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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In many ways this is a sad message in that we are saying farewell to Colonel Jock Harvey MBE our Administrator who retires on 31 July 1990. Jock has been with the Trust for ten years and has given distinguished service to us. His unstinting commitment to the whole ethos and meaning of the National Trust movement has been clear in his work. This aspect of Jock and his relationship with the Trust's ideals means that he has accomplished a great deal in establishing a firm foundation for the running of the Trust and its standing in the ACT community. Jock has steadfastly achieved things in inimitably quiet manner with his own brand of good humour which has been a particular hallmark of his administration. A great strength of Jock's approach has been the expert way he has blended the voluntarty aspect of the Trust's activities with its conservation aims so that everyone has felt they were making a significant contribution. He has also always facilitated the participation of volunteers and forged links between them and full-time staff. Throughout his time with us he has been innovative in exploring new endeavours such as the Antique Fair which is now our major fund raising activity.

Jock carries our warmest regards and best wishes for a happy and well deserved retirement. However, I am pleased to say that he and Audrey fully intend to maintain active links with the Trust and we look forward to this.

Finally I am pleased to announce, on behalf of Council, that Colonel Peter Michelson has been appointed as Jock's successor. Peter assumes duties on 1 August 1990 and on your behalf I welcome him.

Associate Professor Ken Taylor PRESIDENT

## FAREWELL COLONEL HARVEY - OPEN DAY - 27 July 1990

The National Trust (ACT) Office (6 Geils Court, Deakin) will be open from 2.00pm-7.00pm on Friday 27 July 1990. Wine and savouries will be available.

If you wish to call in and say farewell to Colonel Harvey, please contact the Trust office on 2810711.



#### THE ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

I have so enjoyed the many and varied responsibilities as Administrator of the National Trust (ACT) over the past 10 years that it is not without some sadness I now hand over the reins of office. When I was first appointed to the National Trust (ACT) the cash turnover for the year was \$88,370 with a membership of just under 500 and in the year 1988/89 the turnover was \$328,846 with a membership of 1368.

This will indicate how the size of the National Trust in the ACT has increased over the years with a corresponding increase in heritage and classification activities, and education programmes for the community and schools.

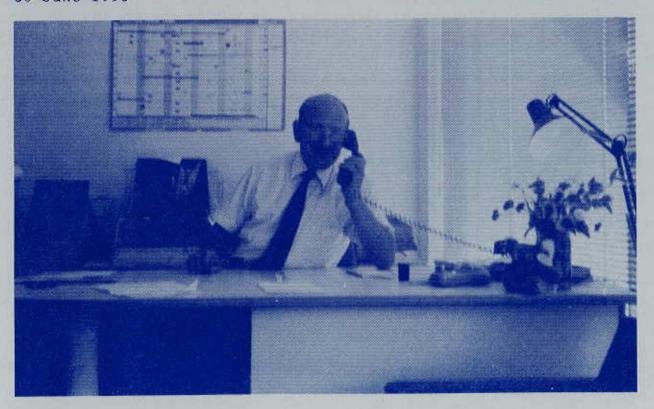
The Gift Shop turnover and the increase in fund raising activities has helped raise the funds to enable the Trust to meet this increase in our heritage role.

The progress will be recorded by words and pictures in the second edition of the National Trust (ACT) Register of Classified Places (from 1976-1990). The book is due for publication before March 1991 and I suggest all members obtain a copy of this informative publication.

I thank my wife Audrey for her encouragement and support over the years. Our reward is the many friends we have made in pursuing the common aim - "the preservation of our heritage of historic buildings and places of natural beauty".

## Jock Harvey

30 June 1990



#### MEETINGS IN TRUST BOARDROOM 1990

at 12.30pm.

Wednesday 18 July.....LANYON COMMITTEE Meeting 12.15pm.

Monday 23 July......FUND RAISING COMMITTEE Meeting 5.30pm.

Thursday 2 August......EXECUTIVE Meeting at 5.30pm.

#### COMING EVENTS

Sunday 8 July.................WORKING WITH WOOL AT LANYON Friday 27 July......FAREWELL COLONEL -OPEN DAY Monday 30 July..................GUARDIAN LUNCHEON Sunday 5 August......THE BUDAWANGS REVEALED Thursday 16 August......CURRY 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.

