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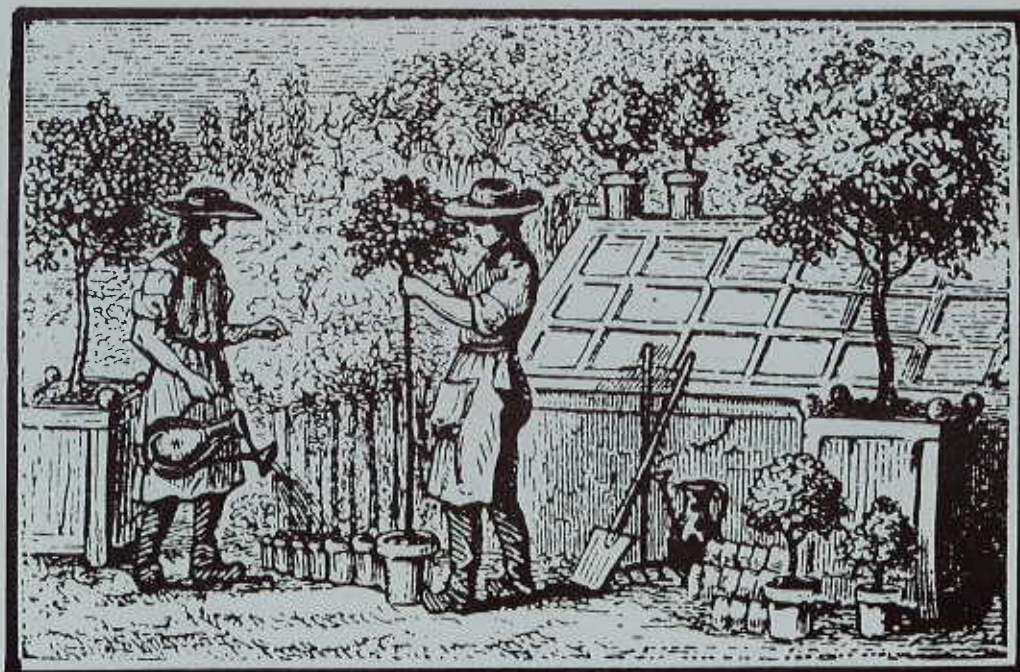
1989 SPRING LUNCHEON - Thursday 12 October

Members are advised that the 1989 Spring Luncheon will be held at Burra Homestead, via Queanbeyan (by kind permission of Mrs Judy Macdiarmid) at 12.00 for 12.30pm. Canberra's own fashion designer - Maggie Shepherd - has kindly agreed to be the guest speaker. Tickets at \$15 for Members and \$18 Non Members are limited to 120. Early booking is advised. Contact Jo-Anne at the Trust Office to reserve your place or send us the ticket application form included in this newsletter. Members attending the Luncheon may also purchase Christmas presents from the Trust Gift Shop and support the Raffle operating on the day. PLEASE NOTE : The Luncheon will be held on the 12 not 17 October.

YARRALUMLA NURSERY OPEN DAY

The National Trust in co-operation with the RSPCA will be providing devonshire teas, tea/coffee and soft drinks at the Yarralumla Nursery Open Day held as part of the Floriade Spring Festival. The Nursery will be open to the public on Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 October 1989 from 9.30 am - 4.30pm (please see leaflet in this newsletter).

The refreshments will be located at number 9 (Potting Shed/Plants Clinic/Bookshop) on the map on the reverse of the leaflet. If you can help us by providing scones for the devonshire teas, please contact Amanda at the Trust Office on 810 711.



