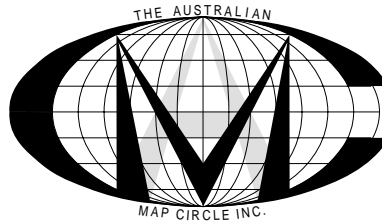


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2006 AMC CONFERENCE

The 34th annual conference of the AMC was held at the Trinity College, University of Western Australia, from 14th to 17th of July 2002. The conference included an interesting and stimulating program of papers, technical sessions, site visits and social activities. The conference convener, Amy Griffin, is to be heartily congratulated for truly excellent organisation.

The 7th annual award of the Estelle Canning Memorial Prize, for the best paper presented at the conference, was awarded to Karen Cook for her paper on Thomas John Maslen and his Map of Australia.

At the annual general meeting during the conference, a new AMC Executive was elected for 2006, comprising:

President - Michael Ross - michael.ross@clear.net.nz
 Vice-President - Adella Edwards - adella.edwards@jcu.edu.au
 Secretary - Dianne Rutherford - dianne.rutherford@awm.gov.au
 Business Manager - John Cain - j.cain@unimelb.edu.au

2007 AMC CONFERENCE

The 35th Annual AMC conference will take place in Canberra from 11-14 February 2007. For more information see our website: <http://www.australianmapcircle.org.au/amc2007/>

OTHER CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIUMS AND TALKS

“400 Years of Mapping Australia Conference” Darwin, 23 to 25 August 2006. The registration brochure is available on www.mappingsciences.org.au

The ICA Working Group for the History of Colonial Cartography in the 19th and early 20th century is planning an International Symposium which will take place at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands in August 2006.

www.histcolcarto.org

Western Association of Map Libraries Spring 2006 Meeting will be held at University of British Columbia, May 10-13, 2006.

<http://www.waml.org/bc/meeting.html>.

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MEMBER NEWS

News from the NLA

The NLA Recently acquired a wide format scanner to provide scans and colour prints on demand. We are testing it now and hope to have the service available in May. The scanner will also contribute to digitisation of our older Australian cadastral mapping.

The public view of Libraries Australia was launched at Parliament House on 27 Feb. LA is a vast catalogue containing over 40M books, journals, pictures, maps, manuscripts etc located in over 800 Australian libraries. Try it at <http://librariesaustralia.nla.gov.au/apps/kss>. The new portal is free; you can access it from home, work, libraries, wherever you have an internet connection.

We have completed rehousing our large collection of Australian and PNG aerial photographs, and now have catalogue records for the PNG items. We expect to complete cataloguing of the Australian by end 2006. We are cataloguing the last of our New South Wales cadastral maps this year and expect to have all our Australian holdings on catalogue also by the end of the year.

Recently digitised and on the library's catalogue (and now Libraries Australia):

Atlases, including: Atlas of Australia with all the gold regions, engraved and published in 1851, and The New atlas of Australia, a popular work published by J Sands in the 1890s. Also maps: Sketch Map of Swan River showing land allocated and dating to within a year of the formation of the colony in 1829; A Map of the northern part of Queensland showing the route of Jardine from August 1864 to January 1865; a series of detailed Crown lands surveys in Victoria completed by the Dept. of Crown Lands and Survey in 1907.

Recently acquired:

Novissima Totius Orbis Tabula - double-hemisphere Dutch world map middle-late seventeenth century, notable for the engraved and etched surrounding figures and scenes. Engraving either by Jacob Harrewyn or Romein De Hooghe.

On display in the Visitors Centre at the Library from 22 March to 30 April will be Chart of the Malay Archipelago and the Dutch discoveries in Australia by Hessel Gerritsz, 1618.

MAPS AND MAP PUBLICATIONS

Grasping Gallipoli: terrain, maps and failure at the Dardanelles, 1915 by Peter Chasseaud and Peter Doyle. \$65 ISBN: 1862272832. Published by Spellmount publishers.

Beneath Flanders Fields: The Tunnellers' War 1914-1918 by Peter Barton, Peter Doyle, and Johan Vandewalle. ISBN 1862272379 Published by Spellmount Publishers 2004.

Rats' Alley: British Trench Names of the Western Front, 1914-1918 by Peter Chasseaud. 1-86227-276-X. Published by Spellmount Publishers

The Journal of Maps has published its second issue which is a special publication based upon material presented at the International Conference on Glacial Sedimentary Processes and Products, Aberystwyth, UK, August 2005.

<http://www.journalofmaps.com>

The Royal Geographical Society sells original copies of the maps that grace its journal. It still has copies of many early maps of explorations for sale, and maps such as Rockall Bank, a bathymetric map of Loch Ness, Socotra, etc.

Ordering information is at

<http://www.rgs.org/category.php?Page=mainarchives>

along with links to the 4 pages of maps for sale.

NSW Dept of Lands.

