 3-5 October 2018.

*Conference logo for the 2018 Pasifika conference. Design generously contributed by Extent Heritage.*

The conference will be a partnership between ICOMOS Pasifika, Australia ICOMOS and ICOMOS New Zealand. It is hoped it will generate greater capacity and vigour amongst the Pacific committee and it responds to an ICOMOS initiative for stronger committees such as ours to lend support to those requiring renewed momentum.

Planning for the conference is currently well underway in the region, with our assistance and through a joint working group that includes immediate past President Kerime Danis, Vice President Mary Knaggs and Australia ICOMOS member Anita Smith, together with Pacific-based colleagues. Thanks to the members of the working group for their work so far.

**International Young Professionals Working Group**

The ICOMOS Advisory Committee recently formed a Young Professionals Working Group
Group (YPWG) to assist with the broader engagement of Young Professionals in the renewal of ICOMOS. In July, Australia ICOMOS invited Expression of Interests to be the Australia ICOMOS representative, and Ania Kotarba was selected. She has since attended the first virtual meeting of the group which discussed ideas for engaging Young Professionals in ICOMOS activities, including training, mentorship, public advocacy and information dissemination. The Australia ICOMOS mentoring program was once again raised as a model example for other committees. We look forward to supporting Ania in her involvement, assisting Australian Young Professionals (and emerging professionals) to connect with their global peers and contributing to the initiatives that result.

**Strengthening relationships with other National Committees**

In the past year, the Executive Committee and I have taken several steps to strengthen Australia ICOMOS’ relationships with our fellow national committees.

Out of conversations between Australia ICOMOS and ICOMOS NZ members at The People’s Ground conference came the suggestion for representatives to attend each other’s meetings through the year, primarily to provide better collective support for a 2018 Pacific conference. Vice President Mary Knaggs and I have since had several Skype meetings with our New Zealand colleagues, ICOMOS NZ President Ian Bowman has attended the August Executive Committee meeting in Melbourne, and their Secretary Mary O’Keefe is hoping to attend the Australia ICOMOS AGM in October this year.

We have also been working more closely with US ICOMOS, with one example being our joint support for the Nature - Culture Journey breakfast at the upcoming General Assembly in Delhi. We have exchanged short greeting videos between our two committees, in which Board members have introduced themselves and talked about respective and complementary areas of interest, and it has been wonderful to put faces to names and come to know our international colleagues better.

**Acknowledgements and Thanks**

First and foremost, I would like to acknowledge and sincerely thank the generosity of Deakin University, which through its Faculty of Arts and Education provides considerable support and important resources for the Australia ICOMOS Secretariat.

I have received extremely valuable guidance in the more advocacy-orientated roles of the President from numerous of our highly experienced members, to all of whom I offer thanks. But in particular I would like to thank Duncan Marshall, Executive Committee member Richard Mackay, World Heritage Reference Group Convener Peter Romey and former Australia ICOMOS President Kristal Buckley, as well as International Vice President Peter Phillips, for their always timely and well considered advice.

In closing, I would like to thank the Australia ICOMOS Office Bearers: Vice President Mary Knaggs, Treasurer Ian Wight and our tireless Secretary Anne McConnell, for their invaluable support. Many thanks to all of the Executive Committee for their hard work and dedication, and especially to Georgia Meros, as of this year in the newly created role of Secretariat Executive Officer, for being the glue that keeps it all together!

Finally, I and the Executive Committee acknowledge the substantial work undertaken by Anne and Georgia to assemble and produce this Annual Report, the scope of which is again testament to the breadth of Australia ICOMOS’ and our members’ endeavours.

**Treasurer’s Report**

*Ian Wight M.ICOMOS*

The Financial Statement for the year ended 30 June 2017 is included in this Annual Report. This Statement has been prepared and audited by Elliott House Partners, Chartered Accountants, Sydney.

For the 2016-17 financial year Australia ICOMOS sustained a loss of $22,926. This compares with the outstanding surplus of $41,077 in 2015-16. Previous years’ results
were more modest, with a surplus of $28,924 in 2014-15 and $11,259 in 2013-14 and back to a loss in 2012-13 of $8,345.

Total members’ equity at 30 June 2017 stood at $261,804 compared to $284,730 for the previous financial year (2015-16). The table below provides a summary of the movement of the equity position over the last five years.

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Australia ICOMOS held an amount of $284,739 as at 30 June 2016 in a term deposit account. This, with other short-term deposit accounts held over the year, earned $8,456 in interest.

Membership income continued to show a small growth: 4% this year as opposed to 3% last year.

A loss of the scale sustained this year is not a matter of great concern set against our net equity of $261,804. Indeed the loss is partly a reflection of the fact that the Executive Committee has started allocating funds from these reserves to worthwhile, one-off projects, thus putting the money to work for the benefit of members and the organisation as a whole. Examples of these types of projects are the underwriting of the bid to host the ICOMOS General Assembly in 2020, the completion of the commissioned history of Australia ICOMOS (prepared in response to the request by ICOMOS, Paris, that all National Committees prepare their own histories) and the completion of a new Strategic Plan.

The loss is also partly a reflection of the fact that the conference in October 2016 yielded only a small profit that was shared with our partner, the National Trust of Australia. Indeed even our small part of that profit is negated by the policy requiring that provision be made to fund a conference edition of *Historic Environment*. This is in contrast to the previous financial year where the national conference yielded a substantial profit. Indeed conferences and seminars, though not designed specifically to make a profit, more commonly end up making an important contribution to the bottom line and consequently our ability to fund the types of special projects referred to above.

More seriously our day-to-day running costs (Regular Expenditure) exceeded the income expected to cover these costs by $3,506. This was despite a windfall of $7,263 in copyright fees resulting from the organisation being able to finally remove undistributed fees as a liability and bring them across to the income side of the ledger.

This situation has been corrected for the coming years through an increase in membership fees, which is expected to be sufficient to cover our increased costs over the next three years.

This is my third and final Annual Report as Treasurer as I have now served the maximum allowable six years on the Executive Committee. I am pleased to say that since taking on the Treasurer role early in 2015, the finance team (Georgia Meros, Secretariat Executive Officer, Peter Gosling our Accountant/Auditor and myself) has been able to introduce some significant changes to our operation, which has simplified our payments system and provided a more transparent set of accounts as a more useful aid to financial management. All payments and shared payment records are now electronic and our accounts have been restructured to expose more clearly the results of our regular operations separately from our non-regular (and more entrepreneurial) operations.

Australia ICOMOS relies on the voluntary efforts of its Executive Committee and other dedicated members to control costs and on the enthusiasm of members to organise events such as conferences and seminars, which can generate significant income. I would like to acknowledge the effort and the conference in October 2016 was well attended and well received. We would also like to record our appreciation of the grant from the Commonwealth.
Government that continues to support the travel cost of our International Vice President, Peter Phillips. This position is of great benefit to Australia ICOMOS, and to Australia’s standing in the international cultural heritage sphere.

We also acknowledge the considerable support and generosity of Deakin University who provides an office for the Australia ICOMOS Secretariat.

Finally, I would like to thank our Secretariat Executive Officer, Georgia Meros, for her continuing professional support for the Treasurer role and especially for her enthusiastic help and encouragement for the improvements we have introduced.

Secretary’s Report
Anne McConnell M.ICOMOS

This has been my second year as Secretary of Australia ICOMOS. This role depends heavily on support from throughout Australia ICOMOS, but I would particularly like to thank Georgia Meros, Australia ICOMOS Secretariat Executive Officer, and my current fellow office bearers for their assistance and cooperation over the last year.

Executive Committee

Australia ICOMOS is managed by an Executive Committee currently comprising 15 elected members. Membership is spread across Australia as much as possible, with the aim of having all states and territories represented. To provide for new membership and revitalisation of the Executive Committee, whilst allowing corporate knowledge to be retained, committee members are elected by the membership for a two-year term, with a maximum of three consecutive terms allowed. There is an annual election for vacant Executive Committee positions and the results are announced at the AGM, which is usually held in October or November.

The Executive Committee at the end of 2016-2017 (ie, the current Committee) was:

- Ian Travers, President [Vic]
- Mary Knaggs, Vice President [NSW]
- Ian Wight, Treasurer [Vic]
- Anne McConnell, Secretary [Tas]
- Suzanne Bravery [NSW]
- Bruce Dawbin [NSW]
- Robyn Clinch [Vic]
- Edwina Jans [ACT]
- Tanya Park [Tas]
- Matthew Whincop [Qld]
- Lisa Sturis [WA] (appointed 7/10/2016)
- Wayne Johnson [NSW] (appointed 7/10/2016)
- Elizabeth Little [SA] (appointed 7/10/2016)
- Richard Mackay [NSW] (appointed 7/10/2016)
- Michael Queale [SA] (appointed 7/10/2016)

Retiring members in 2016-2017 were:

- Kerime Danis (retired 5/11/2015)
- Deborah Lindsay [SA]
- Sue Hodges [Vic]
- Tim Winter [Vic]

Meetings

The following Executive Committee meetings were held in 2016-2017:

- Meetings 183 & 184, Melbourne, 5-6 October 2016 (meeting 184 was a short meeting of the incoming Committee, essentially to elect office bearers and induct new members)
- Meeting 185, Sydney, 11-12 February 2017
- Meeting 186, Perth, 6-7 May 2017
- Meeting 187, Melbourne, 5-6 August 2017 (a separate EC meeting, 187A,
was also held to consider the Australia ICOMOS General Assembly 2020 Bid)

The 2016 Australia ICOMOS AGM was held on 7 October 2016 in Melbourne in conjunction with the 2016 Australia ICOMOS annual conference, *The People’s Ground*, a joint conference with the National Trust of Australia.

Considerable support is given by a number of organisations in relation to these meetings, for example providing venues and hosting associated tours and member networking events, and we are most grateful for this support. Executive Committee members attend these meetings at their own cost (except for reimbursement of long distance travel costs above a certain amount), and State Representatives and other state members have substantial input to the planning and running of these events.

These contributions assist in the economic and efficient running of Australia ICOMOS and are also greatly appreciated.

The Executive Committee also thanks all those Australia ICOMOS members who attended the state member events associated with the Committee meetings. In a large country such as Australia that has a highly dispersed Australia ICOMOS membership, these events are important in assisting the Executive Committee to meet members in the different states and to understand the cultural heritage context in the different states. They also help in promoting discourse on cultural heritage across Australia, and in promoting new ideas and approaches.

### The Secretariat

The Australia ICOMOS Secretariat, which is staffed by Georgia Meros, the Secretariat Executive Officer, is an essential element of Australia ICOMOS. It enables the smooth running of Australia ICOMOS and the timely performance of much of its secretarial and other management functions.

The functions of the Secretariat include maintenance of an operations calendar, the reception and posting of correspondence, maintenance of a documentary archive (including a correspondence register), management of the website, financial management, managing memberships, answering or referring on member and public queries, acting as the liaison point for Australia ICOMOS awards and mentoring programs, collating the weekly e-news, support for annual reporting and also responding to queries from the Executive Committee. The Secretariat also provides support to Peter Phillips in his role as the International Vice President of ICOMOS since November 2014.

Key non-routine tasks undertaken by the Secretariat in 2016-2017 include:

1. Transitioning to an online membership application process; completed in 2016-17.
2. Migration of the Australia ICOMOS membership database to an updated software platform (essential in order to maintain the security and integrity of the membership database).
3. Enabling member access to sections of Australia ICOMOS Policy & Procedures Manual following a decision by the Executive Committee to do so. The Secretariat created the webpage and has uploaded the required Manual sections.

The Secretary and the Secretariat Executive Officer have also worked together on a number of matters, including updating of a number of Australia ICOMOS roles and processes, the 2016-17 Annual Report, the review of the Australia ICOMOS Working
Groups and Reference Groups and updating the website in this respect, and coordinating the establishment of a small number of new Working Groups and Reference Groups.

The Australia ICOMOS Secretariat Office was moved to a different, temporary, location at the Deakin University Burwood campus in 2015-16. In early 2017, the Secretariat Office moved again to what is hoped will be its permanent location at the Burwood campus. As hoped, the office is now co-located with the Deakin University Cultural Heritage and Museum Studies staff.

Georgia Meros has the Executive Committee’s deep gratitude for her professionalism, hard work and enthusiasm, which ensures the smooth running of the Secretariat and the related functions of Australia ICOMOS. Her support to the Executive Committee is invaluable and greatly appreciated. We also sincerely thank Deakin University for ongoing provision of an office and other important resources for the Australia ICOMOS Secretariat.

Correspondence / Submissions

As with other years, a considerable amount of correspondence on a range of matters was received and sent by Australia ICOMOS.

Key submissions made in 2016-2017 were:

- Local Heritage Planning Reform Submission (Oct 2016)
- Letters regarding the Proposed Australian Heritage Quality (AHQF) Framework to HCOANZ members (Oct 2016)
- Sydney Opera House Renewal Programme - Australia ICOMOS heritage concerns (Nov 2016 & March 2017)
- Comment on changes to the South Australian Historic Shipwrecks Regulations (Dec 2016)
- Comment on the South Australian Minister’s Code - Upgrading Health and Safety in Existing Buildings (Jan 2017)
- Comment in relation to Post Trauma Recovery Guidance to the ICOMOS World Heritage Committee (Feb 2017)
- Proposed Amendments to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Relics Act 1975 Submission (Feb 2017)
- Governor's Domain & Civic Precinct NHL Nomination Comment (March 2017)
- NSW EP&A Amendment Bill 2017 Submission (March 2017)
- Greater Sydney Commission’s District Plans Submission (March 2017)
- Senate Standing Committees on Environment and Communications Inquiry - Rehabilitation of Mining and Resources Projects Submission (April 2017)
- Senate Standing Committees on Environment and Communications Inquiry - Protection of Aboriginal Rock Art of the Burrup Peninsula Submission (jointly with the Australian Archaeological Association and the Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists) (June 2017)
- Comment on the Draft Development Control Plan and Development Application for the Parramatta North Urban Transformation Precinct (June 2017)

The Executive Committee is extremely grateful to those members who contributed expert knowledge, drafted submissions or contributed in other ways.

Governance, Strategic and Operational Matters

In line with its Governance responsibilities, the Executive Committee has continued to implement and closely monitor its financial responsibilities and obligations as an incorporated body. This has also included ongoing review and updating of Australia ICOMOS and Executive Committee policies and procedures in the Policy and Procedures Manual.

The Executive Committee has also initiated a review of the current Australia ICOMOS Strategic Plan in 2015-16, leading up to the need for a new Strategic Plan from 2017 onwards. This has been progressed in 2016-17 primarily under the coordination of Edwina Jans and through discussion at the
Three 2017 Executive Committee meetings and the engagement of a consultant to provide external expert review and direction.

Membership Report

Georgia Meros, Australia ICOMOS Secretariat Executive Officer

Australia ICOMOS is proud to have a policy that encourages individual membership from people who come from a broad range of professional disciplines, including the building and trades sectors. Our members include individuals who are planners, historians, educators, curators, anthropologists, archaeologists, architects, interpretation specialists, conservators, engineers, site/asset managers and qualified builders and tradespeople working in heritage conservation. We also encourage diversity in our institutional/corporate membership – our Institutional members include municipal councils, state government departments, other government agencies and architectural firms with a strong focus on heritage conservation.

Over the past year we have seen an increase in membership from builders, tradespeople and fabric/materials experts, which continues to build the profile of Australia ICOMOS across the heritage building sector.

Attracting younger people to develop careers in the heritage industry remains a strong focus for Australia ICOMOS. We strongly encourage students and young professionals to become members. As well as holding functions for early career professionals, a major initiative has been the implementation and roll out of the Australia ICOMOS mentoring program, in partnership with various academic bodies and organisations in Victoria and NSW, and the establishment of the Australia ICOMOS President's Award.

Membership Administration Improvements

Our application form and general membership administration processes are continually improved to make applying for Australia ICOMOS membership more efficient for both applicants and Australia ICOMOS. During 2016/2017, we launched our online membership application form, which saw the completion of the project that had been commenced the year before and which was led by Georgia Meros at the Secretariat. The online application form has further streamlined the process for all parties. It can be found on our website.

During 2016/2017 we also upgraded our membership database software. This was a huge project, and was necessary to maintain the security and integrity of our membership data. This was also led by Georgia Meros at the Secretariat. Our huge thanks to our web developers, Go4 Multimedia, who worked tirelessly with Georgia to see this membership software upgrade and membership data transition to fruition.

The membership page on our website at http://australia.icomos.org/get-involved/membership/ provides detailed information about the benefits of and eligibility for membership.

Membership 2016-2017

Australia ICOMOS membership has continued to grow over the past year. By membership category, the following numbers of new applications were approved:

- Full membership: 34
- Young Professional: 4
- Institutional: 4
- Associate: 33
On balance, (ie, when taking into account both (a) individuals who are accepted as new members and (b) members who do not renew throughout the year), membership numbers have increased as per the table below. Throughout the 2016/2017 year, three existing Associate members upgraded to Full membership and three other existing Associate members upgraded to Young Professional membership, both of which are encouraging. It is also particularly encouraging to see a significant increase in Young Professional membership. The membership breakdown by membership category is shown in the following table.

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Across the states, we have seen on-balance increases in Victoria (up 3), New South Wales (up 13), Queensland (up 6) and Western Australia (up 3). Tasmania’s on-balance numbers declined by 1, South Australia’s by 4 and ACT’s by 1. Australia ICOMOS now has a membership base (comprised of members and subscribers) of 684. The membership breakdown by location is shown in the table below.

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### Conference Report

*Elizabeth Little M. ICOMOS*

Since the last AGM the Executive Committee has continued involvement in, and exploration of conference programs in line with the Australia ICOMOS Strategic Plan.

In October 2016, the annual Australia ICOMOS conference was held at the Melbourne Cricket Ground in Melbourne with the theme of *The People’s Ground*, jointly run by Australia ICOMOS and the National Trust of Australia. A report on this conference is provided in the Major Events Reports section of this report.

In keeping with Australia ICOMOS policy, in 2017 there will not be a major conference in Australia as the Triennial General Assembly is being held in Delhi in December. Instead, a number of smaller scale symposia and presentations are occurring across the
country throughout the latter part of the year. These include the Cultural Landscapes and Cultural Routes NSC meeting and workshop in South Australia in early November, and a series of events coinciding with the October meeting of the Executive Committee and AGM in Canberra. The latter will consist of a workshop for the ICH NSC, and a presentation on the State of the Environment report by Richard Mackay.

For 2018, an ICOMOS Pasifika focussed conference is being planned. Other future conference possibilities are also being explored, including a conference relating to the history of civil aviation in Australia for 2019 or 2021.

