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EDITORIAL

The enclosed Appeal for donations to establish the "SAVE OUR HERITAGE FUND" is confirmation of the Trust's resolve to resist further assaults on the ACT's heritage.

The approved demolition of No. 37 Telopea Park West is not the first, and will certainly not be the last, attempt to subordinate public interest to private gain.

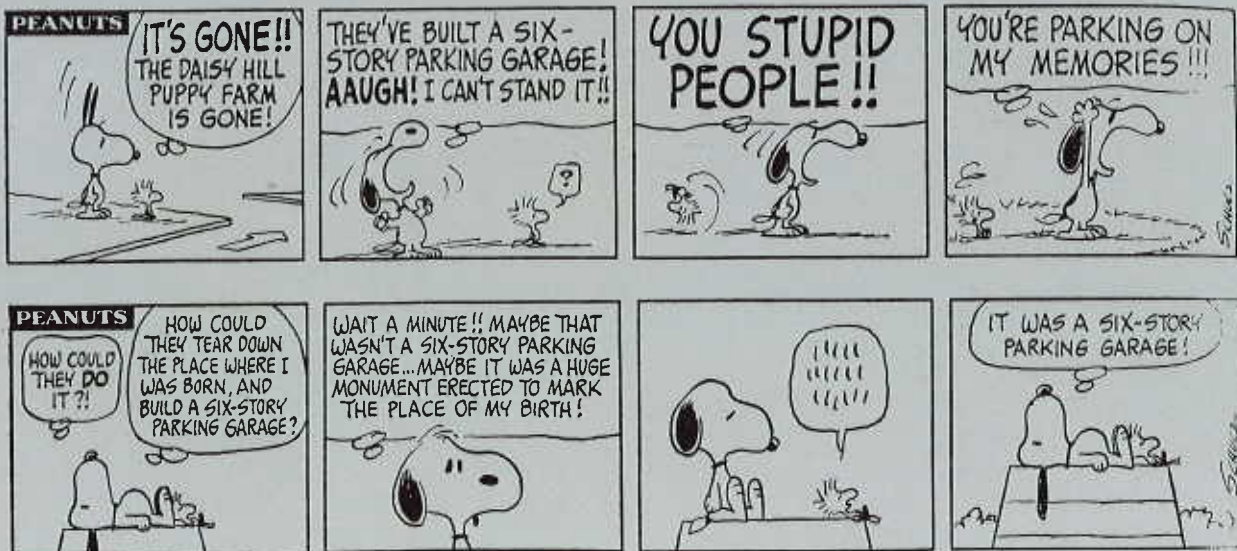
The construction of four aged person units at No. 37 has been promoted by the same developer who demolished No.10 Murray Crescent. Whilst the replacement units on that site include some of the stylistic features of the Federation house they replace, the density of development speaks for itself.

None of the few urban conservation areas that the Trust seeks to conserve can hope to retain their unique "garden city" character and integrity if subject to such pressures.

The wider extent of that loss is addressed in the letter below, prepared by Ken Taylor and myself, which was paraphrased in the Canberra Times on 16 May 1989.

As explained therein, the Trust is not opposed to development or change. It is surely not unreasonable, however, to seek to conserve, for the enrichment of our city and for the benefit of future generations, that very small percentage of our total built environment which best portrays Canberra's unique origins.

Given the inflated property values that heritage status now confers, this could hardly cause economic hardship to owners who
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MEETINGS IN TRUST BOARDROOM 1989

Monday 5 June.....FUND RAISING/COUNTRY SPRING FAIR
COMMITTEE Meeting at 5.30pm

Thursday 8 June.....EXECUTIVE Meeting at 5.30pm

Tuesday 13 June.....CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE Meeting
at 12.30pm

Wednesday 28 June..... EDUCATION & CULTURAL COMMITTEE
Meeting at 5.30pm

Monday 3 July.....FUND RAISING COMMITTEE Meeting
at 5.30pm

Tuesday 11 July.....CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE Meeting
at 12.30pm

COMING EVENTS

Sunday 4 June.....WORLD ENVIRONMENT FAMILY PICNIC
DAY - Latham Litter Pickup

Monday 26 June.....LANYON GUARDIAN LUNCHEON - 12
noon at the Trust Office

Friday 14 July.....BASTILLE DAY WINE TASTING

Thursday 17 August.....1989 CURRY DINNER - at St John's
Priory

Sunday 12 November.....COUNTRY SPRING FAIR at Lanyon

NEW MEMBERS

The National Trust (ACT) extends a warm welcome to the following new members. If any of our current members know these new members, perhaps you could encourage them to attend one of our activities.

