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The 2008 Executive Committee meeting at Darwin, August 2008

left-to-right: Agnieszka Kiera (WA rep), Tim Hubbard (VIC Conferences & Scholarships), Anthony Coupe (SA rep), Leah Mackenzie (ACT rep), David Bridgman (NT rep), Liz Vines (SA rep and Minutes Secretary seated), Helen Lardner (VIC Vice President), Jane Harrington (TAS rep, World Heritage & Publications), Anita Krivickas (NSW Treasurer), Peter Phillips (NSW President seated), Megan McDougall (VIC rep and Secretariat Liaison), Catherine Brouwer (QLD rep), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW Secretary & ISC Coordinator), Helen Wilson (NSW Membership).
National Executive Reports

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Peter Phillips

I have pleasure in presenting the President’s report for 2008. Australia ICOMOS has had another busy year, much of which has been focussed on activities leading up to the General Assembly in Quebec.

Executive Committee
As always, I must first thank the members of the Executive Committee who have given so much of their time this year to the work of Australia ICOMOS. The Committee this year had elected representation from all states and territories, and we co-opted two additional members for specific tasks: Sarah-Jane Brazil for the redesign of the web site and Megan McDougall for Secretariat Liaison. We also welcomed new members Catherine Brouwer from Queensland and Anita Krivickas, Helen Wilson and Graeme Wiffen from New South Wales. The other Committee members for the 2007-08 year were David Bridgman (NT), Anthony Coupe (SA), Jane Harrington (Tas), Timothy Hubbard (Vic), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW), Agnieshka Kiera (WA), Helen Lardner (Vic), Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy (Qld), Leah McKenzie (ACT), Elizabeth Vines (SA) and myself. Kristal Buckley, immediate past President and recently re-elected International Vice-President of ICOMOS, has also attended most Executive meetings to brief the Committee on international matters and also to give us the benefit of her advice and corporate memory.

The Executive Committee met in February (Canberra), May (Sydney), and August (Darwin) and will be meeting again in Melbourne before and after the Annual General Meeting. As usual, at our Canberra meeting we took the opportunity to invite senior officers from the Department of Environment, Greg Terrill and James Shevlin, to attend our meeting and brief us about recent developments in the Heritage Division.

Agnieshka Kiera and Sue Jackson-Stepowski will also be leaving the Executive Committee at the Annual General Meeting, having completed their maximum three consecutive terms. Agnieshka has been an important voice for ICOMOS in Western Australia, including acting as convenor of our successful 2006 conference in Fremantle. Sue Jackson-Stepowski has managed to combine a busy family and professional life with several roles in Australia ICOMOS, including Secretary and ISC coordinator. We are very grateful to both of them for all the time and energy they have devoted to Australia ICOMOS over many years, and I am pleased that they will continue their involvement with ICOMOS through International Scientific Committees.

I must again thank Kate Cowie for continuing to act as our Public Officer and enabling us to fulfil our corporate obligations each year. I am also grateful to David Bridgman for helping to assembling this Annual Report.

Secretariat
Georgia Meros was appointed as our Secretariat Officer at the end of last year, and has quickly made herself indispensable to the organisation. Georgia has taken over our financial data entry as well as the many other Secretariat tasks that enable us to deal effectively with our members and the public as a professional organization, including the assembly of the weekly e-mail news. 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 Georgia most sincerely for a job well done.

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 continue to maintain our storage unit in Burwood and are progressively working through the archives to arrange and catalogue them. As always, I encourage past Committee members to send any records they may still have to the Secretariat so that these can be added to the collection.

Sarah-Jane Brazil has been coordinating the redesign of our web site. Several members completed the survey she sent out earlier this year about the present web site and contributed many helpful suggestions. A draft version of the site was presented to the Executive at its last meeting, and we are hoping to launch the final version soon.
**Finances**

Australia ICOMOS has again recorded a profit for the year, although a considerably lower one than that of the previous year. Because we did not wish to compete with the General Assembly, we did not run our own national conference this year, and while this reduced our risk it also meant that we did not receive any income from what is often a profitable activity. Our copyright payments have also returned to normal levels. As in previous years, we have benefitted from the generous assistance of the Australian Government, through its grant under the GVEHO program and also through its project grant in June for the Burra Charter Review, and continued reimbursement of overseas travel expenses for Kristal Buckley, our International Vice-President. We are very grateful to the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, and the Minister, Peter Garrett, for their continuing support.

We also continued to benefit from the substantial in-kind support we receive from Deakin University, which provides our Secretariat office space and services free of charge. 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.

I must again congratulate our members for their generosity in donating to the various funds that Australia ICOMOS has established for good works. Our contribution to the Victoria Falls fund, which assists ICOMOS members in less wealthy countries to attend the General Assembly, was one of the largest sent to International ICOMOS. The recent General Assembly resolved to establish the Raymond Lemaire Fund for Next Generation Skills, and I hope we will be able to support this generously as well.

As noted in the Financial Statements attached to the Treasurer’s report, we were alerted following last year’s Annual General Meeting to a potential problem with the funds we have received from the Copyright Agency Limited, for the reproduction of copyright material that we publish, mostly in *Historic Environment*. The Executive Committee has been working hard to resolve this problem in a way that minimises our interference with the intellectual property of our authors and also avoids unnecessary administration for the Secretariat and Treasurer. We will be writing to all affected authors as soon as we have resolved all of these issues satisfactorily. I must again thank the auditor, Peter Gosling of Elliott House Pty Ltd, who has assisted us with this matter as well as carrying out his usual careful scrutiny of our accounts.

**Membership**

As the Membership Secretary’s Report indicates, our membership numbers continue to grow steadily. We have been progressively updating our policies during the year concerning various aspects of membership, and these are being added to the website. We are aware that encouraging young professionals to join Australia ICOMOS is still a challenge.

One of the main attractions of Australia ICOMOS is the opportunity for international contacts and experience, which has now been greatly enhanced through the opening up of membership of the International Scientific Committees. We called for expressions of interest before the last Executive Committee meeting and were able to nominate 25 new members to various ISCs. Many of these new members attended their first ISC meetings at the General Assembly.

We are continuing to explore ways to improve benefits to members, including those available here and overseas through the ICOMOS membership card.

**Representations**

Much of our effort this year has again been devoted to building relationships with the Heritage Division of the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, and the new Minister Peter Garrett and his advisers. I have to say that we continue to be disappointed at the apparently diminishing interest in wider cultural heritage matters at Commonwealth level, signified by further decreases in funding for cultural heritage programs, continuing a decline that has been occurring over the last decade.

Australia ICOMOS was one of more than twenty signatories to a letter sent to the Minister on this issue. The same apparent attitude towards cultural heritage was also reflected in the make-up of the Australian Government’s 2020 Summit, which contained no references to heritage; nor were any delegates from the cultural heritage sector invited to attend. A number of members nevertheless sent individual written submissions to the Summit. The National Trust held its own summit to discuss cultural heritage issues in Australia, at which Joan Domicelj represented Australia ICOMOS.
There have also been challenges to cultural heritage at State level, most notably in New South Wales where the former Minister for Planning introduced substantial and (in our opinion) potentially harmful changes to legislation affecting heritage matters. Australia ICOMOS members in NSW spent a great deal of time and energy preparing submissions on these changes at successive stages of the legislation. It remains to be seen how the new laws and regulations will operate in practice.

Australia ICOMOS has as usual responded to a number of other requests for submissions to Government, including a recent submission to the Australian Government’s inquiry on the tax and transfer system, which at present does not provide for cultural heritage places the same kind of support that is available for natural heritage places or cultural heritage objects. We were also asked to respond to a questionnaire from the Commonwealth concerning the possible ratification by Australia of the UNESCO Convention on Intangible Cultural Heritage; our response was drafted by Marilyn Truscott.

My thanks go to all those who have drafted submissions or assisted with comments during the year, including Sue Jackson-Stepowski, Richard Mackay, Jane Harrington, and our submissions co-ordinator Leah McKenzie. I am as always particularly grateful to Duncan Marshall, who keeps us informed of affairs in Canberra and is of enormous help in our dealings with government. I am delighted that Duncan was elected an Honorary Member of Australia ICOMOS at last year’s Annual General Meeting in recognition of his many years of work on our behalf.

National Cultural Heritage Forum

The Minister, Peter Garrett, decided recently to disband the National Cultural Heritage Forum and replace it with another advisory body focussing on economic and tourism aspects of cultural heritage. Australia ICOMOS, as Chair and Secretariat of the Forum over the last year, spent a great deal of time and effort prior to the Minister’s decision co-ordinating Forum members to prepare papers on the state of cultural heritage in Australia and what might be done to improve it.

There were also several meetings and telephone conferences with Ministerial advisers and Departmental staff. Having supported the collaborative approach of the Forum for many years, Australia ICOMOS will now need to consider how it can work more directly with government on cultural heritage matters. We are very grateful to Kristal Buckley and Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy, former Chair and Secretary of the Forum, for all the time and energy they devoted to it, and to Duncan Marshall for his advice and support.

World Heritage

At last year’s meeting of the World Heritage Committee, the Committee resolved to send a monitoring mission to inspect the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area. As this item is listed for both natural and cultural values, an ICOMOS representative (Dr Kevin Jones from New Zealand) was a member of the mission team, and Australia ICOMOS was requested to assist the Commonwealth in meeting the mission and assisting it with its work. After a good deal of preparation, two Australia ICOMOS groups met the mission, one in Sydney and the other in Hobart. I am very grateful to all those who assisted with this exercise, including Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy, Richard Mackay, Jane Harrington, Angie McGowan and Anne McConnell, who prepared our briefing paper.

We note with pleasure that Australia ICOMOS member Anita Smith was a member of the Australian delegation that was elected last year to membership of the World Heritage Committee. Prior to this year’s annual meeting, Greg Terrill, the head of the Australian delegation, wrote to Australia ICOMOS and others seeking comments on Australia’s role on the Committee, and I am grateful to Kristal Buckley and Jane Harrington, coordinator of our World Heritage Reference Group, for drafting our response. Vice-President Helen Lardner represented Australia ICOMOS as part of the Australian delegation to the World Heritage Committee meeting in Montreal in July this year. The Australian Government recently hosted the Pacific Islands Forum in Cairns, as part of its contribution to increasing the representation of the Pacific region in the World Heritage List and improving heritage protection and management in the region. Jane Harrington represented Australia ICOMOS at this meeting, and Kristal Buckley also attended, representing ICOMOS International.

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 nearly all of the...
International Scientific Committees. Kristal Buckley was re-elected as a Vice President at the recent General Assembly, and received the largest percentage of votes for this position in the first ballot. This was a clear indication of the value that ICOMOS members both here and abroad place on Kristal’s achievements during her first term, which are detailed in her report, and we look forward to her continuing work under new ICOMOS President Gustavo Araoz.

Australia ICOMOS members continue to be encouraged by their overseas colleagues to host International meetings. Next year’s annual conference on 20th century heritage will be held in conjunction with a meeting of the 20th Century ISC, and we are keen to explore other such opportunities. Most of these, however, require substantial external funding support.

Several Australia ICOMOS members attended the annual Advisory Committee meeting of National Presidents and ISC Chairs in Quebec this year, prior to the General Assembly. The two-day meeting was again preceded by a one-day meeting of the Scientific Council, and a further day set aside for meetings of all the International Scientific Committees, which were attended by most of the Australian delegates present at the General Assembly.

The Asia Pacific regional meeting, convened as part of the Advisory Committee meeting, was chaired by Kristal Buckley, who prepared a report to the Advisory Committee on the events and issues for Asia-Pacific ICOMOS members and committees over the last three years. The four Task Teams formed at the 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.

Meredith Walker has suggested that it would be useful for Australian members of ISCs to meet and exchange ideas and information about the operation of the ISCs and areas of common interest, such as doctrinal texts. The first of these meetings is being held in conjunction with this year’s Annual General Meeting, and we hope it will lead to others.

Regional activity
Australia ICOMOS was well represented at the Asia-Pacific Regional meeting in June, hosted by ICOMOS China in Hangzhou in conjunction with the Hangzhou Forum on World Heritage. Papers were presented by Sheridan Burke, Kristal Buckley and myself. Our thanks to ICOMOS China, its President Tong Mingkang and International Vice President Guo Zhan and all of our Hangzhou hosts for a most stimulating and professional meeting, which included a tour of the remarkable West Lake.

Guo Zhan gave a moving presentation of the damage caused by the recent earthquake in China, and I discussed with him afterwards the possibility of Australia ICOMOS members assisting with the reconstruction effort. A number of our members have volunteered to help if a formal request is received. Australia ICOMOS members also assisted as hosts during a visit to Australia by guides from the Magao World Heritage site.

Australia ICOMOS members and others at lunch during the Asia-Pacific Regional meeting

Publications
The work of the Publications Committee has been capably carried on under its Coordinator, Jane Harrington, and Historic Environment Editor Dr Tim Winter. With the assistance of our guest editors, we have managed to produce three issues of the journal this year, and there are several more waiting to be published.

Anthony Coupe has taken over the running of the project to update the Burra Charter Guidelines, and has made good progress with it. This was further accelerated by a grant received from the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts to prepare a program for the review of the Burra Charter itself, the current version of which will be ten years old next year. The program will provide opportunities for all interested members to contribute to the review of our core conservation documents, which continue to set standards for best practice in Australia and an increasing number of places elsewhere in the world.

The most visible of our publications is still the weekly e-mail news, which continues to be a
source of current information for our members and others. In Quebec recently I had discussions with Francois Leblanc, President of ICOMOS Canada, about distribution of our e-news to Canadian ICOMOS members.

**Education and training**

The Annual General Meeting this year is again being preceded by a seminar on World Heritage led by leading Australia ICOMOS practitioners in this area. It was obvious from the interest in last year’s workshop that this is a topic on which many of our members are keen to know more.

The first Australia ICOMOS Victorian scholarships were awarded this year to Trudy Rickard and Emma Russell. The scholarship is part of the implementation of the Victorian Government’s strategy *Victoria’s Heritage: Strengthening our Communities*, and is to help build capacity within the heritage industry in Victoria, by supporting participation in recognised heritage conservation courses. I am grateful to the members of the Scholarship Committee, led by Megan McDougall, for managing the selection process. Australia ICOMOS hopes that this initiative will be adopted in other States and Territories.

We were again successful in obtaining a place for an Australia ICOMOS member, Monique Galloway, 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, Water, Heritage and the Arts.

**Conferences and events**

Australia ICOMOS was a partner in the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) conference this year on Intangible Heritage, instead of organising its own national conference, Australia ICOMOS members presented many of the papers at this conference, and selected papers will be refereed and published in *Historic Environment*.

The International Day for Monuments and Sites, the theme of which for this year was Religious Heritage and Sacred Places, was celebrated with a number of events organised by States and Territories. A number of other local events were organised by State representatives, as mentioned in the State reports. These events are important ways for our members to keep in touch with one another.

**Future activities**

Much as we have accomplished this year, there is as always much more to do. Tasks for the coming year will include:

- Completion and production of our updated Policies and Procedures manual
- Launching the new Australia ICOMOS website
- Continuing the review of the *Burra Charter* Guidelines
- Developing a new representations strategy following the disbanding of the National Cultural Heritage Forum

In all of these endeavours, and in the many other tasks done by Australia ICOMOS, I and the Executive Committee are 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. It is through the efforts of all of you that Australia ICOMOS maintains such a good reputation both here and in the international heritage community.

As this is my last report as President, I would like to thank all those many members who have helped me with advice, encouragement, suggestions and criticism during my term. It has been an enormous honour for me to have served in this position, and a source of great pleasure and pride that the organisation continues to be so well regarded. I wish you all every success in the future.
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. There has been a smooth change over with Georgia Meros joining us as our part-time Australia ICOMOS Secretariat Officer. Key Secretariat tasks are compiling and distributing the weekly Australia ICOMOS e-news (the circulation of which is expanding well beyond Australia), liaising with the Executive Committee on many national and international matters via e-mail between meetings, and support to our members, as well as dealing with enquiries and administrative matters. The co-opting of Megan McDougall on to the Committee to assist with regular communication with the Secretariat has been exceedingly beneficial, especially as office bearers are based in other States.

Membership of the Executive Committee is drawn from all states and territories. Australia ICOMOS endeavours to hold its quarterly meetings throughout Australia when financially possible. The August meeting was held in Darwin at the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory. Prior to this, several Committee members took the opportunity for a private visit to Kakadu National Park and various local cultural sites in and around Darwin. Despite ill health, Sarah-Jane Brazil kindly arranged for the May meeting in Sydney to be held at the Railway Heritage Centre at Central Railway Station. Each year one meeting is held in Canberra as this affords an opportunity to engage with Federal Government’s representatives, and where Australia ICOMOS is incorporated. The February meeting venue was once again in Old Parliament House. The November Executive meetings will be held in the Melbourne offices of HLCDF Pty Ltd.

To coincide with the 2008 AGM there will be a gathering of Australian members of International Scientific Committees to discuss the various changes arising from the Eger Xi’an Principles and Quebec Scientific Council meeting. This is being organised by Meredith Walker. Assisting with AGM events venue planning is Megan McDougall. We are grateful to Heritage Victoria for providing the venue for this event. The AGM will be preceded by the next in the rolling series of World Heritage seminars. The generosity of venue organisations and their management is greatly appreciated, as meetings and seminars would be more difficult without their assistance.

Usually after Executive meetings we gather with local members for a social event. A nearby Chinatown restaurant was the Sydney venue. In Darwin we enjoyed a tropical evening, courtesy of EC member David Bridgman, in the garden of his interwar era, Beni Carr Glyn Burnett designed Darwin house, a rare survivor that has withstood both the terrors of Cyclone Tracy and the development boom that is currently engulfing that city. In Melbourne there will be a tour of the World Heritage listed Royal Exhibition Building conducted by the Museum of Victoria, and after the 2008 AGM, we will dine at the Lincoln Hotel in Carlton.

Many Australia ICOMOS activities are augmented by our members throughout Australia or by persons having particular expertise. Submission writing is one such task. In the past year there have been many submissions and delegations to Federal and various State governments, for which we thank authors, contributors and presenters. Other activities are State-based events as detailed in each State report. Whilst there are too many people involved in organizing events, seminars on topical issues, site visits and the like to name individually, such activities would not occur without the generosity of our members who assist with organisation, catering and whatever is needed at the time – thank you to you all.

Each Executive Committee member takes on a role or area of responsibility and we rely on their significant voluntary commitment to achieve our annual goals and to ensure the smooth running of Australia ICOMOS. The functions and range of particular tasks are detailed separately within this AGM Report.

The Secretary’s role involves dealing with many incidental and minutiae tasks that arise between quarterly meetings, and annual matters such Australia ICOMOS contributions to the ICOMOS International Report and World Monuments Day report. Whilst some tasks may seem mundane, it is the timely dealing with them that keep the cogs of a not-for-profit organisation running efficiently and smoothly. The Minutes Secretary’s position once again was undertaken by Liz Vines, and occasionally
myself, with the minutes being finalised at the conclusion of each meeting.

Another task is the web site maintenance. Our website is in the process of being updated, led by Helen Lardner and Sarah-Jane Brazil. We are hoping that the new site will go live soon.

Australia ICOMOS once again was the Secretariat for the National Cultural Heritage Forum under the chair of Kristal Buckley, with organisational support provided by Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy. This has been a demanding and time consuming task. Whilst the demise of the Forum is unfortunate, new avenues have opened for Australia ICOMOS to pursue at Commonwealth level.

Australia ICOMOS ‘retirement’ rules are designed to allow for roll-over of corporate knowledge concurrent with succession planning. This enables more members to have the opportunity to contribute to the running of Australia ICOMOS. We will miss Agnieshka Kiera who has completed a second tenure on the Committee representing Western Australia. I too must retire from the Executive Committee but will continue my involvement on two International Scientific Committees and as a contributor to the Scientific Council triennial programme.

Being on the Executive Committee is a most rewarding and also challenging activity. It widens perspectives beyond one’s home state, to the inter-play between various governmental tiers and the international arena. From this I have gained greater insights into the operation of ICOMOS and its multiple fields of endeavour, most of which go on quietly behind the scenes without great fanfare or acknowledgement. This has been a wonderfully enriching experience and I thank Australia ICOMOS for allowing me the opportunity to contribute. I also thank the many persons I have met throughout Australian and elsewhere, made possible by being a member of ICOMOS.

The incoming 2008-2009 Executive Committee will welcome your ideas and suggestions about ways to enhance ICOMOS on every level and the heritage profession generally. If you would like to be involved in Australia ICOMOS, please contact the Secretariat or your State or Territory representative.

The c1994 Troppo & Glenn Murcutt designed Bowali Visitor Centre in Kakadu National Park, Northern Territory remains an energy efficient and user friendly facility.

At Kakadu for a private visit are members of the 2007-08 Australia ICOMOS Executive. Left to right: Catherine Brouwer (QLD rep), Liz Vines (SA rep), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW Secretary) and Helen Wilson (NSW Membership).
TREASURER’S REPORT
Anita Krivickas

The audited financial report for the year ended 30th June 2008 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 2007-2008 recorded a profit of $4,362 for Australia ICOMOS. This can be attributed to the increase in membership subscriptions and publication sales, the generous reimbursement by the Commonwealth Government of travel expenses incurred by our International Vice President, a profit of $7,370 from the 2007 eXtreme heritage conference, and receipt of a grant of $10,000 from the Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts (DEWHA) for preparing a program and procedure for the review of the Burra Charter.

Reflecting the above profit, total members funds at the end of the 2007-2008 financial year were $189,482 compared to $185,120 for the financial year ending 2006-2007. The table below provides a summary of the movement of funds over the last five years. An amount of $114,533 has been placed in a term deposit for 6 months at a rate of 7.50%. This allows for a more than adequate operating fund while gaining a favourable interest rate on a good proportion of the funds.

Highlights of the 2007-2008 financial year include:

- Support and secretariat services provided for the National Cultural Heritage Forum (NCHF) with the assistance of Commonwealth funding
- Continuing Commonwealth assistance for overseas travel expenses to support the work of the International Vice President.

Both our income and expenditure exceeded the budget forecasts for 2006-2007, and adjustments have accordingly been made in the budget for the current year. Grants received totalled $47,000, including Commonwealth assistance to cover the travel costs of the International Vice President, funding for the provision of secretariat services to the National Cultural Heritage Forum, GEVHO funding and the special grant received from DEWHA for the establishment of a review process for the Burra Charter. We are as always extremely grateful to the Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts for its generous support of our activities.

It should be noted that the profit of $7,370 from the 2007 annual conference eXtreme heritage, held in Cairns in July 2007, was achieved notwithstanding the complete subsidy of travel costs for our ICOMOS Pasifika colleagues to attend their inaugural Board meeting, and the travel costs for one Aboriginal delegate and two keynote speakers from overseas, as well as the partial subsidy of several other delegates. Our thanks go to our major sponsors, the Commonwealth and Queensland Governments, as well as James Cook University. Congratulations are also extended to the conference convenor and the committee in organising such a successful event.

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. The President has referred in his report to the revenue we receive from copyright payments, which we hope will provide a modest source of income once
present issues are resolved. However 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 costs under control. We acknowledge the considerable support of Professor Bill Logan and Deakin University, who provide an office for Australia ICOMOS that helps us keep our operating costs low.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the invaluable contribution of our past and present Secretariat Officers, Nola Miles and Georgia Meros, who have provided skilled and professional administrative services.

Summary of Funds 2003 - 2008

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The 2007-08 Executive Committee at its Sydney meeting held at the National Trust of Australia (NSW) in February 2008.

Left to right: Catherine Brouwer (QLD rep), Liz Vines (SA rep and Minutes Secretary), Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy (QLD and NCHF), Anthony Coupe (SA rep), Helen Lardner (VIC Vice President), Jane Harrington (TAS rep, World Heritage & Publications), Helen Wilson (NSW Membership), Peter Phillips (NSW President), Graeme Wiffen (NSW rep), Agnieszka Kiera (WA rep), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW Secretary & ISC Coordinator), David Bridgman (NT rep), Anita Krivickas (NSW Treasurer), Tim Hubbard (VIC Conferences & Scholarships)
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY’S REPORT
Helen Wilson

Membership 2007-2008
Our members work in all facets of the understanding and protection of Australia’s cultural heritage places, at all levels of government and in the private sector. They are from a wide range of professional disciplines, including architects, historians, archaeologists, materials conservators, art historians, lawyers, geographers, anthropologists, engineers, anthropologists and town planners.

The membership of Australia ICOMOS has continued to increase and it is this strength of membership and breadth of professional involvement, knowledge and experience of our members, that allows Australia ICOMOS to contribute to policy development regarding cultural heritage in Australia and overseas.

Membership categories and policies
Australia ICOMOS offers various categories of membership including Member, Young Professional Member, Institutional Member and Associate providing different levels of benefits. Honorary Members are those recognised by Australia ICOMOS for having made outstanding contributions. There are also Subscribers who wish to be informed of Australia ICOMOS activities.