**Historic Environment Report**

**Dr Steven Cooke, M.ICOMOS, Editor, & Dr Paulette Wallace, M.ICOMOS, Deputy Editor**

**Production Scheduling**

Three issues have been published in 2016-17. These are:

- **Digital Heritage** (special issue editors Hannah Lewi and Wally Smith) – September 2016.
- **Conflict and Compassion** (special issue editor Paulette Wallace, papers by emerging professionals) – December 2016.
- **Conserving Fabric** (special issue editors Deborah Lindsay & Michael Queale, selected papers from the Australia ICOMOS conference, November 2015) – June 2017.

The issues scheduled for late 2017 to the end of 2018 include: *The People’s Ground* (special issue editors Felicity Watson & Louise Honman), selected papers from the 2016 Australia ICOMOS conference; *Heritage, Sustainability and Social Justice* (special issue editors Diane Siebrandt, Anne Laura Kraak, Luke James, & Melathi Saldin); a general issue (editors Cooke & Wallace); papers from the 2017 ICOMOS General Assembly (Kristal Buckley & Jane Harrington), and *Inheriting the City* (special editor Professor Mike Robinson) selected papers from the ‘Inheriting the City – Advancing Understandings of Urban Heritage’ conference.

**Guidelines for Guest Editors**

The editorial team have trialled the new instructions for guest editors, which include reviewed and updated instructions for authors. This will ensure the timely publication of papers from future conferences.

**Composition of Historic Environment**

*Historic Environment* has a wide readership and brings together dynamic, critical interdisciplinary research in the field of cultural heritage and heritage conservation. Over the last two years we have included a greater variety of articles, including the annual Jim Kerr Address, and also, from 2017, technical articles. Technical articles will be coordinated in future by the Fabric Conservation Working Group.

**Dissemination**

In addition to hard copy publication and downloads from the Australia ICOMOS website, the journal is also distributed through Informit, (http://search.informit.org), which has the benefit of a searchable index. Article downloads in 2016 were 5,633 by subscribers (mainly those with academic library access) – a 15% increase on the previous year. In addition, 43 articles were purchased without library access. Article downloads from the *Historic Environment* webpage were 1,009 (2016-2017).

**Mentoring Program Report**

**Georgia Meros, Secretariat Executive Officer**

Mentoring Programs were run again in NSW and Victoria in 2017. At the time of publication of the Annual Report the Programs were not completed. However, a brief summary is given below.

**NSW Mentoring Program**

A survey was carried out at the end of the 2016 NSW mentoring program with overall very positive feedback.
The 2017 program is being coordinated on behalf of Australia ICOMOS by Kerime Danis with the cooperation of Cameron Logan and Stephen Brown of the University of Sydney.

The intake for 2017 comprises 18 mentees in total. With the exception of one individual, all the mentees are students at the University of Sydney.

A successful launch event was held on 30 May 2017 at Holme Court Restaurant and Bar, University of Sydney. It was attended by 26 of the mentors and mentees who have volunteered to participate in this very important professional development initiative by Australia ICOMOS and the University. The catering was funded by the Master of Museum and Heritage Studies course. Thank you to Stephen Brown for organizing the event.

**Victorian Mentoring Program**

A survey was also carried out at the end of the 2016 VIC mentoring program with overall very positive feedback.

The Victorian Mentoring Program is coordinated by Kristal Buckley (Deakin University) with Kate Darian-Smith (University of Melbourne), Anita Smith (La Trobe University) and Keir Reeves (Federation University) as the university contact points for the participating educational institutions. 2017 is the fifth year the program has been run.

The intake for 2017 comprises 12 mentees in total – 6 from Deakin, 1 from Federation, 1 from La Trobe and 4 from Melbourne.

The program was offered to Deakin off-campus students in Tasmania also. While there were some good responses from Tasmania-based mentors, no students applied. However, there is an intention to try again next year, with more lead time.

A successful launch event was held on 26 April at the Melbourne School of Design at the University of Melbourne (Parkville campus). At this event the participants requested the creation of a closed Facebook group to enable them to communicate amongst themselves. Australia ICOMOS established such a Group in response to this request.

**ISC/NSC Coordinator’s Report**

*Edwina Jans M.ICOMOS*

Australia ICOMOS continues to be well represented on the International Scientific Committees (ISCs) of ICOMOS, including many Australians holding executive positions on the ISCs and/or contributing significantly to the work of ISCs. This helps ensure that Australia ICOMOS remains part of the global conversation on heritage management.
Australia ICOMOS now has four National Scientific Committees (NSC); the NSC on Energy and Sustainability, the NSC on Intangible Cultural Heritage, the NSC on Cultural Landscapes and Cultural Routes and, formed this year, the NSC on Fortifications and Military Heritage, which has a focus on Australian military structures, landscapes and commemorative monuments.

The NSCs are a key part of Australia ICOMOS and support the vibrancy and relevancy of the organisation through the generation of knowledge, practice standards and guidelines. This year both the NSC on Intangible Cultural Heritage and the NSC on Cultural Landscapes and Cultural Routes developed Burra Charter Practice Notes, further contributing to Australia ICOMOS’ body of heritage practice and resources. Read about the activities of individual committees below.

International Day for Monuments and Sites Coordinator’s Report

Edwina Jans M.ICOMOS

Every year on 18 April ICOMOS celebrates the International Day for Monuments and Sites, the establishment of which was approved by the 22nd UNESCO General Conference in 1983.

2017 International Day for Monuments and Sites

In 2017, the theme was Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Tourism chosen in relation to the United Nations International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development and in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals.

This year the state representatives of Australia ICOMOS organised a number of activities around Australia to celebrate the diversity of the world’s cultural heritage with colleagues. Events were promoted through the e-news and via twitter.

NSW – Jim Kerr Address, 18 April

In NSW we had the third annual Jim Kerr Address that was well attended with around 110 people. The event was co-ordinated and introduced by Australia ICOMOS Vice President Mary Knaggs, with Stephen Davies (Chair of the NSW Heritage Council) and Louise Herron (CEO of the Sydney Opera House) providing different perspectives as guest presenters.

The evening was moderated by Tracy Ireland, who travelled from Canberra for the event. The guest speaker Richard Johnson held the audience’s attention throughout, concluding with candid comments on a number of sensitive issues relating to architectural design, intangible heritage and the pursuit of excellence. See the full report below in Major Events Reports.

Louise Herron, CEO Sydney Opera House. Photo: Peter Romey.

Presenter Richard Johnson, AO. Photo: Peter Romey.

ACT - Panel discussion, 20 April

A great discussion titled Sustainable Heritage? How does Sustaining Cultural Heritage relate to Sustainable Tourism? was
Queensland - Marking the Rolls – Preserving Queensland’s Architectural Heritage, 18 April

April 18, 2017, Brisbane, saw the official launch of a new digitised architectural research resource. With the support of the Board of Architects, the University of Queensland Library has digitised the rolls of architects from the Queensland Government Gazette, from 1930 to 1980. They are now available online and freely accessible as an architectural research tool for students, academics and historians.

The launch was a joint Australia ICOMOS, Department of Environment and Heritage Protection and University of Queensland event.

US Internships Report

Georgia Meros, Secretariat Executive Officer

In December 2016, Australia ICOMOS supported the application of one of our members for the US/ICOMOS Internship Program. Unfortunately, the applicant wasn’t successful in gaining an internship position in the US/ICOMOS Program for 2017 year.

Blue Shield Australia Representative’s Report

Tanya Park M.ICOMOS

Blue Shield is the cultural heritage equivalent of the Red Cross. It is an international committee, working to protect the world’s cultural heritage threatened by armed conflict and natural disasters. Blue Shield Australia (BSA) is a member of both the Association of National Committees of the Blue Shield (ANCBS) and the International Committee of the Blue Shield (ICBS).

Australia ICOMOS has taken over as the Chair for Blue Shield Australia (BSA) for a period of two years, officially commencing on 1 July 2017. Chairing of BSA is rotated between the four non-governmental pillars: the International Council on Archives (ICA) - represented by the Council of Australasian Archives and Records Authorities (CAARA), the International Council of Museums
(ICOM), the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) – represented by Australia ICOMOS, and the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) – represented by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). These four organisations work to prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergency situations in case of armed conflict or natural disasters that could affect Australia’s cultural heritage.

Membership
The new BSA Executive from 1 July 2017 is:
- Australia ICOMOS (for ICOMOS) – Dr Tanya Park (Chair), Catherine Forbes (Proxy) and Annabelle Tanuwidjojo (Secretary).
- CAARA (for ICA) – Elizabeth Hadlow (Voting Member) and Geoff Hinchcliffe (Proxy).
- ICOM – Nancy Ladas (Voting Member) and Dr Jonathan Sweet (Proxy).
- ALIA (for IFLA) – Sue Hutley (Voting Member).

Meetings
- ICOM Australia as Chair: BSA 45 – Wednesday, 8 March 2017. 11:00 Melbourne University.
- ICOMOS Australia as Chair: BSA 46 – Wednesday, 26 July 2017. 11:00 Teleconference.

Activities
Annual ‘MayDay’ Campaigns May 2017
‘MayDay’ is run in conjunction with the Society of American Archivists. Each year in April the society produces logos and Blue Shield Australia uses the logos to promote disaster risk management amongst the Australian heritage community.

Symposium Cultural Heritage, Natural Disaster and Climate Change, 29-30 January 2018
Planning for the symposium is well underway. The symposium will include presentations by invited speakers, workshops, and tours. Colleagues from ICOMOS Pasifika and ICOMOS New Zealand have been invited to participate. The Symposium will be chaired by Sue Hutley.

The purpose of the symposium is to share expertise, experiences and case studies of the protection of cultural heritage in times of natural disaster, as well as to discuss climate change and the strategies being put in place by the sector to work towards a sustainable future. The Australia, New Zealand, Asia and Pacific Regions are often affected by natural disasters and we look forward to learning from each other to advance the work of the International Committee of the Blue Shield to safeguard cultural assets for future generations.

Website
http://blueshieldaustralia.org.au/


International Vice-President’s Report

Peter Phillips M.ICOMOS

This year is the last of the current triennium for the ICOMOS International Board and Bureau, and consequently much of its work
has been concerned with preparing for the triennial General Assembly and handover to a new Board and Bureau. Many of the members will be leaving the Board, including the President, Secretary-General and two Vice-Presidents, all of whom have completed their maximum statutory terms of office. In the last year I have attended Board meetings in Istanbul, Turkey (October 2016) and Paris (March 2017), and Bureau meetings in both places and in Krakow (July 2017) during the World Heritage Committee meeting, as well as the occasional out-of-session Bureau meetings by Skype or similar means.

For those unfamiliar with its international structure, ICOMOS is governed between General Assemblies by an elected Board (formerly the Executive Committee) of twenty members, eight of whom (the President, Secretary-General, Treasurer and five Vice-Presidents) form the Bureau. The current membership of the Board is available on the ICOMOS website at http://www.icomos.org/en/about-icomos/governance/general-information-about-the-executive-committee. ICOMOS is served by an International Secretariat, based at the ICOMOS headquarters in Charenton-le-Pont, Greater Paris, under the direction of its Director-General, Marie-Laure Lavenir. The ICOMOS Board meets twice a year and the Bureau more frequently.

Australia ICOMOS is well represented at the international level, with Sheridan Burke as President of the Advisory Committee and five of the thirty or so International Scientific Committees also having Australian Presidents; all have at least one Australian member and many have several.

**Board and Bureau Meetings**

The Bureau and Board meetings in October 2016 were held at the Marmara Taksim Hotel, the same venue at which the Annual General Assembly, Advisory Committee meetings and Scientific Symposium were held (of which more below). Matters discussed included the research program on reconstruction and the Young Professionals Action Plan. Part of the Board meeting was taken up with a workshop on ideas for the draft General Program for the next triennium, organised by the Secretary-General, which was repeated at the subsequent Advisory Committee meeting.

The second regular set of Board and Bureau meetings was held in Paris in March 2017. The draft General Program was finalised by the Board, as were the Board recommendations on the proposed Statutes amendments, new Rules of Procedure, and Terms of Reference for hosting future General Assemblies and associated meetings. The ICOMOS auditors attended the Board meeting to report on their audit of the annual accounts and answer questions from Board members.

**Regional Group Meeting**

Twenty four ICOMOS members, scholars and practitioners, representing eight countries and regions from the Asia-Pacific region, met in Istanbul in October to exchange information and ideas, and to discuss issues of common concern. The group was pleased to welcome a representative from the recently reconstituted National Committee of Saudi Arabia. Common issues discussed included the perennial ones of problems with communication within the region, and the difficulties in some countries of establishing or maintaining viable National Committees. Australia ICOMOS Immediate Past President Kerime Danis mentioned the proposal for our annual conference to be held in Fiji in 2018, and the hope that this could be the focus of a local regional meeting for the Asia-Pacific group. The group was also joined by the newly elected President of ICOM, Suay Aksoy from Turkey, who expressed a desire to find new ways for ICOMOS and ICOM to cooperate in future.

**IUCN World Conservation Congress**

This event is the equivalent of the ICOMOS triennial General Assembly, and is held every four years. It is a much bigger event than the ICOMOS one, with more than 8,000 delegates and a large exhibition in addition to the formal meetings and conference presentations. The congress happens over ten days, and begins with four days of forum (conference sessions). The forum has numerous streams (known as journeys), with
several events happening simultaneously throughout the day. This year, as well as the usual World Heritage journey, there was a Nature-Culture Journey that was a joint effort of ICOMOS and IUCN. The ICOMOS effort was led by Andrew Potts, formerly the Director of US/ICOMOS. Several ICOMOS members attended, including three Bureau members and a number of Australia ICOMOS members, many of whom presented papers or participated in discussion sessions. As well as being a fascinating experience in itself, the Congress was an excellent opportunity to meet IUCN members from Australia and elsewhere, and continue the good work of the Connecting Practice initiative between the two Advisory Bodies. The Nature-Culture journey will be continued at the ICOMOS General Assembly in Delhi later this year.

Advisory Committee and Scientific Council Meetings and General Assembly 2016

Despite some previous security concerns, arising not least from the attempted coup in July, the Advisory Committee and Scientific Council meetings and Annual General Assembly took place in Istanbul as previously scheduled. All of these meetings were well attended and our hosts in ICOMOS Turkey had gone to great lengths to see that attendees were well looked after. The program included a number of site visits to well-known historic sites such as the Topkapi Palace, and less familiar ones including a former hamam currently being restored for its original use.

The Annual General Assembly was convened in Istanbul, but was unable to make valid decisions, because although there were members present from the statutory minimum number of National Committees, not all of them had been properly nominated as voting members by their National Committees. This naturally focused the minds of members in the discussion session on the proposed amendments to the Statutes that followed the General Assembly. The discussion went some way towards alleviating the concerns previously expressed by some members in emails.

World Heritage Matters

The 2016 ICOMOS World Heritage Panel continued the work of reviewing and adapting its working methods to improve its recommendations and enhance dialogue with State Parties. This included changing the order of work so that meetings with State Parties in November took place between the initial Panel assessments and the draft decisions on evaluations. As required by the new Operational Guidelines, a progress report on all evaluations was provided to State Parties in January. All recommendations (except for those not to inscribe) remained as draft decisions until confirmed by the second Panel meeting on the basis of any supplementary information provided by State Parties.

The World Heritage Committee met in Krakow, Poland, in July 2017. Again the Committee elected not to follow a number of the recommendations of the Advisory Bodies, particularly with regard to inscriptions. The Director of the World Heritage Centre noted at the end of the meeting that 21 new properties had been inscribed on the World Heritage list, and that in 14 cases the Committee had not followed the advice of the Advisory Bodies, resulting in additional future work for the Centre and the Advisory Bodies in preparing provisional statements of Outstanding Universal Value and State of Conservation reports. On a more positive note, the Operational Guidelines and Budget working groups both concluded their work well within the time allowed, largely because most of the
negotiations had taken place before the meeting under the auspices of the Ad-Hoc Working Group.

Before and after the World Heritage Committee meeting, Australia ICOMOS President Ian Travers, Peter Romey (Convener of the Australia ICOMOS World Heritage Reference Group) and I participated in useful teleconferences with officers from the Australian Department of Environment and Energy and representatives from other NGOs involved in World Heritage, including the Australian Committee for IUCN.

**Chinese Translation of The Conservation Plan**

The Chinese translation of Dr James Kerr’s Seventh Edition *Conservation Plan*, a project facilitated by members of Australia ICOMOS and AusHeritage, was completed early in 2017. The new publication was launched in Taipei, Taiwan, in April. Tamsin Kerr (Jim Kerr’s daughter) and I, who had both been asked to write forewords to the translation, were invited to attend the launching ceremony as guests of the Taiwan Bureau of Culture. The launch by the Deputy Minister for Culture was followed by a seminar on cultural heritage issues in Australia and Taiwan.

**Rules of Procedure**

Much of my own time this last year has been spent in completing the new Rules of Procedure and revising them to take account of comments from ICOMOS members, the Board, and the Secretariat. The Rules will now be put for adoption to the General Assembly in Delhi in December (at an Extraordinary General Assembly), so that they are in place for the first election of the Board under the 2014 Statutes.

One new element of the Rules of Procedure is an expanded role for the Candidatures Committee. Its previous role was simply to check that all of the candidates were eligible to stand, but it now has the additional task of reviewing the first round of candidatures and, if necessary, seeking out and encouraging additional candidates to come forward, so as to address potential imbalances of skills or regional or gender diversity. This should result in the General Assembly having a wider field of good candidates from which to elect a better-balanced Board. It has also enabled candidatures to be closed two months before the General Assembly (rather than by the end of the first day of the General Assembly as before) so that National Committees have time before the General Assembly to review the candidates and discuss how their voting members might cast their votes.

**2020 General Assembly**

The Australia ICOMOS bid to host the 2020 ICOMOS General Assembly in Sydney has been submitted to the Secretariat, and the outcome will be announced at the General Assembly in Delhi. Richard Mackay, the Convener of the Bid Committee, has done an extraordinary amount of work in assembling the bid and securing the support of government departments and private organisations. I am most grateful to the Australian Government, and in particular to The Hon Josh Frydenberg, the Minister for the Environment, not only for his enthusiastic support for the bid, but also (as always) for continuing to provide financial support for the travel expenses of the International Vice-President.

