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Editorial

For a community to have an effective system of protecting and conserving the things we want to keep, it is necessary for all elements in the community to play their part. This is particularly true of government agencies and community organisations like the National Trust. When the National Trust movement began in Australia there was little of what we would today call heritage legislation on the statute books. Gradually, and particularly since the 1970s, governments have enacted a range of laws and regulations designed to conserve our cultural and natural heritage. This has been both a process of reaction by governments to particular issues and a result of government inquiries where people have been invited to have their say. Community pressure, reaction and positive input to these processes has been important in helping to achieve the many positive features of our national body of heritage law.

Currently the ACT government has two major issues before the community on which it is seeking input. The first is a discussion paper on ACT heritage legislation reform. The second is a discussion paper on residential land use policies, design and siting codes, and subdivision codes. The Trust has made substantial submissions to both papers. Although the first paper, as its name implies, addresses the nature and content of specific heritage legislation for the ACT, it is the second paper that is perhaps of greater and more immediate concern to the Trust. Our President, Ken Taylor, referred to these concerns in his article on urban infill in the Autumn 2001 edition of *Heritage in Trust*. Ken stated that, if adopted, these policies will set in concrete (and the pun IS intended!) 'some of the worst aspects of blanket infill regulations'. Also of concern to Ken and the Trust is the likely impact that these regulations, if enacted, would have on the garden city character of Canberra.

These are vital issues for the future of Canberra and therefore of great interest to the Trust. As the Territory election approaches it is likely, given the prominence such issues have already enjoyed in the media, that further debate and public interest in the issues will occur. Trust members are encouraged to join in this debate and let Council know your views. Copies of our submissions to both papers are available at the Trust office.

Colin Griffiths
Heritage Officer

front cover: National Trust (ACT) Centenary of Federation Poster Competition First Prize winner by Tess Capezio (year 5) of Flynn Primary School. (See page 19.)

inside back cover (top): Poster Competition Second Prize winner by Eddy Davis (year 5) of Flynn Primary School

right: Third prize winner by Alison Campbell (year 5/6) of Fadden Primary School

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Our purpose is to identify places and objects that are significant to our heritage, foster public appreciation of those places and objects, and advocate their conservation.



and the whole darn thing was worked by

STEAM



by **Bruce Macdonald**

The whole darn thing was worked by steam — so go the words of a rather bawdy little ditty of years ago — probably because in those days steam power was the most common form of energy. On the sea it provided trade, on road and rail it provided transport, in factories it drove machinery and, as today, it generated electricity.

In 1913, at the beginning of the newly created Australian Capital Territory, steam was still supreme and it was required to play its part in the building of Canberra. The material for the project had to be brought in from distant places and so a railway was built from Queanbeyan. This was described in the Summer 2000 issue of *Heritage in Trust*.

Having arrived, the transport of the material to the building sites required the construction of roads. Steam powered equipment was purchased in the form of three light American built Keystone shovels or skimmers (figure 1). These, as the name implies, were used for shallow excavations in previously broken up surfaces. A large steam shovel made by the English firm of Ruston, Proctor was also purchased for the deeper excavations (figure 2). Other road forming was done by steam traction engines hauling heavy ploughs that were guided by a husky ploughman.

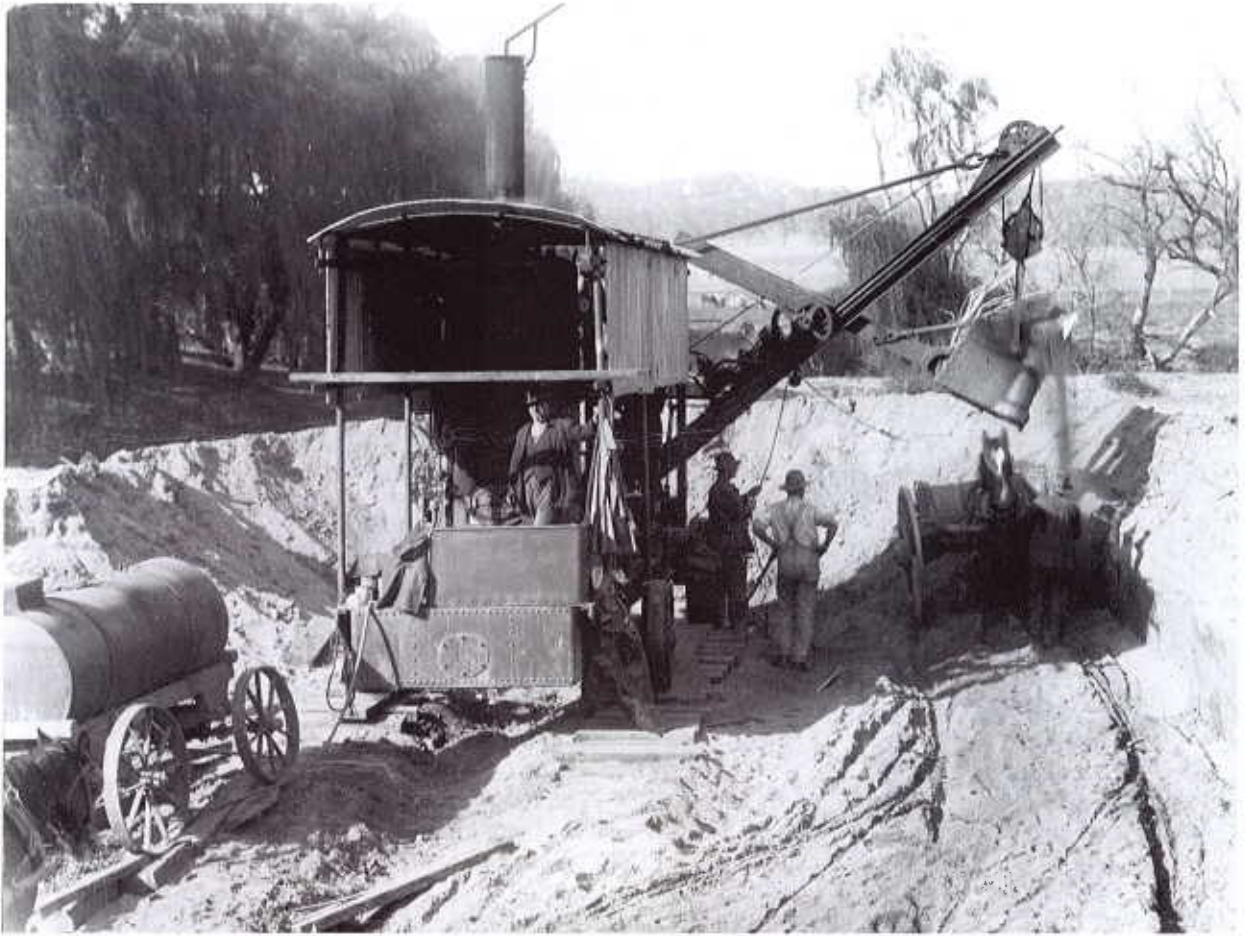
Traction engines were the forefathers of our present tractors and were large machines with a horizontal boiler, on top of which was mounted the steam engine which drove the two large rear wheels by means of a system of toothed gears.

figure 1: One of the three American “Keystone” excavators. All photographs are from the Mildenhall Collection.

These wheels had a series of steel strips across the circumference to give them grip. Steering was effected by the smaller front pair of wheels that swivelled and were connected by chains wound around a cross-shaft under the boiler. The cross-shaft was turned by a steering wheel up on the driving position and required some muscle power to operate. A supply of fuel was carried behind the driver and a supply of extra water in tanks beneath the boiler and also below the driving position.

Traction engines were to be the principal prime movers in the project. By 1925 eleven of them had been purchased. Due to the enthusiastic response to the project, a number of items were purchased second hand, mainly from Shire Councils. In some cases their complete assemblage of road-making equipment was purchased and consisted of the engine, a mobile rock crusher, large wagons and water cart. These machines represented the products of five English manufacturers, namely, Fowler, McLaren, Foden, Robey, and Burrell (figure 3). They were mainly used to pull large four-wheel wagons loaded with materials to the various building sites. However, they were also used for “house moving” (figure 4) and pile driving (figure 5).

For consolidation and surfacing of the roads a steam road-roller, of orthodox three roll form, was built in 1913 for Canberra by the Austral-Otis Engineering Co. of Melbourne and weighed 15 tonnes (figure 6). It was fitted with a spiked



scarifier at the rear which was comprised of a number of heavy spikes fitted into a frame that could be lowered to penetrate the ground surface and tear it up as the roller drove forward. This roller was supplemented in 1925 by a smaller eight tonne English Robey roller with two equal size rolls. This was faster and more manoeuvrable and was used for finishing tarred road surfaces (figure 7). The only steam truck purchased was an English Sentinel fitted with a tipping steel body (figure 8). It had a vertical boiler in the driver's cabin and steam was supplied to an enclosed highspeed engine beneath the body that drove by means of a chain to one of the rear wheels. The tipping was done by means of a hydraulic cylinder that was activated by steam from the boiler.

Additionally, three steam portable engines were acquired and taken around to various locations as required. These were similar to the traction engines but were not self-moving. They were the prime power source for machines and drove by means of a long endless leather belt on the circumference of the fly-

wheel. One, an English Marshall engine powered the machinery for the temporary brickworks. An English Brown & May was in use at the Cotter Dam construction (figure 9). So far there is no record of the specific work done by the third, an English Ruston, Proctor.

The supply of electricity originated at the powerhouse built at Kingston and completed in 1915. It housed two large vertical triple-expansion highspeed enclosed steam engines built

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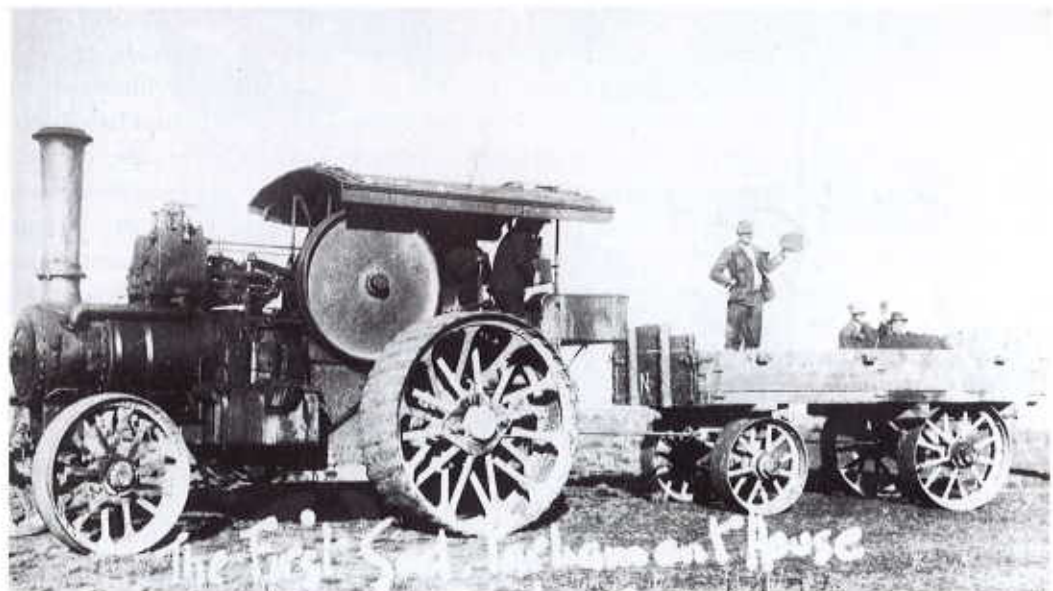




figure 2 (left): The Ruston, Proctor shovel excavating for a roadway.

figure 3 (below left): The Robey traction engine and wagon at the turning of the sod at the site of Old Parliament House.

figure 4 (above): A Fowler and a McLaren traction engine assist to move a community hall.

figure 5 (below): One of the 1925 Fowler engines operating a pile driving rig in the Woden Valley area. This engine is now exhibited at Lanyon.



