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Contributors please note the deadline for contributions for the next issue of the Newsletter (18.1) is **15 March 1999**

Please note: The Australian National Maritime

Museum's email link is **very** unreliable and the system does not bounce back error messages..

Email communication with people working out of the Museum building (Murrey St) is no guarantee of communication with either Lindsey or Kieran in the Union Street building. Please send **all** contributions by 3.5 disc or by fax.

The problem should be rectified when the Union St office moves to a new building in May 1999

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National Shipwreck's Officer and DoCA Update: The Historic Shipwrecks Officer's position currently held by Peter Mitchell has been moved as of early November 1998 to Environment Australia - (what use to be known as The Australian Heritage Commission).

Peter's phone, fax and other contact details are currently in a state of flux as the new department sorts itself out.

The current (11/11/98) contact details are

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Australian National Maritime

Museum:

New South Wales

Heritage Office

Submarine *AE2*:

NAS -AIMA Maritime Archaeology Course:

The inaugural NAS /AIMA Part One Course, was undertaken on the weekend on 25/6 July 1998. Co-ordinated by Cosmos Coroneos and with guest lectures by David Nutley, Tim Smith and John Riley, the course was a great success. Twelve students from a variety of backgrounds signed up for the two days which involved a mixture of theory and practical sessions held at the Australian National Maritime Museum. Plans are underway for another course on 17/18 October, 1998.

Other New South Wales News

Brickwreck: Whilst testing equipment for the A.E.2 Expedition John Riley stumbled onto a wreck in 30 meters of water off Sydney. The site has no steam engine or boiler so Riley was at a complete loss to identify it.

A ten foot (3 meter) long shank Admiralty Pattern Anchor with an iron stock and large ring marks one end of the site. Plain house brick with a scoop (Frog) out of one of their large flat sides spread thirty meters to the north, There is no sign of ship's fittings other than corroded lumps or iron. The wreckage spread to the North-west the way South - easterly storms would spread it across low reef and sand.

The anchor is similar in size to that of HMS Sirius's on display at the National Maritime Museum - the bricks look like bricks. The anchor crown faces west not south -east as it would if dropped by a vessel at risk of going ashore on the cliffs.

No vessel of this size or date fits the Heritage Office data base, David and Tim are keen to visit the site, and for a wreck that is relatively shallow and not a steamer Riley finds it interesting too.

John Riley
'Have mag will travel'

South Australia

Flinders University

In July four Flinders archaeology students - Cassie Philippou, Julia Ford, Tristan Cox and Patrick McCartney spent two week on a maritime archaeology field school conducted jointly by James Cook University and Flinders University on Magnetic Island near Townsville. Run in conjunction with an AIMA/NAS Part 1 Training Course which was taught by Mark Staniforth, the field school was a great success and it is hoped that it will be run again next year.

During the weekend of the 22 and 23 August 1998 a team of Maritime Archaeology students under the direction of Mark Staniforth and Tim Anson carried out fieldwork on the No 1 Hulk, in support of Nathan Richards' PhD Research on abandoned ships. The No. 1 Hulk, an iron bucket dredger was beached and used as storage in explosive magazine which operated from the early twentieth century. Associated with this hulk was an adjacent tramline, wharf and jetty facilities which proved to go into an area currently being used as a salt pan by Penrice P/L. This site is extensively documented in archival records, with plans showing an extensive system of embankments and tramlines that facilitated the transportation of explosives into the Port of Adelaide, South Australia.

Also discovered during this fieldwork was the remains of a wooden, copper sheathed vessel, found by Nathan Richards near a minor estuary, high and dry in a section of mangrove within close proximity to the No. 1 Hulk. The vessel was suspected to be the wooden schooner Dorothy S., built in 1868 by Henry A. Wernecke in Sandridge, Victoria. Subsequent analysis of the site has shown that the surveyed remains exactly fit the historical details of the Dorothy S. The vessel was the 'missing' piece in the puzzle of the Garden Island Ships Graveyard where it had been dumped in late 1926, removed sometime in 1928 to be used for the storage of hydroplane at a location called 'Bream Creek' before being broken up on site in 1935.

Five students are planning to complete their honours theses on maritime archaeological and related topics during 1999. Topics include Indigenous sites underwater, jetty sites, Australian - built ships and analysis of

artefacts from underwater sites.