**State Reports**

**Australian Capital Territory Report**

*Edwina Jans M.ICOMOS*

**ACT Activities**

The Canberra Talks series, driven and delivered by Dr Marilyn Truscott, connects ACT members to local, national and global heritage projects and critical thinking. The final talk for 2016 was held on 15 December and was an opportunity to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Australia ICOMOS. Andrew Viduka gave a short talk on the status of underwater cultural heritage and recent activities of the ISC; Lyndon O’Grady, Heritage Officer from Australian Marine Safety Authority gave an overview of his work; and I gave a short talk about the
Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee. We then had a trivia quiz to see who knew the most about Australia ICOMOS and Canberra heritage! The winning team consisted of Duncan Marshall, Ilse Wurst and Edwina Jans (thanks, Duncan!). Talks throughout 2017 included: Sacred Caves, Laos presented by Brian Egloff; Ken Taylor on Challenging Landscape Eurocentricism: an Asian Perspective; and Keith Baker on Issues with Engineering Heritage - Canberra and Beyond. A panel consisting of Rachel Jackson, Penny Spoelder and Wally Bell, a member of the Ngunnawal community, explored Sustainable Heritage? How does sustaining Cultural Heritage relate to Sustainable Tourism? as part of the activities to celebrate International Day for Monuments and Sites. Huge thanks as always to Marilyn Truscott.

The ACT & Region Annual Australian Partnership Symposium 2017

The annual symposium is a very successful long running partnership between the National Trust (ACT), Canberra Archaeological Society, Australia ICOMOS and the Canberra District Historical Society. Australia ICOMOS members Eric Martin, Marilyn Truscott, Sarah Webeck and Edwina Jans worked with the Heritage Partners and Amy Jarvis from the Australian National University to develop and deliver the symposium which was held on 19 August 2017.

Titled The Politics of Heritage: the art of the possible, the symposium asked what are the possibilities for cultural heritage in a city designed for democracy, diplomacy and political action, in a world of multiple stakeholders, where real and virtual borders transect our region and where digital technology is rewriting the rules of engagement between politicians, citizens and trusted cultural institutions.

The program attracted an audience of over 50 heritage professionals, champions and enthusiasts to hear 16 presentations from 17 speakers, with a keynote presentation by Professor Tim Winter, outlining the current state of heritage diplomacy. The Minister for Planning and Heritage Mr Mick Gentleman, MLA also attended the Symposium.

Presentations ranged across the theme, exploring legislation, planning issues, cultural identity embedded in embassy architecture, exhibitions on political themes, heritage advocacy, Australia ICOMOS’ work on the Australian Heritage Quality Framework and a politically-themed tour of ANU’s architecture. Thank you to sponsors GML Heritage, the Australian National University and Eric Martin and Associates.

ACT National Trust Heritage Awards

The ACT National Trust Heritage Awards were held on 15 September 2016 at the ACT Legislative Assembly. ACT Minister for Planning and Heritage, Mick Gentleman, MLA, presented the awards. Winners included the Canberra Archaeological Society and ANU for the Springbank Island
dig; the Barton and Kingston Residents Association for restoration of concrete street markers; ACT Historic Places for the Mugga Mugga music project; GML Heritage and ANU for the Mt Stromlo Conservation Management Plan; and Old Parliament House for the front façade and King’s Hall projects. Huge thanks to the ACT National Trust for running these awards encouraging the celebration of, and promoting excellence in, ACT heritage.

Eric Martin, Dianne Dowling, Mick Gentleman MLA at the ACT National Trust Heritage Awards. Photo: Edwina Jans.

Edwina Jans accepting an ACT National Trust Heritage Awards for the Old Parliament House projects. Photo: Kate Armstrong.

Visit of Australian Heritage Council to Old Parliament House

There was a tour and dinner with members of the Australian Heritage Council on 30 March 2017. This was a good opportunity to talk about the work of Old Parliament House and Australia ICOMOS.


New South Wales State Report

Bruce Dawbin M.ICOMOS

Activities

Jim Kerr Address
The highlight event in NSW during 2016-17 was the third Jim Kerr Address on 20 April 2017 at the Sydney Opera House. An informative presentation was given by renowned architect Richard Johnson who had worked closely with Jørn Utzon and his son Jan. The evening was attended by more than 110 visitors and included a popular tour of the Opera House, guided by Alan Croker.


See separate report by Mary Knaggs in Major Events, below.

Sydney Talks Series Monthly Talks
The successful monthly Sydney Talks cover wide ranging topics have been well patronised. The talks are coordinated by Australia ICOMOS, AIA and DOCOMOMO and are important networking and informative events. Recent talks include:
Global History of Mass Housing
On 27 October, Miles Glendinning from Edinburgh outlined his research project on the Global History of Mass Housing.

The House that Jack Built
On 24 November a most insightful reflection of the tumultuous years of the Green Bans movement that changed development in Sydney forever was presented by James Colman, author of *The House that Jack Built: Jack Mundey, Green Bans Hero*, and attended by special guest Jack Mundey himself.

TICCIH, ICOMOS and World Heritage
On 12 January, Stephen Hughes from TICCIH and ICOMOS in the UK gave an interesting presentation on industrial heritage. He was responsible for the inscription and digital recording of several industrial heritage sites in the UK.

Heritage and the Sustainable City
On 18 May, Rod Simpson of the Greater Sydney Commission presented an informative talk about the inner workings of the Commission.

The Australia ICOMOS National Scientific Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage
On 15 June, Dr Matthew Kelly introduced the new Australia ICOMOS National Scientific Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage. The talk was held at the Big Dig venue in the Rocks and was preceded by a tour of the Dawes Point Battery archaeological site by archaeologist Denis Gojak.

Sydney Brutalism
On 20 July, Tusculum was the venue for the presentation by architect Glenn Harper on the controversial merits of Brutalist buildings in Sydney. This talk attracted an audience of 75 participants, and was also our first talk eligible for continuing professional development (CPD) points.

Polar Heritage
On 17 August 2017 Julian Bickersteth shared his experiences in Antarctica in the conservation of early explorer’s huts and their contents.

Submissions
Submissions and representations by NSW Australia ICOMOS members included the following:

THE EP&A Amendment Bill 2017 and the Greater Sydney Commission’s District Plans
Separate submissions were made to the Planning Minister regarding the proposed NSW Planning Bill and to the Greater Sydney Commission regarding the draft District Plans. In response to the submission, Australia ICOMOS was invited to participate in a round table consultation and briefing about the District Plans and future role of the Commission.

Sydney Opera House
A submission was made to The Sydney Opera House and the Minister regarding the current Renewal Project, raising questions about the heritage approvals process. All issues have been addressed, with positive outcomes in terms of future consultation and improved channels of communication.

In September 2016, members of the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee were privileged to be invited to a unique briefing which included original consultants and other interested individuals who have contributed to the design and development of the Opera House. The briefing was part of the consultation process for the working designs of the Stage 1 Renewal projects, a comprehensive program of upgrading of the Opera Theatre, Concert Hall and many other areas of the building.
In May 2017, members of Australia ICOMOS were invited to a unique visit backstage to see the stage machinery of the Opera Theatre the day before it closed down for a two year program of major upgrading.

**Draft Development Control Plan and Development Application for the Parramatta North Urban Transformation Precinct**

Australia ICOMOS prepared a submission on 18 June to the Parramatta City Council regarding our concerns about the proposed DCP and proposed “Urban Transformation” of the Cumberland Hospital site and surrounding areas, including colonial era icons such as the Female Factory. A Council meeting and Council briefing in July were attended by an Executive Committee member of Australia ICOMOS.

Further submissions by Australia ICOMOS will be considered with respect to a proposal for a 70 storey tower in O’Connell Street with huge potential for impact on Parramatta Park.

**NSW Mentoring Program 2017**

The Mentoring Program has been initiated again after a successful launching in 2015. The 2017 Australia ICOMOS NSW Mentoring Team comprises:

- Kerime Danis (Australia ICOMOS)
- Cameron Logan (Sydney University)
- Steve Brown (Sydney University)

**Monitoring Heritage at Risk**

A change of NSW Premier, restructuring of the planning portfolio, and increasing pressure of commercialisation have continued to exacerbate the state of heritage and the further erosion of protective legislation. Australia ICOMOS continues to monitor the following cases and has made representations to the NSW Government raising our concerns in several instances:

- **Sirius Building, The Rocks** - successful appeal regarding Ministerial intervention on State Heritage Register listing.
- **Powerhouse Museum** - relocation to Parramatta and potential destruction of the Ultimo site.
- **Sydney GPO** - foreign ownership concerns.
- **Barangaroo** - lack of planning controls and transparency regarding casino development.
- **North Parramatta** - urban redevelopment by NSW Government and threat to colonial precinct.
- **Thompson’s Square, Windsor** - new bridge and road through colonial precinct.

**Queensland & Northern Territory State Report**

*Matthew Whincop M.ICOMOS*

**The Peoples’ Ground Conference – MCG, Melbourne**

The Peoples Ground Conference held in Melbourne in October 2016 was attended by a large Queensland contingent. By all reports, it was an informative, interesting and engaging conference.

**International Day for Monuments and Sites – Fryer Library (UQ)**

On 18 April 2017, a joint Australia ICOMOS, Department of Environment and Heritage Protection and University of Queensland event was held at the Fryer Library at UQ. *Marking the Rolls - Preserving Queensland’s Architectural Heritage*, a new digitised architectural research resource, was officially launched by the Honourable Dr Steven Miles MP, Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection and Minister for National Parks and the Great Barrier Reef.

With the support of the Board of Architects, The University of Queensland's Library has digitised the Rolls of Architects from the Queensland Government Gazette from 1930 to 1980, and these are now available online and freely accessible as an architectural research tool for students, academics and historians.

Around 100 people attended the event at the Fryer Library and Australia ICOMOS was well represented. One of our members, Dr Andrew Sneddon, spoke briefly about the importance of the International Day for Monuments and Sites and the role of Australia ICOMOS within the global, national and local heritage scene.
**Duty of Care Guidelines Review and Issues Paper, DATSIP**

The Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Partnerships (DATSIP) have recently undertaken a review of the Duty of Care Guidelines associated with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act. Australia ICOMOS made a formal submission for the review and attended a later briefing on the results of the review. Please see the below link to access a summary of submissions relating to the Guidelines Review. These submissions form part of an issues paper released in February 2017.


**Qld Architects Publication**

In 1994, the Queensland Museum published *Queensland Architects of the Nineteenth Century: a biographical dictionary*. This has become a valued reference book for Queensland architecture, and sold out some time ago. Responding to frequent queries about the book, the authors are currently exploring options to publish an updated edition. Australia ICOMOS has endorsed this project. Australia ICOMOS President, Ian Travers wrote a letter of support for the project as the authors seek funds.

**South Australian State Report**

*Michael Queale M.ICOMOS*

**Events in 2017**

The ICOMOS International Day for Monuments and Sites was marked on the day by an event at Ayers House, Adelaide. The April 18 event was a joint initiative between the National Trust of South Australia and Australia ICOMOS. Heritage architect Dr Donald Ellsmore delivered a lecture discussing the origins and artists involved in the production of the extraordinary 1870s painted decoration still extant in Ayers House.

The audience sat under the historic painted ceiling and learnt about the skills and enterprise of Scottish decorative artists Charles Gow and John Lyon, both responsible for the decoration of the house. Donald also discussed the stylistic context of the Victorian period – where halls, public rooms and even steamships were decorated to reflect desired quality materials and imagined settings. The problems associated with the repair of painted decoration in Australia were also debated, and it was sadly noted that few skilled decorators remain today to conserve our nineteenth century decorative legacy.

*Ayers House, Adelaide event, April 2017. Photo: M Queale.*

**Australia ICOMOS South Australian Representations**

Local Australia ICOMOS members have provided expert advice and representation in 2017 in relation to the following South Australian (SA) government matters:

*Heritage Tourism Alliance – Australia*

ICOMOS provided advice as a member of the SA Heritage Tourism Alliance, established by the DEWNR State Heritage Unit as a forum for realising the tourist potential of SA’s heritage places. Support was given to the National Trust heritage trails concept. Connections between nature-based and heritage related tourism were also explored.

*Thematic Framework Project – Australia*

ICOMOS was a key participant in a local workshop exploring a structured approach to developing a historic themes framework for the State. Susan Marsden’s *Historical Guidelines* document has been in use since
1980, but it no longer reflects the intent of the Australian Historic Themes Framework. New State based themes were developed and old ones revisited and updated. The work will ultimately support heritage assessment in the State.

**Adaptive Reuse Workgroup** – the SA Government proposed an Amendment Bill to reduce barriers to the re-use of low grade existing buildings within Adelaide. Australia ICOMOS assisted the Australian Institute of Architects in the preparation of a submission – noting that the Burra Charter should form the basis of all heritage related adaptive re-use decisions.

**Local Heritage Reforms** – Australia ICOMOS attended workshops and prepared a submission in response to the SA government’s proposed reforms for local heritage listing and management. The submission was generally in support of proposed reforms, despite a media campaign criticising the reforms.

**Planning, Development and Infrastructure (PDI) Act** – the State government is proceeding with a new planning act to replace the 1993 SA Development Act. The new Act will result in substantial changes to planning policy, the role of external certifiers (including for heritage) and assessment pathways. Australia ICOMOS provided input in the form of attendance at workshops and workgroups, and written submissions, to ensure heritage management is considered. The Burra Charter has been recommended as the key heritage policy document. The new Act will take effect from 2020.

**National Heritage Listing - Australian Cornish Mining Sites: Burra and Moonta**

In exciting news ten years in the making, this year the town of Burra and the Moonta Mine site were recognised as National Heritage places. The former copper mine at Burra represents a milestone in Australia’s history of mining. During the nineteenth century, the scale and richness of the copper mine at Burra marked the beginning of Australia’s metal mining industry. Using technology and skills transferred from Cornwall to Australia, the mine was, for the first ten years of its life, the largest mine in Australia. Copper wealth at this time was a critical revenue source needed for the survival of the then new colony of South Australia. From 1850 to 1860 the Burra mine produced five percent of the world’s copper. South Australia soon became known as the Copper Kingdom in recognition of its substantial production of copper. The Cornish steam engine and its use in the copper mines of South Australia also demonstrates the early course and pattern of Australia’s industrialisation. The Burra mining heritage is regarded as also being of national heritage significance.

**Heritage Assessment - Adelaide Parklands**

The South Australian Heritage Council has recently instigated the assessment of the potential state heritage values of the nationally heritage listed Adelaide Parklands. The heritage assessment of the Parklands will consider the cultural landscape values of the place, under established state heritage assessment criteria. As a first, the Council commissioned an on-line ‘Your Say’ survey to gauge the community’s opinion of the heritage value of the place – over 1000 responses were received, providing evidence of the potential social heritage value of the place.

**Tasmanian State Report**

**Anne McConnell M.ICOMOS**

**State Membership**

Tasmania has a relatively small Australia ICOMOS membership compared to most other states, with 24 members as of June 2017. The membership however is diverse with members covering a range of heritage expertise and interests.

The relatively low numbers of Australia ICOMOS members in the state however does mean that while Tasmanian members are actively aware of heritage conservation in Tasmania, and make submissions where important, there is limited capacity to organise events, particularly larger public events.
**Events**

A Tasmanian International Day for Monuments and Sites 2017 event was held on Thursday 20th April 2017 in Hobart in the Royal Society Room of the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery. The event was a free public lecture which, in keeping with the tourism theme for the 2017 International Day for Monuments and Sites 2017, was titled *Tourism in Tasmania: History, Heritage and a Legacy*. The lecture comprised three complementary presentations from historian Dr Marian Walker and Australia ICOMOS members Jane Harrington and Anne McConnell. The lecture was hosted by Australia ICOMOS in partnership with the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery. Australia ICOMOS members Elspeth Wishart, John Wadsley and Angie McGowan helped with aspects of planning and running of the event.

![Historical Tasmanian travel poster that helped influence the history of tourism in Tasmania - featured on event flyer. Image: courtesy Tasmanian Archives and Heritage Office.](image)

**Other Activities**

During 2016-17 Tasmanian members have prepared submissions on the following:

- Australia ICOMOS members Anne McConnell and Angie McGowan made a presentation on behalf of Australia ICOMOS to the Tasmanian Planning Commission Hearings on the Heritage Code of the draft Statewide Planning Scheme in late 2016 (this followed up on the earlier Australia ICOMOS written submission prepared by Tanya Park).

- The Draft *Aboriginal Relics Amendment Bill 2016* which is intended to make relatively minor, but warranted, amendments to the existing *Aboriginal Relics Act 1975* (submission made via the Indigenous Heritage Reference Group). The amended Act, *the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975*, was passed and came into operation in August 2017. It appears that few of the specific issues raised in the Australia ICOMOS submission on the draft bill have been addressed.

The following continue to be areas of concern in relation to heritage conservation in Tasmania:

- The new *Statewide Planning Scheme* that was introduced in early 2017 and expected to be operational in later 2017-early 2018. This Planning Scheme (and approach) has a number of problems in relation to heritage protection, in particular to the conservation of landscape values and archaeological heritage, and it was introduced with few amendments to the draft version in spite of widespread concern, including from the heritage profession. In relation to heritage, it will result in the removal of a number of cultural heritage protections that are currently in place.

- The management of cultural heritage values within the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area under the recently revised *Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Management Plan 2016*. Key issues are: the need to prepare an Aboriginal cultural landscape assessment of the World Heritage Area that is broadly consultative; the difficulty in protecting non-Aboriginal cultural heritage values (these are poorly recognised in the Management Plan); and the increased risk of impacts to the cultural heritage values of the World Heritage Area by developments not
previously allowed due to the closed, non-statutory assessment and approvals process that has replaced the previous more open and statutory process.

- The likely re-opening of 4WD tracks by the Tasmanian government in the National Heritage listed Western Tasmania Aboriginal Cultural Landscape (comprising much of the Tarkine area) in spite of strong evidence that recreation vehicle use in this area has a significant impact on the Aboriginal sites of the area.

- Proposals for major new buildings (educational and commercial) in the State’s two main centres, Hobart and Launceston, which will have major impacts on heritage places and landscape values in these areas. These proposals do not meet the requirements of the existing local planning schemes, but are being promoted as being of economic benefit, and appear to be anticipating the new Statewide Planning Scheme with its greater flexibility for developments.

**Victorian State Report**

Robyn Clinch M.I.COMOS

**Events and Meetings**

**4 – 9 October 2016**

The final meeting of the 2015-2016 Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee was held in the National Trust (Vic)’s Menzies building in East Melbourne on the 5th October.

The joint National Trust of Australia and Australia ICOMOS National Conference titled *The People’s Ground* was held at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG). The Welcome event was hosted at Parliament House. At the AGM, held at the MCG, the new of Australia ICOMOS history booklet was launched, the inaugural President’s Award was announced and Jane Lennon was granted honorary membership. A field trip was conducted on the last day involving a pleasant boat trip up the Maribyrnong River to Jack’s Powder Magazine where food and drinks were generously provided by Working Heritage to supplement a fascinating tour of the site.

