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to lead cultural heritage conservation in Australia by raising standards, encouraging debate and generating innovative ideas.
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PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Peter Phillips

I have pleasure in presenting the President’s report for 2007. Both the Committee and the organisation have had a full and rich year, with a number of changes of the guard.

Executive Committee

I first want to thank all the members of the Executive Committee who have again given so generously of their time and expertise this year. Following the 2006 elections, the Committee maintained representation from all states and territories except the Northern Territory, and we therefore coopted David Bridgman from Darwin to replace Elizabeth Close. We also welcomed new members Anthony Coupe from South Australia and Jane Harrington from Tasmania. For the 2006-07 year, the Committee members were Caitlin Allen (NSW), David Bridgman (NT), Alan Croker (NSW), Timothy Hubbard (Vic), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW), Agnieszka Kiera (WA), Helen Lardner (Vic), Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy (Qld), Leah McKenzie (ACT), Anthony Coupe (SA), Kelly Rippingale (WA), Jane Harrington (Tas), Lori Sciusco (NSW), Anita Smith (Vic) and Elizabeth Vines (SA).

Kristal Buckley, immediate past President and now International Vice-President of ICOMOS, has also attended Executive meetings to brief the Committee on international matters. She has had a significant influence on the work of ICOMOS at the international level, and is a great ambassador for Australia ICOMOS. She has also been a wonderful source of advice and counsel to the Executive Committee and we are most grateful for all she does.

Lori Sciusco, Kelly Rippingale and Anita Smith have not renominated for the Committee because of the demands of their lives outside the Executive. All past and present members of the Committee will entirely understand this, knowing how much work is involved. We are very sorry to lose them, and thank them for all their hard work during the year, especially Kelly Rippingale who took over the exacting role of Treasurer. Anita Smith has indicated that she hopes to be able to continue as the Coordinator of our World Heritage Reference Group.

Alan Croker and Caitlin Allen will also be leaving the Executive Committee at the Annual General Meeting, having completed their maximum three consecutive terms. Alan has made a significant contribution to the work of Australia ICOMOS particularly on matters relating to the Burra Charter and its associated documents, and more recently on issues of copyright and moral rights. Caitlin has been Vice-President for the last year, and an invaluable source of hard work, support and sound advice to me and others. We are very grateful to both of them for all the time and energy they have devoted to Australia ICOMOS over many years, and hope that they will continue to be involved in the work of Australia ICOMOS in whatever way they feel able to do so.

I must also thank Kate Cowie for continuing to act as our Public Officer and enabling us to fulfil our corporate obligations each year, and Sue Jackson-Stepowski for the many hours she has spent assembling this Annual Report and also helping me put together the new Policies and Procedures manual for the Executive Committee.

Secretariat

Nola Miles, our Secretariat Officer, has decided to move on after several years of devoted service. Our financial and administrative responsibilities as an organisation have continued to grow over
this time, and Nola has taken an ever-increasing proportion of them with her customary efficiency and good humour. She has enabled us to make great improvements in the way we deal with our members and the public as a professional organisation, and hers will be a very hard act to follow. I have been particularly grateful to her for all that she has done to make my own role easier, and on your behalf I thank Nola most sincerely for a job well done. The Executive Committee has advertised for a replacement and hopes to be able to announce the appointment at the Annual General Meeting.

The Secretariat continues to operate on a part time basis from our home at Deakin University, and we are as always most grateful to the University, and especially to Professor Bill Logan and his staff at the Cultural Heritage Centre for Asia and the Pacific, for their support. We also continue to maintain our storage unit in Burwood and are progressively working through the archives to arrange and catalogue them. I have recently received more material for the archives, and would encourage past Committee members to send any records they may still have to the Secretariat so that these can be added to the collection.

After many years, Brian Long has decided that he can no longer continue to maintain the Australia ICOMOS web site, and we have therefore appointed a Melbourne-based IT consultant to manage the updating of material on the site while we examine the larger question of redesigning it. We hope to make substantial progress with this project over the coming year.

Finances

Australia ICOMOS has had an extremely successful year, ending the reporting period with a very substantial profit. As reported in the Treasurer’s report, this is partly the result of an unexpectedly large amount received from the Copyright Agency Limited, for the reproduction of copyright material that we publish, mostly in Historic Environment. We also benefited from the profits from the highly successful Port Cities conference, and from the generous assistance of the Australian Government, through its triennial grant under the GVEHO program and also through its support for the annual conference and reimbursement of overseas travel expenses for our International Vice-President. We are very grateful to the Department of the Environment and Water Resources, the Minister, Malcolm Turnbull, and Deputy Minister, John Cobb, for their continuing support.

We are always aware that the support we receive from the Commonwealth and Deakin University cannot be taken for granted, and we are therefore continuing to build up our reserves so that if the financial climate changes in the future we are able to maintain our services to members. The good result for the year does however give us some confidence that we will be able to hold membership subscription rates at their current level for some years. I must also commend our members for their generosity in donating to the various funds that Australia ICOMOS has established for good works – we were able to send money to our colleagues in Indonesia early in the financial year to assist conservation work following the Yogyakarta earthquake, and to contribute money from the Indigenous conference fund towards the Cairns conference. We will shortly be sending money collected for the Victoria Falls Fund to International ICOMOS.

I must again thank the auditor, Peter Gosling of Elliott House Pty Ltd, who reviews our accounts each year and provides many helpful suggestions on how we can improve our financial record-keeping.

Membership

As the Membership Secretary’s Report indicates, our membership continues to grow steadily. We have rationalised the membership categories during the year to make the membership structure more comprehensible, and to make life easier for the Secretariat at renewal time.

One issue that has arisen recently is that of accreditation of heritage consultants, and some (including some of our members) have suggested that ICOMOS membership might be adopted as a form of accreditation. While the Executive Committee supports the engagement of ICOMOS members who have undertaken to practice in accordance with the Ethical Commitment Statement, it does not consider that the limited review of membership qualifications that it undertakes is adequate for accreditation. We are however happy to participate in discussions with other professional bodies such as the RAIA and Engineers Australia and to support their efforts to establish a more formal accreditation process that will maintain standards of best heritage practice.
Representations
At the Port Cities conference in Fremantle last year, following a passionate speech at the conference dinner by our guest Dr Carmen Lawrence, the conference delegates passed a resolution concerning the conservation of the Burrup Peninsula, which was sent to the then Minister Senator Campbell and the Premier and Minister for Heritage in Western Australia. The Burrup Peninsula was placed on the National Heritage List by Senator Campbell's successor, Malcolm Turnbull.

Much of our effort this year has been devoted to building relationships with the Heritage Division of the expanded Department of the Environment and Water Resources, and the new ministerial team of Malcolm Turnbull and his deputy John Cobb, who share responsibilities for heritage. We have discussed cultural heritage policy with both Ministers, the shadow Minister and their advisers in the context of the approaching Federal election, mentioning the decreasing budget allocations for cultural heritage, and focusing on the impact of climate change on cultural heritage.

Australia ICOMOS has as usual responded to a number of requests for submissions to Government, including commenting on reviews of heritage legislation in two states, and nominating members to the Heritage Councils of two others. My thanks go to all those who have drafted submissions or assisted with comments during the year, including Sue Jackson-Stepowski, Richard Mackay, Caitlin Allen, Elspeth Wishart, and our submissions co-ordinator Leah McKenzie. I am especially grateful to Duncan Marshall, who has provided invaluable support to me and other ICOMOS members in his monitoring of events in Canberra and maintaining contact with government.

National Cultural Heritage Forum
Australia ICOMOS continues to provide the Chair (Kristal Buckley) and Secretary (Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy) for the NCHF. With the changes in portfolio early in the year, we had to re-engage with the new Minister, John Cobb, to secure a new meeting date for the Forum. This was preceded by useful teleconferences with the Heritage Division to establish the agenda for the Forum and resolve procedural matters. The Forum met in August, with the usual briefing session with officers from the Department of Environment and Water Resources ending with an unexpected meeting with the senior Minister, Malcolm Turnbull. The normal ministerial meeting with John Cobb took place the following day. Again, climate change and its impact on heritage was high on the agenda.

World Heritage
I was privileged to join the Australia delegation to the World Heritage Committee meeting in Christchurch this year, at which Australia ICOMOS members were prominent. Joan Domicelj, who had been working in the ICOMOS office in Paris with the World Heritage Group since the beginning of the year, presented several of the cultural heritage nominations, and Anita Smith presented a progress report on the work that she and Kevin Jones of New Zealand ICOMOS have been doing on a thematic study of cultural landscapes in the Pacific. Kristal Buckley was also present as a member of the ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group. There was much celebration when the inscription of the Sydney Opera House on the World Heritage list was announced. Australia ICOMOS and other ICOMOS representatives were made very welcome by our colleagues in ICOMOS New Zealand.

Australia ICOMOS has also been contributing to the serial nomination of the Australian Convict Sites, and at the time of writing is one of a number of expert bodies reviewing the draft nomination. To date we have not been as involved as we would wish in the process of nominating new items to the Australian Tentative List of World Heritage places, but hope that opportunities for this will emerge soon. We note with pleasure that Anita Smith was a member of the Australian delegation that was elected for a four-year term as a member of the World Heritage Committee. Further information on World Heritage matters, and the activities of the Australia ICOMOS World Heritage Reference Group, is provided elsewhere in the Annual Report.

International
Australia ICOMOS members continue to be some of the most active participants in the work of international ICOMOS, with representation on the International Executive, the Scientific Council and most International Scientific Committees. Kristal Buckley has maintained her formidable workload as International Vice-President for
the Asia-Pacific region, taking an increasing role in the World Heritage activities of ICOMOS, as indicated in her report.

In January, I was invited to present a paper to an International Conference on Risk Management held by the Asia/Pacific Cultural Centre for UNESCO in Nara, Japan. This was the first of an intended series of such events to build up knowledge and exchange ideas on a topic of increasing urgency in most countries.

Kristal Buckley, I and other Australia ICOMOS members attended the annual Advisory Committee meeting of National Presidents and ISC Chairs in Pretoria this year. The two-day meeting was preceded by a one-day meeting of the Scientific Council and a one-day forum on Climate Change which included a presentation by Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy on the work being done by Australia ICOMOS. The Asia Pacific regional meeting, convened as part of the Advisory Committee meeting, was chaired by Kristal Buckley, with the assistance of Marilyn Truscott as rapporteur, and included representatives from China, South Korea and Japan as well as Australia. The four Task Teams formed at the previous Advisory Committee meeting in Edinburgh (including the one on Membership and Statutes that I was asked to chair) also met and presented their findings to the full Committee the following day. Our colleagues in ICOMOS South Africa provided a most enjoyable and memorable experience.

Kristal Buckley and Sheridan Burke have recently attended a meeting of the steering committee for the new ICOMOS International Conservation Centre in Xi’an. Australia ICOMOS has already donated copies of its publications to the library of the new centre, and at this meeting offered its assistance in future projects that the Centre might wish to run. We will continue to pursue opportunities for our members to become involved in international work.

Regional activity
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We were also delighted to assist our Pacific colleagues on the newly-formed Board of ICOMOS Pasifika to travel to Cairns to hold their first Board meeting and participate in our annual Conference. We look forward to increasing cooperation with the new Board.

Publications
The work of the Publications Committee has been capably carried on under its Coordinator, Jane Harrington. Aedeen Cremin, the General Editor of *Historic Environment* for several years, had indicated to us last year that she wished to resign but was happy to stay on until a suitable replacement was found. With her assistance and that of former Publications Coordinator, Peter Romey, we have appointed Dr Tim Winter as General Editor. Linda Young, the Reviews Editor, also resigned during the year and Marilyn Truscott has taken over her role. Aedeen and Linda have presided over a continuous period of improvement and professionalism in the production of our refereed journal, and I thank them sincerely for all their efforts.

Progress with the updating of the *Burra Charter Guidelines* by the Burra Charter Working Group is slower than we would have wished, one of many casualties of the decreasing amount of volunteer time available to us all, and we hope to make progress on this in the coming year. The Charter is being used increasingly overseas (for example, as a reference text for a UK Open University course, and as the basis for a proposed heritage charter for New
Caledonia) and we are delighted that the Charter continues to assist in cultural heritage practice worldwide.

The most visible of our publications is of course the weekly e-mail news, which continues to be a source of current information for our members and others. I received a comment on one edition from a member of the World Heritage Committee in Israel, reminding me again how widely this publication is read worldwide.

Education and training
The Annual General Meeting this year is being preceded by a seminar on World Heritage led by leading Australia ICOMOS practitioners in this area. We hope that this will be the first of many such events, as it is evident from the response that the topic is one of great interest to our members.

Australia ICOMOS has also recently concluded an agreement with Heritage Victoria to administer a scholarship for the training of heritage professionals. The scheme is intended to benefit both the trainees (envisaged at this stage as being in the early stages of their careers) and also the providers of heritage training. If the scholarship project is successful we hope to have it introduced in other states.

I am delighted to report that Samantha Westbrooke, the candidate selected by the Executive Committee, was successful in gaining a place as a US/ICOMOS Summer Intern in this year’s program. Duncan Marshall again participated as a course resource person in the UNITAR World Heritage Training Workshop in Hiroshima, Japan, with the assistance of funding from the Department of Environment and Water Resources.

Conferences and events
There are two conferences to report on this year, the Port Cities conference held in conjunction with last year’s Annual General Meeting, and this year’s Extreme Heritage conference in Cairns in July. Both events were very successful and attracted a good deal of interest from the media and the general public. There are more details of both events in the Conference Coordinators report. The Cairns conference was preceded by a one-day seminar on climate change and heritage, with a public forum in the evening. A feature of recent conferences is the large proportion of delegates that are not (yet) ICOMOS members, and this is evidence of the part that the conference plays in promoting Australia ICOMOS to the wider heritage community.

The International Day for Monuments and Sites, the theme of which for this year was Cultural Landscapes and Monuments of Nature, was celebrated with a number of events throughout Australia. Next year’s theme is Religious Heritage and Sacred Places, and I encourage you all to start thinking now about holding an event to mark the day on 18 April.

Future activities
Tasks for the coming year include:
• Implementation of our updated Policies and Procedures manual, to enable us to function more effectively as an organisation
• Preparing for the ICOMOS General Assembly in Quebec
• Developing seminars on World Heritage
• Working with government to develop the new Australian Tentative List of World Heritage places

In all of these endeavours, and in the many other tasks done by Australia ICOMOS, the Executive Committee remains deeply grateful to all of those ICOMOS members who assist us by becoming involved in State-based events, helping out with responses to submissions, or even just contacting us with good ideas. May I thank all of you for helping us to maintain the high reputation of Australia ICOMOS both here and in the international heritage community.

November 2007

SECRETARY’S REPORT
Sue Jackson-Stepowski

A brief meeting to elect office bearers followed the 2006 Fremantle AGM, held in conjunction with the Port Cities ICOMOS conference. The Executive Committee comprises members from all states, with David Bridgeman co-opted to provide Northern Territory representation. We will miss out-going committee members who have given valuable contributions for several years – Alan Croker, Caitlin Allen,
Kelly Rippingale, Lori Sciusco, and Anita Smith who takes up a post on the Australian delegation to the World Heritage Committee.

Our quarterly meetings are held in different cities around this big country. Meeting venues are procured by a local member. We thank HLCD Pty Ltd for hosting the February meeting at their offices in Melbourne, Victoria, Kate Cowie and Old Parliament House for hosting the May meeting in Canberra ACT, and James Cook University which hosted the July meeting in Cairns, Queensland. The November meeting will be held at the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority in Sydney, New South Wales. The norm has been to hold a social event afterwards with local members, which is always great fun. Between meetings many matters are handled by email and an e-group network, as is the circulation of topical and international matters.

Prior to the 2007 Australia ICOMOS Conference in Cairns on **eXtreme heritage: managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes**, we were honoured to assist with the inaugural meeting of ICOMOS Pasifika.

Each Executive Committee member takes on a role or area of responsibility, and we rely on their significant voluntary commitment to achieve Australia ICOMOS's annual goals and to ensure the smooth running of Australia ICOMOS. Minutes Secretary has again been undertaken by Liz Vines who, not only enters these electronically, but also finalises the minutes at each meeting. This is quite a task given the broad range of topics covered within very tight schedules during the all-day weekend meetings.

Our many activities throughout Australia are augmented when required by members or by persons with particular expertise. Submission writing is one such task and we thank Richard Mackay and Duncan Marshall for input in various legislation matters. Another task is maintenance of the web site, which is being reviewed and overseen by Larder Consultants. Whilst too many to name individually, many State based events would not occur without the generosity of local members assisting with organisation, catering or whatever is needed at the time - thankyou.

Australia ICOMOS continues to act as the Secretariat for the National Cultural Heritage Forum under the leadership of chair Kristal Buckley. Susan McIntyre-Tamoy provided organisational support. Meetings were held in Canberra with Federal Ministers and Senior Departmental staff, with minutes taken by Sue Jackson-Stepowski.

To avoid duplication, other key matters are outlined in the President's Report.

The Executive Committee is always keen to improve its services to and communications with members. As in the past, the incoming Executive Committee will welcome your ideas and suggestions about ways to continue to improve this aspect of our work. If you would like to become more actively involved in Australia ICOMOS, please contact the Secretariat or your state or territory representative.
Finally, Deakin University has continued to provide an excellent home for the Australia ICOMOS Secretariat, and we are grateful for the ongoing support of Professor Bill Logan and the staff of the Cultural Heritage Centre for Asia and the Pacific. The Secretariat Officer works on a part-time basis and undertakes a very wide range of duties as well as being a constant marshalling point for members and the Committee. A key task is compiling and distributing the weekly Australia ICOMOS email news – the circulation of which is ever increasing well beyond Australia. An annual event is a working bee in the Secretariat’s storage facility to assist in the retrieval and archiving of Australia ICOMOS records. This and the Secretariat office has been ably managed since 2003 by Nola Miles who has decided to move on to new adventures. We wish Nola all the best for her future and will miss her efficient, timely and pertinent responses.

November 2007

TREASURER’S REPORT
Kelly Rippingale

The audited financial report for the year ended 30th June 2007 is included with this annual report. These Financial Statements have been prepared and audited by Elliot House Pty Ltd, Chartered Accountants.

The financial year of 2006-2007 recorded a profit of $91,695 for Australia ICOMOS. This can predominantly be attributed to a healthy profit of $16,144 from the Port Cities conference, the generous reimbursement by the Commonwealth Government of travel expenses incurred by our International Vice-President, and a ‘windfall’ of $58,831 from copyright fees. The size of the copyright payment was unexpected and appears to have resulted from a substantial increase in the pool of payments made to the Copyright Agency Limited, which may have represented a number of previous years. Copyright income however is likely to return in future years to a typical annual sum of approximately $2,000.

Reflecting the above profit, total members’ funds at the end of the 2006-2007 year were $185,120 compared to $93,425 for the financial year ending 2005-2006. The table below provides a summary of the movement of funds over the last five (5) years. An amount of $107,158 has been placed in a term deposit for 12 months at a rate of 6.75%. This allows a more than adequate operating fund while gaining a favourable interest rate on a good proportion of the funds.

Highlights of the 2006-2007 financial year include:
- Steady sales of the Burra Charter and the Illustrated Burra Charter (although down approximately 20% from the previous year). Total publication sales account for $17,327 of the year’s revenue.
- A successful seminar, held in NSW, on Law and Heritage returning a small profit of $1,506
- Donations to the Indigenous Conference Fund, Pacific Training Fund, Victoria Falls Fund, and Yogyakarta Earthquake Fund totalling $3,298
- The third year of triennial funding from Department of Environment and Water Resources under its Grants to Voluntary Environment and Heritage Organisations (GVEHO)
- Continuing support and secretariat services for the National Cultural Heritage Forum (NCHF) with the assistance of Commonwealth funding

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• Continuing Commonwealth assistance for overseas travel to support the International Vice President
• Implementation of the QuickBooks accounting system at the Secretariat office
• Introduction of merchant facilities to allow acceptance of credit card payments by Visa or Mastercard.

As planned in the 2005-06 financial year, membership fees were increased to accommodate the payment of subscriptions to ICOMOS International in Euros rather than US dollars. A review of membership categories has been undertaken and implemented that will simplify the process of accounting for international payments.

Both our income and expenditure exceeded the budget forecast for the 2006-2007 year. Grants received totalled $36,531, including Commonwealth assistance to cover the travel costs of the International Vice President, funding for provision of secretariat services to the National Cultural Heritage Forum, and GVEHO funding. In addition, the Commonwealth Government was a major sponsor of the 2006 annual conference in Fremantle. We are as always extremely grateful to the Department of Environment and Heritage for its generous support of our activities.

The 2007 annual conference was held early in July 2007 and conference figures in the final accounts reflect the initial figures for this event as well as the final figures for the 2006 conference. The 2007 Extreme Heritage conference has returned a modest profit which will be recorded in the forthcoming financial year.

Early in 2007, the QuickBooks accounting system was installed for the use of the Secretariat and the position expanded to cover data entry directly into the system. This has reduced the workload of the Treasurer and greatly reduced double handling of accounts. The system will continue to be reviewed to ensure the Secretariat has sufficient time, resources and support to undertake the work required while meeting budget constraints.

As has been stated in previous annual reports, one of the challenges for the Australia ICOMOS Treasurer is that most of our annual income is received in the first few months of the financial year, while many of the expenses are paid in the last few months. This requires careful management of cash flow. The Executive Committee continues to seek sources of income that help to even out this imbalance, and also ways in which it can use this income to provide improved services to members.

It is acknowledged that membership subscription fees have been increased in a year of substantial profit, although it will be seen that the increase in subscription receipts over the previous year did not in fact cover the increased cost of the subscription paid to Paris. Australia ICOMOS still has limited opportunities for raising revenue, and relies to a great extent on the voluntary labours of its Executive Committee and members to keep its costs under control. We continue to receive gratefully the considerable support of Professor Bill Logan and Deakin University, who provide a home for Australia ICOMOS that helps us to keep our operating costs low, yet we must plan for a future when this support may not be forthcoming.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the invaluable contribution of our Secretariat Officer, Nola Miles, who has provided a skilled administrative service, and an outstanding public face for the organisation for the past four years. Nola will be leaving us at the end of 2007, and her dedication and professionalism will be greatly missed.

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MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY’S REPORT

Helen Lardner

Membership 2006-2007

Membership of Australia ICOMOS has grown by over 5% this year following on from a small increase the previous year. This is particularly pleasing as the ability of Australia ICOMOS to lead cultural heritage conservation in Australia and contribute to international practice relies on the strength of our membership. As usual a large number of members have enthusiastically contributed to the activities of Australia ICOMOS enabling its high professional...
standing to continue in Australia and overseas.

A new policy for individual membership categories for Australia ICOMOS was adopted this year. This did not change membership categories but made the choices available to potential members more easily understood. The policy sets out eligibility for the membership types, benefits of each type and application requirements and is available on the web site. This year Australia ICOMOS fees remained constant.

A high proportion of Australia ICOMOS members are full international members, receiving newsletters from ICOMOS headquarters in Paris and international membership cards. Only these members are entitled to use M.ICOMOS after their name. These members are reminded that they must have paid their fees by the Annual General Meeting in November to enable their names to be forwarded to the International ICOMOS bureau in Paris for the international card and membership benefits. The Young Professional category of full membership is for people to 30 years of age providing all of the benefits with fees at half rates.

Full international membership is available to experienced heritage professionals but many members join Australia ICOMOS as Associates before they qualify for full membership, for example as students. Associates may also be people who do not have cultural heritage as their core professional focus or do not need the international component of the membership. Another category of members is Subscribers, including libraries and individuals who wish to be informed about Australia ICOMOS activities. Australia ICOMOS also has a small number of corporate members. Membership figures by categories are shown below.