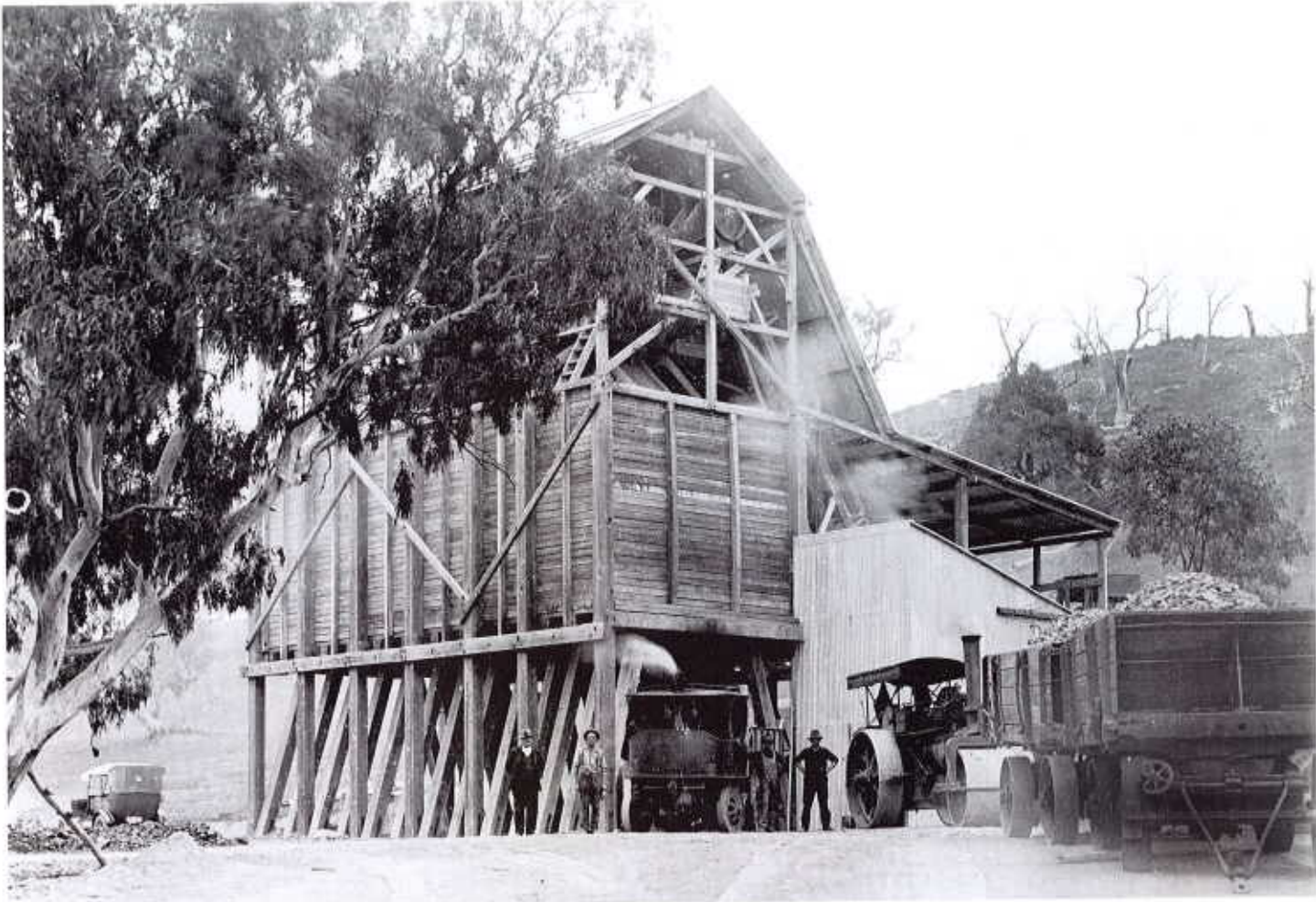


figure 6 (above): A scene at the Red Hill quarry bins, showing the Austral-Otis roller and the Sentinel waggon.
figure 7 (below): The Robey roller at work road surfacing at Kingston Shopping Centre.

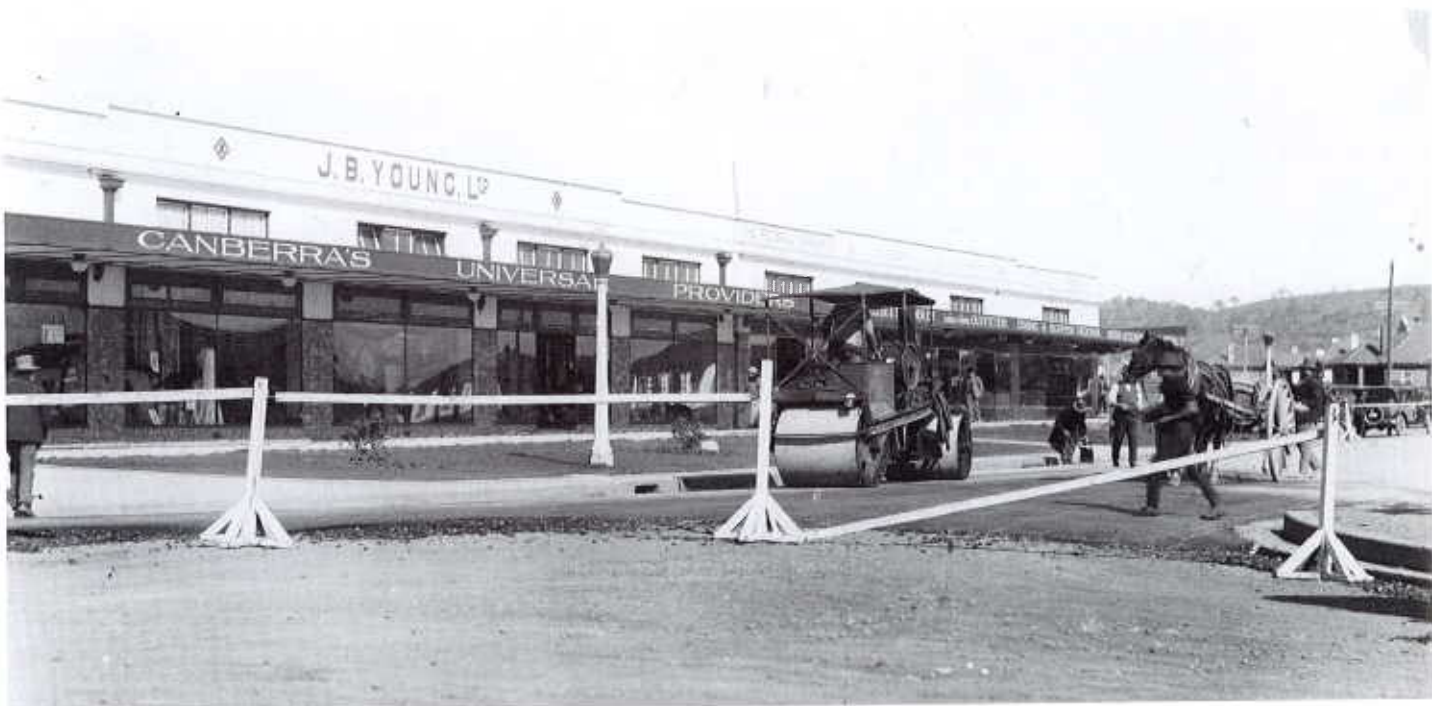
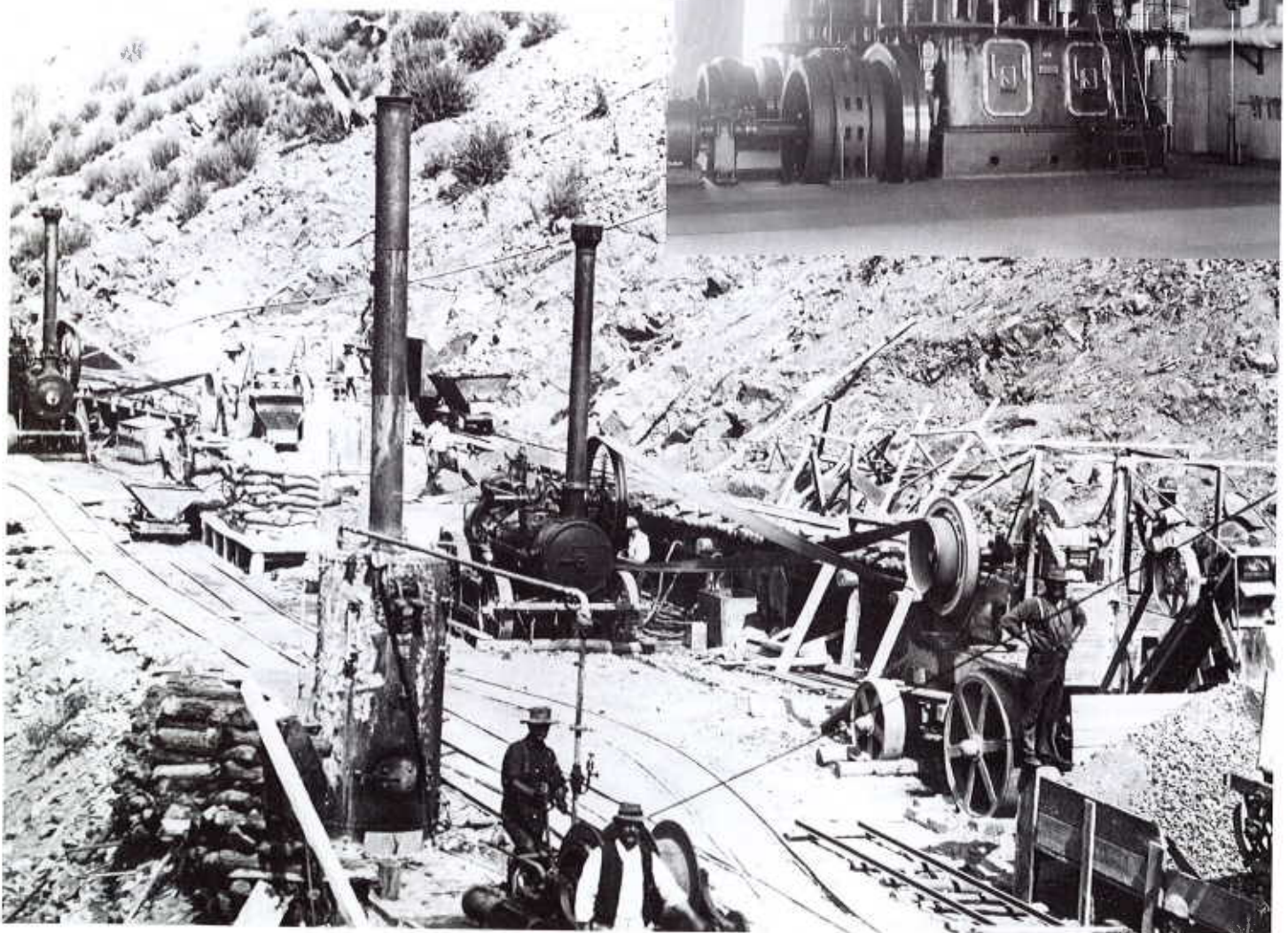
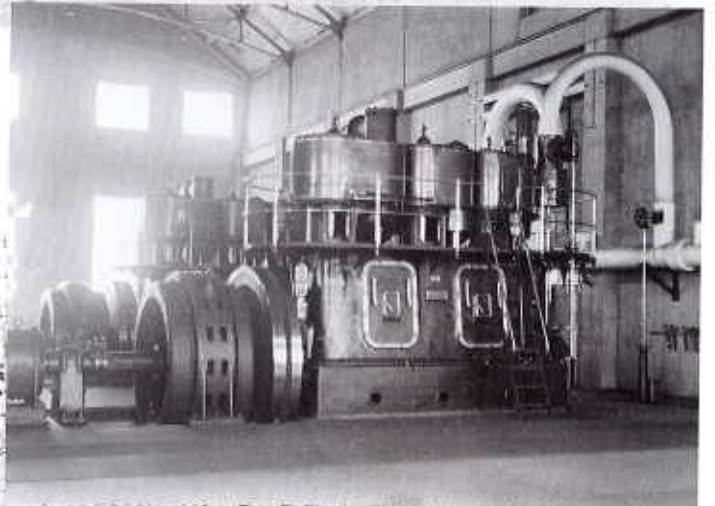
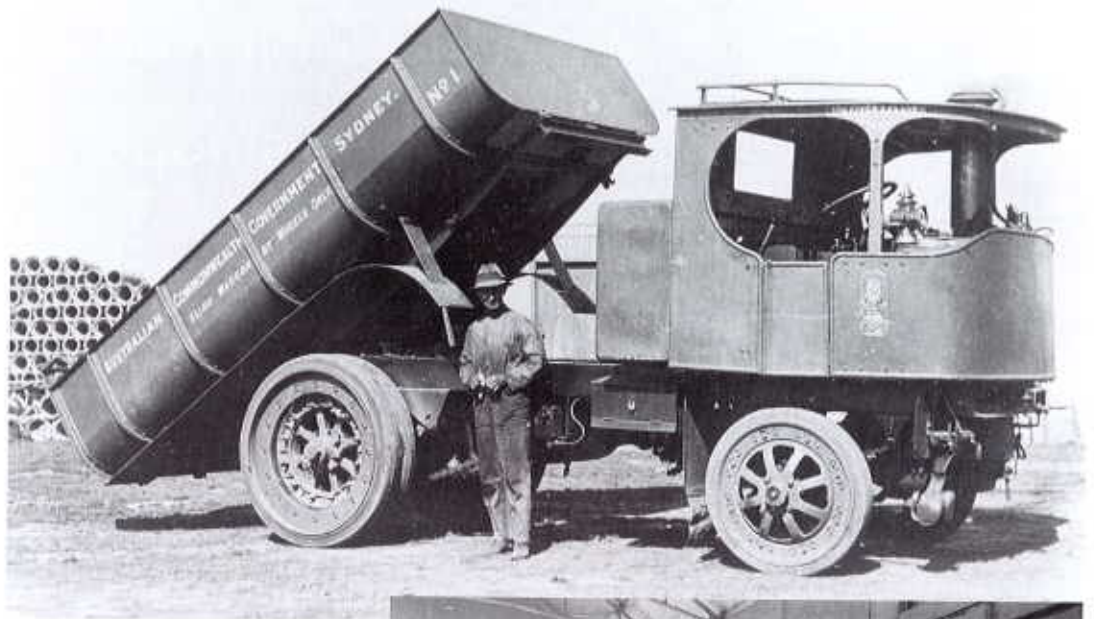