Mr & Mrs P Anderson, Spence
The Administrator, Gorman House
Mr & Mrs R Baldwin, Red Hill
Mr & Mrs D Batten, Weetangera
Mr & Mrs K Baker, Hackett
Ms S Bateman, Yarralumla
Mrs S Beams, Deakin
Mr & Mrs I Cousins, O'Connor
Mr R Cheatley, Yarralumla
Mr & Mrs R Campbell, Farrer
Mr & Mrs H Crozier, Bungendore
Mr & Mrs L Douglas, Isaacs
Mr E Digweed, Red Hill
Mr G Ferguson, Garran
Ms J Fingleton, Hughes
Mr & Mrs R Horton, Higgins
Miss M Hutchison, Emu Ridge
Mrs S Hamilton, Hughes
Mr & Mrs G Hore, Hawker
Ms L Inall, Rivett
Mrs J James, Turner
Mr & Mrs R James, Garran
Ms T Kimlin, Scullin
Mr & Mrs E Leman, Hawker

Mrs A Hanning, Torrens
Ms J Mulcare, Griffith
Mrs P Mulcare, Griffith
Mr & Mrs P McNay, Curtin
Ms J Nicholson, QVT
Cptn & Mrs D Oner, Hawker
Ms Q O'Keefe, Yarralumla
Mrs J Paech, Turner
Mr & Mrs Ritchie, Reid
Mr & Mrs H Rogers, Fraser
Mrs H Simos, Centennial Park
Mr & Mrs J Spencer, Higgins
Mr & Mrs R Schall, Deakin
Mr & Mrs Somers, Ainslie
Mrs S Snelling, Isaacs
Mr & Mr R Shoebridge, Campbell
Ms R Smith, Jamison
Mr P Tacon, Ainslie
Ms K Walkington, Holder
Ms M Winford, Deakin
Ms D Wilson, Rivett
Mr T Wilson, Curtin
Mr & Mrs T Walker, Manuka
Mrs J Wyers, Hawker

EDITORIAL (Continued)

need to relocate or change their lifestyle. It simply means that developers must confine their interest to the remaining 99% of Canberra.

At No. 37, one party's gain has denied other Barton residents their rights to the environment they cherish. That loss is also your loss!

Only with the support for the Appeal, your continued support for the Trust and your personal agitation will help bring about the heritage protection legislation that the ACT currently lacks and which, so obviously, it now requires.

GARTH SETCHELL - SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

BARTON HERITAGE

Trust Members will be aware of the proposed demolition of a house at Barton. The following letter to the Canberra Times (15/5/89) summarises the Trust's view and reasons for pressing for the protection of the house.

"Barton Heritage

The National Trust of Australia (ACT) is not without sympathy for the dilemma facing Mr & Mrs Gallagher over the proposed demolition of 37 Telopea Park West. However, the real issue is the retention for future generations of one of Canberra's finest examples of 1920's Garden City planning. This style of planning, with examples in small precincts in Reid, Forrest and Ainslie, is one of Canberra's special contributions to Australian planning. The charming style of the Federal Capital Commission architecture is particular to Canberra. It is complemented by street layout, street tree planting, garden styles, street furniture. The whole ambience of the substantially intact Barton precinct comes from the total of its components. If one of the original components is destroyed the result is a lessening of the value of the whole.

Such small precincts do not stand in the way of Canberra's growth any more than Woolloomooloo, Glebe or Paddington in Sydney. They are Canberra's equivalent, adding richness, diversity and historic values to Canberra. They are on a par with Welwyn Garden City and Letchworth in England.

Development at four times the density has no place in such areas. The National Trust has no argument about the need for increased urban density or aged persons' accommodation on appropriate sites, and these have taken place in Kingston. But our planning must ensure that these few surviving heritage precincts are not devalued by proposals which overwhelm their essential characteristics.

