PARBICA’s 14th General Conference to be held in Samoa

The PARBICA Bureau is very pleased to announce that the 14th General Conference will be hosted by the Samoan Government through their Ministry of Education, Sports and Culture. The conference will take place starting the week of 22 August 2011. Mark your calendars now with this important event.

The Museum of Samoa, which also houses the Archives Unit, and the German Administration Records collection (photo courtesy Liz Nannelli)
President’s Message

Dear Members,

Let me take this opportunity to issue warm greetings again to you all. It is my sincere hope that all is well within our regional archival community and that as archivists and records managers, we all continue to progress forward in our important roles as custodians of our respective nations’ archival heritage and as recordkeepers.

Your Bureau has continued to meet regularly to devise strategies to progress our course as we agreed to at our meeting in Brisbane.

I thank the team at the National Archives of Australia for the preparations now being undertaken for the coming workshop scheduled for Brisbane from June 21st – 23rd which the region’s archivists or their representatives are expected to attend.

This workshop is the Record Keeping for Good Governance Toolkit Phase Five Scoping and Planning and will be held at the National Archives of Australia Brisbane Office, and is again made possible through the generous support of the Australian Government through the AusAID Pacific Governance programme funding scheme.

Through this workshop, participants are expected to acquire knowledge and guidelines on how to capture, manage, preserve and provide access to electronic (digital) records. This is important given that at some stage we should be looking into converting public records into digital formats to enhance their durability and accessibility.

The Phase Five Toolkit workshop will again be ably led by experienced National Archives of Australia staff members and to these we need to offer our appreciation and gratitude. They, however, would need your expert guidance, experience and knowledge of local issues which will be invaluable in meeting the projects objectives.

At the end of the workshop and ensuing consultations, a new module for the Toolkit – Guideline 12, will be distributed throughout the Pacific in 2011. This is all for supporting recordkeeping in the Pacific. I urge all of us therefore to make good use of the Toolkit products and share your experiences with other colleagues in the Pacific.

Vinaka Vakalevu

Setareki Tale
President

Members’ News

Mark Semmler has moved to a new position within NAA. The PARBICA community sends a big THANK YOU to Mark for all the wonderful work he has done for PARBICA and its members over the past 5 years. We will miss Mark and wish him all the best in his new job. Liz Nannelli has stepped into Mark’s shoes. Welcome Liz.

Adrian spoke about the Toolkit at the Pacific Ombudsmen’s Alliance Conference in Canberra on 19 March 2010 – the full text of his paper runs to 6,000 words and is available on the PARBICA website. See the Resources page at http://www.parbica.org/resources.htm
News from the PARBICA Bureau - May 2010
By Mark Crookston, PARBICA Secretary General

The PARBICA Bureau continues to meet regularly by teleconference, with the technical assistance of Archives New Zealand. Since the Brisbane conference our crackly voices have come together across the vast Pacific Ocean for three meetings, on November 2 2009, February 10 and April 7, 2010. Our next meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2010.

PARBICA 13 Follow-Up
There were several items which required immediate attention after the conference. Firstly, the Bureau co-opted Karin Brennan as the PARBICA Editor. We’re very lucky to have Karin continue her excellent work in preparing and distributing Panorama for us. Secondly, we thanked our sponsors and reconciled our accounts. The Bureau has also co-opted Liz Nannelli as Assistant to the Treasurer. Liz was recently appointed to a role supporting Adrian Cunningham at the National Archives of Australia, and we welcomed her to the Bureau. At the February Bureau meeting I was charged with responsibility for developing a work plan from 2010 - 2012 incorporating the specific recommendations for the Bureau as agreed in the Resolutions from PARBICA 13; so be on the look out for that shortly. Finally, just when you think you can take a breath after one conference, preparations start for the next one. Amela Silipa has been hard at work confirming Samoa as the next conference destination for 2011. Our conferences are the integral event on the PARBICA calendar, so many thanks to Amela for her swift action in securing Samoa as a venue.

ICA Relations and Project Proposals
Already this year Seta has been representing PARBICA at ICA events. In March he attended a meeting of the Programme Commission in Washington, USA, hosted by the National Archives and Records Administration of USA. The Bureau has also discussed how PARBICA can utilise project funds available through ICA, specifically, the Programme Commission funding stream (http://www.ica.org/en/programme), and the FIDA fund (http://new.ica.org/3218/about-fida/about-fida.html). We will be looking to call on members for project suggestions when the next rounds of funds become available later in the year.

