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1) Best Wishes for the Holidays

This is our last email news bulletin for 2004. Our Secretariat is closed from today (17 December), and re-open on Friday, 14 January 2005. There will be no email news service until then. It will also not be possible for us to respond to any orders for publications, mail, phone messages or email requests during this period. We are all off for our holidays!

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to our achievements during 2004. It was a busy and productive year with perhaps the biggest achievements being the New National Heritage Seminars and the launch of the Illustrated Burra Charter. I'm sure that 2005 will be another exciting but challenging year.

Special thanks to our President, Kristal Buckley and to the rest of the Executive Committee for their enthusiasm in undertaking the many tasks which are required to keep Australia ICOMOS functioning as it is. Thanks also to wonderful support from the Centre for Cultural Heritage in Asia and the Pacific at Deakin University in Melbourne - the Secretariat's friendly home.

Best wishes for a safe and relaxing holiday season - and take some time to enjoy the pleasures of Australia's unique and wonderful heritage places, landscapes and cultural traditions!

Nola Miles
Secretariat Officer

2) National Railway Heritage Conference

**?Thinking Rail: Lessons from the Past, the Way of the Future
The Past, Present and Future of Australian Railways.?**

To be held 28-30 September 2005 in Tamworth

Convened by Heritage Futures Research Centre, University of New England

To be held in conjunction with the events associated with the 150th anniversary of railways in NSW - 1855-2005 and the official opening of the first stage of the Australia Railway Monument and railway museum at Werris Creek.

For further information contact Dr Andrew Piper on 02 6773 2764 or email HFRC@une.edu.au

Details of the conference will be accessible online at www.une.edu.au/campus/confco/nrhc2005 after 20 December.

3) mAAN5 international conference

mAAN5 international conference will be held in Istanbul on June 27-30, 2005, very close to UIA congress.

Complete information about the conference can be found in:

<http://www.mimarist.org.tr/maan5/index.asp>

The deadline for abstract submission is very soon.

4) Context is looking expand its heritage team in early 2005.

Context are looking to talk with people with broad cultural heritage experience and knowledge of historic places - in particular significance assessment, policy and consultation. We are particularly interested in adding architectural skills to our team.

We are interested in hearing from people who might be interested in joining our in-house team, and from consultants who might be interested in a regular collaboration either working in-house on a regular basis or on specific projects as opportunities arise.

Our heritage work extends across:

local and regional heritage studies

municipal heritage plans and strategies conservation management plans heritage advice

community-based heritage processes: consultation, workshops etc social significance assessment

Indigenous heritage management: places, policies, research

Our in-house team includes specialists in cultural heritage, environment and community involvement.

Your contribution could be full-time or part-time. Some travel locally and interstate is involved.

Short expressions of interest (1-2 pages of why you are interested and what you have to offer) plus a cv are being sought now. Please send your expression of interest to context@context-pl.com.au preferably by 24 January. For more information, please call Chris Johnston or David Helms on 9380 6933 (Context closes on 23/12 and reopens 10/1).

5) Government Media Release

TITLE: DECISION ON EMERGENCY HERITAGE LISTING OF ST MARY'S WESTERN
PRECINCT SITE MEDIA RELEASE 15 DECEMBER 2004

Environment and Heritage Portfolio

URL: <http://www.deh.gov.au/minister/env/2004/mr15dec04.html>

SNIPPET: The Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Senator Ian Campbell, today announced

the Western Precinct of the former ADI site, St Mary's, in Sydney will not be given an emergency listing to the National Heritage List. "However the nomination depended on the remnant Cumberland Plain Woodlands in the Western Precinct of the site meeting the threshold of containing outstanding heritage value for the nation. "Emergency applications to the National Heritage List are assessed against two requirements - that the nominated area contains national heritage values and that these values are under threat.

6) Greens Media Release

Greens call for rethink on Emergency Heritage Listing for former ADI site Western Precinct
15 December 2004

Australian Greens Senator Kerry Nettle today called on Environment Minister Senator Ian Campbell's to reconsider his rejection of the Western Precinct of the former ADI site for emergency listing on the National Heritage list.

"The Greens support calls by the community for a proper consideration of the heritage values of the Western Precinct of the former ADI site," said Senator Kerry Nettle.

"It is unacceptable that Minister Campbell has rejected the Western Precinct's nomination for emergency listing without thoroughly assessing its heritage values, in particular the remnant Cumberland Plain Woodlands on site," said Senator Nettle.

"The Minister has based his decision on previous ecological surveys of the former ADI site which are known to be incomplete. Local residents have consistently recorded new species on site in the course of their surveying work."

"For the Minister to make such a significant decision about the future of the ADI site based on an incomplete data set from surveys conducted years ago is grossly irresponsible."

"The Greens support the community's calls for proper assessment of the heritage values of the former ADI site and the area's emergency listing on the National Heritage list," said Senator Nettle. For further comment: Georgia Miller 9690 2038; 0400 803 281

7) Heritage International Newswatch Bulletin

are pleased to introduce a new initiative which we think will be of great interest to our mailing list subscribers.

Heritage International Newswatch is an information and documentation tool produced by *Histoire plurielle inc.* that aims to allow interested individuals, agencies and institutions to be informed every week of current heritage events worldwide. New trends, news stakes, new practices - that is what you will find in the bulletin. In time, Web sites, publications and other resources will also be added.

In order to develop, Heritage International Newswatch is counting on your support. Financial at first, because this service is paid mainly through its subscriptions. But we also invite you to make the project known to those around you, your colleagues and friends.

Heritage International Newswatch can be found at: www.veillepatrimoine.info

On this website, you will find the English version of the bulletin, a registration form and a press release presenting the project.

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