figure 8 (right): The Sentinel steam truck showing the tray in the tipping position.

figure 9 (below): A scene at the construction of Cotter Dam showing the Brown & May portable engine driving a rock crusher by means of a long belt. In the background another portable is driving a concrete mixer. In the foreground a vertical boiler supplies steam to a winch.

figure 10 (middle): A view of the Bellis and Morcom engines in Kingston Power House.





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by Bellis & Morcom of England (figure 10) and a smaller Robey vertical twin cylinder engine. Each was directly coupled to their respective alternators. Steam was supplied by four double-drum coal-fired boilers from Messrs. Babcock & Wilcox also of England. The generating equipment was supplemented in 1927 by a steam turbine driven alternator. This was more modern, but not as romantic as reciprocating steam engines which, by that time, were becoming obsolete internationally and being superseded by other forms of prime movers. A more detailed history of the power station is contained in the book *Canberra's Engineering Heritage* published by the institution of Engineers Australia, Canberra Division.

As the work progressed and more modern machinery became available, the older plant was sold off. The portable engine from the brickworks was sold to the Army at Holdsworthy in 1918 and the Cotter portable in 1922 to an unknown buyer. Number 3 Keystone excavator was sold in 1923. It is not known when the other two were sold. In 1924 the Sentinel wagon was fitted up as a mobile tar-spraying unit for road surfacing by substituting a large cylindrical tank in place of the normal body. This tank was fitted internally with steam coils that kept the tar liquefied. It was later sold to a garage proprietor at Bowning who used it as a mobile steam cleaner.

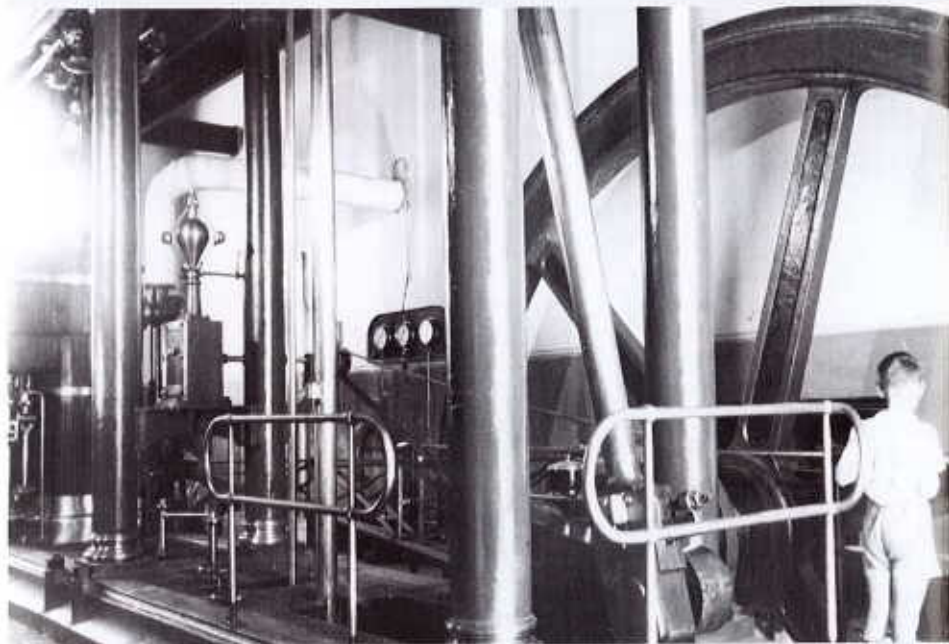
In 1925 two new traction engines were ordered from Fowlers in England and six traction engines reported as being worn out were approved for disposal. The record identifies five of them as being numbers 2, 3, 4, 6 and 9. Their disposal destination is clouded but some lived on for many years. In 1929 the steam shovel was sold to a Mr R. R. King and its further history is unknown at present.

No further disposals seem to have taken place until the mid 1940s when the two steam rollers and four traction engines were put up for sale at Kingston depot. The Austral Otis roller was

sold to Mr Colin Southwell of Hall, who told me that the only other bidder was a scrap merchant — this was unacceptable to Colin for sentimental reasons. The Robey and one of the large 1925 Fowler traction engines were sold to Mr T. A. Field of Lanyon. The other large Fowler was sold to a sawmiller at Reids Flat and a McLaren traction engine sold to Mr T. Gribble of Hall. Just what T.A. Field wanted with the Robey roller is

unknown. He was a bit of a steam buff and his action may have been as similarly motivated as Colin Southwell's, but it hasn't appeared at Lanyon or anywhere else to date. However, the other items all continued to serve a useful existence, including some of those that were "worn out" in 1925 and will be the subject of a further article tracing their discovery and restoration. ✱

AN EVENT AT GOULBURN

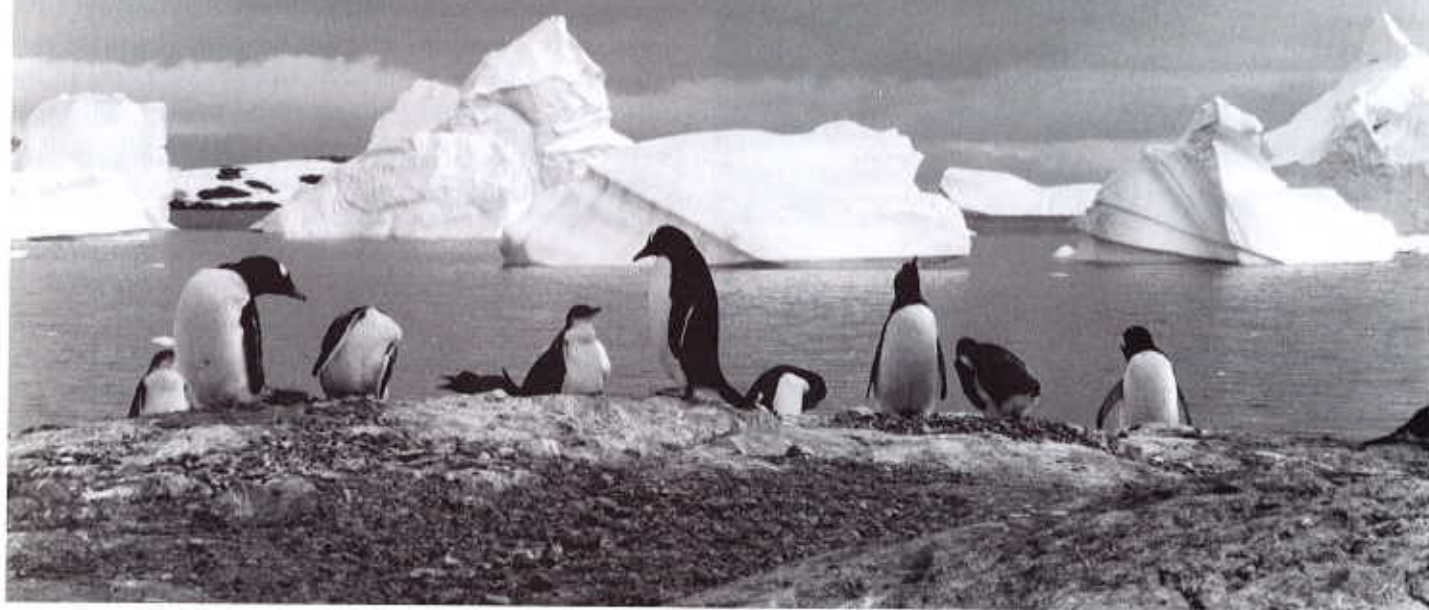


During the Labour Day holiday weekend (29, 30th September and 1st October) the steam pumping engine at the original Goulburn Waterworks will be operating as part of the local Lilac Festival. The pumping station was established in 1883 on the Wollondilly River on the western outskirts of the city, just off the Crookwell Road, to supply water to the township. The steam driven pumping engine was of the type known as a beam engine because of the large overhead rocking beam connected to the steam cylinders at one end and to the pump shaft at the other.

In 1918 the steam pump was superseded by electrically driven pumps and the building and engine were abandoned until it was "discovered" in 1957 and saved from being scrapped. It is now the only working example of the type in the Southern Hemisphere. During the past few months work has been done through the Goulburn City Council to re-establish its significance and develop the site as a historic precinct. As part of this plan a clearing sale of non-relevant steam and mechanical material will be conducted on site on September 8, in readiness for the operating days.



The National Trust tour to Patagonia and Antarctica



Early this year Diana Murrell accompanied a group of National Trust members on a tour of Patagonia and Antarctica that was led by Garth Setchell. This is her account of the adventure.

Our journey commenced in Buenos Aires in mid January with little indication of the natural wonders that lay in wait for us farther south. After a brief tour of the principal sights of the Argentine capital, we were soon in the air again, *en route* to Santiago de Chile. Here we were given a glimpse of a city at the heart of a thriving economy. It showed few signs of the political upheavals of the recent past. Indeed, the guards in the Presidential Palace, which had been bombed and strafed in the revolution of 1973, were happy to pose for photographs with us. However, the moveable barricades in the side streets off the main square suggested the military was prepared for any unrest.