MEETINGS IN TRUST BOARDROOM 1989

- Monday 25 September.....FUND RAISING Meeting at 5.30pm
- Tuesday 10 October.....CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE Meeting
at 12.30pm
- Thursday 12 October.....EXECUTIVE Meeting at 5.30pm
- Wednesday 25 October..... EDUCATION & CULTURAL COMMITTEE
Meeting at 5.30pm
- Thursday 2 November.....COUNCIL Meeting at 5.30pm
- Tuesday 14 November.....CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE Meeting
at 12.30pm

COMING EVENTS

- Thursday 12 October.....SPRING LUNCHEON AT 12 noon at
Burra Homestead, via Queanbeyan
- Saturday 14 & Friday 15 October..YARRALUMLA NURSERY OPEN DAY.
Refreshments by National Trust &
RSPCA. 9.30am - 4.30pm.
- Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 October..BLUE MOUNTAINS GARDEN TOUR
- Sunday 12 November.....COUNTRY SPRING FAIR at Lanyon
- Wednesday 22 November.....RECORD CONCERT at 8pm, National
Film & Sound Archive, Acton
- Monday 4 December.....TRUST VOLUNTEERS LUNCHEON
- Saturday 9 December.....CHRISTMAS COCKTAIL PARTY at
Huntly by kind permission of
John Gale

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.

Ms D Aspinall, Bangkok
Ms S Baggett, Queanbeyan
Miss A Boller, Hughes
Mr & Mrs D Chapman, Evatt
Mrs Z Cole, Forrest
Miss J Dathan, England
Dr G Dawson, Weetangera
Ms E Elliot, Higgins
Mrs A Evans, Holder
Mr W Flannery, Torrens
Brig & Mrs C Flint, Deakin
Mrs B Fisher, Weetangera
Dr A Hyslop, Deakin
Ms C Hinder, Kingston
Mrs F Headford, Deakin

Mr R Haslem, Kingston
Mr & Mrs R Higgs, Hackett
Ms J Horrocks, Kingston
Ms M King, Curtin
Mr & Mrs A Mantera, Hawker
Mr C McEachern, Barton
Ms L & Ms B Mulqueen, Braddon
Ms V Mashford, Griffith
Mrs G McDonald, Cook
Mrs B Stanilewicz, Manuka
Mr & Mrs I Neville, Deakin
Mr S O'Neill, Aranda
Mr & Mrs Phillips, Spence
Mr A Phillips, Griffith
Mr & Mrs Risby, Red Hill
Mrs R Whitten, Red Hill

ACT HERITAGE REGISTER

On 31 January 1989 the NCDC ceased operating with the repeal of the National Capital Development Commission Act (1957). Its functions have been replaced by :

- (1) Urban Infrastructure Division (City Managers Office)
- (2) ACT Parks & Conservation Service
- (3) National Capital Planning Authority (NCPA)
- (4) Interim Territory Planning Authority (ITPA)

While the NCPA now has authority over Commonwealth matters, it is the ITPA that has control over matters territorial.

Currently, among its many other tasks, the ITPA, together with the Heritage Unit of the Office of ACT Administration, have formed the ACT HERITAGE TASK FORCE whose responsibility it is to submit nominations to the ACT HERITAGE COMMITTEE for inclusion on an ACT HERITAGE REGISTER.

The Members of the ACT Heritage Task Force are : Richard Johnston (Chairman ITPA); Paul Cohen (ITPA); John Feint (Heritage Unit); and Christine Lewis (Heritage Unit).

A schedule of places with possible heritage significance has been compiled after careful consideration and site inspection by the Task Force, and nominations from the public and bodies like the National Trust are also being examined. The Trust submitted a full list of its classified and recorded sites, together with statements of significance, for possible inclusion on the Register.

Other organisations in the ACT vitally interested in the compilation of this Register include :

- (1) Canberra & District Historical Society - whose interests lie in protection and maintenance of places of historic value to Canberra and surrounds;
- (2) The Canberra Archaeological Society - a community based organisation encouraging research and conservation of archaeological sites, both aboriginal and historic;
- (3) The Institution of Engineers Australia - whose Engineering Heritage Committee devotes its energies to the recording of ACT engineering history and in some case the preservation of historical engineering relics;
- (4) The Royal Australian Institute of Architects - which is preparing a register of significant twentieth century architecture;
- (5) The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects - whose interest and expertise lies in landscape and open space conservation and landscape history;
- (6) Resident's Groups - such as the Barton Resident's Group and the Reid Resident's Association, particularly interested in urban conservation areas, and other issues pertinent to their suburb.