Under certain circumstances, discounted rates of membership are available in the Retired/Unwaged category. Following are the current membership numbers in each category:

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In the past year, we have sought to clarify the requirements and benefits for membership categories. New policies have been adopted for honorary membership, retired members, associates, institutional members and lapsed members. The website has been updated and the policy information has been added to the website.

Honorary Members
Honorary Membership of ICOMOS may be conferred by the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee to pay tribute to an outstanding contribution made to, or on behalf of, Australia ICOMOS. It is intended that this will be a rare honour to be considered annually, but not necessarily bestowed each year.

Members
A high proportion of Australia ICOMOS members are full international members. Only full Members (including Young Professional members) can use M.ICOMOS after their name. Members receive newsletters from ICOMOS International on world-wide cultural heritage events and issues. They also receive international membership cards which offer discounted or free entry to many galleries and museums worldwide and other benefits. Members and Young Professionals are reminded that in order to receive the international membership card and benefits they must pay their membership fees by the Annual General Meeting in November.

Young Professionals
Our Young Professional category of membership provides a discounted rate of membership for those with 3 years or more experience in the heritage field, starting out in the profession and under 30 years of age. Young Professional Members have full membership rights and benefits. Once they turn 30, they become full Members and pay the Member rate.

Associates
Many people join before they qualify for full membership, for example as students or when they first work in the heritage field and we have had many young members joining Australia ICOMOS in the past year. We wish to encourage and support students, recent graduates and those entering the workforce, to join Australia ICOMOS: the Associate category is available for those who do not yet qualify for full Membership but will in time. When Associates have gained at least three years of work experience with heritage as their core focus, they may apply to change to either Young Professional or full Members with all the added benefits. The Associate category is also for those who are interested in heritage but not working with cultural heritage as their core focus, or who do not require the International component of full membership.
Institutional Membership
There are a small number of Institutional Members of Australia ICOMOS. The intention of this category is that organisations with a strong involvement or primary role in heritage conservation that support ICOMOS can demonstrate their support through institutional membership. Institutional Membership does not provide the same benefits as full Membership of Australia ICOMOS, and individuals within institutions that have Institutional Membership are encouraged to join as Members to gain the full range of benefits.

Retired/ Unwaged Category
The number of our retired members has grown since last year and is likely to continue to grow. Australia ICOMOS values its members who have retired from active professional practice and also recognises that members may slip in and out of paid work, as their family situations, health or personal circumstances require. Discounted subscription rates are available for retired and unwaged members and students. This Retired/ Unwaged category of membership is intended for those who genuinely have difficulty paying the full fee. If members categorised as Retired/ Unwaged return to earning an income, it is expected that they will pay full membership fees when paying their next annual membership fees.

Lapsed Membership
It is worth noting that if a membership subscription has lapsed for up to two financial years, the membership dues owing for those two years must be paid and then the membership will be automatically reinstated.

State membership and activities
Following is a state based breakdown of membership figures:

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NSW has the largest membership of Australia ICOMOS, but it is pleasing to see growth in membership in Western Australia, Queensland and South Australia and a strong membership growth in Victoria this year.

Each year there are a variety of events held in each state, including tours of heritage sites, seminars on heritage related issues, book launches, social get-togethers and quiz nights. These state and national events are a good opportunity for all Australia ICOMOS members to network and participate. Becoming involved in organising conferences, seminars and events or helping out on the day, is rewarding and a great way to meet other members and get the most out of your membership. We strongly encourage all our members to become involved in the organization of events. As with anything, the more you contribute, the more you gain personally, so do get in touch with your state representative or ICOMOS member organizing an event and offer to help.

Applications for members to join the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee are encouraged from all states and territories. Seminars and conferences are frequently organised nationally by Australia ICOMOS, often in association with other heritage based organizations. As well as providing opportunities to participate and professional networking, membership of Australia ICOMOS brings discounts at ICOMOS functions and conferences and on ICOMOS publications. The membership also receives a number of issues annually of the Australia ICOMOS refereed journal Historic Environment.

Australia ICOMOS continues to provide a weekly email service to its wide range of memberships, with information on events and issues in Australia and overseas, including state based events, conferences and site visits, as well as information on heritage publications, funding and grant opportunities, course details and job offers.

Many of our members have contributed greatly to Australia ICOMOS over the past year and we are grateful for all their help and participation. We are always looking for ways to improve our benefits and communication with members. Feedback and suggestions are welcomed to: wilsonhelen@optusnet.com.au.

Finally, I would like to thank our Secretariat Officer, Georgia Meros, for her support and hard work throughout her first year in the position. I would also like to thank Helen Lardner, former Membership Secretary, for her assistance, common sense and tactful advice.
CONFERENCE COORDINATOR’S REPORT
Timothy Hubbard

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

2007 Conference – Extreme Heritage, 12th – 14th July, Cairns
There have been a number of positive flow-on activities from the 2007 conference. The conference theme: Extreme Heritage - managing heritage in the face of climatic extremes, natural disasters and military conflicts in tropical, desert, polar and off-world landscapes, yielded many interesting papers. The symposium and Public Forum on Climate Change and Cultural Heritage also proved a timely event for Australia ICOMOS. Two volumes of Historic Environment are planned from the conference; the first of these - Global Climate Change and Cultural Heritage (Vol 21 No 1) has already been published. The second volume Extreme Heritage is in the final stages of preparation and should be out before Christmas. The conference convenor was Dr Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy.

2008 Conference – Intangible Heritage Symposium, 1st to 2nd July, Melbourne
Because many Australia ICOMOS members were expected to attend the 16th ICOMOS General Assembly held in Quebec late in 2008, Australia ICOMOS supported 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. It was held in Melbourne at St Peter's, Eastern Hill, close to the Trust's headquarters in Tasman Terrace. The National Trust (Vic) symposium coordinator was Dr Celestina Sagazio.

A range of leading national and international speakers attended the conference. Dr Barry Jones was the Master of Ceremonies. Several tours were arranged for the 3rd July. Selected papers will be published in a special edition of Historic Environment in 2009. The conference was scheduled to precede the 25th annual conference of the Society of Architectural Historians, Australia and new Zealand, on History in Practice, held in Geelong, Victoria.

2009 Conference – (Un)Loved Modern, 7th -10th July, Sydney
Australia ICOMOS, in association with the Association for Preservation Technology (Australian Chapter), Australian Institute of Architects, the International Union of Architects and Docomomo Australia, will examine developments and trends in identifying, managing and conserving twentieth century heritage places. The conference committee looks forward to hearing a range of national and international speakers on the six conference themes. One of the highlights will be keynote speaker Jan Utzon talking on the theme of re-engaging with the original architect with reference to the World Heritage listed Sydney Opera House.

The 'Call for Papers’ and Conference details are available at www.aicomos.com. The Registration form will be available shortly. The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage will meet in Sydney on 7th July as part of the conference. The conference convenor is Ian Kelly.

2010 Conference – Something Out of Nothing, 23rd – 25th April, Broken Hill
The 2010 annual Australia ICOMOS conference with the working title ‘Something Out of Nothing - the Heritage of the Outback’ is planned for Broken Hill. Industrial heritage will be a major theme. The International Committee for the Conservation of Industrial Heritage (TICCIH) will be involved. Other themes will include the identification and management of historic towns and the heritage of living in the Outback. A conference committee has been formed and the City of Broken Hill has offered its full support. It is hoped that an appropriate ICOMOS ISC meeting can be arranged to coincide with the conference. People interested in the conference should contact Timothy Hubbard and also watch for a dedicated web page at www.aicomos.com.
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES
COORDINATOR’S REPORT
Sue Jackson-Stepowski

General
2008 has been very busy for the International Scientific Committees (ISCs) Coordinator. This is in part due to the activation of the Eger-Xi’an Principles, conclusion of the first Scientific Council (SC) triennial programme, the pending 16th General Assembly in Quebec, Canada and matters arising from two international themed debates and assorted international e-group traffic.

As the Scientific Council has just completed its first three-year cycle and is thus somewhat new to many members, a brief background follows. The 15th General Assembly of ICOMOS, held in Xi’an China in 2005, established an umbrella ISC coordinating body called the Scientific Council (SC) and adopted the Eger-Xi’an Principles to guide how the SC and ISCs operate.

The Scientific Council is made up of the Presidents of each ISC and elects its own committee. Its inaugural committee comprises Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonia (Historic Towns CIVVIH), Pamela Jerome (Earthen Architecture ISCEHA), Michali Firestone (Historic Towns CIVVIH) with Australian Robyn Riddett (Risk Preparedness ICORP) appointed as Secretary-General and James K. Reap (Legal & Administrative ICLAFI) appointed as Legal Advisor. The Scientific Council has representation on the ICOMOS Executive Committee and can make recommendations to the Executive Committee and to a General Assembly and, inter alia, has oversight of the ICOMOS Scientific Programme.

One objective of the Eger-Xi’an Principles is to open up the membership of ISCs and reconfigure membership categories, now termed ‘expert’ and ‘associate’. For matters concerning election of office bearers of an ISC or changing an ISC’s statutes, each country represented on an ISC has one vote; for all other matters there is one vote per ‘expert’ member. A ‘voting’ member is required to be nominated by a national ICOMOS committee. For the 16th GA, Australia ICOMOS was asked to nominate a voting member for three ISCs on which there is more than one Australian member, and resolved to do so for the triennial period between one General Assembly and the next. Whilst many ISCs have adopted the Principles and their new statutes have been endorsed by ICLAFI (the Legal ISC), there is a continuing period of flux with the change-over from the former arrangements to the Eger-Xi’an system for a few other ISCs, which should be concluded during 2009.

Australia ICOMOS has been well represented on several ISCs. Currently, however, there are a number of ISCs with no Australian representatives, while some other ISCs seek new members and to establish local reference groups. Australia ICOMOS is keen to encourage its members to join an ISC in which they have a particular interest. Although the Eger-Xi’an Principles allow members to nominate themselves or to be invited to join by the ISC Chair, the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee has reaffirmed its preference to continue the process of nominating candidates for membership of ISCs. The EC feels this process assists both the ISC and the candidate by providing an independent opinion on the standing and credit of nominees in the field of the ISC within their own country.

Australia ICOMOS therefore sought expressions of interest from its membership for various ISCs. A sub-group was formed to assess nominations using criteria set out in the AI Procedures Manual, and its recommendations were then put to the EC August meeting. Following this, the Australia ICOMOS President wrote to the Chairs of particular ISCs about the Australia ICOMOS membership recommendations of members in either ‘expert’ or ‘associate’ categories.

In 2008 this process resulted in 20 Australia ICOMOS members being recommended as ‘expert’ and another 5 as ‘associate’ members to 14 ISCs. This means that Australia is represented on all except 4 ISCs, with a total of at least 45 members being members of one or more ISCs. Some nominees gained acceptance to individual ISCs at the Quebec meetings whilst a few others will be presented to individual ISC meetings scheduled during 2009.

The Principles also require a day to be set aside for meetings of all the ISCs at a General Assembly. In Quebec this occurred on Monday 29 September, and over 30 Australians participated in various ISC meetings. Another
day was dedicated to the SC meeting. One of the SC goals is to encourage multi-disciplinary co-operation on issues affecting heritage, and to foster joint research programs.

Within its first triennial work programme was the international multi-disciplinary discussion on the effects of Global Climate Change, led by Pamela Jerome (Earthen Architectural Heritage ISCEAH), and the discussion on Historic Urban Landscapes (known as HULs) led by Michal Firestone (Historic Towns CIVVIH). The Australian HUL reference group was coordinated by Sue Jackson-Stepowski (CIVVIH).

The Quebec Scientific Council meeting agreed upon its second triennial programme for 2009-2012. Multi-disciplinary projects will continue the broad theme of ‘change’ in relation to Technology, Society and World Views. All of these themes are scheduled to be combined at the 17th GA in Isfahan, Iran. Australians involved in these sub-strands include for ‘Technology’ (strand leader Cliff Ogelby (Architectural Photogrammetry CIPA) with Peter Phillips (ISCARSAH), Geoffrey Down (Stained Glass), Robin Riddett (ICORP), and Sue Jackson-Stepowski (CIVVIH); and for ‘Society’ Sheridan Burke (ISC20C) and Sue Jackson-Stepowski (CIVVIH).

Over 30 Australians participated in the 16th General Assembly held in Quebec from 29th September to the 4th October 2008. Top to Bottom – informal meeting of Australian delegates; Dinu Bumbaru presenting to AICOMOS; Guided tour of Quebec.
Once again, over this year, the majority of our energies have been put into *Historic Environment*, working with Tim Winter as the Editor. Congratulations to Tim for his achievements over the last year, and we must also thank Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy who has been working busily on a number of related projects.

**Historic Environment publication schedule**

Due to a time delay in conference editions, and the establishment of a new editorial team, we are still trying to catch up on back editions but anticipate that this will have been achieved by the middle of 2009. Since the last report three editions have been published and distributed to ICOMOS members and subscribers: *Corrugations*, *Heritage on the Margins* and *Climate Change*. Work is currently progressing on the following editions:

- Railway Heritage (ed. Andrew Piper; papers from the Railway Heritage conference)
- Port Cities (ed. Agneishka Kiera; papers from the 2006 Fremantle conference)
- Extreme Heritage conference: General Conference Papers (ed. Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy)
- Heritage & Development: (ed. Tim Winter) themed edition
- Intangible Heritage Conference papers (ed. Tim Hubbard; conference held in partnership with National Trust (Vic) in July 2008)

**ERA Submission**

During the year a submission was made regarding the ranking of *Historic Environment* as part of the ERA consultation process. This is the Australian Government’s proposed Excellence for Research in Australia system. Under this scheme all academic journals will be ranked A*, A, B or C where A* is highest. Publications will only count if they are in a ranked journal and will be awarded points depending on ranking. Submissions can only be sent in by universities. *Historic Environment* is currently ranked as C. Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy submitted in the James Cook University response a recommendation that its rating be raised to A. We are yet to receive the results of this submission.

**Digitised back copies**

Sue McIntyre-Tamwoy has been working on a project to digitise back copies of *Historic Environment* up to about 2007 (inclusive), at which time the Editor started collecting digital copies from the printer. It is anticipated that the electronic versions will be copied to a disk (which means it will be fully searchable) that will be made available for purchase. We hope to have this finalised before June 2009.

**Electronic back issues**

The *Historic Environment* Editorial Committee has reviewed the potential of publishing the journal on-line, and the Executive Committee has agreed we should move towards achieving this. One of the major advantages of on-line access is that it increases the exposure of the journal, with flow on effects for authors and for encouraging a broader range of contributors. Essentially, electronic access has the immediate potential to increase each of the following, and in terms of the long term future of *Historic Environment* all of these are serious issues for consideration:

- readership
- impact
- contributions from authors
- range of content.

Although the details are yet to be finalised, the Executive Committee intends that all ICOMOS members and subscribers will continue to receive hard copy versions, and will also retain privileged access to new editions as they are published.
I took over the role of coordinator of this group in November last year. I would like to acknowledge the excellent efforts of Anita Smith previously in the position, and pass on our congratulations to her on her inclusion as one of the Australian World Heritage Committee members. During the year there have been a few issues that have involved Australia ICOMOS and World Heritage.

**Tasmanian Wilderness WHA – Reactive Monitoring Mission**

In March the World Heritage Committee sent a reactive monitoring mission to Australia to assess the state of conservation of the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (TWWHA). The mission comprised three members: Kishore Rao (World Heritage Centre), Nik Lopoukhine (IUCN) and Kevin Jones (ICOMOS). They met with members of Australia ICOMOS in Sydney on Monday 17 March, and then with other ICOMOS representatives in Tasmania on Wednesday 19 March (see Tasmania State Report).

The recommendations from the report of the Reactive Monitoring Mission were tabled at the World Heritage Committee Meeting in Quebec in June and adopted without discussion. The following extracts from the report are of particular relevance to Australia ICOMOS. The mission:

- noted a range of sites outside the inscribed area that could potentially demonstrate outstanding universal value and augment the context of the existing inscribed sites, by setting them into a wider context of Aboriginal land-use practices.
- noted that logging immediately outside the inscribed area might be having an impact on cultural sites of potential outstanding universal value, however despite the presence of archaeological and Aboriginal cultural sites of potential outstanding universal value outside the property, there is not an overriding argument in terms of protection of these sites for extending the boundaries. Also recommended that resources should be improved for identifying, recording and protecting these sites.
- considered that following further survey and research, the State Party might wish to consider nominating certain areas as an extension of the existing property or as a serial nomination.
- commented on the potential of the property to be re-nominated as a cultural landscape.
- noted that the size of the area and the diversity of its ecosystems contribute to its adaptive capacity to climate change and that the property would benefit from an active programme for monitoring the impacts of climate change.
- noted that the original and the subsequent Statement of outstanding universal value at the time of expansion do not measure up to the 2008 Operational Guidelines standards expected of sites presently under consideration.

The mission made recommendations to the Australian Government as State Party to support these findings, one of which requested Australia to submit to the World Heritage Centre, by 1 February 2010, an updated report on the state of conservation of the TWWHA, including a revised Statement of outstanding universal value and progress related to the above mentioned issues, for examination by the World Heritage Committee.

**DEWHA World Heritage Discussion Paper**

Following Australia’s recent election to the World Heritage Committee, the Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts put together a discussion paper seeking input on Australia’s contribution to World Heritage. The paper sought responses to a number of specific questions, and was forwarded to members of the World Heritage Reference Group for comment. Subsequently, a submission was prepared and forwarded to DEWHA in July 2008.

**Participation in the 2008 World Heritage Committee Meeting**

Australia ICOMOS was invited to send a representative to the World Heritage Committee Meeting in Quebec in June 2008 as a member of the Australian mission. Helen Lardner, Vice President, attended as the Australia ICOMOS representative.

**Pacific Islands World Heritage Workshop**

One of the initiatives tabled by Australia at the Quebec World Heritage Committee meeting
was to host a workshop on Pacific Island World Heritage. The workshop was held in Cairns on 13-17 October 2008, jointly organised by the World Heritage Centre, and the Australian and New Zealand governments. Australia ICOMOS was asked to provide a representative and I attended as the Coordinator of the World Heritage Reference Group. Kristal Buckley also attended in her role as ICOMOS Vice President. The meeting highlighted that there is a serious need for capacity building in the Pacific region. Australia ICOMOS can continue to be a partner in this initiative, together with an increased involvement by the Australian government, and there is also the potential to work more closely through ICOMOS Pasifika.

NATIONAL CULTURAL HERITAGE FORUM
Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy & Kristal Buckley

This will be the final report on the National Cultural Heritage Forum (NCHF), because the Government has decided to change the procedure for consultation with NGOs on cultural heritage issues. Australia ICOMOS has carried out the role of secretariat for the NCHF for a number of years. During 2008, Kristal Buckley continued to serve as Chair of the Forum and Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy continued to carry out the functions of the Secretariat. Australia ICOMOS was represented on the Forum by the President, Peter Phillips.

The NCHF was created in 1996, as the peak advisory body to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage and the Minister for the Arts on cultural heritage. Since its creation the NCHF has served to improve communication between different cultural heritage groups and to respond to proposals and initiatives under consideration. The Forum provided successive Ministers with access to the non-government organisations concerned with the understanding, conservation and management of Australia’s cultural heritage places and collections.

In 2004 a vision statement was prepared by the Forum in discussion with the Minister for Environment and Heritage and officers of the Department of Environment and Heritage. This broad-reaching vision for heritage places and collections in Australia was seen as a framework within which changing issues and pressing priorities could be identified and considered.

In 2006 the NCHF began the process of updating its vision and protocols to reflect the changing national environment and to acknowledge that a number of the initiatives in the vision had been achieved and new priorities had emerged, particularly those highlighted in the submissions to the Productivity Commission Inquiry. The revised vision developed by the NCHF was:

_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._

2008 Activities:
The last full meeting of the Forum with the Minister occurred during the period of the former Howard government in August 2007.

Since the change of Government at the Commonwealth level in late 2007, the Secretariat of the Forum has had a series of discussions with Government officials and the Minister’s office about the issues for Australia’s heritage, and the future for the operation of the Forum. A delegation of the NCHF Secretariat, Australia ICOMOS, the Australian Council of National Trusts, and the Federation of Australian Historical Societies met twice during 2008 with the Minister for the Environment, Heritage & the Arts, the Hon Peter Garrett AM MP.

A number of Forum members held a useful joint planning meeting in Canberra in June 2008, to prepare for the most recent meeting with the Minister held in Sydney in early August. At that meeting, the NCHF delegation discussed a number of issues and proposals for Australia’s cultural heritage, and produced a summary document _Australia’s Cultural Heritage: Important Needs & Proposed Responses_, which is on the Australia ICOMOS website (www.icomos.org/australia).

The document summarised some of the material which provides a ‘snap shot’ of the issues and challenges for Australia’s heritage
– including the report of the recent Productivity Commission Inquiry, the 2006 Australian State of the Environment Report, and the NCHF analysis of recent Commonwealth budgets. The document identified five major areas of problems, five strategic directions, and five program proposals developed by member organisations of the Forum (in addition to the need for a substantial new Cultural Heritage Fund). The proposals in the document ranged across the interests of NCHF member organisations and included the role of local government, recognising the impacts of climate change, cultural tourism, teaching Australian history and the need for a community-based stewardship program. It also promoted the possibility of organising a Heritage Summit for Australia.

During its discussions with the Minister, the Forum representatives took the opportunity to discuss the question of how the Government wishes to engage with NGOs in formulating new directions for Australia’s cultural heritage, and in seeking advice about issues arising in the course of our day-to-day work across the country.

In September 2008 the Secretariat was advised by the Minister that he has asked the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage & the Arts to establish a heritage working group to assist him with the issues of building “a stronger economic case for heritage protection in Australia, including by enhancing and raising greater awareness of the significant contribution that Australia’s unique heritage places make to local and national economies, particularly as a result of tourism”. The NCHF will be discontinued, although the Government is likely to draw upon the experience of members of the Forum over time.

As yet no further advice has been received about the timing, membership and method of operation of this new working group, or about how the Minister plans to consult with the heritage NGOs about cultural heritage issues. Hopefully he will soon put in place new arrangements that will be effective in addressing the issues for Australia’s cultural heritage.

In the meantime, the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee has recently started work on new strategic directions for its relationship with government, and has invited all members to assist (as advertised in the Australia ICOMOS e-mail news in September 2008). The NCHF document will be a useful resource for this work.

AUSTRALIA ICOMOS WEBSITE
Sarah Jane Brazil

The Australia ICOMOS website was established in about 2000. Since then, it has been recognised as one of the leading sites within ICOMOS internationally for dissemination of information relating to conservation philosophy and practice for culturally significant places. However, with the passage of time and the changes in the availability of resources to manage the site, the website now needs upgrading to align with the organisation’s current goals and communication strategies.

The aims of upgrading the website are to:
• establish Australia ICOMOS website as the premier website, internationally, for the dissemination of information relating to the conservation philosophy and practice for culturally significant places; and,
• provide an invaluable service to our members, attract new members and raise revenue for the organisation.

The Australia ICOMOS membership was invited to provide comments on the existing website and what they would like included in an upgraded version. The survey was conducted during April 2008 through the e-newsletter and the findings were incorporated into the web design consultant’s brief.

A consultant has been engaged to upgrade the website, and the upgraded site is scheduled to be launched in early 2009.
INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Kristal Buckley

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 2008.

During 2008, I completed the 3rd and final year of my term as one of the five International Vice-Presidents of ICOMOS, and last month I was re-elected to a further 3-year term, with the support of Australia ICOMOS.

I have had the opportunity to fully participate in all international statutory meetings of ICOMOS during 2008, to work in depth on the World Heritage role of ICOMOS, and to promote activity and engagement in the work of ICOMOS in the large and diverse Asia-Pacific region.

Structure of ICOMOS at the International level
Although I have done this in my previous reports to Australian members of ICOMOS, 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 16th General Assembly was held last month in Quebec City, Canada, and members are invited by ICOMOS Iran to attend the 17th General Assembly in Isfahan and Teheran, in the Islamic Republic of Iran in 2011.
- The Executive Committee is the managing body of ICOMOS. It is made up of the 8-member Bureau, plus 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 Presidents/Chairs of all the 120+ National Committees and the 28 International Scientific Committees. It meets once each year, and makes recommendations concerning program priorities. The Advisory Committee provides the primary avenue of communication between the national and international structures of the organisation. The current President of the Advisory Committee is John Hurd (UK), and the Vice-President is Dosso Sindou (Cote d’Ivoire). The next Advisory Committee elections will take place in 2009.
- The Scientific Council was established in 2006, following 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 and provides day-to-day services and information to members and to all interested in our work. I hope that many Australia ICOMOS members will have an opportunity to visit our international headquarters, and to meet the small but excellent staff led by our Director, Gaia Jungeblodt. She is assisted by six other staff. The ICOMOS Documentation Centre is an important function of the Secretariat, and is managed by Jose Garcia. Regina Durighello and Gwenaëlle Bourdin form the World Heritage Unit of the Secretariat.
- The ICOMOS World Heritage Panel meets in November/December 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 Advisers. The Working Group was established in 2006 to improve the coordination of the World Heritage work and to provide stronger support to the World Heritage Unit. The Working Group is currently co-chaired by me and Vice-President Guo Zhan (China).

