



BULLETIN

THE NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (A.C.T.)

The National Trust of Australia (A.C.T.) is a community organisation which seeks to conserve Australia's heritage of historic buildings and natural beauty.

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OFFICIAL OPENING 1988 CANBERRA ANTIQUE FAIR

The National Trust (ACT) in co-operation with the Antique Dealers' Associations of New South Wales and Victoria, will be presenting the 1988 Canberra Antique Fair at the Albert Hall, Commonwealth Avenue, on Friday 18 to Monday 21 March 1988.

Her Excellency Lady Stephen has consented to be our Guest of Honour on this occasion and to officially open the Canberra Antique Fair at the Albert Hall on Thursday 17 March 1988 at 7.30pm. His Excellency The Governor-General has also been pleased to accept our invitation to attend the Official Opening.

The ticket application form for the Official Opening is included in this Bulletin. The number attending is limited to 70 Members.

FOUNDERS' DAY DINNER - 1988



The National Trust (ACT) Founders' Day Dinner for 1988 on the occasion of the celebration of the Bicentennial Year will be held on Monday 9 May 1988, at the Hyatt Hotel Canberra, (previously the Hotel Canberra and Classified by the National Trust (ACT)).

A special Guest Speaker is being arranged. Dress will be Dinner Jacket, and the number attending is limited to 120 Members and their Friends.

Administrative details and ticket application form will be published in the March Bulletin. Members may book seats (at tables of eight) for the dinner on this historic day by telephoning Amanda on 810 711. Please let us know if you wish to form a party. Eighteen seats have already been booked, so make sure you get in early!

NEW MEMBERS FOR THE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

The Fund Raising Committee is one of our most important Committees. In an effort to attract more members to this Committee, the meeting times have been changed to 5.30pm on the first Monday of each month. It has also been suggested that the meetings be held every second month, if we get enough new members willing to join this Committee.

MEETINGS IN TRUST BOARD ROOM

Thursday 28 January 1988	Bicentennary Exhibition Committee at 12.30pm
Monday 1 February 1988	Fund Raising Committee at <u>5.30pm</u>
Monday 8 February 1988	Executive Meeting at 5.15pm
Tuesday 9 February 1988	Classification Committee Meeting at 12.30pm
Wednesday 10 February 1988	Lanyon Committee Meeting at 12.15pm
Wednesday 24 February 1988	Education & Cultural Committee Meeting at 5.30pm
Monday 29 February 1988	Council Meeting at 5.15pm
Monday 7 March 1988	Fund Raising Committee - time to be advised
Tuesday 8 March 1988	Classification Committee Meeting at 12.30pm



COMING EVENTS



Saturday 6 February 1988	Young Trust Bushwalk to Mount Gingera
Saturday 13 to Sunday 14 February 1988	Antique Appreciation Course in the Trust Boardroom conducted by Mr Charles Aronson of Aronson Antiques Sydney
Saturday 27 to Sunday 28 February 1988	Young Trust Weekend to Jervis Bay
Thursday 10 March 1988	Members Night-7.30 for 8pm
Saturday 12 March 1988	Working Bee - 9.30am-4.30pm
Thursday 17 March 1988	Official Opening by Her Excellency Lady Stephen of the 1988 Canberra Antique Fair, at the Albert Hall at 7.30pm
Friday 18 - Monday 21 March 1988	1988 Canberra Antique Fair

TRUST GIFT SHOP

The Trust (ACT) operates Gift Shops at the Style Arcade, Manuka and Lanyon Homestead. Volunteers to help operate both shops are needed. If you can help, please telephone the Trust office on 810711 and let Amanda Myers know which days you would be available and if you can work for a full day, or half a day.



ANTIQUES - LECTURE SERIES



The National Trust has been fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr Charles Aronson of Aronson Antiques, Sydney, to present a lecture series on antiques at National Trust Headquarters, 6 Geills Court, Deakin, on Saturday and Sunday 13 and 14 February 1988. The number attending is limited to 40, and some tickets have already been sold. The lecture fee is \$65 for Members and \$80 for Non-Members. This includes the cost of the lectures, morning tea and refreshments. You will be required to provide your own packed lunch. An application form is included in this Bulletin.