The incoming (2016-2017) Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee then met on 9 October at the Melbourne Museum’s café, from where members enjoyed the outlook to the Exhibition Building World Heritage site.

**5 December 2016**

Liz Vines gave a lively presentation about her experiences as a Getty Scholar at the Getty Center in Los Angeles with the Getty Conservation Institute. This was followed by drinks and nibbles to round off the year. This event was held in the Japanese Room of the Melbourne School of Design building at the University of Melbourne.

**14 March 2017**

A walking tour, led by Robyn Clinch, was held around Albert Park and Middle Park viewing key heritage planning sites in situ. Despite the challenging heat, participants enjoyed some interesting discussion about how built heritage places are dealt with in the planning context by the City of Port Phillip.

**31 July 2017**

The inaugural Young Professionals/Early Careers group networking event was organised by Caitlin Mitropoulos at the Duke of Wellington on Flinders Street.

**5 – 6 August 2017**

The Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee meetings 187 and 187A were held in the National Trust (Vic)’s headquarters at Tasma Terrace in East Melbourne. A visit to the Heritage Centre at Emerald Hill (South Melbourne) was organised for the Friday afternoon. The visit revealed a well organised and sponsored local council history facility of the City of Port Phillip with many unique resources and materials available to the public and researchers alike. This was followed by dinner at the heritage listed Golden Gate Hotel in Clarendon Street. Saturday was capped off with dinner at the state heritage listed Bank on Collins, a restaurant and bar located in a beautifully renovated bank building from the Gold Rush era.
Advocacy and Awareness Building

A letter of support was provided for a heritage training centre to be located at the National Trust (Vic)’s Labassa mansion in Caulfield North.

Victorian Mentoring program

At the end of the 2016 Victorian Mentoring Program, all participants were surveyed about their experience of the program. Overall, very positive feedback was received. The 2017 Victorian Mentoring Program was subsequently launched with an event held on 26 April at the Melbourne School of Design building at the University of Melbourne.

Membership

As at February 2017 25% of the Australian membership were based in Victoria. This comprised 165 members, subscribers and others.

Western Australian State Report

Lisa Sturis M.ICOMOS

Membership

There are currently 65 Australia ICOMOS members in Western Australia.

Events

Several events were held for WA members in the metropolitan area during 2016-2017.

- On the 25th August, a small bar tour was led by local group Two Feet and a Heartbeat. This tour provided a different perspective of Perth with some interesting stories and places visited.
- To mark the end of 2016, an end of year sundowner was held at the Heathcote Cultural Centre on the 13th December. This included a tour of the Heathcote Art Gallery by curator Jana Braddock Wallace followed by refreshments at this significant heritage place overlooking the Swan River.
- The first event of 2017 was hosted by the National Trust of Western Australia at the verandahs of Perth’s Old Observatory on the 28th February.

Meetings

In May, Perth hosted the Executive Committee’s 186th meeting. This was accompanied by additional meetings attended by the President and WA State Representative with the State Heritage Office, Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists Inc. (AACAI) and the Australian Archaeological Association (AAA). These were productive meetings which promoted Australia ICOMOS’ role in the heritage sector and also enabled new connections and relationships with like-minded organisations to be established. Several social events were organised to allow the Executive Committee to meet with WA members. This included Richard MacKay’s presentation on the State of the Environment Report.

Cooperation with External Agencies

An ongoing relationship has been developing in WA with the Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists Inc. (AACAI) and Australian Archaeological Association (AAA), particularly focused on the Aboriginal heritage space.

Future activities

A focus on creating social events for WA members to network remains a priority. In addition, developing stronger partnerships with similar professional organisations will be actively pursued.

Major Event Reports

2016 The People’s Ground Conference, Melbourne

Felicity Watson M.ICOMOS

Held in Melbourne from 4–8 October 2016 in partnership with the National Trust of Australia, The People’s Ground conference delivered a packed program of events,
including two days of formal papers and panels at the Melbourne Cricket Ground, interspersed with networking events such as drinks at Lovell Chen in East Melbourne, a Welcome at Parliament House, and a gala dinner at Abbotsford Convent.

“Satellite events” at National Trust (Vic) properties Labassa and Rippon Lea included fabric conservation workshops and house museum workshops with keynote speaker Franklin Vagnone. Saturday tours explored Melbourne’s diverse heritage places, including a seminar at Fitzroy Gardens, and walking tours of twentieth-century heritage and heritage buildings adapted for sustainability which were presented with program partners Open House Melbourne. The conference closed with a boat tour along the Maribyrnong River to Jack’s Magazine.

Federation University, Context, Extent Heritage and GML Heritage.

Over 250 heritage professionals and enthusiasts attended to hear more than 60 speakers, representing a broad cross-section of the heritage profession, including public agencies, private consultancies, non-profits and community groups.

The People’s Ground Keynote Franklin Vagnone, Melbourne Cricket Ground. Photo: courtesy Digital Heritage Australia

Plenary Speakers Catrini Kubontubuh and Aishwarya Tipnis. Photo: courtesy Digital Heritage Australia

Jim Kerr Address, Sydney, April 2017

Mary Knaggs M.ICOMOS

The Address was held on Tuesday 18 April 2017 in the Utzon Room, Sydney Opera House, Bennelong Point, Sydney 2000.

The 2017 guest speaker was Richard Johnson, AO, MBE, whose talk was titled HERITAGE – INHERITANCE - Contemporary Relevance and Continuity. The talk explored what we have inherited from the past and its continued value and contemporary relevance as an expression of our living culture.

With great insight and exceptional images Richard compared the conservation issues of both the physical and intangible heritage qualities at the Sydney Opera House and the Ise Jingu shrine in Japan, concluding that more rigour must be applied to conserving the intangible values at the Opera House.

Richard Johnson is a recipient of the AIA Gold Medal in Architecture and has practised both nationally and internationally, with his work involving exceptionally sensitive design solutions. His interests are broadly spread beyond architecture, urban and exhibition

Sponsorship was secured from Lovell Chen Architects & Heritage Consultants, Working Heritage, the Victorian Heritage Council, the City of Melbourne, Deakin University,
design. Richard is a founding member of Johnson Pilton Walker Architects, is active in the professional and educational arenas and was recently appointed Honorary Professor of Architectural Practice at the Faculty of Built Environment at UNSW.

MC for the event was Dr Tracy Ireland, Associate Professor of Cultural Heritage, University of Canberra.

There were over 100 people in the audience, including Mr Scott Macdonald MLC, Parliamentary Secretary for Planning, representing the Premier of NSW; Louise Herron, CEO of the Sydney Opera House; Stephen Davies, Chair of the NSW Heritage Council; Uncle Chika Madden, of the Metropolitan Aboriginal Land Council; and Shaun Carter, President of the NSW Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects.

Richard Johnson. Photo: courtesy Johnson Pilton Walker Architects

A summary video is available at http://australia.icomos.org/events/jim-kerr-address/
The Address will be published shortly in *Historic Environment*.

Reference / Working Group & Subcommittee Reports

Australia ICOMOS Reference Groups are small groups of Australia ICOMOS members with particular expertise in a given area. The specific role of Reference Groups is to provide expert advice to the Executive Committee on issues particular to the Reference Group’s area of expertise.

Australia ICOMOS Working Groups are established to progress a particular issue or initiative. Working Groups consist of Australia ICOMOS members who voluntarily come together on an agreed work program to further particular cultural heritage matters relevant to Australia ICOMOS’ objectives. Working Groups have a fixed life of up to three years, although the life of a Working Group may be extended at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

Reference and Working Groups are volunteer groups, with members selected through an Expressions of Interest process when the group is formed (and in the case of the Reference Groups approximately every three years during the life of the group). For Working Groups, members are selected on the basis of interest and/or experience. Relevant experience and expertise are the requisites for selection for a Reference Group.

The following reports are from current, active Reference and Working Groups. The Pacific Heritage Reference Group, the Our Common dignity Working Group and the International Committee for the Conservation of Industrial
Heritage (TICCIH) Working Group have not provided reports as they have not been active in 2016-17, and there is no report from the ANZ Joint Working Group on Risk Preparedness for Cultural Heritage, as it has only just formed.

**Fabric Conservation Reference Group**

*Mary Knaggs M.ICOMOS, EC Representative*

**Membership**

Members of the Fabric Conservation Reference Group are:

- David Young (Convenor)
- Mary Knaggs (EC Representative)
- Hector Abrahams
- Marc Beattie
- Mim Butcher (Young Professional)
- Donald Ellsmore
- Susan MacDonald (based in Getty USA)
- David Mason
- Michael Queale
- Greg Owen
- Tanya Park
- Caroline Stokes

**Meetings**

The first meeting of the Fabric Conservation Reference Group was held on 25 October 2016. Four meetings have been held since. Meetings are usually conducted by SKYPE with some members gathering in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth.

**Publications**

During the year the Fabric Conservation Reference Group decided to draft a Practice Note on the Conservation of Significant Fabric. The draft will be submitted to the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee in the 2017-18 Financial Year. The Fabric Conservation Reference Group has also proposed that there be more technical articles in *Historic Environment*, the journal of Australia ICOMOS.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

David Young, Fabric Conservation Reference Group Convenor, attended several meetings with the International Specialised Skills Institute in Melbourne.

**Terms of Reference**

The aims of the Fabric Conservation Reference Group are to:

1. Keep abreast of national and international issues concerning the conservation of heritage fabric, and where appropriate inform the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee of these issues.
2. Contribute to the national promotion of traditional and other relevant construction and repair trades for heritage structures.
3. Promote skills and training opportunities for practitioners committed to continuous improvement and best practice fabric conservation.
4. Work with relevant partners (e.g. the construction industry) to further the aims of the Reference Group.

*The Fabric Conservation Reference Group is keen to record and promote all available reputable heritage trades training courses in Australia, such as the Longford Academy*
intensive short course held twice yearly at the world heritage sites of Woolmers and Brickendon in Northern Tasmania pictured here. Photos: Peter Romey.

Strategic actions being considered by the Fabric Conservation Reference Group in 2017-2021 include to:

1. Explore ways to monitor and raise standards of conservation works at heritage places.
2. Develop and promote quality benchmarks or standards for the physical conservation of heritage fabric.
3. Identify drivers and research business cases to facilitate traditional and specialised trades training and practice.
4. Promote sustainable reuse of existing building stock and promote sustainability of traditional materials and techniques.
5. Recognise that traditional trade skills need to be maintained by a supply of traditional materials, and promote controlled salvage for its contribution to this supply.

See also information on the Australian Heritage Quality Framework and useful links concerning various types of fabric conservation on the Australia ICOMOS website under ‘Heritage Toolkit’. Also visit the Traditional Trades & Conservation webpage.

Website Links
http://australia.icomos.org/resources/traditional-trades-conservation/

Indigenous Heritage Reference Group
Anne McConnell M.ICOMOS, Convenor

Membership
The Indigenous Heritage Reference Group comprises Australia ICOMOS members with professional expertise in Indigenous heritage management and a strong interest in practice in this area.

In 2016-17 the membership of the Indigenous Heritage Reference Group was reviewed. This resulted in the previous members continuing, and four new members joining the Reference Group. Ongoing members are Shaun Canning, Vanessa Hardy, Sharon Lane, Anne McConnell (Convenor and Executive Committee Representative), Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy, Lance Symes and Ian Travers. New members are Matthew Whincop, who joined in late 2016, and David Claudie, Neale Draper and Jo Thomson, who joined recently through an EOI process.

This expanded group has considerable expertise in Indigenous heritage management and provides good coverage of Australia (all states are represented with the exception of the Northern Territory). All but one person is an archaeologist with substantive long term experience in the field, and two members are Indigenous people, one with expertise in the management of Indigenous cultural values broadly, including land management.

Meetings
The Reference Group rarely meets, with most business being conducted by email or phone. It did not meet in 2016-17.

Reference Group Actions
The Indigenous Heritage Reference Group undertook a small number of actions in 2016-17, primarily review of issues relating to Indigenous heritage management in various parts of Australia. In summary these are as follow:

- In early 2017 the Group drafted comment on behalf of Australia ICOMOS on the Tasmanian Aboriginal Relics Amendment Bill 2016 which contained proposed amendments to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Relics Act 1975.
- Also in early 2017 the Group reviewed the matter of the Tasmanian government’s proposed re-opening of a number of 4WD tracks on the Tarkine (NW) coast of Tasmania for recreational reasons. This was considered a matter of concern
because this area is listed on the National Heritage List as an Aboriginal cultural landscape (Western Tasmania Aboriginal Cultural Landscape) and the previous government had closed the tracks in question on the basis of highly evidence-based research demonstrating that recreational use of the tracks was having a major impact on sites in the area. The matter has been of such concern in Tasmania that the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre took the State government to court and won the case, a decision which the Tasmanian government chose to appeal. The matter was not pursued, as in early 2017 the Tasmanian government decided to defer the re-opening of the tracks and make the matter a referral under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

- In early-mid 2017 the Group was asked by the President, Australia ICOMOS, to provide comment on current issues in relation to Aboriginal heritage protection in Western Australia.

- In June 2017 the Group (in conjunction with the World Heritage Reference Group – see below) prepared a draft submission on behalf of Australia ICOMOS to the Senate Committees on Environment and Communications Inquiry into the Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula, Western Australia. The focus of the inquiry was the Commonwealth's responsibility under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 to protect the globally significant and National Heritage listed Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula, including the impact of industrial pollution and matters related to the Commonwealth and Western Australian Governments’ conditions regulating and overseeing industries on the Burrup Peninsula.

The Australia ICOMOS submission concentrated on the general management of this heritage, including the need to include the broad range of cultural heritage values in managing the place, to consider cumulative impacts; the need for independence of monitoring, and for openness and transparency in assessments and decision making. It also urged the Australian government to actively pursue the nomination of the Burrup Peninsula Aboriginal rock art to the World Heritage List. This submission was ultimately provided as a joint submission with the Australian Archaeological Association and the Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists.

Cooperation with External Bodies

In early 2017 an Indigenous Heritage Legislation Review Group, comprising representatives of key national organisations with a professional interest in Indigenous heritage management (ie, Australia ICOMOS, Australian Archaeological Association, Australian Indigenous Archaeologists Association, and Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists), was established to review Indigenous heritage legislation in Australia with the aim of preparing some principles for effective, good practice Indigenous heritage legislation.

The group arose from a widespread concern within the heritage profession about a number of recent actual and proposed amendments to Indigenous heritage legislation in Australia, and a desire to proactively engage in this sphere. Following its establishment, the group has been working on a state based review of Indigenous heritage legislation to isolate positive approaches, gaps and issues as a foundation for developing principles.

Strategic Advocacy Reference Group

_Duncan Marshall M.ICOMOS, Convenor_

The Strategic Advocacy Reference Group is new (established July 2017).

**Membership**

Members of the Strategic Advocacy Reference Group are:

- Duncan Marshall (Convenor)
Meetings
An initial meeting of the group was held in Melbourne on 6 August 2017 to review its terms of reference, possible objectives and activities, and to develop a future work plan.

Future activities
The group will be undertaking a range of tasks as part of developing a strategic approach to advocacy for Australia ICOMOS. These tasks relate to:

- developing relations with the Commonwealth;
- a communications plan;
- Commonwealth election policy proposals;
- advice to the Executive Committee, and in particular the President, about day to day advocacy matters, including a review of the existing policy on advocacy;
- identification of possible heritage issues, such as arising from the Commonwealth State of the Environment report, and World Heritage Periodic Reporting; and
- identification of heritage opportunities, such as arising from the Australian Heritage Strategy.

World Heritage Reference Group
Peter Romey M.ICOMOS, Convenor
A number of issues regarding Australia’s world heritage were generally directed to the President and/or the Reference Group Convenor, who sought input from members of the group.

The World Heritage Reference Group dealt with two main issues during the year 2016-17. The first was in response to the Senate Committees on Environment and Communications Inquiry Protection of Aboriginal Rock Art of the Burrup Peninsula. Most of the remaining rock art areas of the Dampier Archipelago are on the National Heritage List, and there is pressure for the Australian Government to include all of the undisturbed areas on the World Heritage List. In June 2017, Australia ICOMOS, in conjunction with the Australian Archaeological Association and Australian Association of Consulting Archaeologists, prepared a joint submission to the committee. The submission noted that the rock art, as a suite, is of outstanding universal value at both the national and international level, and deserves the highest level of protection and conservation management, including independent monitoring, analysis and impact assessment. The submission was coordinated by World Heritage Reference Group member Anne McConnell (also Indigenous Heritage Reference Group Convenor).


The second main issue addressed by the Reference Group was to provide a response to ICOMOS head office in Paris in response to plans to carry out substantial works to the Sydney Opera House (SOH). These works are intended to enhance the functionality of the building and to comply with contemporary disability access requirements. In accordance with the provisions of the EPBC Act, the SOH management had notified the Commonwealth that some aspects of the proposed works are a Controlled Action with the potential to result in a significant impact on the values of the SOH as a place listed on both the National Heritage List and the World Heritage List.
The Commonwealth agreed with this assessment and in April 2017 referred the matter to the UNESCO World Heritage Centre (WHC). The WHC subsequently requested that ICOMOS provide advice about the issue, and Australia ICOMOS was invited to respond accordingly.

The process of assessing the potential impacts on the values of the SOH required extensive consultation and briefings with the SOH management and consultancy team by the President and the World Heritage Reference Group Convenor, and this cooperation is appreciated. A confidential summary of the cultural heritage issues and potential impacts has now been forwarded to ICOMOS in Paris. Australia ICOMOS will continue to liaise with the SOH management as the project proceeds.

Finally, Australia ICOMOS has been invited by the Commonwealth Department of the Environment and Energy to participate in a formal consultation process about issues relating to Australia’s World Heritage places. During the year this participation has comprised two teleconference meetings, which also included representatives of IUCN, AWHAC, WWF and the Wilderness Society. These meetings were attended by the President, International Vice President Peter Phillips and the World Heritage Reference Group Convenor, and provided a useful forum to explore opportunities for greater cooperation between the various organisations. In particular, Australia ICOMOS has raised the possibility of input into the formulation of Australia’s Tentative List, and also the potential for participation in other aspects of World Heritage processes such as reactive monitoring.

The input of members of the World Heritage Reference Group to these important World Heritage issues is appreciated.

Heritage Planning Working Group

Deborah Lindsay M ICOMOS, Convenor

The Heritage Planning Working Group is new, having been established in August this year.