International Executive Committee 2005-2008
For the period 2005-2008, the ICOMOS Executive Committee consisted 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), Olivier Poisson (France) Marie-Hortense Razafindramboa (Madagascar), Hae Un Rii (Korea), Angela Rojas (Cuba), Britta Rudolph (Bahrain), Benedicte Selfslagh (Belgium), Kristina Staneva (Bulgaria), Lazar Sumanov (Macedonia), Boguslaw Szmygin (Poland), Natalia Turekulova (Kazakhstan), Rasool Vatandoust (Iran) and Javier Villalobos (Mexico).

Other participants in the meetings of the International Executive Committee are the President of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee, John Hurd (United Kingdom), the Director of the ICOMOS International Secretariat, Gaia Jungeblodt, and Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias (Greece), one of the coordinators of the ICOMOS Scientific Council.

This group finished its term of office last month, and there are substantial reports from the President and Secretary-General which summarise the work of the triennium 2005-2008. These documents are not yet on the ICOMOS website, but I can provide them to any member on request.

It has been a pleasure to work alongside this diverse group of people for the past 3 years. I warmly thank them all, and particularly pay tribute to those who are not continuing on the Executive Committee for the next three years: Michael Petzet (who served as President for 3 terms), Dinu Bumbaru (Secretary-General for 2 terms, and a member of the Executive Committee for 15 years), Giora Solar (Treasurer-General for 3 terms, and a member of the Executive Committee for 18 years), Tamas Fejerdy (Vice-President and very highly regarded first convenor of the World Heritage Working Group), Axel Mykleby (member of the Executive Committee for 9 years), Carlos Pernaut, Ray Bondin, Marie-Hortense Razafindramboa, Britta Rudolph, Lazar Sumanov, Natalia Turekulova and Javier Villalobos.

Meetings in 2008
The meetings I attended as ICOMOS Vice-President since the last Annual General Meeting of Australia ICOMOS were:

- March 2008: ICOMOS Executive Committee, Paris
- March 2008: ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group, Paris
- June 2008: ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting, Hangzhou, China
- June 2008: ICOMOS Bureau meeting, Montreal, Canada
- July 2008: 32nd session of the World Heritage Committee, Quebec, Canada
- August 2008: Informal meeting with the Australian delegation to the World Heritage Committee, Canberra
- September/October 2008: 16th ICOMOS General Assembly, Quebec, Canada
- October 2008: Pacific Island World Heritage workshop, Cairns (including the annual meeting of the ICOMOS Pasifika Board)

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.international.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 (kristal.buckley@gmail.com).

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.
In 2006, the Executive Committee identified 10 priority initiatives for the period 2005-2008. Some of these were well advanced during the triennium, and others stalled or changed course. The outgoing Secretary-General, Dinu Bumburu, provided an extensive report on the progress to the General Assembly, which is interesting reading for all members.

Here are the 10 priorities we identified and my own perceptions of our level of success for each of them:

1. **Strategic Planning for the future of ICOMOS** – this did not progress very far, although numerous procedural improvements were made. This will now be a top priority for the incoming Executive Committee.

2. **Establishment of the Scientific Council & strengthening of the Scientific Program** – significant progress was made in this area, and the Scientific Council is now well established.

3. **Establishment of the Membership Database** – due to the untimely death of its inventor, Gilles Nourissier, this has progressed more slowly than anticipated, but we expect the first stages of implementation to be available to National Committees in 2009.

4. **Review of the ICOMOS Charters** – productive discussions occurred on the question of the ‘taxonomy’ of the different texts produced by ICOMOS. This was led by the ISC on the Theory and Philosophy of Conservation, and the resolution of the 16th General Assembly should help to keep the momentum for this aspect of our work during 2009.

5. **World Heritage Program activities, including a high-level review** – a World Heritage Working Group was established by the Executive Committee in 2006, and many significant improvements have occurred. The ‘high-level’ external review of the procedures used by ICOMOS to evaluate nominations to the World Heritage List has commenced.

6. **Establishment of the ICOMOS Foundation** – after further investigation of this possible new adjunct to the finances of ICOMOS, this initiative was not continued.

7. **Establishment of the ICOMOS International Conservation Centre in Xi’an** – the IICC-X was inaugurated in 2006, and has conducted a wide range of activities since that time. Australia ICOMOS has been a supporter of this very new and challenging initiative in our region.

8. **Development of the concept and operation of an ICOMOS Observatory** – progress toward this initiative has been slight so far, although there have been a number of stimulating discussions about the conceptual basis. Colleagues in the ICOMOS National Committees in Central Asia are very interested to work together to develop a collaborative Observatory program; and the ISC for 20th Century Heritage is trialling an interesting ‘alert’ methodology, which might contribute to the development of the Observatory program in future.

9. **Planning for the 16th General Assembly** – the General Assembly was very successfully hosted by ICOMOS Canada and its partners and sponsors last month.

10. **Financial Strategy for the long-term well-being of ICOMOS** – while some discussions on strategies occurred, the financial situation of ICOMOS internationally is very fragile, and does not adequately support our work. This must be a top priority for the coming triennium.

I think our “report card” for the triennium is mostly satisfactory, and indicates very clearly where the future work plan must focus. Of course, we took care of a very wide range of business beyond these ten items – many of which were not foreseen when we started our term, and some of these are very substantial and worth briefly telling you about.

- During 2008 an international consortium involving ICOMOS applied successfully to conduct projects and workshops for the Euromed IV program of the European Commission, which concerns cultural heritage projects in countries south of the Mediterranean. This is a very prestigious achievement, with some modest financial benefits to ICOMOS, as well as the opportunity to increase our profile and level of activity in this sub-region (from Morocco to Syria). The Director of the International Secretariat, Gaia Jungeblodt is especially congratulated for her excellent work on the application for ICOMOS.

- We have established formal agreements with the UIA (International Union of Architects) and IFLA (International Federation of Landscape Architects), and a draft agreement has been developed with the University of Montreal on the topic of Heritage & Sustainable Development.

- The Raymond Lemaire Fund for Next Generation Skills was developed and announced at the General Assembly. This
fixture will complement the already well-established Gazzola Prize.

- The first ICOMOS International Annual Report was prepared for the year 2006, relying heavily on the voluntary expertise of Joy Parry (United Kingdom). The 2007 edition is on its way, due to the kind efforts of Marilyn Truscott (Australia).

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

This year was very different from the first two years of my term as Vice-President due to the focus on the conclusion of the triennium and the arrangements for the General Assembly. At the invitation of ICOMOS Canada and its partners, the 16th ICOMOS General Assembly was successfully held last month in the World Heritage City of Quebec, celebrating its 400th anniversary during 2008.

The long and action-packed program for the General Assembly involved a Youth Forum, meetings of the outgoing and incoming Executive Committees and Bureau, meeting of the Scientific Council, a day where almost all of the 28 International Scientific Committees held meetings, a 2-day meeting of the Advisory Committee, 2 days of Scientific Symposium, a day of local excursions, an evening with 5 concurrent workshops, discussion of resolutions, adoption of doctrinal texts, elections, an invitation from ICOMOS Iran to the 17th General Assembly in 2011, greetings from a number of partner organisations, and so on. All of this took place in the charming historic city of Quebec, which celebrated its 400th anniversary in 2008.

The Scientific Symposium had the theme of *Finding the Spirit of the Place*. One of the outcomes of the Scientific Symposium is the *Quebec Declaration on Preservation of the Spirit of the Place* which is available from: (www.international.icomos.org/).

As Peter Phillips has noted in his report on the event, Australia was very well represented in all of the meetings and events of the General Assembly. Many Australians contributed to the Scientific Symposium through presentations and posters. Timothy Hubbard did a great job of keeping everyone well informed in the year leading up to the General Assembly, and organised a great Australia/New Zealand Dinner in Quebec (with lots of extra guests finding their way there too).

Australia ICOMOS also played an important role in its financial contribution to the Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-tunya Solidarity Fund which, along with funding from the Getty Grant program, is used to support the attendance of 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 at the General Assembly. The generosity of Australia ICOMOS – along with ICOMOS Belgium and ICOMOS Finland – is greatly valued. Thanks to all individual members that provided voluntary contributions, and to the Executive Committee of Australia ICOMOS for leading the way in contributing to this Fund, which was used for the first time this year.

A very succinct summary of the outcomes is available from the ICOMOS website, and is attached to my report for the information of members. There are also a number of other documents and reports from the General Assembly available, including the text of the Resolutions.

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 *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.

All of the ISCs were encouraged to meet formally while in Quebec for the General Assembly, and the day was a huge success, enabling many more ICOMOS members to get involved. A number of additional Australian members were included in the ISCs this year, and a number of others will be considered for membership at the next opportunity (since all Committees have their own rules about these processes). Sue Jackson-Stepowski and Peter Phillips did a lot of excellent work to encourage more Australians to put their hands up for these opportunities, and the success is very pleasing, with long-lasting benefits for our international involvement.

The Scientific Council was established in 2005 to oversee the implementation of the *Eger-Xi’an Principles* and to strengthen the scientific program of ICOMOS. The Scientific Council held a 1-day business meeting in Quebec, prior to the General Assembly. At that meeting, a number of milestones were achieved. It was also a great chance for the Committees to share their achievements, including the launch of several publications (from the Committees on Stone, Conservation Theory, and Polar...
Heritage), and to report on symposia and meetings.

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 have met each year since their establishment, and focus on the following areas: (1) Membership & Statutes, (2) Regional Cooperation, (3) Cooperation between National Committees and ISCs/Scientific Council, and (4) Involvement of National Committees in World Heritage.

Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting for 2008

The ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting for 2008 was hosted by ICOMOS China in Hangzhou, in association with the Hangzhou Forum on World Heritage & Quality of Life. Participants from Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Cote d’Ivoire, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Macao, Malaysia, Mongolia, Pakistan, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and the United Kingdom attended the meeting. An excellent communiqué and summary was made by the Rapporteur, Sheridan Burke (Australia) which was widely circulated, and is available from the Australia ICOMOS website.

In Quebec we were able to hold an Asia-Pacific regional session as part of the program of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee, and members from Australia, China, Japan, Korea, Pakistan, the Philippines and Thailand were able to participate. The report from that session has recently been circulated, and is also available from the Australia ICOMOS website.

We have discovered the value in the annual regional meetings for the increased participation and activity for ICOMOS in the region. We do not yet know where and when a meeting for 2009 will be held. However, there are a number of ISC meetings being held in the Asia-Pacific region in 2009, and all regional colleagues are warmly encouraged to attend them.

Of particular note is the meeting of the 20th Century Heritage ISC, together with Australia ICOMOS, APT, Docomomo, the Australian Institute of Architects, and the International Union of Architects, Unloved Modern, to be held in Sydney 7-10 July 2009; and the 22nd CIPA Symposium, Digital Documentation, Interpretation & Presentation of Cultural Heritage, to be held in Kyoto, Japan, 11-15 October 2009.

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, review of information received from States Parties on the ‘State of Conservation’ of inscribed properties, and a range of scientific and technical matters.

In July 2008, the World Heritage Committee met in Quebec City, Canada, and I was able to participate as a member of the ICOMOS delegation. Australia ICOMOS Vice-President, Helen Lardner, was also there, as a member of the Australian delegation.

Some general outcomes from the meeting included:

- 27 new properties were added to the World Heritage List (19 of these were cultural properties), and major extensions were approved for 4 cultural properties.
- 3 properties were inscribed from the Pacific – the early agricultural site of Kuk (Papua New Guinea), Chief Roi Mata’s Domain (Vanuatu), and the Reefs of New Caledonia (France).
- 4 were the first inscriptions for the State Party – Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea, Saudi Arabia and San Marino; Malaysia achieved its first inscription of a cultural property.
- Reports on the State of Conservation were considered for 130 properties, including the report and recommendations from the mission to Tasmania, ‘State of Conservation’ reports for Macquarie Island and Purnululu, and minor changes made to the criteria for inscription for Uluru Kata-Tjuta and Fraser Island.
- Difficult discussions centred on some recurring issues - for the cultural properties, many of these are historic town centres and large cultural landscapes. Evaluating and managing change in these properties is very difficult and contentious. Interestingly, new proposals for bridges featured in several of the most contentious cases.
- No properties were added to or removed from the List of World Heritage in Danger, and the newly introduced ‘reinforced monitoring’ mechanism was applied in a handful of cases.
Some points of interest and future work for ICOMOS include:

- Australia proposed and will co-host a workshop on the Future of the World Heritage Convention, to be held in Paris in February or March 2009. Initial submissions were made by 1 October, and should help to shape the workshop content.
- For the next year, ICOMOS and IUCN will implement an agreed approach to improving the coordination of advice and reporting in relation to cultural landscapes. The Committee has also asked IUCN and ICOMOS to do some work this year on the possible application of criterion (vii) to cultural properties.
- There are many emerging issues for the evaluation and management of serial nominations. There will be meetings during 2009 to identify improvements, starting with a meeting in Vilnius (Germany) in November 2008 that will look at serial listings of natural properties.
- There were interesting papers and discussions on buffer zones and the ‘Historic Urban Landscapes’ initiative of UNESCO.
- James Shevlin (Australia) chaired a finance working group during the meeting, and may continue this work in the coming year. The work of this group includes, amongst other issues, aspects of the budget allocated to ICOMOS for its work (and therefore has a bearing on the priorities and how much can be done).

The ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group has continued to make improvements to the ICOMOS internal procedures and to improve the consistency of our recommendations. We have also initiated a high-level external review of our procedures, in order to better inform us about how to make further progress.

There is a great demand for information about the World Heritage work for ICOMOS members. In Quebec, I was able to participate in a well attended evening workshop as part of the General Assembly program, along with Tamás Fejerdy, Susan Denyer, Herb Stovel, Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias and Bénédicte Selslagh. Today, at the Australia ICOMOS AGM in Melbourne, we have also presented our own version of such a workshop, and know that there is a lot of interest to do this in other parts of Australia in the coming year.

The World Heritage Working Group gave a 3-year report to the ICOMOS Advisory Committee in Quebec last month, and Australia ICOMOS members interested to see that report can obtain it from me, or from the President.

In October 2007, Australia was one of 9 countries newly elected to the 21 member World Heritage Committee, and in 2008 was elected to the World Heritage Bureau. This has been a significant achievement for Australia, and has given my work for ICOMOS at the international level a new (and welcome) dimension.

As the report from the World Heritage Reference Group Coordinator mentions, the Australian Government has sought input from many NGOs about its goals, and the Australian delegation to the World Heritage Committee meeting included representation from Australia ICOMOS. These are all very welcome initiatives, and a strong sign that Australia will uphold its commitment to bring a high degree of professionalism and integrity to the work of the Committee. In my view, this is very timely and important.

Finally, it is always worth remembering that the 1972 World Heritage Convention is only one of a growing suite of UNESCO’s instruments for the protection of cultural heritage. For example, during 2008, a great deal of progress has been made on the implementation of the 2003 Convention on Intangible Cultural Heritage. Australia ICOMOS has submitted advice to the Australian Government as part of its consultation about whether Australia might ratify that Convention in the future. Similarly, the Convention on the Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage – led strongly by the ICOMOS ISC and so far not ratified by Australia - will come into effect in January 2009. ICOMOS will need to be active in all these spheres in the coming year, and there is a corresponding need for Australia ICOMOS to stay informed about them also.

**Doctrinal Texts for ICOMOS**

Two new doctrinal texts were adopted by the General Assembly in Quebec: the ICOMOS Charter on Cultural Routes, and the ICOMOS Charter for the Interpretation & Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites. It is not quick or easy to steer draft texts through this process, so congratulations and thanks are due to the Chairs of the two ISCs – Maria Rosa Suarez-Inclan Ducassi and Neil Silberman - and their members for this helpful work. Both texts are available on the ICOMOS web site.

During 2008, important work was advanced by the Executive Committee and the ISC on Conservation Theory to review the existing suite of ICOMOS texts (including Charters,
Declarations, Statements, etc) with the intention of creating a more coherent framework. This was presented to the General Assembly, and there was a resolution for the work to continue during the coming three years. Given that the Burra Charter sits uneasily in this framework (as a National Committee document that has achieved a degree of international recognition), it will be important for Australia ICOMOS to participate constructively in this process as it continues.

Other News

- Considerable progress was made during 2008 on the issue of the future accommodation of the International Secretariat. Our current accommodation is well located in central Paris, near UNESCO. However, the space available is increasingly insufficient for our needs. Planning is well advanced for ICOMOS to occupy part of a site being re-developed for the French Médiathèque in Charenton (in metropolitan Paris) along with ICOM (the International Council on Museums), ICOM France, and ICOMOS France. Not only will this provide greatly enhanced spaces for our current and future staff, reading rooms and archive and library spaces, it will have the benefits of co-location with like-minded organisations for culture, heritage and history. We are working now on the financial negotiations, and hope to finalise these during 2009. If all goes well, we could possibly move to the new premises in 2010.

- Nourissier Membership Database: Work continues on the new international membership database for ICOMOS (to be named the Nourissier Membership Database after its inventor Gilles Nourissier, whose death in 2007 was a huge loss to ICOMOS). 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.

- ICOMOS International Conservation Centre – Xi’an (China): A comprehensive report on the activities of the IICC-X since its inauguration in 2006 was presented to the ICOMOS General Assembly. Australia ICOMOS would still like to develop a project proposal for Australian Government funding that will enable enhanced cooperation with Chinese colleagues, but this has been slow to progress due to the pressure of other work by the Executive Committee.

- The publications program is severely limited by the lean finances of ICOMOS, but thanks to the efforts of the President, Michael Petzet, to several ISCs, and to small funding provided through our contracts with UNESCO, several new publications were completed in 2008. These include the 2007 edition of the Heritage at Risk publication series, a thematic study on the Cultural Landscapes of the Pacific Islands, the Illustrated Glossary on Stone Deterioration Patterns (by the Stone ISC), a volume of papers by the ISC on Polar Heritage, and a collection of papers on Criteria for Heritage Conservation, by the ISC on Conservation Theory. All of these can be ordered or downloaded from the ICOMOS website. (www.international.icomos.org/).

- The ICOMOS Documentation Centre also publishes many useful reports on the web, including Bibliographies on specific subjects, and there is also a Documentation Centre blog - www.icomosdocumentationcentre.blogspot.com – that provides access to new reports, information and activities.

- Global Climate Change: This was a priority area of work identified by the Scientific Council in 2006. In 2008, Pamela Jerome, one of the Scientific Council Coordinators, produced a summary paper, and a number of the papers on this subject were included in the 2007 ICOMOS Heritage@Risk publication. An evening workshop on this topic was held during the General Assembly program in Quebec.

- Historic Urban Landscapes Initiative: Work continues on this complex issue. In December 2007, ICOMOS provided a short summary position paper based on the many discussions that had occurred in many parts of the world during the year. It is still a little uncertain what form the outcomes of this work will take – both in terms of the UNESCO General Conference and the work of the World Heritage Committee. Michal Firestone continues to lead this work on behalf of the Scientific Council, and conducted a lively workshop during the General Assembly program in Quebec.

- World Monuments Day – 18 April is celebrated each year according to a theme determined by the ICOMOS Executive Committee. For 2008, the theme was Religious Heritage & Sacred Places. There was a good range of activities held in Australia this year, which contributed to the overall success of the day worldwide. See www.international.icomos.org/18thapril/2008/index.html. The theme for 2009 will be
Heritage & Science, with a particular emphasis on the heritage and history of astronomy (in association with the UNESCO Year of Astronomy). ICOMOS will produce an international thematic study on this topic, and all National Committees will be encouraged to celebrate and explore the broader theme. I hope that the activities here in Australia can be even greater than in 2008, and I am sure that the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee will welcome suggestions and offers to host events from all members.

- I was very pleased to have the opportunity to attend the 2nd annual meeting of the ICOMOS Pasifika Board in Cairns last month, and to meet in person the new Director of the PIMA/ICOMOS Pasifika Secretariat, Dr Kim Selling. While there are a lot of challenges facing everyone working for the heritage of the Pacific, our colleagues are very motivated to establish the program for ICOMOS Pasifika. As always, their top priority is on building capacity in the Pacific. They are working on a new website and portal to help everyone access useful information – it is called the Pacific Heritage Network – watch out for it next year!

- A draft text developed through some discussions between officers of TICCIH and ICOMOS was circulated to the participants in the General Assembly. At this stage, the process for further advancing this text has not yet been determined, but I urge Australian experts in the field of industrial heritage to review and comment on the draft so far, and to help shape it during the coming year.

Looking Ahead - A New Term, A New International Executive Committee, A New Work Plan
The elections for the ICOMOS International Executive Committee were held on 4 October 2008, and the new Executive Committee met for the first time the following morning. The newly elected President, Gustavo Araoz (USA) has strongly signalled his intention to review, reconfigure and reform the organisation so that it is more inclusive, active and effective. He is certainly devoting considerable energies to meeting these commitments, and I am sure that all members will soon see some signs of this activity.

For the next three years, 2008-2011, the ICOMOS Executive Committee consists of the following people:

Bureau: President, Gustavo Araoz (USA); Secretary-General, Bénédicte Selfslagh (Belgium); Treasurer-General, Jadran Antolovic (Croatia); Vice-Presidents: Olivier Poisson (France), Andrew Hall (South Africa), Francisco Lopez Morales (Mexico) Guo Zhan (China), Kristal Buckley (Australia).

Members: Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias (Greece), Alfredo Conti (Argentina), Gideon Koren (Israel), Kirsti Kovanen (Finland), Philippe La Housse de la Louviere (Mauritius), Christophe Machat (Germany), Yashuyoshi Okada (Japan), Hae Un Rii (Korea), Angela Rojas (Cuba), Hristina Staneva (Bulgaria), Boguslaw Szmygin (Poland).

We have yet to formalise the five co-options required by our Statutes, but hope to do that at an extraordinary meeting of the Executive Committee on 27 November 2008. It has already been unanimously agreed that one of the five co-opted members will be Rasool Vatandoust (Iran). All former Presidents continue to serve the Executive Committee in an ex officio capacity.

We have already started to work very energetically to establish the work plan for the next three years. The President has identified seven objectives for further discussion. While there is some group activity currently to refine and add detail to these, there is a strong consensus within the new Executive Committee about their relevance and importance. More detailed information about this plan should be available to ICOMOS members early next year, but there will undoubtedly be greater opportunities for Australian members with a passion for these issues to get involved – please let me know if you want to know more, or to contribute to specific aspects.

The Objectives identified by the President for further discussion are:

1. Secure Financial Stability
2. Strengthen & Activate Existing National Committees/Foster Creation of new ones where none exist
3. Strengthen & Fully Empower the Scientific Council
4. Strengthen ICOMOS Performance in World Heritage
5. Broaden Pool of Advisors
6. Improve Communication with and Among Members
7. Evaluate Professional Programmatic Structure & Activities of the ICOMOS Secretariat
Calendar for 2009
ICOMOS has a crowded international calendar, and Australian members are advised to consult the calendar of events shown on the website (www.international.icomos.org) for a full listing.

Key dates for the coming year are:
- 27 November 2008: ICOMOS Executive Committee (extraordinary session), Paris
- 30 November 2008: ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group, Paris
- 1 December 2008: ICOMOS Bureau, Paris
- Mid-January 2009: meeting of the Advisory Bodies and the World Heritage Centre, Paris
- 7-8 February 2009: ICOMOS Executive Committee and ICOMOS Bureau meetings, Paris
- February/March 2009: Workshop on the future of the World Heritage Convention, Paris
- 9-10 March 2009: ICOMOS World Heritage Working Group, Paris
- May/June: Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting [location to be confirmed]
- June 2009: ICOMOS Bureau Meeting [location to be confirmed]
- 22-30 June 2009: 33rd session of the World Heritage Committee, Seville, Spain
- September/October 2009: ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting [location to be confirmed]

Australia ICOMOS to host an International Meeting?
We are often asked when Australia will invite ICOMOS to hold one of its statutory meetings in our country. Early in 2008, the Executive Committee did some excellent exploratory work on the possibility of making an expression of interest for the 17th ICOMOS General Assembly in 2011. However, this had to occur immediately following the change of government at the national level, and we could not secure the necessary financial support from the Australian Government. The upside is that we are very happy to look toward the wonderful opportunity of visiting Iran for the General Assembly instead.

Peter Phillips has continued to pursue the options to formally invite ICOMOS to Australia – including the possibility of hosting an ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting, an annual meeting of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee (as we did in 1992, when ICOMOS met in Sydney), or even the 18th ICOMOS General Assembly in 2014.