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Each year Australia ICOMOS holds activities at a state and territory level, as well as nationally. These events are important for networking and recognise that some members may not have the opportunity or desire to engage with ICOMOS at the international or national level. Details of regionally based events are included in reports from the State representatives. Applications for members to join the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee (EC) are encouraged from all states and territories.

State based breakdown and comparison with the previous year is given below.

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New South Wales remains the largest group of members but it is pleasing to see a small increase in numbers in the Northern Territory and Tasmania which have the lowest numbers. An increase in West Australian members followed the successful Fremantle National Conference in November last year, and it is hoped that the Cairns Conference held in July 2007 will continue to see Queensland numbers rise.

The weekly Australia ICOMOS email news service continues to be popular and informs members of national and international activities and heritage issues, as well as providing networking and employment opportunities. Members also get the benefit of subscription to the Australia ICOMOS refereed journal *Historic Environment* and discounts at ICOMOS functions and conferences and on ICOMOS publications.

Australia ICOMOS is continuing to consider what benefits are available in Australia for members and how these can be improved. Australia ICOMOS is grateful to the members for their ongoing commitment and efforts and welcomes feedback and suggestions by email to h.lardner@hlcd.com.au.
Lastly, I would like to thank Nola Miles, our Secretariat Officer, for her efficiency, patience and good humour in dealing with the myriad of membership inquiries. We wish her well as she leaves her position with Australia ICOMOS.

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CONFERENCE COORDINATOR’S REPORT
Timothy Hubbard

Past conferences
Seven refereed papers from the 2005 Corrugations conference held at Melbourne are about to be published in the journal, Historic Environment. Dr Max Lay’s keynote paper had already been accepted for Road & Transport Research, 15(3):63-79 under the title “The cultural heritage significance of roads”.

2006 Conference - Challenge and Change in Ports their Towns and Cities
Ten papers from the 2006 conference held at Fremantle have been chosen and are about to be sent out for refereeing. Publication is scheduled for mid-2008. About 165 people attended this conference. Almost $50,000 was received in sponsorship, including a bursary program which contributed to the diversity of participants, allowing people who would not normally have been able to attend a conference such as this to participate. We especially thank Fremantle City Council who provided the conference venues and contributed substantially to the success of the event. The conference made a substantial profit that has contributed to this year’s excellent financial results. The highlights of the conference included a post-conference workshop on spatial identity in historic cities led by keynote speaker Dr Jacek Dominiczak, and a resolution passed by delegates concerning the conservation of rock art on the Burrup Peninsula.

2007 Conference: eXtreme heritage - managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes
This year’s very successful conference was held at James Cook University, Cairns in mid-July 2007. The conference convenor was Dr Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy who provides a detailed report elsewhere. The University provided substantial practical support and financial sponsorship. The time of year maximised the benefits of Far North Queensland’s climate. One particularly important component of the conference was the delegation from ICOMOS Pasifika.

2008 Conference - Intangible Heritage
The 16th ICOMOS General Assembly will be held in Quebec, Canada, from 29th September to 4th October 2008. Because many Australia ICOMOS members are expected to attend, there will not be an Australia ICOMOS annual conference in 2008. Instead Australia ICOMOS is supporting a symposium on Intangible Heritage organised by the National Trust of Australia (Vic) in association with Deakin University’s Cultural Heritage Centre for Asia and the Pacific to be held in Melbourne from 1st to 2nd July 2008. The NTA (Vic) symposium coordinator is Dr Celestina Sagazio. The symposium will be held at St Peter’s, Eastern Hill, close to the Trust’s headquarters in Tasma Terrace. A range of leading national and international speakers has been invited. Tours will be arranged for 3rd July. These will be organised to complement the 25th annual Society of Architectural Historians Australia and New Zealand (SAHANZ) conference to be held at Deakin University, Geelong from 3rd to 6th July. The theme of that conference will be ‘History and Practice’, bringing together historians, theoreticians and heritage practitioners to celebrate the Society’s twenty-fifth anniversary. A call for papers will be made after the 2007 SAHANZ Conference ‘Panorama to Paradise’ held in Adelaide from 21st - 24th September. Australia
ICOMOS members will be advised and able to submit abstracts. The conference is likely to be held at Sydney University.

2009 Conference - Twentieth Century Heritage
The 2009 annual Australia ICOMOS conference will be held in Sydney in July. The conference convenor is Sheridan Burke. The theme will be Twentieth Century Heritage and the conference partners will be DOCOMOMO, UIA, mAAN, APT, the Art Deco Society and the Walter Burley Griffin Society. The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage will be meeting in Sydney as part of this conference.

2010 Conference - Industrial Heritage
The 2010 Annual Australia ICOMOS Conference is tentatively planned for Broken Hill in November with Industrial Heritage as the theme. Liz Vines and Helen Lardner are joint convenors for the conference. It is hoped that an appropriate ICOMOS ISC meeting can be arranged to coincide with the conferences. It is also hoped the involvement with TICCIH - The International Committee for the Conservation of Industrial Heritage.

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2006 CONFERENCE ORGANISING COMMITTEE’S REPORT
Agnieszka Kiera

The 2006 national conference was run by Australia ICOMOS in partnership with the City of Fremantle at the State Heritage listed Fremantle Town Hall. The conference was planned and run by the Conference Organising Committee and was overseen by a Conference Steering Committee. While the organising committee comprised exclusively ICOMOS members, the steering committee consisted of representatives of the major contributors/sponsors as well as some other members of the local heritage community. This ensured not only a strong heritage focus of the presentations, but also constructive exploration of a range of associated issues such management of change and ongoing, viable and vibrant role of historic ports and ports cities in the future.

The conference organising committee consisted of the following WA members of Australia ICOMOS:
Agnieszka Kiera (conference convenor)
Anne Brake
Kelly Rippingale
Robert Mitchell
Katrina Chisholm
Helena Waldmann
Vince Taylor
Gena Binet

The Steering Committee membership included:
Graeme Mackenzie (chair) - City of Fremantle
John Longley - Chamber of Commerce
Lisa Williams - Maritime Museum
Ian Baxter - Heritage Council of WA
Jeremy Dawkins - WA Planning Commission
Prof. Geoff Shellam – Fremantle Slipways
Agnieszka Kiera – Australia ICOMOS and City of Fremantle
Timothy Hubbard – Conference Coordinator, Australia ICOMOS

To run the operations of the conference, the organisers commissioned Promaco Conventions Pty Ltd.

I would like to acknowledge gratefully the assistance generously provided by other members of Australia ICOMOS, in particular Sheri Burke, Kristal Buckley and of course Peter Phillips. We benefited from and appreciated their guidance and support, particularly when searching for international speakers, dealing with politicians and national organisations and seeking grants.

Conference overview
The conference aimed to explore a range of issues and challenges facing historic ports and port cities, and constructively consider options for their future so as to include and celebrate heritage values while ensuring viable and vibrant economic performance. The challenges ranged from the increasing demands for safety and security of the ports, changing mode of servicing and complete replacing of manual labour with automated operations, increasing trends for
relocation of outdated harbours, increased value of land and associated pressures for commercial developments of the waterfronts, to social implications associated with generations of immigrants, wharf labourers and defence personnel and their history, and the special events and historical associations of the area as well as the assumed ownership and aspirations of the community for the future of ‘their’ harbours. The issues associated with port cities are even more all-encompassing and complex, and many of them were also explored during the conference.

The 44 papers presented at the conference were equally wide ranging and challenging. Most explored the role of the modern port, and discussed many changes in the relationships of ports to their surrounding urban landscapes. They included a number of case studies demonstrating how the cultural significance of the historic ports/port cities might be balanced with the needs of today, and how these places could manage continuing change into the future, including the role of the community in ensuring this heritage is not only protected but creatively and compatibly incorporated into the evolving urban fabric, the architectural compatibility and quality of replacement buildings and infrastructure, adaptive functions of ports and cities, and the role that heritage professionals have in assisting communities, governments and developers to adapt to and harness these changes.

Holding the conference in the state of Western Australia, remote from the bulk of ICOMOS membership, was challenging and could not have been done without the partnership with the City of Fremantle, who provided the venue, a platinum cash sponsorship and other forms of active support.

The conference was attended by 165 registered participants (and a number of unregistered delegates including students and representatives of sponsors). Although primarily a national conference, it attracted a number of overseas delegates from the UK, Belgium and South Africa. Over 18 registered local community members attended the conference, thanks to the bursaries provided by the organisers funded by a grant from Lotterywest. At the conclusion of the conference, the organisers received 38 letters of thanks and a number of verbally expressed words of appreciation, not only from ICOMOS delegates, but also from members of the local community. Several of these mentioned that the highlights of the conference were its openness and inclusive participation, and the strongly felt welcoming and community spirit of Australia ICOMOS. For many participants, this conference was their first contact with ICOMOS, and it provided a reaffirmation that the heritage they value is a shared and important issue, and represented a valuable opportunity for them to see the range of work undertaken in this field by professionals in Australia and overseas. Five applications for membership of Australia ICOMOS were received as a direct result of the conference.

The Format of the Conference

The conference evolved around the traditional two days of formal papers, a number of social events and a wide range of conference tours, including the complimentary boat tour of Fremantle Harbour sponsored by Fremantle Ports. However this standard format was enriched by a number of associated events and initiatives, which proved to be highlights of the conference. These included:

- The forum discussion chaired by Sheridan Burke (ICOMOS) with an expert panel comprising Richard Walley (Australian Heritage Council), Chris Leatt-Hayter (Fremantle Ports), Jeremy Dawkins (WA Planning Commission), Jeff Harcourt (former wharfie), Noel Nannup (indigenous perspective), Dr Carmen Lawrence (Federal member for Fremantle), Peter de Tolly (Cape Town, Victoria & Alfred Waterfront Development).
- The welcoming address “Introduction to Fremantle” delivered by Emeritus Professor Geoffrey Bolton in the spectacular Maritime Museum located on the historic Victoria Quay. The address proved to be both informative and entertaining, and established the mood for the whole conference.
- The post conference workshop for heritage professionals on Spatial Identity and Codification of Historic Cities run by Dr Jacek Dominiczak. The workshop was organised in cooperation with the University of WA and partially sponsored by the WA Planning Commission and the Government Architect. The workshops were oversubscribed and proved to be a very
well received event indeed, despite the whole day timeframe.

- Bursaries provided by the organisers to attend the conference, which in principle were made available to people who work in a voluntary capacity in the heritage industry in WA. A total of eighteen bursaries were allocated to students, indigenous delegates and community members. The funding of bursaries was provided by Lotterywest.

- The conference bookshop, organised in association with the local Angus & Robertson's shop, which was well promoted with banners and a promotional table on the footpath, and proved to be a very popular feature of the conference. It attracted not only the delegates, but also the general public assisting in raising the awareness of both heritage issues and Australia ICOMOS.

- A dinner raffle in aid of the Australia ICOMOS Indigenous Conference and Pacific Training funds, which raised some $1500.

- An after-dinner speech by Dr Carmen Lawrence, which led to a conference resolution on the Burrup Peninsula Rock Art, subsequently submitted by Australia ICOMOS to the State and Federal Ministers for Heritage.

These events and initiatives were organised in addition to the standard range of social events and conference tours.

The keynote speakers
The conference organisers selected three keynote speakers, two international and one local, who presented thought provoking papers that successfully covered a wide range of the relevant issues.

Dr Brian Shaw, from Human Geography in the School of Earth and Geographical Sciences at the University of Western Australia, presented the forceful keynote address at the opening of the conference “Historic Port Cities: Issues of Heritage, Politics and Identity”.

Jonathan Coad, a historian and archaeologist, the President-elect of the Royal Archaeological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland, presented the keynote address “Evaluate, conserve, adapt: a future for the historic bases of the Royal Navy” – an exemplary range of cases of compatible adaptations of the former dockyards to an equally wide range of contemporary uses.

Dr Jacek Dominiczak, an architect and educator affiliated with the Academy of Fine Arts in Gdansk, Poland, where he leads the Architecture Design Studio and Postgraduate Design Program, presented the keynote address “Spatial Identity Codes: “Architectural information for urban and architectural design in historic cities”. He subsequently became the unquestioned star of the conference. Dr Dominiczak's keynote address and the subsequent workshop resulted in the ongoing cooperation between him and both the City of Fremantle and the School of Architecture at Curtin University. As a result, Dr Dominiczak has been commissioned by the City to prepare the Local Identity and Design Codes for central Fremantle and has been invited by Curtin University in the capacity of visiting professor to run the relevant programs for the fourth year students of their School of Architecture.

Finances
The conference was made possible by generous contributions from our sponsors:

Conference partner and Platinum Sponsor
City of Fremantle

Gold sponsors
Heritage Council of WA
WA Planning Commission
Commonwealth Department of Environment and Heritage

Silver sponsors
Fremantle Ports
Royal Australian Institute of Architects
Hobart City Council

Bronze Sponsor
International Conservation Services
Wood & Grieve Engineers

Bursary sponsor
Lotterywest

We also received a generous number of honour board sponsorships. Thanks to the generosity of all our sponsors, the conference was a highly successful event.

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2007 CONFERENCE ORGANISING COMMITTEE’S REPORT
Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy

The Australia ICOMOS 2007 conference was run in partnership with James Cook University (JCU) at their Cairns campus. The conference organising committee comprised a number of ICOMOS and JCU personnel as well as some other members of the local heritage community:

Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy (convenor AI & JCU)
Alice Buhrich (Heritage Consultant)
John Campbell (JCU)
Jenny Gabriel (Post grad JCU)
Caitlin Allen (Vice President AI)
Lori Scuisco (AI)
Shelley Greer (JCU)
Maureen Fuary (Consultant Anthropologist)
Timothy Hubbard (AI)

This mix of members was a break from the normal AI tradition but was necessary given the dearth of locally based members. The mix of people and experiences and the partnership with JCU gave the conference a distinctive character arising from the combination of academic and applied practitioners and the north Queensland context. This distinctive character flowed through to the papers and indeed the entire conference experience, and many delegates remarked positively on the range and depth of the papers presented and the variety of other opportunities to engage with the themes.

The Conference Aims and Objectives
This year’s conference sought to capture a broad range of topical heritage issues under the umbrella of extreme environments and conditions. These were captured in the full title: eXtreme heritage: managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes.

Under this broad theme, sessions were developed including:
- Extreme Experiences in Cultural Tourism
- Over exposed or blown away!: architecture in the Extreme
- The heritage of Off-world landscapes
- The Watery Realm - an extremely important environment
- Cultural Heritage management in the Pacific
- Heritage Identity, Conflict and Human Rights

In keeping with the theme, the conference was held in tropical north Queensland, a sometimes ‘extreme’ environment. The tropics also provided a common link with our Pacific neighbours and therefore provided the perfect opportunity to follow through on the Executive Committee’s resolve to support the proposed ICOMOS Pasifika Board in a practical way. By happy coincidence the final day of the conference was held on the anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moon Landing, which provided a wonderful synergy for the off world landscapes session on that day.

Holding the conference in a regional area remote from the bulk of our membership was challenging and could not have been done without the partnership of James Cook University who provided the venue and other support.

The conference was attended by 147 registered participants (and a number of unregistered delegates including students and sponsoring agency delegates). For a national conference it attracted a number of overseas delegates from the UK, Thailand, USA, Germany, Fiji, French Polynesia, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, in addition to many interstate delegates. Over 20 students attended the conference, which I think may be something of a record for an Australia ICOMOS conference. Many of these students worked hard to make the conference a success by carrying out tasks such as IT support for the session rooms, purchasing supplies, and driving tours groups. For many of them, this contact with ICOMOS was their introduction to the world of heritage and it provided a valuable opportunity for them to see the range of...
work undertaken by professionals in Australia and overseas.

Student volunteers at the Cairns 'Extreme Heritage' conference 07 July (SJS)

Australia ICOMOS sponsored Board members of the International Scientific Committee ICOMOS Pasifika to attend the conference and hold their inaugural meeting here in Cairns, as part of its program to support our Pacific neighbours in building their heritage conservation capacity.

The Format of the Conference
The Conference committee adopted a bold and ambitious format which incorporated not only the traditional two days of formal papers but included as key components a specialist symposium on Cultural Heritage and Climate Change and a Public Forum on the same issue.

The Public Forum was held at the Tanks Art Centre in the beautiful tropical forest setting of the Flecker Botanical Gardens. About 100 members of the public joined the conference delegates in listening to key presentations on the issue. Entry to the Public Forum was by gold coin donation and over $200 was raised in this manner for the Global Heritage Fund. The Minister for Natural Resources and Water in Queensland, the Honourable Craig Wallace sponsored this event and opened the public forum. The master of ceremonies for the evening was Michelle Rayner, the Executive Producer of the Social History and Features Unit at ABC Radio National. Speakers at the event included John Hurd, President of The ICOMOS Advisory Committee; Michael Pearson, Andrew Skeat, Executive Director of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, and Malcolm McCulloch, a specialist on climate change and a Chief Investigator with the ARC Centre of Excellence for Coral Reef Studies. Unfortunately the scheduled talk by Rasool Vatandoust from Iran was not delivered owing to delays in issuing his visa. The proceedings were covered by the local 7 News team including interviews with several Australia ICOMOS people. The evening culminated in champagne and refreshments served in the gardens.

To maximise the input of visiting specialists to the region, other meetings and events were held in conjunction with the conference, for example, a workshop on Disaster Management, Planning and Heritage. Another important event was the workshop on the Indigenous values of the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area that was organised by the Aboriginal Rainforest Committee and James Cook University. The workshop benefited from the advice and input of a number of visiting heritage specialists with experience in World Heritage Assessments and processes.

The keynote speakers
Initially the committee had planned to have only one keynote speaker, John Hurd, at the conference, but the serendipity of the third day of the conference coinciding with the anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moon Landing, and the fact that Beth O’Leary had agreed to attend, was just too good an opportunity to miss! We therefore decided to have two keynote speakers.

John Hurd, President of the ICOMOS Advisory Council and an expert in the conservation of earthen architecture, gave a stimulating paper on The Conservation Challenges of Hot, Low and Cold, High Deserts in Central Asia and Trans-Himalaya. John also spoke at the symposium on Cultural Heritage and Climate Change on the first day, and at the Public Forum. Delegates remarked on the value of having someone of John’s calibre and broad international experience involved in the discussions.

Beth O’Leary gave a thought-provoking presentation on the need to conserve the Apollo 11 Moon Landing site, an issue that was again picked up in one of the resolutions passed at the plenary session at the close of the conference. I think it would be true to say that the majority of the conference delegates had previously given little thought to the need to conserve these off-world sites, but thanks to Beth’s paper

and the discussions that ensued, many of them would have reappraised their position.

Outcomes of the conference
A plenary session held at the end of the conference went some way towards crystallizing some of the ideas for future action for Australia ICOMOS which arose from the conference. At this session, the conference delegates passed a number of resolutions responding to the proceedings:

Climate Change and its Impacts on Cultural Heritage (Moved Kristal Buckley, seconded Marilyn Truscott)
Delegates to the Australia ICOMOS Conference on eXtreme heritage: managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes in Cairns, 19-21 July 2007, note with concern the risks to cultural heritage of climate change. We ask Australia ICOMOS to recognise:
• the impacts of global climate change on cultural heritage and the potential for mitigation and adaptation strategies to alleviate detrimental impacts on cultural heritage
• that maintenance has a critical role in building a resilience in cultural heritage against the impacts of such change and urge Australia ICOMOS to encourage action to:
  - identify the cultural heritage places and landscapes of greatest risk
  - monitor and collect data about changes to cultural heritage places and landscapes due to climate change and associated effects
  - establish standards of conservation planning and practice in the face of climate change
  - improve risk preparedness and disaster planning, including through the continued work of Australia National Committee for the Blue Shield
  - underscore the indivisible relationships between tangible and intangible cultural heritage and between communities and their heritage places in planning processes
  - engage communities in these processes to be prepared and be able to respond to the impacts of climate change to our cultural heritage.

Legislative change (Moved Bill Logan, seconded Dirk Spenneman)
Delegates to the Australia ICOMOS Conference on eXtreme heritage: managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes in Cairns, 19-21 July 2007, recognise that crucial changes to existing legislation are currently being discussed in Australia, particularly in relation to Indigenous cultural heritage. We urge Australia ICOMOS to adopt a watching brief on the current changes to Indigenous heritage legislation and to respond in a timely and appropriate manner to proposed changes.

Heritage of space exploration (Moved Beth O’Leary seconded Dirk Spenneman)
Delegates to the Australia ICOMOS Conference on eXtreme heritage: managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes in Cairns, 19-21 July 2007, have discussed at length the need to develop protective measures to ensure the conservation of important places and objects including now obsolete technology that has played a significant role in space exploration both on and off this planet. The Conference asks that Australia ICOMOS take a lead role both within Australia and internationally in raising awareness of the need to conserve these important cultural heritage places and objects and that specifically the conference asks that Australia ICOMOS urge ICOMOS International to establish a Scientific Committee to consider and advance this issue.

Support for ICOMOS Pasifika (Moved Ian Lilley, seconded Anita Smith)
Delegates to the Australia ICOMOS Conference on eXtreme heritage: managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes in Cairns, 19-21 July 2007, ask that Australia ICOMOS investigate developing links with WAC (World Archaeological Congress) and encourage the latter’s efforts to negotiate with the World Bank and mining companies (particularly Australian ones) to advance capacity building in cultural heritage within local communities in the Pacific region.

Australia ICOMOS has now initiated the following actions in response:
• A survey of heritage practitioners in Australia that seeks to identify what projects have been completed or are currently under way relevant to the identification or mitigation of the impacts of climate change on cultural heritage. The results will be used in a number of ways by Australia ICOMOS; to identify gaps in current research, to disseminate information between researchers and consultants, and to generate future priorities for Australia ICOMOS in relation to its advocacy role. The results of the survey will be made available to relevant government agencies.

• A special edition of Australia ICOMOS’s journal *Historic Environment* dedicated to the issue of Climate Change and Heritage and publishing key papers from the Conference and symposium

• A submission to the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment concerning funding to address Cultural Heritage and Climate Change issues, as it is clear that addressing the impacts of Climate Change in relation to our cultural heritage requires a long term investment from our government. Without the commitment of resources it is clear that there will be uncontrolled loss of heritage values and places of all levels of significance and including those of national significance

In addition, a number of the presenters from the cultural heritage and climate change sessions are preparing a multi-authored paper for publication in an international journal.

A second volume of *Historic Environment* will be devoted to a collection of papers from the various sessions of the *eXtreme heritage* conference. These papers have been selected to cover the broad range of topics covered in the conference. They cover the heritage conservation issues related to polar, desert, rainforest, reef and even off-world (heritage of space exploration) environments. This volume is expected to come out early next year. Copies of the relevant *Historic Environment* volumes will be forwarded to each of our sponsors.

A book developed from selected papers in one session of the conference is also in preparation. This volume, entitled ‘Cultural Diversity, Heritage and Human Rights’, will be co-edited by Michele Langfield, William Logan and Mairead Nic Craith. It will be published by Routledge, London, in their 'Key Issues in Cultural Heritage' series.

A collection of papers from the Off-world session is being published in a special issue of the *Journal of the British Interplanetary Society*.

**Other Benefits**

The region benefited from the loan of the Commonwealth Government World Heritage Exhibition shipped free of charge to JCU from its last stop in New Zealand and then on shipped to another regional location. This provided James Cook University and Australia ICOMOS with the opportunity to arrange an exhibition of student and practitioner heritage projects in conjunction with the conference. This in turn provided a platform for the Queensland EPA and Queensland Heritage Council to provide an overview of their activities, especially the state-wide heritage survey. This proved of great interest especially to locals and other Queenslanders amongst the delegation. Gold coin donations were also collected at the heritage exhibition and raised over $500 was for the Streetwise Asia Fund, a not-for-profit charity which supports community heritage projects in Asia.

The Conference dinner was a fun filled cabaret experience at the Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park and a raffle of donated prizes from a range of local businesses raised $937 for the ICOMOS Victoria Falls Fund.