Yours faithfully

KEN TAYLOR - PRESIDENT
GARTH SETCHELL - SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
National Trust of Australia (ACT)"



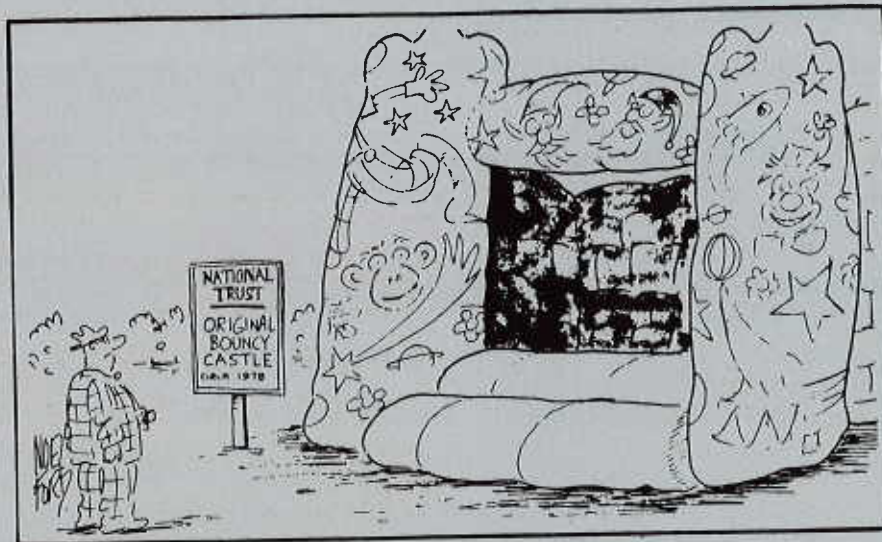
COUNTRY SPRING FAIR

DIARY DATE : The 1989 Country Spring Fair will be held in the Lanyon grounds on Sunday 12 November. Planning and preparations are well underway for this fun family day - attractions in the past have included Pony Rides; Merry-Go-Round Rides; Bush Dancing; Maypole and Morris Dancing; The Duntroon and Ginninderra School Bands; Sweet and Cake Stalls; Spinning and Weaving Displays and an exhibition of old cars by the Canberra Antique and Classic Car Club.

This year the National Trust will be organising Cake and White Elephant Stalls. Now is the time to clear out your spare room or back cupboard and put aside items that we can use on the White Elephant Stall.

We will keep you up to date with Spring Fair news in future editions of Trust News. If you would like to become involved in helping to organise the Fair, please contact the Trust Office on 810711.

AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE AWARD 1989



A major educational project covering Australia's early maritime heritage has won the prestigious 1989 Australian Heritage Award. The Award was made to the Western Australian Ministry of Education, Publication Section, for their entry in the Government Category - SOUTHLAND : THE MARITIME EXPLORATION OF AUSTRALIA.

The Award, a cash endowment of \$10,000, is presented by the Australian Council of National Trusts and national sponsors Jones Lang Wootton, and is designed to recognise outstanding contributions to the preservation and promotion of Australia's heritage.

Certificates of Merit were awarded to :

GOVERNMENT PLANNING CATEGORY - The Waterways Commission of Western Australia for the SWAN RIVER TRUST AND MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

PRIVATE CATEGORY - The National Trust of South Australia for the INVESTIGATION AND INTERPRETATION OF PORTIONS OF BEAUMONT HOUSE

PUBLICATIONS CATEGORY - Jointly to Ian Evans for "CARING FOR OLD HOUSES" and the Alice Springs Town Council for "ALICE SPRINGS - ITS HISTORY AND THE PEOPLE WHO MADE IT".

NATURE CONSERVATION CATEGORY - To Associate Professor Michael Archer for THE RIVERSLEIGH PROJECT

CONTEMPORARY CATEGORY - To the NSW Department of Housing for DACEY GARDENS

Entry forms for the Australian Heritage Awards 1990 (closes 1 February 1990) are available from the Australian Heritage Award Secretariat - (062) 476766.

1989/90 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Members are reminded that the 1989/90 Membership Subscription Fee is now due for renewal. Please note that Single and Family Membership fees have risen by \$5 - from \$20 to \$25 (Single) and from \$30 to \$35 (Family). However, fees for Pensioners and Students remain the same at \$10 per year. Please find Membership Renewal Application Form included in this edition of Trust News.

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Our President stated in a recent issue of Trust News that we need finance to support the on-going activities of the Trust. Your membership subscription is not enough - we need "people power" so that the load of the numerous and varied responsibilities relating to money-raising functions can be spread throughout our membership.

The "Think Tank" meeting in February suggested holding fewer, but larger events : a Garden Fete; a Trust Ball; a function at the new Parliament House ; excellent ideas provided we get the support from you - the members. Hence the reason for this appeal. We would like to know how much support there is 'out there'. We cannot afford to contact members individually - we are relying on you to contact us. Please complete the form included on the ticket application form in this newsletter if you can help.

The next function planned is the Curry Dinner at St John's Priory on Thursday 17 August 1989.