Ms J Sugden, Watson

Mr R Abell, Hawker
Mr D Baker, O'Connor
Dr D Burkhardt, Warramanga
Mr & Mrs G Lester, Deakin
Mr & Mrs J Moore, Deakin
Mr & Mrs G Pilkinton, Garran
Mr & Mrs G Dowell, Florey
Mr & Mrs F Reeves, Fernleigh Mr & Mrs D Dunne, Melba Mrs J Dove, Kambah
Mr & Mrs F Reeves, Fernleigh Park
Mr & Mrs J Evans, Mawson
Mr & Mrs M Northrop, Deakin
Mr & Mrs R Horne, Chisholm
Ms T Hawkins, Monash
Mr G Sutton, Darwin
Mr J Harvey, Watson
Mrs P Stanner, Forrest Mr & Mrs E Wilson, Wagga Wagga

## 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.

## 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.

## 1990 AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE AWARD

The Hyatt Hotel Canberra has won the prestigious Australian Heritage Award for 1990. The winner of the Contemporary Category, The Hyatt Hotel Canberra was selected as overall winner from the twelve category finalists.

A certificate and cash endowment of \$10,000, was presented by Sir Ninian Stephen at the Presentation Dinner held at the Queen Victoria Ballroom, Sydney and was accepted by Mr Samir Harmouche, General Manager of the Hyatt Hotel Canberra.

The Australian Heritage Award, presented by the Australian Council of National Trusts and national sponsors Jones Lang Wooton is designed to recognise outstanding contributions to the preservation and promotion of Australia's heritage.

The Hyatt Hotel Canberra is an excellent blend of old and new architecture, successfully linking essential conservation and development requirements to recapture the historic character and elegance of the Hotel Canberra.

The Hotel Canberra was one of the first public buildings erected in Canberra and was officially opened on 10 December 1924. It was built to provide suitable accommodation for Members of Parliament, dignitaries from overseas, high ranking officials as well as other visitors to Canberra.

The Hotel Canberra was destined to become an integral part of the cultural history of the Australian Capital Territory and of Australia as a nation.

in 1974 the doors of the hotel were closed for business and for the next eleven years the building was used for government offices. Classified by the National Trust of Australia (ACT) in 1979, the Hotel Canberra was placed on the Register of the National Estate by the Australian Heritage Commission in 1980.

The Hyatt Hotel Canberra has been faithfully and luxuriously restored and refurbished in the Australian 1920's art deco architecture of the original property and within the bounds of its heritage demands. It is one of the most significant examples of early architecture in the National Capital.

The Hyatt Hotel Canberra is once again a Canberra Landmark and was recognised for excellence in design and construction taking into account the historic character of townscape and landscape.

#### 1990 CURRY DINNER

The 1990 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

(Half price tickets are available for OFFICIAL HELPERS & FOOD PROVIDERS - please confirm if attending the dinner.)

A seating plan will be available (8 to a table) at the Trust Office, please advise names of members with whom you would like to share a table, and we shall do our best to comply with your wishes.

The absolute maximum number of people who can attend the 1990 Curry Dinner is 100.

Volunteers are needed to help with food and with the serving of food on the night of the Curry Dinner. If anybody is willing to help could they please contact the Trust office.

Once again there will not be a guest speaker. Instead there will again be a wine auction at the conclusion of the dinner. Members and guests are reminded to bring donation(s) of wine to ensure the financial success of this hilarious wine auction. We would also welcome suitably wrapped "mystery" packages containing wine and anything else to add to the mystery of the auction! If you cannot attend the dinner, we shall be grateful if you could deliver to the National Trust office at 6 Geils Court Deakin your donation of wine for the auction.

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



# NATIONAL TRUST AUSTRALIA WIDE HERITAGE RAFFLE RESULTS

1st Prize - Mr D Watts, Victoria

2nd Prize - Mrs K Bennet, Victoria

3rd Prize - D Guppy, Victoria

4th Prize - Mrs D Holmes, Victoria

5th Prize - K Thiagalingam, Northern Territory

6th Prize - S Dodds, Victoria

7th Prize - H Krebs, Northern Territory

8th Prize - H Watt, Victoria

9th Prize - Y Williams, Victoria

10th Prize - D Beremoltz, Victoria

Sorry there were no winners in the ACT. There were none in NSW either - and they did the draw! The Northern Territory had two.

