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THE NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (ACT) REGISTER OF CLASSIFIED PLACES

Promoting the preservation of our heritage of man-made or natural things is the prime National Trust objective. Few of its supporters would quarrel with this; even amongst those who do not support us, many would accept the principle.

The challenge is to obtain some general acceptance of just which items are worth preserving. These 'things we want to keep', known in recent years as 'The National Estate', must first be identified. Then the National Trust can inform the owners, Local Authorities, Trust members and the community. In this way (and of course in other ways as well) the Trust strives to create a climate of opinion favourable to preservation and enhancement.

A group of about a dozen voluntary workers, drawn from such disciplines as history, architecture, engineering, planning and science, meet regularly. Their task is to consider objectively descriptive and historical material about proposed listings. This is examined against such criteria as townscape and landscape value, illustration of history, architecture, rarity, association with an historic event and a number of other yardsticks.

Once the Committee has resolved to give its recommendation for a listing, a submission is prepared. This document summarizes the essential facts, gives a concise description and states the reasons for listing. The Trust Council then decides whether or not to list, and once a property is listed, the owner is advised in writing. The submission then becomes the definitive statement of the Trust's current position regarding that property.

The work of the Classification Committee can never be finished. By nature it is an ongoing function, continually examining material in support of heritage items, either originated by the committee or submitted by a variety of people and organisations.

As society progresses, as values change, as history continues to evolve, so is the case for preservation of worthy items continuously created. Each generation, to a degree, rediscovers the past.

Before a seemingly steady state of progress can be reached, a large backlog has to be cleared. The Register of the National Trust of Australia (ACT) cannot pretend at present to be fully balanced, representative or complete. Items which are under threat often receive priority in the committee's deliberations. Well prepared material expedites some listings. Other suffer from a paucity of information and are delayed while essential data is sought. Some geographical areas have been comparatively well covered - in others the work has barely started.

Finances dictate that the bulk of listings work is voluntary. Most of the data gathering is time-consuming work. Historical research, title searches, photography, measured floor plans, locality sketches, landscape layouts - all these are familiar aspects of the Classification Committee's field work.

The Trust Council also decides which of its listings should be nominated to the Australian Heritage Commission for inclusion in the Register of the National Estate. This register affords a measure of protection for Commonwealth Government-owned heritage items against any action which might adversely affect them.

A significant responsibility thus devolves upon the Classification Committee and the Council of the Trust in the ACT. A commonly asked question is 'What is the justification for keeping this particular object or that specific structure? Who made the conservation decision and how valid is it?'

We must stand ready to answer such questions and answer them well. To do this our standards must be set at a certain 'threshold' and consistently maintained there. Quality not quantity is the keynote, - 'The wish to preserve everything is as stultifying as the wish to sweep it away'.

It is worth noting that the Register of the National Trust contains essentially statements about what is worth keeping and why. It does not make statements about the practicalities of keeping these heritage items. The Register is to inform, not direct. Firstly, we must announce the 'what' and the 'why' of preservation before, in many cases, it is too late. Only when the 'what and 'why' are known can proper attention be directed by anyone to the 'how' of preservation.

1990 CANBERRA ANTIQUE FAIR AND OFFICIAL OPENING

OPEN 11.00am - 6.00pm DAILY ENTRANCE: \$3 Adults; \$5 Adult 2 Day Pass; \$1 Students & Pensioners; Children Under 15 Free

The 1990 Canberra Antique Fair organised by the National Trust(ACT) and featuring the Antique Dealers' Associations of New South Wales and Victoria will be held at the Albert Hall during Canberra Festival Week from Friday 16 March to Monday 19 March.

The OFFICIAL OPENING, by Chief Minister Mr Trevor Kaine, will be held on Thursday 15 March at 7.30 for 8.00pm. Members and their guests are invited to attend the opening - ticket application form in this newsletter or telephone the Trust Office on 810 711 to reserve your tickets. Champagne and hors d'oeuvres will be served. A limit will be placed on the number of tickets to be sold for the Official Opening.