Building and Maintaining Collaborative Relationships
Since the Brisbane conference, Bureau members have been busy building and maintaining relations to raise PARBICA’s profile in the region. Firstly, Naomi Ngirakamerang represented PARBICA at the regional PIALA conference in November 2009 in Pohnpei, FSM. Secondly, Adrian Cunningham and Dianne Macaskill have been discussing our work with the Pacific Ombudsmen representatives, which has resulted in Carolyn Langley (Commonwealth Ombudsmen’s Alliance representative) joining the Bureau for its February meeting and Adrian speaking at the Alliance meeting in Canberra in March. Thirdly, PARBICA was invited to become an associate member of Blue Shield Australia (BSA). The Bureau was represented at a BSA meeting in Melbourne by PARBICA member Kathryn Dan, who was able to accept this invitation on our behalf in person. Fourthly, Jeannine Daniels from the Cook Islands Office of the Ombudsman represented PARBICA at the Pacific Human Resource Managers meeting in Tonga in April, reporting on the work of PARBICA and taking a workshop on the Recordkeeping for Good Governance Toolkit. Finally, Seta has been in regular discussions with the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat around developing regional training opportunities using the Recordkeeping for Good Governance Toolkit. We also maintain close relations with our colleagues at the Pacific Manuscripts Bureau through representatives who attend each other’s governance meetings.

Membership
Our Membership Officer / Assistant-Treasurer Liz Nannelli has done excellent work in sending out membership renewals to PARBICA members. Meanwhile, at our February 2010 meeting, the Bureau was delighted to welcome the following new members:
University of South Pacific Library – Suva. (Category C, institutional member), contact: Ms Judith Titoko, Serial Librarian
Department of Personnel Management – Papua New Guinea. (Category C, institutional member), contact Mr Jerry Mangao, Records Management Officer
Ms Jackie Bettington – Australia (Category D, individual member)
An evening with Adrian Cunningham, Treasurer, PARBICA; Liz Nannelli, Returned Australian Youth Ambassador for Development from Samoa; Karina Taylor, Pacific Archivist, ANU Archives Program.

The ASA ACT Branch gathered for its March meeting to hear about the opportunities and challenges facing the development of records management and archives in the Pacific. The evening was hosted by the Noel Butlin Archives Centre at the Australian National University, where we had the opportunity to view *For the People: Pacific Resources*, an exhibition organised by the Pacific Research Archives.

Adrian opened the meeting by providing an overview of PARBICA and its recent activities, and introducing the *Recordkeeping for Good Governance Toolkit*, the collaborative processes involved in its development, and the ways that the Toolkit is being supported and implemented in the Pacific and beyond. Adrian also introduced Karina and Liz.

Karina’s role as ANU’s Pacific Archivist for the Pacific Research Archives had recently opened the opportunity to visit Port Moresby to provide archival training at the New Guinea Collection, housed in the Library of the University of Papua New Guinea. Liz recently returned from spending a year as an Australian Youth Ambassador for Development working in Samoa as a Records Management Officer with the Archives Unit of the Ministry of Education, Sports and Culture.

Karina and Liz wanted to share with their Canberra-based colleagues some of the realities experienced by their Pacific colleagues. One key theme was that many of the things are taken for granted in an Australian workplace are not necessarily the norm in a Pacific setting. These included uninterrupted access to utilities such as power, running water, telecommunications and internet; ready access to facilities such as computers, working elevators and office stationery; and established and extensive policies, procedures and guidelines. Perhaps more significantly, access to professional training, professional literature and professional networks is limited, and frequently tends to be reliant on international communication and international travel. Distance also provides additional challenges, with resources often having to come from further afield, bringing with it increased costs for transport and customs clearances.

A second key theme was that archival institutions in the Pacific are facing many of the same challenges as institutions in Australia, but on a different scale and in Australia, we usually have greater access to resources to do something about them. Environmental conditions are an ongoing challenge, with insects and water being two of the greatest difficulties encountered, not to mention the greater risk of natural disaster than faced in Australia. A low level of awareness of records management and archives among Government employees and the public frequently requires
significant education campaigns and investment in limited resources to raise awareness. There is also
the fact that in a developing country context, the competition for access to limited resources is more
challenging in a context where the importance of records management and archives has low
recognition, and especially when placed up against many more fundamental basic needs.

A third key theme was that both Karina and Liz felt they had been deeply inspired by their Pacific
colleagues. The relative youth of some of these institutions provided some significant challenges, but
also significant opportunities. Liz found that being able to contribute in the development of a National
Archives and Records Authority in Samoa was a tremendously exciting opportunity, knowing that the
work being done now is a foundation for this future institution. Being able to provide training and
seeing the enthusiasm of colleagues at learning archival skills was extremely encouraging and
rewarding. Karina and Liz were also inspired by the resourcefulness, passion and creativity of our
Pacific colleagues and by the achievements and successes accomplished so far. We were also very
grateful for the welcome and generosity of our colleagues and for the experience of living and working
in the Pacific.
In our third full year of operation, we have documented and received 26 collections from Pacific scholars and individuals.