Membership

Members of the Strategic Advocacy Reference Group are:

- Deborah Lindsay (SA) – Convenor
- Anne McConnell (TAS) – EC Representative
- Leigh Barrett (WA)
- Lara Goldstein (NSW)
- Stephanie Harder (VIC)
- David Jones (VIC)
- Agnieszka Kiera (NSW)
- Annabel Neylon (VIC)
- Vanessa Nielsen (QLD)
- Sera Jane Peters (VIC)
- Paul Rappaport (NSW)
- Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW)
- Thomas Wheeler (NSW)
- Ian Wight (VIC)

Purpose

The Heritage Planning Working Group was established to examine planning policy and provisions, and current proposed changes to this across Australia in relation to cultural heritage and its conservation. Its aim is to identify issues for heritage conservation, as well as actions that could be taken by Australia ICOMOS alone, or in partnership, to address or mitigate identified issues.

Activities

The Heritage Planning Working Group has been in correspondence to understand current heritage and planning legislation throughout Australia. Aspects being considered include the extent and status of
planning and heritage legislative reform, what the effective provisions are for heritage conservation under each Act, and what initiatives the group might consider.

Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group

Meredith Walker M.ICOMOS, Co-Convenor

In 2014, the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee approved the appointment of a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Working Group

Development of the Draft Reconciliation Action Plan

Following an email brainstorm and discussions with Reconciliation Australia, the co-convenors of the working group, Tanya Koeneman and Meredith Walker compiled the first draft of a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) for Australia ICOMOS. It focused on achieving outcomes in the areas of ‘relationships, respect and opportunities’, following the requirements of Reconciliation Australia’s Reflect template, and including actions suggested by the working group. RAPs include key actions - about engaging with Reconciliation week and NAIDOC week and providing opportunities - as well as actions relating to the objectives and activities of the specific organisation (in this case Australia ICOMOS).

The draft was circulated in September 2016, with requests for responses. Many suggestions and comments were received, including suggestions that some actions be combined.

A second draft was prepared and circulated on 9 February 2017. It includes all the changes suggested by the working group members; particularly simplifying the document and not including the actions that had been suggested for a couple of years' time.

In October, Meredith Walker (Co-convenor of the RAP Working Group) gave a presentation at the Australia ICOMOS conference The People’s Ground in Melbourne, explaining the RAP process and the key components. She outlined the approach and the proposal for Australia ICOMOS to hold workshops in each state and territory, each in conjunction with another event—such as a meeting of the Executive Committee.

An initial such workshop, attended by 23 people, was held on Friday 19 February, in conjunction with the 185th Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee meeting. Most of the Indigenous participants attended in response to an invitation sent to Local Aboriginal Land Councils in and near the Sydney region. The discussion focussed on people’s concerns in relation to the shared history, and the life experiences of Aboriginal people (e.g. in institutions). The members of Australia ICOMOS are very grateful for the opportunity to learn first-hand about the lived experiences and concerns of those who were present, and the good discussion at the meeting will certainly help us to progress our efforts towards reconciliation.

The 185th Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee meeting also proposed and endorsed the following:

- The Working Group to finalise the Australia ICOMOS Reconciliation Action Plan after further review including, circulation of final draft Reconciliation Action Plan to Australia ICOMOS members for comment;
- The Working Group to develop a national program to consult with Indigenous people during the life of the first Reconciliation Action Plan (2 years from implementation) to ensure that consultation is nationally representative;
- The finalised Reconciliation Action Plan and consultation program be put to the Executive Committee for adoption.

A program for consultation and engagement is under consideration by the Working Group.
National Scientific Committee Reports

National Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes and Cultural Routes (NSCCLCR)

Sue Rosen (CR) M.ICOMOS and Kieran Davis (CL)

Membership


Meetings

The NSC CLCR will hold its 9th Annual Meeting in South Australia in November 2017 (see Future Activities, below).

Meetings were also held by the sub-committees developing the website and communications.

Activities

The Australia ICOMOS Practice Note on Cultural Routes was finalised during the year and endorsed by the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee.

A Heritage Alert for the Lake Burley Griffin and Lakeshore Landscape is being prepared for submission to International ICOMOS by Australia ICOMOS and the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes. The Lake and adjacent parklands are under enormous pressure from urban development, which have had, and will continue to have, a significant cumulative impact on the cultural values of this nationally significant landscape.

The movement to protect the cultural values of the Lake Burley Griffin and Lakeshore Landscape is being led by the Lake Burley Griffin Guardians, a local community advocacy group established in 2015.

Integrated with all activities is the mentoring and encouragement of the next generation of potential convenors and participants.

Finances

The annual meeting expenses are expected to be met by the membership plus a $1000 contribution from Australia ICOMOS from profits from an earlier meeting at Port Fairy.

Publications

A bibliography of rural cultural landscapes is in preparation.

Cooperation with External Agencies

The NSC CLCR is actively involved with the Australian membership of the ISC on Cultural Landscapes and the ISC on Cultural Routes and Itineraries (and vice versa). For example, Kirsty Altenberg has been appointed as Assistant to the Vice-President Asia-Oceania of the ISC on Cultural Routes and Itineraries.

Future Activities

The 9th Annual Meeting of the NSC CLCR will be held in South Australia on the weekend of 3-5 November 2017 at Jacob’s Creek Vineyard, Rowland Flat, South Australia. Attendees will have the option to stay on to participate in a workshop for the World Heritage nomination of the Mount Lofty Ranges on the following two days. A main item of business at the NSC CLCR
meeting will be the finalisation of the Cultural Landscapes Practice Note.

**Website**

Australia ICOMOS website for the National Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes and Cultural Routes at: http://australia.icomos.org/get-involved/national-scientific-committees/

**National Scientific Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage (NSCICH)**

*Richard Morrison M.ICOMOS and Tanya Park M.ICOMOS, Co-convenors*

**Membership**

The NSCICH coordinating committee comprises Co-convenors - Richard Morrison (ACT) and Tanya Park (Tas), Communications - Chris Johnston (Vic) and Abi Belfrage (Vic), Membership - Neale Draper (SA) and Lisa Sturis (WA). Membership comprises 35 members and one affiliate.

The blog/newsletter has 135 followers.

The NSCICH also has nine members or affiliates who are also on the International Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH).

**Meetings**

A general meeting and election is to be held in conjunction with the *Intangible and Invisible* Workshop in Canberra on 20 October 2017.

The NSCICH coordinating committee has met nine times by teleconference and there have also been a number of teleconference meetings of members of the Intangible Cultural Heritage Practice Note working group to progress their project.

An NSCICH workshop, *Remaking the Landscape: Cultivating Civil Society*, and a session of presented papers, *Intangible Cultural Heritage of Place*, were successful presentations at Australia ICOMOS’ *The People’s Ground Conference* in Melbourne in October 2016. Reports on these events can be found on our website (see below).

**Finances**

The activities of the NSC in this past year, which have mostly been revenue neutral, have been funded where they needed to be by surplus funds generated from events in previous years. Additionally, our coordinating committee teleconferences and several Practice Note development meetings have been supported by Australia ICOMOS.

**Publications**

There have been four email newsletters to NSCICH members and to non-member subscribers. These are also loaded on the website adding to the archive of previous newsletters and other news.

The NSCICH Practice Note is largely completed, having been presented to, and endorsed by, the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee at its August 2017 meeting in Melbourne. It will be released as a ‘living document’ for 12 months, and then reviewed, and it is expected to be published on the Australia ICOMOS website by October 2017.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

The *Remaking the Landscape* workshop at *The People’s Ground Conference*, October 2016, was jointly sponsored with the National Trust of Australia (Vic).
The potential for joint activities with the NSC on Cultural Landscapes and Cultural Routes (NSCCLCR) has been explored.

Future Activities

The coming year will see the consideration of Australia ICOMOS member feedback on the Practice Note – Intangible Cultural Heritage, the completion of a Background Note presenting the work behind the Practice Note, and the implementation of a communications strategy for the Practice Note. The NSCICH also intends to prepare advice on an Australia ICOMOS strategy in the absence of Australia’s ratification of the UNESCO Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. The December 2017 General Assembly offers the opportunity for a presentation to a meeting of the International Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH) on our development of the Intangible Cultural Heritage Practice Note.

Operating Charters and Relationship to Burra Charter

The primary objectives of the NSCICH are to consider, explore and develop recommendations, as appropriate, to guide an Australia ICOMOS approach consistent with the Burra Charter, on ‘intangible cultural heritage’.

Website

The NSCICH website sits within the Australia ICOMOS website at: https://intangibleculturalheritagensc.wordpress.com/

Posts on the website generate emails to those following a blog which is used to notify of matters of interest. There have also been four email newsletters to NSCISC members and to non-member subscribers which are also loaded on the website.

National Scientific Committee on Energy and Sustainability (NSCES)

Helen Wilson M.ICOMOS and Rachel Jackson M.ICOMOS

Membership

Members of the NSCES are:
- Rachel Jackson (Co-Coordinator NSCES)
- Helen Wilson (Co-Coordinator NSCES)
- Mary Knaggs – EC Representative
- Catherine Forbes
- Caroline Grant
- Edwina Jans
- Eric Martin
- Jean Rice
- Jennifer Faddy
- Kate Higgins
- Ken Horrigan
- Kerime Danis
- Louise Honman
- Noni Boyd
- Peter Phillips
- Stephen Schrapel
- Thomas Trudeau

Meetings

Over the past year NSCES has had a number of meetings and a work session in Sydney with Skype links to interstate members.

In our August 2016 meeting, a phone Q&A session was conducted with Dr Paul Bannister, Projects and Advisory Services Director of Energy Action in Canberra and a founding member of the ABGR, now the NABERS Independent Energy Efficiency Design Review Panel. The discussion focussed on energy auditing, energy performance and particular issues with energy services retrofit of heritage buildings. Green Star and NABERS building ratings do not at present consider embodied energy of existing structures. Environmental policies and green star incentives are often mistakenly used to justify the need to demolish and build new ‘fit for purpose buildings’, e.g. for companies and universities, rather than considering adaptive
reuse of existing or old buildings. There is a need for research on the energy performance of a range of traditional buildings and traditional materials in different climatic zones in Australia. Such building type research is occurring in Europe, but very little is happening in Australia on the range of local climatic zones.

At the November 2016 working session, issues with the Greater Sydney District Plans - Environmental Advisory Paper were discussed to assist the NSCES in preparing comments for the Australia ICOMOS submission on the Greater Sydney District Plans in March 2017. Also discussed were the proposed Practice Note on Sustainability and Heritage and the NSCES contribution to the Australia ICOMOS Strategic Plan for 2017-2021 at the February 2017 planning session.

Activities

In June 2016, Jenny Faddy attended the Central Europe towards Sustainable Building 2016 Conference in Prague, and in November 2016 the APT Conference in San Antonio.

In September 2016 Catherine Forbes presented a paper focussing on sustaining cultural and social values, community cohesion and cultural identity under the title Rebuilding Nepal: Traditional and Modern Approaches, Building or Diminishing Resilience? at the 6th International Conference on Building Resilience, Auckland. The paper was awarded best paper at the conference and was selected for publication in the International Journal of Disaster Resilience in the Built Environment (IJDREBE).

In October 2016, at the Australia ICOMOS and National Trust of Australia Conference The People’s Ground, Melbourne, Catherine Forbes presented a paper Sustaining Heritage in the Face of Disaster: The Importance of Intangible Values, from Nepal to Australia (selected for publication in Historic Environment). As part of the Conference, the NSCES, with conference programme partner Open House Melbourne, organized a tour focussing on building adaptations embodying heritage and sustainability practices.

In January 2017, NSCES, coordinated by Jennifer Faddy, made comment on minor amendments proposed to the national Green Star rating tools.

Also in January 2017, NSCES, coordinated by Helen Wilson, provided input to the submission by ISCES on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as part of ICOMOS’ collaboration with IUCN and UCLG on the ‘Agenda21Culture’ development of indicators for SDG 11.4 and related provisions of the New Urban Agenda.

In January 2017, for Australia ICOMOS and Blue Shield Australia, Catherine prepared an issues paper, Post Earthquake Christchurch, New Zealand: Issues Associated with the Protection and Recovery of Built Cultural Heritage.

In February 2017, Rachel Jackson represented NSCES in the Australia ICOMOS Strategic Plan Workshop in Sydney.

In March 2017, NSCES, coordinated by Helen Wilson, contributed to the Australia ICOMOS submission on the Greater Sydney Commission’s District Plans.

In April 2017, Rachel Jackson represented NSCES as a Panel Member for the Australia ICOMOS ACT Talk Series event - Sustainable Heritage? How does Sustaining Cultural Heritage relate to Sustainable Tourism?


In July 2017, Noni Boyd and Jean Rice attended Rehab 2017, the 3rd International Conference on Preservation, Maintenance and Rehabilitation of Historical Buildings and Structures, in Braga, Portugal. Noni presented a paper on Operational Energy Advantages and Jean received the ‘best paper’ award for her case study of
Carriageworks Adaptive Reuse at Eveleigh, Sydney.

An article by Noni Boyd, *Heritage and Sustainability 101*, was recently published in *Historic Environment*.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

During the year Jennifer Faddy, with NSCES encouragement and support from the City of Sydney, was successful in being appointed to the State Industry Panel (New South Wales) of the Green Building Council, which promotes green building programs, technologies, design practices and operations, and operates Green Star, Australia’s only national, holistic rating system for sustainable buildings and communities.

In July 2017, the Green Building Council Australia held a webinar which included a case study titled *The Old Perth Boys School: Heritage Can be Sustainable*. The client, the National Trust (WA), wanted this project to test Green Star and demonstrate the sustainability of heritage buildings which reuse existing materials and retain embodied energy. The case study showed Performance Based Assessment was a very important tool for heritage buildings, providing a better understanding of the positive and negative impacts of design changes, rather than just using prescriptive tools such as star ratings. This marks the start of a new conversation between the Green Building Council Australia and heritage.

The NSCES has had preliminary discussions regarding the next publication in the joint publications set produced by the Australian Institute of Architects (New South Wales Chapter) and the NSW Heritage Division. This will focus on heritage and sustainability and will focus on case studies.

**Publications and Website**

The NCSES is currently also preparing a Practice Note on Sustainability and Heritage Practice and hope to circulate the draft soon.

The NSCES has continued to add to the comprehensive Energy and Sustainability bibliography for the Australia ICOMOS online Heritage Toolkit, http://australia.icomos.org/publications/australia-icomos-heritage-toolkit/energy-sustainability/

The NSCES website and blog is at: http://australia.icomos.org/get-involved/national-scientific-committees/nsc-energy-sustainability/

**National Scientific Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage (NSCFaMH)**

*Matthew Kelly M.ICOMOS*

The NSC on Fortifications and Military Heritage (NSCFaMH) is a new NSC, having only been approved in February 2017.

**Membership**

The NSCFaMH currently has three members and two associate (corresponding) members. The members are:

- Matthew Kelly (Co-convenor)
- Iain Stuart (Co-convenor)
- Wayne Johnson
- Tony Brassil
- Denis Gojak.

**Meetings**

Having only started in in February 2017, the NSCFaMH is yet to hold a formal meeting, but has had four informal meetings to establish the group and determine the direction and scope of the group’s interest.

The NSCFaMH anticipates holding a formal meeting of the group in late October 2017.

**Activities**

Matthew Kelly presented a talk at the Rocks Dig centre on the 15th June this year to introduce attendees to the subject of Conflict Archaeology and call for those interested to consider joining the group.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

The NSCFaMH is establishing a relationship with the Papua New Guinea National Museum through their recently appointed military heritage advisor who, it is hoped, will agree to become a member of the group.
The October meeting of the group has, as part of its agenda, the identification of relevant groups to approach regarding cooperation and exchange of information.

**Future activities**

Matthew Kelly is presenting a paper at the Militage 2017 Conference in Norway, in September 2017 titled *Heritage Management of WWII ‘Conflict landscapes’ in PNG: Issues related to ephemeral landscapes and multiple stakeholders in a developing nation context*. At this meeting he will also explore, with the ISC members of ICOFORT, the possibility of hosting a military heritage conference in Papua New Guinea in association with the Papua New Guinea National Museum, possibly in 2018.

The group also hopes to host a local symposium early next year on the subject of military heritage in Australia.

**Website**

A webpage has recently been established on the Australia ICOMOS website. This page needs more work and input, but our web presence has at least been established.

The webpage is at:

The NSCFaMH would also like to explore the possibility of establishing a Facebook page for the group.

**International Scientific Committee Reports**

The following reports are from International Scientific Committees in which Australia ICOMOS members have an involvement, and for which an Australia ICOMOS member of that ISC has provided report.

The following groups, which Australia ICOMOS members are involved in, but for which there is no report, are:

- ISC on Analysis and Restoration of Structures of Architectural Heritage (ICARSAH) [limited activity]
- Economics of Conservation ISC (ISCEC) [limited activity]
- Stained Glass ISC (ISCCSG) [limited activity]
- International Committee on 20th Century Heritage (ISC20C)
- International Committee for Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH)
- International Committee for Vernacular Architecture (CIAV).

**International Scientific Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM)**

*Professor Ian Lilley FSA FAHA M.ICOMOS*

**Australian Membership**

ICAHM has 25 Australian members, including the current Australia ICOMOS President, Ian Travers, and outgoing ICAHM International Secretary-General, Ian Lilley. Anita Smith is the National Voting Member for international matters. ICAHM has no ‘corresponding members’ category of membership.

**Publications**

Australian members published a substantial number of academic papers and produced a great many cultural heritage reports, including desk and field assessments of a number of World Heritage nominations in 2016-17. ICAHM International also produces the Springer Briefs in Archaeology series, which published four titles in 2016-17. The titles list can be found at:
Cooperation with External Agencies

Australian members of ICAHM routinely cooperate with a wide range of external agencies. For example, Leah Mackenzie and Marilyn Truscott are on the Australian National Committee of the ‘Syrian Heritage in Danger: an International Research Initiative and Network’ (SHIRIN). The Committee held its annual meeting on 13 August 2017 to discuss the successful delivery of three projects and future directions to support colleagues and the archaeological heritage of Syria. As another example, Neale Draper is Deputy Chairperson, Lake Victoria Advisory Committee, in the Murray Darling Basin Authority.

Amongst many other activities, outgoing ICAHM International Secretary-General Ian Lilley has been advising the US Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency on the recovery of WWII human remains in the Asia-Pacific.

Future Activities

ICAHM has a business meeting scheduled during its 2017 Annual Conference, which will be held 2-5 October 2017, Dar es Salaam (Bagamoyo), Tanzania, under the patronage of UNESCO and the African World Heritage Fund.

ICAHM will continue in its wide-ranging advisory role in archaeological heritage management, including upstream advice missions and assessment of World Heritage nominations, and with its publication and conference programs.