The Antique Fair is our major fund raising event, and we would appreciate any help you may be able to give :

- . CATERING ROSTER contact Mrs Marion Douglas on 956 730
- . FOOD DONATIONS as above
- . FLOWERS AND ARRANGEMENT contact Mrs Virginia Hole on 959 506
- . ADMISSION ROSTER contact Mrs Dorothy Moore on 959205

1989 COUNTRY SPRING FAIR - THE LAST WORD

The busy day at Lanyon on November 12 last cannot have completely faded from the memories of many Trust members. Now that final accounts have been settled and the profit and loss made clear, I am pleased to report that almost \$4000 was raised from the Fair.

This is most encouraging but must give rise to some discussion as to the direction we take for the 1990 Spring Fair (Sunday 4 November). The Fund Raising Committee is meeting on Monday 12 February at 5.30pm in the Trust Boardroom. We would welcome members who would like to become involved, feel they have suggestions and ideas to offer, or who would just like to hear what is to be held in 1990.

CHRISTMAS COCKTAIL PARTY - A PARTY WITH A DIFFERENCE

Dark rain-laden clouds and heavy local showers throughout the morning and afternoon of Saturday 9 December, 1989, caused much heart searching as to whether we held the Cocktail Party in the beautiful grounds or in the large woolshed at Huntly.

Caution won the day, and we found out the advantages of a woolshed - everyone talked to everyone else! The Raffle did extremely well - \$139 was raised.

The champagne flowed, the tasty food was handed around by Young Trust members and their friends. A happy occasion and a profitable one - \$622.44 altogether.

A great deal of transportation was involved, so many thanks to all the behind the scene helpers.

Our thanks are also extended to Mr John Gale who allowed us the use of his woolshed, and as the weather was fine during the evening, extended an invitation for guests to visit the gardens at Huntly. This offer was appreciated and accepted by many on their way home.

JOAN ROWSELL Fund Raising Committee Chairman

TRUST RAFFLE WINNER

The winner of a painting of The Rocks, kindly donated my Mrs Susan Colquboun, and drawn on 7/12/89 is Mrs L Rawlinson with white ticket B 3.

CULTURAL MANAGEMENT AWARD

The Council of the National Trust (ACT) has approved an annual award to the best Cultural Heritage Management student at the University of Canberra. The best student will receive an award certificate and cheque for \$200 at the University prize giving ceremony at the end of the year and will also receive free membership of the National Trust (ACT) for 12 months.

SHOP FRONT

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

AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINAL CULTURE for the Australian Heritage Commission for UNESCO \$3.00

This booklet was originally the accompanying brochure for an exhibition depicting the Australian way of life which toured Australia and overseas in the 1950's. Revised by Robert Edwards, it gives an excellent introduction to the subject. Text and black and white photos are devoted to many aspects of Aboriginal culture, including tribal lands, dwellings, religions, music, dress, hunting, art and tools. In his preface, F D McCarthy (who helped plan the original exhibition) points out this this remarkable people is now seeking to establish its own racial image in modern Australia. The book ends with a plea that all readers will contribute through their interest and efforts to preserve the rich heritage upon which this Aboriginal identity depends.

THE LANYON SAGA Bruce Moore 1982 \$16.00

The Lanyon Saga is a history of the Lanyon, Tuggeranong and Wanniassa Estates in the ACT, and is a lovely book for people with an interest in source material but without the time to ferret about in the archives.

Drive out to Lanyon and admire the fertile beauty in which it is set, take in the quiet achievement of it's established gardens and enjoy the charming homestead (open from 10.00am - 4.00pm Tuesday - Sunday). Then back at home, try this book and discover how in the 1820's expeditions from Sydney pushed across the Limestone Plains in search of a great river, the Morrombidgee; how Wright and Lanyon constructed their first huts on the river bank as unauthorized squatters; how in 1848 the property passed into the hands of a young Scottish banker, Andrew Cunningham, whose success at Lanyon over the next forty years both mirrored and contributed to the growing prosperity of NSW. When you return to Lanyon, having read Bruce Moore's book, you will know that it was not always so peaceful, and that much courage, resourcefulness and dogged determination went into its creation. This is a fascinating and well documented saga about people facing a big challenge and succeeding.