The Trust has, in common with all these groups, a desire to identify and conserve Australia's heritage, and it is hopeful that with their submissions and ours, the ACT Heritage Register will include a vast diversity of places of cultural significance protected for future generations.

EDUCATION & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

BLUE MOUNTAINS GARDEN TOUR - Weekend 21 & 22 October 1989

Places are filling fast for the Blue Mountains Garden Tour. The programme of garden inspections and visits to places of historic interest includes the following gardens designed by Paul Sorenson :

"EVERGLADES", by kind permission of Mr W Hanson
"BLUE MIST", by kind permission of Mr & Mrs W Zimpel
"TALLTREES", by kind permission of Mr & Mrs W Darley.



A fourth garden, "NOOROO" at Mount Wilson, by kind permission of well-known botanist Dr Peter Valder, will also be visited. The weekend will include visits to the Norman Lindsay Gallery at Springwood and to Miss Traill's House at Bathurst, both properties being owned and managed by the National Trust of Australia (NSW).

The ticket price includes all entry charges and a picnic lunch, and afternoon tea on Sunday. Applicants are requested to make their own accommodation and transport arrangements. There is now a wide range of accommodation in the Katoomba, Leura and Wentworth Falls area, but early booking is recommended. A block booking has been made at the Leura Golf Club on the Saturday night for those who wish to dine as a group. A delicious 3 course meal with lots of choices is offered, drinks are not included in the price. Contact Jo-Anne at the Trust Office on 810 711 to reserve your place, or send us the application form included in this newsletter.

RECORD CONCERT - Wednesday 22 November 1989

The Education & Cultural Committee advises that a Record Concert hosted by the enthusiastic Dr Jeff Brownrigg will be held at the National Film and Sound Archives, McCoy Circuit, Acton on Wednesday 22 November starting at 8.00pm. The donation admission price of \$8.00 Members; \$10 Non members and \$6 Concession includes supper in the pleasant Archive courtyard. Ticket application form is included in this newsletter, or contact Jo-Anne at the Trust Office on 810 711 to reserve your place. Programme details will be included in the November newsletter.

1989/90 MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Members are reminded that the 1989/90 Membership Subscription Fee is OVERDUE for renewal. Members who have not renewed by the end of October WILL BE REMOVED FROM OUR MAILING LIST. Please note that Single and Family Membership fees have risen by \$5 - from \$20 to \$25 (Single) and from \$30 to \$35 (Household). 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.

1989 COUNTRY SPRING FAIR - 12 NOVEMBER

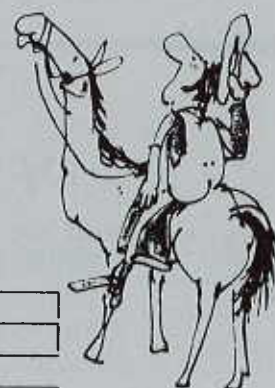


YOU can make a positive contribution to this year's Fair by completing this form and returning it to : National Trust (ACT), PO Box 3173, Manuka ACT 2603. It is not necessary to volunteer for the whole day. Last year many of our helpers assisted in the morning or the afternoon and spent their remaining time enjoying the entertainment and atmosphere of the Fair.

In particular we need donations of goods for the Christmas hamper - one of the prizes to be raffled on the day. Place the enclosed Fair leaflet on your fridge - mark the date!! Just over \$2000 was raised at last year's Fair, let's see if we can at least double that figure!

COUNTRY SPRING FAIR - 12 NOVEMBER 1989

I AM WILLING TO DONATE : CAKE(S) _____
(Indicate Number) BISCUITS _____
SWEETS _____
WHITE ELEPHANT ITEMS ☐
FLOWERS ☐
XMAS HAMPER ITEMS ☐



I CAN HELP MAN A STALL : SUNDAY AM (10.30am - 1.30pm) ☐
SUNDAY PM (1.30pm - 5.00pm) ☐

I CAN HELP SET UP ON SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER : YES ☐

I CAN TAKE GATE MONEY : SUNDAY AM (10.30am - 1.30pm) ☐
SUNDAY PM (1.30pm - 5.00pm) ☐

NAME : _____

ADDRESS : _____ P/CODE _____

TELEPHONE : _____ (H) _____ (W)