A number of post conference tours were organised for delegates led by local heritage specialists and these took in...
places in the Atherton Tablelands, Johnstone shire, Chillagoe and the Atherton Tablelands as well as the local Cairns CBD. The feedback from delegates was that the conference was a success with a good balance of applied and academic presentations across a broad range of topical subject areas. In addition we were very pleased with the public response to issues especially around climate change and heritage and would be keen to see our government sponsors capitalising on this interest and encouraging further work and initiatives in this area.

**Finances**
The conference was made possible by generous contributions from our sponsors:

*Conference partner* James Cook University  
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Queensland Government Environmental Protection Agency and Queensland Heritage Council.  
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Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, the conference was a financial success, and we were able to wholly subsidise an Aboriginal delegate and two keynote speakers from overseas, and partially subsidise several other delegates. All of this contributed to the great diversity of ideas, cultures and experiences amongst participants.

**November 2007**

**INTERNERSHIP COORDINATOR’S REPORT**

Timothy Hubbard

**US INTERN PROGRAM**

**Past Programs**
The US/ICOMOS Intern Program has run for the past 24 years. Australia ICOMOS has endorsed applications for several members to become US/ICOMOS Interns. From all accounts the wide ranging program has been very rewarding for those members and their contribution has been appreciated in the USA. Internships last a few months and are timed to coincide with the northern hemisphere summer. US and overseas host organisations have included state historic preservation offices, local and regional preservation organizations, federal agencies, historic sites in the public and private sector, as well as private offices specializing in the various preservation fields. More information is available on the US/ICOMOS website. Dr Don Jones, the US/ICOMOS Director of Programs, who is based in Washington DC, is the coordinator.

**2007 Program**
Samantha Westbrooke from HLCD Pty Ltd was the 2007 Intern with the General Services Administration, Office of Chief Architect, Center for Historic Buildings, based in Washington DC. The position was very policy oriented, involving a review of projects subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, including great interaction and support to the Center’s federal partner, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, offering exposure to ongoing Preserve America initiatives, and requiring assistance with updating the "Modernism" database.

**2008 Program**
A call for expressions of interest from members of Australia ICOMOS will be
made in November 2007. These will be assessed at the February Executive Committee meeting.

**Australian internship program**
Despite enquiries to likely public and private sponsors, there has been no substantial interest from Australian organisations in hosting an intern from US/ICOMOS. Most agencies and firms see their primary responsibility to young professionals from Australia and, to a lesser degree, from the Asia-Pacific region. One previous obstacle, the exchange rate, which was so heavily in favour of the US$ is gradually reducing but this is still insufficient to trigger any firm interest.

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**NATIONAL CULTURAL HERITAGE FORUM**

**Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy**

Australia ICOMOS provides secretariat services to the National Cultural Heritage Forum (NCHF). The Secretariat consists of the Forum Chair, Kristal Buckley; and the Secretary, Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy. In addition, Australia ICOMOS is formally represented on the Forum by our President, Peter Phillips and on most occasions by one or two other members as observer and minutes secretary. These roles have been variously filled by Caitlin Allen, Sue Jackson-Stepowski and Duncan Marshall in recent times. Australia ICOMOS receives annual funding from the Department of the Environment & Water Resources to provide the Secretariat and Chair to the NCHF.

The National Cultural Heritage Forum was established by Senators Hill and Alston in 1996 ‘to improve consultations with key national groups in the historic environment’. Senator Hill saw the Forum as ‘an important step towards facilitating good policy and conservation practice.’

Initially both the Ministers for the Environment and for the Arts attended the Forum meetings. Following a reorganisation of portfolio responsibilities in 1998, the Forum met with the Minister for the Environment and Heritage only. In March 2004, the Minister for the Arts attended part of the Forum meeting, and it is proposed that this should continue where there are issues of shared interest to consider.

The Forum is the peak body representing cultural heritage interests at the national level, and is the only body providing the Minister with direct access to the non-government organisations most directly concerned with Australia’s cultural heritage. The membership of the Forum is determined by the Minister, and includes key cultural heritage NGOs, peak professional bodies, and sectoral academic interests.

The Forum has a shared vision for cultural heritage in Australia:

* Australians cherishing their rich and diverse heritage of peoples, places and practices and nurturing it in creating our nation’s future. In doing this they will have the leadership, capacity and tools to understand their past, tell their stories in the present and to keep what is important for future generations.

The agreed objectives for the Forum are to:

- ensure that the voices of interested parties of the non-government sector involved in cultural heritage matters is represented directly to the Minister(s);
- provide comprehensive, focused and informed advice to the Minister(s) responsible for cultural heritage matters regarding the conservation and presentation of Australia's cultural heritage;
- provide a platform for the interchange of policy ideas and concerns between government and non-government organisations most directly interested or engaged in the care of Australia’s cultural heritage;
- facilitate a national and strategic approach to cultural heritage policy making;
- stimulate creative and communal solutions to the issues of conservation and management of Australia’s rich and diverse cultural heritage.

The Forum has met several times during the past year. In August 2006 it met with Minister Campbell, and in November 2006 the Forum held a workshop to update its vision statement and the protocols.
document. Owing to changes in ministerial portfolios, the next meeting with the Minister for the Environment, Malcolm Turnbull, and his Assistant Minister John Cobb, was not held until August 2007. In April 2007, a small delegation from the NCHF met with the Heritage Chairs and Official of Australia and New Zealand (HCOANZ) in Melbourne to discuss issues of common concern. In May 2007, there was a teleconference briefing about the Federal budget for NCHF members provided by Peter Burnett, First Assistant Secretary of the Heritage Division.

Much of the work of the NCHF takes place via email and telephone links outside the formal meetings. The Secretariat liaises with the Department of Environment and Water Resources staff to develop the agendas for the Forum meetings with Departmental staff and the Minister. In the lead up to the 2007 Federal elections and in light of the change in Ministers early in the 2007 calendar year a lot of effort was invested in the development of the Forum’s Vision statement, the updating of the Protocols document which sets out the agreed process between the Minister and the NCHF, and the development of budget submissions for consideration by the Minister. At the August meeting a submission was put to the Minister for a Cultural Heritage Fund, with three main focal points:

- Management of Climate Change Impacts on Australia’s Cultural Heritage
- A Heritage Care Program
- Cultural Heritage and the Teaching of History

An important outcome of the Forum is the opportunity for the representatives of the NGOs to meet face to face and discuss common issues and overlapping areas of interest and responsibility. For this reason the NCHF secretariat attempts to build in opportunities for social interaction between the NCHF members and departmental officers by arranging a group dinner in the evening between the two daytime meetings. The informal dinner has been a successful way of strengthening ties within the Forum, many members of which are geographically dispersed and otherwise do not have opportunities to meet with each other.

One of the continuing issues affecting the effectiveness of the NCHF remains the changes of not only Ministers but also Departmental staff responsible for cultural heritage. In the past year there was a period of inactivity while the division of responsibilities between Ministers Turnbull and Cobb was negotiated. Australia ICOMOS acknowledges the helpful support of Peter Burnett, First Assistant Secretary of the Heritage Division (recently replaced by James Shevlin), and other officers of the Division, particularly Madeleine Maple, Ken Heffernan and Greg Terrill.

Hopefully, once the Federal election has taken place, the NCHF can enjoy a period of stability and regular meetings and interactions with departmental staff, which should maximise opportunities for successful collaboration and advice between the NGO and government sector.

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WORLD HERITAGE REFERENCE GROUP
CONVENOR’S REPORT
Anita Smith

Membership
The Australia ICOMOS World Heritage Reference Group is a group of 14 members of Australia ICOMOS who have knowledge of, or experience in, working with the UNESCO World Heritage system. Membership of the group is open to all AI members. The Reference Group is consulted in matters concerning World Heritage sites here or elsewhere for which the input of Australia ICOMOS may be requested and in matters concerning the role of ICOMOS at the advisory body to the World Heritage Committee on cultural sites and cultural values in natural sites.

Meetings
The group does not meet formally or face-to-face. Input and comment is usually through email.

Activities during the 2006-2007 year
Sydney Opera House
As reported last year, Australia ICOMOS was invited to comment on the nomination for the Sydney Opera House. Australia
ICOMOS was also invited to meet with the Expert sent by ICOMOS to evaluate the nomination.

The Expert mission took place in September 2006 and Peter Romey and Sheridan Burke, both of who are in Sydney and have an excellent knowledge of the SOH, and our President, Peter Phillips, met with the Expert, Professor Shin Muramatsu from Japan, an Architect and chair of MAAN (Modern Asia Architecture Network).

We were very pleased to see the Opera House inscribed on the World Heritage List in June. There were several members of the AI World Heritage Reference Group present in Christchurch (where the World Heritage Committee was meeting) in their various professional capacities when the decision by the World Heritage Committee was made. We were all very excited and on behalf of Australia ICOMOS congratulated the Australian Government delegation and representatives of the Opera House Trust and NSW Heritage Office who were present.

**Australian Convict sites WH nomination**

The Commonwealth is preparing the nomination for a serial listing of 11 of sites that reflect the systems of transportation and convictism in Australia. Australia ICOMOS has been liaising with the Commonwealth on the Convict site nomination through our representative, Peter Romey. The Commonwealth has provided Peter with occasional updates on the preparation of the nomination and has now forwarded the draft nomination document to Australia ICOMOS as part of its peer review. It has been circulated amongst members of the World Heritage Reference Group for comment.

**World Heritage of Human Origins Conference 17-21 April 2007, Mildura**

In May 2006 Australia ICOMOS was approached by Executive Officer of the Willandra Lakes World Heritage Area, Michael Westaway, to be involved in a conference he was organising on the *World Heritage of Human Origins* to be held in April 2007.

In my role as Convenor of the WH Reference Groups, I spoke at length with Michael about potential involvement of Australia ICOMOS, in particular running a panel session discussing the development of future nominations, and the role of ICOMOS in the World Heritage process.

The Australia ICOMOS Executive discussed this at meetings in late 2006 and agreed that the most appropriate way to have an ICOMOS presence at the Conference would be to sponsor an Australia ICOMOS member with good knowledge of World Heritage matters and an understanding of archaeology and issues in the management of Indigenous archaeological sites of archaeology. Sharon Sullivan was suggested as someone who filled all these shoes and Sharon was approached to represent Australia ICOMOS and to facilitate a conference session on developing World Heritage nominations. Her report of the session and conference follow as an Appendix to this report.

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**Appendix 1: Report on the Conference on Hominid Sites and World Heritage**

Sharon Sullivan

This conference was held at Mildura with a field trip to Mungo. It was very successful, with a range of international speakers and full participation by the World Heritage Area traditional owners and Australian scientists, including many involved with the original discoveries. A highlight of the field trip was a visit to the newly discovered 20,000-year-old human footprints trackway in the World Heritage Area.

There was a wide range of papers on hominin sites worldwide, and on management and interpretation of such sites. In the Australian context, the focus was on the recently discovered 20,000-year-old footprints in the Willandra World Heritage Area. Papers on the footprints covered discovery, interpretation, protection and conservation planning. Experts from the Getty Conservation Institute (Neville Agnew and Martha Demas) attended the meeting and spoke about conservation work at the famous Laetoli Footprints at Olduvai and the Queensland Dinosaur Stampede Trackway.

Another highlight of the papers was a presentation by Dr Mike Moorwood and Dr F Aziz on the 'hobbit' sites on Flores, their interpretation and conservation, and the
implications of the Flores suite of fauna generally for evolutionary studies.

**ICOMOS Workshop**

On the last morning of the conference I ran a workshop on behalf of ICOMOS Australia, on World Heritage and hominid sites. At the workshop, papers were presented on three potential World Heritage sites:

- the Flores suite of sites,
- early *homo sapiens* sites in Sri Lanka,
- the Murray Basin hominid sites complex.

I then gave a summary of the World Heritage system, criteria, operational guidelines, processes, and political realities and outlined ICOMOS's role both nationally and internationally. Dr Finlayson from Gibraltar had earlier given a very good presentation about hominid sites on the World Heritage list, outlining their under-representation, on which I commented, outlining the steps being taken to fill gaps in the World Heritage List and urging participants to draw their concerns about hominid sites to the World Heritage Committee's attention. Following this, the participants split into three groups, each group working with one of the three paper presenters to tease out the World Heritage significance criteria for their site, the local values, management issues etc. This was very successful and was followed by a report back and a general discussion mainly concerning a strategy for gaining greater World Heritage listing recognition for hominid sites world wide. It was clear that early human and hominid sites were grossly underrepresented on the World Heritage list, and that previous work on this theme was very much out of date.

From this discussion, these points emerged:

1. The World Heritage Committee should be asked to update the previous paper it commissioned on hominid sites and, in association with this, hold an expert workshop on the theme of early human and hominid sites and their representation on the World Heritage List, which makes recommendations on ways of filling the gaps in the representation of these sites on the World Heritage List, including, possibly, the creation of a worldwide tentative list.
2. The World Heritage site managers and other hominid site managers present should form an organisation or chat group to explore common interests and problems.
3. Publication of the papers should be considered, either by Australia ICOMOS or in other journals.
4. It was very much regretted that there was no senior representative from the Department of Environment and Water Resources at the conference. It was hoped that the Australian Government, which was seeking election to the World Heritage Committee, would raise the issues identified above with the World Heritage authorities.

The Conference requested specifically that Australia ICOMOS report on this conference to ICOMOS International, raise the question of hominid sites with the World Heritage Centre or the World Heritage Committee, and request that action be taken on point (1) above.

The conference was very appreciative of the workshop, and felt it was useful from the point of view of gaining information and also of strategic planning.

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**Appendix 2: Royal Exhibition building and Carlton Gardens World Heritage Site**

**Anita Smith**

The Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens were inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2004 on Criterion ii:

*The Royal Exhibition Building and the surrounding Carlton Gardens, as the main extant survivors of a Palace of Industry and its setting, together reflect the global influence of the international exhibition movement of the 19th and early 20th centuries. The movement showcased technological innovation and change, which helped promote a rapid increase in industrialisation and international trade through the exchange of knowledge and ideas.*

The State Government of Victoria owns the Royal Exhibition Building and the Carlton Gardens. In 1996, the Museums Act 1983 (Victoria) vested the general control, administration and management of the Exhibition land, including the Royal Exhibition Building, in the Museums Board of Victoria.

The Carlton Gardens are Crown Land, permanently reserved in 1873 as gardens. The City of Melbourne and the Minister for
Conservation and Environment are ‘Joint Trustees’ for the Carlton Gardens. The Council has been appointed as the Committee of Management pursuant to the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978 (Victoria).

The Royal Exhibition Building and Carlton Gardens are protected under the Heritage Act 1995 (Victoria). A permit is required from Heritage Victoria for any works to either the Building or the Gardens. There is a suite of management and master plans that guide change and day-to-day operation of the site.

During 2006-7 the Royal Exhibition Buildings and Carlton Gardens (REB and CG) Conservation Management Plan (Allom Lovell and Associates 1999) has been revised and updated, in recognition of the World Heritage status of the property and obligations for protection and management of the site under the EPBC Act and amendments that came into force in February 2007. The CMP is in the final states of completion.

Also in 2007, the REB and CG World Heritage Environs Area Draft Strategy Plan was commissioned by Heritage Victoria. This is a Strategy Plan that will guide appropriate use and development in the REB and CG World Heritage Environs Area that has been declared around the World Heritage property itself as a buffer zone to protect the World Heritage values of the site. The Draft Strategy Plan was recently advertised and in early 2008 will be considered by the Heritage Council of Victoria.

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Appendix 3: Sydney Opera House World Heritage Site

Maria Sykes, Sydney Opera House Trust

On 28 June 2007, the Sydney Opera House was inscribed on the World Heritage List under criterion (i) as a work of “outstanding human creative genius”. The Sydney Opera House has previously achieved local, state and national heritage listings.

The ICOMOS report strongly supported the nomination, stating that Sydney Opera House “stands by itself as one of the indisputable masterpieces of human creativity, not only in the 20th century but in the history of humankind”.

A rigorous Management Plan for the Sydney Opera House was developed by the Australian and New South Wales Governments in a bilateral agreement under the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

This includes James Semple Kerr's Conservation Plan and the Utzon Design Principles to collectively provide the policy framework for the conservation and management of the Sydney Opera House. The Management Plan sets out the agreed assessment, approval and management arrangements that operate between the NSW Government and the Federal Government to protect the National Heritage and World Heritage values of the property.

A buffer zone has been established to give extra protection to the World Heritage values of the Sydney Opera House, which includes:

- The inner waters of Sydney Harbour, headlands and bays and
- Foreshores within a 2.5 km radius of the Opera House; and
• The foreshores of the Rocks, City of Sydney and North Sydney up to one street back from the waterline. The buffer zone will help to preserve the setting of the Sydney Opera House, including significant views from public places along the foreshore. The new controls will be used by relevant councils and consent authorities when assessing development applications which fall within the zone, and by proponents when they prepare their development applications.

The controls will not affect:
• The use of existing development on land that is privately owned or occupied; or
• Minor building works such as renovations, repairs and internal alterations.

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PUBLICATION COMMITTEE’S REPORT
Jane Harrington, Convener, & Tim Winter, Historic Environment Editor

During the year Jane Harrington took over Peter Romey’s role as co-ordinator of the Publications Committee. We thank Peter for his dedication and contributions.

We note the ongoing contribution of Nola Miles as the untiring compiler of the weekly Email Newsletter and thank her for her support in this role. Jane Harrington has continued to work with Peter Phillips to provide an informal editorial and advice role to assist with decisions regarding contents of the e-news.

This year the majority of our energies have been put into Historic Environment and working with Tim Winter as the new Editor. Marilyn Truscott is now the new Reviews Editor. We once again express our sincerest thanks to Aedeen Cremin and Linda Young for their extraordinary contributions to these roles.

Historic Environment Update
Historic Environment is the flagship publication of Australia ICOMOS. Published three times a year, the journal brings together articles, commentary pieces and book reviews on subjects of interest to the Australian heritage community. In this respect, it is written to appeal to practitioners, academics, artists and anyone interested in current heritage debates. To ensure rigour and a consistently high quality output, Historic Environment is a refereed publication, with each article undergoing two peer reviews prior to publication.

2007 has been a year of transition, with a new editorial team taking over the journal. As the incoming editor, Dr Tim Winter of the University of Sydney is working to maintain the journal’s reputation of quality, innovation and rigour. One of the key aims of Historic Environment is to publish papers selected from Australia ICOMOS annual conferences. To that end, an issue entitled Corrugations: the romance and reality of historic roads has recently been published. Forthcoming issues drawn from recent conferences held in Australia will focus on the heritage of port cities and the ties between heritage and climate change. Accompanying these, other issues currently in production include Heritage on the Margins and Heritage and Development: partners in trust?

It should be noted that while progress is less tangible than hoped for in terms of meeting the desired schedule of editions, we are moving towards a positive outcome; this delay has primarily been due to the extensive lead time required for each set of papers and the fact that we started the year with three sets of papers at early stages of compilation. However we should recognise that important advances have been achieved and that Tim Winter in particular has putting in a mammoth amount of work.

During the year we revised and adopted an updated style guide, guide for authors, References/Bibliography guide, referee checklist and associated correspondence templates.

Thanks must also go to Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy, Anita Smith, Tim Hubbard and Peter Romey for their contributions during the year as members of the Historic Environment Editorial Committee.

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It is again my privilege and pleasure to report to the members of Australia ICOMOS on my activities as International Vice-President, and to report and reflect on the key achievements and initiatives of the international organisation for 2007.

I have now completed the 2nd year of my three-year term as Vice-President. It has been a very busy year – with an even busier year ahead as we look toward the next General Assembly, and the need to bring our agreed action plan to completion.

During 2007, I have had the opportunity to fully participate in all statutory meetings at the International level, to work in depth on the World Heritage role of ICOMOS, to work on membership issues, and to promote activity and engagement in the work of ICOMOS in the large and diverse Asia-Pacific region.

Structure of ICOMOS at International level
Although I have done this before, it is worth briefly outlining the structure of the international organisation.

- The General Assembly is the sovereign body of ICOMOS. It meets every three years. It comprises all ICOMOS members, establishes the programs and elects the Executive Committee.

- The Executive Committee is the managing body of ICOMOS. It is made up of the 8-member Bureau, 12 elected members, and 5 co-opted members. The President of the Advisory Committee, Director of the International Secretariat and one of the Coordinators of the Scientific Council also attend and fully participate in the meetings. The Executive Committee meets twice each year and oversees the programs and budget of the organisation.

- The Bureau is made up of the President, Secretary-General, Treasurer-General and the five Vice-Presidents. It oversees the programs of the organisation between sessions of the Executive Committee. It often meets prior to the Executive Committee meetings, and also meets mid-year to ensure that progress continues throughout the year.

- The Advisory Committee is made up of the Chairs of all the National Committees and International Scientific Committees. It meets once each year, and makes recommendations concerning program priorities. The current President of the Advisory Committee is John Hurd (UK).

- The Scientific Council is a new structure established through the adoption in 2005 of the Eger-Xi’an Principles to improve the effective participation of the 28 specialist International Scientific Committees in all aspects of the international work of ICOMOS. The Scientific Council is made up of the Chairs of all ISCs or their delegates. The Coordinators are: Pamela Jerome (USA), Michal Firestone (Israel) and Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias (Greece).

- The International Secretariat, located in Paris, coordinates the implementation of the programs. The Director of the Secretariat, Gaia Jungeblodt, is assisted by six other staff. The ICOMOS Documentation Centre is an important function of the Secretariat, and two staff manage the World Heritage program of ICOMOS.

- The ICOMOS World Heritage Panel meets each year to finalise the ICOMOS recommendations for all the cultural and mixed site nominations that will be considered for inscription by the World Heritage Committee at its annual meeting in June/July.

- The ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group consists of a small group of Executive Committee members, together with the staff of the World Heritage Unit of the ICOMOS International Secretariat and the ICOMOS’s consultant Advisors. The Working Group was established in 2006 in order to improve the coordination of the World Heritage work and to provide stronger support to the World Heritage Unit. The Working Group is convened by Vice-President Tamas Fejerdy, and I have been a member since January 2007.
I hope that many Australia ICOMOS members will have an opportunity to visit our international headquarters in Paris, and to meet the small but excellent staff led by our Director, Gaia Jungeblodt.

The issue of the future accommodation of the International Secretariat has been actively pursued this year. Our current accommodation is well located, in the rue de la Federation in the 15th arrondissement of Paris, near UNESCO (and the Eiffel Tower). However, the space available has for some while been insufficient for our needs (particularly for the ever expanding ICOMOS-UNESCO World Heritage Documentation Centre).

During 2007, we worked with ICOM (the International Council for Museums) to develop a prospectus for a shared facility – the Maison Internationale du Patrimoine or International Heritage House. Recently, discussions were initiated by the French Government with ICOMOS about a site in Charenton (in metropolitan Paris) that is being re-developed for the Médiathèque – France’s main documentation centre on cultural heritage. This could enable ICOMOS and ICOMOS France to move into some excellent spaces from 2009, including some shared facilities with the Médiathèque (such as reading rooms and meeting spaces).

It is too early to tell the ultimate outcome of these initiatives, but we are very hopeful that the question of the accommodation of our International Secretariat will be significantly advanced during 2008.

Staffing is another continuing issue for the International Secretariat. Because of financial constraints, not all positions within the Secretariat are able to be filled. The World Heritage budget for 2008-2009 will allow an increase to the World Heritage Unit, although the Director of the Secretariat would dearly love to also appoint a Communications Officer to augment the many aspects of this crucial aspect of our international work should our financial resources allow it in the near future.

The Secretariat hosts a number of interns and volunteers each year, and Australian members have often assisted ICOMOS in this way. This year, two Australians worked in the International Secretariat and made lasting and valuable contributions.