Because sizeable amounts of money and support from all levels of government are needed to contemplate such possibilities, these aspirations might sometimes seem like unrealistic dreams. However, Australia ICOMOS has always been an important leader and contributor to ICOMOS, and it is a dream worth sustaining and pursuing. The outgoing Executive Committee has agreed to explore the possibilities of making a serious bid for 2014, and I hope that all members will support and assist that activity. Let’s see what we can do.

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; and the participation of the President of Australia ICOMOS, Peter Phillips in the annual meeting of the Advisory Committee and its various working groups and the ICOMOS Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting.

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 2008 (apologies for the many that I have missed! – if you send me an email during the coming year about your activities, I will include them in my report next year).

- Former International Vice-President *Sheridan Burke* has represented ICOMOS at meetings to establish the China-based World Heritage Institute for Training & Research in Asia & the Pacific, and represents ICOMOS on the Steering
Committee of the ICOMOS International Conservation Centre in Xi’an, China. For the second time, Sheridan took on the very challenging task of chairing the ICOMOS sub-committee established to allocate the grants available to assist delegates to attend the General Assembly.

- Anita Smith completed an ICOMOS thematic study on the Cultural Landscapes of the Pacific Islands (with Dr Kevin Jones of New Zealand). As part of her ongoing work in the Pacific, she was centrally involved in the Pacific Island World Heritage workshop with UNESCO and the governments of Australia and New Zealand. Anita is the cultural heritage expert in the Australian delegation to the World Heritage Committee, and has contributed substantially to the excellent work by Australia since joining the Committee.

- Marilyn Truscott has contributed to many facets of ICOMOS, and this year has agreed to edit the 2007 ICOMOS International Annual Report in a voluntary capacity.

- Liz Vines continues to work very actively in Asia – for UNESCO, ICOMOS and through her private practice. Liz’s continuing work through the Streetwise Asia Fund is also an amazing contribution, supported by Australia ICOMOS.

- Former ICOMOS Vice-President and ICOMOS Honorary Member Joan Domicelj worked with the General Assembly’s Resolutions Committee, and presented its work to the final session in Quebec.

- 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 2008). He also gave a presentation to the meeting of the ICOMOS Theory Committee in Vienna in April, on the topic of the relationship between the Burra Charter and other ICOMOS Charters.

- Helen Lardner attended the 32nd session of the World Heritage Committee in Quebec, Canada, as the Australia ICOMOS representative on the Australian national delegation. She has been very active in stimulating additional participation in TICCIH in Australia, and cooperating with TICCIH in some of its current work in Japan.

- Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy has followed up her work on the issue of climate change and cultural heritage at both the national and international levels since the 2007 Australia ICOMOS conference Extreme Heritage in Cairns. She also acted as Rapporteur for the recent meeting of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee, held in Quebec prior to the General Assembly.

- Australian Presidents of ICOMOS ISCs include Graham Brooks (Cultural Tourism), Brian Egloff (Archaeological Heritage Management) and Sheridan Burke (20th Century Heritage). A number of other Australian members also act as office bearers in the ISCs, and there are Australian voting members in almost all of the 28 ISCs.

- As well as coordinating our World Heritage Reference Group, Jane Harrington represented Australia ICOMOS at the recent meeting organised by Australia, New Zealand and the UNESCO World Heritage Centre on Pacific Islands World Heritage.

- A number of members assisted Australia ICOMOS to provide input to the UNESCO/ICOMOS/IUCN reactive monitoring mission to the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area in March.

- Several Australian members had the privilege of participating in confidential World Heritage evaluations during 2008 (including both evaluation and monitoring missions, and numerous desk evaluations).

Most 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 a 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.

I especially wish to thank your outgoing President, Peter Phillips, who has actively supported my work and the work of ICOMOS at the international level in many ways, and has attended international ICOMOS meetings as your effective representative over the past three years. I hope that the incoming President of Australia ICOMOS will continue to do that and that Peter will be able continue some aspects of his involvement in the work of the Advisory Committee.
Of course, Peter is just one of the many Australian members who have supported my candidature for Vice-President in many ways. I have tried to return some value to all of you for this treasured support by attending 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.

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 financial support and the forbearance of my family.

I am grateful for the financial support for my travel provided to Australia ICOMOS by the Australian Minister for the Environment, Heritage & the Arts, the Hon. Peter Garrett, MP, and the robust and collegiate relationship I enjoy with the Heritage Division of the Department of the Environment, Heritage, Water Resources and the Arts in Canberra (especially First Assistant Secretary James Shevlin and Assistant Secretary Greg Terrill).

During the year, I also received some financial support for my travel costs from the following organisations: ICOMOS, Australia ICOMOS, US ICOMOS, ICOMOS China, the Hangzhou Municipal Government (China), and the Heritage Division of the Australian Government Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage & the Arts.

*International Vice-President Kristal Buckley (seated, centre) with Australia ICOMOS members Susan Macdonald (Head of Field Projects, Getty Conservation Institute, left) and Sheridan Burke (right), and new ICOMOS Secretary-General Bénédicte Selfslagh (standing)*
Results of the 16th ICOMOS General Assembly
Quebec, 29 September – 4 October 2008

ICOMOS – the International Council on Monuments and Sites – held its 16th General Assembly and Scientific Symposium in Quebec (Canada) from 29 September to 4 October 2008 under the Distinguished Patronage of Her Excellency the Right Honorable Michaëlle Jean, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada. The theme of the Scientific Symposium was “Finding the spirit of place”. 853 participants from over 77 countries attended the event, which is the most important and universal gathering of heritage professionals and supporters in the global conservation calendar.

The General Assembly voted to add two new charters to its doctrinal documents, which are intended to define and foster best practices in the conservation and management of heritage sites: the ICOMOS Charter on Cultural Routes and the ICOMOS Charter on Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Sites. The Gazzola Prize was awarded to Ms Carmen Añón Feliú for her outstanding contribution to the work of our organisation, for over thirty years, in particular in favour of the cause of historic gardens and cultural landscapes.

The General Assembly also elected a new leadership, comprising Gustavo Araoz (USA), President; Bénédicte Selfslagh (Belgium), Secretary General; Jadran Antolovic (Croatia), Treasurer General; 5 Vice-Presidents and 12 at-large members for the Executive Committee.

The composition of the new international leadership team has the additional representation from Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, China, Cuba, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mauritius, Mexico, Poland and South Africa.

In Quebec, ICOMOS engaged an international cross section of young professionals by organising for the first time within the framework of its General Assembly an International Forum of Young Researchers and Professionals in Cultural Heritage. As proof its institutional commitment to reach out to the young, the Raymond Lemaire Fund for Next Generation Skills, was unveiled and launched at this event. In total, 131 young participants from 29 countries attended lectures and workshops, and came up with proposals that were included in the Quebec Declaration on the Preservation of the Spirit of Place.

Commenting on the success of the event, the newly elected President, Gustavo Araoz said: “In theme, scope and reach, this General Assembly is perhaps one of the most ambitious in our 43-year history. We have a debt of gratitude to the organizers from ICOMOS Canada for having created so many stages in which the world could explore the expanding significance of heritage in all cultural communities as we undergo the well-documented globalising trends.”

For Michel Bonnette, President of the General Assembly and of the Organising Committee, “from its planning stage, this event was placed under the banner of participation. We wanted it to be an opportunity for each member of ICOMOS not only to attend conferences and meetings but also, and above all, to contribute personally to the reflections and discussions.

We must thank our many partners and especially the almost hundred people, volunteers for the most part, who helped to make this meeting a success, both in its content and its presentation. On behalf of the Organizing Committee, I wish to thank the governments of Canada and Quebec, the City of Quebec, the ICOMOS Executive Committee and the Board of ICOMOS Canada, for their confidence and support throughout this great adventure.”

Full texts of all presentations will soon be available via Internet through the ICOMOS-UNESCO Documentation Centre webpage.
About ICOMOS

ICOMOS – the International Council for Monuments and Sites - is an international, nongovernmental organization of professionals, dedicated to the conservation and protection of cultural heritage places and to the creation, dissemination and application of theory, methodology, and scientific techniques for heritage conservation.

ICOMOS was created in 1965 in Warsaw following the adoption the year before of the International Charter for the Conservation and Restoration of Monuments and Sites, also known as the Venice Charter.

Headquartered in Paris, France, ICOMOS is the only global non-government organization of this kind. Its 9,500 members represent all disciplines of heritage conservation: architects, historians, archaeologists, construction materials conservators, art historians, lawyers, geographers, anthropologists, engineers, town planners…

The National Committees in more than 110 countries all over the world and the 28 International Scientific Committees form a unique inter-disciplinary and multi-cultural network of co-operation.

Every 3 years, ICOMOS holds a General Assembly combined with a Scientific Symposium on invitation of one of its National Committees.

ICOMOS has associate relations with UNESCO and has been designated official adviser on the implementation of the World Heritage Convention.

Newly Elected Executive Committee

President: Gustavo Araoz (USA)

Secretary General: Bénédicte Selfslagh (Belgium)

Treasurer General: Jadran Antolovic (Croatia)

Vice Presidents: Kristal Buckley (Australia)
Guo Zhan (China)
Francisco Lopez Morales (Mexico)
Andrew Hall (South Africa)
Olivier Poisson (France)

Other members: Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias (Greece)
Alfredo Conti (Argentina)
Gideon Koren (Israel)
Kirsti Kovanen (Finland)
Philippe La Hausse de la Louvière (Mauritius)
Wilfried Lipp (Austria)
Christoph Machat (Germany)
Yasuyoshi Okada (Japan)
Hae-Un Rii (Republic of Korea)
Angela Rojas (Cuba)
Hristina Staneva (Bulgaria)
Boguslaw Szmygin (Poland)

Honorary Presidents: Michel Parent (France)
Michael Petzet (Germany)
Roland Silva (Sri Lanka)

The ICOMOS Charter on the Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites

The ICOMOS Charter on the Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites deals with the methods and technologies of effective, responsible public heritage communication. Indeed, the need for internationally accepted principles of interpretation and presentation is a matter of increasing urgency at a time of intensifying environmental and human threats to heritage and with the growth in many regions of elaborate heritage “theme-parks,” designed primarily for income generation rather than conservation or education.
The Charter does not prescribe specific content for site presentations, nor does it impose a “uniform” pattern on how particular monuments, sites, or cultural landscapes should be explained to the public. Rather, it deals with the fundamental issues of “Access”, “Information Sources,” “Context and Setting”, “Authenticity”, “Inclusiveness”, “Sustainability”, and “Research, Education, and Training”. It seeks to ensure that these issues are considered and incorporated into public communication with all heritage stakeholders, including tourists, local and associated communities, and local educational systems.

The new Charter represents a consensus by the ICOMOS community on the central principles of the interpretation and presentation of cultural heritage sites.

The ICOMOS Charter on Cultural Routes
The ICOMOS Charter on Cultural Routes proposes a definition, basic principles and a specific methodology for the identification, research and proper assessment of cultural routes. It also deals with guidelines aiming at their protection, conservation, correct use and management.

The innovation introduced by the concept of “Cultural Routes” reveals the heritage content of a specific phenomenon of human mobility and exchange that developed via communication routes that facilitated their flow and which were used or deliberately served a concrete and peculiar purpose. A Cultural Route can be a road that was expressly created to serve this purpose or a route that takes advantage either totally of partially of pre-existing roads used for different purposes. But beyond its character as a way of communication or transport, its existence and significance as a Cultural Route can only be explained by its use for such specific purpose throughout a long period of history and by having generated heritage values and cultural properties associated to it which reflect reciprocal influences between different cultural groups as a result of its own peculiar dynamics.

ICOMOS raised the need to better define this specific category of cultural heritage since 1993, on the occasion of the evaluation of the Route of Santiago as a UNESCO World Heritage site, and has been working since to clearly establishing the conceptual and operational aspects.

The Quebec Declaration on the Preservation of the Spirit of Place
The Quebec Declaration on the Preservation of the Spirit of Place deals with principles and recommendations to preserve the spirit of place, which is regarded as an innovative and efficient manner of ensuring sustainable and social development throughout the world.

Spirit of place is defined as the tangible (buildings, sites, landscapes, routes, objects) and the intangible elements (memories, narratives, written documents, rituals, festivals, traditional knowledge, values, textures, colours, odours, etc.), that is to say the physical and the spiritual elements that give meaning, value, emotion and mystery to place. Rather than separate spirit from place, the intangible from the tangible, and consider them as opposed to each other, ICOMOS has investigated the many ways in which the two interact and mutually construct one another.

The Quebec Declaration is part of a series of measures and actions undertaken by ICOMOS over the course of the past five years to safeguard and promote the spirit of places, namely their living, social and spiritual nature.

The Piero Gazzola Prize
The Piero Gazzola Prize was established in 1979 in memory of one of the greatest defenders of the conservation and restoration of historic monuments and sites, and a founder of ICOMOS and its first President.

The prize is awarded every three years at the General Assembly of ICOMOS to an individual or a group of people who have worked together and contributed with distinction to the aims and objectives of ICOMOS. The beneficiary must be a member of ICOMOS and is chosen by a Selection Committee.

This year the prize has been awarded to Ms Carmen Añón Feliú: Landscape architect, specialized in historic gardens, Professor of the history of gardens and restorer of historic gardens, Member of ICOMOS Spain, Honorary President of the ICOMOS-IFLA International
Committee on Historic Gardens (now Cultural Landscapes), Former President of the Advisory Committee of ICOMOS (1992-1997).

The Prize is a commemorative medal and diploma and has been previously awarded to:

Mr Jean Trouvelot (1981)
Mr Stanislas Lorentz (1984)
Mr Masaru Sekino (1987)
Ms Gertrude Tripp (1990)
Sir Bernard Feilden (1993)
Mr Ernest Allen Connally (1996)
Mr Roland Silva (1999)
Mr Cevat Erder (2003)
Ms Ann Webster Smith (2005)

On the occasion of the 16th General Assembly, 10 members were made honorary members of ICOMOS for their distinguished service in favour of the preservation of monuments and sites:

Mr Juan-Benito Artigas Hernandez (Mexico)
Mr Cyro Correa Lyra (Brazil)
Mr Herman Crespo Toral (Ecuador) – posthumously
Mr Tamas Fejerdy (Hungary)
Mr Jonas Glemza (Lithuania)
Mr Zahi Hawass (Egypt)
Ms Birgitta Hoberg (Sweden)
Mr Michel Jantzen (France)
Mr Gilles Nourissier (France) – posthumously
Mr Kiyotari Tsuboi (Japan)

The Raymond Lemaire International Fund for next generation skills.
The new Raymond Lemaire International Fund has been launched at the Youth Forum in Quebec on 29 September 2008. The objective of this new ICOMOS programme is to encourage generations to develop their skills: thanks to study bursaries and cooperation arrangements with training organisations, young heritage professionals will be enabled to take part in post-graduate courses or traineeships in conservation and restoration throughout the whole world.

Professors Piero Gazzola and Raymond Lemaire, two of the founders of ICOMOS, attached the greatest importance to training young professionals and welcoming them into the ICOMOS family. With the creation of the new Fund, the names of the two founding fathers of ICOMOS are reunited by two different but complementary initiatives.
Annual State Reports

STATE REPORT FOR NEW SOUTH WALES
Sue Jackson-Stepowski

Legislative Changes
This year has been dominated by major
to several planning guidelines plus
legislation governing both Heritage and
Planning. This has consumed considerable
behind-the-scenes time and effort by several
members from hosting discussion sessions
and drafting submissions, to representations to
panels of enquiry. Over 600 changes to the
Planning Act were passed during a midnight
session of State parliament and came into
force immediately.

Concurrently, major changes occurred within
the State Government unit charged with
heritage matters in NSW. The Heritage Office
was amalgamated into the Department of
Planning and its personnel and office area
dramatically reduced. Staff departures
included several ICOMOS members, many of
whom have since moved on to new prospects
or interstate. At the same time the Chairperson
of the Heritage Council also become the
Executive Director of the renamed Heritage
Branch, in addition to other senior planning
roles including Chair of the newly created
Planning Assessment Commission.

Within a month the Minister responsible for
both the Heritage and Planning Acts was
removed from Cabinet, during the turmoil
within the State Government that resulted in a
change of Premier. Several aspects of
planning that impact on heritage management
remain in flux and uncertain. In addition, many
contentious proposals for significant sites
remain subject to Ministerial discretion or
persistent uncertainty, including Catherine Hill
Bay, Yasmars House and its historic garden,
Callan Park, Killalea State Reserve and the
world renowned Evelyne Railway Workshops.
We greatly appreciate the efforts and
intellectual inputs contributed by members in
such pressing times and on so many issues
which arose in quick succession.

Heritage related organisations
Two prominent Australia ICOMOS members
have been reappointed for a further three year
term on the NSW Heritage Council. Sharon
Sullivan AO was reappointed as its Deputy
Chair and David Logan as representative of
the Royal Australian Institute of Architects.

The Historic Houses Trust had a change of
leadership following the retirement of its
founding Director, Peter Watts. Peter has been
a great supporter of Australia ICOMOS. His
replacement is Australian Kate Clark, recently
returned from working with the Heritage Lottery
Fund in the UK. We wish both Peter and Kate
all the best in their new endeavours.

Two hundred people, including many Australia
ICOMOS members, attended the annual NSW
Heritage Network seminar. Members who
made presentations to the seminar included
Sue Jackson-Stepowski on tools for assessing
Historic Urban landscapes, Peter Freeman on
assessing vernacular places in Eurobodalla
and Peter Romey on Port Arthur tourism.

The National Trust of Australian (NSW) gained
a new Executive Director, John Neish. The
Trust, with its various professional committees,
continues its advocacy role for specific and
general heritage matters. The theme of the
2008 Trust Annual Conference was ‘A sense
of Place’ with the first presentation given by
Australia ICOMOS member Sue Jackson-
Stepowski.

ICOMOS NSW Branch Activities
Three Executive meetings were held in
Sydney. The November 2007 Executive
meetings (before and after the last AGM) were
held in the Board Rooms of the Sydney
Harbour Foreshore Authority and the National
Trust of Australia (NSW). The May meeting
was held in the Rail Heritage Centre at Central
Railway Station, with the permission of
RailCorp. We thank all these organisations for
their generosity in providing both venues and
catering. State members continue to
appreciate receiving the State-based brief
summary following each Executive Committee
meeting.

A most successful day was spent on Cockatoo
Island on 8 November. This is one of 11 sites
in the Convict Sites Serial Nomination currently
being considered for World Heritage listing.
Bob Clark led a highly informative guided tour
of the Island’s convict, naval, wartime and
ship-building industrial heritage layers.
Speakers dealt with various aspects of the
World Heritage process from compiling a dossier, each of the 11 sites’ characteristics in relation to the criteria for outstanding universal value, to matters about buffer zones. Thanks to the speakers Patricia Hale, Bob Clark, Peter Romey and Sheridan Burke, to DEWHA for providing a presentation “World Heritage in Australia”, and to the day’s organisers Helen Wilson and Bob Clark, as well as members who assisted in various capacities: Jillian Comber, Cath Snelgrove, Anita Krivickas and Sue Jackson-Stepowski. Finally, thanks to the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust for providing the venue, as well as considerable staff time and assistance with organising the day and catering for afternoon tea.

Earlier in the year, Anne Warr visited Sydney and spoke to us about her book “Shanghai Architecture”. A convivial and interesting night was held at GML offices for ICOMOS members and friends.

The World Monuments Day event on religious heritage was postponed due to energies being redirected to deal with pressing legislative changes and related matters.

ICOMOS and TICCIH members and guides during the Anzac weekend 2008 on reconnaissance to Broken Hill to investigate possibilities for a 2010 Australia ICOMOS conference on industrial and pastoral heritage. Left to right: Bron Stepowski (civil engineer), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (ICOMOS Secretary & foundation member of TICCIH Aust), Liz Vines (ICOMOS SA rep and Broken Hill Heritage Advisor), David Grybowski (mine geologist), Roger Borrell (accommodation specialist), and Tim Hubbard (ICOMOS conference coordinator)
Amendments to the Qld Heritage Act legislation

The new Heritage Council and the states’ practitioners have been learning about and operating under relatively recent changes to the Heritage Act. According to the EPA Fact Sheet, the Queensland Heritage and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2007 represents the most substantial changes to the way heritage is managed in Queensland since the introduction of the Queensland Heritage Act in 1992.

Some of the key changes include:

- **Set timeframes for nominations to the Queensland heritage register**
  While nominations can be assessed in a shorter period, the new maximum period between receiving a nomination and obtaining the Heritage Council’s decision is seven months.

- **More engagement with property owners and the community**
  Decisions will be more transparent and more details will be available online. Owners will also have the right to be heard by the heritage council before it makes a decision about entering their properties in the heritage register.

- **Role of the Queensland Heritage Council**
  The Queensland Heritage Council retains its independent statutory authority status, and will still decide which places are entered in, or removed from, the Heritage Register. Its former responsibility for development decisions on privately-owned heritage places transfers to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

- **Archaeological Places**
  A new category of place – ‘archaeological places’ – can now be entered in the Queensland heritage register. Development at archaeological places will fall under Queensland’s Integrated Development Assessment System (IDAS). As a result the EPA may require an archaeological investigation to be conducted on an archaeological place, particularly if the proposed development may damage or destroy its archaeological values. In addition, shipwrecks more than 75 years old are now given automatic protection, bringing them into line with the protection given to shipwrecks in Commonwealth waters.

Local governments to set up their own heritage registers

Under the legislative changes, local governments must set up a register of heritage places important to their local community. Local government will decide what places are entered in its register.

New ICOMOS members on the Queensland Heritage Council


ICOMOS 2008 theme – religious heritage and sacred places

On the 18 April, Queensland members gathered in the St John’s Cathedral in Brisbane for talks by two members, architects Michael Kennedy and Jacqueline. The presentations were given in the Cathedral. Michael included an outline of the research and design process behind the Cathedral Precinct Conservation Management Plan and Master Plan, subsequently completed in October. Jacqueline showed us her excellent work on restoration at St Augustine’s Church at Coolangatta. The small group then were then guided up to the choir, then the towers and on to the scaffolding to view the copper roofed towers, and the spectacular city sunset views. We then walked through the roof to the belfry base where the bellringers’ work was a highlight.

Heritage grants

Through 2008 the Queensland continued its 2007 initiated grants program – Living Buildings and Places. $4 million has been allocated over 3 rounds.

Some work by ICOMOS Queensland members

The diversity of the professions in ICOMOS membership is always interesting and through the year some Queensland members shared news of their projects.

(Dr) Annie Ross of the School of Social Science, University of Queensland has reported on her work with the Jarowair community. The Jarowair Aboriginal community and the University of Queensland have an AIATSIS Grant to document the
Gummingurru Aboriginal stone arrangement site near Highfields on the Darling Downs. This impressive site covers almost 5ha. It was once a male initiation site, but today it is being used as a site of reconciliation and education, where the traditional custodians are opening the site to young people (black and white) to learn about Aboriginal culture. The site comprises a number of ‘totemic motifs’ and stone circles. The recording project aims to map every stone on the site, and to assist the Jarowair community to develop educational material for use on the site and on a web-site to be developed to help provide educational resources for school groups visiting this important Aboriginal cultural heritage place.

Converge are preparing a Conservation Management Plan for the Gorges Walk section of the Point Lookout Foreshore which is on the state Heritage Register. They are undertaking consultation with the Elders and community of Minjerribah. The scenic headland and coastal woodland reserve is a popular recreation area, including more frequently for whale watching.

Gerry Cummins and Jill Stehn are stained glass conservators and restorers who live on the Sunshine Coast. They have been doing restorations and new work for about 20 years. They recently completed the restoration of the “Robert the Bruce” window at Government House in Brisbane. The stairwell window is approximately 3 metres high x 1.5 metres wide and was in Scotland in the 1880s. A large continuing project is the restoration of the windows of Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Innisfail which was devastated by Cyclone Larry in 2005. There is an estimated 140 square metres of glass to be restored as well as new replacement windows where the glass disappeared completely during the storm.

Another ongoing project is the restoration of Mediaeval stained glass from the Abbey Museum, St Michael’s Church, Caboolture. One is an exquisitely painted “Coronation of the Virgin” dated 1526, and the other an “Espousal” panel dated 1725. They are also finishing a a “God The Father” window – a beautifully painted Flemish stained glass window dating from the early C16th and have in their studio 13 panels from St Brigid’s Catholic Church in Longreach. These are Harry Clarke Studio windows from Ireland.

STATE REPORT FOR AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
Leah McKenzie

AICOMOS Canberra Talks
This year Duncan Marshall organised a series of AICOMOS talks. Held approximately every two months on a Thursday evening, these talks have featured interesting and fascinating lectures by a number of Australia ICOMOS members. The talks have been kindly hosted by the Australian Archives.

In November Dr Michael Pearson gave a talk entitled “Historic Sealing Sites in the wild and beautiful South Shetland Islands, Antarctica”. Mike talked about his work researching nineteenth century sealing sites on Antarctic islands in the South Shetlands, including their conservation issues.