BLUE MOUNTAINS GARDEN VISIT - 21 & 22 OCTOBER 1989

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

NAME : Miss/Ms/Mr/Mrs _____

ADDRESS: _____

TEL NO : Home _____ Work _____

Please send me details for the following persons :

_____ Members	@ \$24	\$ _____
_____ Non-Members	@ \$30	\$ _____
_____ Children	@ \$20	\$ _____
_____ Persons for Dinner (optional)	@ \$18	\$ _____
Total Enclosed :		\$ _____

I can offer/would appreciate transport for _____ person/s :
please circle your age UNDER 30 30-50 OVER 50

PLEASE ENCLOSE A LARGE STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE

LANYON LINE

GUARDIAN HOUSE INSPECTION

The Lanyon Committee advises that a House Inspection for Guardians Only will be arranged towards the end of November. The visit will be to Gidleigh Station near Bungendore. Further details will be included in the next newsletter.

LANYON - WITHIN LIVING MEMORY

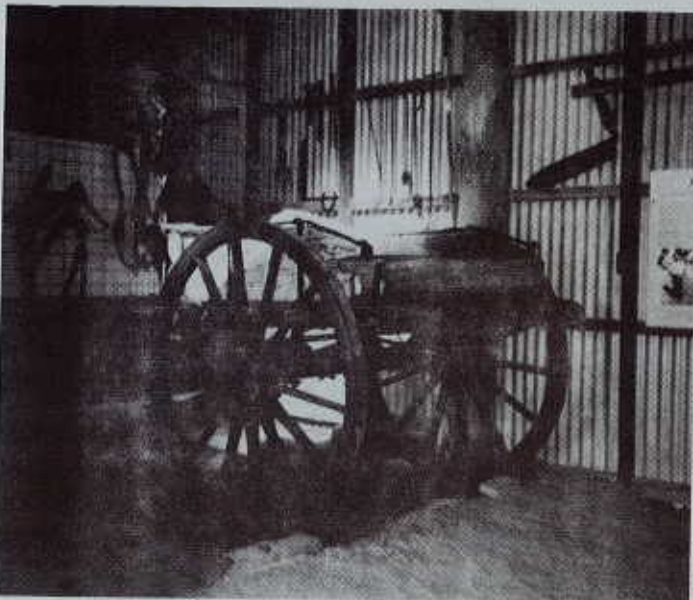
"Lanyon - Within Living Memory", an exciting new exhibition and book launching took place at Lanyon homestead on August 26, with a Back to Lanyon Day following on Sunday 27.

Over the past eight years much restoration work has been carried out at Lanyon. Attention was first focused on the homestead, and then more recently on the outbuildings.

Now that this task is almost complete, special attention is turning to the people who lived and worked on the property. Much valuable research was done in 1982 when a report was prepared by historian Pam Ray, and now a new book "Lanyon - Within Living Memory" by Susan Mary Withycombe is the result of further research. The project was undertaken by the Museums Unit of the ACT Parks and Conservation Service.

The story of Lanyon since 1900 is told by twelve people who either owned, lived on or worked on the property, including a stockman, an immigrant gardener, station hands and a housekeeper. Coinciding with the book launching was the opening of an exhibition with the same name. The machinery shed has been transformed into an exhibition featuring models, photographs, equipment and machinery from the past. The exhibition displays life at Lanyon as seen by the working people, and allows all who visit a chance to understand the great changes in agricultural practices this century.

The exhibition is open at the same time as the homestead - 10.00am to 4.00pm Tuesday to Saturday. The book is available from the homestead (see advertisement). So on the next fine day, wander out to Lanyon and linger in the "Lanyon - Within Living Memory" exhibition.



Just Released!

**'LANYON - WITHIN
LIVING MEMORY'**

by Susan Mary Withycombe

fascinating memories of life and work at Lanyon as
told by those who lived and worked there.