JOAN ROWSELL - FUND RAISING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

CAPITAL INDOOR PLANT HIRE

The National Trust (ACT) would like to thank Mr E Digweed, manager of CAPITAL INDOOR PLANT HIRE, for donating several pot plants to the Trust Office in Deakin. Although we have now been in Geils Court for over a year, we are still in the process of arranging the Office to our satisfaction and the plants are a welcome addition to the decoration of the Office.

TRUST OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Members are reminded that the National Trust Office is open from 9.00am to 5.00pm (closed for lunch from 12.30 - 1.00pm) Monday to Friday. The Office will be closed on the Queen's Birthday Holiday on Monday 12 June 1989.

TRUST STORAGE SPACE

In response to an advertisement in the Canberra Times, U-STOW-IT of Belconnen have kindly offered the Trust use of one of their storage units at the same rental we have been paying over the last three years. The National Trust (ACT) thanks the manager of U-STOW-IT for coming to our rescue. We would also like to thank Garth Setchell, Jim Goodspeed and Barry Griffiths and family for their help in moving items from our old storage space to the Trust Office.



What Every Restorer Should Know

Do's and don'ts for first-timers and veterans

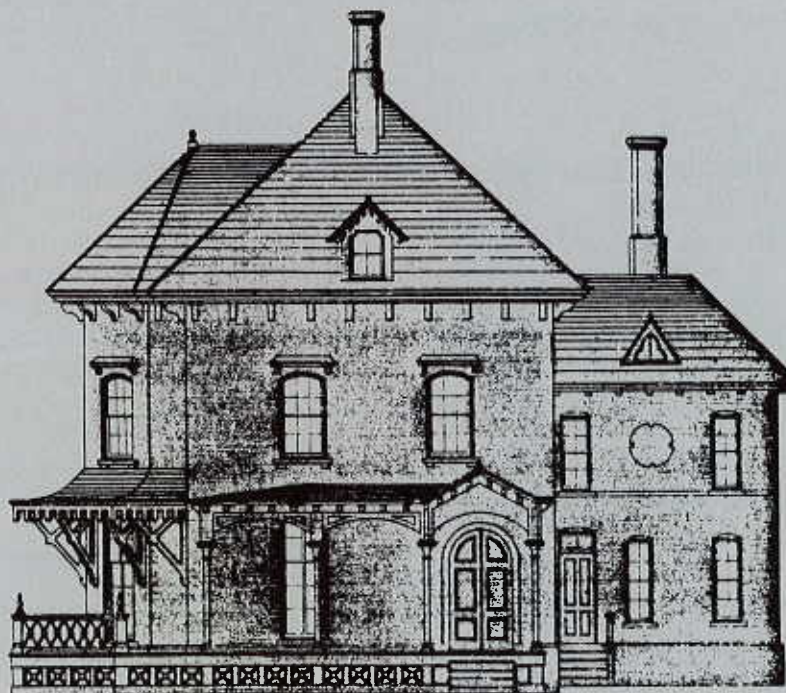
BY SUSAN MORSE

You've finally given in and bought an old house. Never mind that your friends think you're crazy. Never mind that you half agree. You're going to follow that dream.

Before you begin tracking down craftsmen or assigning priorities, remember this: Aside from patience and perseverance, the single most important thing you'll need is sensitivity.

The Interior Department's "Ten Basic Principles for Sensitive Rehabilitation," condensed here, belong high on any restorer's required reading list.

1. Make every effort to use the building for its original purpose.
2. Do not destroy distinctive original features.
3. Recognize all buildings as products of their own time.
4. Recognize and respect changes that have taken place over time.
5. Treat sensitively distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship.
6. Repair rather than replace worn architectural features when possible. When replacement is necessary, new material should match the old in design, composition and color.
7. Clean facades using the gentlest methods possible. Avoid sandblasting and other damaging methods.
8. Protect and preserve affected archaeological resources.
9. Compatible contemporary alterations are acceptable if they don't destroy significant historical or architectural fabric.
10. Build new additions so they can be removed without impairing the underlying structure.



The Bob Vila Approach

Shy away from a building that requires tremendous capital to put the facade back in shape. When I stand in front of a brownstone, I ask myself: Is it in the realm of the feasible or the Rockefellers?

If I see problems with the cornices, the windows, sagging gutters, as well as the facade, I stop, no matter how nice the structure is.

Look for a down-scale rowhouse, a 16-or 18-footer, unless you have a lot of money. It's crazy to go after a 24-foot-wide house with a ballroom and front and back parlors. Those should only be tackled by wealthy people or developers who can subdivide the space.

