



CAS News November 2014

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Canberra Archaeological Society/ Centre for Archaeological Research Lecture Series

Wednesday 19th November 2014

6:30pm refreshments, 7:00pm

Manning Clark Centre, Theatre 6, Building 26A, Union Court, ANU

Elephant Tongues for Breakfast: Sealing in Antarctica in the 1820's

Dr Mike Pearson

The first human activity in Antarctica was the killing of fur and elephant seals on its offshore South Shetland Islands by English and American sealers in the 1820s. At least 300,000 seals were killed for their skins between 1819 and 1822. The sealers were ordinary merchant seamen and whalers, put ashore on rugged beaches and left to fend for themselves for periods ranging from weeks to, on a couple of occasions, over a year. The presentation looks at the historical background to this sealing era, and focuses on the life of the men ashore, as shown by the archaeological record — how they built shelter, what they wore, how they ate, how they sealed and how they passed the time when not sealing. It is based

on work in the South Shetlands the author has been involved in over the last decade with Chilean and Argentine archaeologists.

Dr Mike Pearson

Biography

Michael Pearson AO, has a PhD in prehistoric and historical archaeology from ANU, and has worked for nearly 40 years in the heritage field, with NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service, as head of the historical environment activities and Deputy Executive Director of the Australian Heritage Commission, and since 1993 as Director of Heritage Management Consultants Pty Ltd, specialising in heritage research, management and planning. He is a recent Chairman of the ACT Heritage Council, and is currently Chairman of the Institute of Professional Practice in Heritage and the Arts at ANU. Michael has been involved in a wide range of heritage related fields, but of relevance to this presentation has worked on Antarctic heritage since the mid-1980s, having taking part in seven archaeological expeditions to Antarctica with Australian, New Zealand, Chilean and Brazilian government and university teams.

The Annual General Meeting of the Canberra Archaeological Society

Wednesday 19th November 2014 at 7 pm

Manning Clark Theatre 6 at The Australian National University.

All positions on the Committee shall be declared vacant and nominations are invited for election to the following positions: President, Vice President (2), Secretary, Treasurer and Committee (up to 6)

Members are reminded that persons must be financial members of the Society to nominate for the Committee.

A nomination by email may be made on this form but must pass through the nominee and be endorsed through forwarding through two financial members of the Society. Receipt from your personal email addresses will be accepted as signatures.

Nominations must be received at least three days before the AGM. In the event that

insufficient written nominations are received, then nominations may be sought from the floor of the meeting.

NOMINATION FOR ELECTION TO THE CAS COMMITTEE 2014

The Secretary, Canberra Archaeological Society

I

hereby nominate

for the position of

Signed

Seconded

I accept the above nomination

(signed)

Date: 2014

THE SOCIETY'S FINANCIAL YEAR ENDS THIS MONTH AND SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2015 ARE DUE. PLEASE TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION AT THE AGM.

9th Annual Open Houses and Gardens in Reid

National Trust of Australia (ACT), with the support of the Reid Residents' Association Inc

1.30pm to 4.30 pm, Sunday 2 November 2014

Why not spend an afternoon walking in Reid to view two privately owned heritage-listed houses and gardens and one new, award-winning, 21st century home, which have not previously been opened for this event ? A short presentation will be given at the beginning of the event by an expert on the Heritage of Reid, followed by comments about living in the Precinct and the work of the Trust in helping to conserve our garden city suburbs. You will have the opportunity to meet the owners of the three houses and gardens, inspect the properties and to ask questions. All of this to be followed by a delicious afternoon tea

Make sure you book at the National Trust (ACT) Office, 1st floor, North Building, Civic, or telephone the Trust Office **6230 0533** between 9.30am and 3pm (Monday to Thursday). The cost is \$25 per person for members of the National Trust, U3A and Reid Residents' Association and \$35 per person for non-members and **includes a copy of Shibu Dutta's "The Heritage of Reid" in the ticket price.** Visa/Mastercard/AMEX are accepted.

This annual event is popular and all proceeds go to the National Trust (ACT) and Reid Reid's Association Inc for organising the event and the Reid-Preschool for putting on the afternoon tea. Hand-outs will be provided on each house and garden. Places are limited. Note: this event involves walking over paved and unpaved surfaces, uneven surfaces and some steps. It is not suitable for children or those with mobility problems.

Heritage Awards Presentation National Trust ACT

Monday 3rd November 6pm

National Archives of Australia inaugural

There will be a short description of the 12 entries, followed by the announcement and presentation of the Award winners by Mick Gentleman MLA.

Invitation & details

Free entry. Please RSVP: 6230 0533 or info@nationaltrustact.org.au

*Guided tour of the Archive's Waterhouse Science Art Prize Exhibition offered at 5pm.

Bookings essential, places limited – call NT office 6230 0533.

Harper's Mansion and Joadja, Berrima

National Trust (ACT) Bus Trip

Sunday 9th November 2014

We invite you to join us on one of our interesting regional heritage tours, this time to the Berrima region. Harper's Mansion. The tour will also visit the historic Joadja valley and Joadja town. **Details:** <http://www.nationaltrust.org.au/act/HarpersMansionJoadja>

Cost: \$80 National Trust & U3A members, \$90 others (includes bus, morning tea, BBQ lunch and Joadja entry).

Depart: 7.30am in Deakin (car park behind the Deakin Fitness Centre, Deakin Shops) **OR**
7.45am northside at the bus stop on Northbourne Ave (outside the Southwell Park netball courts).

Please specify when booking, plus any dietary requirements.

Bookings: 6230 0533 or info@nationaltrustact.org.au

Upcoming Centre for Archaeological Research Seminars

Time for each lecture is from 3:30 – 5:00pm

| Date | Presenter | Location | Lecture Topic |
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| Friday, 7 November 2014 | Dr. Ladislav Nejman | Hedley Bull 1 | The Early to Upper Palaeolithic Transition at Pod Hradem Cave, Czech Republic. |

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