The PRA continues to be advised by a committee consisting of representatives from the College of Asia and the Pacific, the ANU Archives Program, the Asia-Pacific Library, the Pacific Manuscripts Bureau and the National Library of Australia. PRA committee members in 2009 were Dr Bryant Allan (Chair), Maggie Shapley, Renata Osborne, Deveni Temu, Ewan Maidment, Kylie Moloney, Emma Jolley and Karina Taylor. Dr Chris Ballard from the School of Culture History and Language replaced Bryant Allan as Chair of the committee after Bryant Allen retired in December 2009.

The PRA has received a number of collections this year from scholars and individuals with an interest in the Pacific Islands. Among the papers donated included those of

- Historian Professor Hank Nelson on Papua New Guinea and the war in the Pacific
- Geographer Dr Marion Ward on transport in Papua New Guinea
- Geographer/anthropologist Dr William Clarke on agricultural techniques in Papua New Guinea
- Anthropologist Dr Richard Eves’ posters on HIV/AIDS in the Pacific

We have been actively working with the College of Asia and the Pacific to ensure the records of RSPAS are archived. We have provided advice to and received material from the following

- Division of Pacific and Asian History
- Department of Human Geography
- The Pacific Manuscripts Bureau

The Pacific Manuscripts Bureau have transferred the following collections

- Papers of Jai Ram Reddy a lawyer and politician on politics in Fiji
- Papers of Sir Colin Allan a politician and administrator in the Pacific
- Papers of historian Professor Brij Lal on politics in Fiji


The Pacific Archivist is testing the ICA-AtoM (International Council of Archives Access to Memory) database with the Pacific collections. With the development of an online database, we anticipate increased access and interest in the PRA.

Outreach activities - Exhibitions

The Pacific Archivist prepared for the exhibition ‘For the people: Pacific Resources’ on display in the ANU Archives Program reading room to coincide with Asia-Pacific week, 2010.

PAMBU and the PRA co-curated an exhibition on Pacific health in the Pacific Space in the Asia-Pacific Library and ANU Archives Program reading room from January to July 2009. This exhibition drew on the archival resources from PAMBU and the PRA. The contents of the exhibition have been digitised and are displayed in an online exhibition on the PRA website together with the earlier exhibition of the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited. PAMBU prepared a catalogue of the Pacific Health exhibition this is also available online at [http://pacificarchives.anu.edu.au/gallery/index.php](http://pacificarchives.anu.edu.au/gallery/index.php)

In October 2009 the Pacific Archivist had a successful visit to the staff of the New Guinea Collection at the University of Papua New Guinea where she provided archival training for 17 library and records staff members.
For the People: Pacific Resources Exhibition

By Karina Taylor

The Pacific Research Archives at the Australian National University is currently holding an exhibition entitled ‘For the People: Pacific Resources’. The exhibition is curated by Pacific Archivist, Karina Taylor and covers the different ways environmental resources in the Pacific are utilised by people. Exhibits are displayed under the themes of - Our Sea of Islands, Mining the Pacific, Agriculture and Land, Cane and Coconuts. Karina sees the exhibition as an opportunity to displaying the strengths of the collections of the Pacific Research Archives, which include:

- Anthropologist/geographer Dr William Clarke’s research papers and photographs of agricultural practices of the Bomagai-Angoiang people of Papua New Guinea;
- Geographer Professor Gerard Ward’s research materials on the bech-de-mer trade in the Pacific Islands and the sugar cane and copra industries in Fiji;
- Dietitian Nancy Hitchcock’s photos of fishing in Kaparoko, Papua New Guinea demonstrate the importance of ocean resources in the Pacific;
- Burns Philp and Company photos showing gold mining at Merri Creek in the Morobe District of Papua New Guinea; and
- Anthropologist Dr Martha Macintrye and environmental scientist Dr Simon Foale photos of the impact of gold mining on the people of Lihir, New Ireland Province, Papua New Guinea.
- Also featured is a new collection of photographs of phosphate mining on Banaba/Ocean Island from Fred Douthch, Lillian Hardman and the Edwards family.

The exhibition is being held in the ANU Archives reading room in the Menzies Library Building No.2, until July 2010. Images and material from the exhibition will be available to view as an online exhibition on the PRA website later this year http://pacificarchives.anu.edu.au/
The aim of this fieldwork was to microfilm the Cook Islands research papers of Donald Stanley Marshall at the invitation Rod Dixon, Director of the Cook Islands Campus of the University of the South Pacific.