Soon we were airborne again and travelling down the spine of the Andes to Punta Arenas in the far south of Chile. Along the way we marvelled at the snow-covered peaks and blue lakes below the aircraft and gained an appreciation of why Chile is sometimes called the Switzerland of the South. On the ground in Patagonia at last, it was clear that this landscape could live up to its reputation for being cold and windswept. As in Australia, sheep were the mainstay of the local economy for many years and the monuments of Punta Arenas celebrate the hardy *ovejeros* and their livestock.

We then travelled by bus to Puerto Natales, the jumping

above left: Gentoo Penguins, Cuverville Island, Antarctica

off point for hikers and climbers heading for the spectacular Torres del Paine National Park. The approaches to this area are guarded by the steep granite towers of varying bluish hues that give the Park its name. Here we were to have our first real walking excursion, a 25 kilometre return journey to the base of the peaks, climbing alternately through scree slopes and beech forest with a rapidly flowing river far below. There were numerous other people on this trail, mostly teenagers bearing huge backpacks who were clearly intending to camp along the extended walking tracks around the base of the mountains. The views were well worth the arduous climb and precipitous descent.

From the *hosteria* at Lago Grey, where we spent our three nights in the Park, one could catch sight of wondrous blue icebergs piled up on the nearest shores of the lake. These had broken from the snout of the nearby glacier that was slowly streaming down from the mountains which, in turn, were capped with magic lenticular clouds. The photographers amongst us had to be patient in order to capture the granite peaks in those rare moments that they were free of cloud.

Herds of guanacos roaming the lower slopes of the mountains provided a distraction from the soaring peaks above the teal-blue lakes and green valleys. Often one of these close relatives of the llamas could be seen standing sentinel on a prominent knoll, keeping watch for the puma, the guanacos'



above: Whalers' Bay, Deception Island (caldera), Antarctica
below Icebergs on the beach, Lago Argentino
photos — Diana Murrell

main predator. Occasionally, a majestic condor would be seen overhead, riding the updrafts from the mountainsides. Many flightless rheas and the occasional grey fox also crossed our path.

After a long journey across the windswept pampas we made our way to El Calafate, which was to be our base for the next two days' excursions around Lago Argentino, the largest lake in Argentina. Our first full day was spent aboard a modern twin-hulled boat that cruised the length of the Lake to the face of the Uppsala Glacier. Along the way we landed at a point where, following a short walk through an ancient beech forest, we picnicked by a bay strewn with small icebergs of various shapes, sizes and colours.

The next day we visited the Perito Moreno Glacier which was rather different from those we had seen the previous day. It rang out with sharp cracks like rifle shots, indicating that this mass of ice was indeed on the move. Every so often a giant sliver of ice would break from the glacier wall and plunge into the lake with smaller pieces shooting out like cannonballs. At the end of the boardwalk around the face of the glacier, a sign in Spanish stated that in previous years over 30 sightseers had been killed through their too close proximity to these explosions.

We next travelled from El Calafate to El Chalten, the only township in Los Glaciares National Park, where we were to undertake further hikes. The first of these was a day-long walk along the Fitz Roy River, named after the captain of HMS Beagle who, together with Charles Darwin, was the first European to explore this region. Our lunch stop was the glacial lake at the foot of Mount Fitz Roy, not far from a base camp for climbers who were waiting for suitable conditions to scale the high peaks. The icy wind from the lake and snow-swept mountains was a stark contrast to the relatively temperate weather we enjoyed during the walk in the woodland along the river's edge.

On the following day, some of us hiked up the mountain from the opposite side to another base camp for climbers. On the return journey we were overtaken by snow and sleet. On reaching the lower slopes the sun broke through and splendid views again opened up on all sides.

Leaving the village of El Chalten, we crossed the Badlands of Argentine Patagonia *en route* by bus to Rio Gallegos. After a short stay in this bustling seaside town with its sad echoes of the Falklands War, we boarded another aircraft for a rather rough flight down to Ushuaia, the capital of Tierra del Fuego at the southern most tip of South America. It was here that some of our group were to embark on our voyage to Antarctica, whilst the remainder would return north to the Bariloche Lake District for their

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TRAVELS WITH THE TRUST

2000/2001 was another successful year for Travels With The Trust. 29 activities were offered, although 3 of these did not attract enough interest to proceed. The total number of participants was 624 and the return to the Trust exceeded \$12,000. In theory, someone attending every activity that did proceed could have been occupied for a massive 123 days! The highlight was undoubtedly our very successful tour to Patagonia and the Antarctic Peninsula, but we also ran extended tours to South and Western Australia and even offered a garden tour to the UK and Wales.

LOWER SNOWY SPECTACULAR

Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 August 2001

A few places are still available on this self-drive activity which offers the chance to experience a truly grand piece of mountain scenery in the security of a group. The price includes overnight motel accommodation (with breakfast) or fully equipped cabins (without), plus a cave inspection, at Buchan, Victoria. The lower Snowy Gorge is quite beautiful in August, with lots of golden wattle contrasting with the blues, pinks and greys of the mountainsides. Our guided tour will take you from Dalgety through Suggan Buggan, concluding the day with a short walk to a waterfall in the Caves Reserve. Saturday dinner at the Buchan Hotel is at your cost. Sunday will commence with an inspection of the Royal Cave before we return home via Mackillops Bridge and Delegate. Although there is unavoidably lots of gravel, the surface is totally within the capability of conventional cars and is normally snow free. Urgent application essential.

LIMIT 25. BOOKINGS CLOSE 14 AUGUST.

TIDBINBILLA TREK

Sunday 9 September 2001

Regrettably this walk with Matthew Higgins is fully booked. The Trust Office can advise if any places become available.

THE SILK ROAD & KARAKORAM HIGHWAY

Please note the illustrated briefing at The Brassey of Canberra, commencing 5.30pm on Wednesday 12 September 2001.

RETURN TO THE HEYSEN TRAIL

Thursday 20 to Sunday 30 September 2001

This exclusive mini-coach tour, arranged through Australian Eco Adventures (formerly Adventure Wildlife & Park Treks), repeats last year's spectacular series of walks over 6 days along 7 quite diverse sections of South Australia's Heysen Trail. The longest walk (about 13km) is through Wilpena Pound. Others centre on the Aroona Valley in the north, Pichi Richi Pass, Alligator Gorge, the Adelaide Hills and Cape Jervis in the south. All walks are one-way and will be led by Garth Setchell. This is normally the optimum time for viewing wildflowers. Although individuals could omit one or more walks, a reasonable degree of fitness is obviously required of walkers. The tour price includes motel accommodation throughout, all meals, dinner drinks, a special dinner in Adelaide, visits to Burra, the Barossa, Hahndorf and several historic houses, plus a ride on the Pichi Richi Railway. 6 of the nights away are spent in 3 locations – Quorn, Wilpena and Adelaide. Cost ex Canberra \$2185pp dbl/tw, \$2600pp sgl.

LIMIT 15. FURTHER DETAILS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM GARTH SETCHELL. URGENT APPLICATION ESSENTIAL.

BUNGONIA BYWAYS

Sunday 7 October 2001

The Bungonia and Shoalhaven Gorges, both close to dreary Marulan, surprise everyone who has never been there before. A series of easy short walks will show you the stupendous Bungonia Slot and some interesting dolines (surface depressions that lead to limestone caves below). Our forward journey will take you to historic Bungonia by a good gravel road which skirts around Lake Bathurst. In the afternoon we will directly gaze down at the Shoalhaven (2000ft below) from Long Point Lookout. We will also have time to explore the remains of the large convict road gang encampment at Towrang. The price of this self-drive tour includes the usual parting celebration.

BOOKINGS CLOSE 3 OCTOBER.

ADELONG AND TUMUT

Sunday 21 October 2001

This full day 470km coach tour, with pick-ups from Deakin and Braddon, will take you to the following 3 gardens:

"Bundaleer", Gundagai, by courtesy Mr & Mrs Eccleston;

"Yurunga", Tumut, by courtesy Mrs Olive Knox; and

"Illarnes", Tumut, by courtesy Mr & Mrs Bigaran.

The tour price includes entry charges, morning and afternoon tea and a two course lunch at classified "Beaufort House" in Adelong. A highlight of the trip will be a guided tour of this very historic and pretty goldrush town, including the remains of the famous water-powered Reefer Battery at Adelong Falls. Both walkers and non-walkers will be catered for. Our return route will follow a very scenic route along the Tumut River to a bridge over the Murrumbidgee near Coolac.

LIMIT 46. BOOKINGS CLOSE & FULL PAYMENT REQUIRED BY 11 OCTOBER.

THE MACQUARIE RUN

Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 November 2001

Organised in conjunction with the Central West Regional Women's Committee of the National Trust (NSW), this coach tour offers a unique opportunity to inspect 7 great private houses in and around Bathurst. Only a few places remain.

On Saturday - "Westbourne", "Blackdown", "Cheshire" and "Alloway Bank", with a picnic lunch at historic Holy Trinity Church;

On Sunday - "Blair Athol", "Milleewa" and 2 Stephens Lane, with lunch at the historic Royal Hotel.

Regrettably requiring a 7.00am start on Saturday (to enable us to see all four houses), the price includes the cost of all meals, entries and teas, evening drinks at Miss Traill's Cottage, motel accommodation in Bathurst, and inspection of the garden of historic "Templemore" at Murringo (near Young) on the return. Although our forward journey will be direct (through Boorowa, Cowra and Blayney), the return journey will include Newbridge, Neville, Murringo and Binalong.

LIMIT 37. NEW BOOKINGS & PAYMENT OF BALANCES (FOR THE 31 PERSONS WHO HAVE ALREADY PAID A \$5 BOOKING FEE) DUE BY 24 AUGUST (AS WE HAVE TO COMMIT OURSELVES TO FINAL NUMBERS BY THEN).

THE GREAT TRAIN ESCAPE

3pm on Friday 9 to 10pm on Sunday 11 November 2001

Although possibly now booked out, please ring Garth Setchell if interested in this special diesel-hauled train tour organised by the Australian Railway Historical Society (ACT Division). PLEASE NOTE THE NEW DATES which are different to those previously advertised. The train travels overnight to Muswellbrook, thence by day to Gulgong (via the Sandy Hollow line). After lunch, coaches will take people on a tour of local wineries, gardens, etc, between Gulgong and their overnight motel accommodation in Mudgee. On Sunday the train returns home via the recently reopened Mudgee line and the Blue Mountains. All inclusive costs range upwards from about \$630pp. FOR THE 47 WHO HAVE ALREADY PAID DEPOSITS, DO NOT FORGET THAT BALANCES (PAYABLE TO ARHS TOURS, PO BOX 1615, QUEANBEYAN NSW 2620) ARE DUE BY 6 SEPTEMBER.

BOBUNDARA AND MYALLA

Saturday 17 November 2001

"Bobundara", by courtesy of well-known garden historian and photographer, Trisha Dixon, and "Myalla", by courtesy of James & Barbara Litchfield, are two of the oldest properties on the Monaro. Both gardens are being opened under Australia's Open Garden Scheme and our coach tour will take you to both. This is a rare opportunity, not to be missed. Lunch will be at the Snowy River Fibre Centre, Dalgety where quality mohair and woollen goods can be bought. A number of artisans will also be displaying their wares at "Bobundara". Our price includes entries, lunch with a glass of wine and morning tea in Cooma. The coach will pick up from Braddon, Deakin and Erindale at civilised times.

LIMIT 46. BOOKINGS CLOSE & FULL PAYMENT REQUIRED BY 5 NOVEMBER.

