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OBITUARY

Members will be sad to learn that Colonel Peter McGrath died on Saturday 14 July 1990.

Peter McGrath joined the National Trust (ACT) in December 1979 in the appointment of Project Officer for the National Trust (ACT) Classification Committee. His Canberra background enabled him to make a valuable contribution to the role of the Classification Committee in the ACT. Whilst he served primarily as secretary of the Classification Committee he also carried out many other duties in the National Trust office particularly in regard to arranging and conducting major National Trust field trips.

He was forced by ill health to retire from the position of Project Officer for the Classification Committee during 1987. Since then he has maintained informal contact with the National Trust and his visits to the National Trust office were always a joy.

Peter is now no longer with us and we miss his friendship and the warmth of his companionship.

CAMPBELLS RUTHERGLEN WINES

Members are advised that the National Trust (ACT) now receives the periodic Newsletter from Campbells Rutherglen Wines.

The Newsletter contains information on current vintages and the latest selection available from the cellar door.

This Newsletter is available from the Trust office for viewing by members. Please ask the receptionist for the Newsletter when you visit the Trust office.

MEETINGS IN TRUST BOARDROOM 1990

Tuesday 14 August.....CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE Meeting
at 12.30pm.

Tuesday 14 August.....MUGGA MUGGA PROJECT COMMITTEE
Meeting at 5.30pm

Wednesday 22 August.....EDUCATION & CULTURAL COMMITTEE
Meeting at 5.30pm.

Wednesday 29 August.....LANYON COMMITTEE Meeting
at 12.15pm.

Wednesday 29 August.....PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE Meeting
at 5.30pm.

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

Thursday 6 September.....COUNCIL MEETING at 5.30pm.

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

COMING EVENTS

Thursday 16 August.....CURRY DINNER

Sunday 23 September.....LODGE VISIT

Wednesday 26 September.....NEW MEMBERS NIGHT

Friday 28 September -

Monday 1 October.....GIPPSLAND TOUR

Thursday 11 October.....SPRING LUNCHEON

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 B Anderson, Kaleen
Mr & Mrs J Alcock, Kambah
Mr & Mrs J Barlow, Belconnen
Ms P Brooks, Lyons
Mr & Mrs M Batten, Wanniasa
Mr & Mrs G Frail, Weetangera
Mr & Mrs I Frencham, Garran
Mr R Hickman, Garran
Rev C Jackson, Red Hill
Mr & Mrs G Kellock, Curtin

Mrs J Knife, Holt
Mr W Little, Hughes
Mrs N Melnikoff, Isaacs
Rev & Mrs F McMaster, Holder
Mr & Mrs M Morris, Gowrie
Ms S Rennie, Narrabundah
Mrs J Smith, Lyons
Mr & Mrs P Tormey, Campbell
Mrs C Thompson, Downer
Mr J Young, Ainslie

1990 CURRY DINNER

The Curry Dinner will be held at the Priory of St John on Thursday 16 August at 7.00 for 7.30pm.

COST : Members \$20
Non-members \$22

Just a "last minute" reminder about the Curry Dinner; tickets are selling fast, so check your diaries in case you miss a "fun" evening. There is a table plan, so make up a party and COME TO THE PARTY, bringing a bottle for the Wine Auction!

If you are not able to be with us, would you care to donate a bottle "FOR THE GOOD OF THE TRUST?" The Trust Office at 6 Geils Court, Deakin will take delivery!

Please book early to ensure a place. Phone the Trust office on 2810711.

SPRING LUNCHEON

ANOTHER SPECIAL DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Thursday 16 October 1990.

A welcome sign that winter is over is the holding of the annual SPRING LUNCHEON, once again to be at lovely BURRA HOMESTEAD (by kind permission of Mr & Mrs J McDiarmid).

The time - 12.00 for 12.30pm. Limited to 120.
The cost - Member \$15.00
Non-members \$18.00

The speaker will be Mr Bob Mitchell, Chief Executive of the recently formed ACT Tourism Commission. His talk, amusingly entitled "Selling Sand to the Arabs" will, no doubt, entertain, at the same time informing us of the known and unknown delights of Canberra!

The attractive Trust Gifts table will again be in operation at the Luncheon.

JOAN ROWSELL - Fund Raising Committee Chairman.