I took the opportunity to visit the Cook Islands National Library, the Cook Islands Library and Museum Society and the Cook Islands National Archives, but there was not enough time to continue microfilming the correspondence of the Resident Agents in the outer Islands. With Rod Dixon’s encouragement I gave a public “slide show” of photographs in an album documenting the Pacific Islands official tour of Lord Liverpool, Governor-General of New Zealand, in 1919 (PMB 1281, PMB Photo 11), and distributed catalogues of PMB resources documenting the Cook Islands.

This was the fourth PMB visit to Rarotonga during my time as Executive Officer. Staying at the Aitutaki Hostel, right next to the USP Centre, was not only convenient but also provided the best entertainment. About 100 Aitutakians arrived to prepare for Te Maeva Nui annual inter-island dance competition. As Rarotonga had been very busy hosting the World Netball Championships, the dance competition and Independence Day celebration were postponed until 12 September. The Hostel woke at 6.30am to the most beautiful custom hymn sung in parts, prayers, a sermon and speeches, then leapt up to exercises, cooking, eating, washing, cleaning, making costumes and rehearsing the songs and dances accompanied by slit drums, base drum, conch shells and yells, like Tarvurvur in full eruption, and continuing off and on until more speeches and evening prayer at about midnight. I wished I could microfilm it all!

Thanks very much to the Aitutaki leaders and to the Hostel managers, Kath and Gavin, who allowed me to stay on at the Hostel. Thanks to Mr Mataio, a friend of my colleague Dr John Spurway, who kindly kept an eye on my welfare, providing large amounts of pawpaws, bananas and lemons from his wonderful garden and taking me to lunch at his place on Fathers’ Day. Thanks also to Seana and Tiena of the USP Centre administrative staff for their tolerance. I am especially grateful to Rod Dixon for his kindness, collaboration and exuberance, and for allowing me access to the USP Centre’s visitor’s room at all hours.
D.S. Marshall Papers

Mira Nan Marshall donated her father’s Cook Islands research materials to the USP Cook Islands Campus in 2008. Ms Marshall approved the microfilming but advised care when copying some of Marshall’s inward correspondence. A second, larger, record group of Marshall’s research materials, probably relating to French Polynesia, where Marshall worked in Ra’ivavae and Tikehau, has been donated to the Bishop Museum by Mira Marshall.

Don Marshall undertook 12 expeditions to Polynesia during the period 1951 to 2004, a number of them on behalf of the Peabody Museum, Salem, carrying out research work in Honolulu, Tahiti, Fiji, New Zealand, the Cook Islands, Samoa, the Australas and the Tuamotus. His field work in the Cook Islands focused on Mangaia.

Marshall was a professional photographer before World War II. He enlisted in the US Army in 1942 and was based in Panama where he developed an interest in the San Blas Cuna Indians and a lifelong passion for anthropology. After the War Marshall studied anthropology at Harvard and in 1951 was awarded a Fulbright scholarship to New Zealand, stopping at Honolulu for a few weeks with Sir Peter Buck who had studied and published a good deal on Mangaia. Marshall carried out fieldwork in Mangaia, including collecting artefacts for the Peabody Museum. He was awarded a doctorate from Harvard University in 1956. Marshall returned to the Cook Islands in 1976 and 1989.

Marshall was editor of Frank Stimson’s, Songs and Tales of the Sea Kings: interpretations of the oral literature of Polynesia (1957); joint author with Frank Stimson of, Ra’ivavae: an expedition to the most fascinating and mysterious island in Polynesia (1961); joint author and editor of Human Sexual Behavior: variations in the ethnographic spectrum (1971), based on papers presented in 1965; and author of, “Too Much in Mangaia”, in Readings in Human Sexuality: contemporary perspectives, edited by Chad Morgan and Gayle Johnson (1980).

In 1962-1963 Marshall attended the US Army War College then joined the Army General Staff in Washington, serving two tours of duty in Vietnam, working on analyses of US involvement in the war and strategies for the future. He also served as deputy director of the Strategic Arms Limitation (SALT) task force at the Pentagon and as director of strategy and assessment for the Defense Nuclear Agency. He retired in 1976.


The Don Marshall archive in Rarotonga is held in 47 archives boxes, three containers of negatives and four four-drawer filing cabinets. The bottom drawers of the filing cabinets have not been used as the USP Centre building is subject to flooding. The papers and photographs are loosely arranged, but Rod Dixon has compiled a detailed item list to which I contributed a little when working through the documents.