THE GRAND TRAVERSE

Wednesday 13 to Friday 22 February 2002

Sufficient expressions of interest having been received, arrangements for this 6 day/5 night guided trek on the South Island of New Zealand are now proceeding through Just Travel. The acclaimed 73km walk combines the Greenstone Valley and Routeburn Trails, with 2 relatively easy days to build up steam, followed by a rest day, then 2.5 harder days. The longest day's trekking is only 18km, with the greatest ascent about 500m. Because of cancellation of our NZ rail/ coach tour through lack of interest, THE TREK DATE HAS BEEN BROUGHT FORWARD. Costs of the trek have also been pruned. If we get a few more bookings, total costs (Canberra return) around \$A2500pp are possible including all meals on the trek, all other B&B accom, a coach tour with lunch between Christchurch and Queenstown and a 2-day mini-bus hire after the trek. Further cost reductions are available for those using frequent flyer points or interested in the trek segment only.

PROBABLE LIMIT 12. \$15 BOOKING FEE PLUS \$185 DEPOSIT REQUIRED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

THE SILK ROAD & KARAKORAM HIGHWAY

September/October 2002

This is the first notice of our next great prospective overseas adventure. Commencing in Beijing, we plan to spend almost 2 weeks traversing northern China from east to west by train and coach, visiting such famous places as the Great Wall, Xian, the Yellow River, Labrang Monastery, Jaiyu Fort, the massive Mingsha Dunes, and the Mogao and 1000 Buddha Caves. From Urumqi we will fly over the Tian Shan Mountains to Central Asia, where from fabulous Khiva we will travel by coach to such exotic Silk Road cities as Bukhara, Samarkand and Tashkent. The last 2 weeks of our tour will take us by coach from Bishkek in Kyrgyzstan across the historic Torugart Pass to Kashgar in China and then past the Pamirs and over the mighty Karakoram Range (4709m at the Khunjerab Pass) into the Vale of Hunza and Pakistan.

Assuming at least 15 bookings, a cost between \$A9,500 and \$A10,000pp at current exchange rates is indicated for this 5 weeks tour. This includes flights with Thai International to Beijing and from Lahore, all internal travel, English speaking guides and most meals. The tour has been run twice before by World Expeditions (Lic 2TA001418), the travel agent used on our 2 highly successful tours to South America. Visas and travel insurance are likely to cost about \$A600 extra. Apart from a couple of unavoidably basic nights, good to reasonable ensuite accommodation is generally available and train and coach travel is quite comfortable. Travel in these parts is currently quite safe and the tour is suitable for anyone of good health. Garth Setchell will accompany the tour. For those with concern about cost, shortened packages (eg concluding or starting in Central Asia) may be possible.

PROBABLE LIMIT 22. TO GUARANTEE A PLACE, PLEASE LODGE A \$50 FULLY REFUNDABLE BOOKING FEE. A \$300 DEPOSIT WILL SUBSEQUENTLY BE REQUIRED TO SECURE YOUR BOOKING. AN ILLUSTRATED BRIEFING SESSION WILL BE HELD AT THE BRASSEY OF CANBERRA FROM 5.30PM ON WED 12 SEPTEMBER 2001 FOR ANYONE POTENTIALLY INTERESTED. RSVP TO TRUST OFFICE BY 10/9/01 OR IF LODGING A BOOKING FEE.

ADVANCE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Spring Cherry Blossom Tour to Japan

April 2002

Mike Hodgkin will be leading a tour to Japan to view the spring cherry blossom next Australian autumn. To reserve a place and receive further details as soon as they are available, send a refundable deposit of \$15 per person.



Forthcoming tour: return to the Heysen Trail, the Flinders Ranges near Wilpena Pound

TRAVELS WITH THE TRUST

APPLICATION FORM

Please post this form to the Ticket Secretary, National Trust of Australia (ACT), PO Box 3173, Manuka ACT 2603, together with one long stamped, self-addressed envelope for each activity being applied for. Although requests for further details will be posted out as soon as possible, please note that activity leaflets, receipts, etc, are normally only posted out a few weeks before each activity. Payment may be made by cheque, cash or credit card. Unless otherwise stated, cheques should be made payable to the National Trust (ACT). Phone bookings to the Trust Office will be noted but can only be assured if credit card and tour specific details (eg. pick-up point) are given simultaneously.

Places are reserved in order of payment. **EARLY APPLICATION ASSISTS US WITH ARRANGEMENTS.** Where booking fees are invited, places are reserved in order of receipt, provided subsequent payments are received by the date(s) advised for payment.

Whilst the Trust makes every effort to ensure the quality and safety of the walks and tours on offer, applicants apply at their own risk. In order to ensure that applicants for the more expensive tours receive protection under the Travel Compensation Fund against default by external suppliers and agents, and acting on the advice of the ACT Registrar of Agents, payments for such tours (other than the Trust's booking fees) will need to be paid to the relevant travel agent. Details will be advised to each applicant.

Where offered, the junior (junr) rate applies to children (10 yrs +) and to full-time students, the senior (senr) rate applies to senior citizens and pensioners, and the adult (adlt) rate applies to all others. A surcharge is generally applied to all non-members (nonm) of the Trust (including U3A members) to encourage Trust membership. All quoted prices include GST. Unless otherwise indicated, a minimum fee of \$4 (at cost after the "Bookings Close" date) will be retained on any cancellation refunds.

Queries may be addressed to the Trust Office (ph 02-62395222) or to our Tours Coordinator, Garth Setchell (ph/fax 02-62901100). Please try to limit calls to business hours.

SURNAME OF APPLICANT _____ TITLE _____ INITIALS _____ M'SHIP NO _____

ADDRESS OF APPLICANT _____

PHONE (H) _____ (W) _____

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (eg. vegetarian, ground floor accommodation) _____

LOWER SNOWY SPECTACULAR – Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 August 2001

All persons requiring sgl motel accom	_____ pers	@ \$105 pp	= \$ _____
All persons requiring dbl/tw (pl circle) motel accom	_____ pers	@ \$85 pp	= \$ _____
All persons requiring cabin accom – 2p/cabin	_____ pers	@ \$85 pp	= \$ _____
All persons requiring cabin accom – 3p/cabin	_____ pers	@ \$76 pp	= \$ _____
All persons requiring cabin accom – 4p/cabin	_____ pers	@ \$72 pp	= \$ _____
U3A or non-member surcharge.....ADD TO RELEVANT BASE RATE.....	_____ pers	@ \$3 pp	= \$ _____

Transport offered/requested. Please state numbers _____

Names of others covered by this application: _____

-----SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

RETURN TO THE HEYSEN TRAIL - Thursday 20 to Sunday 30 September 2001

All persons requiring sgl motel accom	_____ pers	@ \$2600 pp	= \$ _____
All persons requiring dbl/tw (pl circle) motel accom	_____ pers	@ \$2185 pp	= \$ _____

NB (Post cheques to National Trust but make payable to Australian Eco Adventures). If you have previously paid a \$15pp Booking Fee, deduct \$15pp from your payment.

Names of others covered by this application: _____

-----SUB-TOTAL \$ _____

BUNGONIA BYWAYS – Sunday 7 October 2001

All persons qualifying for junior rate	_____ junr	@ \$10 pp	= \$ _____
All National Trust ordinary members	_____ adlt	@ \$16 pp	= \$ _____
All National Trust senior members	_____ senr	@ \$15 pp	= \$ _____
Non-member or U3A surcharge.....ADD TO RELEVANT BASE RATE	_____ nonm	@ \$1 pp	= \$ _____

Transport offered/requested. Please state numbers _____

Names of others covered by this application: _____

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ADELONG AND TUMUT – Sunday 21 October 2001

All National Trust ordinary members	_____ adlt	@ \$84 pp	= \$ _____
All National Trust senior members	_____ senr	@ \$82 pp	= \$ _____
U3A or non-member surcharge.....ADD TO RELEVANT BASE RATE.....	_____ pers	@ \$3 pp	= \$ _____

Coach pick-up point. Pl tick – Deakin _____ Braddon _____

Names of others covered by this application: _____

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Travels with the Trust

THE MACQUARIE RUN – Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 November 2001

All persons requiring sgl motel accom pers @ \$265 pp = \$ _____
 All persons requiring dbl/tw (pl circle) motel accom pers @ \$240 pp = \$ _____
 Senior Trust member discount..DEDUCT FR RELEVANT BASE RATE pers @ \$5 pp = \$ _____
 U3A or non-member surcharge.....ADD TO RELEVANT BASE RATE..... pers @ \$5 pp = \$ _____
 If you have previously paid a \$5pp Booking Fee.....DEDUCT pers @ \$5 pp = \$ _____
 Coach pick-up point. Pl tick – Deakin ___ Civic ___
 Names of others covered by this application: _____

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THE GREAT TRAIN ESCAPE – 3pm Friday 9 to 10pm Sunday 11 November 2001

PLEASE CHECK AVAILABILITY AND PRICES WITH GARTH SETCHELL – Ph 02-62901100

BOBUNDARA AND MYALLA – Saturday 17 November 2001

All National Trust ordinary members adlt @ \$74 pp = \$ _____
 All National Trust senior members senr @ \$72 pp = \$ _____
 U3A or non-member surcharge.....ADD TO RELEVANT BASE RATE..... pers @ \$3 pp = \$ _____
 Coach pick-up point. Pl tick – Braddon ___ Deakin ___ Erindale ___
 Names of others covered by this application: _____

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THE GRAND TRAVERSE – Wednesday 13 to Friday 20 February 2002

Booking fee to reserve place/receive further details pers @ \$15 pp = \$ _____
 (refundable in full if not proceeding)
 Deposit to confirm place - payable National Trust (ACT pers @ \$185 pp = \$ _____
 Names of others covered by this application: _____

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THE SILK ROAD AND KARAKORAM HIGHWAY – September/October 2002

Booking fee to secure place/receive further details pers @ \$50 pp = \$ _____
 (refundable in full if not proceeding)
 Please advise numbers attending the briefing on 12 September ___
 Names of others covered by this application: _____

PROSPECTIVE CHERRY BLOSSOM TOUR OF JAPAN

Booking fee to secure place/receive further details pers @ \$15 pp = \$ _____
 (refundable in full if not proceeding)
 Names of others covered by this application: _____



RECENT TOURS

above: In for the short Hall, soaking up the local history at Hall.

right: Upper Hunter Tour, *Thornwaite*, Scone.





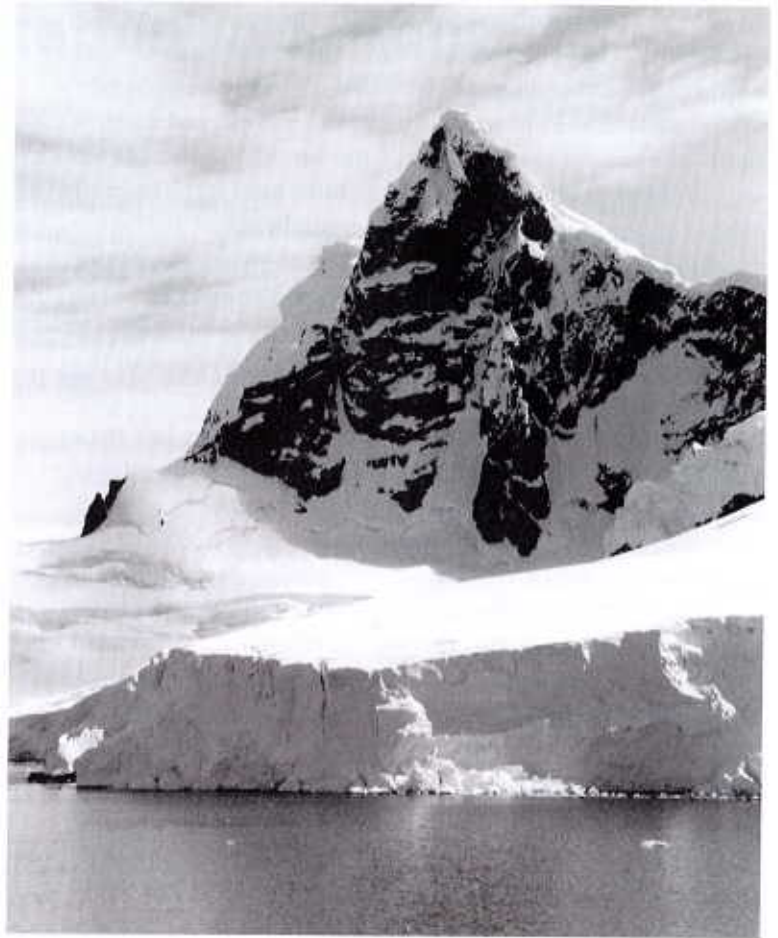
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own adventures. A 'last supper' was held in the sumptuous dining room of the Del Glaciar Hotel before the 15 intrepid 'expeditioners' (as we learnt to call ourselves) boarded our Russian ship *Professor Molchanov*. Moored alongside a cruise ship and an icebreaker her 72 metre length and shallow draft did not inspire confidence, knowing that we were about to cross the Drake Passage, one of the most treacherous stretches of ocean in the world.

The voyage began with a delightful cruise down the Beagle Channel. Contrary to expectations, the outward 36 hour journey across open waters was as calm as the proverbial mill pond. Nevertheless, it took some of us a while to get our sea legs and begin to enjoy the experience. There was a competition to guess the timing and bearings of the first iceberg to be sighted, tips on Antarctic photography, lectures about seabirds, polar explorers and other advice on ecotourism. Albatross, petrels and gulls weaved about at the stern of the boat and it was not long before we saw penguins porpoising along in the open ocean. Then suddenly we were in the South Shetland Islands and about to make our first landfall at Robert Island. Our lessons in preparing for embarkation in the Zodiacs were put into practice in a rising swell but we were all so keen to get ashore that these conditions could not deter us. No sooner had we reached the beach that we encountered a group of dozing elephant seals, feisty Antarctic fur seals, paddling Chin-strap penguins, nesting skuas, gulls and petrels.

Our next venture onto the Antarctic mainland was at Brown Bluff. As we came ashore it was snowing gently and we were greeted by fearless little groups of Gentoo and Adelie penguin chicks. They disported themselves among the tourists and pecked in a desultory manner at our packs and boots, looking for anything edible. After an hour or two ashore, we re-boarded the zodiacs for a cruise around the ice floes in the bay, all of which were surmounted by dozens of adult Adelie penguins. Angling their heads back and forth they seemed to be debating whether to leap into the water to escape these intruders in strange craft. Most of them stood their ground as we drifted by, craning our necks and clicking our cameras excitedly.

The following day we went ashore at Paulet Island among thousands of Adelie penguins whose hygiene levels left much to be desired. So densely clustered were the birds that we had to pick our way carefully between them over sharp rocks made slippery by the pink-coloured remnants of krill from the birds' diet. Nothing could have prepared us for the odours that assailed us that day as we considered how the crew of a Scandinavian Antarctic expedition, stranded near the Island in 1903, had managed to survive in such inhospitable conditions. The poignant remains of Captain Larssen's stone hut were seen in the midst of the penguin colony. Mercifully, the



Gerlache Strait, Antarctica. photo — Diana Murrell

crew was rescued from their ordeal. Larsen, however, went on to pioneer the rapacious whaling industry in the southern oceans, the remnants of which can still be seen in some otherwise deserted bays of Antarctica.

Given the good weather conditions, we decided to penetrate as far as possible into the normally icebound Weddell Sea. This proved to be one of the most fascinating parts of the journey. Overnight our redoubtable Russian captain took us to the edge of the icecap and the morning dawned with the *Professor Molchanov* anchored offshore from an Argentine base on Seymour Island. This island has yielded a prolific crop of fossils, including the bones of a 40 million year old marsupial from the original Gondwanaland, proving that the forerunners of our own fauna migrated overland from the Americas to Australia.

A fluent Spanish speaker amongst our US contingent helped our expedition leader negotiate with the local commander who allowed us to visit the base that morning. It was reached by scaling a steep cliff. Unfortunately, before all the zodiacs returned, a snowstorm set in and pancake ice began to congeal in the sea around the ship. As soon as everyone was aboard, we hastily set off to the north again and most of the next 24 hours was spent navigating in and around the pack ice. From an open bridge, it was spellbinding to watch the crew extricate *Molchanov* from this frozen seascape.



The next days were occupied in a succession of landings on Beak, Deception, Astrolabe and Cuverville Islands, and on the mainland itself, as we travelled down the western side of the Antarctic Peninsula. Every landing offered us new sights and sensations, if it wasn't the birds and animals we encountered, it was the rock formations, glaciers, lakes and other topographical features. A highlight was a barbecue on the stern of the ship as we sailed down the Le Maire Channel late one afternoon to the accompaniment of a dazzling sunset reflected off the nearby mountains and icebergs. The resulting photographs could not really do justice to the sights we saw that evening.

Finally, we spent some time ashore with a very laid-back Weddell seal at Portal Point, and, after inspecting the minute marine life in the tidal pools, we returned to the ship to start the journey back to Ushuaia. *En route* we drifted for an hour or so whilst two Humpback whales circled close to the ship feeding on the rich harvest of krill. The weather was remarkably mild and the sea sparkling as we threaded our way back through the South Shetland Islands and once more into the Drake Passage. Meanwhile, new friendships were forged among the many other Australians, Americans, Britons and Kiwis on board as we had all been privileged to share in one of the world's great journeys. The Drake Passage was almost as calm on the return journey as it had been on the outward crossing and soon the renowned Cape Horn came into view. Amid rain showers and a heavy swell, silvery dolphins leapt around the bow of the ship.

As the evening wore on, *Molchanov* again entered the mouth of the Beagle Channel, arriving in Ushuaia in the early morning to be greeted by a crisp, clear sunny day with the mountains to the north bearing a fresh coating of snow. Hasty farewells were made to our captain and crew who had taken such good care of us for the past ten days. We were then whisked away to the airport for the flight back to Buenos Aires and a reunion with our companions from the Patagonian leg of the journey. We were not quite prepared for the heat wave in the city and its bustling crowds were a marked contrast with the uninhabited and pristine part of the world we had so recently left behind. The abiding memory of Antarctica is one of the isolation and wonder that come from visiting this last true bastion of peace and wilderness. ♣

Annual General Meeting

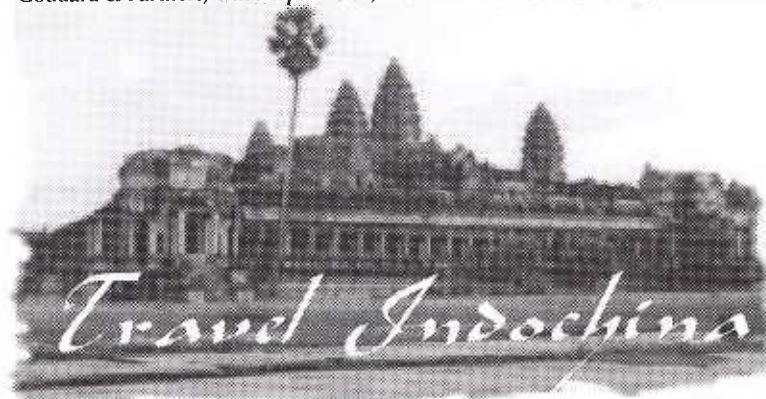
The National Trust of Australia (ACT) will be holding its Annual general Meeting on Thursday 22nd November 2001. The time and location will be advised in the next issue of *Heritage in Trust*.

In accordance with the Trust's Articles of Association, one half of the elected members of Council retire at the Annual General Meeting. The following members of Council retire but are eligible for re-nomination:

Mr Eric Martin
Mr Garth Setchell
Mr Michael Moreing
Mr John McDonald
Mr Alan Kerr
Dr Robert Boden

Nominations are invited. Candidates for membership of the Council must be members of the Trust and be nominated by two other members. Nominations must reach the Honorary Secretary by 22nd October 2001. Each such nomination must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of the candidate proposed, or such other evidence of consent as may be accepted by the Honorary Secretary. Nomination forms are available from the Trust Office, phone 6239 5222.

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- Vietnam – 18 days from 4 April 2002: 2 places available.
- Vietnam – 18 days from 14 February: newly scheduled departure – only 12 places.

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Heritage Education in Schools

The Heritage Education in Schools Program 2001 was developed by the Heritage Unit (Environment ACT) in partnership with Historic Places ACT (Lanyon, Calthorpes' House and Mugga Mugga managed by the Cultural Facilities Corporation) to provide a program of teacher education and support. It also gave school children the opportunity to develop an awareness and understanding of their local heritage and to increase their involvement in the ACT Heritage Festival that was held in April.

The program was an exciting initiative that joined the fields of heritage and education in Australian Capital Territory (ACT) primary schools. The Heritage Unit, Environment ACT and Historic Places (ACT) jointly sponsored the Program. The ACT Department of Education and Community Services, the ACT Heritage Library, the Canberra and District Historical Society and the National Trust of Australia (ACT) also supported the project.

This was the first time that a concerted effort has been made to bring heritage education to the classroom by combining various ACT heritage organisations and their resources. A project officer was employed to coordinate the various resources available.

Expressions of interest were received from 11 schools over a short registration period. Eight schools comprising 11 teachers and 313 Year 4, 5 and 6 students were selected to participate in the program. The schools that participated in 2001 were Ainslie Primary School, Burgmann Anglican School, Fraser Primary School, Giralang Primary School, Macquarie Primary School, Rivett Primary School, Southern Cross Primary School and St Benedict's Primary School, Narrabundah.

As part of the program a teachers' in-service was held. This was a day packed with an extensive list of guest speakers that finished with a site study of Civic, and St John's Cemetery, Reid. Teachers then left the day brimming with ideas, resources and contacts and went back to the classroom to work with great enthusiasm and diligence to plan and conduct a class research project on the school's 'local' heritage. In a short period of class time, teachers and students utilised a range of local heritage resources.

Giralang Primary School focused on Palmerville, the farming property near their school. Students rode their push-bikes to the site where National Trust of Australia (ACT) consultants Ms Carol Cosgrove and Dr Peter Dowling led the group on a site study.

Southern Cross Primary School, Rivett Primary School and St Benedict's Primary School focused on contemporary heritage by looking at their school since its origins to the present day and/or the personal heritage of students.

Ainslie Primary School tackled oral history and interviewed eight local residents in a highly well organised project.

Fraser Primary School examined four distinct phases of the suburb's heritage. A strong bond formed between one local resident and the school as a result of the project.

Burgmann Anglican School conducted extensive site studies of the Gribble Homestead adjacent to the school. The students became excellent tour guides for the site, full of enthusiasm for, and knowledge of the history of the site and the Gribble family.

Macquarie Primary School combined modern technology with a traditional site study to research the nearby Weetangera Cemetery.

After six weeks of exhaustive work, the schools came together in a 'Hands on Heritage' Day at Lanyon Homestead on 4th April 2001. The projects undertaken by each group were on display in the Education Centre at Lanyon on the day and to the public over the following three weeks. Two dramatic role-plays by Rivett Primary School and Burgmann Anglican School were presented and were very well received by the audience.

The 'Hands on Heritage' Day also provided the opportunity for students to experience how people lived. They discovered how domestic life was in days gone by — how to wash and iron clothes in the 19th century way or how to live off the land. They experienced either a convict role-play or a mock 1901 bush school and learned about the ways in which we learn about the past. Mr Brendan Smyth, Minister for Urban Services presented each school with a certificate of participation. A National Trust of Australia (ACT) volunteer, Mr John Gouch, led a study of the Lanyon cemetery.