## ITEMS RECENTLY CLASSIFIED BY THE NATIONAL TRUST (ACT)

SIR HAROLD & LADY WHITE'S GARDEN; 27 Mugga Way Red Hill ACT 2603 - The garden has aesthetic, historic and social significance.

In this garden all the planting has been arranged to give the feeling of woodland and the illusion of infinite space.

The choice of botanic species, the skilful use of balance, form and texture plus the element of surprise of the concealed groves are aesthetically pleasing.

The garden is a rare achievement for an urban garden, and created solely by Sir Harold White, Commonwealth and Parliamentary Librarian, and his wife Elizabeth.

It provided a meeting point for social interaction between isolated members of the early Canberra community, including politicians, diplomats and academics.

Classified by the National Trust of Australia (ACT) on 1 March 1990.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS (formerly Canberra Botanic Gardens); South Eastern slopes of Black Mountain, Clunies Ross Street, Acton, Canberra. Annexe at Jervis Bay (already Classified).

- The Australian National Botanic Gardens possess scientific, historic, social and aesthetic significance.

The Gardens are devoted to indigenous plants from each Australian State and Territory, and form the largest collection of Australian native flora in the world.

Their presence increases knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment of Australia's plant heritage by establishing a national collection of living and herbarium specimens of Australian native flora closely related plants for study, display and interpretation.

Historically the design and development of the Gardens have close association with Lindsay Pryor, influential Superintendant of Parks and Gardens.

The Gardens have become a haven for many native birds, and provide bird watching opportunities.

The Gardens provide recreational facilities which are enjoyed by many thousands of visitors, local and overseas, and its aesthetically pleasing setting offers panormaic views of the National Capital.

Classified by the National Trust of Australia (ACT) on 1 March 1990.

## THE BUDAWANGS REVEALED - Sunday 5 August 1990

The Budawangs are that great stretch of wilderness on the edge of the Southern Tablelands between Braidwood and Ulladulla. You will almost certainly have heard of them. This is your chance to experience their grandeur and the wildflowers.

Our full day walk covers 20km return, but it is all along a good track with no significant hills. A wide variety of vegetation is passed on route and the views become increasingly more breathtaking as one nears the destination - Admiration Point. This walk is guaranteed to whet your appetite to more adventures in the southern extremity of Morton National Park. The walk is suitable for families down to about 12 years of age. New members and friends of members welcome.

The ticket price includes a small celebration party at the end of the day.

#### 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.

#### TRUST PHOTOCOPYING SERVICE CHARGES

		Members	Non Members
Up to 10 copies		15¢ each	20¢ each
Above 10 copies	****	10¢ each	15¢ each

TRUST NEWS: is published approximately every 6 weeks.

Advertising: enquiries directed to the National Trust Office on 2810 711.

The Next Issue: will be published on Friday 10 August 1990 Closing Date For Copy: Monday 30 July 1990

Annual Subscription Rates: Single \$25
Household \$35
Students & Pensioners \$10

## SHOP FRONT

The Gift Shops have recently received a consignment of beautiful hand woven woollen ties and scarves for men. They may be purchased individually or in matching sets.

A selection of Ballarat pottery mugs, sugar bowls, cream jugs, teapots and coffee jugs are on sale, be early as there are only a few left in our Gift Shops.

Are you finding it difficult to keep the right coins for Canberra's ever increasing parking meters? The Gift Shops have a range of key purses to hold coins as well as keys. A useful gift for any motorist!

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

# THE GOVERNESS LETTERS FROM THE COLONIES 1862-1882

Patricia Clarke \$15.00

The sources used for this book were the records of the FMCES or Female Middle Class Emigration Society, particularly some hundreds of letters from women who went to look for "positions" as governesses in the Colonies, under its sponsorship. Maria Rye, the formidable humanitarian who got the Society going hadn't, it would seem from the letters, really researched out the Some governesses disappeared without trace, mainly in problems. Australia, New Zealand and South Africa; a few returned home defeated; several died very young. A handful of the more resourceful became school-teachers. Not one long-serving, happy governess emerges from the records. Educated, unmarried and "genteel" their new life in the more egalitarian society of the colonies proved even more ambivalent than it had been "back home". It is not really a very happy story. But, of course, the letters are utterly fascinating: uninhibited and confiding and revealing a wealth of different responses to the deprivations of the voyage, the shock of not being met on arrival, the success or failure of landing a position and the quite different styles of living. One who looked only for the bad notes was Rosa Phayne. "My impressions of Melbourne and the Colony are thoroughly unfavourable. I do not use too strong language when I say no one with tastes, habits or feelings of a lady should ever come out to Australia." Gertrude Gooch however, writing from Sydney soon after the Society started enthuses "This country must certainly one day become considerable among the Nations of the World. It was only 74 years this January since it was colonized and it is something quite extraordinary what has been accomplished in that time."

The letters have been edited and set into the social and political life of the times so skillfully by Patricia Clarke that the whole period comes alive through the pens of this extremely vunerable but largely brave group of Ladies.

### HOME WAS HERE

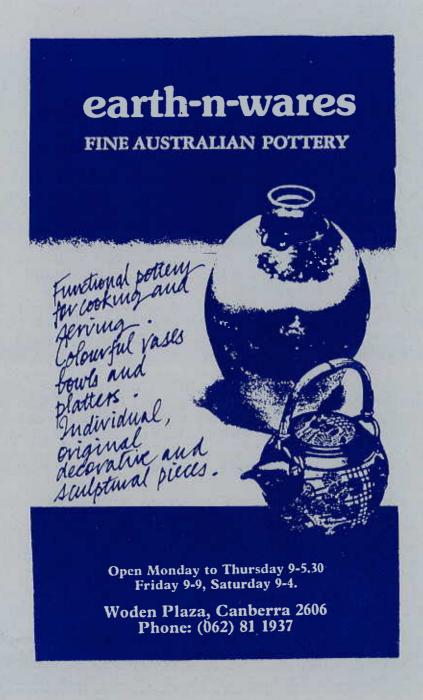
Mary Lane. Published by the Library of Australian History. 1987. \$23.00

Do not be put off by the rather sombre dust jacket of this book. The story it tells is anything but dull.

Edward and Winefred Redmond seemed to have everything against them in the Sydney of the 1800's. They were Irish. They had been transported for life. They were Catholic. Edward could not even sign his name and Winefred had a baby boy by a colourful Frenchman whom she had married on arrival but who had been sent back to England "for the most open, sedicious conduct". Never She and Edward found each other. They worked. They took every oportunity available to them. Above all, the author, their great-great-grand-daughter, believes they subscribed to the view that "Home is where the Heart is" - and the heart must be where the body is. Certainly Edward did extraordinarily well and by 1828 when their daughter Sarah married the Captain of an East India Company Merchantman he was able to build for them a really good home on the Hawkesbury. The young couple had ten children. The grand-parents came and went and the three generations seemed to have been most happy in each others company surviving droughts, floods, infant deaths, inept Governors and economic depressions in the way that large happy families usually do.

Lots of local colour and telling detail make "Home was Here" a vivid and romantic story and it is also, unobtrusively, an illuminating chronicle of the Convict System, of the expansion of Sydney and of Catholicism, in the new colony and the growth of a feeling amongst Emancipists and their children that Australia belonged to them.





## 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 relevent 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.

#### 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.

#### TRUST MEMBERSHIP OVERSEAS

Members planning an overseas holiday during the northern summer are reminded that reciprocal membership arrangments apply between the National Trust in Australian 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, (071-222 9251)

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

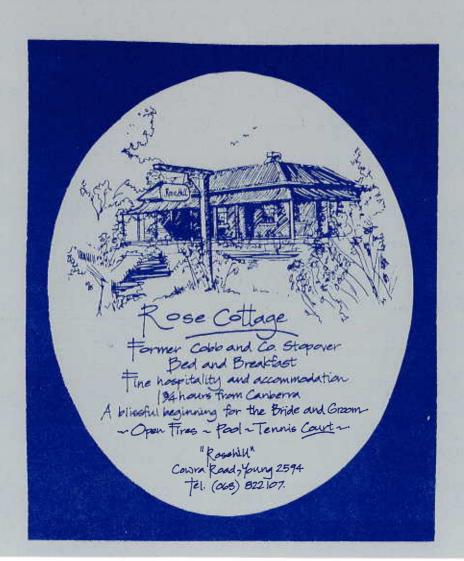
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NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN AMERICA: 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington DC 20036-20036-9979, (202-6734000).

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 and which are open to the public.



# THE BUDAWANGS REVEALED - Sunday 5 August 1990

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