Joan Domicelj was employed by ICOMOS to temporarily replace the Director of the ICOMOS World Heritage Unit, Regina Durighello, while she was on leave. Joan admirably filled this challenging position for approximately 4 months and represented ICOMOS at the World Heritage Committee meeting in Christchurch in June.

Susan Duyker worked in the Secretariat as a volunteer during the first half of the year, and assisted with the projects of the Scientific Council (including climate change) and the development of the ICOMOS International Membership Database.

Membership of the International Executive Committee

For the period 2005-2008, the ICOMOS Executive Committee consists of the following people:

Bureau: President, Michael Petzet (Germany); Secretary-General, Dinu Bumbaru (Canada); Treasurer-General, Giora Solar (Israel); Vice-Presidents: Gustavo Araoz (USA), Tamas Fejerdy (Hungary), Carlos Pernaut (Argentina), Guo Zhan (China), Kristal Buckley (Australia).

Members: Ray Bondin (Malta), Andrew Hall (South Africa), Philippe La Hausse de la Louviere (Mauritius), Axel Mykleby (Norway), Yashuyoshi Okada (Japan), Marie-Hortense Razafindramboa (Madagascar), Hae Un Rii (Korea), Angela Rojas (Cuba), Britta Rudolf (Bahrain), Benedicte Selfslagh (Belgium), Hristina Staneva (Bulgaria), Lazar Sumanov (Macedonia), Boguslaw Szmygin (Poland), Natalia Turekulova (Kazakhstan), Rasool Vantandoust (Iran) and Javier Villalobos (Mexico).

Sadly, during 2007, Gilles Nourissier (France), a highly regarded, talented and energetic member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee passed away. Olivier Poisson (France) has been invited to join the Executive Committee for the remainder of the current triennium.

Meetings in 2007

The meetings I attended as ICOMOS Vice-President since the last Annual General Meeting of Australia ICOMOS were:

- 5 December 2006: presentation on the World Heritage role of ICOMOS to the Heritage Division, Department of the Environment & Heritage, Canberra
19-21 January 2007: sessions of the ICOMOS Bureau, Paris
22-23 January 2007: ICOMOS Executive Committee, Paris
18-23 February 2007, UNESCO Pacific Island World Heritage Workshop, Turangi, New Zealand
10-11 March 2007, ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group meeting, Paris
14-16 March 2007, University of Montreal 2007 Roundtable “Tangible & Intangible Heritage: Two UNESCO Conventions”, Montreal, Canada
17-21 April 2007, US ICOMOS International Symposium Heritage and Tourism of the Pacific Rim, San Francisco
30 May-1 June 2007: Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting, Heritage and Metropolis in Asia and the Pacific, Seoul, Republic of Korea
23 June – 2 July 2007: World Heritage Committee, Christchurch, New Zealand
2 July 2007: ICOMOS Bureau, Christchurch, New Zealand
19-21 July, 2007: Australia ICOMOS national conference, Cairns, including one-day symposium on climate change.
7 October 2007: ICOMOS Scientific Council Symposium on Global Climate Change, Pretoria, South Africa
8 October 2007: ICOMOS Scientific Council meeting
9-10 October 2007: ICOMOS Advisory Committee Meeting (including Asia-Pacific Regional session)
11 October 2007: ICOMOS Bureau Meeting
12-13 October 2007: ICOMOS Executive Committee meeting
26-27 October 2007: Meeting of the IICC-X Steering Committee
27-28 October 2007: Workshop on the Da Ming Palace, Xi’an, China
30-31 October 2007: International Symposium for the Nomination of the Silk Road to the World Heritage List, Xi’an, China

Information about the decisions made by each meeting of the ICOMOS Executive Committee and the ICOMOS Bureau are made available via the ICOMOS website (www.icomos.org/), and I have prepared reports for the Australia ICOMOS email news on many of the other meetings I have attended during the year. Please contact me if you would like any further information about any of these.

ICOMOS Triennial Action Plan 2005-2008

The triennial action plan for ICOMOS is made up of all the resolutions of the General Assembly, recommendations from Regional Meetings, ongoing operations of the organisation, and many specific and continuing initiatives overseen by the Executive Committee. The structure and priorities were reported in 2006 in an issue of ICOMOS Nouvelles.

The Action Plan is a large and continually evolving document, overseen by the Secretary-General, Dinu Bumbaru.

In 2006, the Executive Committee identified 10 priority initiatives for the period 2005-2008:
- Strategic Planning for the future of ICOMOS
- Establishment of the Scientific Council & strengthening of the Scientific Program
- Establishment of the Membership Database
- Review of the ICOMOS Charters
- World Heritage Program activities, including a high-level review
- Establishment of the ICOMOS Foundation
- Establishment of the ICOMOS International Conservation Centre in Xi’an
- Development of the concept and operation of an ICOMOS Observatory
- Planning for the 16th General Assembly
- Financial Strategy for the long-term well-being of ICOMOS

I have included progress reports on many aspects of the Action Plan in this report, particularly where they might be of interest to Australia ICOMOS members. In October 2007, new arrangements were put in place to allow more concentrated progress to be
made on priority actions that have been slower than anticipated.

One of these has been the development and implementation of the **ICOMOS Observatory**. The key idea behind this initiative is to utilise the global network of ICOMOS to identify emerging issues, trends, threats and best practice for cultural heritage. The Executive Committee has acknowledged that there are already a number of activities that fit within such a program – such as the Heritage@Risk program, the work done by many National Committees to monitor World Heritage properties, the recent invitation by the President for members to consider activities for 'preventive monitoring', and so on. As a first step, I am working with Vice-President Gustavo Araoz and Secretary-General Dinu Bumburu to draft a framework that will enable these activities to be coordinated and augmented into an ICOMOS Observatory. This is an exciting and creative element of our Action Plan – your suggestions and involvement are very welcome.

Members will be interested to learn that the first **ICOMOS International Annual Report** – for 2006 – is nearing completion and will be available in the new year. This has been a new initiative of ICOMOS, and a little slow to be completed, but we anticipate that the 2007 report will be much more straightforward to prepare now that we have a template that can be re-used.

Finally, the Executive Committee has agreed to prepare an outline **Action Plan for 2008-2011**, together with a draft budget for discussion at the General Assembly.

**Finances**
The financial situation of ICOMOS at the international level has stabilised, but there is a need to develop new financial strategies and build our reserves. The Financial Strategy Working Group is therefore an important part of building a sustainable future for ICOMOS as an international NGO and professional body.

Some initiatives have been implemented already. For 2007, all National Committees were invoiced in Euros, and this has allowed some further modest improvements. However, a large number of National Committees fail to pay on time, and a sizeable number are in substantial arrears with their payments.

In terms of our contracts with UNESCO, the budget agreed by the World Heritage Committee for 2008-2009 will give greater support to the broad workload in this area and some much-needed breathing space in our World Heritage Unit through increased staffing.

**Scientific Council & the work of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee**
ICOMOS has 28 **International Scientific Committees** which focus on particular aspects of the world’s heritage or areas of technical expertise. These Committees are the houses of specialist expertise, and should be an avenue for international participation for more of our members. This is one of the goals of the resolutions made at the last General Assembly (through the adoption of the Eger-Xi’an Principles), and many of the Committees have made good progress toward revising their membership rules to allow their doors to be much more open.

As a result of these changes, it should soon be possible for all full members of Australia ICOMOS to submit their credentials for consideration for membership in these Committees, and for the ISCs to become a much more prominent part of how Australian members are involved in the international work of ICOMOS.

The **Scientific Council** was established in 2005 to oversee these reforms, and to strengthen the scientific program of ICOMOS, including cooperative work between the ISCs on the priority topics of global climate change and historic urban landscapes. In 2007, the Scientific Council had a productive 3rd meeting in Pretoria.

A complementary process of review and reform has been initiated for the roles and functions of **National Committees** by the President of the Advisory Committee, John Hurd. In 2006, four ‘task teams’ were formed to work on a range of issues to enhance the role of National Committees within the international work of ICOMOS.

The task teams were: (1) Membership & Statutes, (2) Regional Cooperation, (3) Cooperation between National Committees and ISCs/Scientific Council, and (4) Involvement of National Committees in World Heritage.

This work was substantially advanced in Pretoria with a view to having some well-crafted resolutions to take to the General Assembly next year. The work of Gideon
Koren (Israel, ICLAFI) has been particularly notable in advancing these matters, as has the work of Peter Phillips (Australia) who skilfully led Task Team 1.

Global Climate Change
Global climate change and the issues it raises for cultural heritage was identified as a key issue for ICOMOS by the 15th General Assembly, and in 2006, the Scientific Council established this as one of its priority initiatives for this triennium.

A number of events were held during 2007, including some initiated by ICOMOS (such as the Australia ICOMOS symposium in Cairns), and participation by ICOMOS in the ongoing work of the World Heritage Committee.

As part of the program of the recent meeting of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee in Pretoria, the Scientific Council hosted a one-day symposium to bring all this work together. This program was led by Pamela Jerome (USA, co-coordinator of the Scientific Council, ISC Earthen Architecture). Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy gave an excellent paper on the Australia ICOMOS symposium held in Cairns in July, 2007, and I gave a paper on the presentation I gave to the Forum International du Patrimoine du Pacifique in Tahiti in August.

Pamela Jerome will prepare and widely circulate a paper with the outcomes of the Pretoria meeting, and we can make sure that all interested members in Australia are aware of this work and can contribute to this ongoing aspect of the international work of ICOMOS.

Susan Duyker from Sydney did a lot of the background work to support the symposium while she was working as a volunteer in the International Secretariat in Paris. She has also worked on a special ICOMOS Heritage@Risk volume on climate change.

Historic Urban Landscapes
In many parts of the world, World Heritage cities and urban areas are potentially threatened by the scale and design of new buildings and other major developments. The questions about how to create excellent new built elements while managing the complex values of these places, and the dynamic qualities and design opportunities they present were the subject of the 2005 Vienna Memorandum. Since that time, UNESCO’s World Heritage Centre has supported a program to explore the concept of the ‘historic urban landscape’ and the management of the multiple values in historic cities.

ICOMOS has been involved in this process in a number of ways, and this was substantially augmented by the Scientific Council program from 2006. Over the past year, an innovative program of email conferencing has enabled a large number of ICOMOS members from many parts of the world to participate. Coordination of this initiative was provided by Michal Firestone (Israel, CIVVIH), and Vice-President Gustavo Araoz also played an important role in developing a model which could be implemented globally, allowing an aggregated outcome.

During 2007, the ‘HUL’ activities included 5 separate email discussion groups covering different parts of the world (and in different languages), and symposia held as part of the annual meeting of CIVVIH (the ISC for Historic Towns & Villages), Helsinki and the ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting in Seoul, Republic of Korea Heritage & the Metropolis in Asia and the Pacific. A discussion session in Sydney was organised and reported on by Susan Jackson-Stepowski.

ICOMOS and World Heritage
ICOMOS is an advisory body to the World Heritage Committee for cultural heritage matters. The work arising from this role is varied, but includes the assessment of nominations, conducting ‘reactive monitoring’ missions to places already on the List (to produce ‘State of Conservation’ reports), and a range of philosophical and technical matters.

During 2007, the World Heritage Committee met in our region, giving a wonderful opportunity to showcase the unique heritage of the Pacific and its particular challenges. Under the leadership of the Chair, Tumu te Heu Heu of Aotearoa/New Zealand, an inspiring statement from the States Parties of the Pacific Islands was well received by the Committee, including the proposal to establish a Pacific World Heritage Fund.

I had the wonderful opportunity to join the ICOMOS delegation to this meeting of the World Heritage Committee, and was therefore present to witness the inscription of Australia’s 17th World Heritage property, the iconic work of human creative
genius, the Sydney Opera House. Many Australia ICOMOS members, working in different capacities over a number of years, contributed to the success of this nomination by the Australian Government, and the decision of the Committee to make this inscription was a very happy moment for the Australians present at the meeting.

Last year, I reported to you several major initiatives put in place to improve the performance of ICOMOS in this area of its work. This work has continued, particularly in relation to improvements in the consistency in the written evaluations of World Heritage nominations, and in the format of the oral and PowerPoint presentations to the meeting of the World Heritage Committee in Christchurch.

- Further improvements to the operation of the World Heritage program undertaken this year include:
- Expanding and strengthening the team of advisors
- Expanding the possibilities for participation of ICOMOS members, including through the efforts of the scientific council and the development of the new international membership database
- Further standardisation of the evaluation reports
- Improved preparation of the ICOMOS world heritage panel meeting
- Detailed internal review and reporting on the outcomes of the meeting of the world heritage committee
- Changes to the ICOMOS world heritage ‘calendar’, including an earlier scheduling of the panel
- Improved cooperation with the other advisory bodies (ICCROM and IUCN) on matters of shared interest
- Identification of a number of proposed new thematic studies to assist ICOMOS and states parties in the comparative analysis required for the evaluation of ‘outstanding universal value’
- Coordination of the ICOMOS delegation to the World Heritage Committee

The World Heritage Working Group has commissioned a review of the processes and effectiveness of the work of ICOMOS in its evaluation of World Heritage nominations.

It is worth mentioning here that in October 2007, Australia was one of 9 countries newly elected to the 21 member World Heritage Committee. This is a significant achievement, a landmark moment in the new interest and engagement by the Australian government in international cooperation for cultural heritage. Congratulations are due to the officials involved, particularly Greg Terrill, Assistant Secretary of the Heritage Division of the Department of the Environment & Water Resources. From our perspective, it is very promising that Australia promoted itself in part on the basis of bringing a high degree of professional involvement in the work of the World Heritage Committee, and to ensure representation of the issues and interests of the Pacific.

**16th ICOMOS General Assembly, Quebec, September/October 2008**

Next year is the 400th anniversary of the City of Quebec, and amongst many other celebrations, the 16th ICOMOS General Assembly will be held in this World Heritage city, with the theme of *Ou se Cache L’Esprit du Lieu - Finding the Spirit of the Place*. The main 5-day meeting program will occur between 30 September and 4 October 2008, with a raft of business meetings held beforehand.

I hope that many Australian members are planning to attend the next General Assembly. The schedule is now well established, and I have included it as an Annex to my report to help everyone plan their attendance. You can also consult the website for updates over the coming year: [http://quebec2008.icomos.org/](http://quebec2008.icomos.org/)

Work on the theme for the Scientific Symposium began last year with a call for short ‘opinion’ pieces to shape the questions that will orient the sessions and threads through the program. The Call for Papers will contain an outline of the theme, the explanation of the 4 sub-themes and the questions addressed to those wishing to propose papers. It is expected to be distributed this month, with the deadline for abstracts in February 2008. The number of abstracts always greatly exceeds the spaces available, so please take care to address the theme and questions carefully and clearly. There will also be opportunities for presentation of posters.

**Forum of the Younger Generation/Young Professionals** is being planned as part of the General Assembly program. A small committee based in universities in Quebec and Montreal is working on some ideas, including a multi-media ‘alternative
response’ to the theme of the General Assembly. I hope that Australian members will join in this aspect of the program.

The Victoria Falls / Mosi-oa-tunya Solidarity Fund and funding from the Getty Grant program will be used to support the attendance of some delegates to the General Assembly. These funds are essential in ensuring that the diversity of the global membership of ICOMOS can be reflected in the participation in the General Assembly. The generosity of Australia ICOMOS – along with ICOMOS Belgium and ICOMOS Finland – in contributing to the Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-tunya Solidarity Fund was noted by the recent meeting of the Advisory Committee, and it is hoped that many other National Committees will also contribute now that the General Assembly is close. Without substantial further contributions, the Fund will be extremely modest. Your further generosity in supporting this Fund during 2008 is very much needed and appreciated.

The call for Expressions of Interest in hosting the 2011 and 2014 General Assemblies will go out this month, for review by the Executive Committee in March. This will enable the promotional invitation from the host country to be presented at Quebec.

Doctrinal Texts for 2008

Two draft doctrinal texts were considered by the Advisory Committee and Executive Committee in October, and adopted for consideration by the General Assembly. The ICOMOS Statutes require that this occur, and that the final draft texts be circulated to the membership at least 3 months before the General Assembly. These texts are available now from the ICOMOS website (or from the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee).

The Cultural Routes Charter has been developed by the ISC for Cultural Routes & Itineraries. A well developed draft was circulated for information to the General Assembly in 2005, and the final text has been available for the past year. The chair of the committee is Maria Rosa Suarez-Inclan Ducassi (Spain), and the Australian member is Sandy Blair.

The Charter on Heritage Interpretation and Presentation has been developed by the newly established ISC. This text has also been the subject of a very comprehensive consultation process over several years. The chair of that committee is Neil Silberman (Belgium), and there are four Australian members: Bill Nethery, Linda Young, Cath Renwick and Michele Summerton.

In addition to these new texts, the Executive Committee has recognised the need to review all the existing charters, to identify gaps and inconsistencies, and to develop a clear nomenclature for the suite of documents produced by ICOMOS to guide best practice. The ISC on Conservation Theory has been asked to undertake this task. The Chair of that Committee is Andrzej Tomaszewski (Poland), and the Australian member is Meredith Walker. There will be a meeting early next year in Vienna to progress these aspects.

Meanwhile, liaison is continuing with TICCIH (the International Committee for the Conservation of Industrial Heritage) regarding the possibility of a joint doctrinal text on Industrial Heritage. ICOMOS and TICCIH have an agreement to work as partners in a number of fields of shared interest, including World Heritage evaluations. TICCIH has its own Charter – the Nizhny Tagil Charter (see http://www.mnactec.com/TICCIH/) – and there has been discussion within ICOMOS about this text and possible additions. Contributions from Australian members will be very welcome.

Membership Database

Last year, I reported on the development of a new international membership database for ICOMOS. Thanks to the leadership of Gilles Nourissier (ICOMOS Executive Committee member from France), and financial support from the French Fondation Patrimoine, the development work is well underway. Very sadly, Gilles Nourissier died earlier this year, and this has caused some slowing of progress. Executive Committee member Benedicte Selfslagh and Gaia Jungeblodt (Director of the International Secretariat) will work with the development team to complete the work, and the database will be named after Gilles to honour his memory. The testing phase should be finished by the middle of 2008.

When it is ready, the database will support the day-to-day activities of the International Secretariat and also provide the basis for selecting members for various missions or other tasks. It will make the interface between Australia ICOMOS and the
International Secretariat much more efficient, and it will be a major tool in the establishment of the long-awaited ICOMOS International Volunteers Program.

ICOMOS International Conservation Centre – Xi’an (Shaanxi Province, China)

Last year I reported to you about the inauguration of the ICOMOS International Conservation Centre in Xi’an (IICC-X). Since that time, a great deal of progress has been made to establish the work program and operation of the IICC-X.

The Director of the Centre is the ICOMOS Vice-President from China, Guo Zhan, and the Managing Vice-Director is Sun Fuxi, from the Xi’an Municipal Administration of Cultural Heritage. They are supported by a Steering Committee made up of representatives of ICOMOS China, the State Administration of Cultural Heritage, the governments of the Shaanxi Province and the Xi’an Municipality, and ICOMOS (International), President Michael Petzet and the former Vice-Presidents from the Region, Sheridan Burke (Australia) and Yukio Nishimura (Japan).

A building located in the complex of the Xiaoyan Ta (Small Goose Pagoda) is planned for the Centre. The Centre’s mission is to support the work of ICOMOS through projects, research and training, with a focus on the Asia-Pacific region. Identified program areas include: Implementation of the Xi’an Declaration (particularly in urban contexts in China and in the region); Cultural Heritage of the Silk Road; and Traditional Knowledge & Conservation Science.

A series of meetings and events occurred in October 2007 in Xi’an:

- Meetings to review the progress of the establishment of the IICC-X: a joint meeting of the IICC-X Steering & Management Committees, a meeting with the IICC-X staff, a visit to the IICC-X workplaces and review of current projects.
- 2-day Symposium on the Nomination of the Silk Road to the World Heritage List: This is a transnational serial site nomination of this extensive cultural route, current involving China and 5 Central Asian countries. There is a document from the Symposium outlining some key recommendations which I can forward to anyone who is interested.
- 2-day Workshop for the Conservation and Reconstruction of the Da Ming Palace site: Members who attended the General Assembly will remember this as the very muddy archaeological site we visited on the day of excursions. In historical and archaeological terms, it is an incredibly significant site, associated with the Tang Dynasty city of Chang’An (Xi’an), and the subject of archaeological excavations for 50 years.
- 5-day Training program for officials working on the Silk Road nominations from China, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, conducted in Russian and Chinese. Through the combined efforts of ICOMOS, SACH, the World Heritage Centre and IICC-X, the Operational Guidelines to the World Heritage Convention and 48 selected international charters were translated and published in Chinese.

As Peter Phillips will report, the President of ICOMOS, Michael Petzet, and Vice-President Guo Zhan see a special role for Australia in facilitating the international exchange qualities of the IICC-X in the medium and long term.

At this point, when the IICC-X is still in its early stages of development, it is not obvious how to do this, but for now, Australia ICOMOS has indicated its enthusiasm for the establishment of the Centre and has suggested a number of specific possibilities that could come to fruition during 2008 and beyond.

Publications

The following publications were issued during the year by ICOMOS. The hard copy publication is in limited quantities, but each of these is published on the web (www.icomos.org).

- Heritage at Risk special edition: The Soviet Heritage and European Modernism
- Heritage at Risk 2007 [being printed now]. The Australian contribution summarises the outcomes of the 2006 Australian State of the Environment Report and the Productivity Commission Inquiry, as well as highlighting the situation of the rock art of the Burrup Peninsula.
- Thematic Study of Rock Art of Latin America and the Caribbean.
The International Secretariat now issues regular email Bulletins to National Committee Presidents, and anyone can subscribe to bulletins issued by the ICOMOS Documentation Centre (see the ICOMOS website for easy instructions about how to do it). The Documentation Centre has produced a number of helpful thematic bibliographies which are available on-line, and more materials are being progressively provided via the website.

The publications program is limited by the modest financial resources of ICOMOS. However, several important initiatives are currently underway, including:

- Members Handbook - which will be published to the web.
- An Open Access Electronic Archive initiative is being developed by Jose Garcia, Director of the ICOMOS Documentation Centre.
- further issues within the ‘Heritage at Risk’ series, including a special edition on Climate Change.

World Monuments Day – 18 April

World Monuments Day is celebrated each year on the 18th of April. A theme for particular attention is selected each year to focus the sharing of experiences across national and regional boundaries.

In 2007, the theme was Cultural Landscapes & Monuments of Nature. See www.international.icomos.org/18thapril/2007/index.html. During November, President Michael Petzet is attending a meeting hosted by ICOMOS Brazil in Manaus to explore the theme, with particular reference to the Amazon River.

The theme for 2008 will be Religious Heritage & Sacred Places. I am sure that the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee will welcome suggestions and offers to host events from all members.

ICOMOS in the Pacific

It has been a busy and constructive year for the Pacific region.

As noted above, the 31st meeting of the World Heritage Committee was held in Christchurch, New Zealand and provided an opportunity to present the heritage of the Pacific to the global community. Many Pacific Island States and Territories were represented at the meeting - some for the first time - allowing a lot of very productive discussion and planning for the future.

The World Heritage Committee supported the establishment of a Pacific World Heritage Fund, part of the outcomes of its Pacific 2009 program. While in Christchurch, there were many events which showcased the heritage of the region. These events and the attendance of many delegates were generously supported by the governments of New Zealand and Australia. The useful regional networking and communication has continued since the conclusion of the World Heritage Committee meeting. Anita Smith is playing a very important role in these ongoing processes.

In February 2007, I represented ICOMOS at a Pacific Islands World Heritage workshop at the Waitetoko Marae, Turangi, New Zealand. There was a large contingent of Australians at this meeting. Anita Smith was there as a presenter/facilitator, there were a number of Commonwealth Government officials present, and a group of traditional owners from Kakadu, Uluru and Booderee National Parks participated in part of the program. The meeting demonstrated the amazing progress that has been made for World Heritage by the Pacific Islands States and Territories, and a number of issues were discussed in preparation for the World Heritage Committee meeting in June. All the presentations are available on the re-launched Asia-Pacific Focal Point website (www.heritage.gov.au/apfp).