"LANYON CAFE"

The Cafe at Lanyon is now open again. Morning teas, lunches, afternoon teas available. Fresh, delicious food at sensible prices. Open Tuesday - Sunday and public holidays. Phone 375268.

MEETINGS IN TRUST BOARDROOM 1990

Monday 12 February	FUND RAISING COMMITTEE Meeting at 5.30pm
Tuesday 13 February	.CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE Meeting at 12.30pm
Wednesday 21 February	HERITAGE WEEK SUB-COMMITTEE Meeting at 5.30pm
Wednesday 28 February	.EDUCATION & CULTURAL COMMITTEE Meeting at 5.30pm
Thursday 1 March	.COUNCIL Meeting at 5.30pm
Tuesday 13 March	.CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE Meeting at 12.30pm

COMING EVENTS

Saturday 17 FebruaryMUGGA MUGGA GARDEN GRUB CLUB	
Sunday 11 MarchACT ALIVE EXHIBITION	
Thursday 15 MarchOFFICIAL OPENING CANBERRA ANTIQUE FAIR	
Friday 16 - Monday 19 March1990 CANBERRA ANTIQUE FAIR at the Albert Hall.	
Thursday 29 MarchNATIONAL MUSEUM TOUR	
Friday 6 - Sunday 8 AprilMOUNT BUFFALO TOUR	
Sunday 21 - Sunday 29 April1990 HERITAGE WEEK	
Friday 6 - Sunday 8 AprilMOUNT BUFFALO TOUR	
Wednesday 9 MayFOUNDERS' DAY DINNER	

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 R Booty, Bombala
Mr S Brown, Campbell
Ms P Buckle, Budgwoi
Ms W Bailey, Emu Ridge
Dr & Mrs B Cutter, Forrest
Mr & Mrs B Cooper, Yarralumla
Ms L Dent, Bombala
Mr & Mrs G Early, Girralang
Mr & Mrs C Edwards, Farrer
Mrs S Francis, Barton
Mr P Heyligers, Cook
Ms S Haslem, Kingston
Mrs U Hicks, Weipa
Ms S Heenan, Hackett

Ms A Johnson, Deakin
Miss K Kneeshaw, Stuart Town
Ms B McAlister, Campbell
Dr & Mrs I McCay, Deakin
Mrs & Ms A Pickard, Holder,
Mr & Mrs B Roberts, Camden
Miss T Roberts, Camden
Mr & Mrs A Richards, Chisholm
Mr & Mrs J Smits, Yarralumla
Mr P Selvaraj, Budgewoi
Mr & Mrs M Travis, Cook
Mr & Mrs G Upton, Deakin
Mrs R & Miss J Wilson, Hughes
Ms A Williams, Red Hill

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, Deakin, and have a look at this useful publication.

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 for lunch.

MOUNT BUFFALO TOUR Friday 6 - Sunday 8 April 1990

The interest is this trip has been overwhelming. Regrettably, however, practical considerations demand that we limit ourselves to one 48 seat luxury coach. FURTHER APPLICATIONS CANNOT THEREFORE BE ACCEPTED. Places will be allotted, in the order of application, to those who have already paid their \$25 deposit - but ONLY if the balance of \$225 and the completed form enclosed with this newsletter is received at the Trust Office by 2 March 1990. Thereafter places will be offered to those on the waiting list (you will already have been notified if you are in this category) in original order of application.

Arrangements are now complete. The bus will depart from Canberra at 7.30am, returning at 8.00pm on the Sunday. All costs are covered except evening drinks, any purchases for your cellar and afternoon tea on the Saturday. You will visit a wide range of heritage places, including the Pioneer Folk Musuem at Jindera and the Trust's own Carriage Museum at Beechworth and "Lakeview" at Chiltern. You will also visit Schmidt's Strawberry Winery and Gehrig's Winery at Barnawatha (in the one family since 1858). On the Saturday, at Mount Buffalo, you will have a choice of delightful easy walks before lunch, then a bus tour to Bright. Those who would prefer, can join a longer walk after lunch to Rollasons Falls.