The 1:2000 to 1:4000 orthophoto series maps (1971-88) with contours, for NSW cities and towns have been unobtainable for some time, or expensive to obtain. Now all the maps have been scanned and put on DVD. A good source of detailed elevation data for NSW cities/towns. Each image has been scanned as a jpeg file, and there are 14 DVD's in the series, Cost is \$99 per D.V.D., p&h \$11.50 per order. For further information, or to place an order, email Scott Walford <Scott.Walford@lands.nsw.gov.au> or phone 61-2-9236 7720.

Applied GIS is a new Australian journal published online at

<http://www.epress.monash.edu/ag>

The latest issue contains a free sample article enabling yourself and your members to preview the rich content and functionality on offer in this journal. To view the sample article:

- 1) Go to <http://publications.epress.monash.edu/toc/ag/1/3>
- 2) Click on the 'full text' link next to the article 'Bathymetric evolution at a coastal inlet after channel-edge groyne emplacement'

If you are interested in a special discount offer for your members, contact Sarah Cannon Marketing Coordinator Monash University ePress Telephone: +61 3 9905 0526 Email:

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The latest issue of *Royal Auto* the magazine of the RACV (Feb 2006 p32) lists some new official games maps:

"Melbourne 2006 map pack. Two laminated maps with all the information you need to find your way to the games venues and other attractions around Melbourne. Member price \$13.95, rrp \$14.95". The titles are:

- The Official Games Map (calendar of events, sporting precincts, individual venues)
- Melbourne at Games Time Map (what to see, where to eat, what to do, where to sleep, how to get there)

RACV shops are in various Metro Melbourne locations, including the CBD, and regional cities. see

<http://motoring.racv.com.au/cams/frontend/index.cfm> to find the nearest one.

Two new articles have been added to *Coordinates: The Online Journal of the Map and Geography* Round Table of the American Library Association <http://www.sunysb.edu/libmap/coordinates.htm>
They are:

1. David Y. Allen, "The So-Called 'Velasco Map': A Case of Forgery?"
2. Kirsten A. Seaver, "Commentary to 'The So-Called Velasco Map: A Case of Forgery.'"

MAPS ON THE WEB

The New Zealand Map Society now has a new website. Please visit at <http://www.mapsociety.org.nz/>

Surname Profiler Project maps more than 25,000 surnames across Britain, highlighting areas of concentration and dispersion. You can search the distribution of a surname in Britain in 1881 and 1998. The site is the result of a year-long study aimed at understanding patterns of regional economic development, population movement and cultural identity.

<http://www.spatial-literacy.org/UCLnames/Surnames.aspx>

BBC article: <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/magazine/4620786.stm>

MAP NEWS

Australia Day Honours List:

MEDAL (OAM) IN THE GENERAL DIVISION:

Mr Mervyn Stanley GODFREY, Mount Waverley, Victoria. For service to the community as a cartographer and publisher of city street reference directories.

Congratulations to Merv Godfrey from the Australian Map Circle!

Greg Eccleston

The Vic and NSW governments have named the end of the Black and Allan line (running NW from Cape Howe to the Source of the Murray) as Indi Springs, and the straight line will be officially known as the Black and Allan line. There was an official reception at Delegate on Feb 16. to proclaim this.

At the Spring 2002 meeting of BRICMICS (the British and Irish Committee on Map Information and Cataloguing Systems)

<http://www.cartography.org.uk/Pages/Membership/Curators/Toolbox/Bricmics.html> it was suggested that the Committee should maintain a list of British and Irish digital projects, to include announcements of upcoming projects, details of those in progress or completed, and information about new maps on the Internet. The final version of each list, from November 2002 to date, can now be found at <http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/maps/Digital.htm>.

Illawarra Mercury, Thursday November 17 2005. A highly detailed map used by the crew of the Enola Gay, which dropped the atomic bomb over Hiroshima sold for \$98,000 at Christie's auction house in New York. It was owned by the co pilot Robert Lewis and was annotated with arrows indicating the bomber's path to and from Hiroshima.

AGM MINUTES 2006

Australian Map Circle Inc. Minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting

3:30pm, Wednesday 15 February 2006, Trinity College, UWA, Perth.

1. Attendance & Apologies

1.1 Present: Greg Eccleston, Amy Griffin, Dorothy Prescott, Victor Prescott, Karen Cook, David Blair, Frank Urban, Judith Scurfield, Nancy Stone, Greg Wood, Michael Ross, Barbara Wojtkowski, Denis Shephard, Trevor Menzies, Martin Woods, Alison Holland, Adella Edwards, John Cain.

1.2 Apologies: Roger Rees, Effie Rees, Richard Miller, David Hancox, George Antonjevic, Brendan Whyte, Marie Morden, Robert Clancy, Bill Richardson.

2. Minutes of the previous AGM.

The minutes of the 2005 AGM were circulated with the *AMC Newsletter #93 March 2005* and some copies were available at the meeting. The minutes were accepted by the meeting (moved John Cain – President).