Operating Charters

ICAHM operates under the Charter for the Protection and Management of the Archaeological Heritage (1990), prepared by the International Committee for the Management of Archaeological Heritage (ICAHM) and approved by the 9th General Assembly in Lausanne in 1990.

Website

http://icahm.icomos.org/

International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes (ISCCL)

Jane Lennon M.ICOMOS

Australian Membership

- Steve Brown (ISCCL President)
- Jane Lennon (Expert Voting Member)
- Juliet Ramsay (Honorary Member)
- Ken Taylor (Advisory Member)
- Rachel Jackson (Contributing Member)
- Stuart Read (Contributing Member)
- Neale Draper (Contributing Member)
- Caroline Grant (Contributing Member)
- Paulette Wallace (Contributing Member).

Meetings

ISCCL held its Annual Meeting in Bath, UK, on the 7-9 September 2016.

ISCCL group at Bath, UK meeting, 9 September 2016. Photo: Allan McLean.

Activities

An Australian Cultural Landscapes Network has been established to share information, including information from international ISC members, to Australia ICOMOS members with an interest in cultural landscapes. Currently there are over 60 members of the network.

ISCCL participated in the Nature-Culture Journey joint ICOMOS-IUCN sessions of the IUCN World Conservation Congress, Hawaii, on the 1-5 September. The Congress comprised over 50 sessions co-sponsored by IUCN and ICOMOS, including five sessions co-sponsored by the ISCCL. ISCCL participants were Nora Mitchell, Brenda Barrett and Patricia O'Donnell (USA); Lisa
Prosper (Canada); and Steve Brown (Australia);

**Finances**

ISCCL meeting attendees covered their own costs of travel and accommodation and contributed to meeting costs.

**Publications**

ISCCL members have been active in publishing on cultural landscape in 2016-17, with six members producing 25 articles/chapters in the last year.

ISCCL related publications during 2016-17 include:

- ICOMOS/IFLA draft ‘Principles Concerning Rural Landscapes as Heritage’ - for ratification in Delhi, Nov 2017.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

ISCCL members have been involved in liaising with external agencies in a number of capacities, as follows:

Steve Brown presented the following papers at international events:

- ‘History and Ideas in Cultural Landscape Theory and Practice’ keynote address, Krakow Landscape Conference, Krakow, Poland (June 2016).

Jane Lennon holds, or has held, the following positions: Chairperson, Lake Victoria Advisory Committee, Murray Darling Basin Authority; and visiting professor College of Architecture and Urban Planning, Tongji University, Shanghai. In 2016-17 she also lectured in post-graduate courses at the University of Melbourne, Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning, in landscape heritage; and presented a Key Note address to the *Western Australia State Heritage Conference*.

Neale Draper is currently the Deputy Chairperson, Lake Victoria Advisory Committee, Murray Darling Basin Authority.

Stuart Read presented papers in Australia to the following various bodies:

- Australian Garden History Society;
- University of Sydney, Architecture Faculty, to post-graduate students;
- University of New South Wales, Faculty of the Built Environment;
- Northern Institute of TAFE, NSW Education Department;
- NSW Office of Environment & Heritage, to Heritage Advisors;
- Historic Houses Association of Australia (led tour of Southern Highlands).

Caroline Grant has been working with the National Trust (WA) Classification Standing Committee on raising the profile of the urban forest; and has been liaising with the National Trust (WA) over fruit collection at Old Farm Strawberry Hill in Albany, site of the first British farm in Western Australia. Caroline has also regularly attended the *Urban Design Forum* run by Western Australia Chapter of the Planning Institute of Australia.

**Future Activities**

The ISCCL 2017 Annual Meeting will be held on the 7-8 December 2017 in Delhi, India.

Other forthcoming ISCCL meetings which will have Australian participation are as follow:

- ISCCL Workshop on *Guidelines for Designed Landscapes*, 18-20 September 2017 in Bavaria, Germany (this follows on from a 2016 workshop in Florence). The aim of the Bavarian workshop is to
commence the development of guidelines for the care and management of designed landscapes. Steve Brown will be attending.


### Operating Charters

ISCCOL operates under the ICOMOS-IFLA **Florence Charter for Historic Gardens** (1981) and the ICOMOS Xi’an Declaration on the Conservation of the Setting of Heritage Structures, Sites and Areas (2005)

### International Scientific Committee on Cultural Routes and Itineraries (CIIC)

**Kirsty Altenburg M.ICOMOS**

### Australian Membership

Australian members and corresponding members are Sandy Blair, Timothy Hubbard and Kirsty Altenburg.

### Meetings

CIIC held a joint meeting with the international Sub Committee on Iberoamerican Historic Cities (CIHIB) in Madrid, Soria and Numancia, Spain, from 22-27 May 2017. None of the Australian members were able to attend.

At the meeting Professor Cecelia Calerdon of Mexico was elected as the President. Kirsty was nominated as Assistant to the Vice President, Asia-Oceania.

### Publications

The Australian CIIC members developed the Australia ICOMOS **Practice Note - Understanding Cultural Routes** and revised the **Understanding Cultural Routes** flyer.

### Cooperation with External Agencies

During 2016-17 the CIIC worked in cooperation with the CIHIB (see Meetings, above).

### Future activities

The Australian members will attend the expected CIIC meeting to be held during the General Assembly in New Delhi in December 2017.

### Operating Charters


### Website

http://www.icomos-ciic.org/INDEX_ingl.htm

### International Cultural Tourism Committee (ICTC)

**Ian Kelly M.ICOMOS**

### Australian Membership

There are around 140 international members of the ICTC. Apart from the one Australian voting member, there is one Australian expert member endorsed by the national committee, twelve self-nominated expert members and four associate members.

### Meetings

In May 2017 the ICTC held a Symposium on Cultural Heritage Conservation and Sustainable Tourism and a Workshop to review the International Cultural Tourism Charter (1999).

Attendees included: Luisa Ambrosio (Spain), Ariel Bardi (Delhi), Sarah Court (Italy), Miguel Cuevas (Mexico), Peter Debdrine (France), Michael di Giovine (USA), Hamza Dincer (Turkey), Jim Donovan (USA), April Dopeno (Philipines), Tim Fairhurst (UK), Simone Giometti (Italy), Ian Kelly (Australia), Erzsebet Kovacs (Hungary), Karl Kupka (Netherlands), Katarina Mackovicova (Slovenia), Celia Martinez Yanez (Spain), Susan Millar (UK), Jaturong Pokharatsiri (Thailand), Michele Prats (France), Isabelle Quemener (France), Huges Randrianjohany (Madagascar), Mihelic Sanjin (Croatia), Aliaksandr Shuba (Belarus), Cecile Smith-Christensen (Norway), Issa Torres (Spain), Antonio Torres da Ponte (Portugal), Sandra
Uskokovic (Croatia), Jin Woo (USA), Aysegul Yilmaz (Turkey) and Enlil Zeynep (Turkey).

The key issues discussed were the rapidly increasing number of tourists, the evident push-back from local communities not enjoying the benefits of tourism, and the resilience of cultural heritage places to cope with increased tourist numbers.

Cooperation with External Agencies

Various individual members of the ICTC continue to work with the UN World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN); all groups seeking to ensure the environmental sustainability of cultural heritage places, while their communities economically benefit from tourism.

Future activities

ICTC has organised a study visit and workshop (4-8 December) in the Sunderbans WHS, West Bengal, as a prelude to the ICOMOS General Assembly being held in Delhi in December 2017. The ICTC will hold its Annual Meeting and Triennial Officer Elections in Delhi on 9 December.

Operating Charters

ICTC operates under the International Cultural Tourism Charter (1999). The Charter is currently the subject of review in order to address the issues raised by the present and future state of tourism to cultural sites around the world. A key issue is the resilience of cultural heritage places to withstand the rapid increase in tourism numbers.

Website

http://www.icomos-ictc.org/

(Please note this website is to be updated.)

International Scientific Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage (ISCEAH)

Liliana Duran M.ICOMOS

Australian Membership

The full ISCEAH comprises 113 members. Membership consists of several types: Expert, Associate, Honorary, Institutional and Non-ICOMOS.

The one Australian member is Liliana Duran (Associate member).

Meetings

The following meetings have been held:


- The LEHM 2016 International Conference on Building with Earth, Weimar, Germany, November 2016, organised by the Dachverband Lehm e.V. Information can be found at: http://www.dachverband-lehm.de/lehm2016/programme.

ISCEAH Sub-committees

ISCEAH will continue to sub-divide research into five main themes: in-use, archaeology, landscapes, technology and seismic.

Finances

The work is performed on a voluntary basis under the auspices of ISCEAH.

Future Activities

Operating Charters
The group uses international doctrine including, but not limited to, the *Burra Charter*, the *Nara Document on Authenticity*, and the National Park Service US Department of the Interior *Standards*.

Website and Social Media
The ISCEAH website is at: http://isceah.icomos.org/
Discussions occur over our listserv (icomos-isceah google group).
A closed Facebook group, called ICOMOS ISCEAH, has recently been created by Jorge Aching (Peru), Chair of the archaeology group (one of the groups representing each of the five areas of research as noted above under ISCEAH Sub-committees).

International Scientific Committee on Energy and Sustainability and Climate Change (ISCES+CC)

Helen Wilson M.ICOMOS

Australian Membership
Australian members of the ISCES+CC are Helen Wilson (Secretary), Rachel Jackson, Peter Phillips and Ruth Redden.

Activities

Membership
ISCES+CC has been very active over the last 12 to 15 months. Whilst we have 61 members, not all can make a contribution as they are spread around the World and over many time zones. On average, we have the constant contribution and participation of 15 to 20 members when called upon. We are still in a research mode and have failed to have any worthwhile physical meetings due to constraints on general funding to host a meeting and on individual funding to travel distances. As a possible solution, we will be investigating the possibility of having an online meeting through Skype or another meeting platform.

We do not believe there will be many of our committee attending the GA in Delhi due to distance, cost and timing. Also, the program appears very tight with little available time for site visits, but we intend to hold a casual lunch meeting for members that attend.

Studies and Projects
Included below are activities for our two mirror groups (National Scientific Committees) – the NSCES Australia and NSCES Ireland, as what they are achieving is contributing to the knowledge of the ISCES+CC.

ISCES+CC has been participating in a number of studies and study groups. Our President, Peter Cox, is an active member of the ICOMOS International Focal Group for the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) under the New Urban Agenda.

ISCES+CC is active in the European International Energy Agency – Solar Heating & Cooling (IEA-SHC) programme for the Deep Renovation of Historic Buildings towards Lowest Energy Demand and CO² emissions NZEB (Near Zero Energy Buildings). The bid of a multi-national team including four to five of our committee members was put together by Eurac Research in Bolzano, South Tyrol. There is no hard funding for this project, but each country participating, if signed up for the IEA-SHC programme, are obliged to pay the costs of participating. The first proposal was accepted and we met in Vienna, Austria on the 26th and 27th of April 2017 to fine tune our methodology which had to be submitted for final approval at an IEA meeting in London in early June.

The Fraunhofer Institute of Building Physics in Germany is running a long programme of analysis, recording and product development at a facility in Benediktbeuern. This entails the creation of a number of rooms in a 17th century Monastery given to the Institute for the purpose of setting up a live laboratory. With the participation of a number of product manufacturers, the institute have set up individual rooms with many different heating, ventilation, window upgrades and insulations and are monitoring the readings on an ongoing basis. New innovative renders have been applied on the outside of the wing and are being monitored for their performance. The leading scientist for the Fraunhofer is a...
member of our committee and he is very willing to share the information and findings with us. I have visited the site on a number of occasions and recently brought Peter Philips, an Australian committee member and ICOMOS International Vice President, to see the facility. One must be impressed with the work that is going on there and it will contribute greatly to our knowledge and understanding of what can and cannot be achieved in our historic buildings.

Our committee has also been involved in a number of Horizon 2020 Research Bids. We were unsuccessful in our first bid; however, we are now part of the same team submitting a new proposal.

**Presentations and Other Activities**

The ISC President has endeavoured to reach out to as many people, countries and sectors as possible by offering to give a number of presentations at conferences, meetings and to fellow ICOMOS National Committees and other International Scientific Committees.

ISCES+CC was invited to participate in the ISC 20th Century AGM in Dudley, UK in June 2016 and contributed to a paragraph on environmental issues in the revised *Madrid Document*.

The President gave a presentation at the annual conference of APT (Association of Preservation Technologists) where they included a whole session on environmental issues.

ICOMOS Canada held their AGM in Halifax, Nova Scotia in May 2017, and Peter Cox was a keynote speaker on the subject of *Energy Efficiency in Older Buildings and on Climate Change and its Effect on our Heritage*. The meeting was well attended and well received. We have two active Canadian members in ISCES.

Peter Cox attended meetings of the International Green Building Council; the UCLG in Jeju, South Korea; the SDG in Quito and Istanbul; the APT Washington DC Chapter; STBA (Sustainable Traditional Building Alliance) UK; SPAB (Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings) UK; BIM 4 Heritage; and has lectured at architectural schools in many Universities. He has also given a dedicated presentation to the Pennsylvania State University’s Praxis.

The President represented ICOMOS International on the Central European Standards Committee CEN TC346 / WG8 which was charged to write a set of *Guidelines for Energy Efficiency in Historic Buildings* over the last 3 years. Many of our ISC members also sat on this committee. The document was signed off earlier this year and now has an EN number (FprEN 16883 (E) 2016-05) and should be confirmed in September or October of this year.

**Upcoming meetings**

We have contacted our members to try to find a suitable date and location to hold a large meeting before the end of this year.

The Third International Conference on Energy Efficiency in Historic Buildings will be held in Visby, Sweden on 26 and 27 September 2018. As a number of our ISC members will be speaking at the conference, we intend to hold a significant meeting of our ISC during or immediately after the conference.

**Website**

Tor Borstrom, our member from Upsala University, Sweden, is setting up a dedicated website for our committee. We have a vast number of relevant documents which we want to share with our members. We are hoping this will be established shortly.

**International Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage (ICOFORT)**

*Matthew Kelly M.ICOMOS*

**Australian Membership**

Currently the only Australian member of ICOFORT is Matthew Kelly, who is an Expert Member.

**Meetings and Activities**

ICOFORT held its AGM at the *Militage 2017* Conference in Norway on the 7th September. About 57 people attended this conference.
and most of the participants also attended the AGM.

Discussions at the AGM centred around the review of the Draft ICOFORT Charter on Fortifications and Related Heritage (the deadline for comment is the 1st October 2017). It is anticipated that the review process will see the final Charter submitted to the 2017 General Assembly in Delhi in December.

Comments were also made on the relationship between ICOFORT and the National Scientific Committees with the call made for those interested in involving themselves with ICOFORT to submit their CV and fill out the two forms on the ICOFORT website.

**Future Activities**

The 2017 ICOFORT conference will be in Rio this year between November 6 and 8, 2017 (refer https://www.icofortbrasil.org/english). The theme of the conference will be *Management, Innovation and Tourism in Fortifications*.

**International Committee for Heritage Documentation (CIPA)**

*Cliff Ogleby M.ICOMOS*

**Australian Membership**

The only Australian member of CIPA is Cliff Ogleby, Past President of CIPA.

**Meetings**

The most recent symposium was held in Ottawa, Canada, 28 August to 1 September. There were 300 participants from a wide range of countries (membership of CIPA is not a pre-requisite for participation in the Symposia). In attendance were also five members of the ICOMOS Executive board.

**Activities**

CIPA continues to play an active role in the activities of ICOMOS through representation at the General Assemblies, co-sponsorship of allied meetings and conferences, and by holding the biennial CIPA Symposia.

CIPA is a hybrid ISC where it exists both within ICOMOS, but also as part of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS). As such, at the quadrennial ISPRS Congress and the intervening Commission symposia there are sessions devoted specifically to the activities of CIPA.

All of the papers, both double blind peer reviewed and abstract only refereed, are available from the CIPA website (see below). CIPA also publishes within the ISPRS Annals, via Copernicus, where the peer reviewed papers are made available through organisations like Scopus.

**Future Activities**

The next CIPA Symposium will be held in Avila, Spain, 1-6 September 2019.

**Other Matters**

Sadly one of the founding members of CIPA, Dr Mario Fondelli passed away in February 2017.

CIPA also wishes to acknowledge the support of our sustaining members who provide funds for the operation of the CIPA Summer School (refer http://cipa.icomos.org/activities/summer-schools/) and the production of the CIPA Newsletter.

**Website**

For further information and the most comprehensive summary of CIPA’s activities please visit our web site at: http://cipa.icomos.org/

**International Scientific Committee on Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH)**

*David Logan M.ICOMOS*

**Australian Membership**

CIVVIH has 103 Expert members, 41 Associate members and 10 Honorary members.
Australia ICOMOS’ expert members of CIVVIH are Sue Jackson-Stepowski, Agnieszka Kiera, Elizabeth Vines, Helen Wilson, Robyn Christie and David Logan. David is the Australia ICOMOS voting member. He was re-elected to the CIVVIH executive board at CIVVIH’s Annual General Assembly in September 2015. Former Australian member, the late Ian Hocking, is a Posthumous Honorary Member.

Meetings
The CIVVIH 2016 Scientific Symposium and AGM was held in Seoul, South Korea from 14-16 November 2016 under the theme Urban Heritage and Sustainability. Australia ICOMOS members, David Logan and Sue-Jackson-Stepowski, attended the Symposium and AGM and presented papers.

CIVVIH members (top image) undertook a guided inspection of the Seoul City Wall (lower image) and Interpretation Centre as part of the Annual General Assembly and Scientific Symposium which took place at the Seoul City Hall, South Korea. Photos: David Logan.

A meeting of CIVVIH was also held in October 2016 during the 20th General Assembly Istanbul, Turkey.

The CIVVIH Sub Committee for Eastern and Central Europe held a seminar on the 29 June-3 July 2016 in Cesky Krumlov, Czech Republic.

CIVVIH Sub-committees
Three CIVVIH sub-committees continue to meet - the Mediterranean Sub-Committee, the Ibero-American Sub-Committee and the Eastern and Central European Sub-Committee.

At its next meeting, to be held in Delhi, it is expected that CIVVIH will ratify establishment of an Asia-Pacific Sub-Committee.

Finances
CIVVIH has no income. Member activities, including attending meetings, are undertaken on a voluntary and self-funded basis.

Publications
CIVVIH produces e-newsletters.

The Valletta Principles document, prepared by CIVVIH, has been published in a number of languages and has had further translations during 2016-2017 (see also Operating Charters, below).