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Home.html](http://adminwww.flinders.edu.au/Archaeology/Home.html) or
<http://www.cc.flinders.edu.au/Archaeology/>

See the new AWSANZ (Archaeology of
Whaling in Southern Australia and New
Zealand) Website at:
[http://adminwww.flinders.edu.au/AWSANZ/A
WSANZHome.html](http://adminwww.flinders.edu.au/AWSANZ/AWSANZHome.html)

Tasmania

Mike Nash
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Hobart, Tasmania

Victoria

Maritime Heritage Victoria

The *City of Launceston* excavation will be proceeding between the dates 16 November to 14 December 1998. Participating with MHU and Heritage Victoria conservation staff will be Jeremy Green and Corioli Souter from the Centre of Excellence for Maritime Archaeology with the sonar position fixing system, Pat Baker from WA Maritime Museum, Dr Ian McLeod from WA Museum Conservation Department, consultant Cos Coroneos who is currently writing the excavation research design, John Riley, members of the Victoria Police Search and Rescue Squad and members of MAAV including Malcolm Venturoni, Scott Allen, Wayne Caldow, Jim Anderson, Peter Taylor and Russell Stewart.

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Maritime Archaeology Association of Victoria (MAAV)

MAAV Annual General Meeting: The AGM of the MAAV was held on 3 August 1998 with all committee positions declared vacant.

The new in - coming committee is:

President	Malcolm Venturoni
Vice Pres	Wayne Caldow
Treasurer	Priya Cardinaletti
Secretary	Peter Taylor
Diving Officer	John Munro
Training Officer	John Hargreaves

Committee	Lyll Mills
	Scott Allen
	Tony Gregory

New Committee thanked all outgoing members for their efforts over the last year.

Western Australia

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

AROUND THE WORLD



News from the Internet

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Associations



The Australasian Society of Historical Archaeology.

For further information please contact:

The Secretary

Australasian Society of Historical

Archaeology, Box 220

Holme Building

University of Sydney NSW 2006

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Australia Council Grants : The Council

provides grant money for many cultural

activities. For comprehensive details and

application procedures please see the

Australian Council for the Arts Grants

Handbook. Available from the Australia

Council on (02) 9950 9000

Belconnen ACT 2616

The One Stop Arts Shop: This site provides a

single access point to all possible avenues of

support available for people in the cultural

sector. Access through the website

www.artsinfo.com.au or by a free telephone

service 1800 241 247.



Grants and funding

George Alexander Foundation & Ian Potter

Foundation : Value up to \$100,000. Awarded

to Australian organisations for projects in areas

including arts, fellowships, travel, grants and

research. Closing dates mid April; mid July.

Contact Executive Secretary

George Alexander Foundation and Ian Potter

Foundation

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Fellowships : Sackler Research Fellowship in

the History of Astronomy and Navigational

Sciences; Caird Senior Fellowship - 17th

century Dutch maritime paintings - medals -

18th century prints; Caird Junior Research

Fellowship in (British) Naval and Maritime

History and Associated Studies. Details from:

National Maritime Museum

Head of Research

Greenwich SE10 9NF England

British Council : Travel Grant Scheme;

Academic Link and Interchange Scheme

(ALIS); Visitors Scheme; Post Graduate

Bursaries; and for a listing of their

international courses and seminars contact PO

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United States Cultural and Academic

Specialist Grants : Awarded to American

specialists to spend two to six weeks at an

Australian museum or gallery to work on

specific projects or work as consultants.

Available on a shared cost basis with USIS

(United States Information Service) Contact:

Australia Council Grants. The Council provides grant money for many cultural activities. For comprehensive details of the Australia Council's grants and application procedures please see the Australian Council for the Arts Grants Handbook 1998. Available from the Australia Council on (02) 9950 9000

New Books, Publication and Videos



Forthcoming Conferences



World Archaeological Congress 4 in Cape Town, South Africa. This congress will take place on the campus of the University of Cape Town from 10 - 14 January 1999. The theme is "*Global Archaeology at the Turn of the Millennium*".

For further information please contact:

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wac4@globalconf.co.za

Visit the website for WAC4 on

<http://www.uct.ac.za/depts/age/wac>

11th Annual Symposium on Maritime

Archaeology and History of Hawai'i and the Pacific: Will be held between February 13 - 15, 1999. at Hawai'i Maritime Center, Pacific Room. Pier 7, Honolulu Harbour, Hawai'i.

For additional information please contact

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University of Hawai'i Marine Options
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Technology
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Hawai'i, 96822 USA.

Museums Australia National Conference
will be held from 5 - 9 May 1999 at
Albury/Wodonga NSW Australia.