Key Definitions

It helps to use the right words in talking about old buildings. Here are four of the most commonly used—and confused—terms.

Restoration: returning a building to its documented past appearance by removing later work and repairing and replacing distinctive features.

Preservation: Maintaining a building's current appearance through diligent maintenance and repairs.

Rehabilitation: repairing and altering a structure to make it livable (or usable) again. Distinctive architectural features are preserved when possible.

Remodeling: changing a building without regard to its distinctive architectural features or style.

FOUNDERS' DAY DINNER, 9 MAY 1989

The following is part of the President's address at the 1989 Founders' Day Dinner at the Hyatt Hotel Canberra before he welcomed the Guest Speaker, Dr John Ritchie :

"Tonight is a special occasion. It is our 21st BIRTHDAY. It was on the 9 May 1968 that a Canberra Women's Committee was formed as an extension of the Southern Tableland's Committee of the NSW National Trust. This marked the beginning of independent Trust activities in the ACT, which steadily blossomed until December 1976 when an autonomous ACT Trust group was established. (The President pointed out that Mrs Dorothy Moore, present at the Dinner, was a member of the 1968 Committee).

In an overview of our 21 years we have considerable achievements to our credit as a community organisation committed to the ideal of heritage conservation. Our achievements are all the more substantial when it is remembered that they are orchestrated by volunteer effort. They include :

1. Social and education/cultural activities
2. Publications including the Murrumbidgee River Valley Study; Register of Classified Places (ACT); Federal Capital Architecture; Heritage of Jervis Bay; School Education Kits
3. Organisation of the Young Trust
4. Furnishing of Lanyon and the commitment to the Guardian Roster
5. Commercial activities such as the Gift Shops
6. The decision to build our own premises.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE? There is considerable potential for the Trust in the current heritage conscious climate of Canberra. We shall continue to voice our opinion on heritage issues. The immanence of Heritage Legislation in the ACT; the awareness of cultural heritage values by the Interim Planning Authority and the vowed intention of all parties in the Legislative Assembly to consider heritage matters gives the Trust a fertile opportunity to have heritage matters considered with more than just a warm glow for historic places and the urge to protect everything that is old.

With our 21st celebration it is appropriate to reflect on the part of the overall Trust management in Australia. We should be proud to be part of what Clem Lloyd in "The National Estate : Australia's Heritage" refers to as "a spearhead for preservation and conservation in Australia" where the "Trust's contribution to the creation of a national awareness of these issues has been substantial".



From L to R :

*Mrs Linda Beveridge
Ms Amanda Myers
Mrs Jo Goodspeed
Mrs Audrey Harvey*

GOING..GOING..GOOGONG - SUNDAY 2 JULY 1989

TO : THE TICKET SECRETARY, PO BOX 3173, MANUKA ACT 2603

NAME : Miss/Ms/Mr/Mrs _____

ADDRESS: _____

TEL NO : Home _____ Work _____

Please send me leaflet for the following persons :

_____ Adults @ \$8.00 \$ _____
_____ Children @ \$5.00 \$ _____
Add surcharge of \$1.00 per non-member \$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED : \$ _____

PLEASE ENCLOSE A STAMPED SELF ADDRESSED ENVELOPE

BASTILLE DAY WINE TASTING - Friday 14 July 1989

TO : THE TICKET SECRETARY, PO BOX 3173, MANUKA ACT 2603

NAME : Miss/Ms/Mr/Mrs _____

ADDRESS: _____

TEL NO : Home _____ Work _____

Please send me leaflet for the following persons :

_____ Members @ \$10.00; _____ Non-members @ \$12.00; _____ Young
Trust @ \$5.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED : \$ _____

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE ASSISTANCE

TO : FUND RAISING COMMITTEE, PO BOX 3173, MANUKA ACT 2603

NAME : Miss/Ms/Mr/Mrs _____

ADDRESS: _____

TEL NO : Home _____ Work _____

I WOULD (please tick) : Be Treasurer for a particular event ☐

Deal with publicity ☐ Help with flower arranging ☐

Organise Raffles ☐ Help with catering ☐

Assist in the setting up of functions (physical) ☐ Provide any other support which we haven't thought of _____

LANYON LINE



LANYON GUARDIANS LUNCHEON

The annual Lanyon Guardians Luncheon will be held on Monday 26 June 1989 in the Boardroom at 6 Geils Court, Deakin at 12 noon. This social occasion allows Guardians to meet and talk with each other over a light soup and sandwich luncheon. Members of the Lanyon Committee, including the Chairman Throsby Zouch, will be present to answer any questions. This function is limited to GUARDIANS ONLY. Please RSVP to the Trust Office on 810 711.