In February Brian Egloff gave a talk on “World Heritage of Apocalypto”. Racing from the lofty heights of the Getty Conservation Institute to the ravaged and quaint World Heritage city of Antiqua, where the pace is Latin-relaxed, Brian took the viewers on a five week kaleidoscope tour of all that matters in the World Heritage of Guatemala and Honduras.

In March Marilyn Truscott gave a talk entitled, “Heritage Safari: Places & Spaces, Sites & Sights in Southern Africa, journeys through changes in heritage conservation”. Marilyn highlighted how heritage conservation has responded to changed political and social circumstances in Botswana, Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

In May, Old Parliament House hosted the lecture and Kate Cowie, Ree Kent and Edwina Jan gave a talk entitled “What is happening at Old Parliament House?” They talked about Old Parliament House’s future development, how OPH’s new Management Plan is working and OPH’s approach to engaging and innovative interpretation of its heritage views.

In July Duncan Marshall gave a talk entitled “Sushi and Latte: Heritage Stories from Japan”. Duncan talked about Japan’s many wonderful ancient heritage places that sit side-by-side with thoroughly modern developments. He looked at two of Japan’s World Heritage sites – Itsukushima Shrine and Genbaku Dome/the Atomic Bomb Dome, both in
Hiroshima. He presented observations about some of the challenges they face in a changing world.

In October Meredith Walker and Dr Andrew Sneddon gave a double talk entitled “Evidence and Values / Fact or Fetish - Reflecting Significant ‘Events’ in Australia’s Heritage Registers”. They discussed how the National Heritage List that emphasises values, with its subtle shift away from the tangible, raises new questions about the scope and application of those heritage principles adopted and adapted by the Australian heritage profession. They questioned how important is physical evidence. Both Meredith and Andrew’s presentations will develop some of the themes of their papers presented at an ICOMOS/ICCROM conference in Florence in 2007, organised by the ICOMOS Scientific Committee on Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration (the Theory committee).

Heritage ACT
In August, Heritage ACT produced its first e-newsletter called Heritage Talks.

2007-08 Executive Committee at its Canberra meeting in Old Parliament House in May 2008

Left to right: standing Tim Hubbard (VIC Conferences and Scholarships), Georgia Meros (AI Secretariat Officer), Graeme Wiffen (NSW rep), Liz Vines (SA rep and Minutes), Megan McDougall (VIC Secretariat Liaison), Greg Terrill, Assistant Secretary, Heritage Division DEWHA, James Shevlin, First Assistant Secretary, Heritage Division DEWHA, Sarah Jane Brazil (NSW Web Coordinator), Peter Phillips (NSW President), Anthony Coupe (SA Guidelines and AI Contract), Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy (QLD and NCHF), Helen Wilson (NSW Membership), Anita Krivickas (NSW Treasurer): seated Agnieszka Kiera (WA rep), Leah McKenzie (ACT rep), Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW Secretary). Taking the photo Jane Harrington (Tas rep, World Heritage Coordinator and Publications)
STATE REPORT FOR NORTHERN TERRITORY
David Bridgman

Heritage in the NT
Darwin is continuing to expand at a rapid pace with several significant buildings proposed for the CBD. Concerns have been raised about the impact this will have on some key heritage buildings including the old Commonwealth Bank and the Sue Wah Chin Building – the only remaining building from Darwin’s original Chinatown.

The NT Heritage Branch is considering reconstructing an old railway house constructed sometime between 1912 and the mid-1930s. This building, on the edge of Darwin’s CBD and located a short walk from Darwin’s waterfront precinct, is one of only two extant examples of a Commonwealth Government Residence originally designed for senior public servants in the tropics. The other is a police station at Timber Creek. It was a standard design, occasionally modified with each version that featured a central room that acted as storage and sleeping area, and surrounding verandahs. These verandahs were ‘enclosed’ by closely spaced timber laths from floor to roof line. If reconstructed it will be a wonderful representation of how life was once lived in the northern tropics.

Some work by ICOMOS NT members
Elizabeth Close is undertaking research into the Burns Philp building in Darwin city. This interesting building has sat discreetly on the corner of the Mall for well over 50 years, a memorial in many ways to commerce and the company who initially constructed the building.

David Bridgman is undertaking a study of post-war architects who helped shape Darwin’s city. He received an NT History Grant to help towards travel and expenses to record oral histories of those architects who worked in the town. The oral histories will be lodged with the NT Archives Service.

ICOMOS Executive Committee and NT Members gathering in the gardens of a historical residence in Darwin.
STATE REPORT FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA
Elizabeth Vines

Local events held in 2008 for SA ICOMOS members
Two successful social events were held for South Australians ICOMOS members. In April, an event was held to coincide with World Heritage Day, with a theme Religious Heritage and Sacred Places. A practical workshop was held for architects and heritage practitioners on use of lime mortar in the conservation of stone church buildings, adaptive reuse of religious buildings and new buildings adjacent to churches. The venue was St Francis Xavier Cathedral Hall, in Wakefield Street, Adelaide – at the site of a current stone conservation project. On 5 November an event was held to discuss the nomination of Cornish Mining Heritage Sites at Burra and Moonta Mines for consideration by the Australian Government for National Heritage Listing. This was followed by an informal discussion about conservation issues in South Australia, in particular issues being addressed by the heritage advisors in the state in historic mining areas.

South Australian Heritage Fund Grants
Applications for the 2008/9 round of South Australian Heritage Fund Grants closed end June 2008 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 and four 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

A 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. This can be viewed on the ‘Visiting’ page of the State Heritage Areas website: http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/heritage/sha/s/visiting.html

In local council areas, heritage initiatives include 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.

Change in Development Approval Process for Adelaide City Development Applications
In July 2008 Infrastructure Minister Patrick Conlon announced that any application for a development project within the Adelaide City Council area that exceeds $10 million would be assessed by the independent Development Assessment Commission. The regulation affects new building projects within the Adelaide CBD and North Adelaide with the $10 million threshold based on the estimated value of the construction and excluding the land value. Mr Conlon stated that the Adelaide City Council had recently robbed the Development Assessment Panel process of its independence.

Under the changes, the Adelaide City Council’s Development Assessment Panel will still have a role to play in assessing smaller projects within the council’s boundaries. However, the performance of the Panel will continue to be closely monitored to ensure that future assessment decisions are in keeping with the spirit of the State Government’s planning reforms. This has implications for assessment of development associated with heritage places, and allows very limited public or local neighborhood input into larger scale development. The current Adelaide City Council was voted in with a change of members at the last election from an electorate who had concerns about heritage management in the city.

Port Adelaide Newport Quays redevelopment
The inner harbour of Port Adelaide has been redeveloped with the first stage of the project completed. The second phase of the scheme deviated from the approved Plan Amendment Report for the area, and concern was expressed by the community about the proposed form of development. The proposal is not unlike the Melbourne docklands development, being heavily residential and this second stage has been completed.

The third stage of the $2 billion Newport Quays waterfront development was rejected in late September 2008 The Port Waterfront Redevelopment Committee (PWRC), an independent sub-committee of the State
Government’s Development Assessment Commission, found the project exceeded building heights, overshadowed public areas and lacked open space. There were also “architectural heritage and safety concerns” with the plans, which are part of the second precinct of the redevelopment, along Causeway Rd to the intersection of Semaphore Rd on the northern side of the Jervois Bridge.

As part of these development proposals, the SA Heritage Council met on 19th June, 2008 and determined that the boatyards, which had been nominated for State Heritage listing, did not meet the criteria for such a listing. The Heritage Places Act does not allow for the protection of a function of a site, but can only protect its fabric. Therefore, the traditional practice of boat building has now ceased at the boatyards. One section of a boatyard has been dismantled for future re-erection. A cultural mapping programme continues - documenting tangible and intangible heritage of working boatyards and looking at options for re-folding into the new development.

The Masonic Grand Lodge in North Terrace includes a five storey building with a hall, known as the Grand Hall behind, which was recommended for demolition by staff of the Heritage Branch to allow for retention of the remaining section of the building. The property is included on the State Heritage Register. The listing on the Register includes the whole property (the North Terrace Building and the Grand Hall). An application was lodged with Adelaide City Council to demolish the Grand Hall and erect a seventeen storey apartment building. This is an unusual case where the SA Heritage Branch has approved the demolition of a building included on the Heritage Register.

SA has gone through the biggest building boom for decades and the buzz word for many of these new projects is sustainability. The National Trust has called for a tax on the energy wasted when a building is knocked down but this is being opposed by the Property Council. The National Trust has expressed concern about the number of heritage buildings being lost in the current boom – largely due to the system of voluntary heritage listing which has been supported by the Adelaide City Council.

**South Australia’s Cornish mining heritage sites – Burra & Moonta Mines**

In 2006 the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape was inscribed on the World Heritage List. Quoting from the inscription of this site on the World Heritage List:

*Much of the landscape of Cornwall and West Devon in England was transformed in the 18th and early 19th centuries as a result of the rapid growth of pioneering copper and tin mining. Its deep underground mines, engine houses, foundries, new towns, smallholdings, ports and harbours, and their ancillary industries together reflect prolific innovation which, in the early 19th century, enabled the region to produce two-thirds of the world’s supply of copper. The substantial remains are a testimony to the contribution Cornwall and West Devon made to the Industrial Revolution in the rest of Britain and to the fundamental influence the area had on the mining world at large. Cornish technology embodied in engines, engine houses and mining equipment was exported around the world. Cornwall and West Devon were the heartland from which mining technology rapidly spread.*

Following an approach from the proponents of the World Heritage Listing of the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape, the South Australian Heritage Council is the process of preparing a nomination of Cornish Mining Heritage Sites at Burra and Moonta Mines for consideration by the Australian Government for National Heritage Listing. In the future there are plans for a trans-National listing of Cornish Mining Heritage involving Australia, Mexico and South Africa as well as Britain.

The SA Heritage Council has established a Mining Heritage Working Group involving representatives from the SA Department for Environment and Heritage, Australian Mining History Association, National Trust of SA, Primary Industries and Resources SA, SA Tourism Commission and SA Chamber of Mines & Energy.

A workshop was held on Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 November 2008, consisting of site inspections of Cornish Mining Heritage Sites at Burra and Moonta Mines and local community meetings in each location. In addition a dinner was held at the State Dining Room, Ayers House, with guests including stakeholders from the SA Government agencies and other interested parties.

Two English experts on Cornish mining heritage participated in the event - Professor Phillip Payton, Professor of Cornish & Australian Studies and Director, Institute of Cornish Studies, University of Exeter and Barry Gamble from the Cornwall County Council (who was an important contributor to
the ultimate World Heritage listing of the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape). These people are very supportive of the South Australian proposal which will contribute significantly to a better understanding of the heritage significance of Burra and Moonta Mines at a national and international level.

New DEH publication - Maintenance and Repair of Older Buildings in South Australia
This publication should find a broad audience among owners and custodians of older buildings. Although it makes particular reference to conserving heritage significance, the principles apply to all older buildings regardless of heritage status. The publication looks at the many elements of a building and the forces at work on it, and advocates timely maintenance as the best way to avoid costly repairs down the track. Available from the DEH website at: http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/heritage/tech_note3_1.html.

New online database – Architects of South Australia: from 1836 to the present
The result of a joint project between DEH and UniSA’s Architecture Museum, this online database contains information about the professional lives and contributions of a selection of the state’s architects from 1836 to the present day. As well as containing scholarly biographical material, it identifies the architects’ principal South Australian built works. Search by architect or building to find specific information.

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 a positive response to this initiative.

SA ICOMOS members inspecting St Francis Xavier Cathedral lime mortar mixing process at the April 2008 World Heritage Day Workshop
STATE REPORT FOR TASMANIA
Jane Harrington

During the year Tasmania has reported on a number of issues, including the following:

**Australian Convict Serial Sites World Heritage Nomination**
The year saw the finalisation of the nomination, which includes five Tasmanian sites:
- The Port Arthur Historic Site
- The Coal Mines Historic Site
- The Cascade Female Factory in South Hobart
- Woolmers - Brickendon precinct (encompassing Brickendon Historic Farm and the Woolmers Estate) near Longford
- Darlington Probation Station on Maria Island

The 2007 nomination submission has been deferred and a small amount of further work has been done on the maps to meet UNESCO requirements. The submission is currently with the World Heritage Centre to be assessed in 2009. The first meeting of the national consultative committee for the nomination, including representatives of all the sites, was held in Port Arthur in September 2008.

As part of the process the Tasmanian Heritage Council reviewed the Tasmanian Heritage Register entries for all the Tasmanian sites. The work was an important step in providing consistent information and protective mechanisms across the state and national listings. The revised entries provide a stronger picture of the importance of each of these sites to all Tasmanians and to the nation.

**Departmental Change**
Early in 2008 the Premier announced a cabinet reshuffle. The Department of Tourism, Arts and the Environment (which included Heritage) became the Department of Environment, Parks, Heritage and the Arts (DEPHA), with a new state minister, Michelle O’Byrne. It has been reassuring to see ‘Heritage’ appear in the Department’s name.

**Tasmanian Wilderness WHA – Reactive Monitoring Mission**
The full mission is reported on in more detail in the World Heritage Reference Group Report. On 19 March the mission met with Tasmanian ICOMOS representatives – Anne McConnell, Angie McGowan and Jane Harrington – in Hobart. We had about an hour with them and we were impressed with their background knowledge. We talked mainly about the management of TWWHA and additional areas that might warrant inclusion for cultural heritage values. We had the opportunity to continue the discussion more informally with Kevin Jones (NZ ICOMOS President) who was a member of the mission. Credit must be given to Anne McConnell who did a considerable amount of work for the ICOMOS input into this mission.

One of the issues discussed at the time was the lack of a Cultural Heritage representative on the TWWHA Consultative Committee. Subsequent to the mission, on 14 April, Cabinet endorsed the appointment of Chris Tassell to this position. Chris is a member of ICOMOS and is currently the managing director of the National Trust of Australia (Tasmania).

**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, to which ICOMOS responded. In September 2008, the Heritage Council hosted a meeting of various individuals and representatives of heritage groups to discuss proposed amendments to the assessment criteria, and guidelines for undertaking assessments. Jane Harrington attended as the Tasmania ICOMOS representative, and a number of other members were also in attendance. There was considerable discussion on the day, with some concern about the proposed amendments. ICOMOS lodged a submission to Heritage Tasmania in October 2008, with our comments on the proposed amendments to the criteria.

**ICOMOS Tasmanian get-together**
We held a meeting of Tasmanian members on 5 March in Hobart with an excellent turnout of around 15 attendees. Pete Smith, the Director of Heritage Tasmania, gave an update on the review of the Historic Heritage Act. There was considerable discussion around the topic of cultural landscapes with a view formed that the way in which landscapes are managed needs greater debate and resolution. The group indicated their interest in having these meetings regularly. We will hopefully continue at least one meeting a year for 2009.
STATE REPORT FOR VICTORIA
Timothy Hubbard

Heritage Victoria Australia ICOMOS scholarship
The joint Heritage Victoria Australia ICOMOS scholarship was awarded to Trudy Rickard (an associate member of ICOMOS and an architect active in the south-west of Victoria) to attend the University of Canberra Summer School, and to Emma Russell (who has a background in public history in Melbourne) to attend 2 two-day intensive courses offered by the Deakin University Department of Cultural Heritage and Museum Studies.

New Memberships of the Heritage Council of Victoria
The routine review of one third of the membership of the Heritage Council saw the appointment of Helen Lardner, the Australia ICOMOS Vice-President, as the architect member, Prof Bill Logan, former President of Australia ICOMOS, as the general heritage expertise member and Robert Sands, long term member of ICOMOS, as the alternate architect member. Kristal Buckley, recently re-elected at the Quebec General Assembly as International Vice-President of ICOMOS, continues as the archaeology member.

World Heritage Day Event
A tour of homesteads in the Wimmera was arranged in conjunction with the Heritage Council's 'Heritage and The Land' landscape forum held in Murtoa on 18th April. Papers from this and previous forums will be published in book form in 2009.

Victorian Heritage Strategy Review

New Heritage Overlay Controls
In 2007 the Minister for Planning appointed an Advisory Committee to conduct an inquiry into the heritage provisions of planning schemes. Many Victorian members participated in the public consultation and workshops held by the committee. The committee’s recommendation were largely accepted by the Minister and adopted through Amendment VC49 of the state section of Victorian Planning Schemes. Further recommendations may be implemented by the Department of Planning can Community Development.

Victorian State of the Heritage Environment
Following on from Victoria’s Heritage: Strengthening our communities (2006), Heritage Victoria also commissioned the Victorian State of the Historic Environment Report (2008). This was done by eminent members of Australia ICOMOS, Duncan Marshall, Dr Jane Lennon AM, Dr Don Ellsmore with Jane McKenzie (HLCD Pty Ltd) and Dr Michael Pearson (Heritage Management Consultants Pty Ltd). The report can be downloaded in two parts from the Heritage Victoria website.

Revised Heritage Themes and Criteria
Context Pty Ltd has been developing new historic themes for Heritage Victoria including holding workshops with panels of experts. Dr Carlotta Kellaway has represented Australia ICOMOS. The themes are still in draft form. In 1997 the Heritage Council of Victoria adopted criteria for the assessment of places of cultural significance under the Heritage Act 1995. These have been reviewed and new criteria were formally adopted by the Heritage Council in August 2008. These can be downloaded from the HV website.

The Architecture Awards in Victoria
In the Victorian Architecture Awards 2008, Heritage category winners were: John George Knight Award, Heritage - Chadwick House Stage 1, Peter Crone Architects; Architecture Award, Heritage - Eynesbury Station Redevelopment, HLCD; and Architecture Award, Heritage - Centre for Theology and Ministry and Dalton McCaughey Library, Williams Boag Architects

Intangible Heritage Symposium
Australia ICOMOS and SAHANZ joined with the National Trust of Australia (Vic) to organise a symposium on Intangible Heritage which was held in East Melbourne from 1st to 3rd July including post-conference tours. The event was very well-attended including by interstate members of Australia ICOMOS as there was no ICOMOS annual conference this year. The keynote speaker was Richard Englehardt in one of his last duties as UNESCO Regional Officer for Education (Asia). Dr Barry Jones AO was the Master of Ceremonies. Selected papers from the conference will be published in Historic Environment in 2009.
Australia ICOMOS AGM
The 2008 AGM is planned for Melbourne on Saturday afternoon, 22nd November. It will be held at CoAsIt, 189 Faraday Street, Carlton. Various events are proposed over two days including:

- a meeting of the Australian branch of TICCIH at Heritage Victoria on the morning of Friday 21st November;
- a workshop in the afternoon at Heritage Victoria for members of ICOMOS ISCs, moderated by Meredith Walker;
- a tour of the Royal Exhibition Buildings at lunchtime on Saturday 22nd November and a workshop on World Heritage Listing at CoAsIt in the afternoon, followed by the AGM, with drinks afterwards and a dinner at the Lincoln Hotel.

Vicomite Social Events
Christmas 2007 was marked by a drinks party in the cellar of the Metropolitan Hotel, North Melbourne. There was an extremely successful and noisy Trivia Night on 18th July to get together socially and to raise funds for the Streetwise Asia program.

Australia ICOMOS Secretariat
The Australia ICOMOS Secretariat continues to operate from the Cultural Heritage Centre for Asia and the Pacific, Deakin University, Burwood. The Victorian members of AI would like to thank the CHCAP for its continuing support and service, and particularly acknowledge the professional and always cheerful work Ms Georgia Meros.
STATE REPORT FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA
Agnieszka Kiera

World Heritage Day Event
Father Placid Spearitt OSB, Abbott of New Norcia addressed Western Australian ICOMOS members and colleagues on What makes a site sacred at St Bartholomew's Chapel, East Perth Cemeteries on 18 April. Father Spearitt's address explored the notion that sacred need not be religious in the traditional sense, but that a place's 'sacredness' can be embodied in a range of concepts. A tour of the cemeteries focusing on management and conservation issues was offered before the presentation, all of which was well received by the group of some 30 in attendance.

Old Treasury Buildings
The Old Treasury Buildings project instigated by the previous government was not brought to a conclusion before parliament was dissolved. It remains to be seen whether or not the new government will take the project forward and whether it will abide by the previous government's selection processes to procure a good development and conservation outcome.

The Fremantle Asylum (currently Fremantle Museum and Arts Centre)
The City of Fremantle commissioned Dr Michael Pearson in association with Duncan Marshall to provide an assessment of the World Heritage values of the Fremantle Asylum Building. In their report the consultants concluded that there were grounds to argue that Fremantle Asylum is the best preserved and most intact of the asylums built in the Australian convict establishments. The City of Fremantle accordingly intends to prepare a nomination for consideration by the Australian Government for National Heritage Listing.

Architecture Awards in WA
The Architecture Awards in Western Australia put heritage in the headlines once more by selecting restoration of St George's Cathedral for its most important award, the George Temple Poole Award. At the ceremony the new national president of the Australian Institute of Architects, Howard Tanner, stressed in his keynote address the importance of heritage and recycling in an increasingly sustainable development environment.

Artefacts Collection of the National Trust
The National Trust of Australia (WA) has de-accessioned a collection of 6,000 artefacts that sat in storage and for which there was no future use. Following the documentation and assessment phase there was a three-stage disposal process. It was designed to ensure with help of volunteers and students. The archaeological excavations at Peel Town in Henderson, which dates from 1830, have since 2007 unearthed a rich collection of material associated with Western Australia's first year of European settlement. The site, covering about 40.5 hectares, includes structural remains made from local limestone, imported brick, and local and exotic timber, while rubbish pits contain well-preserved bottle and ceramic fragments and food remains. Monetary (coins), recreation (ivory dominoes and children's ceramic marbles) and trade (pins, thimbles and buttons) artefacts attest to the site's rich archaeological assemblage. Excavations are expected to continue for a decade.

Architecture and Heritage Forum
The West Australian Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects held the inaugural 'Architecture + Heritage Forum' on 14th October 2008 as part of the local Chapter's Architecture Week activities. The forum, held at the AIA’s head offices in Nedlands, examined the topic of how to design new buildings in a heritage context. Elizabeth Farrelly, columnist for the *Sydney Morning Herald* and one of Australia’s liveliest and most provocative writers on architecture and the environment was the keynote speaker. Dr Farrelly presented overseas and Australian examples of what works and what doesn't and discussed notions of aesthetic transience (Wabi-Sabi) and the generally accepted view that wherever components of the built environment are replaced, the results are never as good as the original. The address was followed by commentary from a panel of local heritage experts comprising Patric de Villiers, Margaret Feilman and Kevin Palassis and questions from the audience numbering close to 100. The Forum, sponsored by the Heritage Council of Western Australia and Palassis Architects is intended to be an annual program with consideration being given to the selection of a larger auditorium in the future, as demand for places well exceeded the capacity of the venue.

Archaeological discovery of Peel Town
Dr Shane Burke of Notre Dame University has carried out a significant archaeological project
that artefacts that should remain in public collections did so and that those of no value to museums were disposed of in a fair and equitable manner. The first disposal stage was to offer, free of charge, provenanced artefacts to relevant museums and collecting institutions. In the second stage museums across Australia were encouraged to bid for artefacts via an internet auction, not in real dollars but in credit points. The final stage was to auction the remaining artefacts for sale to the general public. The funds received through the sale of de-accessioned artefacts have created an endowment that will be used to assist in the acquisition, cataloguing, conservation and ongoing care of the permanent collection.

The Cliffe
Peppermint Grove Council has been asked for a demolition licence for the registered and highly significant 30 room timber mansion, The Cliffe in Peppermint Grove, to make way for the proposed subdivision of the land. This magnificent timber mansion, constructed over 100 years ago, was a celebration of Western Australian jarrah, the timber that in a range of ways built many industrial buildings in Western Australia, including its use in Fremantle for the building of the wharves, the bridges, the wool stores, and even the streets. Sadly despite objections from the Heritage Council The Cliffe has been de-registered through an appeal to the minister at the time (Hon Michelle Roberts) from the local Member of Parliament. Although the place remains standing for the moment, its future is uncertain.

Obituary
Sadly two of the prominent personalities and long-time advocates in the field of heritage conservation died recently. We mourn the passing of Gerry Gauntlett, Chairman of the Heritage Council of Western Australia, of whom much has been written in the last two months, and Father Placid Sperritt, Abbott of the only monastery town in WA, New Norcia, passed away in September while he was overseas.

Dennis Rodwell (ICOMOS UK), Agnieszka Kiera and Sue Jackson-Stepowski (Australia ICOMOS) at the 16th General Assembly in Quebec.
International Scientific Committees

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR CULTURAL ROUTES AND ITINERARIES (CIIC)
Sandy Blair

Regrettfully, I was unable to attend the 16th General Assembly of ICOMOS held in Quebec in 2008 and the associated meeting of the CIIC. Timothy Hubbard from Australia did attend and is seeking to join the CIIC.