MEMBERS NIGHT

The National Trust Members Night is an excellent opportunity for new members to be informed about the role of the Trust; for old members to be brought up to date on our activities; and of course for old and new members to get to know each other.

The guest speaker for the Members Night in September will be Mr Shibu Dutta who will present an illustrated talk on "Quebec - International Heritage City" and show some examples of recycled heritage buildings.

The Members Night is being organised by the Education and Cultural Committee for Wednesday 26 September 1990 at 7.30pm for 8.00pm at the Priory of St John corner of Canberra Avenue and Dominion Circuit Forrest. Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP to the National Trust Office on 2810711.

SPRING ROSE DAY - COWRA

The Central West Women's Committee have organised a must for all who enjoy and have a special interest in old fashioned roses. An expert in this area, Mrs Judith Pfeiffer, of Cloyne Nursery in Cooma, will be guest speaker at a luncheon to be held in the Anglican Church Hall, Cowra. The subject of Mrs Pfeiffer's talk will be "using old roses in the landscape".

The day will begin at 10.30am with morning tea served in the garden of "Calleen", home of Mrs Patricia Fagan of Cowra.

The cost will be \$15.00. If you would like an application form (please do not send any money to the Trust Office) please ring the Trust on 2810 711.

SOUTHERN TABLELANDS REGION. - RIVERSDALE GOULBURN

We have scored a notable "first" for the National Trust in persuading Joshua Smith FRAS and Yve Close FRAS to present a "DAY OF ART" at Riversdale, Goulburn, on 14 October 1990 starting at 10.00am. These two well-known artists will present an illustrated talk on their art, with an exhibition and sale of paintings.

A spit roast lunch with wine is included in the charge of \$25.00. For information and booking phone Betty-Jane (048) 215063 or Margaret (048) 215113.

NATIONAL TRUST (UK) HOLIDAY COTTAGES 1990

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, Deak and have a look at this useful publication.

SHOP FRONT

1991 POCKET DIARIES ARE AVAILABLE NOW! These very compact diaries come complete with pencil, contain dates of Public Holidays, School Holidays and much useful information and tables.

Don't forget the Gift Shops stock a good selection of place mats with matching coasters. Designs include Australian Flora and Fauna. There are also some very attractive cloth placemats with matching napkins.

A consignment of children's T-Shirts over printed with fun koala designs arrived last week. Ideal for Birthdays and even to put aside for Christmas.

BOOK REVIEWS by a "Book Worm". (The books are available from the Trust Gift Shops.)

A LIVING HISTORY OF THE SNOWY MOUNTAINS

Following the success of his first course in Autumn 1989, Dean Turner, (a member of the Kosciusko Huts Association) is to run another course on the history of the Snowy Mountains over four days in Spring from 26-29 October 1990. Dean's course is one of a number of specialised courses co-ordinated by the Centre for Continuing Education at the Australian National University.

The mountain course will examine the six human invasions of Australia's High Country by taking participants on day walks to explore aboriginal sites, mountain huts, ruins and other sites of significance. Participants will unravel the diverse social and cultural heritage of the Snowy Mountains over the course of each day as they meet and receive help from a number of colourful characters, bushmen and local experts. In this way, by looking through the eyes of the people involved, the course will focus uniquely on LIVING history.

Participants will meet an expert on aboriginal culture, a veteran of the Snowy Mountain Scheme, a local historian from the Adaminaby district, an alpine sawmiller, park rangers, and a stockman whose father before him managed the snowlease on the very top of Mt Kosciusko. These interviews and guided walks will be supplemented with evening bursts of bush poetry and the odd historic film.

The course will include two introductory lectures in Canberra to be held on the evenings of 18 and 25 October 1990 at the Centre for Continuing Education (course notes will be available for those unable to attend).

The cost of the course will be approximately \$250 including twinshare accommodation and fully catered meals (any profits made will be directed to the restoration and maintenance of huts in the National Park). Transport will be organised by car pooling. Enrolments will begin on 4 August through the Centre for Continuing Education. However, earlier expressions of interest are welcome. The course itinerary can be obtained in advance by contacting Dean on :

BH : (06) 2724584 AH : (06) 2396265

or by writing to him c/- : 26 Finnis Cres, Narrabundah, 2604.