On Sale Now - \$12.50

at Lanyon, Office of City Management Shopfront,
and by mail order - Lanyon Books, Lanyon, RMB 15
Tharwa, ACT, 2620. Ph. 375136



The all-purpose guidebook

Miles Kington

IN THE PAST months many of you will have visited stately homes or National Trust properties, and will have been called upon to shell out a few quid for a guidebook – a guidebook which will never be consulted again but is too expensive to throw away. To avoid accumulating these wasteful publications in future, I have devised a room-by-room guide which will fit more or less any house. Cut it out, keep it and use it again and again.

The House: The grounds of the present house were given as a gift by Elizabeth I to a financier who had given her a good discount. He built a grand Tudor mansion which was pulled down in 1786 by his great-grandson when coal was discovered on the estate and replaced by the present house. The family fell on hard times in Victorian days, when the coal ran out. The house was given to the nation in 1948, though an elderly aunt of the family is still believed to live in the west wing. She has not been spotted since Christmas.

The Grounds: The 3rd Earl was an expert botanist and brought back many trees from the Himalayas to give the park its present wooded character; presumably there is now a patch in the Himalayas which is absolutely bare of trees. The grotto was designed and built by the 4th Earl, who lived in it after he went mad. The sunken gardens are most unusual, as they were caused by mining subsidence, and so is the lake.

The Hall: The elegant entrance hall was described by Walpole as 'perhaps one of the best things in this part of the county'. The panelling is original. The marble mantelpiece is very fine if you like that sort of thing; note the complete absence of a fireplace. The identity of the sitter in the portrait over it is not yet established.

The Dining-room: Dominated by the vast dining table and 1,128-piece dinner service, the dining-room has no door large enough to have let that table in. Experts now think it was probably constructed inside the room itself. The journey from the kitchen to the dining-room is estimated conservatively to take 5mins 15secs. Experts now think that nobody above a certain rank in the eighteenth century ever tasted hot food. The so-called *Portrait of a Lady* is a portrait of an unidentified lady.

The Blue Room: Everything in the Blue Room is blue, a whim of the 4th Earl's wife. The picture on the wall is a copy of an unknown eighteenth-century view of the Sahara desert, repainted in blue.

The Pink Room: The 4th Earl hated blue and everything in the Pink Room is pink, including the copy of Gainsborough's *Blue Boy*. Before he went mad, the 4th Earl used to sup alone here on lobsters and strawberries.

The Chinese Room: Nothing in the Chinese Room is Chinese, but it was all manufactured in Birmingham to make it look as if it was. That thing in the window seat is an elderly volunteer guide who has fallen asleep.

The Sitting-room: That thing on the left is a firescreen. That thing in the middle is a pair of library steps which turns into a bed-pan holder. That thing on the table was left by a previous tourist and nobody has ever noticed it. That thing on the wall is a landscape of an unidentified part of the Low Countries, most of it apparently under water.

The Old Staircase: Is just an old staircase.

The Great Bedroom: Has a four-poster bed. You can skip the Great Bedroom.

Bedrooms 1, 2, 3 and 4: And the same goes for bedrooms 1, 2, 3 and 4.

The Nursery: The nursery contains many games which nobody now knows how to play, and many games which we know how to play but none of which is anything like complete.

The Great Bedroom: Somebody seems to have taken a wrong turning – we've been in here once already. Let's try down this little staircase here.

The Forgotten Elderly Aunt's Little Bed-sitting Room Hidden Behind the Dado: Oops, sorry, madam.

The Back Staircase: Blimey, bit creepy down here. Any-one fancy a cuppa? Let's go back, then.

The Old Staircase: Same old staircase.

The Library: Hold on, here's a room we missed. Oh no, as you were, it's just full of books.

The Stables Tea Rooms: They've done it up nicely in here. Mark you, I don't exactly call that a wide choice of Danish pastries. Still, it's nice to sit down and all.

The Gift Shop: Anybody want some pot pourri, home-made marmalade or chutney with fancy labels? No? Just a few postcards, then.

The Carpark: On the site of the former asparagus beds. Charmingly near the main road, and freedom and escape...

Touché! The Trust's guidebook writers must clearly look to their laurels. Yet, if Miles Kington reads the new guides introduced this year at Hardwick, Calke and Shugborough, he will find true stories stranger than any fiction.