Both New Caledonia and French Polynesia had significant meetings to advance the recognition, protection and management of their natural and cultural heritage during 2007. The Forum du Patrimoine in Noumea, New Caledonia was held in July 2007, organised by the Government of the Southern Province. Duncan Marshall made a substantial contribution to this event, and made several presentations on the systems in place for heritage management in Australia.

The Forum International du Patrimoine du Pacifique was held in Tahiti, French Polynesia in August 2007, organised by JCI Tahiti with support from UNESCO and numerous local sponsors. Anita Smith and I both gave presentations on behalf of ICOMOS, and Ken Heffernan represented the Australian Government. We were pleased to participate in a number of other discussions and events while in French Polynesia which were concerned with the
possible future World Heritage nomination of the Marae Taputapu a-te’a.

It is extremely pleasing to report that the Board of ICOMOS Pasifika was elected in February 2007, and held its first meeting in Cairns in July 2007, with the assistance of Australia ICOMOS and the Australian Government, and in association with the program of the national conference of Australia ICOMOS Extreme Heritage.

- **President:** Mr Rufino Mauricio, Federated States of Micronesia, Secretary General of the FSM National Commission for UNESCO
- **Vice-President:** Dr Christophe Sand, Archaeologist for the Government of New Caledonia
- **Vice-President:** Mrs Faustina Rehuher-Marugg, Palau, Director of Belau National Museum and Chair of the UNESCO National Commission for Palau (and current President of PIMA)
- **Secretary:** Mr Richard Tuhiava, French Polynesia, President JCI Tahiti and President of Na-Papa-E-Va’u
- **Treasurer:** Ms Meretui Ratuabuabua, Principal Culture Development Officer, Fiji

The Board members have all now become ICOMOS members, and an agreement has been signed between ICOMOS Pasifika and PIMA regarding cooperative arrangements, membership and the establishment of a shared Secretariat, currently based in Port Vila, Vanuatu. Peter Phillips and the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee have been very supportive to ICOMOS Pasifika in these early stages, and I am sure that all members will join in welcoming this new ICOMOS Committee in our region.

Finally, while in New Zealand in February and July, I took the opportunity to attend meetings of the Executive Board of ICOMOS New Zealand. I also had the pleasure of working with a number of members of ICOMOS New Zealand’s President Bryan Lintott and Secretary Mary O’Keeffe at the World Heritage Committee in Christchurch.

**Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting for 2007**

For the third consecutive year, the Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting was hosted by ICOMOS Korea, the Korean Administration for Cultural Heritage and the Ministry for Culture and Tourism. This year, the meeting was held in Seoul, with the theme of *Heritage and Metropolis in Asia and the Pacific*. Participants from the Republic of Korea, Australia, Canada, China, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, Taiwan, Thailand, and the USA attended the meeting, and the proceedings and outcomes have been widely disseminated. Useful experience from Sydney was presented by Susan Macdonald for Australia. The 2007 Seoul Declaration on Heritage & Metropolis in Asia and the Pacific has been published as a brochure by ICOMOS Korea in English, French and Korean and is also available on the ICOMOS and Australia ICOMOS websites, along with my report on the meeting.

Planning for the 2008 Regional meeting is still underway, but I can report that there is a significant momentum and desire to continue to regularly meet and work together within the region. At the very least, we will meet in Quebec during the General Assembly program. There are several proposals for regional meeting locations for 2009 already – a great sign of vitality for which ICOMOS Korea must be sincerely thanked for such substantial support over three years.

**Calendar for 2008**

ICOMOS has a crowded international calendar, and Australian members are advised to consult the calendar of events shown on the website (www.icomos.org) for a full listing.

Key dates for the coming year are:

- 30 November - 1 December 2007: ICOMOS World Heritage Panel, Paris
- 2 December 2007: ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group, Paris
- February/March 2008: ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting, date and place to be confirmed
- 8-9 March 2008: ICOMOS Executive Committee and ICOMOS Bureau meetings, Paris
- 30 June 2008: ICOMOS Bureau Meeting, Canada
- 2-10 July 2008: 32nd meeting of the World Heritage Committee, Quebec, Canada
International Activities of Australia ICOMOS members

As always, I have been supported and assisted by many Australian members who have contributed to the international work of ICOMOS in many ways.

As one of the strongest and most highly regarded national committees, there are many ways that Australian members have participated in the international work of ICOMOS. These include the many Australian members of ISCs (as shown by the reports in this Australia ICOMOS Annual Report); and the participation of the President of Australia ICOMOS, Peter Phillips in the annual meeting of the Advisory Committee and its various working groups.

It is a source of confidence for me to work from the basis established by so many Australian members that contribute to the work of ICOMOS at the international level. Here is a brief list of just a few of the people who have taken the ‘Australian way’ of seeing the world and its heritage into the international spheres of our organisation during 2007 (apologies for the many that I have missed!).

Australia ICOMOS President, Peter Phillips has been very active in representing Australia at the international level. He attended the ACCU/ICOMOS Japan meeting on Risk Preparedness in the Asia-Pacific region, Nara, Japan (January 2007), the ICOMOS Advisory Committee meetings in Pretoria (October), the ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting in Seoul (May 2007), and joined the Australian delegation to the 31st meeting of the World Heritage Committee in New Zealand (June 2007).

Jane Lennon attended an Expert Meeting on Cultural Heritage in Asia & the Pacific: What are the real issues? Hosted by the Government of Japan, Tokyo (February 2007).

Anita Smith contributed her expertise in the cultural heritage of the Pacific Islands in a number of important processes for ICOMOS, as already outlined above. Anita has also facilitated meetings for UNESCO for the Pacific 2009 program, advised several countries on the development of their Tentative Lists, and is also a co-author of a current ICOMOS thematic study on the Cultural Landscapes of the Pacific Islands. She also joined the Australian delegation to the 31st meeting of the World Heritage Committee (June 2007), and will play a key role in Australia’s newly elected position to a 4-year term on the World Heritage Committee (congratulations Anita!).

Andrew Sneddon and Meredith Walker made presentations to the Joint conference of the ICOMOS Theory Committee and ICCROM, Values and Criteria in Heritage Conservation, Florence, Italy (March 2007).

Liz Vines continued to work very actively in Asia – for UNESCO, ICOMOS and through her private practice. This year, she was an important participant in the Symposium on the Duong Lam Village, Vietnam (March 2007), and also New Approaches to Sustainable Tourism and Human Resource Development, Yanji, China (July 2007). Liz’s continuing work through the Streetwise Asia Fund is also an amazing contribution, supported by Australia ICOMOS.

Marilyn Truscott attended the inaugural meeting of the ISC for Intangible Cultural Heritage in Kimberley, South Africa (April 2007), and has played a key role in the development of draft texts on Intangible Cultural Heritage for ICOMOS. Marilyn also attended the ICOMOS Advisory Committee and Scientific Council meetings in South Africa (October 2007), and is always a valuable contributor to these meetings.

Duncan Marshall acted as an expert/resource person on behalf of ICOMOS at the World Heritage sites training course run by the Hiroshima Office for Asia and the Pacific of UNITAR, Hiroshima, Japan (April 2007), in addition to his participation in the Forum du Patrimoine in New Caledonia (July, 2007).

Ian Hocking, Susan Jackson-Stepowski, Juliet Ramsay and Agnieszka Kiera attended the annual meeting of CIVVIH (ISC for Historic Towns and Villages) in Helsinki (April 2007).

Robyn Riddett attended the meeting on Climate Change and Cultural Heritage and meeting of ICORP (the ISC for Risk Preparedness) in New Delhi, India (May 2007). During 2007, Robyn also continued to play an important role in the work of the ICOMOS Scientific Council, acting as its Secretary.
A number of Australian delegates attended the annual meeting of the International Cultural Tourism Committee chaired by Graham Brooks in Canterbury, UK, *Cultural Tourism and the Spirit of the Place* (May 2007). Graham Brooks is well known as a very active ISC Chair, and for his many missions for UNESCO.

Several Australian delegates also attended the annual meeting of the 20th Century Heritage ISC, co-chaired by Sheridan Burke, in Chicago, USA (June 2007). As noted already, Sheridan has also played a pivotal role in the development of the ICOMOS International Conservation Centre in Xi’an, China, and also attended the International Symposium on the Concepts & Practices of Conservation & Restoration of Historic Buildings of the World Heritage Sites in Beijing (May 2007), and the inauguration of the WHITR-AP (World Heritage Institute for Training and Research in Asia-Pacific) in Shanghai (May 2007).

Sheridan gave a well-received presentation to the 2007 Beijing Forum *The Harmony of Civilizations and Prosperity for All* (November 2007).

As noted already, Joan Domicelj worked in the World Heritage Unit of the ICOMOS International Secretariat in Paris and participated in the 31st meeting of the World Heritage Committee as ICOMOS Advisor, presenting the recommendations of ICOMOS to the Committee on a number of nominations and State of Conservation reports. (June 2007). The contribution of Susan Duyker to various projects while a volunteer at the International Secretariat has also been recognised.

Michael Pearson attended the annual meeting of the ICOMOS Polar Heritage Committee, in Barrow, Alaska (September 2007).

Cliff Ogleby attended the annual meeting of CIPA (the ISC for Heritage Documentation) in Athens (October 2007). Cliff is a current Vice-President of CIPA, and participated in the meetings of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee and Scientific Council in South Africa (October 2007).

Juliet Ramsay attended the annual meeting of the ICOMOS-IFLA ISC for Cultural Landscapes, Hapsburg Gardens, Austria (April 2007).

Susan Macdonald attended the ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional meeting in Seoul (June 2007), and in November 2007 took up a prestigious position at the Getty Conservation Institute, with the congratulations and warm wishes of Australia ICOMOS.

Lastly, several Australian members had the privilege of participating in confidential World Heritage evaluations during 2007 (including both evaluation and monitoring missions, and numerous desk evaluations).

This is only a sample of the international work of our members this year – and does not include many international conference presentations and private work by Australian practitioners and Australian government programs. Almost all of these contributions were wholly or substantially self-funded. So, although we often feel that the tyranny of distance prevents Australian heritage practitioners from taking our place in the international work of ICOMOS to the extent we would ideally wish, this is an amazing, substantial and valuable contribution.

Thanks

It is a wonderful privilege to serve the international organisation as an elected member of the Executive Committee. In doing so, I rely substantially on the kind advice, assistance and good company of many colleagues – both here at home and through the international structures of our organisation.

My sincere thanks are again offered to the President, Peter Phillips, and the members of the Executive Committee of Australia ICOMOS for supporting my candidature for Vice-President and for the commitment of support for the current international triennium. I have attended each meeting of the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee in an *ex officio* capacity, and have provided written reports to each meeting about the international programs and emerging issues of interest to Australia.

Even more valuable to me have been the opportunities to share my experiences with Australian members and seek suggestions and opinions about how things are going. Thanks to all of you, and particularly to the wise advice and mentoring generously provided to me by former International Vice-President Sheridan Burke, and to others with substantial insights into the workings of the international organisation. I cannot thank you all enough for your support.
Inevitably my role as International Vice-President requires a great deal of my time and financial resources. Australia is almost always ‘far away’ from the places I need to be. I could not begin to actively take up my responsibilities without additional and generous financial support from many sources.

I am particularly grateful for the financial support for my travel provided by the Australian Assistant Minister for the Environment & Water Resources, the Hon. John Cobb, MP, and the Heritage Division of the Department of the Environment & Water Resources in Canberra (especially former First Assistant Secretary Peter Burnett, and Assistant Secretary Greg Terrill).

During the year, I also received some financial support for my travel costs from the following organisations: Australia ICOMOS, US ICOMOS, ICOMOS Korea, the State Administration of Cultural Heritage (SACH) of the People's Republic of China, the Xi'an Municipal Government (China), UNESCO and JCI Tahiti (French Polynesia).

Finally, my personal thanks are due to my family and work colleagues who have endured the consequences of my travel schedule during 2007 with such good grace.

2008 will be a big year for ICOMOS - both internationally and in Australia - I hope that everyone has an enjoyable summer and returns refreshed for what lies ahead.

November 2007
16th General Assembly and International Scientific Symposium
September 29th to October 4th
Finding the Spirit of the Place

16ª Asamblea General y Simposio Científico Internacional
Septiembre 30 al 4 de octubre 2008
¿Dónde se siente el espíritu del lugar?

PROGRAMME
Programa

International Forum of Young Researchers and Professionals in Cultural Heritage

Foro internacional de jóvenes investigadores y profesionales en patrimonio cultural

Journée des Comités scientifiques internationaux
International Scientific Committees' Day

Día de Comités científicos internacionales

Conférences d’ouverture / Opening Lectures
Conferencias de apertura

Symposium scientifique / Scientific Symposium

Simposio científico

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16ª Asamblea General

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State Reports

STATE REPORT FOR NEW SOUTH WALES
Susan Jackson-Stepowski

Legislative Changes
NSW has seen several issues with heritage implications arise during the past year. Some have involved particular places, others general policies with State-wide implications. Several were brought to the attention of Australia ICOMOS, and in some cases were considered to be of sufficient importance to warrant input from the Executive Committee.

A number of these issues have arisen in connection with the implementation of numerous legislative changes by the State Government, including matters affecting all aspects of environmental heritage in addition to those relating to planning and heritage legislation. Many of these changes have been introduced rapidly, with limited windows of opportunity to respond to them.

One example was the review of the NSW Heritage Act in the wake of the Productivity Commission Inquiry. Australia ICOMOS members Peter Phillips, Caitlin Allen and Sue Jackson-Stepowski attended a briefing with the review Panel before public submissions were invited, and then with the assistance of Richard Mackay prepared a formal written submission to the Panel.

Another area of concern is the abolition of the Register of the National Estate, and the slow transfer of places on the Register to local heritage lists as the Commonwealth-State Agreement enters into the third year of the five year sunset period for the RNE.

On a more promising note, since the NSW town of Braidwood was entered on the NSW State Heritage Register as a “historic town and cultural landscape”, its economy has boomed and cultural tourism is prospering from its now much sought after cultural environment.

ICOMOS NSW Branch Activities
As part of the celebrations for World Heritage Day, a lively debate about Historic Urban Landscapes (HULs) was held on 15 June 2007. We thank the Historic Houses Trust for providing the venue in The Mint, Macquarie Street, Sydney. The topic was a timely one, having been discussed in the context of the UNESCO Vienna Memorandum at the recent ICOMOS Asia-Pacific regional meeting in Korea. The event therefore attracted many members and non-members from a very broad range of businesses and government agencies.

Once again ICOMOS members helped with various jobs to ensure that the event ran smoothly. Sue Jackson-Stepowski introduced the session with an overview of the HUL debate among ICOMOS members internationally, and matters arising from the Helsinki Historic Towns & Villages CIVVIH meeting earlier in the year, which she attended. Juliet Ramsay of IFLA (the ISC for Cultural Landscapes) spoke about the continuing challenges and local architect Scott McArthur provide a case study about the development around Temple House. Several members assisted on the day and with catering. A particular thank you to Amy Nhan for organising the venue and other organisational logistics.

Following this an Australia e-chat group was formed to further the debate about HULs, in particular the aspect of suitable tools for assessing historic landscapes and potential interventions, on which the Australian delegates at Helsinki had undertaken to assist. These deliberations will feed into the international debate, coordinated by Michal Firestone, prior to the next HUL meeting in November in Brazil.

Sydney HUL seminar 15 June 2007, The Mint (SJS 2007)
To raise awareness and stimulate further discussion on this complex topic, and in recognition of the International Year of Cultural Landscapes, a seminar was held at Old Parliament House on 22 August in Canberra.

Presenters were:
- Juliet Ramsay, IFLA: *Cultural Landscapes in 2007: a continuing challenge*
- Professor Ken Taylor, *Cultural Landscapes in Asia and the Pacific*
- Marilyn Truscott, *Intangible Heritage Value: new international initiatives discussion*
- Dr Jane Lennon AM, *Cultural Landscape Management*
- Kirsty Altenburg, *Heritage Management of Changed Cultural Landscape, China*
- Pip Giovanelli, *Cultural Landscapes in Local Government Areas discussion*

Co-author of the *Illustrated Burra Charter* and Honorary Australia ICOMOS member Meredith Walker received an award at the 2007 NSW Government Heritage Volunteer Awards presented at Parliament House, Sydney on 16 November 2007. The award is in recognition for Meredith’s extensive contribution to heritage conservation.

A few events will be occurring as the year draws to a close. The last meeting for 2007 of the Executive Committee is being held in the offices of the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority on 23 November 2007. Immediately afterwards, Australia ICOMOS will hold a seminar on World Heritage for its members. Speakers include Kristal Buckley (ICOMOS International Vice-President), Joan Domicelj (World Heritage Adviser), Duncan Marshall (UNITAR World Heritage lecturer), Anita Smith (Australia ICOMOS World Heritage Reference Group coordinator) and Leah McKenzie (Australia ICOMOS ISC coordinator). The seminar will be followed by the Australia ICOMOS Annual General Meeting. Both of these events, most appropriately given its recent World Heritage inscription, will be held in the Utzon Room of the Sydney Opera House. The AGM will be followed by drinks at the Opera Bar, and dinner at the nearby Heritage Belgian Beer Café in The Rocks.

### Heritage related organisations

On 17 October 2007 a farewell evening was held for Australia ICOMOS member Susan McDonald, Deputy Director of the NSW Heritage Office, following her resignation to take up a very challenging post with The Getty Foundation based in Los Angeles, USA. We wish Susan and her family all the best and we feel sure that she will keep in touch with her Aussie ‘roots’.

Another farewell has been to Jacqui Goddard, Conservation Director with the National Trust of Australia (NSW), who has moved on to a post with a local architectural firm. Prior to her departure, one of her last achievements was compiling contributions from various Trust technical groups into the Trust’s submission to the NSW Heritage Act Review. Several Australia ICOMOS members sit on these technical committees. Earlier in the year, the Trust held a very successful ‘Lime Workshop Day’, in conjunction with the NSW Heritage Office. The Trust’s annual Heritage Festival, with a timely theme for 2007 of ‘places in context’, was also very successful.

The Annual NSW Heritage Advisors Network meeting was held in Parramatta on 17 August 2007. This year attendance was widened to include State agencies and local government staff having responsibility for managing heritage matters. Highly topical were sessions on natural disasters, weather extremes impact on structures; other sessions covered procedural and statutory aspects pertinent to the work of local government heritage advisors. The day provided a rare opportunity for solo practitioners to come together and discuss various common issues. The NSW Heritage Office also runs an e-group for postings about heritage related matters.

### International activities

ICOMOS members continue to host various international visitors. Among those visiting NSW this year was John Fidler, a current vice-president of ICCROM and Board members of APT West Coast Chapter, and formerly Conservation Director of English Heritage. A very sociable evening was had by those who gathered to hear John reflect upon ‘comparison between UK and USA practice in building preservation and preservation technologies’. Sue Jackson-Stepowski also attended a reception at the Sydney Opera House held by the Australian National Committee for UNESCO to mark its 60th anniversary and the visit to Sydney of the UNESCO Director-General, Mr Koichiro Matsuura.

The inscription of the *Sydney Opera House* on the World Heritage List has been a
highlight of the year. We congratulate all those that worked hard to achieve this. Some people have worked on the documentation for a number of years, but the latest effort was ably guided and coordinated by Susan McDonald of the NSW Heritage Office. The Office received a Premier’s Public Sector Award for the nomination. Our next challenge is the progression of the Australian Convict Sites nomination, some of which are located within the Sydney region.

Conclusion

As the ICOMOS State Representative (email stepowsk@tpg.com.au), I continue to provide email feedback and reporting of the quarterly executive meetings. There has been positive response to this initiative as it allows members to feel more involved with the various activities of the Committee.

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STATE REPORT FOR QUEENSLAND

Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy

Cultural heritage conservation in Queensland is split across two main portfolios. Indigenous heritage is managed via the Department of Natural Resources and Water and non-indigenous heritage via the Environmental Protection Agency.

Queensland state heritage grants closed on the 28th of February and the successful applicants are listed at http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/cultural_heritage/owning_a_heritage_place/queenslands_heritage_grants_program/successful_applicants/

The Queensland State-wide survey was launched this year. A special presentation on this important project was delivered at the Australia ICOMOS 2007 Conference in Cairns by David Eades the Chair of the Queensland Heritage Council. Ray Supple of the EPA in Cairns (and also an ICOMOS member) is responsible for the project in the Far North Region and he prepared a poster detailing the project at the same conference. The EPA also launched their Research and Development (R&D) Plan 2007-2012, an initiative under the Queensland Smart State Strategy. Cultural heritage research (as distinct from applied projects is integrated into this plan. A list of approved research projects is yet to be announced.

Earlier this year the Department of Natural Resources and Water launched the cultural heritage map of Indigenous places which showcases around 200 significant Aboriginal places. The Cultural Heritage Map is Queensland’s first statewide map that lists more than 200 cultural heritage sites. The map includes the state’s oldest known cultural heritage quarries, rockshelters, carved trees, engravings, paintings, travel routes and grinding grooves. It also lists settlements and missions, police and contact sites and massacre sites. A cross section of traditional owners was included in consultation during the map’s planning stages. It is available as a free download from http://www.nrw.qld.gov.au/cultural_heritage/significant_places/index.html. Alternatively hard copies of the map are available from the Department also. This map is not to be confused with a register of sites in the state as realistically Aboriginal sites in Queensland would number in the tens of thousands and most remain undocumented. Nevertheless it depicted the range of places of significance to Aboriginal people.

The Tanks reception, Cairns (Lardner 2007)

I became ICOMOS state representative for Queensland on moving interstate from New South Wales and as there was no other Queensland Member of the Executive Committee. Ideally to drive some state based ICOMOS activities I feel this position would best be filled by someone based in Brisbane closer to most of our State members. However, the eXtreme heritage conference (full report provided elsewhere) was one activity I was able to facilitate which brought many of our members together and which benefited from the hard work of some of our Queensland members.
Ken Horrigan, himself a past Executive Committee member, was very helpful from afar in facilitating the committed input of the EPA and the QHC which was invaluable to the success of the conference. David Eades, the Chair of the QHC gave a speech at the opening of the Heritage Exhibition which was well received and painted the picture of a strong resurgence in cultural heritage conservation in Queensland. Gordon Grimwade pitched in with enthusiasm to provide two well received post conference tours one to the Atherton Tableland and one to Cooktown. Mike Rowlands enthusiastically embraced the climate change symposium but was unfortunately prevented from attending at the last minute. There were also many non-member Queenslanders who assisted and who left with a positive impression of ICOMOS, so with any luck we may see a rise in Queensland chapter numbers.

November 2007

STATE REPORT FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Liz Vines

Applications for the 2007/08 round of South Australian Heritage Fund Grants closed at the end of June 2007 and the outcomes are yet to be announced. Grants are offered on a dollar for dollar basis generally up to a limit of $5,000. For 2007/08 the Minister has endorsed changes to the program which allow grants of $25,000 for up to four outstanding projects that meet a number of grant criteria. Other work eligible for funding this year includes:

- Building use or economic re-use studies for redundant or vacant buildings
- Projects that develop innovative and appropriate environmental and sustainable solutions for heritage places

There has been some increase in the amount of State Funding for State Heritage projects through this funding program, in response to the recommendations of the Heritage Directions Report 2003. However, by comparison with eastern states, this funding is still inadequate to respond to requests for financial assistance from owners of state listed places.

A new feature of the DEH State Heritage Areas website is the addition of interactive maps that allow users to point and click their way through each of South Australia’s 17 State Heritage Areas. View at http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/heritage/shas/visiting.html, the ‘Visiting’ page of the State Heritage Areas website.