More information regarding the scope of this course can be found in this Bulletin.

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A PLEA TO MEMBERS



As the pressures of rising costs affect us all, the growing need for volunteers becomes more apparent. You are members of the Trust because you believe in the important work of the National Trust. If each member would consider doing at least one voluntary act for the Trust each year, in addition to their membership, the National Trust would be able to play a stronger and more active role in the preservation of our natural and man-made heritage.

A form has been included on the next page of this Bulletin for members to complete and return to the office. There is absolutely no obligation once you return this form to help at every function. We would merely like to have the names of people who may be willing, at some stage, to man a stall (or whatever) for a couple of hours at one of our many functions. PLEASE ASSIST THE TRUST.

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NEW MEMBERS

The National Trust welcomes the following new members to the ACT Trust. If any of our current members know these people, perhaps you could encourage them to attend one of our functions.

Mrs J Haslem, Kingston	Mr & Mrs S Nogrady, Aranda
Mr & Mrs R Hilhorst, Murrumbateman	Miss H Rennie, Garran
Mr & Mrs R Hanson, Brisbane	Mr P Wheeler, UK
Mr & Mrs G Lavington, MacGregor	

(***) Could Ms Rhonda Watson please contact the office on 810711.

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TRUST PHOTOCOPYING SERVICE CHARGES

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non Members</u>
Up to 10 copies	15¢ each	20¢ each
Above 10 copies	10¢ each	15¢ each

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THE NATIONAL TRUST (ACT)

Are you involved??

If you would like to help in educating the general public on the work of the Trust and encourage more people to become involved by joining the Trust, or to help in our many and varied activities, would you complete the following form. If you have any queries contact our Administrator, Colonel Jock Harvey, or Meredith Ashton on 810711.

To: Ms Meredith Ashton
Volunteers Co-ordinator
National Trust (ACT)
P O Box 173
MANUKA ACT 2603

I wish to:	<u>PLEASE</u> <u>TICK</u>
1. Join the Lanyon Guardian Roster
2. Join the Lanyon Gift Shop Roster
3. Join the Style Arcade, Manuka Gift Shop Roster
4. Join the following active Committee/s:	
Fund Raising Committee
Education & Cultural Committee
Lanyon Committee
Classification Committee
Young Trust Committee
5. Help organise our major fund raising activities, which include:	
The annual Antique Fair in March
The annual Autumn Luncheon in April
The annual Curry Dinner in August
The annual Spring Luncheon in October
The annual Country Spring Fair in November
6. Help with the organisation of Heritage Week.
7. Assist with the mailing of the Trust Bulletin once every two months in the Trust office.
8.** Help somehow during the year, but not sure how or when I will be available yet.

I am available:

During working hours
After 5.00pm
Weekends

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NO:(h)(w)

AUSTRALIANA FUND PREVIEW OF *THE LAST EMPEROR*

The Australiana Fund invites members of the National Trust to the Canberra premiere of Bernardo Bertolucci's celebrated film *The Last Emperor* on Thursday 11 February.

Pu Yi, the last emperor of China, began life as a child-god, became an anachronism under the republic, then the puppet of the Japanese, and after a spell of prison under Mao's rule ended his days as a harmless doddering gardener. His was a human and historical story unequalled in our century.

There will be a yum cha and champagne party, commencing at 5.45pm; and the film will be screened at 6.30. A raffle for a weekend in Sydney (courtesy of Ansett and the Regent of Sydney) will be drawn on the night. Raffle tickets will be on sale at the theatre, and are available now from the National Trust's two shops.

The Australiana Fund was established in 1978 to encourage public participation in developing a collection of the finest antique and modern furniture and decorative arts for Australia's official establishments: Government House and the Lodge in Canberra, Admiralty House and Kirribilli House in Sydney. The National Trust and the Australiana Fund have many ideals in common. The Australiana Fund is non-political; under the patronage of the Governor-General, with the spouse of the Prime Minister of the day as its President.

Tickets for the Australiana Fund's Canberra premiere of *THE LAST EMPEROR*, including champagne and yum cha, are available for \$20 from the Center Cinema, or contact a member of the Australiana Fund ACT Committee; Lady Parkinson, Sir John Bunting, Mr Charles Campbell, Mr David Dolan, Mrs Dinny Killen, or Mr Peter Seaman.

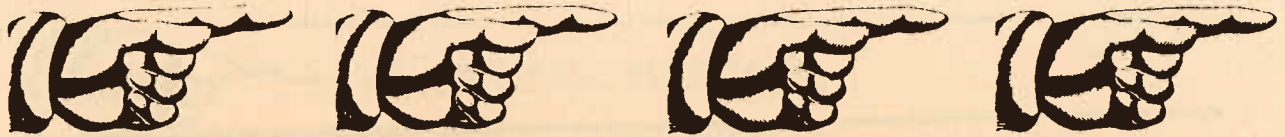


WORKING BEE

The National Trust plans to hold yet again another working bee on Saturday 12 March 1988. The last two working bees saw the majority of the paving and heavy landscaping completed, and the camellias, native bushes and vines planted last year are flourishing (no Triffids yet though!). We need at least 15 people to help with finishing off the paving, drainage and some minor landscaping. It is not necessary to stay the full day, every little bit helps!

As an added incentive, we will again hold a sausage sizzle and provide refreshments. Further details, including the tools needed, will be available in the March Bulletin.

If you are able to assist us, please phone the Trust Office on 810 711 as soon as possible.



MOUNT GINGERA - Saturday 6 February 1988

To: The Ticket Secretary, National Trust of Australia (ACT)
P O Box 173 MANUKA ACT 2603

Please forward tickets and joining instructions for this activity to the address shown on the enclosed, stamped, self-addressed large envelope. I enclose a cheque for \$..... for adult/s @ \$6 each and child/ren under 18yrs @ \$3 each.

If able to offer transport, please indicate number of seats
If seeking transport, please indicate number of persons

NAME: Ms/Miss/Mrs/Mr

ADDRESS:P/CODE:

TELEPHONE:(w)(h)

AGE (if seeking/offering transport): 18-35 35-50 over 50

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APPRECIATING ANTIQUES COURSE - 13 & 14 FEBRUARY 1988

To: Ticket Secretary, P O Box 173, Manuka ACT 2603

Please reserve.....vacancies for the Antique Course, @ \$65 (for Members) and \$80 (for Non-Members) each. Total of cheque enclosed \$.....

NAME.....TELEPHONE No.....

ADDRESS.....P/C.....

(Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope)

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ANTIQUE FAIR OFFICIAL OPENING

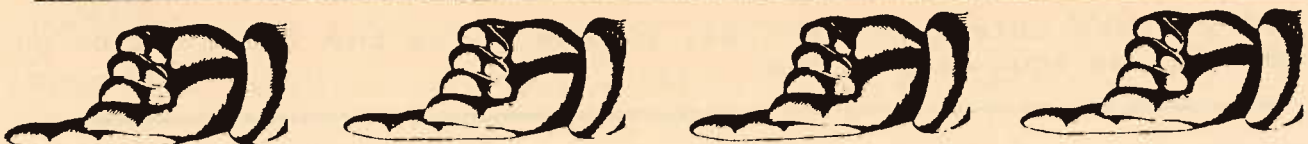
To: The Ticket Secretary, P O Box 173, Manuka ACT 2603

Please forward.....admission cards at \$10 each, to the Official Opening of the 1988 Canberra Antique Fair at the Albert Hall on 17 March. Total of cheque enclosed \$.....

NAME Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms.....

ADDRESS.....P/C.....

TELEPHONE.....(H)(W)





IT'S ON AGAIN!

THE CANBERRA ANTIQUE FAIR

The Sixth Canberra Antique Fair is to be held during Canberra Festival Week in our Bicentennial Year. The Fair will be held in the Albert Hall from Friday 18 March to Monday 21 March 1988. The hours of opening are 11am to 6pm each day.

This is the major fund raising activity for the National Trust (ACT) in 1988 and we need volunteers to help:

- * On the Catering Roster
- * With donations of sandwiches and quiches
- * On the door
- * On the Gift Shop Stall
- * On the Raffle Stall

If you can help (and we hope that you can), or would like further details, please ring Meredith Ashton at the Trust Office on 810711 as soon as possible.

AUTUMN IN YASS

If any Members of the National Trust (ACT) are interested in attending this National Trust (NSW) weekend, or would like further details, they can write to: National Trust (NSW), Ticket Secretary, PO Box 53, Edgecliff NSW 2027, or ring (02) 322 401 between 9.30am and 1.30pm.

AUTUMN IN YASS

May 14 and 15,
Trust Members and Friends

Yass is the centre of a rich pastoral district which produces some of the world's finest wool. During the Autumn weekend several of the most beautiful old homesteads will be open for inspection, including Merryville, one of the most famous by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Rob Clark.

Other properties to be inspected will be:

Bellevale, by courtesy of Charles Barbour Esq. who is a direct descendant of the explorer, Hamilton Hume.

Ravensworth, the original Merriman homestead, by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Merriman.

Werong, by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. John Storey.

Laverstock, by courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. John Winterflood.

There will also be two houses on view in the town of Yass. Addresses will be published in February Magazine.

On Saturday, luncheon will be held in the garden of Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Peter Shand Kydd, and on Sunday luncheon will be at Cooma Cottage.

Limited accommodation is available in Yass and also at Binalong and Canberra which are not far away. Early booking is advised. Further details will be published in the February magazine.

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	\$10 (single)	
	\$15 (household)	
	Junior	\$10



ANTIQUE COURSE

PROPOSED LECTURE SERIES FOR THE NATIONAL TRUST (ACT) FOR 1988

General Information.

Course lecturer will be Charles Aronson, fourth consecutive generation dealer in antiques and fine arts. He has been President of the New South Wales Antique Dealers' Association for the past eight years, is a Fellow (Valuers Division) of the Society of Real Estate Agents and Valuers and is on the Australian Bureau of Customs Verification Panel.

The course is designed to give practical instruction on what to look for in determining the origin and age of antiques within a number of specific fields. Although notes and precis will be provided, students will require notebooks and writing implements.

SATURDAY AM

1. Introduction to the course.
Basic terminology and definitions.
The difference between "period" and "style" detailing historical influences and effects as related to each.
2. The development of style and design through the ages. A detailed examination of the changes from the Renaissance to 1900 as it affects all decorative arts.

SATURDAY PM

3. Furniture: function, timbers, decoration and embellishments.
A detailed survey of the styles and periods of furniture, - illustrated and explained with slides.
4. Silver: (i) A historical overview of silver and silver plate.
(ii) A detailed explanation of the English hallmarking system and instruction on how to read hallmarks.
(iii) A brief overview of Continental silver marks.

SUNDAY AM

5. Ceramics: The historical development of pottery and porcelain, detailing the differences and the changes in the composition of each, both in China and in Europe. The subtle variations in style, as well as the various technical advancements and development of the potters' skills throughout history will be detailed in a comprehensive series of slides.
6. Oriental Carpets: A brief overview of how oriental rugs have been made for centuries in Iran, Afghanistan and Turkey, etc.. Actual specimens will be available for comparison of city and nomadic areas, with explanation of dyes, designs and techniques.

SUNDAY PM

7. Collectibles: A short discussion on and explanation of the broad range of collectible antiques, including: bronze and other metal sculptures, glass and oriental artefacts such as netsukes and snuff bottles.
8. Open Discussion: Students are invited to bring objects for examination, general discussion and opinions, with the aim of applying the information learned during the course to determine the origin and age of the objects presented.



MEMBER'S NIGHT

Following the success of previous Member's Nights, the Education and Cultural Committee with the co-operation of our other committees has organised a members' information evening on Thursday 10 March 1988 at 6 Geils Court, Deakin at 7.30 for 8.00pm.

This is an excellent opportunity for new members to be informed on the role of the National Trust and its committees and for our old members to be up-dated on our activities and of course, to meet our new members. Members of the Trust Council will also be invited to attend to meet Trust members and friends. Please do bring your friends along - they may join the Trust if they wish.

Our staff will take the opportunity to show members the new Headquarters building if you have not previously visited the Office.

Light refreshments will be served. Admission is FREE - all are welcome. RSVP - Amanda on 810 711.

ANTIQUE CONSERVATION (Advertisement)

We provide an expert, unconditionally guaranteed antique restoration service for furniture, fabric and ceramics, including french polishing, veneering, gilding and all repairs.

Call Tom McHugh for a quote on 977 334 or come and see us at our new address: 48 Henderson Rd, Queanbeyan.

NATIONAL TRUST WINE LABEL

The National Trust in co-operation with Richard Farmer has printed labels for two wines - an Eden Valley Rhine Riesling Vintage 1987 and an Eden Valley Soft Claret, a blend of shiraz and cabernet from the 1986 and 1987 vintages. These two wines are available to Trust members at the price of \$5.00 per bottle or \$55 per case if collected from the National Trust office at 6 Geils Court, Deakin. Your orders may be made by telephone to the Trust office - all profits to the National Trust Building Fund. Support the Trust Wine Project.



Y O U N G T R U S T N E W S



Here we are again at the start of a new year, one that is brimming over with all sorts of interesting, educational and exciting activities planned for the young and the young at heart. The first activity coming up is the bushwalk to Mt Gingera, which promises to be full of fun, then we have the Jervis Bay Weekend at the end of February. Hopefully the Young Trust will also be able to provide support for the next Working Bee to be held on the 12 March, so roll up your sleeves and hunt out those old gardening gloves! As Meredith is gleefully kicking up her heels in Gay Paree, any Young Trust enquiries can be directed to me....

AMANDA MYERS

See over page....

BUSHWALK TO MOUNT GINGERA - Saturday 6 February 1988

If you have ever wondered the name of the mountain, visible from central Canberra, which is snow covered for much of winter - then now you know. At 1857m above sea level, it is the second highest mountain in the ACT and only 371m lower than the top of Mount Kosciusko.

The alpine meadows are vibrant with colour at this time of year and the freshness of these high altitudes makes it an ideal time for walking. The view is stupendous.

A good gravel road will take you to within about 6km of the summit and the return walk will be approximately 14km, either along good tracks or through open country. Fortunately, your car will do most of the climbing and your legs will only be required to elevate you the last 250m.

The ticket price includes a picnic dinner with drinks. This is a full day activity for all who are young at heart. Further details, including a map, will be posted to applicants.

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JERVIS BAY WEEKEND - 27 & 28 February 1988

This promises to be a fabulous weekend of guided history tours, bushwalks, exploring, eating and fun.

Rodney Garnett, member of the Committee publishing the National Trust book "Heritage of Jervis Bay", is organising this weekend with the co-operation of the Royal Australian Navy and ACT Parks and Conservation.

The proposed itinery is as follows:

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| Arrive Friday night | ready for an early start on Saturday morning. |
| Saturday am | - A guided tour of HMAS Creswell by a naval officer, lunch by the ocean; |
| Saturday pm | - Inspection of St Georges Lighthouse and bushwalk along Summercloud Bay; |
| Sunday am | - Tour of Bowen Island by ACT Parks and Conservation to explore the unique flora and fauna, and to see the old gun emplacements, picnic lunch on the island; |
| Sunday pm | - A guided tour of the historic lease at Christians Minde and St Georges Basin. |

The cost will include all tours, accommodation at the CCAE field study centre on Friday and Saturday nights and dinner on Saturday night.

The details and costings are not available at the date of publishing this Bulletin. They should be available from Amanda and Meredith at the Trust Office on 810 711 from 28 January 1988. Details of intinerary and administrative arrangements will be posted on request. We apologise for not having this information available for this Bulletin (still recovering from Christmas!).

However, if you haven't booked for this exciting and interesting weekend, then do so now and you will be placed on a 'waiting list'.