The archive consists of:
- prints and negatives of Marshall’s Cook Islands photographs;
- journals of Marshall’s 1st-5th Polynesian expeditions (but not his expedition field notes);
- drafts of Marshall’s Cook Islands publications, including his unpublished paper, Descent, Relationship and Territorial Groups of Mangaia - Kith, Kin and Kindred on Mangaia;
- correspondence relating to Marshall’s Cook Islands fieldwork;
- research papers compiled during Marshall’s Cook Islands field work, including his catalogue of fish and fauna on Mangaia, and materials on songs and music, bibliography, census and linguistics;
- one filing cabinet drawer of Cook Islands Maori (Mangaian) word cards (not microfilmed).
Published material held in the Marshall Papers includes:
- publications of the LMS Press on Mangaia, including Te Karere Koia Oki Te Pepa Society, with which is incorporated, Fugitive Papers, Edited in Mangaia, Nos.4-16 &16, Sep 1898-Jan 1901;
- extensive sets of post-War school readers in Cook Islands Maori (not filmed), and E Au Tua Maori, Nos.1-3, c.1946-47, together with a compilation of stories and legends of the Cook Islands by Cook Islander authors;
- extensive collection of rare Cook Islands Maori dictionaries, word lists and grammars,
  - including an annotated copy of Rev. Eastman’s, Rarotongan-English Dictionary, given to Marshall by Rev. Murphy, microfilmed at PMB 1338. (Another copy, held by Rev. Eastman in Dorset was microfilmed at PMB 478 in 1974. However we considered that the annotations in this volume would make it worthwhile microfilming as well.)
- a strong set of Cook Islands annual reports and legislation (not filmed);
- a good set of early papers by Ron Crocombe on land tenure in the Cook Islands.

Manuscripts, unpublished and rare printed materials were microfilmed in order of the listing, including, for many items, photographic prints where they were held with textual records. Further selected items have yet to be microfilmed. Rod Dixon has already digitised a number of the photographic prints and plans to digitise the complete set of Marshall’s negatives in due course. He may call on the Bureau to collaborate on the digitisation.

Slide Show Presentation
The “slide show” of photographs in the Lord Liverpool Album, 1919 was advertised by the USP Centre in the Cook Islands News. The meeting was convened by Rod Dixon, assisted by Mahiriki Tangaroa, Beachcomber Contemporary Art Curator, and held in a new gallery at the Beachcomber in which an exhibition of Marshall’s Rarotonga and Mangaia photographs was on display. About 30 people attended, helping to identify sites and buildings in the photographs. A report on the meeting was published in the Cook Islands News on 8 September.

A draft Catalogue of Cook Islands Documents at the Pacific Manuscripts Bureau, published for the ‘Are Marama Nui Project by the USP Cook Islands Campus, was distributed at the meeting, consisting of:
- Summary list of Cook Islands titles on PMB Microfilms
- Summary of the contents of the Rarotonga Microfile, October 1961
- List of Cook Islands Papers formerly held in the Pacific and Asian History (RSPAS) Records Room
- W.G. Coppell, Research Papers on the Pacific Islands, in particular, the Cook Islands, Norfolk Island and Pacific bibliographies.
- The D.S. Marshall Archive catalogue

We also distributed a handout, Cook Islands Photograph Collections listed in PMB Catalogue of South Seas Photograph Collections, and elsewhere, which abstracted information from Marie Melvin’s “Introduction” to Captive Images to help construct a “genealogy” of Cook Islands photograph collections.

Visits to the National Library and National Archives
I visited Justina Nicholas, the National Librarian, exchanged news – Sonny Williams has been re-appointed Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Culture. I also agreed to provide Justina with the lists of PMB Cook Islands materials.

George Paniani, Kanny Vaile, and Ake Willie are still working at the National Archives. Mr Paniani confirmed that the PMB may continue microfilming the Resident Agents’ correspondence. The Archives has received the microfilm reader donated last year through the auspices of the LDS and PMB.

Mr Paniani reported that a new Cook Islands Official Information Act is in place. It is a freedom of information regulation, which together with improved public record keeping, is being seen as a pilot project for other Pacific Islands nations. PARBICA has been running training sessions through the Ombudsman’s Office. Information Management Officers are being appointed by all Ministries. There is a possibility that the Archives Act will be revisited. There is a 15-year closure rule in the Cook Islands – the Archives is attempting to be much less restrictive on access. However there is no up-to-date listing of its holdings which impedes public access.
I showed Mr Paniani the lists of PMB Cook Islands materials intended for publication through the USP Cook Islands Campus. He supported the publication of the lists.