At a local Government level, a new Adelaide City Council has recently been elected (end October 2007), and it will be of interest to see if the new council is prepared to take action in relation to protection of heritage places in North Adelaide which were identified in the 2004 heritage survey. More typical bluestone villas have been demolished, and replaced with generally inappropriate large residences. There continues to be a level of concern in the community that lack of protection for heritage places in this part of the city will result in continuing and ongoing demolitions of heritage buildings. Currently there is “voluntary “heritage listing in the City of Adelaide, which exists in no other council in South Australia.

In other local councils, heritage initiatives have been introduced, including local heritage awards and local heritage incentive funds for a number of council areas. These have proved successful in promoting heritage protection. A number of Plan Amendment Reports have also been introduced updating heritage protection in local government areas. Many local government areas now have local heritage advisors to assist with heritage management in these council areas.

The inner harbour of Port Adelaide is currently being redeveloped with the first stage of the project recently completed. The form of the redevelopment project to date has included water front town houses, and two apartment blocks, and all were sold very rapidly. The next phase is for a scheme which proposes to deviate from the approved Plan Amendment Report for the area, and considerable concern has been expressed by the community about the proposed form of development. The proposal is not unlike the Melbourne docklands development, being heavily residential (around 200 apartments) in medium to high density configurations including a number of 12-storey buildings. The proposal has recently gone out for public consultation.
A successful social event was held for South Australians ICOMOS members in April to coincide with World Heritage Day, and two speakers (Elizabeth Vines and Nancy Pollock-Ellwand) spoke on international heritage issues.

As the ICOMOS State Rep, I have continued with a system of email feedback and reporting from the quarterly executive meetings. This allows members to feel closer to the activities of the executive committee and there has been positive response to this initiative.

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Post script: McDougall & Vines won an Asia-Pacific UNESCO heritage award of merit for conservation work on 19th C Bonython Hall, University of Adelaide - restoring its crumbling northern towers and installing air conditioning in the building for the first time.

### STATE REPORT FOR VICTORIA

**Helen Lardner**

In its first year of operation, the State Government strategy *Victoria’s Heritage: Strengthening our communities* has led to a focus on professional development opportunities for many ICOMOS members. This has included workshops held in partnership with other organisations and seminars organised by Heritage Victoria. For next year, Heritage Victoria has initiated a proposal for a scholarship program delivered through Australia ICOMOS to build capacity within the heritage industry as part of the Victorian Heritage Strategy. Details of this new initiative will be available soon.

Early this year, the Heritage Council released *The Heritage Overlay: Guidelines for Assessing Planning Permit Applications* which supersedes the previous draft guidelines from 2000. The Guidelines assist planners, heritage advisors and local councillors working with the Heritage Overlay in the planning scheme, as well as those making permit applications for heritage places. Comments are currently being sought on the guidelines.

In the middle of this year, the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006 began operation replacing both Commonwealth and State legislation. The legislation established a Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council to provide state-wide leadership and a system of registered Aboriginal parties to clarify consultation processes. The legislation requires the preparation of a Cultural Heritage Management Plan for certain activities which is then endorsed by a Registered Aboriginal Party. Local government cannot grant planning permission for activities that are inconsistent with an approved Cultural Heritage Management Plan.

Heritage Victoria organised a reference panel this year for the establishment of a Framework of Historic Themes for Victoria. The Themes are to be significant and distinctive for Victoria and linked into the Australian Heritage Themes. Dr Carlotta Kellaway represented Australia ICOMOS on the panel. The themes are currently being considered for adoption by the Heritage Council and are expected to be released during 2008.

Many ICOMOS members have participated in the Review of Heritage Provisions in the Victoria Planning Scheme being undertaken by Planning Panels Victoria. The final report is with the Minister for Planning and will hopefully be made public soon.

The Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee met in Melbourne in February 2007. Many members of the Executive Committee and Vicomites enjoyed a tour of Robin Boyd’s Walsh Street House in South Yarra led by esteemed architect Neil Clerehan. The group then enjoyed dinner together afterwards. During the year, the Boyd House was almost sold on the open market after the Boyd Foundation was unable to meet its financial obligations. However, State government assistance has meant that the Boyd House remains in public ownership.

Another successful social event was the recent travelling tales, held at the Waterside Hotel and providing glimpses of exotic places toured by six ICOMOS members. This was a popular style of get-together and similar events are planned for next year as well as a 2007 Christmas function.

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STATE REPORT FOR TASMANIA

Jane Harrington

This year has seen the ‘retirement’ of Peter Romey from the ICOMOS Executive and from the role of Tasmanian representative, and the new appointment of Jane Harrington. During the year Tasmania has reported on a number of issues, including the following highlights.

NHII Grants
Tasmania was the recipient of two grants in round 2 of the National Heritage Investment Initiative. Both places for which grants were awarded are to be included in the upcoming Australian Convict Sites serial World Heritage Nomination:

- $454,445 to the Port Arthur Historic Site Management Authority, Tasmania, for restoration work on the Separate Prison Building, including repair of A Wing to stabilise stonework and restoration of elements of the exercise yard.
- $63,636 to the Tasmanian Department of Tourism, Arts and the Environment, for urgent structural stability works to the Yard 1 southern boundary wall of the Cascade Female Factory.

Convict Sites Serial World Heritage Nomination
The year saw the formal announcement of the nomination with the inclusion of five Tasmanian sites:

- The Port Arthur Historic Site
- The Coal Mines Historic Site
- Cascade Female Factory, South Hobart
- Woolmers - Brickendon precinct (encompassing Brickendon Historic Farm and the Woolmers Estate) near Longford
- Darlington Probation Station, Maria Island

A State working group has been established with representation from each site. The chair of this group is a member of the broader national committee. It is anticipated that the nomination will be completed before the end of 2007.

National Heritage List Additions
During the year several Tasmanian places were added to the National Heritage List, including The Coal Mines Historic Site, The Cascade Female Factory, and Darlington Probation Station, Maria Island.

New Tasmanian Aboriginal Heritage Legislation Project
In November and December 2006 the second phase of public consultation on new Tasmanian Aboriginal heritage legislation took place across the State. The second of three planned phases of consultation focussed on comment and discussion on a Consultation Package presenting the key concepts for new legislation that emerged from initial consultation rounds.

Approximately a dozen key concepts were identified for further consideration, including duty of care, a new Aboriginal representative body, how information can be managed, integration with planning and land-use systems, and practical issues like survey and management plan requirements and appeal processes. The Project Team have been working through a number of key issues with members of the Aboriginal community, prior to beginning work on a new Bill. Public discussions on a new Bill are planned to begin later this year.

Reform of the Tasmanian Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995
This legislative review began in 2003 and a position paper was released for public comment in 2007. An ICOMOS response to this paper was co-ordinated and prepared by Elspeth Wishart and submitted through Peter Phillips as President of ICOMOS.

National Trust (Tasmania) – new Board
The new Board of the National Trust has been appointed, following the reforms to the National Trust last year and the Trust coming out of Administration. Chair Ray Foley is being joined by Mrs Pamela Bartlett, Mr Richard Hammond, Mr Andrew Kemp, Dr Dianne Snowden and Ms Lynne Stacpoole. In addition, the CEO of the Trust, Mr Chris Tassell, is a member of the Board. The new members bring with them a wealth of business, financial and community engagement skills.

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STATE REPORT FOR THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

David Bridgman

As the new representative of ICOMOS in the Northern Territory I would like to thank my predecessor, Elizabeth Close, for her valuable work in the role. With a small ICOMOS membership in the Northern Territory regular functions and meetings do not usually occur; however, members meet regularly at the various seminars, talks and colloquiums that occur throughout the year.

Although the population of the Northern Territory is relatively small, heritage issues feature large in public debate. There is apprehension in conservation circles about the potential redevelopment of key Central Business District sites in Darwin. Included on these sites are the historic 1940s Commonwealth Bank building and the recently gazetted Sue Wah Chin building. Constructed in the 1880s, the Sue Wah Chin Building is the only surviving building associated with Darwin’s nineteenth century Chinatown.

With the redevelopment of Darwin’s waterfront following on from similar developments around Australia, concerns have been raised with the proposed linkage between the Central Business District and the waterfront. While a successful link is imperative for the success of the city and the waterfront, the potential route, along Smith Street, runs past some of Darwin’s most historically significant late nineteenth-century buildings including architect John George Knight’s Browns Mart and his Police Station & Court House.

The NT Heritage Grant programme for 2007-2008 closed at the end of April 2007. Each year the NT Government makes $1 million available to Government-owned heritage sites and provides $200,000 for the repairs and maintenance of privately owned heritage sites. This year grants have been awarded to a range of recipients, including the National Trust of Australia (NT) for work on various heritage properties.

November 2007

STATE REPORT FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Agnieszka Kiera

This year’s highlight was the 2007 Winter-school.

At 9:00am on Saturday 14th July 2007 the inaugural one-day Winterschool was opened at the Old Observatory West Perth, the National Trust headquarters for Western Australia. The venue was modest with space for an absolute maximum of 25 attendees, but appropriate given that it is the home of WA’s longest standing heritage organisation with a role to act as a community voice in both the cultural and natural heritage domains. The speakers gave of their time and expertise, and accordingly they were invited to share the whole day free of cost. Residual funds were donated to the National Trust in appreciation for the use of the venue free of charge.

There were 19 participants (not including the seven speakers) of whom 10 were Australia ICOMOS members. The summary of the Historic Urban Landscapes paper was the topic for discussion at the last session of the day. Agnieszka Kiera and Vanessa Collins volunteered to collate comments for forwarding to Sue Jackson-Stepowski. The programme was based on the World Heritage Day theme for 2007 of ‘Cultural Landscapes and Monuments of Nature’. Extracts from the speakers’ presentations have been obtained as well as the PowerPoint presentations. Speakers represented viewpoints ranging from academia through state and local governments, heritage professionals and lay heritage property owners. Topics with an overt landscape theme were balanced by heritage in a landscape context. Two open discussions followed the second and last sessions on heritage at risk and historic urban landscapes.

Choir practice became a pleasant wind down and a core of attendees reluctantly left the premises at 6.15pm.
The support for the first Winterschool has demonstrated that there is a need for such events in WA, not only for collegiate interaction but also to draw in a wider audience. It shows that it does not have to be a major production as we have many experts in a variety of fields to willingly contribute to heritage debate and furthering our knowledge.

Two attendees indicated an interest to apply for membership of Australia ICOMOS.

November 2007
International Scientific Committees

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL D'ARCHITECTURE VERNACULAIRE (CIAV)

Miles Lewis

Administration
At the 2006 annual meeting Lena Palmqvist of Sweden, joined the executive committee as vice-president. The committee has revised its by-laws in order to make them conform to the Eger-Xi’an principles.

Awards
Two awards were made at the 2006 meeting, one to the community of San Antonio, Mexico, for its remarkable work in maintaining a traditional Purhépecha village as a living community. The second award was given posthumously to the late Rashel Anguelova of Bulgaria, for her role in the foundation of CIAV.

Newsletter
The first issues of the CIAV electronic newsletter were released, due to the efforts of the secretary general, Valeria Prieto.

Tomo-no-Ura, Japan
There is no final outcome from the mission to Tomo-no-Ura, Japan. The fate of the port still hangs in the balance.

Sistemas Constructivos Arquitectura Patrimonial en Madera, Santiago de Chile, 7-9 November 2007
CIAV was a joint sponsor of this seminar in Santiago Chile, at which I was the principal speaker. It was designed to celebrate the World Heritage Listing of the mining town of Sewell, and in particular to deal with the wood frame tradition. There were presentations by Prof Marcela Pizzi, ‘Mitos y verdades sobre el origen del Balloon Frame’, and Felipe Ravinet, ‘El Campamento Minero de Sewell’, and mine on ‘Evolution of the Timber Frame’, ‘The Industrial Vernacular’, and ‘Prefabrication in the Nineteenth Century’. The third day was devoted to a visit to Sewell, the extraordinary copper-mining settlement in the Andes.

Ifugao rice terraces, Philippines
In connection with CIAV’s forthcoming meeting in this region (see below), the United States is donating $38,000 to help efforts in preserving the Ifugao rice terraces, a World Heritage Site.

Illustrated version of the Vernacular Charter
Kirsti Kovanen of Finland is preparing the illustrated version of the Vernacular Charter, which is scheduled to be ready for the General Assembly in 20089.

Meetings
The committee met in Pátzcuaro, Michoacán, México, from 1 to 6 November 2006, on the theme ‘Pride of Place’. A number of papers were presented and participants visited the village of San Antonio and established contact with the local inhabitants as part of the project to rescue the vernacular architecture of the indigenous community of San Antonio Tierras Blancas. CIAV President Marc de Caraffe presented a special award to the community of San Antonio [see above] for their efforts in the preservation of vernacular houses. The Governor of the State of Michoacan and his wife were present during the visit and attended the lunch before going back to Patzcuaro.

At the time of going to press the committee is preparing to meet from 2 to 8 December 2007 at Ibagu Province, Philippines, on the theme of Preservation of Traditional Rural Landscapes, when the AGM will also be held.

November 2007
HERITAGE DOCUMENTATION (CIPA)
Cliff Ogleby

Membership
CIPA has a network of delegates in 46 countries, and has recently amended its Statutes to allow additional Expert Members. Delegates are nominated by the local chapter of ICOMOS and/or ISPRS. CIPA HD is a hybrid committee, liaising between ICOMOS and the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing. It is also a Permanent Committee of ISPRS.

Charters
CIPA at this stage has no Charters. It does have Statutes, By-Laws and Operational Guidelines.

The year’s highlights
A very successful 21st CIPA Symposium, in Athens Greece. For details see http://www.survey.ntua.gr/hosted/cipathens_2007/. The CIPA-Getty RecorDIM initiative is now wholly part of the activities of CIPA. CIPA was also involved in the 3d-ARCH Symposium in Zurich 2007, and the CIPA/VAST meeting in Cyprus late 2006.

Cooperation with other agencies
Members of CIPA are involved with a variety of other Societies, including ICCROM, ICOM, VSMM, VAST, and the Getty Conservation Institute.

Finances
CIPA has around 10 sustaining members who provide funds to assist in the publication of material, and the travel for delegates from under-represented regions. The CIPA account is healthy, and audited by ICOMOS.

Publications and web site
CIPA is in the process of making all the papers presented at all CIPA Symposia available for download from the CIPA HD web site. This is almost complete, papers from recent Symposia are available from http://cipa.icomos.org

CIPA will also produce one major publication each year for the next 3 years highlighting the activist and advances in monument documentation.

Future activities
The next CIPA Symposium will be held in Kyoto, 2009. In 2008 the business meeting of CIPA will be held at the ICOMOS General Assembly in Quebec, and a joint Symposium with VSMM will be held in Cyprus in November. CIPA is also planning a workshop in Portugal at a date yet to be confirmed.

November 2007

CULTURAL TOURISM COMMITTEE (ICTC)
Graham Brooks

Membership
ICTC confirmed its new ISC Statutes during its annual meeting at Canterbury UK in June 2007. The Statutes establish the following membership categories: Expert Member, Associate Member, Institutional Member and Honorary Member. Membership can be through self nomination by interested parties. Graham Brooks was confirmed as the President ICTC, Sue Millar (UK) as the Vice President, and Murray Brown (NSW) as the Membership Secretary. Murray Brown has worked hard over the last few months to prepare new Membership Application forms and to encourage existing members and colleagues to register their membership interest. Although formal acceptance has yet to take place, additional Expert Members within Australia now include Lyn
Leader-Elliott (SA), Gordon Grimwade (Qld) and Tim Winter (NSW).

Applicable conventions, charters, & relationship to Burra Charter
No additional conventions or charters have been produced in the period that formally expand the principles and philosophy of the Burra Charter.

ICTC Members enjoying a candlelight tour of Canterbury Cathedral – Exploring the Spirit of Place Workshop, June 2007.
Note Murray Brown in the foreground

Year's highlights
Since late 2006, the following activities have been undertaken by ICTC members, in particular the Chairman:

November 2006 - Participation in the third of four missions to India as part of a UNESCO appointed Panel of Experts to review and monitor the Ajanta and Ellora Caves World Heritage Site Conservation and Tourism Management Project.

March 2007 - Participation in the UNESCO Expert Workshop for the conservation of the Prambanan Temples World Heritage Site and Tamansari Water Castle Complex, in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. In particular the Workshop examined the requirement to repair the monuments following the March 2006 earthquake in Yogyakarta.

March 2007 - Provision of Program Preparation assistance to UNESCO Jakarta in relation to the next stages of the Nias Island Cultural Tourism for Sustainable Development project. Graham Brooks and Richard Engelhardt from UNESCO Bangkok had undertaken the initial scoping study and prepared the initial project recommendations in September 2006.

April 2007 - Graham Brooks' participation as Key Note Speaker in the US/ICOMOS International Conference on Cultural Tourism and Heritage in the Asia Pacific Region, in San Francisco. Tim Winter delivered the main public lecture at the beginning of the conference.

May 2007 - Graham Brooks' participation as Key Note Speaker at a Cultural Tourism and Heritage Seminar in Seoul, Korea, sponsored by the Department of Culture

June 2007 - ICTC Annual Meeting and Workshop in Canterbury, UK in conjunction with ICOMOS UK and the Canterbury World Heritage Site. Adoption of the Committee Statutes and Operational Guidelines.


August 2007 - Background Preparation of ICOMOS submission to UNESCO World Heritage Centre for the development of a significant two year project examining the vital issue of tourism management at World Heritage sites.

September 2007 - Participation via email and telephone in an initiative by UN Environment Program and IUCN regarding the development of base line criteria for the recognition of sustainable tourism practices.

Meetings
The Annual Meeting and Workshop of the ICTC took place in June 2007 at Canterbury, UK, where the Committee explored the 2008 ICOMOS General Assembly Theme of “Revealing the Spirit of Place”, in a joint session with ICOMOS UK. The four day workshop was generously supported by Canterbury Cathedral and focussed on the World Heritage values of this pilgrimage centre and how tourism can be managed across a complex urban and religious heritage site with three distinctive
precincts. The Workshop was complemented by a day trip into Kent and the English Channel coastline to explore historic defensive sites and other themes related to Kent and Canterbury being the gateway between England and Europe.

Asia Pacific Rim networking, and cooperation with other agencies
Significant networking and cooperation projects in the Asia Pacific Rim included those mentioned above in Korea, the US, and Indonesia:

Finances
No significant movement occurred in the limited financial situation of the Committee

Publications and web site
Some, albeit limited progress has occurred in the development of the ICTC Web site

Into the future
The biggest activities planned for the immediate future include:

Involvement in the UNESCO World Heritage Centre project examining tourism management issues for World Heritage Sites
Further development of the ICTC Web Site
Increased Membership Drive
Participation in the 2008 ICOMOS General Assembly

November 2007

HISTORIC TOWNS & VILLAGES (CIVVIH)
Ian Hocking

Membership
Australia’s Bureau member on CIVVIH is Ian Hocking. Australia currently has no corresponding member, however with Sue Jackson-Stepowski and Agnieszka Kiera attending the Helsinki meeting, both are now on the CIVVIH email list.

Juliet Ramsay, from the IFLA Committee, also attended the Helsinki meeting which facilitated discussions between IFLA and CIVVIH concerning Urban Cultural Landscapes.

The Australian delegation was a fourfold increase from any previous CIVVIH meeting, outside of a General Assembly.
Conventions, treaties, and charters
- Vienna Memorandum, World Heritage and Contemporary Architecture, Managing the City of Vienna, 2005, and subsequent regional symposia
- The Florence Charter (Historic gardens and landscapes) 1981
- Resolutions of the Conservation of Smaller Historic Towns, 1975
- Xi’an Declaration on the Conservation of the Setting of Heritage Structures, Sites and Areas, 2005

Year’s Highlights
CIVVIH are currently working with other ISC’s and heritage agencies to define and, if possible, to reconcile the concept of Urban Cultural Landscapes to other categories such as Historic Towns and Cities and Cultural Landscapes, as this term has gained considerable traction in world heritage assessment circles in recent times. From this activity, groups of CIVVIH members have:
- Redrafted the Vienna Memorandum;
- Revised the Washington Declaration;
- Prepared tool kits for the processes and methodologies involved in reconciling heritage and planning processes for cities and towns and for the assessment of development impacts on heritage values in cities and towns.

Statutes
In 2005 CIVVIH adopted ‘the Nancy draft’, with minor change, as a revision of its Statutes. ICOMOS has launched both a review and a series of co-ordination meetings between its International Scientific Committees. In Helsinki the statutes were further revised in accordance with advice from the ISC for Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues and to bring them into consistency with the Xi’an decision on statutes.

Limitations on terms as voting members
Base lines were established for all voting members of 3 x 3 year maximum terms from the date of members nomination by their national body. Once elected to the Bureau members may serve 3 x 3 years maximum before their election to the Bureau. The Bureau may co-opt other members and representatives of regional Sub-Committees, as considered appropriate.
Ian Hocking was elected to the Bureau in 2005 and would be eligible to serve 3 x 3 years on the Bureau from that date. Australia is eligible to nominate other representatives to CIVVIH from 2007.

Three year plan
CIVVIHs triennial plan was presented to the Council of International Scientific Committee’s in Edinburgh in September 2006. This ISCs co-ordination, spearheaded by Gustave Araoz, has been very active this year and promises to yield considerable benefits to the effectiveness of ISCs if it can be maintained. Michal Firestone, Secretary General of CIVVIH, was appointed Secretary General of the Council.

Meetings
CIVVIH’s next meeting is scheduled to immediately precede the General Assembly meeting in Quebec in September 2008.

Asia Pacific Rim networking
Work pressures and a health condition restricted Ian Hocking’s capabilities to undertake more than email contact with regional colleagues.

Cooperation with other organizations
CIVVIH and ISoCaRP encourage the introduction of conservation into planning processes. CIVVIH have requested OVPM to support CIVVIH urban conservation experts participating in its meetings.

Finance
Apart from the financial assistance from host countries towards the holding of CIVVIH’s Annual Meetings and Forums,
CIVVIH functions without a budget, and is greatly reliant on the unstinting activity of its President, Secretary-General and Vice-Presidents, together with the considerable support of Bureau members.

**Website**
The website was sponsored by ICOMOS Finland during 2007 under the guidance of one of CIVVIH’s Vice-Presidents. Lack of financial support during the past year has hampered the establishment of a Regional CIVVIH website.

**Publications**
*Fortified Towns* - The important report for Europe is yet to be published. It also establishes a model for fortified towns throughout most regions of the world.

*2005 CIVVIH Proceedings* - CIVVIH’s 2005 proceedings from its meeting at Istanbul, was published on CD-ROM by ICOMOS Turkey.

*Baraka and Other Values* - CIVVIH draft working paper concerning the assessment of complex heritage values, for World Heritage submissions, through accountable processes.

**CIVVIH and world heritage**
CIVVIH will continue to comment on World Heritage sites which represent themselves as World Heritage cities/towns. About one third of the sites inscribed on the World Heritage List are historic cities/towns.

In 2007 several members of CIVVIH continued to be used as commentators for World Heritage listing assessments within their regions. Ian Hocking was requested to provide commentary on a World Heritage submission The Straits of Malacca: Cities of Malaka and Georgetown.

**Publication of evaluation reports**
In 2004 CIVVIH resolved to further the exchange of knowledge about evaluation of sites and asked ICOMOS to publish evaluation reports. CIVVIH is still being pursuing this matter.

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**ARCHAEOLOGICAL HERITAGE MANAGEMENT (ICAHM)**

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**ICAHM**

International Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management

ICAHM is moving ahead with the reorganization of the scientific committee to broaden the membership to include not only representatives nominated by national committees but to also include all members of ICOMOS that have sufficient archaeological heritage management qualifications. It is anticipated that the membership enrolment process will be completed within three to six months and that a new Executive will be elected shortly after that time. During the process of reconstituting the membership, ICAHM faced the challenge of markedly increased secretarial activities. Douglas Comer, Director, Cultural Site Research and Management, 4303 North Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21218 USA volunteered the service of his company to support the web site and the membership enrolment process.