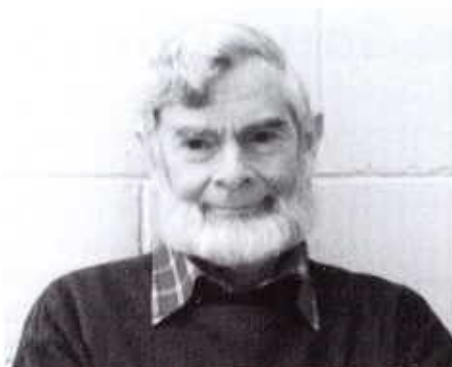
The Heritage Education in Schools Program 2001 was a great success in combining the extensive local heritage resources available with enthusiastic teachers, keen students and ACT government and community organisations. Our thanks go to the National Trust of Australia (ACT) staff and volunteers who contributed in many ways, such as research support and leading school groups.

For further information on the Heritage Education in Schools Program contact the Heritage Unit, Environment ACT on (02) 6207 2417. ♣

Jennifer Forest



Ken Charlton awarded Membership of the Order of Australia



Ken Charlton's appointment as a Member of the Order of Australia was announced in the Queen's Birthday 2001 Honours List. The citation for the honour was: 'For service to architectural heritage conservation, particularly in the Australian Capital Territory, and to the community'.

Ken completed an architecture diploma course in Newcastle in 1961 and while converting it to a University of New South Wales Degree began voluntary building work for the Youth Hostels Association of NSW to expand its network of modest hostels into the Hunter Valley. Ken was a member of YHA's Newcastle Planning Committee, which converted the ruined 1846 church at Carrington on Port Stephens into a hostel. At the same time he was assisting the Hunter Regional Trust, formed in 1962 to promote the appreciation of local historic buildings. He was a member of its council in 1964/5, and its Honorary Architect for alterations that turned Maitland's Grossman House into a house museum. The Trust was later absorbed into the National Trust of Australia (NSW).

Early in 1965 Ken travelled through Asia and Europe to see the world and represent Australian YHA at the International Youth Hostels' Federation conference in Poland and the 1966 conference in Austria. He worked for a London architect, and returned to Australia in 1967.

In Sydney he was elected to the Council of the YHA of NSW and appointed its Honorary Architect. He agreed to design a new 32 bed youth hostel for Canberra. This was the

benchmark against which the standards of future hostels were compared; it opened in its bush setting at O'Connor in 1968.

Ken met and married Marilyn in Sydney. In 1972 they travelled through Asia, Siberia and Scandinavia to England where Ken studied at the Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies in York. There he completed the University of York Diploma in Conservation Studies, then gained experience working on architectural heritage projects in Gloucestershire. He and Marilyn returned in 1975, settling in Canberra.

Although the Australian Heritage Commission was set up in 1976, because of staffing limitations it was not until 1979 that Ken filled a position there. His work entailed assessment of places for entry into the Register of the National Estate and advising on Commonwealth proposals affecting them. Many of those places and proposals were in the ACT. About 1992 the Commission considered moving into Old Parliament House, which Ken eagerly anticipated, but it was not to be. He continued working in a modern building as a Senior Conservation Of-

ficer until he retired in 1996.

The organisation of professionals concerned with the care of places of cultural significance, the Australian National Committee of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (Australia ICOMOS), was formed in 1976. Ken became a member a few years later and he has been the Public Officer since its incorporation in 1984. He has been involved in the development of the Burra Charter, the basis of cultural heritage conservation practice in Australia, and its acceptance by the Commonwealth government. Another professional body, the Society of Architectural Historians, Australia and New Zealand, was formed in 1984. Ken was a founding member and served on the Executive Committee as Membership Secretary from 1989 to 1991.

An Associate of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects from 1964 until elevated to a Fellow in 1974, Ken has undertaken voluntary work assessing the architectural significance of Canberra's buildings for the ACT Chapter of the Institute's Register of Significant Twentieth Century Architecture since its inception in 1982. Ken also helped organise the Chapter's Marion Mahony Griffin Measured Drawing Competition from 1986 to 1996 while on its committee. He was on juries for a Conservation Award in 1987 and a 25 Year Award in 1998, and has been a member of the Chapter's Heritage Committee, drafting comments on proposals affecting Canberra's architectural heritage, since 1998.

The National Trust Classifications





Committee was formed in Canberra in 1978. Ken has been a continuous member and has provided architectural history and heritage conservation advice. He was its chairman in 1991. He contributed to the Trust's first Register of Classified Places in 1982, but was more directly involved in *The Heritage of the Australian Capital Territory*, jointly published in 1992 by the Trust, the RAI and the Commonwealth of Australia. The editors acknowledged Ken's pivotal role in liaison and research for that publication and he was the author of the introduction and three chapters. Another major publication by the Trust, for which Ken wrote the text, was *Federal Capital Architecture — Canberra 1911–1939*, first published in 1984 and about to reappear in a revised edition. ♣

ACT Heritage Festival

The 2001 Act Heritage festival was held from 31st March to 22nd April. The program, the largest ever, included 120 events, activities and exhibitions and involved over 60 corporate and community organisations. Once more the ACT National Trust played a significant part in the festival program. Trust activities were:

The Great Debate — held on 6th April.

Over 80 Trust members and friends lunched at University House ANU, their digestion of a fine meal assisted by the debating skills of the six speakers and the wit of the chair, Maxine Cooper. The topic under debate was 'Canberra is a good sheep station spoilt', one that gave ample opportunity for the extravagant use of props and visual aids, corny yet hilarious comparisons and much audience participation. The consensus seems to be that the format of a quality lunch combined with a debate of this character is worth repeating next year.

The schools' poster competition — the Trust invited primary school students to create a poster that

reflected a topic associated with Canberra and the Centenary of Federation. A total of seven schools participated with about 130 posters submitted. The posters were of a high quality with the winners especially well designed and executed. This can be seen from the three top entries displayed on the front and inside-back covers of the journal.

Hall Walks — there were two Hall Village walks during the Festival. The guides were Carol Cosgrove, representing the National Trust (ACT), and Tony Morris and Phil Robson, of the Hall Progress Association. Those who attended thoroughly enjoyed the walks, which included a number of the historic buildings and other elements associated with the village. For the second walk, arrangements were made for Laurie Copping, former principal of Hall School, to open the original school. This was included in the tour and was of great interest to the group.

Yankee Hat Walk — A walk to Yankee Hat Aboriginal Site, Namadgi National Park, was held on Sunday 1st April. The walk was led by Dr Peter Dowling (National Trust) and Dean Freeman (Aboriginal Ranger from Canberra Nature Parks). At the art site Dr Dowling and Dean Freeman spoke. A highlight of the visit was Dean Freeman playing the didgeridoo on the rock facing the art work. The sound reverberated from the rock face back towards the visitors and created an eerie atmosphere. The walk was a great success and was appreciated by all who attended.

Duntroon Dairy — An open day organised by Canberra Nature Parks (North) was held at the Duntroon Dairy on Sunday 8th April. Professor Ken Taylor, Dr Peter Dowling and Carol Cosgrove (authors of the Conservation and Management Plan for the Dairy) attended the open day and gave two lectures to the public on the historical significance of the Dairy building. Canberra Nature Park staff arranged a number of activities for

the day. These included a bush band; a cow that was milked on-site (and a hands-on display of butter churning); damper cooking in the ashes of an open fire (visitors were able to spread newly churned butter on a piece of fresh, hot damper for a snack); an exhibition of wood splitting; and a poster display on the history of the building.

Kowen Aboriginal and European Historic Sites — a tour of the Glenburn ruins and aboriginal stone artefact site at Kowen was held on Sunday 15th April. The guides were Carol Cosgrove and Dr Peter Dowling, heritage consultants from the National Trust. The tour commenced with an inspection of the slab building and the pisé ruins of Glenburn. Carol gave a history of the early settlement to the group and then, walking through the Glenburn buildings, both guides gave a detailed description of the building methods employed.

Following the Glenburn tour, Peter lead the group along the access road and demonstrated the techniques used to locate and identify Aboriginal stone artefacts. The group then went in search of artefacts and were able to locate several on the exposed surface of the track (all artefacts located were examined and then left *in situ*). This was followed by a discussion on the Aboriginal use of the Glenburn area prior to the arrival of European settlers.

A Heritage tour of Stirling Park — The Trust took the opportunity during the Heritage Festival to launch its brochure of a heritage tour of Stirling Park (formerly Westlake). The brochure was launched by Garry Humphries, the ACT Chief Minister, at an event on site that was organised by the Westlake Residents Association and Ann Gugler, to whom special thanks are due for her contribution and commitment to the project. ♣

Colin Griffiths



Members' Page

15% discount (most stock)

Old Parliament House Shop

**King George Terrace, Canberra
ACT Members only**

15% discount

Chocolate Shop

**Centrepont, Canberra
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New Members Night

We held our first new Members Night for the year at the Australian Archives on Tuesday the 26th of June. More than 60 new and existing members attended. It was good to see so many there.

After a quick look at Archives' current exhibition, drinks and refreshments were served, and old and new members met and mingled. The Trust President, Professor Ken Taylor, then welcomed all the new members and briefly outlined the role of the National Trust in Canberra. He also mentioned the forthcoming move from Manuka to the North Building in Civic Square.

The Vice-President, Garth Setchel, then invited us to view some slides from the National Trust's Baltic Connection tour of May last year. The slides included some magnificent restored buildings that contrasted with some of the stark postwar housing developments. The photo below is of some of the members enjoying the evening.



Antique Fair

The annual Antique Fair will be held at the Albert Hall from Friday the 9th to Sunday the 11th of November. There will be a special preview on Thursday the 8th of November for invited guests. If you would like to attend the special preview please contact the office. This is a plea for assistance on the Antique Fair Committee.

If any member could assist please phone the Office on 62395222 or the Shop on 62734744.

National Trust's Volunteer Christmas Party

Thursday 13th of December

12.00 for 12.30

Education Centre, Mugga Mugga
Narrabundah Lane

(There will be a sign (National Trust Logo), on the gateway in Narrabundah Lane for all those newcomers.)

This is a special thank-you event from the National Trust for all your hard work and dedication during the past year and we would like to see as many of you there as possible. About 60 volunteers attended last year and we hope to exceed that number this year.

Rain, hail, or sun will not interrupt us this year as a veranda has been added to the Education Centre. This means we can still enjoy the view with out being shut indoors. We will also be able to arrange a viewing of Sylvia Curley's house for those interested, but we will need to know approximate numbers so we can organize the guide.

Would all volunteers wishing to lunch with us and have an afternoon of reminiscing and meeting old and new friends, please contact Shirley Ann or Jo at the Office on 62395222.

A Change for Membership Cards

In tandem with the Trust moving to new premises is a welcome upgrade of our membership database. Up until now, the renewal of a membership took 17 steps across six separate systems. As the process was mostly handwritten, the procedure took an average of 40 minutes per card to process.

With the new MYOB program we will be managing the database, receipting, mail merging, and printing membership cards in one simple transaction. The benefit to staff and members is a saving of time and money due to efficiency, constancy and accuracy. Members will be able to retain the same membership number annually. Trust members will notice the new style of card from September 2001 onwards.



National Trust Committee Meetings

ANTIQUE FAIR COMMITTEE

To be Advised

COUNCIL

5.30pm Thursday, August 23, October 4

EDUCATION & CULTURAL COMMITTEE

To be advised

HERITAGE COMMITTEE

12.30pm Tuesday, August 14, September 11, October 9

LANYON COMMITTEE

12.15pm Tuesday, August 21, September 18

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

4th Thursday each month at Old Parliament House
5.30pm

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

To be advised

Cezanne by Nolan — 15th to 16th September, 10.30 'till 4.40.
Drawing and Watercolour class with landscape artist and teacher Christine James. \$40 for one day, \$70 for the weekend, \$50 for students.

MUGGA MUGGA

Valuing Volunteers 2001 — Sunday 5th August, 2 'till 4pm.
Old fashioned afternoon tea celebrating Historic Places volunteers. Free.

CALTHORPE'S HOUSE

Heritage Values — Sunday 12th August, 2 'till 4pm. \$6.50, includes tea.