**Cook Islands Library and Museum Society**

Jean Mason, the CILMS convenor, welcomed the PMB’s fieldwork in the Cook Islands and attended the Lord Liverpool slide show. Ms Mason took copies of the PMB listings which included a number of CILMS manuscripts microfilmed by Bill Coppell. She said that the CILMS was reconstructing a catalogue of its manuscripts some of which may have gone astray since the microfilms were made. The CILMS also has a large collection of photographs; postcard copies of some are available for purchase.

**Mr Nga Mataio, General Secretary, Cook Islands Christian Church, Takamoa Theological College**

Mr Mataio attended the Lord Liverpool album slide show and took digital copies of the photographs of the Takamoa mission house and lecture hall which are now being renovated under his supervision. Mr Mataio gave me digital copies of the *Cook Islands Christian Church Newsletter*, Nos.1-24, 1 Sep 2005-19 Mar 2009, and hard copies of Nos.25 & 26, 14 May & 29 Jul 2009 (in Maori and English) which include records of Executive Council and General Assembly meetings, lists of office bearers, profiles of distinguished Church members, and an historical series called “Reflections” and “History in Pictures”. Mr Mataio also provided digital copies of the *Cook Islands Christian Church of Australia Newsletter*, Nos.1-4, Oct 2008-Jul 2009. I note that the LDS has microfilmed some Cook Islands LMS archives.
### Newly Elected Officers - Titulaires De Charges Nouvellement Élus

**One nomination only was received for the offices below and the following have been declared elected:**

**Pour plusieurs postes il n'y avait qu'un candidat. En conséquence, il a déclaré élues les personnes suivantes:**

**Vice-President, Programme/ Vice-President, Programme:** Lewis BELLARDO, Senior Adviser/conseiller, National Archives and Records Administration, United States/ Etats Unis d'Amérique.

**Vice-President, Finance/ Vice-President, Finances:** Andreas KELLERHALS, Director of Federal Archives, Switzerland/ Directeur des archives fédérales suisses.

**Chairman, Audit Commission/ President, Commission d' Audit:** Atakilty Assefa ASSGEDOM, Director General, National Library and Archives, Ethiopia/ Directeur général, Bibliothèque nationale et Archives, Ethiopie..

**Member, Audit Commission/ Membre, Commission d’ Audit:** Karel VELLE, National Archivist and Director of State Archives, Belgium/ Archiviste général du Royaume et Directeur général des Archives de l'État de Belgique.

**Member, Audit Commission/ Membre, Commission d’ Audit:** Matevs KOSIR, Head of Archival Commission, National Archives, Slovenia/ Secrétaire et Chef de la Commission Archives de la République de Slovénie.

**Citra Bureau- Member For Africa And The Arab World/ Bureau Citra - Membre Region Arabe et Afrique:** Abdelmajid CHIKHI, Director General, National Archives, Algeria/ Directeur des Archives Nationales d’Algérie.

**Citra Bureau – Member For Latin America And The Caribbean/ Bureau Citra - Membre Amerique Latine et Caraibes:** Eugenio BUSTOS RUZ, President, Asociacion de Archiveros de Chile/ Président de l’Association des Archivistes du Chili.

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**The following candidates for the posts of ICA President and ICA Vice-President, Marketing and Promotion were declared elected:**

**Les membres de l’ICA souhaiteront connaître les résultats des deux élections disputées pour les poste de président et vice-président marketing et promotion de l’ICA. A la clôture du compte des voix, Henri Zuber, responsable des élections 2010, a déclaré:**

**ICA President/ Président de l’ICA:** Martin BERENDSE, National Archivist, National Archives of the Netherlands

**Vice-President, Marketing And Promotion/ Vice-Présidente, Marketing et Promotion:** Vu Thi MINH HUONG, Director General, State Records and Archives Department of Vietnam

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No nominations were received for the post of CITRA bureau member representing Europe and North America. The Election Officer will propose a nomination to fill this vacancy to the full Executive Board, and this nomination will then have to be approved by the AGM in Oslo this September.

Aucune candidature n’a été reçue pour le poste de membre du bureau CITRA représentant l'Europe et l'Amérique du Nord. Conformément aux Règles de procédure 2007, paragraphe 8, le responsable des élections proposera au Comité exécutif un candidat pour occuper ce poste vacant, et cette candidature devra alors être approuvée par l’Assemblée générale annuelle(AGM) qui se tiendra à Oslo en septembre prochain.