**Engendering Material Culture: -- Fifth
Women in Archaeology Conference** will be
held at University of New South Wales,
Sydney between 2-4 July 1999

For further information, offers of papers and/or
sessions contact:

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Women in Archaeology Conference
University of New South Wales
Sydney NSW 2052

**Australian Institute for Maritime
Archaeology Conference Announcement:**

The Australian Institute for Maritime
Archaeology, the New South Wales Heritage
Office and the Australian National Maritime
Museum invite you to attend the International
Conference on the *Pacific Rim - trade and
migration*. The conference will be held from
18 - 23 September at the Australian National
Maritime Museum, Darling Harbour, Sydney,
New South Wales.

The Conference coincides with the sesqui -
centenary of the American Goldrushes and will
include a focus on trans -Pacific trade and
migration.

For further information on Pacific Rim - Trade
and Migration please contact

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Further Studies and Internships



**Graduate Maritime Archaeology and
History Certificate Program:** The University
of Hawaii is exceptionally well-located, staffed
and equipped to conduct education, research,
and service for Pacific Ocean maritime
archaeology and history of Polynesians and
other Pacific Islanders as well as the maritime
peoples of Asia--with expertise spanning from
coastal wetlands to the technologies required
for deep water exploration. This Graduate
Certificate is offered as a complement to
classified graduate students pursuing advanced
degrees or as a stand-alone credential for non-
degree students who have completed their
baccalaureate degrees. This will be the first
program in the field which is based at an
academic institution in the Pacific. It has
evolved over the past nine years from
symposia, workshops, field schools and
courses developed by the University of Hawaii
Marine Option Program.

Cooperating faculty from throughout the UH
system are supplemented by faculty and
professionals from agencies and institutions
throughout the Pacific and U.S. mainland. The
program will be guided by a steering
committee, chaired by Dr. William N. Still, Jr.,
formerly of East Carolina University, now with
the University of Hawaii School of Ocean and
Earth Science and Technology (SOEST) Some
of the topics of particular interest related to
Hawaii and the Pacific will include traditional
fishponds, Polynesian voyaging, the Spanish
galleon trade, explorers (Pacific, Asian and
European), whaling, maritime commerce,
naval history, lighthouses, fisheries and
seafood processing facilities, waterfront
preservation, cultural resources management,
museums and public education programs. The
curriculum consists of three components:
traditional coursework, practical experience
with field and/or laboratory methods, and an
integrating seminar requiring a major paper.

For further Information contact

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AIMA / NAS Training in Australia

The AIMA / NAS part One Training Program has now been successfully run on six occasions in five different Australian States with a total of 65 participants:

State	Date	Course Number	Participants
South Australia	1 - 2 November 1997	001	13
Victoria	22 - 24 May 1998	002	8
Queensland	6 - 8 July 1998	003	13
New South Wales	25 - 26 July 1998	004	12
South Australia	1 - 2 August 1998	005	10
Western Australia	22 -23 August 1998	006	9
Total			65

AIMA / NAS Part One Training Schedule: September - December 1998

State	Date	Course Number
Victoria	5 - 6 September (Albury/Wodonga)	007
Victoria	10 - 11 September (Melbourne)	008
New South Wales	17 - 18 October	009
Queensland	7 - 8 November (Brisbane)	010
South Australia	7 - 8 November	011
New South Wales	12 - 13 December	012

This should double the number of AIMA / NAS Part One trained people and will increase the national coverage to every Australian State and Territory except Tasmania and the Northern Territory.

AIMA / NAS State Tutors have now been appointed for five states - New South Wales (Cos Coroneos); Victoria (Malcolm Venturoni); Western Australia (Corioli Souter); Queensland (Viv Moran) and South Australia (Mark Staniforth). Furthermore the AIMA / NAS Part Two Training program has been started in two states (South Australia and Queensland) and 20 participants have partially completed their Part Two training. Part Two training is planned to commence in Victoria and New South Wales in the period August to December 1998.

Using funding provided by the Commonwealth Department of Communications and the Arts, AIMA has contracted Cos Coroneos to be the part - time AIMA National Training Officer based in Sydney. Cos has been busy on Part One training courses in both Sydney and Melbourne as well as producing promotional material for AIMA / NAS Training. It is hoped that DCA funding will be provided in the current round to allow the success of the past six months to be continued in the future.

Copies of the NAS Guide to Principles and Practise can be obtained from Cos Coroneos (AIMA National Training Officer) at a cost of \$60.00 plus \$5.00 postage. Photocopies of selected chapters from Jeremy Green's book *Maritime Archaeology* are available from Mark Staniforth for \$20.00 including postage. If you need your certification cards signed please contact your State Tutor or you can post it directly to Mark Staniforth. Replacement cards are available at a cost of \$15.00 from Mark Staniforth. For further information about AIMA / NAS Training in your state contact your AIMA / NAS State Tutor.