NEW ITEMS FOR LANYON

The following items were purchased for use at Lanyon Homestead at the recent 1989 Antique Fair :

- . A milk-glass vase, decorated with small flowers
- . A purple glass cup (for cut flowers)
- . A green and white decorated jug (for cut flowers)

LANYON GUARDIAN SEMINAR

Guardians will be receiving an invitation and programme from the Museums Unit at the Office of ACT Administration for a Seminar to be held at Lanyon on Saturday 24 June. Lunch will be provided.

COFFEE SHOP

The Lanyon Coffee Shop will be closed for a short time so that extensive renovations can take place. While the renovations are being completed visitors can enjoy a cup of tea or coffee in front of the open fire in the harness room in the courtyard.

NATIONAL TRUST (NSW) MAGAZINE

Members are reminded that the National Trust (NSW) Magazine is available from the Trust Office and the Manuka Gift Shop. There are five issues per year and arrangements can be made with the Trust to post the magazine to members at a cost of \$8.00 p.a. Limited numbers of National Trust (Victoria) Magazines are also available from the Trust Office.



COOMA COTTAGE

HUME HIGHWAY, YASS

(Opposite the Barton Highway turnoff)

Home to the famous Australian-born explorer
Hamilton Hume

Cooma Cottage presents a rare combination of architectural
styles and 19th-century building technology, and now
contains displays relating to Hume and the early
explorations of south-east Australia



NATIONAL TRUST

Open 10am-4pm Daily, including
Public Holidays. Closed Tuesdays.
Group bookings essential.

INQUIRIES: (062) 26 1470

SHOP FRONT

Well here we are nearly half way into 1989, where is the year going to? Once again we have some lovely new "goodies" in our Trust Shops. For the book lover and giver - a selection of new GARDEN and GARDENING books including Edna Walling's "GARDENS IN TIME". For the cat lover - a new collection of trays, small tins and wastepaper bins featuring purrfect pussies. We also have BIRTHDAY BOOKS featuring feline faces. Another exciting range of storage tins are available with a delicate floral design in singles or sets of three - round, square or heart shaped.

To add to our extensive range of tea towels - a pretty new wildflower design - ideal for that overseas gift. As a special offer, "HISTORIC HOUSES OF AUSTRALIA" - a lovely booklet featuring full colour photographs of National Trust houses - is selling for the low price of \$5.00. Our ever popular polishing duster featuring Lanyon Homestead are also priced at a special \$2.00 each.

Again a plea for help from Jean Pound at the Lanyon Gift Shop. Due to sickness and holidays, the roster has lots of blank spaces to be filled. If you would like to assist, either on a regular basis or as an emergency fill in, please ring Jean on 416 795. You will be well rewarded by working in such beautiful and peaceful surroundings.

National Trust



Gift Shops

Style Arcade.....Manuka
Open 10.00~4.00 Mon ~ Fri

Lanyon Homestead
Open 10.00~4.00 Tues ~ Sun

Books.....Cards.....Australiana
Tea Towels.....Jewellery.....Tea

NATIONAL TRUST WINE LABEL * SPECIAL *

The National Trust in co-operation with Richard Farmer has its own labels on 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 \$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.

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

TRUST MEMBERSHIP OVERSEAS

Members planning an overseas holiday during the northern summer are reminded that reciprocal membership arrangements apply between the National Trust in Australia and the National Trusts in the United Kingdom, United States of America, Bermuda and New Zealand.

NATIONAL TRUST IN ENGLAND : 42 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AS, (01-2229251).

NATIONAL TRUST FOR SCOTLAND : 5 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh EH2 4DU, (031-2265922).

AN TAISCE (National Trust) in Ireland : 41 Percy Place, Dublin 4, (681944).

NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN AMERICA : 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington DC 20036- 20036-9979, (202-6734000).

BERMUDA NATIONAL TRUST : P O Box 61, Hamilton 5.

NEW ZEALAND HISTORIC PLACES TRUST : Antrim House, Boulcott Street, Wellington, (04-724341).

Members who call will receive helpful advice about properties open for inspection. Your current National Trust (ACT) membership card entitles you to FREE ADMISSION to those properties owned by the National Trust which are open to the public.