ICA-Req – Phase II Project – Implementation Guidance and Training Material
Report on Project Meeting in Edinburgh, March 2010
By Adrian Cunningham
(Abbreviated version of an article submitted to ICA’s Flash news bulletin)

One of ICA’s achievements during the 2004-2008 quadrennium was the development and publication of the three modules of Principles and Functional Requirements for Records in Electronic Office Environments – ICA-Req for short. ICA-Req was launched by ICA President Lorenz Mikoletzky at the ICA Congress in Kuala Lumpur in 2008. Since then ICA-Req has been issued for ballot for fast track adoption by the International Standards Organization and it is also being translated into French, Chinese and Catalan.

Last year PCOM approved a project proposal submitted by the National Archives of Australia to build on this success by developing implementation guidance and training material for ICA-Req, with a particular focus on the needs of organisations and governments in low resource environments. A project team has been assembled with representation from ICA-SAE; the International Records Management Trust; Australia; New Zealand; the United Kingdom; the United States of America; China; Uruguay; Malaysia; Kenya; the Netherlands; and South Africa.

The project team met for the first time in March at the National Archives of Scotland in Edinburgh. This meeting agreed on the scope, modules, work plan and timelines for the project between now and the 2012 ICA Congress in Brisbane, Australia.

The following products have been identified as material that the team wishes to complete by 2012: Implementation Guidance: consisting of advocacy material, e-readiness assessment tool for organisations, case studies of electronic records management and pilots of ICA-Req implementations, scenario-based implementation variants of ICA-Req Module 3, detailed implementation guidance for ICA-Req Module 3, summary implementation guidance on particular implementation issues, More detailed guidance on implementation issues discussed in ICA-Req Module 1 Mappings of ICA-Req to MoReq, TNA and US DoD specifications; and Training Material to supplement existing ERM training courses for ICA-Req Module 2 and ICA-Req Module 3 and an E-Records Training Portal on the ICA website.

Exposure drafts will be available for comment on the ICA website. For further information please contact Adrian Cunningham, project coordinator, at adrian.cunningham@naa.gov.au.

Project Team members at General Register House, Edinburgh, on 10 March 2010.
L to R: Andrew Waugh (Public Record Office Victoria), Lisa Judge (Archives New Zealand), Margaret Crockett (Archival Skills Consultancy, UK), James Lowry (International Records Management Trust), Janet Foster (Archival Skills Consultancy, UK), George Mackenzie (National Archives of Scotland), Justus Wamukoya (Moi University, Kenya), Hans Hofman (National Archives of the Netherlands), Richard Blake (The National Archives, London), Qian Yi (Renmin University of China), Adrian Cunningham (National Archives of Australia), Jian Wang (Renmin University of China), Song WeiWei (Renmin University of China)
COUNTRY UPDATES

SAMOA – Public Records Bill 2010
The Ministry of Education Sports and Culture through the Archives Unit are excited with the progress of the Bill. The Attorney General has issued its official certificate for the proposed Bill; this means the Ministry is now preparing a Cabinet paper for Cabinet’s approval while at the same time the Legislative Office is translating the Bill into the Samoan language to have it tabled in Parliament.

The Public Records Bill 2010 provides for the custody, control, management, preservation and use of Public Records. It also establishes the National Archivist and the National Archives and Records Authority ("the Authority") which will be responsible for the Management of Public Records.

NEW ZEALAND – National Archives Of New Zealand
On 25 March 2010 Tony Ryall, State Services Minister, announced changes to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of government agencies. He said "We are looking to future-proof agencies during a time of increased restraint and rising public expectations of service delivery." As part of those changes the Government agreed to amalgamate Archives New Zealand and the National Library into the Department of Internal Affairs. He also said "These changes are part of the Government's ongoing programme to reduce duplication and operational costs, and ensure we have stronger government agencies delivering better public services in the future." Further information about the integration can be found on the following website www.integration.dia.govt.nz.

NEW LISTSERVS & WEBSITES

PARBICA Listserv
Bula Vinaka, Talofa, Kia ora, Alii, Bonjour, warm Pacific greetings to PARBICA members and friends!
To sign up to the new PARBICA listserv go to the following link and follow the instructions: http://lists.spc.int/mailman/listinfo/parbica_lists.spc.int After you signed up you will be sent a confirmation email. Mark Crookston, Secretary General, is the list administrator and approves new subscriptions; once this is done you will be notified by email.
The listserv is intended to be used as a discussion forum on archives and records management issues across the Pacific, so please use it actively so that we can share our challenges and solutions, and keep our colleagues informed of events of interest.

Once you are subscribed, you can post messages to the list by sending an email to parbica@lists.spc.int. Please contact Mark if you have any questions.