Major activities to report are that the Charter on Cultural Routes which the CIIC has been working on for some time was finally ratified at the 2008 General Assembly and is now available on the ICOMOS website. I am advised by the Chair of the Committee, Maria Rosa Suarez-Inclan, that the CIIC at its meeting in Quebec adopted a triennial program for 2009-2011, including holding a meeting in Japan during 2009 to be hosted by Mie Prefecture and organised by committee member Kunie Sugio. At this stage both Tim Hubbard and I intend to participate in this meeting.

Committee members have also been asked to fill in a questionnaire about the level of participation in and support for the CIIC since it began in 1999. This is a prelude to applying the Eger-Xi’an principles and reinvigorating the ISCs.

Issues currently facing the CIIC are the need to broaden its documentation and inventory program to include a greater variety of cultural routes and particularly routes of more recent origin and of the Asia Pacific region. While there is good representation from most regions of the globe on the CIIC, there has been a tendency to focus on European and Spanish, or Spanish American, routes.

In 2005, some members of the CIIC prepared a report on Cultural Routes. Identification, Promotion, and Inventory: Fortifications, ports and cities as components of Cultural Routes. Cultural Routes of control and use of land, trade and pilgrimage.

There has been limited activity since the Scientific Symposium and CIIC meeting at the 2005 15th General Assembly in China. I was unable to attend the meeting on ‘Mining and Industrial Heritage: Impact and Importance for Cultural Routes of Universal Value’ held in 2006.

I have attached below the CIIC triennial program for 2009-2011.

Triennial Program / Plan (2009-2011)

Note 1: This program refers to the CIIC Statutes and the Eger-Xi’an Principles adopted by the 15th General Assembly of ICOMOS (Xi’an, October 2005).

Note 2: This program to be submitted to discussion for approval in the official meeting of the CIIC in Québec (Canada), 29 September 2008, on occasion of the 16th General Assembly of ICOMOS.

Objectives:
Publicise the principles and operational guidelines developed by the CIIC, to facilitate research, communication and promotion of Cultural Routes. Principles and operational guidelines are based on a decade devoted to their formulation and which are the result of a theoretical approach collated with field experience gained through numerous research projects around the world.

Maintain member’s ongoing task of identifying Cultural Routes in all regions worldwide and carrying out their corresponding inventories based on multidisciplinary team approach as well as the use of methodological tools established by the CIIC. Inventories results should be disseminated and accessible through CIIC.

Promote to arouse interest on the part of the governments of involved countries in the identification and appropriate treatment of Cultural Routes.
• Encourage cooperation and partnership among the countries which share such Routes.
• Assist in the preparation of proposals that will support an appropriate level of management.
• Help ICOMOS raise awareness and interest on the part of UNESCO and other international organizations so that they will also collaborate to realize these objectives.

Approach:
In order to accomplish the above objectives, CIIC considers appropriate to include the following measures, amongst others, in the present program:

A) Encourage the work of the experts within the CIIC who to date have contributed their work of research and promotion of Cultural Routes.

B) Develop work programs and/or training initiatives to qualify and gain the necessary level of expertise focusing on CIIC classification of members and young professionals seeking for specialization in the field of cultural routes and furthermore, contributing to develop the professional competencies as new experts.

C) Communicate amongst ICOMOS membership and other interested organizations the triennial program work carried out by the CIIC as well as its theoretical and methodological principles: a) by continuing its program of publications and distributing pertinent information; b) by organizing training courses, exchange programs, and a series of scientific meetings whose purpose will be to draw attention to and debate these principles.

D) In accordance with its goals, as reflected in its statutes, receive, evaluate and formulate appropriate responses to the request for expertise, scientific and technical assistance in the specific field of Cultural Routes from the Scientific Council, Executive, Advisory, National and International Scientific Committees of ICOMOS.

E) Intensify the collaboration with other International Scientific Committees and National Committees of ICOMOS.

F) Promote the aforesaid activities and projects via the existing cooperative agreements with various Universities and Research Centers. Additionally, work to create new centers designed to carry out research and promotion of Cultural Routes in various regions worldwide.

Implementation:
In order to carry out some of the 2009-2011 Triennial Program objectives and approach, CIIC hopes to be able to count on the financial aid from the Spanish Committee of ICOMOS which has been accustomed to provide (a center with administrative and meeting spaces; administrative/secretarial services including staff and communication tools; simultaneous translation in the scientific conferences and meetings on internal matters as well as translation of documents when necessary; and economic assistance for scientific meetings already in the planning stages).

The CIIC is also hoping to be able to count on the support of other national committees and institutions that will continue to finance its publications and help with the expenses of its international conferences. In order to make this expectation a reality, it counts on a first proposal made by the Governor of Mie Prefecture, Japan, who has invited the CIIC to hold a meeting in 2009 and to cooperate in an international conference hosted by the Japanese authorities.

Other activities will be defined by the Board of Directors as well as in upcoming official meeting.

Maria Rosa Suárez-Inclán
President, ICOMOS CIIC
Adoption of Statutes
The Statutes and by-laws have been approved by CIPA, ICOMOS and ISPRS and they have been in force since 1st January 2004. The most recent version is valid from 1st January 2005 onwards. ISPRS and ICOMOS have approved and signed them. Beside this, CIPA is permanently upgrading its Operational Guidelines which can be found on CIPA’s web site.

Business meetings of the ISC
A meeting was held on Sept 30 and Oct 1 2007 in Athens, Greece

Activities of the ISC
The XXIst International CIPA Symposium was held in Athens, Greece from 1 to 6 October 2007. Symposium Directors were Andreas Georgopoulos and Nikos Agriantonis. The theme was “Anticipating the Future of the Cultural Past”. From the 243 papers that were submitted, around 160 were approved and published as full papers. The proceedings are online at the CIPA website (cipa.icomos.org).

The CIPA - RecorDIM Roundtable 7 took place in Athens, Greece, on Oct. 6 and 7, 2007

A joint workshop of Aluka, the African Cultural Heritage Project, UCT, and CIPA (organised by Heinz Rüther) was held in Stone Town, Zanzibar during the last week of July 2007. The purpose of the workshop was the introduction to the African Cultural Heritage Sites and Landscapes Database to users in Africa as well as local capacity building in the area of heritage documentation. It was attended by 30 participants from Sudan, Kenya, Ghana, Mali, Tanzania including of course Zanzibar, and South Africa.


A workshop was held in Tokyo, Japan on Digital Documentation of Cultural Heritage, on September, 7, 2007; the workshop attracted more than 100 researchers and practitioners.

A course on architectural records, inventories, and information systems for the conservation of cultural heritage addressed professional capacity-building, increasing participants’ knowledge and skills on documentation with a wide variety of methods and tools for recording, documentation, inventories and information management. Co-organised by ICCROM and GCI, it was held in Rome from 12th Sept to 12th Oct 2007. It was coordinated by Rand Eppich and Ana Almagro-Vidal. The course was attended by 16 participants from Azerbaijan, Barbados, Brazil, Croatia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Japan, Lithuania, Nigeria, Pakistan, Serbia, United Republic of Tanzania, and Puerto Rico.

Publications
The committee hosts a web site http://cipa.icomos.org.

New publications:
- The XXIst Symposium proceedings in 2007 Athens, Greece are ready and available from http://cipa.icomos.org/index.php?id=393

Elections
The most recent election of office-bearers was held on November 1st, 2006, in Nicosia, Cyprus. Those elected were

President: Cliff Ogleby
Vice Presidents: Klaus Hanke and Mario Santana Quintero
Secretary General: Michael Doneus
Treasurer: Pierre Grussenmeyer
Partnerships with affinity organizations and National Committees

The main cooperation is with ISPRS, the International Society for Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Spatial Information Sciences. The cooperation is defined by the CIPA Statutes, controlled by Society Delegates. CIPA has the status of a Permanent ISPRS Committee as well as of an International Scientific ICOMOS Committee. Historically CIPA is also an ICOMOS International Scientific Committee with fruitful cooperation with its other ISCs.

CIPA has had a strong cooperation with the Getty Conservation Institute and with ICOMOS international in the framework of the RecorDIM Initiative, coordinated by Bill Blake. In this framework many other associations also exist, such as that established with English Heritage.

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR ANALYSIS AND RESTORATION OF STRUCTURES OF ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE (ISCARSAH)

Peter Phillips

I was among a number of new members elected to ISCARSAH at the most recent meeting of the Committee in Quebec, replacing the previous Australia ICOMOS representative Susan Balderstone who had completed her statutory three consecutive terms. Pere Roca, the retiring Chair of the Committee, welcomed some fifteen members and guests to the meeting, and conveyed the apologies of the retiring Secretary, David Yeomans. Stephen Kelley presented his proposal for the new ISCARSAH web site, which is running in a trial version while details are finalised. It is hoped that the new site will be operating shortly. At the end of the meeting, elections for new office bearers of the Committee were completed (a number of members who were unable to attend the meeting having previously voted by post). The result of the election was a tie between Stephen Kelley (USA) and Claudio Modena (Italy), who agreed to serve as co-Chairs. Lyne Fontaine (Canada) was elected unopposed as Secretary. This result has now been confirmed by a further e-mail poll of the full Committee. After lunch ISCARSAH members joined ICOFORT and others for a tour of military establishments around Quebec, including the Citadel and Artillery Park.
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR CULTURAL LANDSCAPES (IFLA)
Juliet Ramsay

Membership
Australian committee members are Juliet Ramsay (voting member) and Professor Ken Taylor (contributing member) and Stuart Read (newly appointed contributing member). Nominations for Steve Brown and Rachel Jackson will be considered at the 2009 Annual ISC meeting.

Helsinki Meeting/Workshop
A committee meeting organised by Mette Eggen was held in Helsinki in March 2008; it involved a workshop, seminar and tours. The ISC is developing Guidelines for Cultural Landscapes World Heritage Evaluation and in doing so is seeking to involve as many members as possible for capacity building of members.

Vermont Meeting/Workshop
Patricia O'Donnell organised a tour and workshop at Charlotte Vermont prior to the General Assembly in Quebec. Attending members presented on work relating to cultural landscapes and two half day sessions were spent on developing the Guidelines. Tours of the Shelburne Farms estate and local cultural landscapes were organised as well as a bus trip through Vermont to Quebec.

Quebec Annual ISC Meeting and election of office-bearers
Luigi Zangheri resigned as president of the ISC. Luigi has been an excellent president who opened up the committee internationally and encouraged greater participation of ISC members in World Heritage evaluations. Monica Luengo was unanimously appointed as the new President. Sonja Berjman was appointed Vice-President, and Shintaro Sugio, Vice-President for Asia and Pacific. Other appointments were made for specific executive roles.

Forthcoming activities
A seminar and meeting are to be held in Loire Valley 27-31 May 2009 organised by Michel Racine of the Conseil Régional des Pays-de-la-Loire, France. The international symposium is on the theme of "politiques régionales des paysages culturels" and will be held at the Fontevraud Abbey. For the members of the committee it will include a visit to the Festival international des jardins de Chaumont-sur-Loire.

The next annual meeting of the committee and seminar, being organised by Shintaro Sugio, will be held in Japan in August 2009.

Scientific Activity by J Ramsay
My own activities as a member of this committee have included the following:

- Preparation of Guidelines for Cultural Landscapes World Heritage Evaluation which involved an initial questionnaire sent out to members to gain an understanding of what they needed in the guidelines; preparation of a set of tasks to structure the guidelines which was reworked and restructures at the Helsinki workshop; and, with Monica Luengo and Patricia O'Donnell co-ordinating tasks for the guidelines involving contacting members, seeking their input and preparing draft material.

- Four hours of lecturing on cultural landscapes at the University of Canberra to the Landscape Architecture students.

- Presenting on the Australian Alps transhumant cultural landscape at the Vermont workshop.

- Presenting a paper at the Quebec International General Assembly – Cultivating Spirits to Create Identity.

- Organising a seminar for colleagues and ICOMOS members by Anne Warr on historic architecture of Shanghai.

- Undertaking a Site Mission of a World Heritage nomination for International ICOMOS.
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL HERITAGE MANAGEMENT (ICAHM)
Brian Egloff

A major step forward for ICAHM has been the offer by Douglas C. Comer, Ph.D., Principal, Cultural Site Research and Management, Inc. to host the membership secretariat. The day-to-day work has been undertaken by Robyn Sales of that office.

The ICAHM executive held a brief and informal organisational meeting on Tuesday 1 July at the World Archaeology Congress in Dublin to discuss forthcoming elections as well as participation at the Quebec ICOMOS General Assembly.

ICAHM was active at WAC 6 (29 June to 4 July 2008) in Dublin where it organised the theme 'Emerging Global Archaeologies' with sessions on 'Ethical standards for global archaeologies', Landscape preservation and its importance to global theory' and 'Setting the course for a revitalised ICAHM'.

Members of ICAHM carried out World Heritage assessments as well as providing advice to ICOMOS on the selection of individuals for assessments.

A partnership with Mauritius ICOMOS and the International Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage (ICOFORT) brought about a joint archaeological heritage management planning project at Fort Adelaide, Mauritius in June of 2008. A fully illustrated 100-page report on that project has been drafted and submitted to the Friends of the Environment, Mauritius.

Members of ICAHM have published the following volumes:

- Bones of the Ancestors: The Ambum Stone: From the New Guinea Highlands to the Antiquities Market to Australia by Brian Egloff, Alta Mira Press

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ICAHM is in the process of adopting a revised set of statutes following the release of the latest iteration of the Eger Xi’an Principles dated July 2008 and intends to hold elections in January of 2009.
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INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR HISTORIC TOWNS AND VILLAGES (CIVVIH)
Ian Hocking

The 2008 Annual Committee Meeting of CIVVIH was held in Quebec, on 28th September immediately prior to the 2008 ICOMOS General Assembly in Quebec. ICOMOS Canada organised a concise and highly successful one day program, which was attended by more people than any previous CIVVIH Annual Meeting.

Membership
Australia’s representative on CIVVIH is Ian Hocking. 2009 is the end of the third three year term which Ian has served as Australia’s representative. Whilst Ian is a member of the CIVVIH Executive and could continue as Australia’s representative, it is considered an appropriate time for Australia to appoint another representative to CIVVIH. Ian Hocking wishes to continue his association with CIVVIH as a corresponding member.

Although Australia currently has no corresponding members, Sue Jackson-Stepowski and Agnieszka Kiera attended the 2007 CIVVIH Helsinki meeting and the 2008 CIVVIH Quebec meeting. Both are now on the CIVVIH e-mail list. Following the recent call by Australia ICOMOS for expressions of interest from its members to join various ISCs, in accordance with the Eger-Xi’an Principles, Sue Jackson-Stepowski (NSW), Agnieszka Kiera (WA), Elizabeth Vines (SA) and Helen Wilson (NSW) were nominated to the committee as expert members. These nominations have been received and acknowledged by the current CIVVIH President, Ray Bondin, and will be considered by the committee at its 2009 meeting.

Applicable conventions, treaties and charters
- 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
- Vienna Memorandum, World Heritage and Contemporary Architecture, Managing the City of Vienna – 2005, and subsequent regional symposia

Year’s Highlights
CIVVIH has continued to work with other ISCs and heritage agencies to define and, if possible, to reconcile the concept of Historic Urban Landscapes (HUL) to other established categories of place such as Historic Towns and Cities and Cultural Landscapes. This latter term has gained considerable traction in world heritage assessment circles in recent times. Sue Jackson-Stepowski coordinated the Australian section of the world-wide HUL e-group discussion.

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.

Future associated meetings include the UNESCO World Heritage Centre Forum scheduled for Hanoi in 5-10 April 2009.

Statutes
In 2008 CIVVIH adopted the Eger-Xi’an draft, as a revision of its Statutes. This followed advice from ICLAFI (the Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues ISC) and brought the statutes into consistency with the Xi’an decision on statutes.

Limitations on terms as voting members
All voting members have 3 x 3 year maximum terms from the date of the member’s nomination by their national body. Non voting members may present their credentials to CIVVIH to attend meetings as desired. If elected to the Bureau members may serve a maximum of 3 x 3 year terms.

Members can be re-elected to the Bureau at a subsequent election. The Bureau may co-opt other members and representatives of regional Sub-Committees, as considered appropriate. CIVVIH’s elections will be held at its 2009 Annual meeting.

Three year plan
CIVVIHs triennial plan was presented to the Scientific Council in 2006. The active co-
ordination of ISCs promises to yield considerable benefits to the effectiveness of ISCs. Michal Firestone, Secretary General of CIVVIH, was appointed to the Executive of the Scientific Council.

Meetings
Prior to the 16th General Assembly in Quebec, there was a full day meeting of the Scientific Council and another full day dedicated to ISC meetings. Sue Jackson-Stepowski attended both the SC and CIVVIH meetings, with Agnieszka Kiera also attending the CIVVIH meeting. CIVVIH joined the ISC for Shared Built Heritage for a combined morning session: topics included management issues in various Canadian heritage towns including the World Heritage site of Old Quebec. The meetings were followed by a guided tour of the Quebec World Heritage site.

CIVVIH’s next meeting is scheduled for 2009. The venue for the meeting is still to be posted.

Asia Pacific networking
Work pressures and a health condition restricted Ian Hocking’s capabilities to undertake more than email contact with regional colleagues during 2008.

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
CIVVIH’s website was sponsored by ICOMOS Canada during 2008, under the guidance of CIVVIH Vice-President, Michel Bonnette.

Regional Website
There has been no progress in the past year concerning the establishment of a Regional CIVVIH website, due to a lack of financial support.

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.

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

Revised Washington Charter: CIVVIH adopted the revised Washington Charter in Quebec

Revised Vienna Memorandum: The revised Memorandum was circulated during the year and adopted as CIVVIH’s position concerning the Vienna Memorandum.

Cooperation with other organisations
CIVVIH and ISoCaRP have encouraged the introduction of conservation into planning processes.

BOWHC/OVPM: CIVVIH have requested OVPM to support CIVVIH urban conservation experts participating in its meetings.

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

In 2008 several members of CIVVIH continued to be used as reviewers for World Heritage listing assessments within their regions. In 2007 Ian Hocking provided commentary on the submission for the Straits of Malacca: Cities of Malaka and Georgetown, which was inscribed on the World Heritage List during 2008.

Publication of evaluation reports
CIVVIH continues to pursue the publication of evaluation reports for sites nominated for World Heritage assessment.
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON LEGAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL ISSUES (ICLAFI)
Graham Wiffen

I report as the Australian Representative on the Legal, Financial and Administrative Issues International Scientific Committee of ICOMOS (ICLAFI), a committee of academics, lawyers and public servants interested in heritage legislation and the administration.

Annual Meetings
The Committee’s main activity in 2008 was its annual meeting. From 15th to 17th May ICLAFI met in Helsinki, Finland. We were also well represented at the General Assembly in Quebec. We have plans to meet in the historic city of Cartagena, Colombia in 2009.

ICLAFI meetings take the form of a seminar on legal aspects of heritage preservation and conservation, followed by a business meeting. In Helsinki, papers discussed the criteria in the legislation of the various jurisdictions for the protection of built heritage. Since my last Report the papers from the meeting in Sibiu, Romania in 2007 have been published. This year’s papers will also be published by the conference organisers. The ICOMOS library in Paris is planning to collect ICLAFI papers on a webpage.

ICLAFI e journal
As I reported last year, during 2008 I have been working with our representative from Spain on a new electronic journal for heritage conservation issues, particularly legal issues, to be located on the ICLAFI website. We have been offered a number of good quality papers, including some from Australia, which have been submitted to referees. We are now finalising the launch of the journal.

Bureau
The Committee has a small bureau of 5 members. Dr James Reap of US/ICOMOS is the chair of the Committee, and Gideon Koren from Israel is the Secretary General. I am one of three Vice-Presidents. ICOMOS national presidents from Israel and Bulgaria are members of the Bureau. Our next election is in 2009.

Working with ICOMOS
At the elections at the ICOMOS General Assembly in Quebec last month, four members of ICLAFI were elected to the Executive Committee.

In 2007-08, ICLAFI continued to work hard at improving its involvement with the other parts of ICOMOS. A particular concern is that the statutes of ICOMOS’ scientific and national committees meet the new requirements set out in the Eger-Xi’an Principles. ICLAFI representatives are pursuing this project with ICOMOS International committees. We have been approached by a number of new and existing national and ISC Committees for assistance with their statutes. I prepared a guide for ICOMOS scientific committees preparing or amending statutes, which a number of committees have used. ICLAFI is also requested at times by the ICOMOS international executive for legal advice.

Work Programme
Topics and problems to be discussed on a comparative international level include:

- Listing of monuments and historic buildings (constitutive versus declaratory nature of listing)
- Definition of monument and historic building (scope of protection)
- Integrity of a monument or historic building (protection of fixtures and fittings)
- Protection through planning; public participation in planning and listing processes
- Regulation of threats to monuments and historic buildings
- Differences between private and government-owned monuments or historic buildings?
- Protection of the surroundings of monuments and buffer zones
- Enforcement measures in the protection of monuments and historic buildings
- Impact of international legislation and domestic legislation
- Effectiveness of the UNESCO recommendations on cultural heritage
- Independence of conservators within administrative structures
- Economic impact of financing conservation and restoration (grants, tax incentives, others)
- Teaching of law and administration in training conservators
International Scientific Committee for Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH)
David Nutley

Administration and management of ICUCH
ICOMOS International has been developing revised statutes for the ICOMOS International Scientific Committees (ISCs) including the International Committee for Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH). This ICOMOS initiative has been designed to create greater interaction between ISCs and ICOMOS as well as between the ISCs. ISCs are also being required to ‘open up’ while recognising the particular roles and purposes of each ISC. A key task for ICUCH during 2008 has been to refine draft statutes that it has been developing based on the Council of ISCs standard criteria.

The 2008 ICUCH meeting also confirmed that the statutes for ICUCH need to be guided by a clear statement of where ICUCH is headed. The draft Vision, Mission and Strategy document, resulting from discussions that began in Brazil at the 2007 ICUCH meeting, is expected to be finalised before the end of 2008 and made available on the ICUCH web site http://www.icuch.org/artman/publish/.

An existing strength within ICUCH has been the broad background of expertise within its membership. The aim of the new format for ICUCH will be to build on this diversity, ensure representation across all five UNESCO regions and to facilitate more conceptual discussions – with changing composition and age groups. Once ratified by the membership, the new statutes will also be made available on the ICUCH web site.

Change of ICUCH leadership
At the 2008 ICUCH meeting in Quebec, Canada, Robert Grenier, from Canada, stood down as President. The meeting thanked Robert for his valuable service to the leadership of ICUCH over the years and noted the deep and lasting contribution that he has made and continues to make internationally to the field of maritime archaeology. It also noted that the Committee looks forward to drawing upon his depth of experience and skills in various capacities in the years to come.

The new elected Executive Team charged with finalising and implementing the new ICUCH Statutes comprises:
- President: Thijs Maarleveld (Denmark)
- Vice-President: David Nutley (Australia)
- Secretary: Peggy Leshikar-Denton (Cayman Island)

The central focus of the new Executive Team over the coming months is to establish a system of clear and transparent elections. The elections will include processes for nominations and voting. In addition, and to enable the commencement of an effective rotational system, the office bearers elected in Quebec will step down as of 1 January 2010. At that time six newly elected officers will have commenced their terms of office – three for a two year period and three others for a three year period. Subsequently all nine office bearers would be appointed for 3 year terms. By this means, a smooth change-over can be staged while ensuring that corporate knowledge is not lost.

UNESCO 2001 Convention: Preparation for meeting of State Parties
During 2008, a number of additional countries ratified the 2001 UNESCO Convention for the Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage. The 2008 ratifications include Cuba, Montenegro, and Slovenia - with Barbados becoming the 20th Member State to ratify the Convention on 8 October 2008. With the 20th ratification completed, the Convention will come into force in January 2009 and a first meeting of the ratifying States can be expected to take place later that year. ICUCH will provide constructive advice if requested by those States, either through a Technical Advisory body if they choose to establish such an entity or to individual States.

UNESCO publication: UCH management guidelines
Plans for UNESCO/ICUCH Underwater Cultural Heritage management guidelines are well advanced. Thijs Maarleveld, the Editor of this publication, attended a working party in Paris on 20 August 2008 along with the UNESCO language editor and the production team. Authors have been identified and Norway has come forward with funding of the publication costs. The document will be targeted primarily towards civil servants and will seek to provide clear, practical structures for implementing each of the Annex rules of the 2001 Convention. The Guidelines are expected to be published in late 2009.

During 2008, ICUCH also noted:
- Recent successes in Brazil regarding improved legislation for underwater cultural
heritage and increased support from the Navy
- In Jamaica, a cabinet paper on the subject of ratification has been submitted to the Executive Council
- the Netherlands is reopening discussions regarding ratification
- Canada is seeking to resolve a contradiction between the Convention and the Canadian law of salvage
- Syria and Albania may be moving towards ratification.

UNESCO online video re 2001 Convention
ICUCH noted that the film’s purpose is to promote the 2001 Convention and highlight the need to protect UCH and agreed that it should grab attention, and be short and powerful. However, for any future collaboration with UNESCO, ICUCH will stress from the outset that it wishes to be advised of any final draft of a film or other production, and agree to the use of its name or material it has supplied, prior to its release.

ICUCH membership communication
- Online ICUCH archives and other resources: ICUCH has been engaged in discussions about options for increasing ICUCH member access to information of common interest. In addition to documents uploaded to the ICUCH web site and archival material developing on the ICUCH List Server, the possibility of establishing a members FTP site has been canvassed but a hosting arrangement for an FTP site has yet to be established. Items that could be added to the FTP site could include documents such as a list of underwater cultural heritage sites of international significance – building on a list commenced in Sri Lanka in 2003.
- Skype: The advantages of Skype communications (using VOIP or Voice Over Internet Protocol) were noted, including the fact that calls between Skype users are free and conference calls can be simply arranged. In the wake of the ICUCH AGM in Quebec, the ICUCH Skype is now being used for fortnightly conferencing of the Executive. While the time zones of Denmark, Cayman and Australia are something of a challenge, this is proving a very effective tool. Skype will also be used to enable members to participate on key issues at ICUCH Annual meetings that they are not able to attend in person.

UCH in Sri Lanka
ICUCH has been providing advice in support for a Centre for Maritime Archaeology to be established in Sri Lanka, most probably at Galle. Countries involved to date are: Sri Lanka, Indonesia, India, Cambodia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand and possibly China. The course that is to be run at the centre will be a collaboration of UNESCO, NAS, ICUCH and the Asian Academy. Two universities are to be affiliated. The course will be structured for the Asia Pacific Region, but modules can be used as models to develop courses for other geographical regions. ICUCH will contribute to peer review of the draft course curriculum. The course will also be peer reviewed by other colleagues from all over the world as well (at least two per course subject).

The purpose of the 6 week course is to develop strategies for the countries involved in terms of planning, database development and production of site plans. Participants will be selected by a steering committee of the 8 countries represented and will include a minimum of 2 people from each country. There will be a balance between diving and non-diving personnel but the mix will include policy officers, technicians and archaeologists. There need to be at least 6 divers among the trainees. Subsequent to the 6 week course, 1-2 week specialty courses will also be conducted to develop technical skills in the use of equipment such as side scan sonar. From a group like this, persons suited to proceed to the university level will be sought.

ICUCH 2008 seminars and meetings involving ICUCH representation
2008 St. Lucia UNESCO Regional conference on the Protection of the UCH: Countries present at the meeting were Barbados, the British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Lucia, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Representatives of UNESCO and ICOMOS were present. At that meeting it was clear that Barbados was at an advanced stage of ratification, while other countries present aspire, and now have specific plans of action, following the lead of Saint Lucia, for ratifying the 2001 UNESCO Convention.

World Archaeological Congress (WAC-6) Dublin: The SHA UNESCO Committee and the ACUA organized and coordinated a symposium for WAC-6 in Dublin, on the 2001 UNESCO Convention worldwide, and assisted with a complementary plenary session.

A new book, Underwater and Maritime Archaeology in Latin America and the Caribbean, (edited by ICUCH members Pilar Luna Erreguerena & Peggy Leshikar-Denton),
has just been published by WAC in the One World Archaeology Series.

AIMA and ARIUA Japan seminar: A summary report by AIMA members Jun Kimura, Ross Anderson and David Nutley, on the AIMA and ARIUA seminar held in Fukuoka, Japan, on 15th and 16th December 2007 was tabled at the ICUCH 2008 meeting in Quebec.

The strong value of underwater cultural heritage activity in Japan was noted as well as the value of collaboration between groups like ARIUA and AIMA. It was also noted that, following a request from Jun Kimura, enquiries will be made by ICUCH to UNESCO regarding the possibility of translating the Convention into Japanese.

Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) UNESCO Committee
ICUCH received a report from the SHA UNESCO Committee in which it confirms its support for the international ratification and implementation of the 2001 UNESCO Convention and the adoption of its Annex as a “best practices” document, even in areas where ratification is unlikely. The SHA committee works in cooperation with ICUCH and the Advisory Council for Underwater Archaeology (ACUA) based in the USA.

World Heritage matters
Although ICUCH does not have a role in initiating or driving World Heritage listings it has been drafting a list of underwater cultural heritage sites of potential international significance. It is anticipated that the list may assist countries in considering nominations in this area. The draft listing of significant places of underwater cultural heritage initiated during the 2003 Sri Lanka ICUCH meeting is being redistributed to ICUCH members and it is hoped to be made available publicly on the ICUCH web site.

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON STAINED GLASS (VITRAIL)
Geoffrey Down

The International Scientific Committee on Stained Glass (Vitrail) has been dormant for several years. It was not present in Xi’an. At the General Assembly in Québec however, the Committee was represented by Véronique Verges-Belmin, a member of the ISC on Stone.

She reported that the Stained Glass Committee which, some years ago had been absorbed by the International Committee of Corpus Ulteriorum for the Conservation of Stained Glass, was being restructured and brought back within the ICOMOS framework.

The Committee had submitted its new statutes to the International Committee on Legal and Financial Issues (ICLAFI) and was awaiting approval.

After a substantial discussion with Véronique Verges-Belmin, it was agreed that I should present a paper at the Corpus Ulteriorum forum in New York in June 2009. This will provide an opportunity to re-engage Corpus Ulteriorum with ICOMOS, and revive the Stained Glass ISC.
INTERNATIONAL POLAR HERITAGE COMMITTEE (IPHC)
Michael Pearson

Year's Highlights
A meeting of the IPHC was held in Quebec in conjunction with the ICOMOS General Assembly in September 2008. Action was taken to bring the statutes of the IPHC further into line with the Eger-Xian Principles. The President outlined to the meeting the current status of an initiative whereby Norway may consider funding an extension to the World Heritage Program proposal to produce an inventory of sites in the Arctic which have outstanding natural heritage values.

This extension has been proposed by the IPHC President and would involve the inclusion of an inventory of cultural heritage sites. This is a major project that if approved would take place over a three-year time frame and involve collaboration with Arctic Territory Governments and other relevant agencies. The objective is not necessarily to propose new World Heritage sites, but strengthen the status of sites with special international heritage values. This approach is worth monitoring in relation to enhancing recognition and conservation of heritage sites in Antarctica.

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, of which details may be found on the IPHC website in addition to the resolutions that emerged from the meeting. A key resolution was that management plans should be prepared for any place proposed for the Historic Sites and Monuments List under the Antarctic Treaty.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held in Valparaiso, Chile, in March/April 2010.

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
A new publication, Historical Polar Bases—Preservation and Management (No. 17 in the ICOMOS Monuments and Sites series) has just been published, and can be ordered via the IPHC web site.

A proposal is being considered to coordinate input into a polar heritage edition of the International Journal of Heritage Studies.

Further information about the work of the IPHC and general polar heritage information can be obtained at the IPHC website at www.polarheritage.com.

Membership
Australian members of the IPHC are:
Expert Members: Geoff Ashley; Julian Bickersteth; Angie McGowan; Michael Pearson.
Associate members: Sherrie-Lee Evans.
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON SHARED BUILT HERITAGE (SBH)
Sue Jackson-Stepowski

This ISC arose from inter-regional and international cooperation in accordance with the Colombo 1995 Declaration on Mutual Heritage. Its 10th SAARC Summit in July 1998 acknowledged that economic development of the region could draw more deeply from the vitality and strength of South Asia’s shared cultural heritage as a source influencing and enhancing creative energies in all fields. Originally called the ISC on Shared Colonial Heritage, it was renamed SBH in 2005.

Membership
Australian members are Amanda Jean (voting member since 2005) and Sue Jackson-Stepowski. Sue acted as the voting member at the Quebec meetings as Amanda was unable to attend.

Statutes
The revised statutes, in accordance with the 2005 Eger-Xi’an Principles and the Scientific Council meeting in Edinburgh in 2006, have been presented to ICLAFI and the Scientific Council. The 2008 meeting, held during the General Assembly in Quebec, unanimously adopted the statutes. They include an expanded definition of SHB: ‘Shared built heritage consists of historical urban and rural structures or elements, focusing on shared or mutual heritage from the colonial past around the world especially from the 15th century to the middle of the 20th century’. Discussion of the draft prior to this meeting included a concluding phrase ‘resulting from multi-cultural influence’.

The mission statement aims to ‘support public and private organisations world-wide in safeguarding, management and documentation of shared built heritage and promote and encourage its integration in today’s social and economic life’.

Activities
Throughout 2008 e-mail contact was maintained with Chairman, Peter van Dunn (Holland), Executive Secretary Benedict Goes (Holland), and General Secretary Siegfried Enders (Germany).

A forum meeting and tour, to coincide with the 2007 South African meeting of the Scientific Council, failed to eventuate.

In December 2007 an e-survey was undertaken about the future direction of SBH, to which both Australian representatives encouraged a widening of the SBH definition to include multiple overlays that may occur both historically and concurrently.

A workshop was held at the Biebrich Palace in Wiesbaden, Germany over the weekend of 25-27 January 2008 with representatives from Holland, Germany, Poland, Portugal and India. Sessions concentrated on the future of SBH, connecting with other ISCs dealing with similar issues, such as CIVVIH, 20th Century and Wood, and administrative matters. Neither Australian representative could attend. Amanda however did send a PowerPoint presentation on Aboriginal aspects of shared heritage using a Western Australia example.

Prior to the 16th General Assembly in Quebec an e-mail was sent regarding procedural matters. The full day ISC meeting was attended by Sue Jackson-Stepowski. Topics included management of Canadian heritage towns and the World Heritage listed fortified Old Quebec, followed by a tour guided by the Quebec City Council and the Quebec Provincial Government staff. Following three individual presentations, the new statutes were discussed. The GA day tours included shared heritage of the French historic towns adjoining the St Lawrence River. Accepted for 16th GA publication was a paper by Sue Jackson-Stepowski on Share Built Heritage and related intangible values between various cultural groups in Australia.

Future activities
The next meeting of SBH is scheduled for early January 2009 in Holland. Once again neither Australian representative will be able to attend. Apologies have been submitted to be noted in the minutes.

Finances, publications, web site and charters
SBH relies on the generosity of various state based organisations. It also relies on the main ICOMOS web site, and hopes to link more specifically with this about its goals and activities. There are no operating charters other than the Colombo Declaration.
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON STONE CONSERVATION (ISCS)

David Young

The thirteenth meeting of the ISCS (Stone) was held on 15th September 2008 at Torun, Poland, in conjunction with the 11th International Congress on the Deterioration and Conservation of Stone. The fourteenth meeting was held on 29th September 2008 in Quebec in conjunction with the ICOMOS General Assembly. I attended the meeting in Torun.

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. An 80-page hard copy version of the glossary in English and French has now been published and the full reference is:


Copies can be ordered from Paris (see the ICOMOS web site) for 25 Euros (about $A50) for priority postage. Alternatively, a free 7MB PDF version can be downloaded from the web site. The web version can be accessed via the Stone ISC link on the ICOMOS web site: www.icomos.org.

Alternatively, the committee’s page can be accessed directly on: http://lrmh-ext.fr/icomos/consult/index.htm. Then click on Illustrated glossary on stone deterioration under Activities. The glossary and the committee’s page are hosted by the Laboratoire de Recherche des Monuments Historiques de France.

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

Discussion at the 13th meeting focused on concerns about the proliferation and general quality of international conferences — during 2008 there have been more than seven major conferences on various aspects of masonry decay and conservation (in addition to those with a broader scope such as the ICOMOS General Assembly in Quebec, the APT Conference in Montreal and the Docomomo one in Rotterdam). In response, a proposed set of guidelines has been drafted by members of both the ISC and the permanent Scientific Committee of the stone congress.

To be known as the Torun Guidelines, this document includes clauses on planning a conference, selection of papers, communication among participants, seeking quality and measuring outcomes, and dissemination strategies. In addition to the formal clauses it is planned to include a “toolbox” of conference planning and organisational resources. Though intended for conferences in the field of stone conservation, the guidelines, which will be refined in the next few months, may find use in other disciplines.

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.
Committee Establishment
In 2004 the President of ICOMOS Michael Petzet invited Sheridan Burke and Christiane Schmuckle-Mollard to act as foundation co-presidents to form an Interim Management Group, to develop membership and initiate activities to lead, support and sustain a new International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century heritage.

In its 2005 report ‘The World Heritage List: Filling the Gaps’, ICOMOS noted the inadequate representation of modern heritage on the World Heritage list—only a dozen of the more than 700 places listed are identified as modern heritage. This will increase, and the provision of expert advice on these World Heritage matters is a major activity area for the new ISC C20.

Foundation statutes for the ISC C20 were developed and approved by the ICOMOS Executive in 2005. Twenty two international experts were invited to become foundation members of the new committee in 2006. All ICOMOS Scientific Committees and all International Scientific Committees have been invited annually to nominate members. TICCIH, Docomomo and UIA have nominated representatives to the ISC.

Membership
Australian members include Sheridan Burke (President elect) Susan Macdonald (VP elect) Helen Lardner (TICCIH representative for some time) and David Jones, who has recently formally joined the committee.

By August 2008 ISC C20 membership included 34 expert members and 46 associate members. At present there are no honorary or institutional members. Expert members who are nominated by their National Committees number 17.

Communication has proved to be an unexpectedly difficult issue for ISC C20 during its establishment triennium, due to the absence of a committee secretariat. Tracking correspondence and membership enquiries has not been easy and we have given this aspect of our work a high priority for the new Secretary General.

Eger Xi’an Principles and statutes
The ISC C20 statutes (ratified in 2005) have been comprehensively revised in accordance with the Eger Xi’an Principles, with assistance from ICLAFI and advice from Pamela Jerome in 2008. They were discussed at the AGM in Quebec in September 2008 and will be re-circulated for approval by designated voting members of the ISC in October 2008.

An invitation to all expert members to nominate for bureau positions was circulated in September. Nominations received include: President Sheridan Burke; Secretary General: Kyle Normandin; Vice presidents: Gunny Harboe, Susan Macdonald, Enrique Anda Alanis, Bernard Furrer. The bureau will invite additional members to achieve regional balance. All bureau positions will be linked to achieving outcomes and activity on specific committee objectives and tasks.

16th General Assembly held in Quebec, Canada
The ISC C20 AGM 2008 was held in Quebec and received a written co-Presidents’ report from Sheridan Burke, a written Treasurer’s report from Enrique Anda Alanis and verbal reports from Secretary General Gunny Harboe and Webmaster Kyle Normandin. These reports and the minutes of the meeting will be available on the ISC C20 website shortly.

The meeting business included: review of the revised statutes; review of the 2005-8 triennium activities; development of the ISC C20 Heritage Alerts project; review of partnership activities with Docomomo, TICCIH and UIA; development of the Triennial Work Plan for 2008-2011, notification of nominations received for the bureau positions.

The AGM was preceded by a half day workshop developing principles and procedures for preparing 20th Century Heritage Nominations to the World Heritage List, which had been requested by the ICOMOS World Heritage working group. Kristal Buckley gave an excellent presentation about the Tentative List and issues which need to be addressed. Susan Macdonald led the stimulating discussion, and a short statement was prepared and agreed by the group.
This statement will be further developed by interested ISC C20 members led by Susan and Sheridan as input for the ICOMOS World Heritage working group. The workshop provided pertinent and very timely direction for what will be a major project for the ISC C20 - the development of a thematic framework and decision making guidelines for Twentieth Century Heritage places.

Sheridan Burke presented the ISC C20 Heritage Alerts project to the Scientific Council on 27th September and the Advisory Committee meeting on 28th September in Quebec. The concept was very positively received and ISC C20 is now charged to develop it to active status. Incoming President Gustavo Araoz is keen to extend this project to ICOMOS generally.

The ISC C20 sponsored three resolutions to the GA: one to initiate a pilot phase of the Heritage Alerts system, another to seek extra budgetary priority for the Thematic Framework research, and a third drawing international attention to several significant Twentieth Century Heritage sites at risk. These are the chapel at Ronchamp, France; the dirigible hangar at Augusta, Sicily, Italy; the Cyclorama at Gettysburg and the Third Church of Christ Scientist and Christian Monitor building in Washington, USA. Several additional sites were suggested from the floor of the GA during the resolutions session. Clearly, threats to Twentieth Century heritage places are manifest the world over.

Meetings
In June 2007, the ISC C20 annual meeting was held in association with an international symposium on Identification, Advocacy and Protection of Post WWII Heritage. The meeting and conference was held jointly with ISCARSAH in Chicago, USA and saw the emergence of the Heritage Alerts project.

In September 2007 ISC C20 collaborated with the ICOMOS Germany committee and the heritage conservation authority of Berlin to organise an international conference on Twentieth Century World Heritage: gaps and risks from a European point of view. It was attended by Christiane Schmuckle-Mollard and Gunny Harboe, with remote input from Sheridan Burke for the ensuing publication.

A wide range of specialist papers and advice was presented by ISC C20 members at international meetings in 2008. Sheridan Burke attended the Asia Pacific Regional Meeting, in Hangzhou, China, in June 2008.

The 2009 ISC C20 meeting will be held in Sydney, July 7-10, 2009 in association with the Australia ICOMOS Annual Conference (Un)loved Modern.

World Heritage-related activities
ISC C20 has delivered wide-ranging advice to ICOMOS on World Heritage nomination missions relating to Twentieth Century heritage properties and the World Heritage Convention.

A short report on issues of integrity, function and levels of acceptable change for Twentieth Century Heritage places was prepared by Sheridan Burke with input from ISC C20 members in July 2007. The urgent request was provided to the ICOMOS Secretariat under extreme time limitations prior to the World Heritage Committee meeting in Christchurch.

A draft framework for considering twentieth century heritage nominations to the World Heritage List & their management was developed in mid 2008 by Susan Macdonald, Kyle Normandin and Sheridan Burke, also under extraordinary time limitations, as input to ICOMOS presentation at the World Heritage Committee meeting in Quebec.

Future activities
A draft action plan for the establishment work of the ISC C20 was prepared in Moscow in 2008. An Action Plan for triennium 2008-2011 was agreed at the meeting in Quebec and will be added to the ISC website. As we are a committee of busy volunteers, only projects where we have active members will succeed.

As indicated above, the ISC C20 has a busy programme ahead with World Heritage activities and the Heritage Alerts project under way. Locally, our major activity is partnering next year’s ICOMOS annual conference in Sydney (Un)loved Modern. This is to be a joint conference, and the absolutely fantastic conference organising committee includes representatives of UIA, Docomomo, APT, RAIA, National Trust, Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority and the NSW Historic Houses Trust. We are actively bringing in younger members to the organising committee to provide mentoring and experience in this important area of ICOMOS activity.

The flyer for the conference was widely circulated in September/October and we look forward to welcoming a substantial number of members to an eventful programme, opening at the Sydney Opera House with keynote speaker Jan Utzon reflecting on one of the conference themes “Re-engaging with the original designer”.

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A strong technical stream will run through the conference, which also includes a range of tours and memorable events. An extraordinary range of international abstracts has been received, and more are arriving daily so it promises to be a big event - note the dates now!

I would like to very sincerely thank all members of the (Un)loved Modern conference organising committee for their dedication and support - especially spirited co-convenor Ian Kelly and the indefatigable Scott Robertson, Docomomo representative and scientific programme co-ordinator; David West, APT rep and in charge of budgets and the technical stream; Amy Nahn, organising exciting tours and Louise Cox, UIA representative who will ensure we have a fabulous event all round.

Financials
A small profit from the Chicago meeting is funding our website development, otherwise, there is little to report.

Publications
The information brochure about ISC C20 was revised in August 2008 and widely circulated at the Quebec GA.

Proceedings from the June 2007 joint ISC20C and ISCARSAG symposium held in Chicago, USA were published on CD and will be posted on the ISC C20 website.

2007 saw the international publication of the 2006 Moscow Heritage at Risk conference papers by ICOMOS Germany.

2008 saw the international publication of World Heritage Sites of the 20th Century Gaps and Risks from a European Point of View, September 2007, also by ICOMOS Germany.

Annual reports about the committee activities of ISC C20 have been submitted to the Scientific Council of ICOMOS and will be available on our website.

Website
In May 2007 the ISC20C website was formally launched: http://icomos-isc20c.org/index.html

An ISC C20 list serve has also been stylishly established by webmaster Kyle Normandin, whose plans for improving the site will be gradually introduced over the next triennium.

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON INTERPRETATION AND PRESENTATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE SITES (ICIP)
Bill Nethery

Membership
Current members of the committee are Sheridan Burke (NSW), Bill Nethery (NSW), Michele Summerton (VIC), Cath Renwick (NSW), Linda Young (VIC), Susan Jackson-Stepowski (NSW).

16th General Assembly held in Quebec, Canada
The ICOMOS Charter on the Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites (formerly known as the Ename Charter) was unanimously endorsed and adopted at the final session of the General Assembly on 4 October, 2008.

Meetings
On 29 September, 2008, a meeting of the ICIP was held jointly with the executive and members of the International Committee on Cultural Tourism (ICTC). The agenda sought to identify opportunities for collaboration between these two Committees, given their closely related concerns with particular reference to the emerging cooperation between the UNESCO World Heritage Centre and the UN World Tourism Organisation. Two major program initiatives arising are development of working principles for sustainable tourism at World Heritage sites, and integration of interpretation with the entire tourism experience. Further information on both these initiatives is available at http://icip.icomos.org/ENG/agenda.html.

Future activities
It was agreed that members of both ICIP and ICTC should submit proposals for joint study projects, preferably involving presentation and tourism at a World Heritage site. The next priority for the ICIP will be the preparation and publication of an illustrated version of the Interpretation and Presentation Charter. Members are encouraged to submit to the
Committee examples of best practice illustrating the principles of the Charter.

Finances
The activities of the Committee are financed by subsidies and grants obtained by the Committee from international and national bodies including ICOMOS National Committees in each country concerned, as well as by donations, sponsorships and funds obtained by the initiative of the Committee.

Secretariat and Website
The Secretariat of the ICIP is located at the Ename Centre for Public Archaeology and Heritage Interpretation, Abdijstraat 13-15 B-9700 Oudenaarde, Belgium and can be contacted at icomos-icip@enamecentre.org.

Information about the ICIP, officers, membership and Committee activities can be found at http://icip.icomos.org/eng/home.html

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL TOURISM (ICTC)
Graham Brooks

The ICTC committee held its Annual Meeting for 2007 in June at Canterbury, United Kingdom. At that meeting the ICTC Statutes and Operational Guidelines, prepared in accordance with the Eger Xian Principles, were formally adopted. The Annual Meeting at Canterbury was held in conjunction with an International Seminar jointly organised by ICTC and ICOMOS UK, entitled “Finding the Spirit of Place - Cultural Tourism & Conservation Challenges in the 21st century”.

The seminar was well attended by members of both organisations. The Dean of the Cathedral addressed the Workshop, noting that as a place of pilgrimage, Canterbury Cathedral has been welcoming “tourists” for over a thousand years. ICTC members enjoyed a special candle-light tour of the Cathedral. ICTC members also enjoyed a day trip to inspect the many historic fortifications along the Kent Coast, ranging from a Roman Fort to those erected during the Second World War.

The primary ICTC activity associated with World Heritage was the participation of the ICTC President in a major new initiative examining the relationship between World Heritage sites and tourism activity. The programme has been developed by the UNESCO World Heritage Centre in association with the UN World Tourism Organisation, the World Bank, and with ICOMOS, ICCROM and IUCN as the official Advisory Bodies to the Centre. Key representatives from the tourism private sector are also engaged in the project.

The two year project brings together all of the main stakeholders from the conservation and tourism sectors to build a common approach to the tourism management and presentation of World Heritage sites, which are particularly vulnerable to high level of tourism activity owing to their iconic status and heritage characteristics.

The ICTC was represented at a number of significant international seminars and workshops:

- Sustainable Tourism Management at World Heritage Sites, Enhancing Inter-Agency and Stakeholder Coordination for Joint Actions, organised by the UN World Tourism Organisation, Huangshan China, March 2008.
- International Cultural Tourism Conference, Association of European Regions, Poland, May 2008
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR FORTIFICATIONS AND MILITARY HERITAGE (ICOFORT)

Jane Ainsworth

Membership
IcoFort currently includes approximately 39 members from more than 18 countries. Australia is represented by two members: Jane Ainsworth and Graham Brooks are expert members of IcoFort and Jane Ainsworth is also Australia’s voting member on the committee.

IcoFort is only three years old and is currently a small international committee. One of its major foci over the next three years is to increase its membership to ensure that all regions and knowledge areas are represented.

Eger Xi’an Principles and statutes
IcoFort, as a new committee, has adopted the Eger Xi’an principles. The IcoFort statutes had been re-drafted for the 2008 meeting to incorporate the Eger Xi’an principles, and the new statutes were unanimously accepted by IcoFort.