Accommodation at the Mount Buffalo Chalet will be in self-contained double and twin rooms, with a limited number of singles available. We will do our best to satisfy individual requirements but some sharing may be necessary.

To those who have missed out, we are planning further coach and car trips to other interesting place. Next time, be quick!!

FOR SALE - AMSTRAD PCW 8612

Available for inspection at the Trust Office, 6 Geils Court, Deakin - Amstrad personal computer, keyboard, printer and discs - self taught system. Price \$500 or best offer.

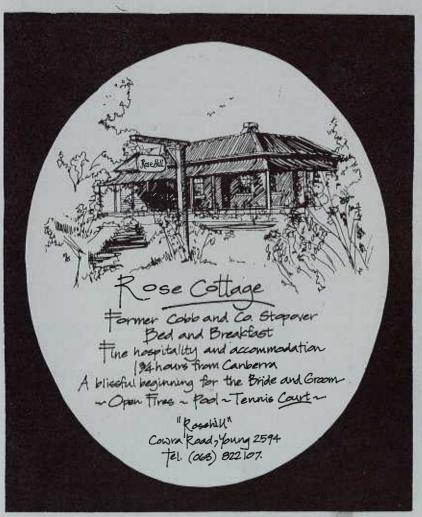
ITEMS RECENTLY CLASSIFIED BY THE NATIONAL TRUST (ACT)

GLASS WINDOWS OF NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA (PARKES PLACE) BY LEONARD FRENCH 1967. - A monumental work by one of the world's leading post-war glass designers. Leonard French pioneered the use of stained glass in Australian architecture and this work commissioned for the National Library of Australia is a major piece in his oeuvre.

THE FOUNDATION STONES OF THE COMMENCEMENT COLUMN (CAPITAL HILL) 1913. - The laying of the stones of the Commencement Column has great historic significance. The ceremony, performed by three of the leading figures of the nation at the time, celebrated the official commencement of the Federal Capital City, and was part of the ceremony naming the capital of the Australian Commonwealth.

The monument itself was designed to symbolise the Federation of the States into one Commonwealth and also emphasised imperial ties.

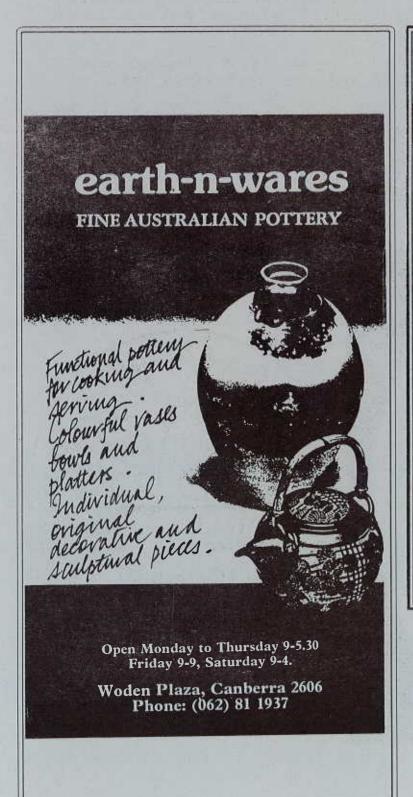
The site chosen for the erection of the planned column has important urban design significance being at the apex of the grand avenue, accentuating the radial symmetry of the proposed city and was to provide a landmark for the Canberra population.





NATIONAL MUSEUM TOUR

The Registrar of the National Museum of Australia, Caroline Sampson, has kindly agreed to conduct National Trust members and their friends on a "behind the scenes" tour of their Mitchell Repository. The tour, on Thursday 29 March, 1990, will commence at 7.00pm and will take approximately 2 hours. Due to the delicate nature of the exhibits stored in the Repository, numbers are limited to 30 and the tour will probably split into two or three groups. Entrance by ticket only - application form in this newsletter or phone the Trust Office to reserve your place - 810 Further details will be sent to participants.