NATIONAL TRUST (UK) HOLIDAY COTTAGES 1989

A booklet containing details and illustrations of holiday cottages for rent from the National Trust in the United Kingdom is available to Trust members for information purposes. As we have only the one copy, members are welcome to photocopy the relevant pages. The booklet contains the location, type, price, and facilities offered for nearly 200 National Trust holiday cottages and flats throughout the United Kingdom, from the Isle of Wight to Northern Ireland. If you are planning a holiday to Europe this year, visit the Trust Office at 6 Geils Court, Deakin, and have a look at this useful publication.



MURLOUGH COTTAGES

Weeds in urban bushland

Since its formation, the National Trust has shown concern for the conservation of bushland as part of our heritage. In 1976 the Trust employed Joan Bradley to train people in the Bradley method of Bush Regeneration at Blackwood Sanctuary, a National Trust property.

The Bradley method of bush regeneration allows for the removal of exotic plants from bushland in a manner which stabilises the bushland and discourages further weed invasion. The bush regeneration programmes have proven most successful and the Trust now employs over 70 skilled bush regenerators and contracts to 13 local government bodies, the Commonwealth and private enterprise.

For the purpose of bush regeneration a weed is considered a plant that is 'out of place'. The most common causes of weed invasion of bushland are disturbances of some kind, for example soil disturbance by mechanical means, fire, and the dumping of garden refuse.

The following lists some of the plants commonly grown in gardens which can invade adjacent bushland. With the author's permission, all of the illustrations are taken from: *Common Weeds of Sydney Bushland* by Robin A. Buchanan.



Small-leaved privet

Small-Leaved Privet

The small-leaved Privet grows to a small to medium shrub with a mass of fibrous roots. It produces abundant, tiny white flowers in the Spring which frequently cause severe distress to people who suffer from allergies. The flowers are followed by dense bunches of purple-black fruit which is distributed by birds, or washed down into waterways and drainage lines where they germinate and flourish. Privet was taken to Europe and England from China and Japan. The early settlers brought Privet to Australia for hedge planting. Unfortunately, privet thrives in our mild coastal climate. All Privets should be removed from home gardens.

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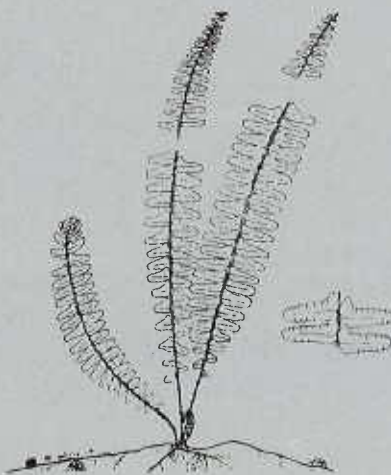
Asparagus

Asparagus has long arching stems, of up to 2 metres rising from a central point. The stems have prickles. The tiny white flowers are followed by attractive bright red berries.

There are areas of urban bushland where this plant has formed a complete, deep, spongy mat across the ground, inhibiting the native plants from regenerating. The removal of this weed requires that only the crown be cut out and left off the ground to dry out.

Morning Glory

This very vigorous climber originated in the tropics, however even in cool climates it is capable of completely smothering its support whether a tree or a building. It forms a dense mass of twining stems covered with large lobed soft leaves. The flowers are large blue trumpets which open at dawn and last for one day. Hence, the common name "Morning Glory". The stems root at the nodes so must be kept off the soil. This plant is so hard to control that careful consideration should be given before introducing it into your garden.



Fish-bone fern

Fish-Bone Fern

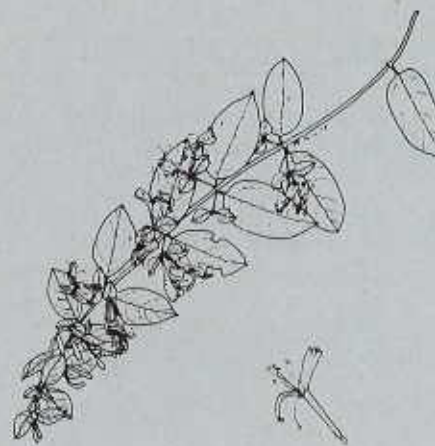
This weed is unusual in that it originated in tropical and sub-tropical Australia. Under suitable growing conditions the fronds of this fern will grow up to one metre in length. It has tough underground stems on which one to two centimetre diameter tubers are attached and the stems, roots and tubers are covered in brown scales. This fern likes to wander and is often seen invading creek banks and moist areas of bushland reserves. Once this fern has filled the space allocated for it in the garden, keep it under control by removing the 'wandering' roots and tubers.