The IcoFort statutes now revolve around the greatest possible participation by knowledgeable people and the encouragement of participation of young professionals in the committee. The new statutes allow for any number of expert members; any number of associate members and institutional members.

The purpose of allowing non-ICOMOS members into the category of Associate member is to encourage the involvement of the greatest possible amount of knowledge and expertise. These statutes will be forwarded to ICOMOS for ratification and a full copy will be uploaded onto the IcoFort membership web site within the next month (http://icofort.googlepages.com/).

16th General Assembly held in Quebec
IcoFort met in the Officers Mess at The Citadel in Quebec on Monday 29th September 2008. The business meeting was attended by nine voting members who discussed past activity of IcoFort, the President’s report, changes to the statutes to reflect the Eger Xi’an principles, the triennial work program, publications and voting.

As a relatively new committee, IcoFort is still in the process of ‘finding its feet’ and gaining momentum as an active committee. Discussions centred on ways to publicise the committee to attract new members, possible IcoFort publications, and other committees and institutions with which it would be useful to work in the future.

The IcoFort elections resulted in the election of a new president, Milagros Flores, together with a Secretary General and four Vice Presidents. The meeting was held in conjunction with a number of presentations and site visits to Quebec’s fortifications: these were immensely popular with over 30 people attending the IcoFort member presentations and lunch in the Officer’s Mess, and over 80 attending the site visits during the afternoon. The large number of attendees highlights the general interest in military heritage and fortifications.

Jane Ainsworth, together with Timothy Hubbard and Roger Burrell, combined the General Assembly with a tour of fortifications and artillery pieces throughout the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Parks Canada were immensely helpful, organising site access, tours, information and staff to accompany us at most of the sites to ensure that we were able to gain a good understanding of their approach to conserving, managing and interpreting their military sites. Highlights of the tour included a trip to Georges Island in Halifax Harbour, Fort Charlotte in Annapolis Royal and York Redoubt in Halifax.

Meetings
The next meeting will be held in Puerto Rico during late 2009. The following year a meeting will be held in Mauritius in conjunction with an IcoFort conference. In September 2011 a meeting will be held in Iran in conjunction with the 17th General Assembly.

Networking
IcoFort is considering creating national working committees for countries where there are large groups of interested and knowledgeable people. These committees would be overseen by a nominated expert member from the country who would be responsible for feeding information and expertise between the national committee and the international committee. Anyone interested in an Australian national IcoFort committee is encouraged to contact Jane Ainsworth.

Future activities
As well as the annual IcoFort meetings, an IcoFort conference is planned for 2010 in
Mauritius. This will last approximately 4-5 days and include site visits, tours and presentations as well as the IcoFort business meeting.

**Finances**

IcoFort operates without a budget and is solely self-funding and reliant on the commitment of its members.

**Publications**

To date, IcoFort has not published any material, although the possibility of future publications was discussed at the 2008 Quebec meeting. Various reports and papers published or written by individual IcoFort members are available on the IcoFort website.

These are posted on behalf of individual members and are not official IcoFort publications.

**Website**

The current website address is [http://icofort.googlepages.com/](http://icofort.googlepages.com/).

The website's information is at present somewhat out of date. However, with one of the IcoFort Vice-Presidents being given responsibility for the website at the 2008 meeting, the website should in future be updated more frequently.
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON THEORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION (ISCTC)

Meredith Walker

The Theory Committee
The Theory Committee does not yet have a website, so here is a summary of its history, role and membership.

This committee was formed at the Xi’an General Assembly in 2005. Its formation was initiated by Professor Wilfried Lipp, President of the Austrian National Committee, following the Venice Charter 40th anniversary conference in Poland in 2004. This conference was attended by Australians Meredith Walker, who spoke about the Venice Charter, the Burra charter and the analysis of international charters, and Nick Hollo, who spoke about Sydney Harbour and the work of the Federation Trust.

Its statutes describe the aim of the committee:
To explore the basics and the framework of conservation, restoration and preservation theory and practices in a globalised world. On this basis the scope is to analyse and prepare adequate answers and proposals for updated theoretical considerations. The activities of the Committee in the field of conservation and restoration shall be conducted in accordance with a triennial programme and can include:
• to examine the existing corpus of documents and scientific studies;
• to identify needs and uncovered areas of interest;
• to develop ideas and visions for the future;
• to co-operate with other ICOMOS committees and scientific units of other institutions (such as UNESCO, ICCROM and ICOM) in order to establish an integrated theoretical basis of preservation of cultural heritage.

The current President is Professor Andrzej Tomaszewski (Poland), Vice President Wilfried Lipp (Austria) and Secretary Boguslaw Szmygin (Poland), technical secretary Tamas Fejerdy (a vice president of ICOMOS). Of the initial 27 members, 12 are from European countries, Americas 4, Sub-Saharan Africa 2, North Africa, Middle East and Asia 5, Australia – Oceania 1.

The committee is run by a Bureau – the President, Vice-President and Secretaries who created the first triennial program and have organised three substantial conferences: in Krakow, in 2006; in Florence 2007 with ICCROM, (attended by Meredith Walker and Andrew Sneddon) and in Vienna 2008 (attended by Duncan Marshall). The Florence conference papers are in publication, under the auspices of the Foundation Del Bianco Florence, who also supported the 2007 conference, providing administration, accommodation and hospitality generally. The conferences are effectively by invitation only; some Committee members are invited but apparently some are not. Moreover, minutes of Bureau meetings have not been provided to all members.

Activities in 2008
The activity for 2008 was a conference in Vienna in April. At the invitation of the Committee, Australia ICOMOS recommended Duncan Marshall to attend and give a paper. The nominated Australian member of the committee was not invited to the conference and neither were many other members. Duncan Marshall’s paper, ‘The Burra Charter in an International Context’, included an overview of the Burra Charter’s key messages, and raised issues about the relationship with international charters and their use in Australia. He proposed research about the use of international charters in Australia and described the Burra Charter review process (1994-1999). Following the conference Duncan provided a brief report for an Australia ICOMOS newsletter, as well as a more detailed report.

At the same conference, Boguslaw Szmygin (Secretary of the Theory Committee and President of ICOMOS Poland) presented a paper ‘Doctrinal Texts – formal analysis and proposals which he had presented at a recent meeting of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee. In the paper he explained the need for the analysis, classified texts into categories, and recommended a process of review and adoption. Whilst no formal advice has been received about the future of this proposal, the idea of the review has been welcomed by ICOMOS and is likely to proceed in some form. Under the committee’s statutes, the committee is required to prepare an annual report, hold elections for the Bureau every three years, and
prepare a new triennial program (to coincide with the General Assembly cycle), but up to date information is not available about these at present. It is expected that some research about the use of International Charters and their applicability in Australia may be included in the meeting for Australian members of ISCs to be held in Melbourne, on 21st November this year. This will follow through on the suggestions of Meredith Walker at the 2004 conference (and later) and by Duncan Marshall in April 2008, and also be relevant to any larger review to be undertaken by ICOMOS at an international level.

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE (ICICH)

Marilyn C Truscott

Call for Members

This was sent via the International Secretariat to all National Committees on 4th September and on 21st September. Thirteen new members from 10 countries have been accepted by the ICICH bureau, including a number of Australian members (see list below), and further applications have been received since. This call had been delayed pending the French translation of the Teemaneng Statement, the draft declaration on Intangible Cultural Heritage developed in 2007, as it was intended to circulate the statement at the same time. In the end, the delay was so long that the Bureau proceeded independently with its call for members. Formal elections will be held in the near future.

Website

A website has been prepared and it is expected that this will be launched in the near future. This preparation and secretariat assistance, and Bureau meetings to date, have been funded by a grant from the South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA), the Government’s heritage agency.

Revised Statutes

The ICICH Statutes, prepared when the ISC was first established at the 15th General Assembly in Xi’an, China, were changed to accord with the final Eger-Xi’an principles of July 2008 as amended by the Scientific Council.

Teemaneng Statement: Draft declaration on Intangible Cultural Heritage

In 2007, the ICICH Bureau developed a draft declaration on Intangible Cultural Heritage, the Teemaneng Statement, in Kimberley, South Africa (Teemaneng means ‘diamond’ in the local Setswana language).

2008 was a year of waiting after the achievements of 2007, mainly waiting for the French translation of the draft declaration, which had been drafted in English and translated into Spanish in 2007. The French translation was kindly volunteered by the Ename Centre for Public Archaeology and Heritage Presentation (Belgium). It arrived on 25th September 2008 just before the General Assembly in Quebec. It is now expected that the draft will be circulated in November 2008 to all ICICH members, and after revision circulated to ICOMOS national committees, other ISCs and interested stakeholders. In the meantime it has been circulated to a wide group of Australia ICOMOS colleagues in 2007 for informal comments, which have been brought to the bureau. A revised final draft will be brought to the Advisory Committee meeting in 2009. It is yet unclear whether this document will become a full ICOMOS Charter.

World Heritage Assessment Guidelines

The ICICH bureau also developed draft assessment guidelines for intangible cultural heritage places and values to assist the ICOMOS World Heritage nomination assessment processes; these are pending a final template for such guidelines from the ICOMOS International World Heritage Panel.

Request to the UNESCO Intangible Heritage Convention for accreditation

ICICH assisted the ICOMOS Secretariat to request consideration for ICOMOS to be formally accredited to provide Advisory Services to the UNESCO Committee of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (2003). The request was sent in early September 2008; no response has been received yet.

Meetings as part of 16th General Assembly, Quebec, Canada, September 2008

• Scientific Council meeting, 26 September - the ISC was represented by Kristal
Buckley, a newly appointed member of the ISC, as no ICICH Bureau members could be present.

- Advisory Committee meeting, 27-28 September - the ISC was represented by Kristal Buckley.
- ISC Meeting, 29 September - 24 participants attended the half-day meeting, including six new members of the Committee, as well as the President, Andrew Hall (South Africa) and Vice-President, Marilyn Truscott (Australia) of the Bureau. Andrew Hall reported on the ISC’s achievements to date, then opened the floor for discussion and ideas for the Committee’s work.

Participation in Intangible Cultural Heritage Symposium

The Symposium was held by the National Trust of Australia (Vic) with Australia ICOMOS, in Melbourne, on 1-3 July 2008. Marilyn Truscott, ICICH Vice President (Australia), presented a paper: Place or Space? Reconnecting Heritage: Developing the ICOMOS Teemaneng Declaration on the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Cultural Spaces, covering the new Convention, ICOMOS and ICICH and discussions that have already taken place in Nara and Montreal on the relationship of the ICICH Convention to the World Heritage Convention. Very kindly, Tim Hubbard, of the Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee, read Marilyn’s paper, as she was unable to be present, being at the 6th World Archaeological Congress in Dublin, Ireland, discussing intangible values and archaeological heritage.

Other ICICH activities and actions include:

- Input to the Terra conference, Mali, February 2008
- Input to 4th Annual Ename Colloquium, Belgium, March 2008

Members of the ICOMOS International Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH)

Bureau (appointed by the ICOMOS Executive Committee, 2005):
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).

Members (accepted by Bureau on the 21st September 2008):
Kristal Buckley (Australia), Jane Harrington (Australia), Chris Johnston (Australia), Jolanda Bos (Netherlands), Giselle Chang-Vargas (Costa Rica), Douglas Comer (USA), Harriet Deacon (South Africa), Carla Maurano (Italy), Juan Mubarak (Dominican Republic), James Ritchie (Canada), Ruben Stehberg (Chile), Ruth Solis (Peru), Laurier Turgeon (Canada).
Other Reports

INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE (TICCIH)
Helen Lardner

About TICCIH
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 is a partnership organisation with ICOMOS, providing advice to ICOMOS on industrial world heritage. Visit the TICCIH website www.ticcih.org for further information.

TICCIH Australia
The inaugural meeting of TICCIH in Australia was held at the Sydney Opera House forecourt in November 2007. This was followed by a meeting in May 2008 at the National Trust of Australia (NSW) which set up preliminary goals and a work programme for Australian members. Dr Iain Stuart was made Chair of the group. One of Iain’s first tasks was setting up and moderating an e-group which has provided a good focus for Australian members to communicate. A key aim for the Australian TICCIH group is to assist the many existing groups focused on aspects of industrial heritage in Australia to communicate easily and share information. More information can be found at the TICCIH in OZ discussion group site at http://groups.google.com.au/group/ticcih-in-oz?hl=en

Next meeting:
The Melbourne meeting of TICCIH in Australia is on Friday 21st November 2008 from 11am to 1pm at Heritage Victoria, Level 4, Room 11, 8 Nicholson Street, Melbourne.

Proposed TICCIH / Australia ICOMOS joint conference 2010
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 progressing well with further information available from Elizabeth Vines, Timothy Hubbard and Sue Jackson-Stepowski. This links in well with the International ICOMOS Scientific Council triennial programme for one year’s theme on technology.

2009 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 – 5 September, 2009. The Congress, held on a triennial basis, is the key TICCIH event for international members.

Finances
TICCIH Australia is not funded and participants bear their own costs of participation.
NSW NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COUNCIL (NPWAC)

Jean Rice

The 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. In the interim the Act has changed and the position is now described as requiring cultural heritage research skills. It is hopes that ICOMOS will be again invited to nominate people for the Council and members are urged to consider being nominated and if interested contact Jean Rice for further information.

Changes this year
There have been several ministerial changes recently. Minister Bob Debus was replaced by Minister Phil Koperberg (assisted by Minister Verity Firth), who both met with Council this year. When Minister Koperberg resigned in early 2008, Verity Firth became Minister. The ministerial changes have delayed adoption of some Plans of Management for Reserves and also the appointment of new Regional Advisory Committees. These nominations were called at the beginning of 2008, and the term of the current RACs finished at the end of July 2008. The Director General Lisa Corben continues but Tony Fleming has left and there is a new Deputy Director, Sally Barnes, who regularly attends meetings and is available to discuss issues. A new departmental structure was introduced.

Council meetings & highlights
The National Parks and Wildlife Advisory Council continues as previously and meets for a full day four times a year, and once a year with the executive. Council business is generally confidential and limited by the Act but summaries of topics considered are prepared after each meeting and circulated to Regional Advisory Committees. The highlight of the year for many was attending Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Training.

Issues considered in the last year include long wall mining in the NSW Southern Coalfield and its environmental impacts, continuing concern about game hunting in State Forests adjoining reserves with attempts made to meet with the Game Council, the DECC position on carbon trading and issues concerning the Wombeyan Karst area. The importance of education was stressed and the sub-committees were restructured to better address education and visitation particularly following increased State Government emphasis on tourism. The internal review of the role of the sub-committees was finalised.

The Council was briefed about the implications of climate change for development and management of the National Reserve System by Michael Dunlop of the CSIRO and about the Parks and Wildlife Group Water Management and Aquatic Ecosystems Program. Council was also briefed about the conservation partnerships program, which seeks cross tenure conservation, the Bio Diversity Strategy and the commercial tour operators review. Council commented on the proposed 2008-2012 Corporate Plan, and was informed of the proposed rollout of the Asset Maintenance System initially in the Northern Region. Denis Byrne of the C & HD introduced the new Cultural Heritage Research Strategy to the Policy sub-committee.

In May 2008 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. Issues included Branch Visitation Management Plans, which were in development and the new Tourism and Partnerships Branch. The Council met informally with the EPA Board at the May meeting.

Management Planning Sub-Committee
Jean has sat on the Management Planning Sub-committee for the last seven years and convened it for the last five. The committee usually meets monthly for a one-day office meeting and a two-day weekend field trip. The Management Planning sub-committee 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 Regional Advisory Committees then the Council (and its
Management Planning Sub-Committee) for consideration before being sent back to Regional Advisory Committees and thence to the Minister as advice (as required by the Act).

In the last year the sub-committee raised concerns that the State Plan proposal for 20% increased visitation should not be across the board but concentrated in areas that can sustain that level of visitation. Development in contravention of reserve classifications or plans of management was also noted in some cases.

During the last year the sub-committee reviewed submissions for Araluen, Bondi Gulf, Broulee, Burnt Down Scrub, Coolumbooka, Dorrigo Plateau, Evans Crown, Kemendok, Illawong, Little Pimlico Island, Monkerai, Munro Island, Nearie Lake, Seaham Swamp, Sherwood, Tucki Tucki, Tweed Estuary and Valla & Jagun Nature Reserves.

Submissions were also reviewed for Bindarri, Conjola, Guy Fawkes River, Livingstone, Mullengandra and Woomargama National Parks. Consideration of submissions on the Jenolan Karst Conservation Reserve commenced but was not completed in the year due to additional information and clarifications being required. Comments were also made on Statements of Interim Management Intent (SIMI's) for Oxley and Leard Reserves.

Inspections were made to Clarence Estuary, Dananbilla-Illunie, Muttonbird Island and Tallaganda Nature Reserves and to Bindari, Nymboi-Binderay, Royal and Watagans National Parks, Wianamatta Regional Park (the ADI site) and Jilliby State Conservation Area and to Mutawintji National Park and Historic Site where the sub-committee met with the Mutawintji Board.
First project summary report - Community Library and Learning Resource Centre at the Vat Phou Champasak World Heritage area in Laos

The Streetwise Asia Fund for Heritage Conservation was established in 2005 with the support of the UNESCO regional advisor for culture in Asia and the Pacific. The fund aims to provide culturally appropriate education facilities and heritage programs for children in urban and rural areas in Asia, and seeks to increase the financial sustainability of Asia’s unique heritage, for present and future generations. The fund assists with the conservation of traditional educational buildings in ways which promote a diversity of heritage traditions. It establishes a framework for local communities to obtain additional funds from government, donor organisations and the private sector.

The first project undertaken utilising Streetwise Asia funds has now been completed. This involved the re-roofing of a community library and learning resource centre at the Vat Phou Champasak World Heritage Area in Laos. The building had been vacant for some time and was in a state of decay. With the assistance of the Lerici Foundation, a charitable organisation based in Italy, this building has now been upgraded for the local community to serve as a library and resource centre. The photographs below show this building before and after works were undertaken.

The Streetwise Asia Fund relies on donations from a variety of people - it is a small not-for-profit fund, attempting to provide grass roots support for conservation in Asia.

One of the Fund's objectives is to encourage and foster voluntary work in the conservation field in Asia, and this has been successful, providing a local Conservation Architect with opportunities for experiences in Asia. South Australian Conservation Architect Anthony Coupe and his wife Felicity Sando went to Laos in October 2007 voluntarily to locate this project, and have had close involvement since that time.

The Streetwise Asia Fund is now investigating supporting a conservation project either in Thailand or the Philippines. The final decision about which project is supported will depend on available funding resources accessed in the local community and supplemented by the Streetwise Asia fund.

Community Library and Learning Resource Centre, before restoration works (top) and nearing completion of works (bottom)
Financial report

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Your committee members submit the financial report of the Australia ICOMOS Incorporated for the financial year ended 30 June 2008.

Committee Members

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

- Allen, Caitlin (retired 24/11/07)
- Bridgman, David
- Brazil, Sarah Jane (appointed 24/11/07)
- Brouwer, Catherine (appointed 24/11/07)
- Coup, Anthony
- Croker, Alan (retired 24/11/07)
- Harrington, Jane
- Hubbard, Timothy
- Jackson-Stepowski, Susan
- Kiera, Agiashka
- Krivickas, Anita (appointed 24/11/07)
- Lardner, Helen
- McDougall, Megan (appointed 24/11/07)
- McIntyre-Tamwoy, Susan
- McKenzie, Leah
- Phillips, Peter
- Rippingale, Kelly (retired 24/11/07)
- Sciousco, Lori (retired 24/11/07)
- Smith, Anita (retired 24/11/07)
- Vines, Elizabeth
- Wiffen, Graeme (appointed 24/11/07)
- Wilson, Helen (appointed 24/11/07)

Principal Activities

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

Significant Changes

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

Operating Result

The profit after providing for income tax amounted to $4,362.
Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.

[Signature]

Peter Phillips - President

[Signature]

Anita Krivickas - Treasurer

Dated this 14th day of October 2008
### Income Statement for the Year Ended 30 June 2008

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AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED ABN: 85 073 285 798

STATEMENT OF RECOGNISED INCOME AND EXPENSE FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

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AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED ABN: 85 073 285 798  
CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

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**CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

- Receipts from customers: 95,454 77,364
- Operating grants received: 9,888 –
- Receipts from sales of publications: 22,512 17,631
- Donations received: – 1,571
- Payments to suppliers and employees: (272,619) (122,641)
- Dividends received: – 58,295
- Interest received: 5,651 5,585
- Conference proceeds: 75,601 58,369
- Department of Environment & Heritage - Burra Charter review: 11,000 –
- Department of Environment & Heritage - GVEHO: 9,000 13,000
- Department of Environment & Heritage - NCHF: 11,000 –
- Department of Environment & Heritage - VP International travel: 23,045 21,685
- Income tax paid: – –

Net cash provided by operating activities: 13 (9,488) 130,849

**CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

- Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment: – –
- Purchase of property, plant and equipment: – –

Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities: – –

**CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

- Payment of borrowings: – –
- Proceeds from borrowings: – –

Net cash used in financing activities: – –

Net increase in cash held: (9,488) 130,849

Cash at beginning of financial year: 268,493 137,044

Cash at end of financial year: 5 259,005 268,493

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
Note 1  Statement of Significant Accounting Policies
This financial report covers Australia ICOMOS incorporated as an individual entity. Australia ICOMOS incorporated is an association incorporated in the Australian Capital territory under the Associations Incorporations Act 1991.

Basis of Preparation
The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Associations Incorporations Act 1991.

Australian Accounting Standards set accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in a financial report containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are presented below. They have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

(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.

(h) 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.

(l) Revenue and Other Income
Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised at the point of delivery as this corresponds to the transfer of significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods and the cessation of all involvement in those goods.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which, for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Revenue from the provision of membership subscriptions is recognised on a straight line basis over the financial year.

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

(k) 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.

(m) Limitation of membership liability
In accord 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.
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(b) Significant Revenue and Expenses
The following significant revenue and expense items are relevant in explaining financial performance:
- Abnormal copyright fees        | 57,000 |

Note 4  Auditors' Remuneration

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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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Estimates of the potential financial effect of contingent liabilities that may become payable:

Claims:

Australia ICOMOS, as publisher of *Historic Environment*, has for the last five years or so been receiving payments from Copyright Agency Limited (CAL) for the reproduction of articles in the journal. In cases where the authors of those articles are not members of CAL and therefore do not receive the payments themselves. The total amount received to June 2008 is approximately $65,000, most of which was received in June 2007 and reported in last year's annual accounts. Australia ICOMOS has since become aware that at least some of the money received may be payable to the authors of the articles reproduced and will shortly be in touch with the authors concerned.

It is our intention to come to an agreement with all authors of articles in *Historic Environment* on how copyright payments for their articles should be handled, both those already received and any made in future. Australia ICOMOS is aware that it is common practice in the industry for copyright payments to be divided equally between author and publisher, and notes that in future this will be the default basis on which payments from CAL will be made. It also notes that copyright payments to individual authors are typically small and that authors who are ICOMOS members may be willing for Australia ICOMOS to retain these payments as a modest but useful source of income to the organisation.

For this reason, although the Executive Committee is unable at this stage to quantify the potential liability of the organisation for payments to authors from copyright payments received, it is of the opinion that this is unlikely to amount to the total payments received from CAL. It also notes that the whole of the payment made last year has been reserved as part of the Term Deposit and that the amount held in reserves substantially exceeds the total amount of copyright payments received from CAL.

Note 11  Events after the Balance Sheet Date

There were no events after balance date requiring comment.

Note 12  Related Party Transactions

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There were no transactions with related parties in this or the previous year.
Note 13  Cash Flow Information

Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Profit after Income Tax

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<tr>
<td>Profit after income tax</td>
<td>4,362</td>
<td>91,695</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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<td>Net gain/(loss) on disposal of property, plant and equipment</td>
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<td>Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of purchase and disposal of subsidiaries</td>
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<td>(Increase)/decrease in trade and term debtors</td>
<td>5,667</td>
<td>(5,409)</td>
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<td>(Increase)/decrease in prepayments</td>
<td>(4,182)</td>
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<td>Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables</td>
<td>(15,235)</td>
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<td>(9,486)</td>
<td>130,849</td>
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Note 14  Association Details

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

The principal 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 10:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Australia ICOMOS Incorporated as at 30 June 2008 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

Peter Phillips- President

Treasurer

Anita Krivickas- Treasurer

Dated this 14th day of OCTOBER 2008
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 2008 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. 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 2008 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. Doherty
Address: Suite 801, Level 8, 140 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060

Dated this 3rd day of October 2008
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 2008 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          Suite 801, Level 8
                                                           140 Arthur Street, North
                                 Sydney NSW 2060

Date          31st day of October 2008          (Signed)          [Signature]

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AUSTRALIA ICOMOS INCORPORATED ABN: 85 073 285 798
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

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