Cooperation with External Agencies
CIVVIH continues to retain close links with the Organisation of World Heritage Cities (OWHC), UN Habitat, EuroMed Heritage and an on-going partnership with the International Society of City and Regional Planners (IsoCaRP).

Operating Charters
The key operating doctrine of CIVVIH is the document titled The Valletta Principles for the Safeguarding and Management of Historic Cities, Towns and Urban Areas. This was unanimously adopted as ICOMOS Doctrinal text at the 17th General Assembly in Paris, effectively superseding the 1987 Washington Charter (Charter on the Conservation of Historic Towns and Urban Areas). The Valletta Principles complement other related international doctrine such as UNESCO’s Historic Urban Landscape (HUL) Recommendation.

Website
http://civvih.icomos.org
International Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH)

Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy M.ICOMOS and Jane Harrington M.ICOMOS

Australian Membership

There are a number of Australian members of ICICH including:
• Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy (President)
• Jane Harrington (Membership Secretary)
• Kristal Buckley
• Chris Johnson
• Marilyn Truscott
• Neale Draper
• Olwen Beazley
• Tanya Park (Associate)
• Paul Rappoport (Associate).

Meetings

Six meetings of the ICICH executive were held via Skype in 2016-17.

An annual meeting scheduled for October 2016 in Istanbul had to be cancelled due to low attendance at the annual General Assembly due to the unstable political situation.

Finances

ICICH has no income stream. Minor improvements to the ICICH website this year were funded by the President. All travel to meetings was self-funded by individual members.

Publications

Members of ICOMOS publish under their individual names. A list of publications by members can be found on the ICICH website.

Cooperation with external agencies and activities

In 2016 the National Scientific Committee for Intangible Cultural Heritage held a mini-symposium in conjunction with the Australia ICOMOS Conference in Melbourne. Many Australian ICICH members attended and the President chaired a session.

ICOMOS applied for accreditation of ICICH in January 2017. In 2016 the President worked with the IRCI Japan (Category II Centre) to complete a multi-year study. In 2016 this involved a completion workshop in Vietnam. The workshop was facilitated by Susan McIntyre Tamwoy and fellow ICICH member Harriet Deacon (UK) acted as rapporteur.

The President of ICICH served as an Advisory Committee Officer (elected from the Scientific Council at the Annual General Meeting of ICOMOS in Fukuoka, Japan 2015). ACOs meet approximately monthly providing advice to the Board of ICOMOS and organising the ADCOM and Scientific Council meetings.

The President was appointed the ICOMOS lead on the Culture - Nature Journey working with Tim Badman (IUCN). There are clear connections between the goals of the Culture - Nature Journey and intangible cultural heritage and this is reflected in the number of ICICH members who will be participating in the Culture - Nature Journey in Delhi.

The triennial elections for the ICICH board were held over August - September 2017. The outcome of the election is not yet determined due to an interpretation of the rules and will be made official shortly.

Future activities

ICICH will hold an Annual General Meeting at the Triennial General Assembly in Delhi, on the 9th December 2017. Other associated activities include:
• a mini-symposium (being planned by Chris Johnson in conjunction with Munish Pundit and Clara Arakiosamy).
• A Knowledge Cafe to scope a forward 3 year work activity for ICICH is scheduled as part of the Culture - Nature Journey to be held in Delhi, 12 December 2017.

Ananya Bhattacharya is hosting a post conference tour of West Bengal focussing on intangible cultural heritage (local arts and crafts) and several Australian ICICH members are participating.

Website

www.icich.icomos.org
International Scientific Committee on Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites (ICIP)

*Sue Hodges* M.ICOMOS, ICIP President

**Australian Membership**
- Suzanne Bravery
- Felicity Morel-Brown
- Sheridan Burke
- Jenny Gregory
- Sue Hodges (President, ICIP)
- Sarah Kenderdine
- Catherine Renwick
- Michele Summerton
- Sharon Veale
- Linda Young

**Meetings**
- Attendance at ADCOM 2016, Turkey
- Discussant at the 2017 World Heritage Committee meeting on behalf of the Korean Committee for UNESCO. Topic: ‘Sites of Memory’. (July 2017; Sue Hodges)
- Two meetings of international working group on ‘Sites of Memory’ (July 2017; Sue Hodges)
- Role as a discussant at the ‘World Heritage and Peace – Heritage Reconstruction and Interpretation event’, side event of the 41st World Heritage Committee Meeting, Krakow, July 2017 (Sue Hodges, July 2017).
- Convening of working groups on ‘Authenticity’ and ‘Inclusiveness’ with Interpret Europe (Dr Nicole Deufel; 2016-2017)
- Co-convening of ‘Place of Memory – Protection, Preservation, Interpretation’ with the ICOMOS ISC for the Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration (Sue Hodges for ICIP, Florence, 8-10 March 2017).
- On behalf of ICIP, Sue Hodges convened the 2016 ADCOM Scientific Symposium on ‘Post Disaster Reconstruction’ in Istanbul on 20 October 2016.

**Publications**

Review of Seville Principles for Mario Santana Quintero (Sue Hodges, March 2017).

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

Partnership with Life Beyond Tourism run by the Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco®.

**Future Activities**
- Organising of conferences in Mexico, China, Europe and any country that is interested (ICIP sent an email to all ICOMOS members about this topic in April 2017).
- ICIP meeting at the Delhi GA.
- ICIP mini-conference in Delhi.
- Collaboration with the Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco to implement the ‘Life Beyond Tourism’ model in one city and collaborate on joint ventures.
- Preparing publication of conference proceedings of the ‘Post-Disaster Reconstruction’ conference (Sue Hodges with ADCOM).
- Preparing publication of the conference proceedings from the ‘Place of Memory–Protection, Preservation, Interpretation’ with the ISC for the Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration.
- Strategies for broadening membership and extending the reach of ICIP.
- Revision of ICIP Statutes.
- Revision of ICIP website.
- ICIP is planning a range of activities for young professionals.
- Further activation of ICIP on social media platforms.

**Website**

http://icip.icomos.org/
International Committee on Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues (ICLAFI)

Joel Gilman M.ICOMOS

Australian Membership

- Joel Gilman (ICLAFI Vice-President, Expert Member & Australia’s voting member)
- Graeme Wiffen (Expert Member)
- Dr Andrew Sneddon (Expert Member).

Meetings

The ICOMOS International Committee on Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues (ICLAFI) seeks to have a symposium and meeting every year.

For 2017, the symposium and meeting was held 29 June–1 July in Amersfoort, The Netherlands, and co-sponsored by ICLAFI, the International Committee on Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH) and ICOMOS Netherlands.

Twenty five ICLAFI members attended the 2017 meeting and symposium held at the Netherlands Cultural Heritage Agency offices in Amersfoort, about 30 km east of Amsterdam. Presentations addressed the theme of UCH Convention: Making it Work and sought to share relevant information and insights concerning efforts to ratify the convention in each member’s nation as well as how to implement the Convention through legislation.

Australian presentations included ‘Factors affecting the ratification of the UNESCO Convention 2001 in the Asia and the Pacific region’ by Dr Mark Staniforth, an expert member of ICUCH. Dr Staniforth offered an interesting analysis of patterns he has identified in ratification of the Convention according to region and/or continent.

Joel Gilman also gave a brief summary of Australia’s efforts to date toward ratification (with a great deal of assistance provided by Mr Andrew Viduka, Australia’s voting member of ICUCH who could not attend the symposium). Mr Gilman also delivered a joint presentation with Dr Andrea Klomp of the Netherlands Cultural Heritage Agency to consider whether the now-defunct ANCODS committee and the 1972 Agreement between the Netherlands and Australia concerning Old Dutch Shipwrecks which created the committee could offer a useful model for bilateral or multilateral agreements between member states to the convention.

Following the symposium, participants enjoyed a day-long tour of several important sites in the region, including a museum devoted to the Dutch Waterline, a network of canals and dykes which proved an invaluable defence against land invasion for three centuries (featured recently in the television series “Versailles” on SBS, Season 2 Episode 6).

Dr Mark Staniforth touring the Reitveld Schröder House in Utrecht. Photo: © Adrian Craciunescu. Used by permission.

The tour also included a visit to perhaps the smallest site on the World Heritage List, the Reitveld Schröder House, designed by the...
Dutch architect and furniture maker Gerrit Reitveld, and built in 1924 on the outskirts of Utrecht.

**Future Activities**

Planning has commenced for a committee meeting to be held at the 19th General Assembly in Delhi, India, in December 2017.

Planning is also underway for the Committee’s 2018 annual meeting and symposium, tentatively to be held in South Korea.

**Website**

The committee website may be viewed at: http://iclafi.org/

**International Polar Heritage Committee (IPHC)**

**Julian Bickersteth M.ICOMOS, IPHC President**

IPHC has had a quiet year.

No formal Australian meetings have been held. Julian Bickersteth, as President of IPHC, gave a talk on 17th August 2017 as part of the Sydney Talks presented by Australia ICOMOS, DOCOMOMO Australia, and the NSW Chapter Australian Institute of Architects on *Conserving the Ross Island Huts and the work of IPHC*.

The IPHC Conference planned for September 2017 in Christchurch, New Zealand, has been postponed.

**International Committee on Risk Preparedness (ICORP)**

**Robyn Riddett M.ICOMOS**

**Activities**

The principal event for ICORP was held in association with the ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting in Istanbul in October 2016.

Turkish ICORP members organized an afternoon/evening session with Search and Rescue teams at their headquarters. This took the form of a symposium and papers were given by various members present. Included was an overview of the work of Search and Rescue Turkey which also highlighted opportunities for co-operation with heritage colleagues and dissemination or early damage reports by first responders.

Catherine Forbes, Australia ICOMOS member of ICORP, gave a short presentation and Robyn Riddett took the minutes of the meeting and prepared a report. Our Turkish colleagues provided a home-cooked supper which was delightful.

At the ICOMOS General Assembly Zeynep Gül Unal, Secretary-General of ICORP, organised a poster display of the works of ICORP members which included approximately 25 posters. Zeynep also chaired a session of the Advisory Committee.

Due to time required by ICORP members to organize the Advisory Committee meeting and the forthcoming ICOMOS General Assembly in Delhi, no other events were organized in 2016-17.

Nevertheless the number of new members applying to join ICORP continues at a reasonably steady pace and the ICORP Listserv continues to be active with matters of interest and discussion. Latterly two grants have been applied for to undertake projects.

**Board Matters**

As a member of the Board of Blue Shield, Robyn Riddett chaired two sessions held in Milan in 2016, in association with the ICOM General Assembly. She has also contributed to all Board meetings held in person or by Skype on a monthly basis.

Robyn Riddett has also been part of the working group to administer the status of National Blue Shield Committees.

**Future Activities**

Robyn Riddett and Catherine Forbes will be at the Blue Shield General Assembly in Vienna in September 2017.
Publications
ICORP has an editorial group working on *The Blue Shield Approach*, prepared by Professor Peter Stone, Secretary-General of Blue Shield. Robyn Riddett was part of this editorial group.

International Committee on Rock Art (CAR)

*Benjamin Smith, CAR President*

**Australian Membership**
This is an international ICOMOS committee upon which Australia has representation. The Australian members on this committee are:
- Professor Jo McDonald
- Professor Sharon Sullivan.

**Australian Meetings**
- Terrigal, NSW, December 2016.
- Perth, WA, May 2017 (unfortunately Sharon Sullivan could not attend for health reasons).

Peter Veth withdrew from the administration of the committee due to workload pressures, but continues to support in an advisory role.

**Cooperation with Australian Agencies**
Work of CAR during 2016-17 was broadly international.

The only action relating to Australia was a letter sent by the President of the CAR and another by the Australian representative on CAR to various State and Commonwealth authorities concerning the dangers of mining riverine gold along Laura River, Queensland.

**Future Australian activities**
It is anticipated that CAR will become more involved in advocating for greater levels of protection from industry and industrial pollution for the rock art of the Dampier Archipelago and for other sites as and where appropriate.

**Operating Charters**
*Statutes for the International Committee on Rock Art.*

International Scientific Committee on Shared Built Heritage (ISCSBH)

*Susan Jackson-Stepowski M.ICOMOS*

**Membership**
The President is Professor Dr. Siegfried RCT Enders (Germany), Vice President is Susan Jackson-Stepowski (Australia) (and Australian voting member), and Secretary is John Ward (Canada). ISCS BH has 104 members in 24 countries, with 22 voting members and five regional representatives.

ISC SBH welcomes young professionals and corresponding members.

**Meetings**
The 2016 annual meeting was held in Halifax, Canada, in conjunction with the 5-15 September study tour of Nova Scotia, and prior to the annual ICOMOS Canada conference in that city. It arose following a presentation about the World Heritage town of Lunenburg, where we meet with several representatives to discuss management of the town which was founded by early British loyalist and German protestant immigration.

At the New Glasgow Local Government Offices, Nova Scotia, Canada. Photo: B. Stepowski.

The tour included several local government areas from Yarmouth in the south to Sydney in the north, the World Heritage farming cultural landscape Grande Pre, Cape Breton’s 19th century Scottish and Irish communities, and the Fortress of Louisbourg, a partially reconstructed 18th century French colonial fortified town, topical for tourism interpretation. Thanks to the
many local government heritage officers and planners who contributed, and in particular to Seamus McGreal in Halifax for his coordination and special tour of the c.1917 Hydrostone Garden Suburb.

**Finances**

All activities and attending of meetings are on a voluntary and self-funded basis.

**Publications**

ISC SBH produces a bi-annual e-newsletter and always seeks inputs from members.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

ISC SBH continues to work closely with colleagues in other ISCs and affiliates in various countries.

In June Australia ICOMOS (Mary Knaggs) kindly hosted Mei Qing, a professor of architectural history and architectural conservation in the department of architecture at Tongji University in Shanghai and an expert for ISC SBH.

The *Shared Built Heritage in Central Europe* study tour, 1-9 September 2016, took in the changing borders between Germany, France and Luxemburg, in cooperation with the ICOMOS National Committees of Germany, France and Luxemburg. Attendees included Australia ICOMOS member Gary McDonald who contributed a summary of Luxembourg SBH.

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**The theme of the 4th Cross Over conference in Wuhan, China in November 2016 was Time & Space: Ever-changing Cities and Heritage.**

In conjunction with the July 2017 School of Arts and Humanities, University of Lisbon conference *Preserving transcultural heritage: your way or my way?: authenticity and safeguarding architectural heritage and identity created when cultures meet*, three ISC SBH papers were given – by Dr Enders (Germany), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (Australia) and John Ward (Canada).

Conference site visits included several places within the World Heritage towns of Évora and Sienna.


In 2017 the ISC SBH annual meeting is in two parts – at Évora (European focus), Portugal; and in Delhi on 9 December 2017 prior to the General Assembly (Asian focus).

ISC SBH expert inputs were sought for World Heritage dossier desk reviews.

**Future Activities**

Prior to the Delhi General Assembly ISC SBH has organised a study tour to East Bengal, based around the former British India capital of Calcutta. ISC SBH is pleased to be working with the newly created ICOMOS India National Scientific Committee for Shared Built Heritage. The ICOMOS India Treasurer also attended the Lisbon conference to further this cooperation.

2018 is the European Year of Cultural Heritage. The ISC SBH will link in with this.

**Website**

The ISC SBH website is hosted on the ICOMOS Paris based platform at: [http://sbh.icomos.org](http://sbh.icomos.org)

Sue Jackson-Stepowski has continued to transfer articles onto the SBH website. The ISC SBH thanks site controller Gerry Brooks, former President of the Society of Motion Picture and Televisions Engineers.
International Committee on Stone (ISCS)

David Young OAM, M.ICOMOS

Membership

The Stone ISC is managed by a Bureau of three; there are 23 voting members, 66 expert members, 27 associate members and four honorary members. There are two Australia ICOMOS members — one voting member and one expert member.

Meetings

The 24th meeting of the ISCS was held in the Paisley Town Hall, Scotland on 6 September 2016. The brief meeting was held in conjunction with the 13th International Congress on the Deterioration and Conservation of Stone.

Held every four years, the Congress is organised by a separate Permanent Scientific Committee whose membership partly overlaps with that of the ISCS. Given the overlap and the common interest of the two groups, the ISCS website (http://iscs.icomos.org) now hosts copies of the proceedings of three of the congresses: Lisbon (1992), Berlin (1996) and New York (2012). Proceedings of two other international conferences that were co-organised by the ISCS are also available on the website.

Publications

The multi-lingual ICOMOS-ISCS: Illustrated glossary on stone deterioration patterns is now available in English, French, German, Czech, Portuguese, Spanish, Korean, Japanese and Arabic. Translation into other languages is in progress. PDFs of the glossary are available at: http://iscs.icomos.org/glossary.html

Website

http://iscs.icomos.org/glossary.html

International Scientific Committee on Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration (ISCTC)

Dr Andrew Sneddon M.ICOMOS

Australian Membership

Australia members and corresponding members are Meredith Walker and Andrew Sneddon.

Meetings

In March 2017, the International Scientific Committee for the Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration (ISCTC) in collaboration with the International Scientific Committee on the Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites (ICIP) and the Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco-Life Beyond Tourism held an International conference titled Place of Memory - Protection, Conservation, Interpretation. The conference was held in Florence, Italy.

The topic of the conference dealt with the term/concept 'place of memory' ('lieu de memoire') as it has been used in heritage protection with increased frequency. A 'place of memory' is a property or site vested with historical significance due to the nature of the historic events that occurred there. What differentiates places of memory from other categories of heritage is the relation between the material and non-material components of the site. In 'places of memory', the non-material component is of far greater importance than the material one.

The conference organisers noted that it is therefore necessary to coin fundamental terms for the sites in question, formulate principles of conservation-related actions to be taken in these places, and popularise examples of protecting and interpreting 'places of memory'.

Future Activities

The topic and venue for the March 2018 conference have not yet been announced,
but invitations for submission of abstracts are usually called in December each year.

**Website**

The ISC does not have a website, but it commonly puts posts on the website for the Romualdo del Bianco Foundation at: http://www.fondazione-delbianco.org/en/

**International Training Committee (CIF)**

*David Mason M.ICOMOS*

The CIF Working Group on Guidelines in Education & Training met in Rome in November 2016 to finalise Guidelines that have been in development since 2012. These framework texts will further the development in each region of a wide variety of education and training programmes to enable participation by a broad range of practitioners. The first is on training of heritage practitioners at higher education level. The second concerns vocational training for crafts/trades in cultural heritage.

The CIF Working Group on crafts has recently developed guidelines for crafts training in heritage (so-called ‘Module C’), which are currently under review by the Committee.

CIF’s objectives heading towards December 2017 are to finalise input to these documents and submit the CIF Principles for final approval by the ICOMOS Executive Committee and adoption by the General Assembly in December 2017.