Oliver Garnett, Guidebook Editor

(This piece was originally published in the *Independent* on 19 May and is reproduced by kind permission of Miles Kington. Wood engraving by Peter Forster.)

SHOP FRONT

POST EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS!! Our shops at Manuka, Lanyon and 6 Geills Court have a wide range of gifts suitable for posting overseas.

SEA MAIL CLOSING DATES

United Kingdom : 1 October
United States of America : 9 October
New Zealand : 7 November

Come in and see our selection of pewter animals from \$23, stickpins \$5 and key rings \$4. Some other items that may interest you : scarves printed with Australian wildflowers (\$4); ladies and mens handkerchiefs (\$4); children's finger puppets (\$6); soap leaves from \$2.50; magnetic pot holders (\$6.50) and National Trust pocket diaries (\$6.50).

We also stock a range of Christmas wrapping paper, Christmas cards and decorations.

1989 DESK DIARY

We are also expecting stocks of the 1990 National Trust Desk Diary. This full colour diary includes such features as one week per page in a clear format, and comes with a protective mailing cover - ideal for that overseas Christmas present.

CHARITY CARD SHOP

The combined Charities Card Shop will again operate in the Health Authority Building, corner Alinga & Moore Streets, Civic from 25 September 1989. National Trust cards cost 40¢ and 70¢ each, Desk Diary is \$8.50.



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

SATURDAY ROSTER

We need volunteers to help in the Manuka shop on Saturday mornings from 7 October, from 9.30-12.30am, and also to go on our emergency roster. If you can spare a morning (10-1pm) or afternoon (1-4pm) please contact Jo-Anne at the Trust Office on 810 711.

SHORTS



RAFFLE WINNER

CONGRATULATIONS to Dawn Wilson, the lucky winner of the mixed case of National Trust wine raffle drawn at the Member's Night on 7 September 1989. Winning ticket number A4 (pink). Thank you to those people who supported the Trust by purchasing a ticket.

TRUST OFFICE CLOSING

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 MONDAY 2 OCTOBER (QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND).

SAVE OUR HERITAGE

As reported in the last newsletter, an amount of \$1134 has been donated to the Save Our Heritage Fund. Members are reminded that donations of \$2 or more to this Fund are tax deductible. The support of those who have donated money to the Fund is gratefully acknowledged.

NATIONAL TRUST WINE

Members are reminded that bottles of National Trust label Rhine Riesling and Soft Claret are available at \$5.00 each, or \$50 per case. Your order may be made by telephone to the Trust Office on 810 711. Please allow several days for collection as the wine is stored in our bulk storeroom.

1989 CURRY DINNER & WINE AUCTION - REPORT

This was a very happy occasion with a maximum attendance of members and their friends who partook of a variety of curries followed by fruit salad and Indian rice custard. A delectable Indian fudge was available with after dinner coffee. The tables were bright with daffodils and camellias, giving the impression that spring was almost upon us.

The National Trust is most grateful to all those who contributed to the splendid repast and/or helped with the 1001 tasks necessary to ensure the success of such an occasion.

Particular thanks go to Tony and Isobel Hayward whose idea it was to have a wine auction, and who were instrumental in obtaining donations of wine from various wineries. We are grateful for the support and donations from : All Saints Winery at Rutherglen, Victoria; Chateau Tahbilk in the Goulburn Valley, Victoria; and Madew Wines in Queanbeyan. All their wines were successfully bid for on the night. We were also delighted by the response of members donating bottles for the auction. One prestigious bottle donated by a member failed to reach the reserve price and will be raffled at a later date.

The financial result was very pleasing, with the wine auction raising over \$700 and a total of \$2184 being raised from the night.

NATIONAL TRUST (NSW) TOURS

The National Trust of Australia (NSW) proposes to hold the following tours over the next two years :

THE NATIONAL TRUST WAY TO KENYA & THE UK : Mar 19 - Apr 18 1990

THE NATIONAL TRUST WAY TO BALI & BEYOND : September 1990

THE NATIONAL TRUST WAY TO KING ISLAND : November 1990

For information on these tours, please ring the National Trust (NSW) on 02/258 0123.

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