VISIT TO PRIME MINISTERS LODGE AND GOVERNMENT HOUSE

The annual visit arranged by the Australiana Fund to the Lodge and Government House Yarralumla will take place on Sunday 23 September 1990.

The Australiana Fund has kindly made available to members of the National Trust (ACT) and their guests a special visiting time of 9.30am - 10.00am at the Lodge before the public is admitted at 10.00am. Members may then at their leisure visit Government House Yarralumla.

Tickets are available from the National Trust office at a cost of \$8.00 for family groups, \$4.00 for single adult and \$2.00 for pensioners and students. It is stressed that tickets must be obtained from the National Trust office before 23 September 1990 to enable us to comply with the special opening time of 9.30am. Members may then visit Government House Yarralumla at any time they wish.

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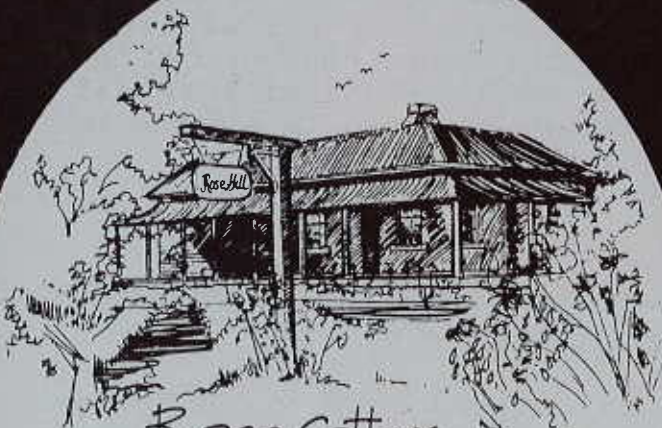
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PEN PORTRAITS
Patricia Clarke
\$18.00

If the portraits of women illustrating this book were taken away from the text it would be hard to tell what the sitters had in common except that their dress would place them in the nineteenth century. Some look flighty, some most sober, some fervent, some contented, some formidable, some extremely delicate. What in fact they shared was success in getting their writing about Australia published either in newspapers, periodicals, or serials as novels, childrens stories, political pamphlets or illustrated reference books.

"Pen Portraits" is a book to whet the appetite. The outline life stories of these hundred or so women are so varied and interesting one would like to know more. Patricia Clarke passes no judgement on the literary merit of their writing but merely describes their success or lack of it in their lifetimes and since, in Australia and internationally. Armed with this book, the notes and excellent bibliography we can set off in search them and even if we discover no towering geniuses the canvas of nineteenth century Australia will be richly painted. I plan to start with Caroline Dexter "a most unusual women who published Australia's first 'Ladies Almanack'.... she also practiced in Melbourne as a herbal physician, mesmerist and clairvoyant, and with Harriet Clisby began a very earnest 'blue stocking' style monthly magazine, the Interpreter in 1861". "The Woman's Voice" although it only lasted for eighteen months will make intriguing reading with it's aim to be "womanly, but not weak; democratic but not revolutionary; fearless without effrontery; liberal without license". The April issue of 1895 included a full page article on "Cycling for Women" and it's liberating influence. The illustration of Mrs Maddock, captain of the Sydney Ladies Bicycle Club who had ridden an upright bicycle from Sydney to Melbourne may banish twentieth century feelings of superiority. It will be interesting too to get hold of a copy of Catherine Martin's "An Australian Girl" which was out of print for many years but is now regarded highly. The seventh child of a very poor Scottish crofter, Catherine had tried to make a living as a journalist in Adelaide in the 1870's. "An Australian Girl" her first published novel, was printed anonymously in London in 1890. Was it a trying bluestocking romance or a work of genius? "Pen Portraits" has opened a lot of doors just a little way.

OUR FAMILY TREE ALBUM
Published by Memory Press
\$15.00

"Has your family ever kept a central record of facts and photographs, or do you have to keep asking who your ancestors were and where they came from? Keeping an official record can not only be fun it can be doing the rest of the family a service". So reads the introduction to this delightful Edwardian style scrapbook which has lots of encouraging headings and blank spaces to keep the budding historian and archivist sleuthing away. If the going get's tough the addresses of the Society of Genealogists, the Heraldry Society, the Genealogy Bookshop and the Brittish Association for Local History are all given. For a child who loves "filling in" the section at the end of the album for Family Vehicles, Family Holidays, Family Collections and Special Occassions will be easy and fun. Grand-parents will be at a premium for help with the "ancestor" sections finding photographs of, for example, "husbands's paternal Great-Grandparents. In fact this album would make a perfect present for the child who likes to ask questions and has a grandparent who likes to answer them.