CIF’s recent collaborative work on education and training has been chiefly in the context of European practice, with the European Confederation of Conservator-Restorers’ Organisations (ECCO) and the European Network for Conservation Restoration Education (EnCoRe). This has been to align with the competencies developed for conservation professional communities in the European context (CIF membership is 75% European-North American).

Moves are afoot to seek member feedback for inclusive, proactive regional exchanges, especially beyond the Euro Atlantic, on education guidelines, including for topics such as climate adaptation, community engagement, intangible values and heritage economics.

**International Wood Committee (IIWC)**

*Dr Tanya Park M.ICOMOS*

**Australian Membership**

Australia has three members of the IIWC: Professor Guo, Dr Tanya Park and Peter Freeman.

Tanya is currently the voting member for the Committee at the ICOMOS General Assembly.

**Publications**

Ian McGillivray, the IIWC Interim President, Mary Glendenning and Mikel Landa attended the ICOMOS AGM in Istanbul, 17 – 21 October 2016. The IIWC Wood Principles were published as part of the proceedings and presented to the ADCOM Scientific Committee. Issues identified at the Istanbul meeting that were considered pertinent to the principles were:

- The effect of climate change on wooden materials, for example environmental stress on timber resources, invasive species and insects.
- Reconstruction. This was a leading topic at the conference. For example, reconstruction after a disaster and reconstruction of lost heritage.
- A ‘rights based approach’ to conservation which includes sustainability and human rights.
- The relationship and linkages between nature and culture.

The Principles for the conservation of wooden built heritage have been approved and IIWC is seeking their adoption at the ICOMOS General Assembly, Delhi, 2017. The preliminary issues were considered and the final draft of the principles was reflective of the issues raised at the 2016 Istanbul AGM. The Principles encourages embodiment of intangible practices, and respect for intangible cultural heritage. The recognition of the increasing loss of historic
wooden structures was highlighted alongside sustainable development. Community participation and local stakeholders were also recognised.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**

Representation by IIWC members was encouraged at the following international events that aligned with IIWC in 2017:

- ISCARSAH, Seoul, [June] *Structural Health Assessment, Disaster Prevention, Sustainable Management of World Heritage Sites*.
- CIPA, Ottawa, Canada [August] *Digital Workflows for Heritage Conservation*.
- SHATIS 17’, Istanbul [September] *Structural Health Assessment of Timber Structures*.

**New Bureau 2017-20**

The new IIWC Bureau for 2017-20 consists of: Tanya Park (Australia), Toshikazu Tsuchimoto (Japan), Maria de Guadalupe Zepeda (Mexico), Andrew Fearon (USA), Mikel Landa (Spain), Tina Wik (Sweden) and Doug Evans (UK).

Bureau responsibilities will be decided at the ICOMOS General Assembly in Delhi in December 2017. At that time Bureau positions (President, Secretary-General, Vice Presidents (region specific)) will be finalised.

**Website**

The continued development of the website is a focus for the new committee.

The website is at: http://iiwc.icomos.org/
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AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED
ARBN: 155731025

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30 June 2017
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Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

- Bravery, Suzanne
- Clinch, Robyn
- Danis, Kerime retired (17/10/2016)
- Dawbin, Bruce
- Hodges, Sue retired (17/10/2016)
- Jans, Edwina
- Johnson, Wayne appointed (17/10/2016)
- Knaggs, Mary
- Lindsay, Deborah retired (17/10/2016)
- Little, Liz appointed (17/10/2016)
- Mackay, Richard appointed (17/10/2016)
- McConnell, Anne
- Park, Tanya
- Perrigo, Tom retired (17/08/2016)
- Queale, Michael appointed (17/10/2016)
- Sturis, Lisa
- Travers, Ian
- Whincop, Mathew
- Wight, Ian
- Winter, Tim retired (17/10/2016)

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were:
- to provide, protect, preserve and promote monuments and sites.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The result for the year was a loss of $22,926 (last year a profit of $41,077).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.

Travers, Ian
President

Wight, Ian
Treasurer

Dated this 5th day of August 2017
### Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

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<th>2017</th>
<th>2016</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Regular Income</strong></td>
<td>168,732</td>
<td>150,632</td>
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<td><strong>Regular expenditure</strong></td>
<td>172,238</td>
<td>159,000</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Net Regular Income (Loss)</strong></td>
<td><strong>(3,506)</strong></td>
<td><strong>(8,368)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Irregular Income</strong></td>
<td>6,086</td>
<td>189,749</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Irregular expenditure</strong></td>
<td>25,506</td>
<td>140,304</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Net Irregular Income (Loss)</strong></td>
<td><strong>(19,420)</strong></td>
<td><strong>49,445</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to members of the entity</strong></td>
<td><strong>(22,926)</strong></td>
<td><strong>41,077</strong></td>
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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
### ASSETS

#### CURRENT ASSETS
- Cash on hand: 310,967 (2017), 412,734 (2016)
- Other current assets: 24,580 (2017), 18,764 (2016)

#### TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS

#### NON-CURRENT ASSETS
- Other non-current assets: - (2017), - (2016)

#### TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS
- Total: - (2017), - (2016)

#### TOTAL ASSETS

### LIABILITIES

#### CURRENT LIABILITIES
- Accounts payable and other payables: 73,387 (2017), 150,676 (2016)
- Current tax liabilities: 434 (2017), 1,975 (2016)

#### TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES
- Total: 73,821 (2017), 152,651 (2016)

#### NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES
- Accounts payable and other payables: - (2017), - (2016)

#### TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES
- Total: - (2017), - (2016)

#### TOTAL LIABILITIES
- Total: 73,821 (2017), 152,651 (2016)

#### NET ASSETS

### EQUITY

#### TOTAL EQUITY

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## Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 30 June 2017

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<th>Retained Surplus</th>
<th>Financial Assets Reserve</th>
<th>General Reserve</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<td>Balance at 1 July 2015</td>
<td>243,653</td>
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<td><strong>Comprehensive income</strong></td>
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<td>Net surplus for the year</td>
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<td><strong>Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity</strong></td>
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<td>Balance at 30 June 2016</td>
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<td><strong>Comprehensive income</strong></td>
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<td>Net surplus for the year</td>
<td>(22,926)</td>
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<td><strong>Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity</strong></td>
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<td>Balance at 30 June 2017</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Contributions (members) received</td>
<td>116,475</td>
<td>112,377</td>
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<tr>
<td>Receipts from sales of goods - publications</td>
<td>14,810</td>
<td>1,213</td>
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<td>Donations received</td>
<td>3,277</td>
<td>1,135</td>
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<tr>
<td>Payments to suppliers and employees</td>
<td>(266,928)</td>
<td>(338,726)</td>
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<td>Interest received</td>
<td>8,455</td>
<td>7,708</td>
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<td>Conference proceeds</td>
<td>5,915</td>
<td>167,397</td>
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<td>Copyright fees</td>
<td>6,558</td>
<td>1,821</td>
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<tr>
<td>Forums, seminars etc</td>
<td>9,671</td>
<td>17,851</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities</td>
<td>(101,767)</td>
<td>(29,224)</td>
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| **CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES** |       |       |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | -       | -      |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment            | -       | -      |
| Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities  | -       | -      |

| **CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES** |       |       |
| Payment of borrowings | -       | -      |
| Proceeds from borrowings | -       | -      |
| Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities | -       | -      |

Net increase/(decrease) in cash held | (101,767) | (29,224) |
Cash on hand at beginning of financial year | 412,734  | 441,958 |
Cash on hand at end of financial year  | 310,967  | 412,734 |

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
The financial statements cover Australia ICOMOS Incorporated as an individual entity. Australia ICOMOS Incorporated is an association incorporated in the Australian Capital Territory and operating pursuant to the Associations Incorporation Act 1991. It is also a Registered Australian Body enabling the association to operate Australia wide.

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the ACNC Act 2012 and Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board. The association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Accounting Policies

(a) Income Tax

The association applied for and was granted tax exempt status as a charity in 2002. Whilst this exemption is no longer in force and the issue is now based on self assessment, the committee members believe circumstances remain unchanged and no income tax return need be lodged.

(b) Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks and other highly liquid investments.

(c) Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from customers for goods sold in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

(d) Revenue and Other Income

Non-reciprocal grant revenue is recognised as a profit when the association obtains control of the grant, it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the association and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

If conditions are attached to the grant which must be satisfied before the entity is eligible to receive the contribution, the recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

When grant revenue is received whereby the association incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

(e) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

(f) Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.
(g) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Note 2 Auditor’s Fees

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<td>Remuneration of the auditor</td>
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<td>of the association for:</td>
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<tr>
<td>— auditing or reviewing the financial statements</td>
<td>3,500</td>
<td>3,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>— taxation services</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>— due diligence services</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>— taxation services provided by related practice of auditor</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>— Accounting year end</td>
<td>3,000</td>
<td>3,000</td>
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<td>— Accounting year end - under accrual last</td>
<td>-</td>
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Note 3 Cash on Hand

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<td>Cash at bank - unrestricted</td>
<td>47,724</td>
<td>127,995</td>
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<td>Short-term investments - bank deposits</td>
<td>263,243</td>
<td>284,739</td>
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<td></td>
<td>310,967</td>
<td>412,734</td>
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Reconciliation of cash

Cash on hand at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows:

Cash on hand | 310,967 | 412,734 |
-------------|---------|---------|
|            | 310,967 | 412,734 |

Note 4 Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

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<td>Contributions (members) receivable</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other debtors</td>
<td>78</td>
<td>5,882</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total current accounts receivable and other debtors</td>
<td>78</td>
<td>5,882</td>
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No impairment of accounts receivable and other debtors was required at 30 June 2017 (2016: $Nil).

Note 5 Other Current Assets

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<td>Prepayments</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>- Delhi 2017 GA expenses</td>
<td>3,556</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>- 2018 Pacific Conference</td>
<td>3,000</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>- ICOMOS (France) subscriptions to 31 December</td>
<td>18,024</td>
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<td></td>
<td>24,580</td>
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NON-CURRENT

Prepayments | - | - |

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### Note 6 Accounts Payable and Other Payables

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<td><strong>CURRENT</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Unsecured liabilities</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Accounts payable</td>
<td>8,324</td>
<td>20,770</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fund for Indigenous Conference attendances</td>
<td>4,630</td>
<td>3,408</td>
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<td>Fund for Pacific Training</td>
<td>8,723</td>
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<td>Fund for Victoria Falls</td>
<td>2,378</td>
<td>1,098</td>
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<tr>
<td>Provision for Levuka Project</td>
<td>12,130</td>
<td>12,130</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less applied this year</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Members' fees in advance</td>
<td>15,345</td>
<td>40,768</td>
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<tr>
<td>Provision for copyright claims</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>7,263</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dept of Envir. Int. VP International Travel Grants</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>- P. Phillips - Grant $50,000 plus $11,564</td>
<td>44,593</td>
<td>61,654</td>
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<td>Less Applied this year</td>
<td>(35,144)</td>
<td>(17,061)</td>
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<td>Provision for future events - NSC-CLCR</td>
<td>1,545</td>
<td>1,545</td>
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<td>Provision for future events - NSC-ICH</td>
<td>3,153</td>
<td>3,153</td>
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<tr>
<td>Provision for future Historic Enviroment issues</td>
<td>7,710</td>
<td>8,000</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>73,387</td>
<td>150,876</td>
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<td><strong>NON-CURRENT</strong></td>
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<td>Accounts payable</td>
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<td>Grants (state) operating received in advance</td>
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Note 8  Related Party Transactions

a. Key Management Personnel
   Any person(s) having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the association, directly or indirectly, including its committee members, is considered key management personnel.

b. Other Related Parties
   Other related parties include close family members of key management personnel and entities that are controlled or jointly controlled by those key management personnel, individually or collectively with their close family members.

   There were no related party transactions in this or the previous year.

Note 9  Cash Flow Information

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<td>Net current year surplus</td>
<td>(22,926)</td>
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<td>— Depreciation expense</td>
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<td>— Net (gain)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment</td>
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<td>Changes in assets and liabilities</td>
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<td>— (Increase)/decrease in accounts receivable and other debtors</td>
<td>5,804</td>
<td>(1,278)</td>
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<td>— (Increase)/decrease in prepayments</td>
<td>(5,816)</td>
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<td>— (Increase)/decrease in inventories on hand</td>
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<td>— Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable and other payables</td>
<td>(77,288)</td>
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<td>(101,767)</td>
<td>(29,224)</td>
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Note 10  Association Details

The registered office of the association is:
Australia ICOMOS Incorporated
Faculty of Arts, Deakin University
221 Burwood Highway
Burwood VIC 3125

The principal place of business is:
Australia ICOMOS Incorporated
Faculty of Arts, Deakin University
221 Burwood Highway
Burwood VIC 3125
We have audited the financial report of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated (the association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2017, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated is in accordance with the ACNC Act 2012 including:

i. giving a true and fair view of the association’s financial position as at 30 June 2017 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and

ii. that the financial records kept by the association are such as to enable financial statements to be prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

Basis for Opinion
We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board’s APES 110: Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon
The committee of the association is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the association’s annual report for the year ended 30 June 2017 but does not include the financial report and our auditor’s report thereon. Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Committee for the Financial Report
The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the ACNC Act 2012 and for such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the committee is responsible for assessing the association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and to issue an auditor’s report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association’s internal control.
AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED  
ARBN: 155731025  
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the committee’s use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association’s ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor’s report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor’s report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Auditor’s name and signature:  

[Signature]

Simon M. Dorahy  
Partner

Name of firm: Elliott House Partners  
Chartered Accountants

Address: 140 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060

Dated this 30th day of August 2017
AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED
ARBN: 155731025
COMPILATION REPORT TO AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED

We have compiled the accompanying general purpose financial statements of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated, which comprise a STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION being a DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 30 June 2017.

The Responsibility of the Committee

The committee of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated is solely responsible for the information contained in the general purpose financial statements and the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the committee, we have compiled the accompanying general purpose financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting framework and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and we have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110: Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants.

Assurance Disclaimer

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the information provided to us by management to compile these financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on these financial statements.

The general purpose financial statements were compiled for the benefit of the committee who is responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them. We do not accept responsibility for the contents of the general purpose financial statements.

Simon M. Dorahy
Partner
Elliott House Partners
Chartered Accountants
140 Arthur Street
North Sydney NSW 2060

Date 30th August 2017
### Regular Income/Expense

#### Regular Income

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<td>Conference Proceedings</td>
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<td>Copyright fees</td>
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<td>Historic Environment</td>
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<td>Subscription sales</td>
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<td>Jim Kerr address</td>
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<td><strong>Total 4. National Activity Income</strong></td>
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#### Regular expenditure

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### Regular expenditure (continued)

2. **Publication Expenses**

- **AICOMOS Banner**
  - Annual Report 114 363
- **Cultural Routes & Accommodation**
- **Historic Environment**
  - Historic Environment - Other 21,487 27,650
  - Recoup prov for W/marks HE (5,337) (6,818)
- **Presentation folder**
- **Trade Marks & Domain Names**
  - Total 2. Publication Expenses 16,417 21,195

3. **Financial Expenses**

- **Audit Fees**
  - 6,500 6,500
- **Bank Charges**
  - 80
- **Merchant Fees**
  - 329 489
- **Overseas Bank Transfer charge**
  - 20 20
- **Paypal fees**
  - 1,784 1,928

  **Total 3. Financial Expenses**
  - 8,633 9,017

4. **National Activity Expenses**

- **AI Pres Award**
  - 1,845
- **AGM expenses**
  - 813
- **Blue Shield**
  - 1,000 1,000
- **Executive Meeting Expenses**
  - 1,491 1,681
- **Executive Travel & Accomm**
  - 13,560 8,481
- **J. Kerr event**
  - 4,499 5,608
- **National Scientific Committees**
  - 260 909
- **State-based events**
  - 1,714 0
- **Travel - President**
  - 1,840 1,840
- **Travel - Representations**
  - 2,236 1,281

  **Total 4. National Activity Expenses**
  - 26,607 21,614

5. **Organisational Expenses**

- **Insurance**
  - 2,831 2,445
- **IT items**
  - 500
- **Loomio subscription**
  - 255
- **Other**
  - 41 127
- **Postage and Couriers**
  - 852 1,045
- **Printing and Stationary**
  - 303 212
- **Rent and Storage**
  - 3,574 2,437
- **Survey Monkey sub**
  - 309 368
- **Website Expenses**
  - 6,763 3,667

  **Total 5. Organisational Expenses**
  - 15,428 10,300

6. **Secretariat Expenses**

- **Secretariat Services**
  - 61,385 52,423
- **Secretariat Superannuation**
  - 5,823 4,980

  **Total 6. Secretariat Expenses**
  - 67,208 57,404

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**AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED**

**ARBN: 155731025**

**STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**
## 7. National Science Committees

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<td>NSC-ICH 2016 events</td>
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<td>NSC - ICH Provision for future events</td>
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<td>Net Regular Income - Surplus(Deficit)</td>
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<td>(8,368)</td>
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### Irregular Income/Expense

#### Irregular Income

1. Conference Income
   - 2015 Fabric conference | 182,106 |
   - 2016 NSW Hlge symposium | 7,644 |
   - People's Ground 2016 | 5,377 |
   - Total 1. Conference Income | 5,377 | 189,749 |

2. National income (other)
   - AI History book sales | 709 |
   - Total 2. National income (other) | 709 | 0 |

### Total Irregular Income

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<td>189,749</td>
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#### Irregular expenditure

1. Conference Expenses
   - 2015 Fabric conference | 123,499 |
   - People's Ground 2016 | 330 |
   - Provn Peoples Gmd HE Journal | 5,047 |
   - Provision Fabric Issue Historic Journal | 8,000 |
   - Total 1. Conference Expenses | 5,377 | 131,499 |

2. Forums, Seminars etc.
   - Forums, Seminars etc. | 3,805 |
   - Total 2. Forums, Seminars etc | 0 | 3,805 |

3. National expenses (Other)
   - Conservation plan printing | 531 |
   - History of AI | 11,629 | 5,000 |
   - Strategic Plan Workshop | 4,141 |
   - Total 3. National expenses (Other) | 16,301 | 5,000 |
   - GA bid: $2,919
   - ISC Assistance Fund: $909
   - Travel - International Vice President
     - P. Phillips - VP travel: $25,054, ($17,061)
     - Recouped from D of E Grant: ($25,054), ($17,061)

   Total 4 National expenses (other): $3,827, $0

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<td>Net Irregular income Surplus(Deficit)</td>
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<td>Net All Income - Profit(Loss) for year</td>
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