ICAHM held its last Annual General Meeting in Washington from 11 to 12 June, 2006. This year, 2007, has been a frustrating year for ICAHM as it initially planned to hold its Annual General Meeting in Greece, then that venue was not supported and the fall-back venue, World Archaeology Congress meeting in Jamaica, was cancelled. The failure of these two venues to materialize left ICAHM without a planned event for 2006/2007.

INRAP of France, the National Institute for Research in Preventive Archaeology, has applied and has been accepted as an institutional member of ICAHM.
Guidelines for the ICAHM Charter are progressing through the patronage of the Getty Conservation Institute. Brian Egloff, as President, is pulling together information that will facilitate the process of drafting an initial set of guidelines. Egloff hopes to complete the drafting process by August of this year and then circulate the draft for review by the ICAHM membership.

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INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE ON INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE (ICICH)

Marilyn Truscott

A meeting was held by ICICH from 29 March to 2 April 2007 in Kimberley, South Africa. This was the ISC’s first formal meeting, having been established at the ICOMOS General Assembly in Xi’an, China, October 2005. The meeting was fully funded by a grant from the South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA), the government’s heritage agency.

Those attending were the full ISC, being:

Andrew Hall, President (South Africa)
Thabo Manetsi, Secretary (South Africa)
Angel Cabeza, Vice President (Chile)
Munish Pandit, Vice President (India)
Marilyn Truscott, Vice President (Australia)
Marie-Claude Rocher (Canada) member of Quebec committee for Scientific Symposium, ICOMOS 16th General Assembly, 2008

ICICH was officially welcomed by Mr Phakamani Buthelezi Chief Executive Officer of SAHRA, and the Northern Cape provincial manager, Ms Moleibemang Elizabeth Manong.

Achievements

The ICICH Bureau developed a draft declaration on Intangible Cultural Heritage. It has been translated into Spanish and the French version has now been funded and is being prepared. It is expected that the draft will be circulated in early 2008 to all ICOMOS national committees and other ISCs for comment; in the meantime it has been circulated to a wide group of Australia ICOMOS colleagues for informal comment, and these have been brought to the Bureau. A revised final draft will be brought to the Advisory Committee meeting and General Assembly in Quebec in October 2008. It is yet unclear whether this document will become a full ICOMOS Charter or not.

The ICICH Bureau also developed draft assessment guidelines for intangible cultural heritage places and values to assist the ICOMOS world heritage nomination assessment processes.

Other activities and actions include:

- Call for wider membership for ICICH – to go out to ICOMOS membership with draft Declaration in early 2008
- Identify another regional vice president as a result of response to the draft declaration
- Form working groups of members and other interested experts in Australia, Chile and India, with a view forming regional groups (this has been loosely begun in Australia)
- Develop website with SAHRA assistance
- Input to ICORP meeting hosted by ICOMOS India in late May 2007
- Input to the Terra conference, Mali, February 2008
- Input to Scientific Symposium, ICOMOS 16th General Assembly, Quebec 2008

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INTERPRETATION & PRESENTATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE SITES (ICIP)

Michele Summerton

Australian members of ICIP are pleased to present their second annual report.

Concern for the importance of communicating heritage values and information to the general public prompted the formation of this ICOMOS committee in 2006. The aim of the committee is to promote, consistent with the aims of ICOMOS, ways to discuss and define the basic guidelines and principles of site interpretation in relation to authenticity, intellectual integrity, social responsibility, and respect for cultural significance and context, through the use of appropriate techniques and technologies (ICIP statute 2, 2006). The committee further seeks to encourage a wide public appreciation of cultural heritage sites as places and sources of learning and reflection about the past, as well as valuable resources for sustainable community development and intercultural and intergenerational dialogue’ (ICIP mission statement, 2006).

The main activities of the scientific committee are divided into three main themes under the direction of the elected vice presidents: emerging interpretive technologies, the role of interpretation in physical conservation, and general interpretation methods and policy. The bureau is responsible for the overall financial and programmatic management of the work of ICIP and for establishing within the committee the appropriate task groups to ensure its proper functioning.

Bureau officers
The following officers act as the ICIP bureau:
President: Neil Silberman (USA, Belgium)
Vice presidents: Alonzo Addison (USA), Clemens Guido De Dijn (Belgium) and John Jameson (USA)
Secretary general: Zeynep Ahunbay (Turkey)
Treasurer: Mireya Munoz (Bolivia)
Secretariat coordinator: Claudia Liuzza

Australian ICOMOS-ICIP members
Represented on the committee, which currently comprises 59 international members, are Australian voting committee members Sheridan Burke, Bill Nethery and Cath Renwick from NSW, and Victorians Michele Summerton and Linda Young.

Finances
The activities of ICIP are financed by subsidies and grants obtained by the committee from international and national bodies including respective ICOMOS national committees, and via donations, sponsorships and funds obtained by the initiative of the committee.

Secretariat and website
The secretariat of the committee is maintained at the Ename Centre for Public Archaeology and Heritage Interpretation, Abdijstraat 13-15, b-9700 Oudenaarde, Belgium. It can be contacted at: icomos-icip@enamecenter.org. Information about ICIP, officers, membership and committee activities can be found at the website: http://icip.icomos.org/eng/home.html

Update on review process of the ICOMOS Charter for the Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites
One of the major tasks of the ICIP committee is to prepare the ICOMOS Charter on Heritage Interpretation for general circulation to the ICOMOS community. A slightly revised version of the draft 4 dated 31 July 2006 was circulated to all ICIP members for their comments and suggestions. The result of this process, together with additional input from members of the ICOMOS advisory council meeting in Edinburgh, Scotland in September 2006, saw draft 5 finalised, dated 12 December 2006. Draft 5 was distributed once more for a further round of review comments and recommendations, leading to the formulation of draft 6, dated 16 March 2007. ICIP members were asked for final comments on the text at the second annual meeting of ICIP held a week later. When these were compiled, a proposed final version (draft 7) was submitted to an official vote of the ICIP committee, with the ballot completed by 15 June 2007. ICIP members overwhelmingly approved the document; the vote was 42 to approve (being votes were submitted by committee members from ICOMOS national
committees of Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Cyprus, Egypt, Greece, Guinea, Hungary, Israel, Japan, Spain, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States, and Zimbabwe), a single no not-to-approve vote was recorded from a committee member from ICOMOS-Spain.

Following the vote, an official request was made to include the Charter on the agenda of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee for its October 2007 meeting in Pretoria, South Africa. The Pretoria meeting, which was composed of the representatives of all international scientific committees, unanimously endorsed the draft Charter, and most importantly the Executive Committee approved its submission to the ICOMOS 16th General Assembly for ratification in Quebec in 2008.

In the meantime, ICIP is pressing on with the idea of compiling an 'illustrated' interpretation charter, following the example of Australia's Illustrated Burra Charter. ICIP members are being asked to look over the text once again and help select particularly good illustrations of the charter's various principles from specific heritage sites they can endorse.

More information on the history of the ICOMOS interpretation charter initiative can be found on:  

Other international activities
Specific activities of the ICIP in furtherance of the basic study of interpretation methods and philosophies in the past year have included:

The committee president, Neil Silberman, convened the second meeting of the ICIP on 23 March 2007 at the Monasterium Poortackere, Oude Houtlei 56, Gent, Belgium. It was attended by fourteen members of the committee (including Bill Nethery from Sydney), with an internet phone link to two additional members in Australia (Sheridan Burke and Cath Renwick). Also attending were ICOMOS Vice-President Gustavo Araoz, CIAV (vernacular architecture) Secretary-General Valeria Prieto, and CIPA (documentation of cultural heritage) Vice-President Mario Santana Quintaro. The progress of the interpretation charter and activities for the coming year were discussed. The minutes of this meeting were posted on the ICIP website:  
http://icip.icomos.org/eng/docs_minutes23032007.html

On 26 March 2007 ICIP Vice President John Jameson and other ICIP members participated in endorsed session on interpretation standards and definitions during the second annual Interpreting World Heritage Conference, Vancouver, BC, Canada held 25-27 March: a report of this session is on the ICIP website:  

On 16 April 2007 ICIP President Neil Silberman participated in a seminar on le nuove frontiere del patrimonio: l'evoluzione delle categorie patrimoniali secondo l'unesco at the university iulm in Milan.

On 13-14 June 2007, ICIP President Neil Silberman and Secretariat Coordinator Claudia Liuzza participated as external reviewers in the regional meeting of the EU sponsored promoting dialogue and cultural understanding of our shared heritage (push) project in Jerusalem.

Australian activities
As mentioned above, NSW member Bill Nethery attended the second ICIP meeting on 23 March 2007 at the Monasterium Poortackere, Oude Houtlei 56, Gent, Belgium, and Sheridan Burke and Cath Renwick participated via internet phone link. The meeting was held during the 3rd annual Ename International Colloquium, which was themed on the future of heritage: changing visions, attitudes and contexts in the 21st century. Bill Nethery presented a paper at the colloquium on 'interpretation for distant audiences', which outlined the NSW Heritage Office’s internet-based project to interpret its own historic premises, the Old King’s School. Following this, Bill attended the interpreting world heritage conference, Vancouver (association for interpretation), also held in March 2007, and the 10th US/ICOMOS international symposium, world heritage tourism, San Francisco, in April 2007.

The 2nd ICOMOS Thailand General Assembly and International Symposium was held at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok from 1-3 November 2007. The theme of the conference was interpretation:
from monument to living heritage. A small number of Australia ICIP members attended and presented papers: Victorian ICIP member Michele Summerton presented a paper on interpretation tools and techniques applied in the Casselden Place project, Melbourne.

NSW ICIP member Sheridan Burke gave a paper to the Beijing forum in November 2007 about the ICOMOS interpretation charter entitled "conserving heritage assets in an age of web wisdom".

Interpretation Australia Association (IAA) held its 16th annual national conference, *building blocks*, at Darling Harbour, Sydney, between 6-9 November 2007. Convened by ICIP and IAA member, Cath Renwick, the conference addressed the building blocks that underpin all aspects of heritage interpretation generating discussion on the complex interactions between natural, aboriginal and built heritage. Many dynamic papers and workshops were offered where facilitators invited participants to think outside the square—to invigorate the interpretive process. Several Australia ICIP members attended the conference and presented papers, and ICIP member Sheridan Burke spoke on the draft ICOMOS charter for the interpretation and presentation of cultural heritage sites.

Publications
In December 2006, the first issue of the ICIP newsletter was posted on the website and distributed to all members: http://icip.icomos.org/downloads/icip_newsletter_1.pdf

On behalf of Australia ICIP Members

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**LEGAL, ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL ISSUES**

**ICLAFI**

Graeme Wiffen

**Membership**
I am the Australian member of ICLAFI. There are no corresponding members.

**Charters**
ICLAFI undertakes comparative analyses of the national heritage legislation.

**Meetings**
ICLAFI’s annual meeting was held from 1st to 4th November, 2007, in Sibiu, Romania, the European Cultural Capital for this year. ICLAFI meetings take the form of a seminar on legal aspects of heritage preservation and conservation, followed by a business meeting. In Sibiu, papers reviewed the role of Advisory Committees in national heritage legislation. The papers will be published by the conference organisers.

**Cooperation with ICOMOS**
In 2006-7, ICLAFI’s major task was its involvement with other parts of ICOMOS. We have played a major role in drafting ICOMOS’ Eger-Xi’an Statute and help ICOMOS committees amend their statutes to meet its new requirements. We also assist new national and ISC Committees prepare their statutes.

On behalf of ICLAFI, I have prepared a guide for ICOMOS scientific committees.
preparing or amending statutes, which a number of committees have used, and which will be published on the ICLAFI website. A colleague on the committee has a similar role with national committees. ICLAFI is also requested by the international ICOMOS executive for legal advice.

**Finances**
The Romanian member obtained a grant to support ICLAFI’s annual meeting.

**Publications and web site**
Papers from our meeting in Hiroshima in November, 2006, were published during the year. In 2007, ICLAFI revised and expanded its web page on the ICOMOS site. The ICOMOS library in Paris is also planning to collect all papers from ICLAFI meetings on a web page.

**Into the future – pending activities, etc**
In 2007-08, I will be working with our member from Spain on a new electronic journal for heritage conservation issues, particularly legal issues, to be located on the ICLAFI site.

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**RISK PREPAREDNESS ICORP**

Robyn Riddett

**Membership**
Robyn Riddett is the full member appointed by Australia ICOMOS to this scientific committee. She is also the Secretary and inaugural Secretary-General of the ICOMOS Scientific Council.

**Applicable charters**
Venice, Ename & Burra Charters, and the Eger-Xi’an Principles apply. The ICORP statutes have been drafted and are now being reviewed.

**Year’s highlight**
In May ICORP held a “founding” meeting in New Delhi in association with a symposium on risk preparedness was held, together with the Archaeological Survey of India and the National Institute of Disaster Management. This was a significant moment in that there had been almost no contact between heritage and disaster professionals and this was the first bringing together of the different disciplines. Included in the programme were representatives of Indian government departments and organizations, INTACH, academics etc. This official meeting of ICORP was attended by members and colleagues from Australia, Canada, India, Japan and the United States of America.

In January as part of the Scientific Council’s initiative on global climate change, Robyn attended the Noah’s Ark Conference in London and coincidentally experienced some of the effects of climate change. The Noah’s Ark project is supported by the European Union and necessarily has compiled much data in relation to projected changes affecting Europe.

At the last minute Robyn was unable to attend this year’s Advisory Committee and Scientific Council meetings in South Africa due to family reasons and sent apologies.

Risk preparedness was a stream in the presentations of the Australia ICOMOS Extreme Heritage conference in Cairns in July 2007. This included several excellent papers and a workshop. Part of the preparation for the workshop included contact with emergency/disaster response government departments and organizations and this has opened doors for future collaboration and co-operation. It was pleasing to learn that cultural heritage is factored into risk maps in Victoria, being an initiative for other States to follow.

Teleconference meetings of the Australian National Committee of the Blue Shield have been held. Current work includes development of a poster and further development of a brochure to use at conferences and events, and refinement of rules of incorporation. ANCPS will also be developing the Disaster Response Guidelines for Cultural Heritage based on the draft document prepared by Australia ICOMOS following the Victorian bushfires. The Collections Council of Australia Ltd continues to provide the secretariat.

**Finances**
ICORP has no financial resources. ANCPS has received a small amount of funding
from its pillar members including Australia ICOMOS.

**Publications and web site**
ICORP is participating in the ICOMOS Scientific Council global climate change initiative. Otherwise publications and a website are yet to be developed.

**Into the future**
An ICORP meeting is intended to be held in India in 2008. ICORP will continue to participate in the activities of the Scientific Council and there will be input into the 2008 GA in Quebec.

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**UNDERWATER CULTURAL HERITAGE (ICUCH)**

**David Nutley**

**Membership**
The current ICOMOS Australia representative on ICUCH is David Nutley, currently also the ICUCH Secretary. Corresponding members from Australia are Jeremy Green (Western Australia) and Bill Jeffery (Queensland).

Other ICUCH members come from Canada, Denmark, Netherlands, Portugal, Croatia, Egypt, India, USA, Mexico, Cayman Islands, Brazil, Argentina, China, Sri Lanka, Japan, Togo, Jamaica, France, Spain, Belgium and Poland.

**Charters**
The key UNESCO Convention that is currently being actively promoted by ICUCH is the 2001 Convention for the protection of the underwater cultural heritage. Currently 16 of the necessary 20 country membership have ratified this convention and it is understood that a further 30 countries are actively considering convention – five of which are near to actual ratification. ICUCH is therefore actively assisting UNESCO in developing guidelines for implementation of the convention. This is in preparation for the meeting of State Parties once the Convention comes into force.

**Year's highlights**
The major highlights of 2007 have been participation of ICUCH in

- A Regional Experts Meetings in Sri Lanka from 9-11 April
- A National Consultative Meeting on Underwater Cultural Heritage, Indonesia 12 -13 June
- Conduct of a 2 week training course “An Introduction to Maritime Heritage” in Tanzania (9-12 October)
- Maritime Archaeology Symposium at Itaparica, Brazil from 24-26 October
- A Lisbon UNESCO seminar, 9-10 Feb
- A Croatia seminar in May

**CUCH Brazilian representative, Gilson Rambelli with his team, Maritime Archaeology Symposium, Itaparica, Brazil from 24-26 October 2007 (Nutley 2007)**

**Meetings**
The 2007 AGM was held on 27-28 October 2007 at Itaparica, Brazil and included the development of a Resolution supporting the current visions for the increased development of maritime heritage capabilities in that country.

**Asia Pacific Rim networking**
As seen in the Year’s highlights, ICUCH has been active in the Asia Pacific Region working with UNESCO through the Experts Meeting in Sri Lanka and the National Consultative meeting in Indonesia. In addition, Cambodia has now become the first Asian country to ratify the convention and it is hoped that other Asia Pacific nations will soon add to this count.

**Into the future – pending activities**
In November 2007, ICUCH has been invited to a meeting in Paris to address Permanent Delegations to UNESCO on management issues in implementation of the 2001 Convention. David Nutley will be presenting a paper at this meeting comparing the merits of in situ preservation and archaeological excavation.

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CULTURAL LANDSCAPES (IFLA)
Juliet Ramsay

Membership
An executive committee consists of 21 voting members; 23 contributing non-voting members, 12 non-voting advisory board members and 12 non-voting honorary members. The committee president is Professor Luigi Zangheri. Australian committee members are Juliet Ramsay (voting member) and Professor Ken Taylor (corresponding member). The Australian advisory group for the ICOMOS - IFLA International (Scientific) Committee for Cultural Landscapes consist of: Stuart Read, Marilyn Truscott, Jane Lennon, Iain Stuart, Meredith Walker, Christina Voss, Catherine Brouwer, Catherine Evans, Wendy Dwyer, John Adam (ICOMOS NZ), Elaine Lawson, Susie Hoppe, James Hayter (IFLA) and Colleen Morris (AGHS).

Year's highlights
Activities undertaken:
- Presenting a seminar on cultural landscapes presented to the staff of the Heritage Division, Department of Environment and Water
- Undertook 12 hours of teaching on cultural landscapes at the University of Canberra to the Landscape Architecture students.
- With Monica Luengo undertook the coordination of the ISC review of the World Heritage Technical Evaluation Guidelines.
- Review of heritage landscape assessment report for Australia ICOMOS.
- Attended the Australian Garden History Society Conference in Albury, October 2007.

Meetings
I attended the ISC meeting held in Vienna in May 2007 that focused on developing a resolution, the Resolution of Schlosshof, for better legal protection of historic gardens and parks in Austria. The meeting was combined with a conference and garden tours on Hapsburg Gardens organised by the Austrian Garden History Society. The ISC meeting planned for Norway in September was cancelled. A meeting has been rescheduled and planned to be held Costa Rica in November 2007.

Asia Pacific Rim networking, and cooperation with other/external agencies,
Juliet Ramsay represented Peter Philips at a reception, hosted by Senator Christine Milne and Mr Don Henry for the IUCN Oceania Regional Director Mr Taholo Kami.

Publications, web site (if applicable), etc
The main document is the Florence Charter 1982 for historic gardens. http://www.icomos.org/landscape/committee_history.htm is the IFLA web site. The committee's statutes and a recently developed inventory guideline for documenting a cultural landscape are on the website. An e-publication of papers presented at the Cultural Landscapes Evening is being considered.

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WOOD COMMITTEE (IIWC)

Peter Freeman

Membership
Australian and corresponding member is Peter Freeman.

Applicable conventions, treaties, charters, relationship to Burra Charter
The ICOMOS International Wood Committee (IIWC) is one of the 28 international specialized expert committees of ICOMOS (International Council on Monuments and Sites). IIWC was established in 1975. The objective of IIWC is to promote international cooperation in the field of preservation of wood in buildings and structures and to advise on the development of ICOMOS programs in this field. The IIWC subscribes to the Principles for the Preservation of Historic Timber Structures as adopted by ICOMOS at the 12th General Assembly in Mexico, October 1999.

Year’s highlight
The highlight was the 16th Symposium of the IIWC in Florence, Venice and Vicenza Italy, 11th to 16th November 2007. Symposium theme: From Material to Structure: Mechanical Behaviour And Failures of the Timber Structures. Peter Freeman had intended to be a participant, and his paper [on the collapse and reconstruction of the GADARA homestead Adelong] was selected for presentation, however Peter was unable to attend. Images for the Symposium brochure are reproduced below.

Meetings
Annual Symposium generally held late in the year, and early year smaller meeting. The IIWC annual meeting is coincident with the Symposium.

Asia Pacific Rim networking, and cooperation with other/external agencies
Mainly northern-hemisphere centric. Last four Symposia have been in :
- Hue, Vietnam - April 2000
- Kenozero National Park, Russia - September 2002
- Patzquaro Michoacan, Mexico - 10-14 November 2003
- Istanbul, Turkey - 20 September 2006

Publications, web site (if applicable), etc

Rescuing the Hidden European Wooden Churches Heritage: An International Methodology for Implementing a Database for Restoration Projects (with the support of the Culture 2000, Programme of the European Union) - 2006

and others, refer http://www.icomos.org/iiwc.

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POLAR HERITAGE COMMITTEE (IPHC)

Michael Pearson

Membership
Australian members of the IPHC (statuses in transition from Corresponding and Associate members to Expert Members, in keeping with resolutions of the last two General Assemblies) are Geoff Ashley, Julian Bickersteth, Sherrie-Lee Evans, Angie McGowan, and Michael Pearson

Meetings
A meeting of the IPHC was held in Munich in October 2006, and was reported in last year's annual report.

A meeting of the IPHC was held in Barrow, Alaska in September 2007, as part of the IPHC's contribution to the International Polar Year. Eighteen IPHC members attended, including Sherrie-Lee Evans from Australia. Participants presented a range of papers on polar heritage issues (see IPHC website for details).

Resolutions addressed: the refinement and expansion of a database of expertise relevant to polar heritage conservation; the further identification of the likely impacts of climate change on polar heritage places, and the recording of affected places; the urgency of requiring management plans to be prepared for polar heritage places as a guide to their ongoing management and conservation; the IPHC taking action to raise further awareness in the Committee for Environmental Protection (CEP, established under the Antarctic Treaty System) of the pressing need to acknowledge and conserve cultural heritage places when located in areas being considered by them (see IPHC web site for a more detailed report).

The next IPHC meeting will be in Quebec to coincide with the General Assembly in September 2008.

On 7th & 8th February 2007 a meeting of IPHC members and polar researchers from southern hemisphere countries was held in Vina del Mar, Chile. Participants were: Dr. Michael Pearson (Australia), Javier Garcia Cano (Argentina), Jose de Nordensflycht (Chile), Jorge Berguño (Chile), Andrés Zarankin (Argentina), Ximena Senatore (Argentina), Mónica Valentini (Argentina), Carolina Gatica (Chile) and Ruben Stehberg (Chile). The main discussion focused on:

a) Conservation of 19th century historic sites in Antarctic, and in particular those in the Fildes and Byers Peninsula areas;
b) The need for a data-base of all the known historic sites in the South Shetland islands;
c) The activities of pseudo and amateur archaeologist and historians working in the Antarctic without adequate control of their national cultural authorities.

It was resolved to present a paper on the Fildes Peninsula site to a regional meeting of Antarctic Treaty parties in Punta Arenas in March 2007, and that a recommendation for an Antarctic Special Protected Area (ASPA) to protect the sites be presented to the next meeting of the CEP. In the case of the Byers Peninsula, where an ASPA Management Plan already exists, a location map and description of the 26 historic sites has been prepared and the Chilean Delegate has been asked to present this to the British with a submission to include it as an Annex to their Management Plan. With these actions 90% of the list (and database) of the sites discovered in the South Shetlands has been completed. (see IPHC web site for a more detailed report).