Blue Shield Australia now has a website which can be found at http://www.blueshieldaustralia.org.au

CONFERENCES

“Future Proof: Resilient Archives 2020 and Beyond”: the Australian Society of Archivists will hold its 27th Annual National Conference in Melbourne at the Rydges Hotel, Russell Street cnr Little Bourke Street, from 12 - 17 October 2010. For the program and updates check the ASA website at http://www.archivists.org.au/2010-melbourne

RMAA 2010 Conference: inForum is being held at the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre, 5-8 September 2010 with the theme “Information Continuity: Safeguarding business and community identity” which focuses on information continuity for the business and government world, and also for individuals, families, community-based organisations, and indigenous and minority communities. The convention features 7 keynote speakers, 30 plenary and concurrent presentations in the main program, 10 workshops including 2 practical ‘hands on’ disaster preparedness and recovery sessions, an optional site visit to Queensland State Archives upgraded facility, special interest group meetings, numerous opportunities for networking, a 100% relevant trade exhibition incorporating 50 trade stands, and several social events including a new networking function for listserv/forum users.
Early Bird Registrations close on 31 July and Standard Registrations close on 1 September RMAA Web: www.rmaa.com.au Convention Web: www.inforum.net.au

SCHOLARSHIPS - ARTHINGTON DAVY FUND
Students, born in Tonga of Tongan parents, who have already taken a first University degree and who wish to engage in postgraduate study at any University in the world, are eligible to be considered for an award to cover the cost or part of the cost of such study, the award being conditional on the applicant’s
acceptance for such a course by the chosen University. Preference is to be given to those proposing to engage in study or research in subjects likely to contribute significantly to the development of Tonga. Awards are made from the Arthington-Davy Fund, generously set up by the late Humphrey Augustus Arthington-Davy, British High Commissioner to the Kingdom of Tonga from 1973 to 1980, and left by him to be managed by his Cambridge College, Trinity. The Fund’s resources permit only a few awards each year. Those wishing to commence a course in January/February must apply by 30 November extended to 31 December; those wishing to start in September or October must apply by 31 May.

Download the Arthington Davy application form and sent together with a complete cv, academic record; proof of Tongan origin; details of the intended post-graduate study preferably with a letter of conditional acceptance from the University concerned; full details of tuition and living expenses and of finance available from the student’s own resources or elsewhere; and the names of two academic referees to The Tutor for Advanced Students, Trinity College, Cambridge CB2 1TQ or email gradtutor@trin.cam.ac.uk.

Creating and Keeping Your Digital Treasures: A User Guide


Working with digital objects such as Word files and photographs has become a part of daily life for almost everyone. The State Library of Western Australia has recently completed a guide on creating and maintaining digital objects for the long term. This manual provides guidelines on quality, file formats and best practice for creating, naming and storing digital objects. The guide has been written for a non-technical audience and is based on the minimum file format and quality standards at the State Library. The authors hope this document proves to be useful for anyone who collects digital objects, from individuals creating personal collections of digital photographs through to organisations building their own digital archives. The document is freely available at: http://slwa.wa.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0015/12048/Creatings_and_Keeping_your_Digital_Treasures_A_User_Guide.pdf

The authors would appreciate your feedback on the document. Please email info@slwa.wa.gov.au.

EAC-CPF 2010 released

The EAC-CPF Working Group (EACWG) has announced the public release of the EAC-CPF 2010 version of the schema and tag library for Encoded Archival Context-Corporate Bodie, Persons, and Families. The new standard provides an XML vocabulary to enable encoding and communicating archival authority records created according to the rules promulgated in ISAAR-CPF, and it is intended to facilitate content-rich authority records that can interoperate in a global environment.

The stable schema is available for immediate download in 3 versions: WC3 schema language, Relax NG Schema, and Relax NG Schema Compact. It is accompanied by an extensive Tag Library complete with encoding examples, which is also available for immediate download. It is expected that the online tag library will continue to evolve over time to meet the needs of the encoding community. The three schema versions, the Tag Library, and other information resources, are available on the official EAC-CPF website: http://eac.staatsbibliothek-berlin.de. The international standard is jointly supported by the Society of American Archivists and the State Library of Berlin. [Aus-archivists listserve

National Archives 2010 Grants

The National Archives of Australia offers a range of grants. They are designed to help scholars complete an innovative and quality research project that makes substantial use of the National Archives collection and is significant for Australian audiences.

Applications are open for:

Frederick Watson Fellowship (up to $15,000) for established scholars.
Margaret George Award (up to $10,000) for emerging scholars establishing themselves in their chosen profession.
Ian Maclean Award (up to $15,000) for archivists and other professionals who are interested in archival issues.

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