GIPPSLAND ODYSSEY

FRIDAY 28 SEPTEMBER TO MONDAY 1 OCTOBER (LABOUR DAY) 1990.

For those who like to explore new areas, who don't get put off by gravel roads and who nonetheless like a good meal and comfortable bed at night, Garth Setchell is offering to lead a guided tour to a number of delightful areas in East Gippsland.

The itinerary will depend to some extent on the weather but is likely to include such interesting places as Rocky Hall and the Towamba Valley, Green Cape, Jenoa Peak, Wingan Inlet, Combienbar, Cape Conran, the mouth of the Snowy River, Bucham Caves, Mackillop's Bridge across the lower Snowy gorge and a taste of the Errinundra Plateau.

Although the total driving distance is about 1200km, there will be time for short walks to a wide range of different environments - rocky coastlines, water falls, lookouts, sandy beaches, estuaries, old mining sites, rainforests and wild rivers. There will also be time to inspect the Buchan Caves.

Whilst all roads are trafficable to conventional vehicles, good driving skills are essential. Approximately 450km will be on gravel roads and, although of reasonable surface, much of it is narrow and winding.

Numbers are strictly limited for reasons of comfort and due to the fact that accommodation is scarce. Motel accommodation for up to seven couples, families or groups of three to four has been tentatively reserved for each night but confirmation is required by 17 August 1990. It may also be possible to include a few people who would prefer to camp.

IF YOU WISH TO COME, PLEASE RING THE TRUST OFFICE IMMEDIATELY, GIVING YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, WORK AND HOME TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND THE NAMES OF OTHERS INCLUDED IN YOUR BOOKING (rooms contain a double bed plus one or two singles. Single applicants can only be accepted if prepared to share). IF YOU INTEND TO CAMP, PLEASE MAKE THIS CLEAR.

If the Trust is able to include you, there will be a charge of \$50.00 per head to cover Trust expenses, etc. This, plus a further \$50.00 per head accommodation deposit (for those seeking Motel accommodation) will need to be paid before 31 August 1990).

All other costs will need to be met by participants as incurred. As accommodation costs will depend on the room requirements, it is only possible to offer an approximate guide :

Accommodation	:	\$100.00 per double (on top of \$50.00 deposit).
	:	Accompanying singles - \$20.00 extra/person.
Meals	:	\$100.00 per person plus drinks.
	:	Provide own lunches, morning and afternoon teas.
Incidentals	:	As required.

NOTE : Families and new members/guests of members welcome.
THERE IS NO WRITTEN APPLICATION FORM FOR THIS ACTIVITY.

TRUST OFFICE OPEN TIMES

The Trust Office is open from 9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday. Closed on Public Holidays and from 12.30pm - 1.00pm daily for lunch.

HELP - APPEAL FOR NEW GUARDIANS & GIFT SHOP HELPERS

During the winter months in Canberra many lucky people escape to warmer climates, resulting in a shortage of Lanyon Guardians and assistants for both the Manuka and Lanyon Gift Shops.

We realise most people are busy working, or leading full lives in retirement, but if you find a day free and could help out at Lanyon or one of our Gift Shops it would certainly make the roster organisers jobs a little easier.

For further information contact the Trust office on 2810711. Rosters are available on request.

NATIONAL TRUST FACSIMILE MACHINE

The National Trust now has a FAX machine. The number is (06) 285 3327. Members may use the machine and support the National Trust at the same time.

COSTS ARE :

* Incoming correspondence - \$2.00
Plus 20¢ per page.

* Outgoing correspondence - \$2.00
Plus 20¢ per page.

STD facsimiles will be calculated on the number of pages and the time taken for the fax to reach its destination (as per telephone book).

All pages must be numbered and the machine must be operated by National Trust staff.

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LODGE VISIT

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1990 CURRY DINNER - 16 AUGUST 1990

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to bring to the Dinner,
your donation of bottle(s)
of wine for the hilarious
fund raiser auction.

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