CONFERENCE

Heritage & Conservation: the challenges in the Asia/Pacific Basin

DARWIN AND KAKADU NATIONAL PARK SUNDAY 13 MAY 1990 - FRIDAY 18 MAY 1990

Hosted by Australian Council of National Trusts and National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory)

This Conference aims to consider the conservation of the built and natural environment in the Asia/Pacific Basin, comparing experiences in the developed and developing

Major items for consideration are:

- Political and Social Implications
- Techniques
- Impact of Tourism
- Liaison and Interaction

Objectives:

- To identify problems and solutions for heritage conservation in the Asia/Pacific Basin region;
- To identify resources available for heritage conservation and availability (i.e. ICOMOS, ICROM, ICOM, IUCN, UNEP, etc);
- To stimulate the establishment of National Trusts and
- heritage conservation groups in the region; To provide a forum for liaison and interaction between the National Trusts and other conservation organisations, so as to benefit from mutual experiences;
- To identify regional issues and the practicability of a regional approach to specific heritage conservation is sues.

Programs/Registration Forms are available from: Australian Council of National Trusts P.O. Box 1002, Civic Square, ACT 2608 Telephone 062 47 6766

National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) P.O. Box 3520, Darwin, NT 5794 Telephone 089 81 2848



NATIONAL TRUST HERITAGE WEEK ACTIVITIES APRIL 21 - 29 1990

The theme of Heritage Week 1990, held from Saturday 21 to Sunday 29 April, will be Industrial Heritage. Past themes have included World Heritage and Canberra's Journey. Trust members and their friends interested in joining a Heritage Sub-Committee (part of the Education and Cultural Committee) are asked to contact the Trust Office on 810 711.

21-24 April..... EXHIBITION ALBERT HALL

Sunday 22 April......MUSICALE - Anzac Chapel Duntroon. Band of the Royal Military College and Mr W Hawkey Canberra School of Music - Organ Recital. Programme commemmorates 75th anniversary of Gallipoli Landings.

3.00pm to 4.15pm followed by afternoon tea. Tickets available from the National Trust Office.

(Date to be advised).....DUNTROON WALK - Meet at entrance of Duntroon House at 2.00pm. Afternoon tea. (Duntroon House open from 10.00am - 4.00pm.)

Saturday 28 April......KINGSTON POWERHOUSE TOUR - 2.00pm

Sunday 29 April.......GREAT BIKE RIDE - For the family.

Starts at Goman House. (Time to be advised.)

HERITAGE PHOTO CONTEST

Camera enthusiasts are responding to the Trust's appeal for help by way of its recently announced national photographic competition. The Kodak/National Trust Australia-wide Heritage Photographic Contest for colour prints and transparencies, was launched in November 1989. The contest closes on March 30, 1990.

An entry form was enclosed with the last issue of Trust News. Further forms may be obtained from the Trust Office at 6 Geils Court, Deakin. Each entry must be accompanied by a completed entry form. There is no limit to the number of entries per person.

The competition is designed to encourage photographers to record any aspect of our national heritage that appeals to them. The theme of the contest - Australia's Heritage - is defined by the National Trust as "components of the natural or cultural environment that have aesthetic, historic, scientific or social significance or any other special value for future generations as well as for the present community."

FIRST PRIZE: Chinon Handy Zoom camera, an automatic 35mm compact with automatic zoom lens (valued at over \$500), plus Kodak film to the value of \$500....Kodak film to the value of \$1000.

SECOND PRIZE : Kodak Amateur Film Pack (value \$500) THIRD PRIZE : Kodak Amateur Film Pack (value \$250)

MORE PRIZES in the preliminary State judging and a special National Prize for the best Industrial Heritage photograph.

TRUST MEMBERSHIP OVERSEAS

Members planning an overseas holiday during the northern summer are reminded that reciprocal membership arrangments 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: 36 Queen Anne's Gate, London SWIH 9AS, (01-2229251).

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

AN TAISCE (National Trust) in Ireland: Have left former address. No further information available at this stage.

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.

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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.

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