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AIMA Publications

Back issues of the *Bulletin*, Newsletters and Special Publication are available for sale. Publication price lists and order forms may be obtained by contacting The Treasurer. Discount prices may apply for multiple orders.

What is AIMA?

The Australian Institute for Maritime Archaeology (AIMA) is an organisation formed to promote the advancement of maritime archaeology in Australia and to assist in the co-ordination of national and international programs. Join AIMA and find out more about what is happening in the world of maritime archaeology.

Ordinary Member:	A\$40.00
Student Member	A\$30.00
Institutional Member	A\$80.00
Associate Member	A\$20.00

For further information on membership please contact the Treasurer, Cos Coroneos

** SPECIAL NOTICE **

The Australian Institute
for Maritime Archaeology

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Institute will take place at 6.00 pm on Sunday 4 October 1998 at the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin, Northern Territory.

Members wishing to attend the meeting should contact the secretary Mr Tim Smith (02) 9849 9575 or email smitht@heritage.nsw.gov.au before **Friday 25 September 1998** to obtain further details.

The purpose of the AGM is to conduct the following business:

- 1: to confirm the minutes of the 1997 Annual General Meeting;

- 2: to receive from the Council, auditor, and servants of the Institute reports upon the transactions of the Institute during the last financial year;
- 3: to elect the officers of the Institute and the ordinary councillors;
- 4: to appoint the auditor and determine the auditors remuneration;
- 5: and to conduct special business notice of which is given below

Acting under the directions of the Ministry of Fair Trading - Business Names Branch - the Australian Institute of Maritime Archaeology has been advised that certain changes **MUST** be made to the AIMA Constitution in order to fulfil our obligations under the *Associations Incorporation Act* (1987).

These changes are as follows

Clause 33(1) of the Institutes Constitution must be amended from

‘The rules may be amended by resolution passed by a two thirds (2/3) majority of members voting at a special general meeting.’

to

‘The **constitution** may be amended by a resolution passed by a **75%** majority of members voting at a special general meeting.’

Clause 35 of the Institutes Constitution must be amended from

‘If upon the winding up of the Institute there shall remain after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities any assets whatsoever the same shall not be paid or distributed amongst the members of the Institute but shall be given or transferred to any organisation having objects the same as or similar to the objects of the Institute.’

to

‘If, on the winding up of the Institute, any property of the Institute remains after satisfaction of the debts and liabilities of the Institute and the costs, charges and expenses of that winding up, that the property shall be distributed -

- a) to another association incorporated

- under the Act; or
b) for charitable purposes

which incorporated association or purposes, as the case requires shall be determined by resolution of the members when authorising and directing the Committee under section 33(3) of the Act to prepare a distribution plan for the distribution of the surplus property of the Institute.

Furthermore, acting under the directions of the Ministry of Fair Trading - Business Names Branch - the Australian Institute of Maritime Archaeology has been advised that as the Ministry was not advised within one month of the 1997 amendments to the Constitutions as required under the Act, that these amendments must be passed again.

Therefore notice is given that it is intended to amend the Australian Institute of Maritime Archaeology Constitution as follows.

AIMA/NAS Senior Tutor

That Clause 23.1 (1) of the Constitution shall be amended as follows (proposed changes in bold)

23.1 (1) The Council shall consist of:

- a) the officers of the Institute;
- b) eighteen other members
- c) a publications officer

d) the AIMA/NAS Senior Tutor

of **forty dollars (\$40.00)** and by institutional members **eighty dollars (\$80.00)**. Provided that ordinary members who are full time tertiary students or who have retired from the workforce may pay three quarters (3/4) of the annual subscription rate.

Cheque Signatories

That Clause 8.6 of the Constitution be amended as follows (proposed changes in bold):

8.6 All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer, or in the Treasurer absence, by other such member or members of the Council as the Council may nominate for that purpose, and shall be countersigned by the Secretary *or President or other member of the Council as the Council may nominate for that purpose.*

Members are advised that notice of any special business proposed to be raised at the AGM should be sent to the Secretary as soon as possible.

Members are also reminded that to be eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting of the Institute you must be a fully paid up member.

Concession Membership

That Clause 29(1) of the Constitution be amended as follows (proposed changes in bold):

29(1) Until otherwise fixed pursuant to sub-rule (2) of this rule, the annual subscription payable by ordinary members shall be the sum