Finances
The IPHC Secretariat continues to be supported financially by a grant from the Norwegian Directorate for Cultural Heritage (Riksantikvaren). These funds are managed by ICOMOS Norway and the Directorate. This arrangement is likely to cease in 2011 with the mandatory change in President of the IPHC, so offers of alternate funding and Secretariat arrangements are being sought.

Activities
Database of scientific stations from the first IPY (1882/83) - Work continues on the project to compile a coherent record of the sites associated with the First IPY in a single database, coordinated by German IPHC Expert Member Cornelia Lüdecke, as reported in last year's annual report, continues. (see IPHC web site for details).

International cooperation - Consistent with the IPHC's objective of promoting
international cooperation, studies and projects the Secretariat has worked closely with the New Zealand based Antarctica Heritage Trust (AHT) to raise awareness in Norway of the important Norwegian cultural heritage that the AHT is working to conserve at Cape Adare in Antarctica (Carsten Borchgrevinks expedition huts). This culminated in an event at the Fram Museum in Oslo in November 2006, to launch a website designed to assist this process.

Funding from the Norwegian Foreign Ministry via Riksantikvaren made possible the www.norgesglemteoppdager.org web site. The IPHC secretariat contributed to the launching event.

Climate Change
The IPHC continues its promotion of

STAINED GLASS
Geoffrey Down

Membership
Geoffrey Down is the full member appointed by Australia ICOMOS to this scientific committee.

Applicable conventions, treaties, charters, & relationship to Burra Charter
Venice, Ename & Burra Charters, Eger-Xi’an Principles apply.

Meetings
Due to family reasons, Geoffrey was unable to attend this year’s Advisory Committee and Scientific Council meetings in South Africa. In the event the Stained Glass Committee was reported as being “absent” i.e. no apology, as has been the case since Geoffrey has been on this committee. Otherwise there have been no meetings or communications.

Into the future – pending activities, etc
The Stained Glass Committee appears to be one of the scientific committees which are “sleeping” and which needs re-activation. Some attempt will be made to inject some life in the forthcoming year and contribute to the programme of the 2008 general Assembly in Quebec.

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STONE
David Young

The first meeting for 2007 was in Edinburgh, Scotland on 4-5 May: eighteen members and eight visitors attended the Edinburgh meeting. The second meeting is planned for Prague between 30 November-1 December.

The major project of the committee continues to be the publication of a multilingual, illustrated glossary of terms used in the study of stone decay and conservation. The web version is now live and can be accessed via the Stone ISC’s page on ICOMOS’s web site: www.international.icomos.org. Alternatively, http://lrmh-ext.fr/icomos/consult/index.htm is a direct link to the committee’s page - then click on Illustrated Glossary on Stone Deterioration under tab, Activities. The Glossary and the committee’s page are hosted by the Laboratoire de Recherche des Monuments Historiques, France.

Like the definitions in the Burra Charter, the aim of the glossary is to standardise the use of terms so that clarity and consistency may prevail. Australia ICOMOS members are encouraged to make use of the

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glossary in their work and to pass on to me any comments they may have, particularly if they come across examples that don’t correspond with any of the existing terms.

The committee hopes to publish a hard copy version of the glossary in English and French in time for the General Assembly in Quebec. The glossary layout has been designed and funding is being sought. Translation into other languages (initially German and Spanish) is also planned.

Other projects the committee is considering include:

- A proposed International Conference on the conservation of Outdoors Stone Sculptures in Historic Parks and Gardens in 2009/2010 at a location to be determined.

Future committee activities are being planned around the following events:

- ICOMOS General Assembly Québec, Canada, October 2008.

During the year, no stone-related matters were referred by Australia ICOMOS.

Australia ICOMOS members who are interested in any aspect of the work of the ISC for Stone are welcome to contact me on david.young@netspeed.com.au.

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TWENTIETH CENTURY HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Sheridan Burke

Background

The Twentieth Century Heritage ISC was formed in 2005. This Scientific Committee focuses on the conservation, management and interpretation issues confronting the heritage places of the Twentieth Century.

Establishment

The statutes, objectives and list of 20th Century ISC foundation members were ratified by the ICOMOS Executive Committee in February 2005. The statutes are being revised in accordance with the Xi’an/Eger Principles. Three rounds of invitations to nominate voting members have now been sent to all national ICOMOS committees and ISCs, as well as to Docomomo, UAI and TICCIH. The 20th century committee held its first meeting at the General Assembly in Xi’an, China in October 2005, and has had several informal meetings since, and one formal meeting in Chicago in 2007. The committee is multi-disciplinary by its very nature, whilst recognizing the diversity of regional and cultural expression of twentieth century heritage. The membership is open to ICOMOS members with established expertise in the various fields of twentieth century heritage, and young professionals are specifically encouraged to participate.

Definitions

The committee considers that C20 heritage includes buildings, structures, urban ensembles and plans, cultural landscapes, industrial and historic archaeology incorporating all forms of heritage, tangible and intangible. It has its origins in the 19th century and includes the products of more recent times.

Operations

Much of the committee communication is electronically based, with an annual meeting/conference. At its first meeting in Xi’an, China, an interim management group was nominated. The working languages are English and French. The office bearers are: Christiane Schmuckle Mollard and Sheridan Burke as co-presidents; Sr Xavier de anda Alanis (Mexico) as vice-president and treasurer; Gunny Harboe (USA) as secretary general; Kyle Normanton (USA) webmaster.

Objectives

The ISC C20 will aim to promote the value and conservation of heritage of the Twentieth century and its creators; and to develop activities to support the active conservation of twentieth century heritage. This may include a charter, guidelines, criteria, twentieth century heritage at risk reports and meetings and activities with
other interested bodies. We specifically aim to actively contribute to the archive of twentieth century heritage, for example, through collecting oral history, video interviews with relevant heritage professionals etc.

**Site Specific Activities**
- The ISC continues to actively advocate the conservation of the home and studio of Konstantin Melnikov and Moscow’s Twentieth Century Heritage generally, much of which is at risk.
- A programme of heritage alerts, issues in collaboration with Docomomo and UAI is in development.

**Advice**
- This year the ISC provided advice to ICOMOS on matters and missions relating to twentieth century heritage and the world heritage convention.

**Meetings**
- In April 2007, Member Marianna Heikinheimo represented the ISC20C at the CIVVIH ISC meeting in Helsinki, Finland.
- In April 2007, Secretary General Gunny Harboe represented the 20C at a UIA meeting on heritage education in Paris, France.
- In May 2007, Member Kiran Joshi represented ISC20C at an ICORP meeting in Delhi, India.
- In May 2007, Co-President Sheridan Burke delivered a speech at the World Heritage Institute Asia and the Pacific in Shanghai on establishing partnerships for twentieth century heritage conservation.
- In September 2007 20C co-sponsored a conference on 20th Century World Heritage in Berlin Germany in collaboration with ICOMOS Germany.
- In October 2007, 20C member Steve Kelley (USA) represented the ISC at the Advisory Committee meeting in Pretoria.
- In October 2007, Co-president Sheridan Burke presented a paper at the Beijing Forum.
- Meetings were held with UAI and TICCEH re co-operation and joint project development.

**This year’s highlight**
In June 2007, an international symposium and 20C AGM was held jointly with 20C and ISCARSAH in Chicago, USA. An exciting programme of papers and visits to Chicago downtown and the Farnsworth House provided members with learning and socialising opportunities. Ian Kelly presented a paper on the Council House in Perth and Sheridan Burke spoke on the Sydney Opera House re-engagement with Utzon. In addition to the AGM of C20, a joint meeting with ISCARSAH members addressed mutual interest and possible collaborations.

**Forward planning**
Elections for the 20C will be held in conjunction with the General Assembly in Quebec, Canada in 2008.
Ratification of the 20C Statutes compliant with the Eger-Xian Principles will be voted upon at the General Assembly in Quebec, Canada in 2008.

**Pending excitement**
A joint meeting and international conference of the 20C with DoCoMoMo, UIA and MAAN is under development by a small sub-committee. It is proposed to be held in Sydney in July 2009.

**Membership**
There has been great interest in the committee since its formation in 2005. We currently have 34 “expert” members and
over 40 “interested” members. Resolving the issue of membership categories and qualifications is a priority of the committee and will be determined prior to the General Assembly in Quebec in 2008.

**Australian member activities**
Susan Macdonald has actively assisted the Committee this year, and at the initial meeting in Xian. Helen Lardner, Ian Kelly and Samantha Westbrook attended the AGM in Chicago. Other interested AI members would be most welcome to be in contact. Many AI members also being DoCoMoMo members, find much of mutual interest.

**Cooperation with External Agencies**
The committee is essentially a group of volunteers and we must match our actions with our resources-hence, the C20 heritage committee will seek to collaborate with and contribute to the work of other ICOMOS scientific committees and partners whenever possible.

A formal agreement has recently been entered into with UIA on collaborating on issues of mutual interest in twentieth century heritage conservation, largely through the ongoing commitment of member Louise Cox. An agreement of Principles already exists with DoCoMoMo, and we enjoy close rapport with DoCoMoMo Australia President Scott Robertson.

**Finance**
Nil to report, sadly.

**Publications**
Proceeding from the June 2007 joint 20C and ISCARSAH symposium held in Chicago, USA was published on CD and will be posted on the ISC C20 website. 2007 saw the international publication of the Moscow Heritage at Risk conference 2006.

**Website**
http://icomos-isc20c.org/index.html the 20C website was formally launched in May 2007. Many thanks to Kyle Normandin, USA, webmaster.

**November 2007**
Other Reports

NATIONAL PARKS & WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NPWAC)

Jean Rice

The NPWAC council
The NPWAC is constituted under the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act to advise the Minister on matters relating to the care control and management of Service areas. Members of the Council are stipulated in the Act and include a cross section of community views. Jean Rice was reappointed to the Council in December 2005 for a second four year term and this appointment will finish on 29th July 2009. Jean was originally selected by the Minister from a panel of three, nominated by ICOMOS. The Act has since changed and the position is now described as requiring cultural heritage research skills.

Changes This Year
This year there has been the creation of a new department, the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) which includes the former Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) and National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) which is now the Parks and Wildlife Group (PWG). The former Minister Bob Debus retired and a new minister was appointed, Phil Koperberg, and assisting minister Verity Firth and the Director General Lisa Corben continues. Mr Koperberg attended the May 2007 meeting and addressed council. The Council chair and convenors of committees have not been able to meet with the Minister this year. The deputy director general regularly attends meetings and is available to discuss issues. The former Cultural Heritage Division is no longer under the PWG but is a separate unit, the Culture and Heritage Division. This year saw the appointment of two members of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee to the advisory council and the appointment of a Karst Management Advisory Committee, which included Susan MacDonald as the nominee of the NSW Heritage Office.

Council Meetings & Highlights
The National Parks and Wildlife Advisory Council continues as previously and meets for a full day meeting four times a year and once a year with the executive.

Council business is generally confidential and limited by the State Act but summaries of topics considered are prepared after each meeting and circulated to Regional Advisory Committees. Recent issues have been consideration of the implications of the State Plan for the reserve system, rationalization of reserve categorization, encouragement for the establishment of a register of scientific research, concern about game hunting in State Forests adjoining reserves, consideration of the impact of climate change for the development and management of the reserve system, the role of the Parks and Wildlife Group in Environmental Education, wildlife management the proposed Emirates Eco Resort in the Wolgan Valley and briefing about the Environmental Trust’s Alps to Atherton plan.

The Council was briefed about the 2006-2010 Corporate Plan, the State of the Environment Report which was launched in November 2006 and the proposed rollout of the 2007 State of the Parks survey which included improvements in the survey tool, and the revised MOU with 4WD NSW and ACT. In May 2007 the Council met with the Deputy Director General and the Branch Directors Group who each reported on achievements, priority issues and emerging issues followed by general discussion. There was an internal review of the role of the sub-committees, which continues.

Management planning sub-committee
Jean has sat on the Management Planning Sub-committee for the last six years and convened it for the last four. The committee usually meets monthly for a one-day office meeting and a two-day weekend field trip. The Management Planning sub-committee generally considers new management plans, which are placed on public exhibition. Where possible places are inspected during the planning process or when plans are on exhibition, generally with
local field staff and local advisory committees. When public submissions are received service recommendations are forwarded to Advisory Committees then the Council for comment before being sent back to Advisory Committees thence to the Minister as advice (as required by the Act).

In the last year a protocol was developed for the consideration of Conservation Agreements with authorities, a new conservation mechanism, the first being with the local council for Wingen Cemetery. Individuals were able to comment on a new parks and wildlife policy manual being developed. The sub-committee requested information on plan of management status across the reserve system and propose to use this information to obtain an overview of planning across the reserve system and to identify gaps.

During the last year the sub-committee reviewed submissions for Araluen, Avisford, Black Andrew, Bogindera Hills, Broulee Island, Brundee Swamp & Saltwater Swamp, Burnt Down Scrub, Burnt School & Strike-a-Light, Burra Creek, Central Monaro, Copperhannia, Coramba, Hattons Corner, Illawong, Kangaroo Valley, Kororo, Kuma, Monkerai, Mount Dowling, Mudjarn, Mulgoa, Munro Island, Narrandera, Sea Acres (amendments), Sherwood, Tucki Tucki, Wambool, Winburndale and Valla & Jagun Nature Reserves.

Submissions where reviewed for Arakwal, Bago Bluff, Bimberamala, Brindabella (NP & SCA), Carrai, Gardens of Stone, Kumbatine and Warra National Parks, for Tumbalong State Conservation Area (SCA), for the Lennox Head Aboriginal Area and for the Clybucca Historic Site. Comments were also made on Statements of Interim Management Intent (SIMI’s) for Barrington Tops and Copeland Tops State Conservation Areas and Marshall's Creek Nature Reserve and on the renewal of the Thredbo head lease.

Inspections where made to Jenolan Caves Karst Conservation Reserve, Avisford, Bogindera Hills, Brundee Swamp & Saltwater Swamp, Burra Creek, Goonawarra, Kangaroo Valley, Little Pimlico Island, Marshalls Creek, Mulgoa, Narrandera, Sea Acres and Tucki Tucki Nature Reserves and to Ben Boyd, Gardens of Stone, Guy Fawkes River, Kumbatine, Livingstone, Mooball and Willi Willi National Parks, Yellowmumdee Regional Park and Wereboldera and Whian Whian State Conservation Areas and to Patches Beach Aboriginal Reserve.

November 2007

Livingston National Park, NSW (Rice 2007)

Ben Boyd National Park, NSW (Rice 2007)
CONSERVATION OF INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE (TICCIH)
Helen Lardner

About TICCIH
TICCIH is a partnership organisation of ICOMOS, providing advice to ICOMOS on industrial world heritage.

TICCIH is the world heritage organisation promoting conservation, research and interpretation of industrial society. It has a broad focus including industrial places, (architecture, plant, machinery and equipment) as well as housing, industrial settlements, industrial landscapes, products and processes, and documentation and understanding of industrial society.

TICCIH Congress
The XIV TICCIH Congress: Industrial Heritage, Ecology and Economy, will be held at the Institute for History of Science and Technology (IWTG) of the Technical University of Freiberg, in cooperation with TICCIH-Czech Republic and TICCIH-Poland, from 30 August to 5 September, 2009.

The previous TICCIH Congress was held in Italy in the Italian township of Terni, the surrounding Umbrian region and Rome in September 2006. Three Australian ICOMOS members attended; Sue Jackson-Stepowski, Sarah Jane Brazil and Helen Lardner.

Proposed TICCIH / Australia ICOMOS joint conference
It is proposed to hold a conference on industrial heritage at Broken Hill in 2010. This will be a joint initiative of TICCIH Australia and Australia ICOMOS and we hope to draw overseas contributors, as well as many local members of both organisations. Conference planning is in the early phase with further information available from Elizabeth Vines and Helen Lardner.

Membership
Currently there are few Australian members of TICCIH. Sue Jackson-Stepowski, Sarah Jane Brazil and Helen Lardner are keen to revive TICCIH Australia and are initially looking to establish an email network. If interested please contact Helen Lardner on h.lardner@hlcd.com.au.

Finances
TICCIH Australia is not funded and participants bear their own costs of participation.

Website
Visit the TICCIH websites www.ticcih.org or www.ticcihcongress2006.net for the TICCIH Congress for further information.

Operating Charters and relationship to Burra Charter
The Nizhny Tagil Charter for the Industrial Heritage July 2003 is TICCIH's draft charter for the protection of industrial heritage. It has been presented to ICOMOS and is being developed in partnership with ICOMOS.

November 2007
Financial report

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2007
AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED

ABN: 85 073 285 798

Annual Financial Report For The Year Ended
30 June 2007
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AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED ABN: 85 073 285 798
COMMITTEE’S REPORT

Your committee members submit the financial report of the Australia ICOMOS Incorporated for the financial year ended 30 June 2007.

Committee Members

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

Allen, Caitlin
Bridgman, David (appointed 13/05/07)
Buckley, Kristal
Close, Elizabeth (retired 9/11/06)
Coupe, Anthony (appointed 9/11/06)
Croker, Alan
Harrington, Jane (appointed 9/11/06)
Hubbard, Timothy
Jackson-Stepowski, Susan
Agnieszka, Kiera
Lardner, Helen
McIntyre-Tamwoy, Susan
McKenzie, Leah
Mullens, Robyn (retired 9/11/06)
Phillips, Peter
Pruszniski, Jason (retired 9/11/06)
Rippingale, Kelly
Romney, Peter (retired 9/11/06)
Sciusco, Lori
Smith, Anita
Vines, Elizabeth

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were:
- to 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 profit after providing for income tax amounted to $91,695.

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

[Signature]
Peter Phillips, President

[Signature]
Kelly Rippingale

Dated this 24th day of October 2007
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STATEMENT OF RECOGNISED INCOME AND EXPENSE FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2007

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Note 1  Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1987.

The financial report covers Australia ICOMOS Inc. as an individual entity. Australia ICOMOS Inc. is an association incorporated in the Australian Capital Territory under the Associations Incorporation Act 1991.

The financial report of Australia ICOMOS Inc. incorporated as an individual entity complies with all Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) in their entirety.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the association in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

Reporting Basis and Conventions

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected non-current assets, and financial assets and financial liabilities for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

Accounting Policies

(a) Income Tax

The association applied for and has received endorsement as an income tax exempt charity in 2002. As long as circumstances remain unchanged, which committee members believe to be the case, no income tax return need be lodged.

(b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

(c) Revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised upon the delivery of goods to customers.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportionate basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Government grants and copyright royalties are recognised as received.

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

(d) 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 Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

(l) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(j) Limitation of members liability

In accordance with the rules of the association, the liability of a member to contribute towards the payment of the debts and liabilities of the association or the costs and expenses of winding up is limited to the amount if any, unpaid in respect to membership of the association.

Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The committee members evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information.

Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the association.

Key Estimates - Impairment

The association assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the association that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value-in-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

The financial report was authorised for issue on the date of signing the Committee's Report.
### Note 2  Revenue

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### Note 3  Auditors' Remuneration

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<td>Remuneration of the auditor of the association for:</td>
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### Note 4  Cash and Cash Equivalents

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<td>Cash at bank</td>
<td>174,330</td>
<td>88,169</td>
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<tr>
<td>Short-term bank deposits</td>
<td>94,163</td>
<td>49,475</td>
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<td>268,493</td>
<td>137,644</td>
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The effective interest rate on short-term bank deposits was 5.93% (5.5%); these deposits have an average maturity of 30 days.

Reconciliation of cash
Cash at the end of financial year as shown in the cash flow statement is reconciled to items in the balance sheet as follows:

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<td>137,644</td>
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### Note 5  Trade and Other Receivables

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<td>CURRENT</td>
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<tr>
<td>Subscriptions receivable</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Other receivables</td>
<td>6,102</td>
<td>693</td>
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### Note 6  Trade and Other Payables

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<td>Trade payables</td>
<td>15,918</td>
<td>12,530</td>
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<td>Grant received in advance</td>
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<td>5,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Subscriptions in advance</td>
<td>22,257</td>
<td>19,621</td>
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<tr>
<td>Indigenous Conference Fund</td>
<td>2,140</td>
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<td>Pacific Training Fund</td>
<td>4,466</td>
<td>3,505</td>
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<td>Victoria Falls Fund</td>
<td>581</td>
<td>200</td>
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<td>Yogyakarta Earthquakes Fund</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1,196</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Net Funds received re Extreme Heritage Conference</strong></td>
<td>33,336</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>83,698</td>
<td>42,910</td>
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| **NON-CURRENT**      |        |        |
| Trade payables       | -      | -      |

### Note 7  Related Party Transactions

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<td>Orwell &amp; Peter Phillips (an entity operated by Peter Phillips)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1,000</td>
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<td>Heritage Concepts (an entity associated with Lori Sciuso)</td>
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### Note 8  Cash Flow Information

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<td><strong>Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Profit after Income Tax</strong></td>
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<td>Profit after income tax</td>
<td>91,695</td>
<td>(2,712)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities</td>
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<td>Non-cash flows in profit</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment</td>
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<tr>
<td>Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of purchase and disposal of subsidiaries</td>
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<tr>
<td>(Increase)/decrease in trade and term debtors</td>
<td>(5,409)</td>
<td>32,130</td>
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<tr>
<td>Decrease in prepayments</td>
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<td>(Increase)/decrease in inventories</td>
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<td>Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables</td>
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<td>7,563</td>
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<td>Increase/(decrease) in current tax liabilities</td>
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<td>Increase/(decrease) in employee benefits</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>130,849</td>
<td>36,981</td>
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### Note 9  Association Details

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

The principal places of business is:
Australia ICOMOS Incorporated
Faculty of Arts, Deakin University
221 Burwood Highway
Burwood VIC 3125
In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 2 to 8:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated as at 30 June 2007 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, mandatory professional reporting requirements and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Australia ICOMOS Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

The statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

President

[Signature]

Peter Phillips, President

Treasurer

[Signature]

Kelly Ripplngale, Treasurer

Dated this 24th day of October 2007
AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2007 and the income statement, statement of recognised income and expenditure and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

Committee’s Responsibility for the Financial Report
The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Associations Incorporation Act of the Australian Capital Territory 1991. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor’s Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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 entity’s internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence
In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Auditor’s Opinion
In our opinion,
The financial report of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated is in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act of the Australian Capital Territory 1991 including:

i. giving a true and fair view of the Association’s financial position as at 30 June 2007 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and

ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Associations Incorporation Act of the Australian Capital Territory 1991.

Name of Firm: Elliott House, Chartered Accountants
Name of Partner: Simon M. Dorahy
Address: 6 Elliott Street, North Sydney NSW 2060

Dated this 24th day of OCTOBER 2007
COMPILATION REPORT ON ADDITIONAL DATA

Scope

On the basis of the information provided by the Committee of Management of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated we have compiled, in accordance with APS 9: Statement of Compilation of Financial Reports the special purpose financial report of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated for the period ended 30 June 2007 comprising the attached Income and Expenditure Statement.

The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial report has been prepared is to provide financial information to the trustees. Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements have not been adopted in the preparation of the special purpose financial report.

The Committee of Management is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Association's Constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the Committee of Management for the purposes of complying with the Association's Constitution.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information which the Committee of Management provided into a financial report. Our procedures do not include verification or validation of procedures. No audit or review has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

To the extent permitted by law, we do not accept liability for any loss or damage which any person, other than the Association, may suffer arising from any negligence on our part. No person should rely on the special purpose financial report without having an audit or review conducted.

The special purpose financial report was prepared for the benefit of the Association and the purpose identified above. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial report.

Name of Firm      Elliott House, Chartered Accountants

Address          6 Elliott Street, North Sydney NSW 2060

(Signed)          

Simon M. Doherty

Date            26-10 OCTOBER 2007
**AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED ABN: 85 073 285 798**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2007**

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