Camphor Laurels

Camphor Laurels grow into large spreading trees. The tree has a rough bark with prominent vertical cracks, and alternate leaves which are glossy on the upper surface and grey below. The most distinguishing feature is the camphor smell when parts of the plant are bruised or broken. The fruit, a small black berry, is spread by birds. Control of Camphor Laurel is very difficult as any roots left in the ground will reshoot.

Pampas Grass

Pampas Grass forms large clumps of tall tufted grass. The leaves are greyish and sharp to the touch. The long rigid flowering stem (sometimes called "Prince of Wales Feather") can reach 3 metres. Pampas grass was considered an essential plant for gardens of the 19th century. It became popular again in the 1960's. The seed is dispersed by the wind. The plant rapidly colonises disturbed areas and invades wetlands, and is easy to see and identify in bushland. A concerted effort now would bring this plant under control.



Japanese honeysuckle

Japanese Honeysuckle

This plant is also known as Gold and Silver Flower and originates in China and Japan. It is a very vigorous climber with attractive yellow and white flowers and the flower tube is tinged pink. The flowers have a very strong sweet scent, consequently it was commonly used to cover the outside lavatory. Sucking the nectar from the bottom of the flower tube used to be a pleasant past time for school children dawdling past overgrown gardens on the way to school. If you grow this climber the long woody stems should be kept off the ground as they root at the node when in contact with the soil. It needs constant attention.

YOUNG TRUST YAK

As you will see from the details of forthcoming activities below, Pancakes in the Park has been cancelled due to the failure to attain minimum numbers necessary to run the activity. Hopefully Pancakes in the Park will be advertised again later in the year. Apart from our Family Picnic Day and Wine Tasting evening, we have a new bush walking activity planned for Sunday July 2 (see over). This activity, organised by Garth Setchell, is open to members and their friends.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT FAMILY PICNIC DAY

- Sunday 4 June 1989

LATHAM LITTER PICKUP - SHOW THAT THE NATIONAL TRUST CARES ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT

Participate in World Environment Day by collecting the rubbish that is strewn along Ginninderra Creek. Please ring the Trust Office on 810 711 if you will be attending.

VENUE : Ginninderra Creek (Latham)

LOCATION : Participants to meet at 10.00am at the BBQ/Playground area off Neville Place, Latham (see map). Parking is available above the playground.

LUNCH : The Trust will provide cold drinks, plastic cups & BBQ implements. The BBQ will be lit so BYO food.

LITTER PICKUP : (1) You may walk along Ginninderra Creek, cross the creek at Ginninderra Drive or (2) Cross the creek at Florey Drive and return by pedestrian bridge at the BBQ area.

PRIZES : Yes!! Prizes will be awarded for the most rubbish collected.

The rubbish consists mainly of plastic wrappers and paper caught in the willow trees. Garbage bags will be provided and sticks may help you retrieve the rubbish. Gum boots and suitable clothing should be worn. In the event of rain the event will be cancelled. Please ring Barry Griffiths on 549 194 for further information.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 1989
LATHAM LITTER PICKUP



GOING..GOING..GOOGONG - Sunday 2 July 1989

If winter sends you goo-gah then what could be better to get you going than Going..Going..Googong? The shores of the Googong Reservoir, only 10km to the south of Queanbeyan, offer some delightful easy walking along made tracks in a winter landscape reminiscent of the Scottish lochs. So dust off your kilts and join us for a barbecue lunch (included in price) commencing at 12 noon and cap it off with a 3½ hour one-way walk involving a car shuttle. Open to Members and Non-members of all ages.



BASTILLE DAY WINE TASTING - Friday 14 July 1989

Members and their friends are invited to the Young Trust's Bastille Day Wine Tasting Evening to be held at Forestry House, Yarralumla on Friday 14 July 1989 from 7.00 - 9.00pm. The following Australian wines will be available for tasting :

Chardonnays :	1988 Queen Adelaide
	1988 Seppelt Gold Label
	1987 Brown Brothers
	1986 Hungerford Hill

Liqueur Muscats : Stanton & Killeen
Morris

Cheese, biscuits, French Pastries and tea/coffee will also be served. Come along and warm your hands in front of the roaring log fire, taste (and purchase if you wish) some fine Australian wines and celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the French Revolution. An information leaflet will be available closer to the date. Tickets cost \$10 Members; \$12 Non-members; \$5 Young Trust. Ticket application form included in this newsletter.

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