Discuss heritage issues while walking around Mugga Way with Eric Martin, heritage architect and Peter Blackshaw, real estate agent.

Sweet Australian Wattle — 1st to 9th September (normal admission).

Collection of wattle-inspired art and memorabilia.

Contented Garden, Contented Gardener — Saturday 15th September, 2 'till 4pm. \$6.50, includes tea.

Judy Hortan will show slides and discuss how to make your garden happy.

Coming Events

Old Parliament House

AUGUST – SEPTEMBER

Dismissed — revisit the issues and experience the drama in this exhibition about one of Australia's greatest political crises. To November 30th.

A brush with politics — the life and work of John Frith, Australia's most famous and influential cartoonist. To 7th October.

Nolan Heads — an exhibition of one of Australia's most original painters. From 4th August to 30th September.

Historic Places Act

LANYON

Visit the Café and Shop — Tuesday to Sundays, 10 'till 4.

Snip and Saw — Sunday, August 12th, 10 'till 12. Graham Williams will show you how to control climbers, bushes and rambling roses. No charge.

Take a Hike — Sunday 19th August, 11 'till 3.30. Medium difficulty walk up to the top of Lanyon Hill. Please bring lunch. Cost: \$6.50

Lanyon Family Fun Run — Sunday 16th September, 11 am. Free.

How Did They Manage? Sunday September 23rd, 2.30 'till 4.30. Hear an intriguing account of women's fashions at the time of Federation. \$6.50 including tea.

NOLAN GALLERY

Nolan's Heads Workshop — 11 and 12th August, 10.30 'till 4.30.

Explore the art of portraiture in various media with Paul Murray. \$40 one day, \$70 weekend, \$50 for students.

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The Trust is Moving

Sometime in late Spring, the National Trust (ACT) will be moving from its office in Griffith to new premises in the Canberra Museum and Gallery Building in Civic Square, 176 London Circuit.

New contact details will be advised in the next edition of *Heritage in Trust*.



A new Website for the Trust

Over the next few months the Trust's Website is to be totally revamped. In order to satisfy your (the members') needs, we are asking you to let us know what you would like to see in the new site. Tell us also what you like about the current site and what is not so good.

Address your comments via email to nationaltrust@effect.net.au and include the word *website* in the subject line.

Correction

In the last issue of *Heritage in Trust* a photograph on page 17 was incorrectly captioned. It should have read 'Jean Robertson with Doug Waterhouse and Mike Hodgkin'. *Heritage in Trust* apologises for any distress this may have caused readers.

Shop News

This is the first issue after the first year of that dreaded GST. I would like to thank all our volunteers, and Barbara, Margaret and Tricia for all their support in what has been a different and difficult year. The year started off slowly with little or no Olympic visitors, but it brightened up when people started to travel over the Christmas Holidays. The 'Monet in Japan' and the National Portrait Gallery exhibitions later proved to be a great drawcard for the shop.

Last issue we offered ACT members a 15% discount on most of our stock, and as this was received very well, we have decided to extend the offer until the end of October. As we have not met all our members, when you come up to the counter with your purchase, and membership card, just mention this article and the special discount offer.

New items include a range of coasters from Australian Fine China. These are of the State Floral Emblems and match the mugs and plate, which have been very popular. Also new are pew-

ter thimbles and small blue vases with a pewter motif. Wooden items are always in demand and we have some swing top boxes similar to the old-fashioned pencil case.

The National Trust Diary will be in stock by the time you read this. This year's theme is architecture, and is the product of the NSW National Trust Women's Committee. As last year's diary was so popular, and we sold out quickly, I would strongly advise an early purchase.

It is also the time to put out a plea for additional volunteers to help on our days in the Combined Charities Card Shop. This is where several charities sell Christmas cards in the one location. Each charity represented is requested to supply volunteers to operate the shop for two days, on a roster system, from mid September until the second last Friday before Christmas. If any members would like to place their names on the list of helpers, please phone us, and as soon as we are advised of the dates allocated to the National Trust we will contact you.

The advertisement in this issue is for National Trust logo products, and other products we are constantly being asked for. These include the paper serviettes and hand towels, which are always popular, wax polish, the traditional green polishing cloth, Bridge Scorers and a good range of playing cards. An unusual item is the National Trust cloth cutlery roll, available in either six or twelve compartments. These are great to preserve your cutlery, or to carry it, rattle free, in the picnic basket. Another great use is to keep those knitting needles in order. If any member has any other brilliant uses for these, could they please let us know.

The Dismissal exhibition is on in the House Gallery until the end of November 2001 in the House Gallery. In the Strangers Gallery, down stairs, is a display of political cartoons by John Frith, *A brush with politics*. This is a retrospective exhibition of one of Australia's leading political cartoonists, who died late last year, and is on display until 7th

of October. There are two exhibitions on at the National Portrait Gallery. The first, *Fuzzy Prime Ministers of Australia*, is a series of 25 hooked wool rugs of all our Prime Ministers, by Martin Wilson, on until the 9th of September. The other, *Nolan Heads*, spans 50 years of Nolan's work, from his abstracted heads of the late 1930s to his last self-portrait, painted in 1988 — a painting as yet unseen in Australia. This exhibition is on until 30th September.

Dianne Dowling

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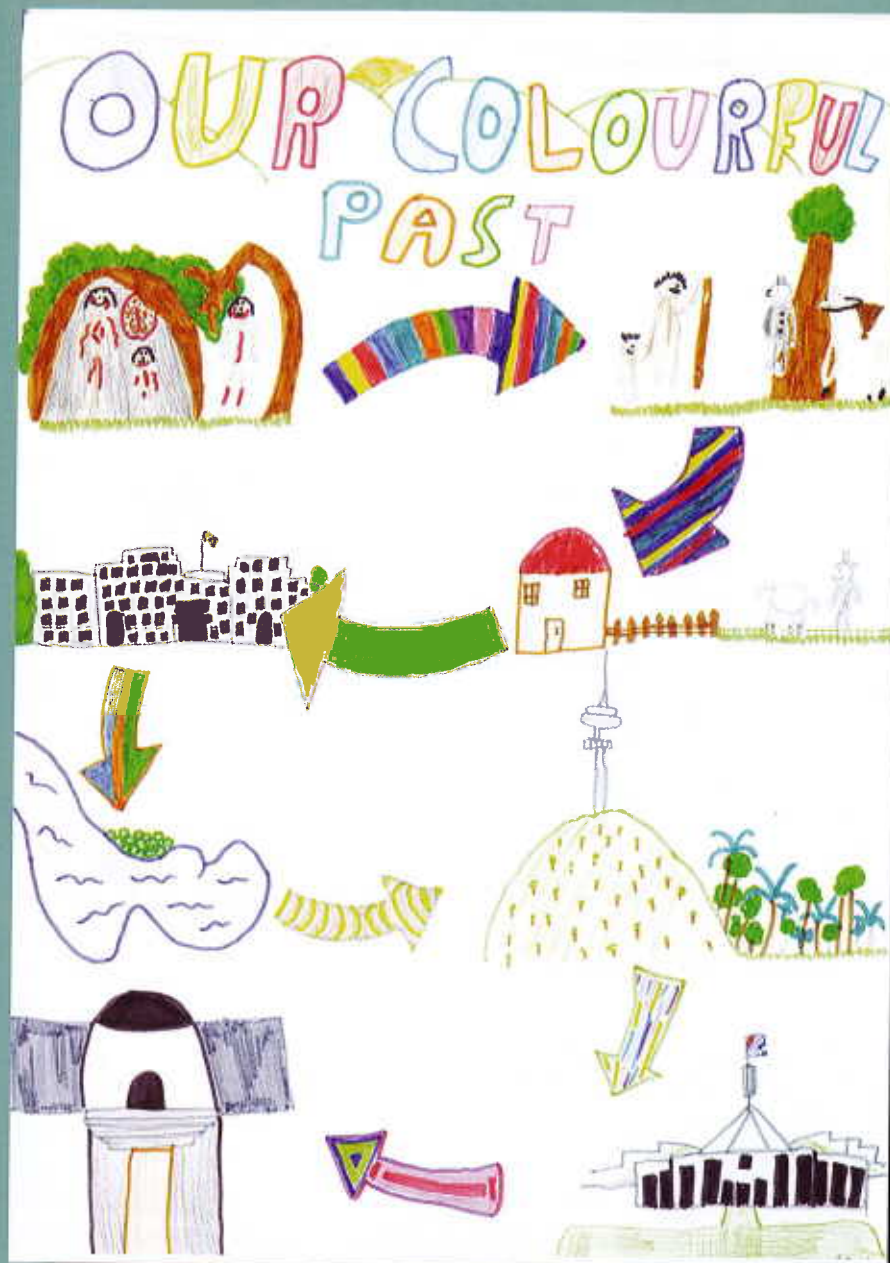
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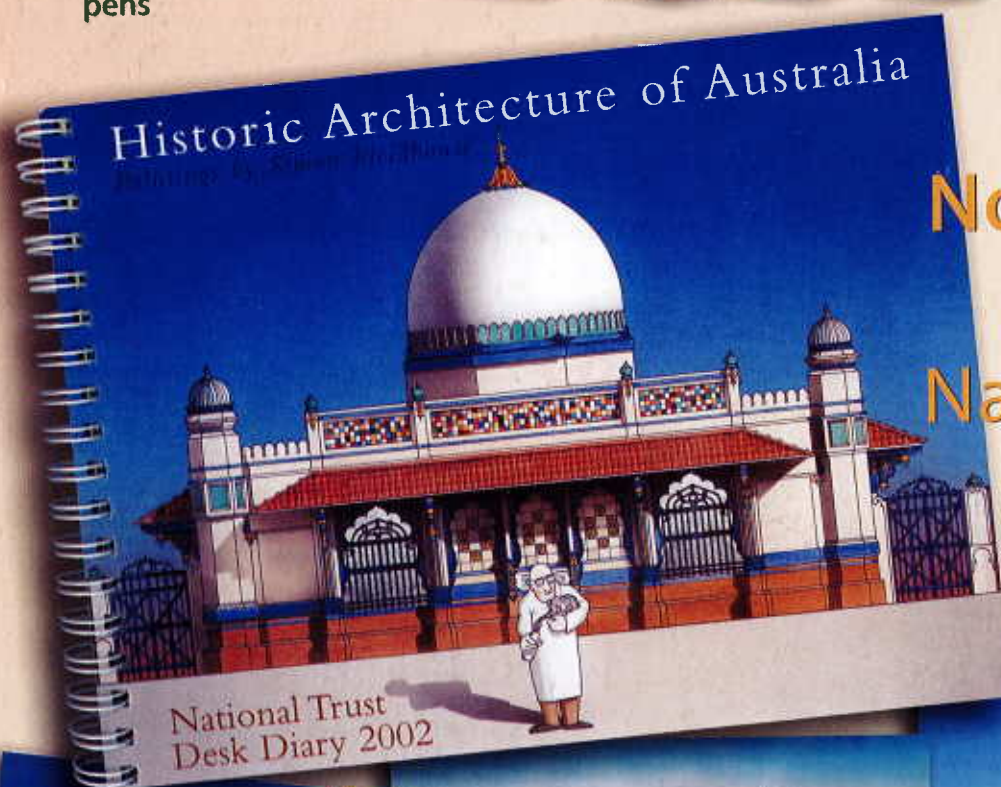
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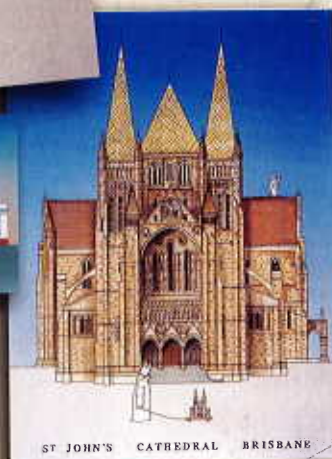
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