3. Matters arising from the minutes.

Item 10.5 in the previous minutes – the state of the Vic Parish plans remains less than ideal but the PROV is doing what it can.

4. President's Report (John Cain)

The President reported verbally on activities over 2006. The Executive met several times during the year, conference calling with Adella, to transact the ordinary business of the AMC. The major issue was the change in the Exec, with Brendan Whyte resigning in November (going overseas) and all other Exec members standing down at the AGM for a variety of reasons.

5. Business Manager's Report (John Cain on behalf of Marie Morden)

John Cain presented financial statement for the AMC for 2006 (the AMC financial year is a calendar year) as audited by Law, Little and Associates (Certified Practising Accountants). The audited cash position of the AMC as of 31 December 2005 is member's funds of \$30,314 which is a deficiency of \$1,158 for the year.

John noted that the annual surplus/deficit varies due to a range of factors, in particular the timing of when reminders for annual subscriptions are sent out (if these go out early, then many payments for the following year are received and banked before the end of the year and are counted as income in that year – or vice versa if reminders go out later). In summary, the financial position of AMC is strong, with about \$30,000 of member's funds and no liabilities.

The Financial Statement was accepted (moved: Victor Prescott, seconded Michael Ross).

6. Publications Report (John Cain on behalf of John Cain and Brendan Whyte)

A publications report for 2006 was available at the meeting. John Cain spoke to this. In summary:

- Membership – at 10 February 2006, 220 members which is fairly stable from 2005.
- *The Globe* – publication of no.57 (2005) delayed but will be out soon; Editorial Committee reconstituted in 2005 and will work more by email.
- *The Newsletter* – two issues prepared by Brendan Whyte (nos.93 and 94) were circulated to members in 2005; the new *Newsletter* editor will be Dianne Rutherford.
- amcircle – our email list remains popular, the main moderator continues to be Brendan Whyte.
- Website – 52,000 pages requested by 25,000 visitors during 2005.

ACTION (John Cain): it was requested by the meeting that the abstracts or conference programs from previous conferences be published on the AMC website.

[Post meeting note – a number of these are now available on the AMC website]

7. Branch reports

7.1 Melbourne – John Cain reported that the branch met once during 2005, for a Christmas Dinner and quiz.

7.2 Sydney – Robert Clancy continues to organize occasional meetings.

8. Returning Officer's report (John Cain on behalf of David Jones)

John Cain reminded members that all members of the Exec had stood down, as noted in the President's report, in part to encourage members to nominate for offices on the Exec.

One nomination was received for each of: President – Michael Ross. Secretary – Dianne Rutherford. Business Manager – John Cain. These were therefore declared elected.

No nomination had been received for Vice-President, so it was necessary for the AGM to fill this office. Adella Edwards indicated her willingness to continue as Vice-President. As no other nominations were forthcoming the meeting elected Adella Edwards Vice-President.

The meeting thanked retiring Exec members for their service. Moved Michael Ross, seconded Judith Scurfield.

9. Future AMC Conferences.

John Cain reported on behalf of the AMC Executive that no firm offers to host the 2007 Conference had been received. John noted a general preference to alternate between Sydney/Melbourne/Canberra one year and a more remote location the following year, but that the reality was hosts are not thick on the ground.

The meeting discussed a number of options, including approaching certain members (including John Brock, George Antonevivic, David Blair, Bill Stinson) in Sydney to host the conference. Denis Shephard and Martin Woods indicated their willingness to investigate the options of a 2007 Conference in Canberra. Michael Ross indicated that for 2008 he would investigate the options for a joint conference with the New Zealand Map Society in Wellington. The meeting approved the following (moved Greg Eccleston, seconded Judy Scurfield):

- 2007 – Denis Shephard to investigate Canberra options and report back to John Cain by 1 March; if Canberra not a goer then the Exec will approach Sydney members.
- 2008 – Michael Ross to investigate Wellington options.
- 2009 – Perhaps another Sydney conference?

10. Any Other Business.

10.1 Mervyn Godfrey's Australia Day award – the meeting passed a motion congratulating Mervyn Godfrey (founder of Melway) on his Australia Day award. Greg Eccleston to draft a letter for the AMC Exec to send on behalf of the AMC to Mervyn. Moved: Greg Eccleston, Seconded: Victor Prescott.

10.2 Australian Standard for Bibliographic Elements on Maps – Adella Edwards reported that further feedback on the draft standard has been received from industry. A revision reflecting this feedback is to be re-submitted to Standards Australia by the end of February.

10.3 Conference Delegates List – Barbara Wojtkowski requested a list of delegates be circulated. John Cain noted that privacy requires us to advise delegates before they register that this would happen. Such advice had not been given. Future conference committees should include such advice in the registration brochure (with an opt-out checkbox). Amy Griffin will check with delegates and then circulate an attendance list.

11. Close of Meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed.