

# Part three

Accountability and management

#### Governance

The National Museum of Australia guides the delivery of its outputs through its corporate governance framework. This comprises the Museum's enabling legislation and other legislative instruments, managerial and organisational structures, corporate policies and strategies, and resource management practices.

#### Legislation

The key legislative instrument defining the broad functions and activities of the Museum is the National Museum of Australia Act 1980. This Act established the Museum as a Commonwealth statutory authority and, along with the National Museum of Australia Regulations, defines its role, functions and powers. The functions and

powers of the Museum are in Appendix 2. The Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997 provides a single set of core reporting, auditing and accountability requirements for directors of Commonwealth authorities. It deals with other matters such as banking and investment and the conduct of officers. It also states that directors are responsible for the preparation and content of the report of operations in accordance with the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies (Report of Operations) Orders 2005. The Public Service Act 1999 covers the powers of the Director of the National Museum of Australia in relation to the management of human resources.

The National Museum of Australia is a statutory authority within the portfolio of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.

#### Governance model

#### Accountability

**Parliament** Government Minister Council Other stakeholders

#### Performance

Internal conformance and reporting External conformance and reporting



#### Controls

Legislation Delegations Values Codes of conduct Ethics Certified Agreement Staff circulars

#### Strategy

Vision and mission Performance management framework

- · plans, policies and procedures
- strategic and business plans Personal performance plans Organisational structure Risk management Committees Culture

#### Council and committees

The Council of the National Museum of Australia is responsible for the overall performance of the organisation, including setting the strategic direction and establishing goals for management. The Council works with senior management in developing, executing, monitoring and adjusting the appropriate strategies.

The National Museum of Australia Act 1980 provides for a Council consisting of a chairman. the Director of the Museum and not less than seven or more than 10 members. All members are appointed by the Governor-General and, apart from the Director, are parttime and appointed for terms of up to three years, although terms of appointment can be extended. The Director is appointed for a period not exceeding seven years.

The current membership of the Council provides a mix of skills and experience in the areas of history, politics, education, business, farming, financial and strategic management, journalism, museum management, and government policy and administration. The Commonwealth Remuneration Tribunal determines remuneration for non-executive members.

During 2006–07 the terms of two non-executive members lapsed.

At 30 June 2007, the Council comprised the following members:

- The Hon Tony Staley AO (Chairman)
- Dr John Hirst (Deputy Chairman)
- Mr David Barnett OBE
- Mr Benjamin Chow AO
- Dr John Fleming
- Ms Sally Anne Hasluck
- Mr Christopher Pearson
- Mr Craddock Morton (executive member).



The Council of the National Museum of Australia (back from left) Benjamin Chow, David Barnett, Marian Gibney (term ended 23 June 2007, reappointed 22 August 2007), Christopher Pearson, Sally Anne Hasluck, Tim Duncan (term ended 19 November 2006), John Fleming and (front) John Hirst, Tony Staley and Craddock Morton.









(clockwise from top left) National Museum Director Craddock Morton; General Managers Suzy Nethercott-Watson, Louise Douglas and Mathew Trinca.

The Council held four meetings during 2006–07. A senior officer from the Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts attends Council meetings as an observer.

The Museum provides Council members with information on government changes to corporate governance responsibilities as it becomes available, including Australian National Audit Office documents and guidelines.

The Council has policy and procedures for the disclosure and resolution of any matter for its consideration that may result in a conflict of interest. Members are required to make the nature of that interest known at the commencement of a Council meeting and details of such disclosures are recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

The Council has three committees established to assist in the execution of its responsibilities. These are:

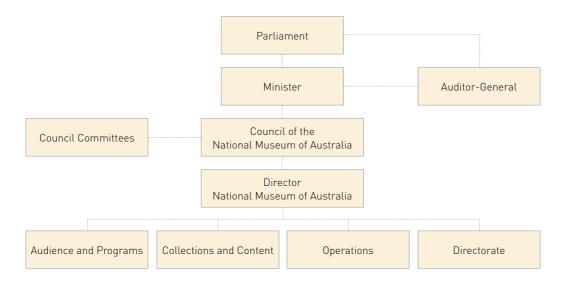
- Audit and Finance Committee
- Collections Committee
- Sponsorship and Development Committee.

Details of Council committees are in Appendix 1.

#### National Museum of Australia organisation chart as at 30 June 2007



#### Accountability chain as at 30 June 2007



#### **Executive Management group**

The Executive Management group, comprising the Director and three General Managers, provides strategic and operational leadership to the Museum.

## Performance Management Framework

The Museum's organisational Performance Management Framework continues to provide the structure for delivering outputs and outcomes through planning, policy and procedural work. Performance is guided by the Museum's Strategic Plan and its vision and mission statements and is tracked through a set of quantitative measures and project management practices.

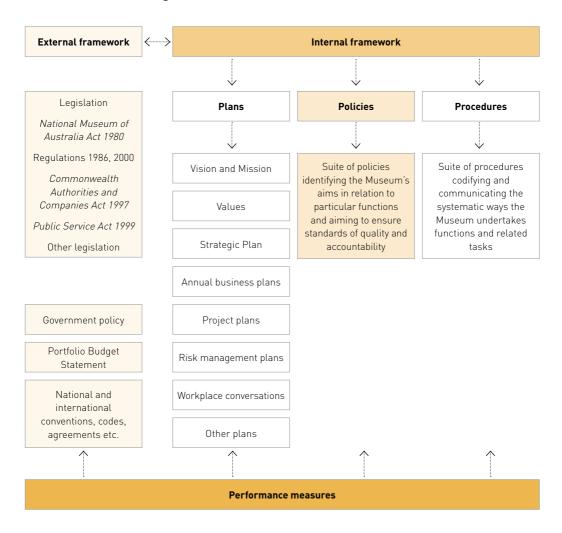
#### Strategic Plan

This has been the third and final year of implementation of the Museum's Strategic Plan 2004–07. The key priorities and a summary of progress against the Strategic Plan's business priorities for 2006–07 are provided in Part 1, Executive summary.

#### **Business planning**

Business planning and performance reporting are central to the Museum's delivery of outcomes and outputs for its stakeholders. Museum divisions and their business units implement annual business plans linked to the Museum's strategic priorities. Business planning identifies key risks for the delivery of the Museum's priorities and includes risk mitigation.

#### Performance Management Framework overview



#### **Project management**

During the year the Museum's project management methodology was further deployed. In support of the methodology, the rollout of the project management software system was completed. Application of the methodology, software and project support will continue to evolve throughout 2007-08.

#### Policies and plans

The Museum has a comprehensive suite of policies and plans. Policies are monitored and reviewed at regular intervals and are publicly available on the Museum's website. During the year, Council approved the Permanent Exhibitions Policy and the Privacy Policy.

### Internal and external scrutiny

#### Internal audit

An external service provider, RSM Bird Cameron, delivers internal audit services to the Museum under a three-year service contract The major reviews completed by the internal auditors during 2006-07 included:

- financial compliance
- cost recovery
- Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997 certificate of compliance

#### External audit

The Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) is responsible for auditing the Museum's annual financial statements. An unqualified audit opinion precedes the annual financial statements in Part 4 of this report.

The Museum is continuing to implement recommendations from the performance audit titled Safe and Accessible National Collections. conducted in 2004-05. This performance audit included the Museum and other national collecting institutions.

#### Risk management and fraud control

To enable efficient and effective program delivery, and to promote sound business practices, the government requires that all Commonwealth agencies have risk management plans in place.

The Museum's formal risk management framework was developed in accordance with the Australian Standard AS4360: Risk Management, and has been in place for a number of years. This framework assists all managers in the efficient and effective delivery of the Museum's programs, and in the promotion of good business practices.

The Museum is committed to fostering a culture of risk management throughout the organisation through its risk management framework which comprises:

- a risk management policy
- strategic and corporate risk registers
- guidance material, including risk management plan templates and a ratings matrix.

This framework is made available to all staff via a dedicated section of the intranet and is continuously reviewed and improved by the Risk Management unit. This ensures that risk management continues to meet changing requirements within the Museum, and further simplifies the task for all business units to incorporate formal risk management processes into their work.

The Strategic Risk Management plan was reviewed by the Council's Audit and Finance Committee twice during the year. All divisional and business unit risk management plans were reviewed during 2006 as part of the annual review process.

An introduction to risk management principles was included in the training sessions provided to new employees and visitor services host teams.

The Museum continued to participate in Comcover's Annual Risk Management and Insurance Benchmarking program (see Indemnities and Insurance). The Museum also continued to participate in Comcover's Risk Profiling exercise aimed at assisting Comcover to gain a better understanding of risk exposures of all member agencies.

In recognition of its risk management framework and processes, the Museum's Risk Management unit has been asked by Comcover to undertake a mentoring role for other agencies.

The Museum's Fraud Risk Assessment and Control plan is endorsed by the Council's Audit and Finance Committee, and the Action Plan was reviewed during 2006-07. Fraud awareness training is provided to staff as part of the Museum's induction training program.

#### Freedom of information

The Freedom of Information Act 1982 requires each Commonwealth Government agency to publish a statement setting out its role. structure and functions, the documents available for public inspection, and how to access such documents. This statement is available in Appendix 10. There was one formal request for access to documents under section 15 of the Act during 2006-07.

#### Privacy legislation

The Museum provides information as required to the Privacy Commissioner for inclusion in the Personal Information Digest. No reports by the Privacy Commissioner under section 30 of the Privacy Act 1988 concerning actions or practices by the Museum were received during 2006-07.

#### Formal decisions/notifications/ ministerial directions

The Museum received no formal notifications or ministerial directions from the Minister apart from Council appointment notifications, and one ministerial direction from the Finance Minister, requiring the Museum to produce a compliance report, during 2006-07.

Ministerial direction from previous financial years that continued to apply in 2006-07 relate to the:

- Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines
- Commonwealth Cost Recovery Guidelines
- Foreign Exchange Policy
- Implementation Guidelines for the National Code of Practice for the Construction Industry.

During 2006–07 the National Museum of Australia fully met the requirements of the National Code of Practice for the Construction Industry and the Australian Government Implementation Guidelines for all significant works but did not fully comply for minor works.

The area of non-compliance was that the National Museum of Australia did not advise contractors for minor works of the need to comply with the Code and Guidelines. Changes have been made to ensure compliance for all construction-related expenditure for 2007-08.

The National Museum of Australia fully complied with other general policies of Government that had been notified under Section 28 and 47 of the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997.

#### Significant events

There were no significant events advised to the Minister by the Museum during 2006-07 in accordance with the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997.

#### Legal actions

In 2006-07 the Museum settled one claim relating to injuries sustained on Museum premises. The claim was met by the Museum's insurer, Comcover.

As at 30 June 2007, there was one outstanding injury-related claim lodged against the Museum by a contractor's employee.

#### **Ombudsman**

No new issues or matters about the Museum were referred to, or raised with, the Commonwealth Ombudsman's Office.

#### Occupational health and safety

The Museum continued to manage occupational health and safety (OH&S) for all staff, volunteers and visitors during 2006-07 through its well-established OH&S management framework. This included:

- · an OH&S committee
- five designated work groups for OH&S management in different areas of the Museum
- · health and safety representatives and deputies elected by employees in each of the five designated work groups
- · regular training for staff
- · staff health monitoring
- targeted safety improvements
- · incident reporting and investigation.

The Museum's OH&S Committee met four times during the year. The committee is chaired by the General Manager, Operations division, and comprises the Safety and Risk Manager, health and safety and management representatives from each designated working group, as well as representatives from the Employee Relations and People Development and the Facilities sections of the Museum

The Museum recognises that training is an integral part of achieving and maintaining a high standard of workplace safety. Training provided during 2006-07 included:

- OH&S and risk management induction presentations for new employees as part of the Museum's orientation program
- OH&S induction presentations for visitor services host teams to increase their awareness of their rights and obligations
- OH&S training for collections management staff
- where required, training to gain licences for forklift and order picker operation
- customised manual handling training sessions for Museum staff and PS Enterprise volunteers.

As the Museum makes extensive use of contractors, efforts continue to be made to ensure that all contractors working on Museum sites receive a site induction prior to commencing work.

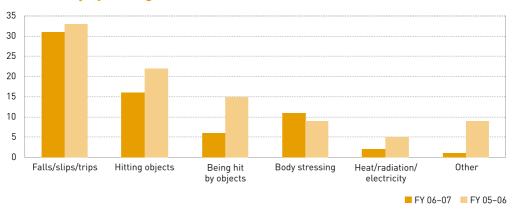
The Museum continued its proactive approach of identifying, assessing and rectifying safety hazards in a functional and practical way that also took into consideration environmental aspects. Some of the key improvements made during this year include:

- floor line marking of emergency exits and passageways in the warehouse at Gladstone Street, Fyshwick
- installation of perspex shields on some sliding doors to minimise the risk of injury to children from the opening doors
- modification of steel kick bars in the Hall to reduce potential trip hazards.

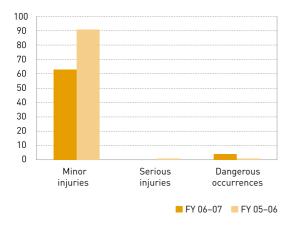
Other important achievements in the area of OH&S included:

· ongoing recruitment and training of wardens, first aid officers, and health and safety representatives to replace staff that have left those positions

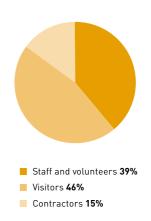
#### Causes of injury or dangerous occurrences



#### Category and number of reported incidents



#### Category of person injured or involved in dangerous occurrences



- flu vaccines being made available to all staff and volunteers, to assist staff and volunteers to maintain their health and provide productivity through a reduced requirement for sick leave
- health awareness promotion through an allstaff morning tea during which information was provided on diabetes, heart health and the quit smoking program
- as required bi-annually, medical screening for staff members who work with potentially hazardous substances.

Staff, visitors or contractors reported a total of 63 injuries during the year. There were four dangerous occurrences and these were reported to Comcare in accordance with section 68 of the Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991.

There were no fatalities or provisional improvement notices recorded during the period.

#### Indemnities and insurance

In accordance with section 16 of the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act (Report of Operations) Orders 2005*, which requires reporting on indemnities and insurance premium and run on, the Museum confirms that it has directors' and officers' liability insurance cover for Council members, the Director and General Managers. The premium for 2006–07 was \$5796.06.

The Museum had a claim on its property insurance because of the extensive building damage resulting from the ceiling collapse and flooding in December 2006. The Museum is currently working with the insurers to complete repairs.

The Museum reviewed its insurance coverage, as part of its annual insurance renewal process, to ensure that it remained appropriate for its activities. The Comcover Risk Management Benchmarking program recognised the positive impact of the Museum's risk management strategies and activities by awarding the Museum a 7 per cent discount on its 2006–07 insurance premium.

#### A focus on client service

The Museum's Client Service Charter (see Appendix 11) is available to the public as a brochure and on the Museum's website.

During the year, the Museum received more than 427 written comments from visitors regarding services, programs, exhibitions, the building and facilities. The written comments were received via email and from visitors completing the Client Service Charter feedback form. The majority of the feedback was positive. Some changes to the Museum's services and amenities were made as a result of visitors' comments, including:

- entry signage referring to cloaking requirements being placed at the entrance to the Hall and the galleries
- improvements to lift signage
- an increase in face-to-face interpretive programs
- installation of appropriate seating at the entrance of the Hall.

Positive references to the service provided by the visitor services hosts were the most common visitor comments recorded through the Charter, accounting for one third of all feedback received in 2006–07.

Awareness of the Client Service Charter was promoted to all new employees through the Orientation Day New Starters program and was included in detail in the induction and training sessions provided to new and existing visitor services staff. 'Focusing on the customer', a training session for administration staff about the skills required to meet the service-level expectations of clients, was provided twice in 2006–07.

Our friendly front line

Lucy Straczek and Harriet Barry; (right) Visitor services host Graeme Beveridge with a family in the Garden of Australian Dreams.

#### Face-to-face with Museum visitors

one of the 45 visitor services hosts. Hosts are the welcoming face of the organisation: greeting visitors, helping them find their way, answering questions about exhibitions and

As a team, the hosts are diversity in action. They range in age from 17 to 70 and their varied cultural backgrounds mean the Museum can offer face-to-face conversations with and Farsi.

The visitor services team also has a broad mix of educational qualifications. Among them are students studying at the undergraduate level, postgraduate level, undertaking Masters

disciplines, as well as people with retail experience, an archaeologist, foreign language translator, a retired army major and a Gallipoli battlefield guide.

Hosts deliver two paid quided tours daily: the Museum Highlights tour and the First important visitors. Tours are available in a variety of languages, and are also available for take a guided tour each month.

architecture and landscape, Captain James Cook, the Holden car and Indigenous stone

#### **Environmental performance**

The Museum actively undertook activities aimed at minimising its impact on the environment during 2006-07. While improved energy management continued to be a key focus, other significant activities were designed to minimise the consumption of natural resources. Key activities during 2006-07 included:

- installation of photoelectric sensors on outdoor lights, an increase in waste recycling, and the use of more organicbased cleaning chemicals
- an extensive review of the Museum's Environmental Management System, with particular focus on the targets and objectives set out in the Management Plans for water, energy, waste and paper
- a decision to purchase 8 per cent of the Museum's electricity needs from renewable energy sources
- design, fabrication and installation of recycling bins in the Hall
- joining Greenfleet, a non-profit organisation that plants trees in ACT and New South Wales forests to offset the carbon emissions from our fleet vehicles. As part of the Museum's annual fee, Greenfleet will undertake the planting of 17 mixed-species trees per vehicle. These trees will be planted either in the ACT or nearby New South Wales forests. As these trees grow, they will absorb the greenhouse gas emissions that each car produces in one year, storing the carbon in the wood and releasing oxygen back into the atmosphere.

See Appendix 9 for a more detailed list of activities

The Museum continues to contribute funding and expertise to the Lower Sullivans Creek ecological survey, a nationally significant project aimed at developing a biodiversity management plan for the Lower Sullivans Creek catchment area.

#### Disability strategies

The Museum recognises the importance of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992. Compliance with the Act helps identify and remove barriers that might prevent people with disabilities from accessing Museum programs, services and employment opportunities. The Museum meets its obligations under the Act by implementing the Commonwealth Disability Strategy and the Museum's Disability Action Plan. Details of the Museum's performance during the year in implementing the Commonwealth Disability Strategy are set out in Appendix 12.

#### Advertising and market research

In accordance with section 311A of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Museum each year reports its expenditure on advertising and market research. The total payment by the Museum to advertising and market research organisations in 2006-07 was \$1,627,486 and comprised:

- advertising agencies
- market research organisations
- media advertising organisations
- recruitment advertising.

A detailed list is shown in Appendix 13.

## Joint initiatives

#### ICOM Australia Museum Partnerships Program

Cultural identity across the Pacific Island nations and less developed parts of Asia is slowly eroding in the face of ongoing migration, urbanisation and the influx of popular western culture. Cultural institutions in the Asia-Pacific are keepers of national stories and custodians of the region's tangible and intangible cultural heritage. As such they play a key role in the maintenance and strengthening of cultural identity in their communities.

Support for these institutions is being provided through a joint initiative of the National Museum of Australia and the International Council of Museums (ICOM) Australian National Committee, known as the ICOM Australia Museum Partnerships Program (IAMPP). The program assists Australian not-for-profit and incorporated cultural organisations to provide skills and resources for formally partnered governance and heritage projects in the Asia-Pacific region.

The IAMPP is supported currently by the National Museum of Australia through two funding streams. The first is by a direct grant and the second through grants attracted by the Museum from AusAID.

In total, \$176,000 is funding projects with the Solomon Islands National Museum, Fiji Museum, Vanuatu Cultural Centre and the Pacific Islands Museums Association (although civil unrest in the Solomon Islands and Fiji has delayed some projects).

#### IAMPP funding source summary table

FY	National Museum of Australia	AusAID	Total
2005–06	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$90,000
2006-07	\$50,000	\$36,000	\$86,000
TOTAL	\$100,000	\$76,000	\$176,000





The annual Getting Down to Business forum for Museum sponsors and Corporate Circle members.

## **Commercial** performance

#### Sponsorship and development

Corporate sponsorship and partnerships support Museum programs and extend and enhance a range of activities. The Museum welcomes offers of sponsorship and other partnerships and, in 2006–07, the Museum continued to develop new collaborations, as well as maintaining substantial support from existing partners.

The Museum's Corporate Circle program engages local business supporters and provides opportunities for members to increase their level of support to the Museum. A key benefit provided for sponsors and Corporate Circle members was the annual networking forum, Getting Down to Business, held on 13 June 2007. The event, which provides Museum sponsors with the opportunity to network with members of the Canberra business community and highlights the advantages of becoming a sponsor or donor, attracted approximately 180 of Canberra's government and private sector decision-makers.

Eighty per cent of existing Corporate Circle members renewed their membership and three

organisations are about to become members for the first time

#### Merchandising and retail

Merchandising and retail operations raise commercial revenues while at the same time enhancing visitor experiences through the provision of merchandise that is largely inspired by Museum exhibitions, programs and its unique building.

Key achievements during 2006-07 included:

- a 15.2 per cent growth in gross revenue
- a conversion rate (that is, the percentage of Museum visitors who purchase from the Shop during their visit) of 15.31 per cent compared with 13.67 per cent in 2005–06.

Retail staff are active members of the Australian Capital Territory cultural shops forum. This forum includes retail managers from the National Gallery of Australia, Questacon, Parliament House Shop, the National Library of Australia, Old Parliament House and the National Film and Sound Archive

#### Venue hire

The Museum is a popular venue for a range of corporate events including conferences,

meetings, product launches, gala dinners, awards presentations and cocktail receptions. This year the Museum continued to promote the venue to the convention industry. Key relationships were developed within the industry to help promote the Museum as a venue to local, national and international markets.

## Resources, estimates and outcomes

#### Financial outcome for 2006-07

The Museum's financial statements disclose an operating surplus of \$3.650 million compared with an operating deficit for 2005–06 of \$0.457 million.

The Museum's appropriation for 2006–07 was \$40.026 million. The Museum also received a capital appropriation of \$3.493 million in 2006–07 which related to the implementation of the *Review of Exhibitions and Public Programs* (2003).

#### Income statement

Revenue from non-government sources increased by \$4.583 million. The main increases were in donated assets [\$3.583 million] and interest (\$0.287 million). The main donated asset recognised was the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art collection transferred from the Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (valued at \$4.379 million).

Total expenses increased by \$0.704 million. This was primarily due to increased depreciation expenses.

#### **Balance** sheet

The balance sheet discloses an increase in the Museum's net assets to \$362.101 million. In 2006–07 there was an increase in the asset revaluation reserve following an independent valuation of the buildings of \$4.839 million.

Cash as at 30 June 2007 totalled \$2.194 million (30 June 2006: \$0.820 million) and investments totalled \$41.130 million (30 June 2006: \$37.436 million). The investments primarily comprise reserves for depreciation and employee provisions.

#### Statement of cash flows

Net cash received from operating activities decreased by \$1.337 million.

During 2006–07 the Museum received an equity injection of \$3.493 million to implement the recommendations of the *Review of Exhibitions* and *Public Programs* [2003].

## **Management** performance

## Consulting and contracting services

The Museum is committed to achieving the best value for money in its procurement practices, including contracted services for internal audit, information technology hardware and support, media, transactional banking, cleaning, catering, security and exhibition design. Purchasing practices and procedures are consistent with the Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines and are also in accordance with the National Museum of Australia Act 1980 and best practice principles. The Museum's Procurement Guidelines are

reviewed annually to ensure consistency with Commonwealth policy.

The total number of consultancy services provided to the Museum in the period 2006–07 was 39, and the total expenditure on consultancy contracts during the year was \$1,069,318. Major services involved program evaluation, market research, information and communication technologies, and financial services.

#### Facilities management

During 2006–07, the Museum undertook an independent audit of the Facilities Management contract. The audit consisted of a review of the contractors' compliance with the terms of the contract, and included a partial condition audit of fixed plant and equipment to determine if the plant was being maintained to the required standard.

The audit has shown a significant improvement in the provision of key deliverables, including reporting, compared with previous audit reports. The associated condition audit has shown that the contractor is delivering and maintaining the fixed plant and equipment to the required condition standard.

Major facilities management projects commenced or completed during the year included:

- completion of the upgrade of heating, ventilation and airconditioning fixed plant and equipment for the 9–13 Vicars Street repository, including the provision of a new main mechanical switchboard and building management system
- upgrade of emergency lighting and exit signage at 9–13 Vicars Street and 90 Vicars Street repositories
- a continuing program of energy management assessments, including the revision of general lighting configurations

- and lighting parameters to reduce power consumption while still delivering appropriate lighting levels for exhibition areas
- a review of all exhibition lighting, including track layout reconfiguration and revision to drawings
- ongoing works within the Museum building to validate and document the operating relationships between the fire system and the building management system and fire/Building Code of Australia (BCA) requirements
- completion of a program to install surge protection equipment to limit operational risks due to electrical surges and brown outs, particularly to the large amount of audiovisual equipment
- revision to the Acton roof safety harness system and the provision of roof safety harness systems to 9–13 and 90 Vicars Street repositories.

During the year the Museum also released a tender for a telecommunications supplier. It is anticipated that the tender process will be finalised and a contract awarded early in 2007–08.

#### **Asset management**

Financial management of assets is monitored through the Council's Audit and Finance committee.

During 2006–07 the Museum undertook ongoing training and implemented changes to the Asset Management System to streamline and strengthen some of the procedures within the system. This has included changes to the reporting to provide monthly accruals for tracking of commitments and work in progress.

The Museum also commenced adding the refurbished Annexe building to its Asset Management System during 2006–07. It is anticipated that the remaining data for this

<u>Emergency response</u>

Craddock Morton makes a statement to the media the day after a hailstorm caused damage to the Museum's roof

#### The Museum weathers the storm

On 29 December 2006 an intense storm swept over Acton Peninsula, depositing a large amount of hail on the Museum's roof, blocking gutters and causing rainwater to flood through the ceiling above the Administration corridor. The ceiling collapsed from the weight of the water, causing flooding of the corridor and partially into the Hall, adjacent

Staff immediately evacuated the building and the Museum's business continuity plan was activated. Security staff ensured the site was secured. Staff from Conservation, Registration and Information Technology and Services arrived to check for collection and equipment damage, while Museum executives and Public Affairs staff managed the intense media interest.

Facilities staff worked with key contractors to assess the extent of damage. A structural engineer advised there was no structural damage to the building, which allowed the area to be cleaned up and temporary works carried out to enable resumption of normal business. The Museum was closed for only one day as a result of the incident.

No injuries were incurred, and no collection objects were affected. Some paintings on loan from Paul Blahuta, as part of the surf lifesaving exhibition, were damaged and Conservation staff salvaged and arranged for repair of the paintings.

This was the first of three major hailstorms to hit Canberra. Coupled with the building boom in Canberra, this resulted in a shortage of tradesmen and as a result the Museum's insurer had difficulty sourcing contractors to undertake the work. A Sydney construction company was engaged in early June 2007 and the repair work commenced shortly afterwards.

building, as well as the 9–13 Vicars Street heating, ventilation and airconditioning upgrade, will be added to the system in 2007–08.

## Storage and accommodation planning

#### Collection accommodation

In keeping with its functions under the National Museum of Australia Act 1980 to develop and maintain a national collection of historical material, an ongoing strategic priority for the Museum is to develop and plan for collection storage needs. This year a business priority was to implement the first stage of a storage and accommodation plan. With the assistance of external consultants, work continued this year to scope current and future options to accommodate the collections. Options include refurbishing existing leased premises and building and owning a purposebuilt storage facility.

In January 2007 the Museum engaged consultants Thinc Projects to add additional levels of planning to the option for a purposebuilt facility. Work has progressed on the development of:

- a detailed functional design brief for a purpose-built facility
- options for environmentally passive design
- environmental modelling studies.

The focus of the consultancy incorporated sound environmental design principles and key activity spaces which facilitate the safe and accessible accommodation of the collections. To improve efficiencies in space, short-term improvements to the existing leaseholds have been made through the refurbishment of office space, the procurement of fit-for-purpose storage systems and better use of

the volume of space to maximise the storage arrangements. An additional lease, attached to a currently leased property, was also secured to supplement expected growth of the collections.

#### Staff accommodation

The Museum has identified a need to review the occupancy and availability of staff office accommodation. Minor works projects completed that have or will improve working conditions are:

- refurbishment of office spaces within the storage facilities
- a new main reception at Acton
- a more accessible exhibitions store
- additional space for special library collections
- accommodation for the newly formed Centre for Historical Research.

#### Security

During 2006–07 the Museum completed a tender process for the provision of security guarding and patrolling services. Wilson Security was the successful tenderer and commenced work in early 2007.

The Museum also undertook a major security risk review of the temporary exhibition gallery in conjunction with a major travelling exhibition. The review recommended a number of changes regarding access to this gallery and the associated loading dock and these were implemented during 2007.

Other activities during the year included:

- the development of a revised security management plan
- security awareness training at staff inductions

• development of maintenance agreements for the security management system and secure key cabinets.

The Museum worked with the Australian Federal Police Intelligence Unit to provide specialised security for a number of important visits during the year, including an Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum dinner in January 2007. The Museum also continued to provide a venue to assist the Australian Federal Police and Attorney-General's Protective Security Coordination Centre with specialised training courses.

#### People management

The Museum places high value on the performance and capability of its people. It is committed to attracting, developing and retaining high-quality staff from a wide diversity of cultural backgrounds commensurate with a museum of national and international standing. This is reflected in the Strategic Plan, with the key priority to enhance staffing and workplace development.

#### **Workplace Agreement**

The National Museum of Australia Workplace Agreement 2005-2008 delivers ongoing productivity gains to support 12 per cent salary increases over the full three-year period and maintains the Museum's position in an increasingly competitive labour market. Productivity initiatives in the agreement have continued during the year, including:

• implementation of improvements to the Workplace Conversations individual performance management framework, including team conversations to further develop the links to the Museum's Strategic Plan and better support team planning and performance

- improvements to corporate training delivery through a biannual training prospectus to allow managers and staff to better plan training commitments
- automation of performance management reporting
- staff consultation arrangements focusing on productivity improvement
- · employee commitment to improving productivity from information technology initiatives such as the new human resource management information system (including employee self-service functionality), new Library and Records Management systems and development of a new Information Technology Strategic Plan (see p. 74)
- employee commitment to other productivity improvements such as improved management of retail including website access to the Museum Shop
- review of the front-of-house strategy and rostering arrangements to better focus visitor services on the needs of audiences.

During the year work was done to align the Museum's workplace relations arrangements with WorkChoices, subsequent amendments to the Workplace Relations Act 1996 and consequential changes to workplace relations arrangements for the Australian Public Service.

As a 'pre-reform agreement' under the WorkChoices amendments to the Workplace Relations Act 1996, the Museum's current Workplace Agreement will continue to operate under transitional arrangements set out in the WorkChoices legislation until it is terminated. In line with government policy, Australian Workplace Agreements continued to be available to Museum employees.

<u>A job well done</u>



### Museum staff awarded Australia Day medals

#### Staffing and recruitment

Museum staff are employed under the Public Service Act 1999 and employment conditions are established under legislation applying to the Australian Public Service and, in particular, the Museum's Workplace Agreement.

At 30 June 2007, the Museum employed 292 staff consisting of 237 ongoing and 55 non-ongoing employees, which represent a full-time equivalent number of 249.38. A full breakdown is shown in Table 1. Tables 2 and 3 provide additional breakdown, by division and employment category as at 30 June 2007, and by level, respectively.

Table 1 Staffing by employment status

Status	Male	Female	Total
Ongoing full-time Principal Executive Officer (PEO)			0
Non-ongoing full-time PEO	1	0	1
Ongoing full-time Senior Executive Service (SES)	1	2	3
Ongoing full-time non-SES	67	94	161
Ongoing part-time SES			0
Ongoing part-time non-SES	12	61	73
Non-ongoing full-time SES			0
Non-ongoing full-time non-SES	3	20	23
Non-ongoing part-time SES			0
Non-ongoing part-time non-SES	6	25	31
Total	90	202	292
	31%	69%	

Table 2 Staffing by division

Division	Ongoing	Non-ongoing	Total	
Directorate	24	6	30	
Operations	45	6	51	
Collections and Content	66	25	91	
Audience and Programs	102	18	120	
Total	237	55	292	
	81%	19%		

Table 3 Staffing by APS level

APS level	Male	Female	Total
PEO	1	0	1
SESB2	0	0	0
SESB1	1	2	3
Executive Level (EL) 2	12	12	24
EL1	14	17	31
APS6	17	40	57
APS5	12	26	38
APS4	10	31	41
APS3	8	23	31
APS2	14	49	63
APS1	0	0	0
Cadet	1	2	3
Total	90	202	292
	31%	69%	

#### Individual performance management

The Museum's staff performance management framework, Workplace Conversations, is a key productivity initiative in the National Museum of Australia Workplace Agreement 2005–2008.

Workplace Conversations uses a 'guided conversation' approach and continues to be well-received by managers and staff. Each year, the Museum undertakes an evaluation of the framework and associated processes (conducted this year in April–May 2007). Results indicate a healthy and useful framework, well-received by managers and staff of the Museum with little refinement required for the 2007–08 cycle.

The Workplace Conversations framework continues to use Museum-specific work level standards to clarify job roles and expectations,

and Museum-specific capability profiles to identify and reinforce work behaviours that support the Museum's objectives.

The Workplace Conversations framework requires staff to have regular performance discussions with their manager. The formal guided discussions cover the scope and deliverables of the position, the support required to deliver them, and a documented agreement on relevant learning and development opportunities. Clear links are made between a staff member's work and the overall strategic priorities of the Museum as well as the specific capabilities the person will concentrate on in the conduct of their position.

As a result of the 2005–06 evaluation, midcycle team conversations were introduced to encourage discussions on team performance. These complement the regular individual focus characteristic of Workplace Conversations. Where undertaken, this initiative has worked very well in supporting teams to consider and celebrate their successes and plan for the future.

Improvements were also made in the administration of training courses provided for Workplace Conversations with the development and issuing of a new Workplace Conversations Training Prospectus for the first half of 2007. Managers and staff were asked to use it to actively integrate Performance Essentials and other corporate training into their work plans, instead of responding to ad hoc requests seeking nominations to training workshops. The prospectus approach was very successful and will continue in 2007–08.

Workplace Conversations training was provided across the Museum — introducing new staff to the performance management framework and helping existing staff enhance their communication, negotiation, conciliation, work-planning, leadership and management capabilities.

Interaction Consulting Group continued to provide performance management training, evaluation and support services to Museum staff.

#### Development of the Museum's people

Through Workplace Conversations, Museum staff are encouraged to identify individual learning and development needs, and to further their skills through external development activities relevant to their field. As in previous years, a number of staff presented papers at conferences and seminars, undertook research and attended technical and professional workshops. Professional activities and research and scholarly outputs are listed in Appendix 8.

In addition, two staff members took part in the 2006 Cultural Management Development Program (CMDP), with a further two enrolled in the 2007 CMDP. One staff member attended the Advanced Workplace Skills Program (AWSP) during 2006–07. Both the CMDP and AWSP are collaborative development programs, run in conjunction with other cultural institutions in Canberra. CMDP is aimed at enhancing the management skills of staff at the APS6 to EL2 levels. AWSP is designed to assist APS3 to APS5 level staff improve their understanding of key workplace skills, including management and supervision.

In recognition of the Museum's unique role in telling the stories of Indigenous Australia and maintaining a significant collection representing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, in June 2007 the Museum introduced a new program to enhance staff cultural engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and society. The program explores the relationships between Indigenous Australians and the Museum in all aspects of its business. It looks at practical aspects such as how staff acknowledge. celebrate and engage with cultural differences in general, and Indigenous Australians in particular, and the benefits of having an Indigenous Australian perspective in the workplace. The program will help staff to better understand part of the Museum's business and will be fully rolled out to all staff in 2007-08.

The National Museum of Australia Workplace Agreement 2005–2008 also enabled staff to access Museum-sponsored study leave, with special provisions for staff to learn languages other than English.

Other staff training focused on core behaviours, skills and knowledge required by people across the Museum and included:

- awareness sessions on the Australian Public Service Code of Conduct and Values, and on preventing harassment and bullying in the Museum
- sessions for the Museum's new equity and diversity contacts to support them in their role of providing information to staff about harassment and bullying and refresher sessions for existing equity and diversity contacts
- seminars on OH&S for all staff via induction presentations, as well as focused OH&S presentations for visitor host teams
- manual handling training for PS Enterprise volunteers
- refresher courses for first aid officers, wardens and section health and safety representatives
- regular and comprehensive orientation programs for all new Museum employees.

Significant development work was also undertaken, in a collaborative procurement activity between the Museum, the National Gallery of Australia and the National Library of Australia, to develop an online induction package for staff of the respective agencies, due to go live in early 2007–08.

## Consultative arrangements and employee relations

During the year the Museum continued to implement collaborative staff consultation arrangements in accordance with the National Museum of Australia Workplace Agreement 2005–2008. In addition to direct staff consultation at the work group level, the Museum continued consultation through the Museum Consultative Forum (MCF) and Workplace Development Committee (WDC) to facilitate consultation on broad issues for staff across the Museum. The MCF is designed to enable staff to have input into high-level strategic issues while the WDC focuses on

operational issues across the Museum. The MCF met regularly during the year. In line with agreed arrangements and in the absence of substantive discussion items, WDC met face-to-face less regularly and instead received updates on several standing items throughout the year.

#### Workplace diversity

The Museum values the skills and knowledge of all staff, and the contributions they bring through their different backgrounds, experiences and perspectives. By promoting an inclusive environment, the Museum demonstrates its commitment to workplace diversity and equity.

The Museum's Workplace Diversity Plan 2005-08 seeks to create an environment that is supportive of people's differences by building diverse knowledge and capabilities within the Museum, having business processes that support diversity, and developing diverse ways to work. In implementing the plan, the Museum continued to encourage a staffing profile reflecting Australia's cultural diversity. This was done through measures such as recruitment strategies, promoting APS values relating to diversity, establishing an Indigenous Employment Implementation Group (a subgroup of the Museum Consultative Forum chaired by the Museum's Director), maintaining and increasing a network of equity and diversity contacts and continuing to raise awareness on ways to prevent bullying and harassment in the workplace.

The Museum continued to successfully implement the government's Charter of Public Service in a Culturally Diverse Society. In its 2005 report to Parliament, the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs again acknowledged that the Museum had achieved 100 per cent of key performance indicators relevant to its roles as a purchaser and a provider of services (with 71 per cent being met well).

The Museum acknowledges the decrease in the number of Indigenous people employed across the Australian Public Service and took particular measures during the year to help address this. In late 2006–07, the Museum employed three people under its new Indigenous Cadet Program. The program will support the cadets to complete their post-secondary education and gain valuable on-the-job work experience, along with gaining ongoing employment upon successful completion of the program.

The Museum also sought to attract suitable graduates through the Indigenous Graduate Program coordinated by the Australian Public Service Commission on behalf of over 20 APS agencies. Among fierce competition for limited applications, the Museum was not successful in securing a graduate for 2007.

As at 30 June 2007, the Museum staff who identified themselves as target groups are shown in the table below:

## Museum staff who report as belonging to target groups

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples	9
People with disabilities	6
People of culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds	35
Females	202

#### **Better service delivery**

The Museum continued to strengthen its human resource management and workplace relations operations during the year. Past improvements to human resource processes, including those previously noted by the Museum's auditors, continued to be implemented.

A key business priority for this year, under the strategic priority of strengthening business processes (Strategic Plan 2004–07), was to implement the electronic employee self-service component of the human resources information system (HRIS). This comprised the second phase of the ongoing implementation of a new HRIS system, known internally as Quartz.

Building on the success of the first phase which focused on payroll-related functions, the second phase incorporated self-service functionality and improved administration and reporting functionality. It will assist in realising significant efficiencies across the Museum and is a key productivity gain identified in the Museum's Workplace Agreement. A comprehensive testing and maintenance plan was developed to ensure currency of the HRIS operations.

During the year, the Museum also contracted a new Employee Assistance Provider to provide confidential support to Museum staff.

#### Post-separation employment

There were no applications for post-separation employment during the year.

## Educational and developmental placements

The Museum continued to be a sought-after venue for secondary and tertiary students seeking work experience, with five students undertaking work-experience placements during the year across different areas of the Museum.

The Museum hosts interns from the Museums and Collections postgraduate program, which is managed jointly with The Australian National University. Placements are also organised for students specialising in various disciplines from the Canberra Institute of Technology and the University of Canberra.



# Part four

Audited financial statements





#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Minister for the Arts and Sport

#### Matters relating to the Electronic Presentation of the Audited Financial Statements

This auditor's report relates to the financial statements published on the website of the National Museum of Australia for the year ended 30 June 2007. The members of the Council are responsible for the integrity of the web site.

This auditor's report refers only to the primary statements, schedules and notes named below. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the audited financial statements.

If the users of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from electronic data communications they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial statements in the Museum's annual report.

#### Scope

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the National Museum of Australia for the year ended 30 June 2007, which comprise: a statement by Directors and Chief Executive; income statement; balance sheet; statement of changes in equity; cash flow statement; schedules of commitments and contingencies; a summary of significant accounting policies; and other explanatory notes.

#### The Responsibility of the Council Members for the Financial Statements

The members of Council are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Finance Minister's Orders made under the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* and the Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations). This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on my audit. My audit has been conducted in accordance with the Australian National Audit Office Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the

audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Museum's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Museum's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Council Members, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

#### Independence

In conducting the audit, I have followed the independence requirements of the Australian National Audit Office, which incorporate the ethical requirements of the Australian accounting profession.

#### **Auditor's Opinion**

In my opinion, the financial statements of the National Museum of Australia:

- (a) have been prepared in accordance with the Finance Minister's Orders made under the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997*, and the Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations); and
- (b) give a true and fair view of the matters required by the Finance Minister's Orders including the National Museum of Australia financial position as at 30 June 2007 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended.

Australian National Audit Office

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John McCullough

Acting Executive Director

Delegate of the Auditor-General

Canberra

20 July 2007

#### National Museum of Australia

#### STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

In our opinion, the attached financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2007 are based on properly maintained financial records and give a true and fair view of the matters required by the Finance Minister's Orders made under the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997.

In our opinion, at the date of this Statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Museum will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This Statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Council members.

Tony Staley

Chairman of Council

19 July 2007

Benjamin Chow Council member

19 July 2007

Craddock Morton

Director

19 July 2007

Jeff Smart

Chief Finance Officer

19 July 2007

#### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA INCOME STATEMENT

for the period ended 30 June 2007

	Notes	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
INCOME	-		
Revenue			
Revenues from Government	3A	40,026	39,784
Goods and Services	3B	2,633	2,015
Interest	3C	2,768	2,481
Other Revenues	3D	5,304	1,626
Total Revenue	-	50,731	45,906
Gains			
Sale of assets	3E	-	13
Reversal of previous asset write downs	3F	-	1
Total Gains	-		14
TOTAL INCOME	-	50,731	45,920
EXPENSES			
Employees	4A	18,979	19,020
Suppliers	4B	19,724	19,713
Grants	4C	518	514
Depreciation and amortisation	4D	7,786	6,905
Write-down and impairment of assets	<b>4E</b>	74	169
Loss from sale of assets	<b>4F</b>	-	56
TOTAL EXPENSES	-	47,081	46,377
OPERATING RESULT	- -	3,650	(457)

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA BALANCE SHEET

as at 30 June 2007

	Notes 2007 \$'000		2006 \$'000
ASSETS			
Financial Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5A	2,194	820
Receivables	5B	2,880	2,009
Investments	5C	41,130	37,436
Total Financial Assets		46,204	40,265
Non-Financial Assets			
Land and Buildings	6A	88,284	86,047
Infrastructure, plant and equipment	6B	230,687	225,947
Intangibles	6D	2,096	2,559
Inventories	<b>6E</b>	341	401
Other non-financial assets	<b>6F</b>	1,782	1,629
Total Non-Financial Assets		323,190	316,583
TOTAL ASSETS		369,394	356,848
LIABILITIES			
Payables			
Suppliers	7A	1,723	2,492
Other payables	7B	159	101
Total payables		1,882	2,593
Provisions			
Employee provisions	8A	4,734	4,136
Other provisions	8B	677	-
Total provisions		5,411	4,136
TOTAL LIABILITIES		7,293	6,729
NET ASSETS		362,101	350,119
EQUITY			
Contributed equity		7,585	4,092
Reserves		87,295	82,456
Retained surpluses		267,221	263,571
TOTAL EQUITY		362,101	350,119
Current assets		47,659	23,476
Non-current assets		321,735	333,372
Current liabilities		6,303	6,038
Non-current liabilities		990	691

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA STATEMENT of CHANGES in EQUITY as at 30 June 2007

	Retained Earnings		Asset Revalua	nation Reserve Total Contr		outed Equity	TOTAL EQUITY	
	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Opening Balance	1		7 000	7 000	7	7 000	<del>-</del>	
Balance carried forward from previous period	263,571	264,028	82,456	27,318	4,092	3,021	350,119	294,367
Adjustment for errors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adjustment for changes in Accounting Policies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adjusted Opening Balance	263,571	264,028	82,456	27,318	4,092	3,021	350,119	294,367
Income and expenses								
Income and expenses recognised directly in equity	_	-	4,839	55,138	-	-	4,839	55,138
Sub-total income and expenses recognised directly in			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,			,	
equity	-	-	4,839	55,138	-	-	4,839	55,138
Surplus (Deficit) for the period	3,650	(457)	-	-	-	-	3,650	(457
Total income and expenses	3,650	(457)	4,839	55,138	-	-	8,489	54,681
Transactions with Owners								
Distribution to owners								
Returns on Capital: Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contributions by Owners								
Appropriation (equity injection)	-	-	-	-	3,493	1,071	3,493	1,071
Restructuring	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total Transactions with Owners	-	-	-	-	3,493	1,071	3,493	1,071
Closing balance as at 30 June	267,221	263,571	87,295	82,456	7,585	4,092	362,101	350,119

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the period ended 30 June 2007

	Notes	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Operating Activities		<b>3 000</b>	\$ 000
Cash received			
Goods and Services		2,351	2,438
Appropriations		40,026	39,784
Interest		245	980
Net GST		100	2,366
Other cash received		235	578
Total cash received		42,957	46,146
Cash used			
Employees		(18,413)	(18,258)
Suppliers		(19,052)	(21,062)
Grants		(517)	(514)
Total cash used		(37,982)	(39,834)
Net cash from or (used by) operating activities	9	4,975	6,312
Investing Activities			
Cash received			
Investments		5,225	35,353
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment		-	12
Total cash received		5,225	35,365
Cash used			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(2,112)	(3,914)
Purchases of heritage and cultural items		(2,292)	(2,002)
Purchases of intangibles		(415)	(799)
Investments		(7,500)	(36,000)
Total cash used		(12,319)	(42,715)
Net cash from or (used by) investing activities		(7,094)	(7,350)
Financing Activities			
Cash received			
Capital injections		3,493	1,071
Total cash received		3,493	1.071
Cash used			1,071
Repayments of borrowings		0	0
Total cash used			0
Net cash from or (used by) financing activities		3,493	1.071
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Net increase or (decrease) in cash held		1,374	33
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period		820	787
Cash at the end of the reporting period	5A	2,194	820
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The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
BY TYPE		
Commitments receivable	(2,562)	(2,420)
Capital commitments		
Plant and equipment	2,750	761
Intangibles	9_	145
Total capital commitments	2,759	906
Other commitments		
Operating leases 1	3,257	4,751
Other commitments	11,629	7,535
Total other commitments	14,886	12,286
Net commitments by type	15,083	10,772
BY MATURITY		
Commitments receivable	(2,562)	(2,420)
Capital commitments		
One year or less	1,876	906
From one to five years	883	-
Over five years	<del>-</del>	
Total capital commitments	2,759	906
Operating lease commitments		
One year or less	1,282	1,307
From one to five years	1,975	3,253
Over five years	<del>-</del>	191
Total operating lease commitments	3,257	4,751
Other commitments		
One year or less	4,880	3,399
From one to five years	6,749	4,136
Over five years	<del>_</del>	
Total other commitments	11,629	7,535
Net commitments by maturity	15,083	10,772

NB: Commitments are GST inclusive where relevant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Operating leases included are effectively non-cancellable and comprise:

Nature of lease	General description of leasing arrangement
Leases for office accommodation and warehouses	Lease payments are subject to annual increase in accordance
(multiple sites)	with movements in the Consumer Price Index. The office
	accommodation and warehouse leases may be renewed for
	periods up to five years at the Museum's option.
Motor vehicle leases	No contingent rentals exist. There are no purchase
	options available to the Museum.

The above schedule should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA SCHEDULE OF CONTINGENCIES

as at 30 June 2007

As at 30 June 2007, there were no contingent assets or liabilities.

#### **Unquantifiable Contingencies**

As at 30 June 2007, the Museum was involved in defending one legal claim for expenses. (30 June 2006: three).

The Museum has denied liability and is defending the claim. Any successful claim is likely to be met by the Musem's insurer, Comcover.

As at 30 June 2007, the Musuem was the plantiff in one legal claim for the recovery of costs from a supplier (30 June 2006: none). It is not possible to reliably estimate costs to be recovered as the supplier is bankrupt and the Museum is seeking to settle costs.

The above schedule should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the period ended 30 June 2007

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#### Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### 1.1 Basis of Preparation of the Financial Report

The Financial Statements are required by clause 1(b) of Schedule 1 to the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* and are a general purpose financial report.

The continued existence of the National Museum of Australia in its present form and with its present programs is dependent on Government policy and on continuing appropriations by Parliament for the National Museum of Australia's administration and programs.

The Financial Statements and notes have been prepared in accordance with:

- Finance Minister's Orders (FMOs) for reporting periods ending on or after 1 July 2006; and
- Australian Accounting Standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that apply for the reporting period.

The Financial Report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is in accordance with the historical cost convention, except for certain assets at fair value. Except where stated, no allowance is made for the effect of changing prices on the results or the financial position.

The Financial Report is presented in Australian dollars and values are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars unless disclosure of the full amount is specifically required.

Unless alternative treatment is specifically required by an Accounting Standard or the FMOs, assets and liabilities are in the Balance Sheet when and only when it is probable that future economic benefits will flow and the amounts of the assets or liabilities can be reliably measured. However, assets and liabilities arising under agreements equally proportionately unperformed are not recognised unless required by an Accounting Standard. Liabilities and assets that are unrecognised are reported in the Schedule of Commitments and the Schedule of Contingencies (other than unquantifiable or remote contingencies which are disclosed in the financial statements).

Unless alternative treatment is specifically required by an accounting standard, revenues and expenses are recognised in the Income Statement when and only when the flow, consumption or loss of economic benefits has occurred and can be reliably measured.

#### 1.2 Significant Accounting Judgements and Estimates

In the process of applying the accounting policies listed in this note, the Museum has made the following judgements that have the most significant impact on the amounts recorded in the financial statements:

The fair value of Land and Buildings has been taken to be the depreciated replacement cost as determined by an independent valuer. The Museum's main building is purpose built and may in fact realise more or less in the market.

The fair value of the Collection assets is based on an independent valuation as at 30 June 2006. Many of the assets are unique and have never been sold. It is possible that many items would realise more or less in the market.

No accounting assumptions or estimates have been identified that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next accounting period.

#### 1.3 Statement of Compliance

Australian Accounting Standards require a statement of compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) to be made where the financial report complies with these standards. Some Australian equivalents to IFRSs and other Australian Accounting Standards contain requirements specific to not-for-profit entities that are inconsistent with the IFRS requirements. The National Museum is a not for profit entity and has applied these requirements, so while this financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards including Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AEIFRSs) it cannot make this statement.

#### Notes To and Forming Part of the Financial Statements

Adoption of new Australian Accounting Standard requirements

No accounting standard has been adopted earlier than the effective date in the current period. The National Museum is required to disclose Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations which have been issued but are not yet effective that have not been earlier adopted by the Museum. The following adopted requirements have resulted in a change to the National Museums accounting policies or have affected the amounts reported in the current or prior periods or are estimated to have a financial effect in future reporting periods.

Restriction of the fair value option under AASB 139

The AASB through 2005-4 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards (AASB 139, AASB 132, AASB 1, AASB 1023 and AASB 1038) restricted the option to designate a financial asset or liability at fair value through profit and loss. This change had no impact on the Museum's 2006-07 financial statements.

#### Reimbursement rights

The AASB through 2005-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB1 & AASB 139] excluded the scope of AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement rights for reimbursement for expenditure to settle a present or former provision recognised under AASB137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets. The right to reimbursement is now required to be accounted for under AASB 137.

#### Other effective requirement changes

The following amendments, revised standards or interpretations have become effective but have had no financial impact or do not apply to the operations of the National Museum.

#### Amendments

- . 2005-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASBs 1, 101, 124]
- . 2005-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 3]
- . 2006-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 121]
- . 2006-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 1045]

#### Interpretations

- . UIG 4 Determining whether an Arrangement contains a lease.
- . UIG 5 Rights to Interests arising from Decommissioning, Restoration and Environmental Rehabilitation Funds
- . UIG 7 Applying the Restatement Approach under AASB 129 Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economics
- . UIG 8 Scope of AASB 2
- . UIG 9 Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives.

UIG 4 and UIG 9 might have impacts in future periods, subject to existing contracts being renegotiated.

#### Future Australian Accounting Standard requirements.

The following new standards, amendments to standards or interpretations have been issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board but are effective for future reporting periods. It is estimated that the impact of adopting these pronouncements when effective will have no material financial impact on future reporting periods.

#### Financial instrument disclosure

AASB 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosure is effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007 (the 2007-2008 financial year) and amends the disclosure requirements for financial instruments. In general AASB 7, requires greater disclosure than that presently. Associated with the introduction of AASB 7 a number of accounting standards were amended to reference the new standard or remove the present disclosure requirments through 2005-10, Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 132, AASB 101, AASB 114, AASB 117, AASB 133, AASB 139, AASB 1, AASB 4, AASB 1023 & AASB 1038]. These changes have no financial impact but will effect the disclosure presented in future financial reports.

#### Other

The following standards and interpretations have been issued but are not applicable to the operations of the Museum.

- . AASB 1049 Financial Reporting of General Government Sectors by Governments
- . UIG 10 Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment.

#### 1.4 Revenue

Resources Received Free of Charge

Resources received free of charge are recognised as gains when and only when a fair value can be reliably determined and the services would have been purchased if they had not been donated. Use of those resources is recognised as an expense.

Contributions of assets at no cost of acquisition or for nominal consideration are recognised as gains at their fair value when the asset qualifies for recognition.

Resources received free of charge are recorded as either revenue or gains depending on their nature.

#### Other Types of Revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when:

- The risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer
- . The seller retains no managerial involvement nor effective control over the goods
- The revenue and transaction costs incurred can be reliably measured; and
- It is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity.

Revenue from rendering of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of contracts at the reporting date. The revenue is recognised when:

- The amount of revenue, stage of completion and transaction costs incurred can be reliably measured; and
- The probable economic benefits with the transaction will flow to the entity.

The stage of completion of contracts at the reporting date is determined by reference to the proportion that costs incurred to date bear to the estimated total costs of the transaction.

Receivables for goods and services, which have 30 day terms, are recognised at the nominal amounts due less any provision for bad and doubtful debts. Collectability of debts is reviewed at balance date. Provisions are made when collectability of the debt is no longer probable.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method as set out in AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition

Revenues from Government

Amounts appropriated for Departmental outputs appropriations for the year (adjusted for any formal additions and reductions) are recognised as revenue except for certain amounts that relate to activities that are reciprocal in nature, in which case revenue is recognised only when it has been earned.

#### 1.5 Transactions by the Government as Owner

Equity Injections

Amounts appropriated by the Parliament as equity injections for a year (less any formal reductions) are recognised directly as 'Contributed Equity' in that year.

#### 1.6 Employee Benefits

Liabilities for services rendered by employees are recognised at the reporting date to the extent that they have not been settled. Liabilities for 'short-term employee benefits' (as defined in AASB 119) and termination benefits due within twelve months of balance date are measured at their nominal amounts.

The nominal amount is calculated with regard to the rates expected to be paid on settlement of the liability.

All other employee benefit liabilities are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

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#### Leave

The liability for employee benefits includes provision for annual leave and long service leave. No provision has been made for sick leave as all sick leave is non-vesting and the average sick leave taken in future years by employees of the Museum is estimated to be less than the annual entitlement for sick leave.

The leave liabilities are calculated on the basis of employees' remuneration, including the Museums employer superannuation contribution rates to the extent that the leave is likely to be taken during service rather than paid out on termination.

The liability for long service leave has been determined by reference to the work of an actuary as at 30 June 2007. The estimate of the present value of the liability takes into account attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation.

#### Superannuation and Redundancy

Provision is made for separation and redundancy benefit payments. The National Museum recognises a provision for termination when it has developed a detailed formal plan for the terminations and has informed those employees affected it will carry out the terminations.

#### Superannuation

Staff at the National Museum are members of the Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme (CSS), the Public Sector Superannuation Scheme (PSS) or the PSS accumulation plan (PSSap).

The CSS and PSS are defined benefit schemes for the Australian Government. The PSSap is a defined contribution scheme.

The liability for defined benefits is recognised in the financial statements of the Australian Government and is settled by the Australian Government in due course

The National Museum makes employer contributions to the employee superannuation scheme at rates determined by an actuary to be sufficient to meet the cost to the Government of the superannuation entitlements of the Museum's employees. The Museum accounts for the contributions as if they were contributions to defined contribution plans.

From 1 July 2005, new employees are eligible to join the PSSap scheme.

The liability for superannuation recognised as at 30 June represents outstanding contributions for the final fortnight of the year.

#### 1.7 Leases

A distinction is made between finance leases and operating leases. Finance leases effectively transfer from the lessor to the lessee substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to ownership of leased non-current assets. An operating lease is a lease that is not a finance lease. In operating leases, the lessor effectively retains substantially all such risks and benefits.

The Museum has no finance leases.

Operating lease payments are expensed on a straight line basis which is representative of the pattern of benefits derived from the leased assets.

#### 1.8 Borrowing Costs

All borrowing costs are expensed as incurred.

#### 1.9 Grants

Most grant agreements require the grantee to perform services, provide facilities, or to meet eligibility criteria. In these cases, the Museum recognises grant liabilities only to the extent that the services required have not been performed or the eligibility criteria have not been satisfied by the grantee.

#### 1.10 Cash

Cash means notes and coins held and any deposits held at call with a bank or financial institution. Cash is recognised at its nominal amount

#### 1.11 Financial Risk Management

The Museum's activities expose it to normal commercial financial risk. As a result of the nature of the Museum's business and internal and Australian Government policies, dealing with the management of financial risk, the Museum's exposure to market, credit, liquidity and cash flow and fair value interest rate risk is considered to be low.

#### Financial Assets

The net fair values of cash, deposits on call and receivables approximate their carrying amounts.

The net fair value of the term deposit is based on discounted cash flows using current interest rates for assets with similar risk profiles.

None of the classes of financial assets are readily traded on organised markets in standardised form

#### Financial Liabilities

The net fair values for trade creditors, which are short-term in nature, are approximated by their carrying amounts.

None of the classes of financial liabilities are readily traded on organised markets in standardised form

#### 1.12 Investments

Investments are initially measured at their fair value. After initial recognition, financial investments are to be measured at their fair values except for:

- a) loans and receivables which are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method,
- b) held-to-maturity investments which are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, and
- c) investments in equity instruments that do not have a quoted market price in an active market and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured and derivatives that are linked to and must be settled by delivery of such unquoted equity instruments, which shall be measured at cost.

#### 1.13 Derecognition of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or the asset is transferred to another entity. In the case of a transfer to another entity, it is necessary that the risks and rewards of ownership are also transferred.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation under the contract is discharged or cancelled or expires.

#### 1.14 Impairment of Financial Assets

Financial assets are assessed for impairment at each balance date.

Financial Assets held at Amortised Cost

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has been incurred for loans and receivables or held to maturity investments held at amortised cost, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The carrying amount is reduced by way of an allowance account. The loss is recognised in the Income Statement.

#### 1.15 Interest Bearing Loans and Borrowings

Loans are carried at the balance yet to be repaid. Interest is expensed as it accrues.

#### 1.16 Supplier and Other Payables

Suppliers and other payables are recognised at amortised cost. Liabilities are recognised to the extent that the goods or services have been received (and irrespective of having been invoiced).

#### 1.17 Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

Contingent liabilities and assets are not recognised in the Balance Sheet but are reported in the relevant schedules and notes. They may arise from uncertainty as to the existence of a liability or asset, or represent an existing liability or asset in respect of which settlement is not probable or the amount cannot be reliably measured. Contingent assets are reported when settlement is probable, and contingent liabilities are recognised when settlement is greater than remote.

#### 1.18 Acquisition of Assets

Assets are recorded at cost on acquisition except as stated below. The cost of acquisition includes the fair value of assets transferred in exchange and liabilities undertaken. Financial assets are initially measured at their fair value plus transaction cost where appropriate.

Assets acquired at no cost, or for nominal consideration, are initially recognised as assets and revenues at their fair value at the date of acquisition, unless acquired as a consequence of a restructuring of administrative arrangements. In the latter case, assets are initially recognised as contributions by owners at the amounts at which they were recognised in the transferor entity's accounts immediately prior to the restructuring.

Assets donated to the Collections are recognised as assets and revenues when the Museum takes control of the assets and they can be reliably measured.

#### 1.19 Property, Plant and Equipment

Assets within the Collections consist of objects received and under assessment for inclusion in the National Historical Collection, objects approved and included in the National Historical Collection and library items.

Asset Recognition Threshold

Purchases of property, plant and equipment are recognised initially at cost in the Balance Sheet except for purchases costing less than \$2,000, which are expensed in the year of acquisition (other than where they form part of a group of similar items which are significant in total).

Purchases of the Collections are recorded at cost. Items donated to the Collections under the Cultural Gifts Program are valued by an independent valuer. Other donated items are valued by professional staff with reference to relevant market information.

#### Revaluations

Land, building, plant and equipment and the Collections are carried at fair value being revalued with sufficient frequency such that the carrying amount of each asset class is not materially different, as at reporting date from its fair value.

Fair value for each class of assets is determined as shown below:

Asset class:	Fair value measured at:
Land	Market selling
Buildings excluding leasehold improvements	Depreciated replacement cost
Leasehold improvements	Depreciated replacement cost
Plant and equipment	Market selling
Collections	Market selling

Assets that are surplus to requirements are measured at their net realisable value, however, as at 30 June 2007 the Museum held no surplus assets (30 June 2006: \$0). Revaluation adjustments are made on a class basis. Any revaluation increment is credited to equity under the heading of asset revaluation reserve except to the extent that it reverses a previous revaluation decrement of the same asset class that was previously recognised through surplus and deficit. Revaluation decrements for a class of assets are recognised directly through surplus and deficit except to the extent that they reverse a previous revaluation increment for that class.

Any accumulated depreciation as at the revaluation date is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the asset restated to the revalued amount.

#### Depreciation

Depreciable property, plant and equipment assets are written off to their estimated residual values over their estimated useful lives to the Museum using, in all cases, the straight-line method of depreciation. Leasehold improvements are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the lesser of the estimated useful life of the improvements or the unexpired period of the lease.

Depreciation rates (useful lives), residual values and methods are reviewed at each reporting date and necessary adjustments are recognised in the current, or current and future reporting periods, as appropriate.

Depreciation rates applying to each class of depreciable asset are based on the following useful lives:

	2007	2006
Buildings on freehold land	100 years	100 years
Leasehold improvements	Lease term	Lease term
Plant and equipment	4 to 100 years	4 to100 years
Collections	50 to 5000 years	50 to 5000 years

The aggregate amount of depreciation allocated for each class of asset during the reporting period is disclosed in Note 4D.

#### Impairment of Non-Current Assets

All assets were assessed for impairment at 30 June 2007. Where indications of impairment exist, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated and an impairment adjustment made if the asset's recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from the asset. Where the future economic benefit of an asset is not primarily dependent on the asset's ability to generate future cash flows, and the asset would be replaced if the Museum were deprived of the asset, its value in use is taken to be its depreciated replacement cost.

#### 1.20 Intangibles

The Museum's intangibles comprise purchased software, internally developed software and multimedia assets. These assets are carried at cost.

Software is amortised on a straight-line basis over its anticipated useful life. The useful lives of the Museum's software is 4 to 8 years (2005-06: 4 to 8 years).

All software assets were assessed for impairment as at 30 June 2007. None were found to be impaired.

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#### 1 21 Inventories

Inventories held for resale are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Costs incurred in bringing each item of inventory to its present location and condition are assigned as follows:

- raw materials and stores purchase cost on an average basis; and
- finished goods and work in progress cost of direct materials and labour plus attributable costs that are capable of being allocated on a reasonable basis.

Inventories held for distribution are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### 1.22 Taxation

The Museum is exempt from all forms of taxation except fringe benefits tax (FBT) and the goods and services tax (GST).

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of GST:

- except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office; and
- except for receivables and payables.

#### 1.23 Foreign Currency

Transactions denominated in a foreign currency are converted at the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency receivables and payables are translated at the exchange rates current as at balance date. Associated currency gains and losses are not material.

#### 1.24 Insurance

The Museum has insured for risks, excluding workers compensation, through the Government's insurable risk managed fund, called 'Comcover'. Workers compensation is insured through Comcare Australia.

#### Note 2: Events after the Balance Sheet Date

There are no events after the reporting date that will materially affect the financial statements.

	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
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Note 3: Income		
Revenues Note 3A: Revenues from Government		
Appropriation: Departmental outputs	40,026	39,784
Total revenues from government	40,026	39,784
Note 3B: Sale of Goods and Rendering of Services		
Provision of goods - related entities	- 1 427	1 220
Provision of goods - external entities  Total sales of goods	1,437 1,437	1,220 1,220
Dondaria of control related action		
Rendering of services - related entities Rendering of services - external entities	1,196	795
Total rendering of services	1,196	795
Total sale of goods and rendering of services	2,633	2,015
Note 3C: Interest		
Interest on Deposits	2,768	2,481
Total interest	2,768	2,481
Note 3D: Other Revenue		
Donations and bequests Donated Assets	14 4,684	13 1,101
Sponsorship and grants	606	512
Total other revenues	5,304	1,626
Gains Note 3E: Sale of Assets		
Infrastructure, plant and equipment Proceeds from sale	_	13
Carrying value of assets sold	-	-
Selling expenses		- 12
Net gain from sale assets		13
Note 3F: Reversals of Previous Asset Write Downs		
Reduced provision for doubtful debts	-	_
Total reversals of previous asset write downs		1
Note 4: Expenses		
Note 4A: Employee Benefits		
Wages and Salaries	14,872	14,282
Superannuation	2,574	2,373
Leave and other entitlements	569	730
Other employee benefits	964	1,635
Total employee expenses	18,979	19,020

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	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Note 4B: Suppliers		
Provision of goods - related entities	-	-
Provision of goods - external entities	1,890	2,987
Provision of services - related entities	2,099	1,949
Provision of services - external entities	13,975	13,324
Operating lease - minimum lease payments rentals	1,223	1,098
Operating lease - contingent rent payments	166	149
Workers compensation premiums	371	206
Total supplier expenses	19,724	19,713
Australian history and cultures.  Grants to external entities	518	514
Note 4D: Depreciation and Amortisation		
Depreciation:		
Other infrastructure, plant and equipment	5,928	5,209
Buildings	980	878
Total depreciation	6,908	6,087
Amortisation:		
	878	818
Intangible - Computer Software		
Intangible - Computer Software  Total amortisation	<u>878</u>	818

There was no change in depreciation expense as a result of reviewing asset useful lives. (In 2005-06 depreciation expense was \$54,381 higher than it would have been as a result of reviewing asset useful lives).

There was no change in amortisation expense as a result of reviewing asset useful lives. (In 2005-06 amortisation expense was \$76,502 higher than it would have been as a result of reviewing asset useful lives).

The aggregate amounts of depreciation or amortisation expensed during the reporting period for each class of depreciable asset are as follows:

Buildings Leasehold improvements Infrastructure, plant and equipment Heritage and cultural assets Software Total depreciation and amortisation	849 131 5,113 815 878 7,786	795 83 4,566 643 818 6,905
Note 4E: Write-Down and Impairment of Assets  Non-financial assets: inventory write off  Non-financial assets: plant and equipment write off  Total write-down and impairment of assets	33 41 74	169 - 169
Note 4F: Loss from Sale of Assets Proceeds from disposal Carrying value of assets sold Loss from sale of assets	<u> </u>	0 56 56

	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Note 5: Financial Assets		
Note 5A: Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank	2,174	796
Cash on hand	20	24
Total cash and cash equivalents	2,194	820
Note 5B: Trade and other receivables		
Goods and services	160	225
Interest receivable	2,423	1,320
GST receivable from the Australian Taxation Office	297	464
Total trade and other receivables (gross)	2,880	2,009
Less allowance for doubtful debts		
Goods and services		-
Total trade and other receivables (net)	2,880	2,009
Receivables are aged as follows:		
Not overdue	2,793	1955
Less than 30 days	69	47
30 to 60 days	9	7
61 to 90 days	9	-
More than 90 days	2,000	2,000
Total receivables (gross)	2,880	2,009
Receivables are represented by:		
Current	2,880	2,009
Non Current		-
Total trade and other receivables (net)	2,880	2,009
Note 5C: Investments		
Term Deposits	41,130	37,436
Total investments	41,130	37,436
Investments are with the Museum's bankers, and earn effective rates of inter $5.81\%$ , $6.41\%$ , $6.55\%$ and $6.58\%$ ( $2005-06$ $5.62\%$ , $5.66\%$ , $5.69\%$ , $5.70\%$ , $5.74\%$ , $5.76\%$ , $5.80\%$ , $5.81\%$ , $5.83\%$ , $5.87\%$ , $5.90\%$ and $5.92\%$ ) payable at end of the term.	5.73%,	
Investments are represented by:		
Current	41,130	19,436
Non Current		18,000
Total investments	41,130	37,436

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-	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Note 6: Non-Financial Assets		<b>\$ 000</b>
Note 6A: Land and Buildings		
Freehold land (at fair value)	4,400	4,400
Buildings on freehold land:		
- fair value	82,205	80,044
- accumulated depreciation		-
Total buildings on freehold land	86,605	84,444
Leasehold improvements:		
- fair value	1,954	1,730
- accumulated depreciation	(275)	(144)
- work in progress	•	17
Total leasehold improvements	1,679	1,603
Total Land and Buildings (non-current)	88,284	86,047

Building assets were revalued to fair value as at 30 June 2007 on advice from Property Concept Management.

Leasehold improvement assets acquired prior to 1 July 2004 were revalued to fair value by independent valuers Rodney Hyman Asset Services Pty Ltd and Jones Lang LaSalle as at 1 July 2004. All leasehold improvement assets were assessed as being fair value as at 30 June 2007.

No indications of impairment were found for land and buildings.

#### Note 6B: Infrastructure, Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment		
- fair value	51,476	48,171
- accumulated depreciation	(13,473)	(9,071)
- work in progress	169	493
Total plant and equipment	38,172	39,593
Heritage and Cultural:		
- fair value	193,330	186,354
- accumulated depreciation	(815)	-
Total heritage and cultural	192,515	186,354
Total infrastructure, plant and equipment (non-current)	230,687	225,947

Plant and Equipment assets acquired prior to 1 July 2004 were revalued to fair value by independent valuers Rodney Hyman Asset Services Pty Ltd and Jones Lang LaSalle as at 1 July 2004. All Plant and Equipment assets were assessed as being fair value as at 30 June 2007.

Collection assets held at 31 March 2006 were revalued as at 30 June 2006 to fair value by an independent valuer Mr Simon Storey (Simon Storey Valuers). Acquistions after 31 March 2006 are deemed to be at fair value as at 30 June 2007.

No indications of impairment were found for infrastructure, plant and equipment.

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Note 6C: Analysis of Property, Plant and Equipment

TABLE A: Reconciliation of the Opening and Closing Balances of Property, Plant and Equipment (2006-07)

Item	Land	Buildings	Total Land and Buildings	Other Infrastructure, Plant & Equipment	Heritage & Cultural	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
As at 1 July 2006						
Gross book value	4,400	81,791	86,191	48,664	186,354	321,209
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation	n/a	(144)	(144)	(9,071)	-	(9,215)
Opening Net Book Value	4,400	81,647	86,047	39,593	186,354	311,994
Additions						
By purchase		219	219	1,893	2,292	4,404
By donation			-		4,684	4,684
Net revaluation increment/(decrement)						
Gross book value		2,150	2,150	1,130		3,280
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation		849	849	710		1,559
Depreciation/amortisation expense		(981)	(981)	(5,113)	(815)	(6,909)
Recoverable amount write downs			-			
Disposals						
From disposal of operations - gross book value			-			
From disposal of operations - accumluated depreciation			-			
Other disposals			-	(41)		(41)
As at 30 June 2007						
Gross book value	4,400	84,160	88,560	51,646	193,330	333,536
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation	n/a	(276)	(276)	(13,474)	(815)	(14,565)
Closing Net Book Value	4,400	83,884	88,284	38,172	192,515	318,971

There are no assets held under finance lease.

#### Notes To and Forming Part of the Financial Statements

Note 6C: Analysis of Property, Plant and Equipment

TABLE B: Reconciliation of the Opening and Closing Balances of Property, Plant and Equipment (2005-06)

Item	Land	Buildings	Total Land and Buildings	Other Infrastructure, Plant &	Heritage & Cultural	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	Equipment \$'000	\$'000	\$'000
As at 1 July 2005				·		
Gross book value	4,400	76,555	80,955	45,204	135,251	261,410
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation	n/a	(67)	- 67	(4,575)	(1,589)	(6,231)
Opening Net Book Value	4,400	76,488	80,888	40,629	133,662	255,179
Additions						
By purchase		1,164	1,164	3,553	2,002	6,719
By donation			-		1,101	1,101
Net revaluation increment/(decrement)						
Gross book value		4,111	4,111		48,000	52,111
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation		795	795		2,232	3,027
Depreciation/amortisation expense		(878)	(878)	(4,566)	(643)	(6,087)
Recoverable amount write downs			1			-
Disposals						
From disposal of operations - gross book value		(39)	- 39	(93)		(171)
From disposal of operations - accumluated depreciation		6	6	70		82
Other disposals			1			
As at 30 June 2006						
Gross book value	4,400	81,791	86,191	48,664	186,354	321,209
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation	n/a	(144)	(144)	(9,071)	0	(9,215)
Closing Net Book Value	4,400	81,647	86,047	39,593	186,354	311,994

There are no assets held under finance lease.

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	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Note 6D: Intangibles		
Computer software:		
- Purchased software	9,473	8,606
- Accumulated amortisation	(7,377)	(6,499)
- Work in progress	-	452
Total intangibles (non-current)	2,096	2,559

TABLE C: Reconciliation of the opening and closing balances of intangibles

Computer Software	2007	2006
Purchased		
1 di chasea	\$	\$
As at 1 July		
Gross book value	9,058	8,332
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation	(6,499)	(5,681)
Net book value 1 July	2,559	2,651
Additions		
purchase	415	726
Depreciation/amortisation	(878)	(818)
Disposals	-	-
As at 30 June		
Gross book value	9,473	9,058
Accumulated depreciation/amortisation	(7,377)	(6,499)
Net book value 30 June	2,096	2,559

#### Note 6E: Inventories

Inventories held for sale:

Work in progress	60	35
Finished goods	281	366
Total inventories (current)	341	401

During 2006-07 \$33,205 of inventory held for sale was recognised as an expense (2005-06: \$168,659).

#### Note 6F: Other Non-Financial Assets

Prepayments	896	660
Prepaid leasehold contribution	818	969
Provision for reimbursement	68	-
Total other non-financial assets	1,782	1,629
Current	1,114	810
Non-current	668	819

1,782

1,629

The provision for reimbursement relates to the other provision in Note 8B.

No indications of impairment were found for other non-financial assets.

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Twices 10 and Forming 1 art of the Financial Statements	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Note 7: Payables		
Note 7A: Suppliers		
Trade creditors	889	1,622
Accrued expenses	834	870
Total supplier payables	1,723	2,492
All payables are current.		
Settlement is usually made net 30 days.		
Note 7B: Other Payables		
Prepaid grant revenue	158	99
Prepaid other revenue	1	2
Total other payables	159	101
All other payables are current.		
Note 8: Provisions		
Note 8A: Employee Provisions		
Salaries and wages	121	124
Leave	4,593	3,993
Superannuation  Total employee provisions	4,734	4,136
Employee provisions are represented by:		
Current	3,744	3,445
Non-current	990	691
Total employee provisions	4,734	4,136
The classification of current includes amounts for which there	is not an unconditiona	al right to
defer settlement by one year, hence in the case of employee pr		
does not represent the amount expected to be settled within on	e year of the reporting	date.
Estimated settlement within 12 months	2,561	2,265
Estimated settlement after 12 months	2,173	1,871
Total employee provisions	4,734	4,136

Notes to and Forming Part of the Financial Statements	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Note 8B: Other Provisions		
Provision for contractual obligations	677	
Total other provisions	677	-

The Museum has obligations arising from a Deed of Gift that requires the Museum to perform a range of tasks. These obligations meet the definition and and recognition requirements in AASB137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets.

All other provisons are current.

The provision for contractual obligations includes expenditure which will be reimbursed and is reported at Note 6F.

Carrying amount 1 July	-	-
Additional provision made	677	-
Amount used	-	-
Amount reversed	-	-
Closing balance 30 June	677	

#### Note 9: Cash Flow Reconciliation

Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents as per Balance Sheet to Cash Flow Statement

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Cash Flow Statement	2,194	820
Balance Sheet	2,194	820
Difference	0	0

#### Reconciliation of operating result to net cash from operating activities:

Operating result	3,650	(457)
Depreciation and amortisation	7,786	6,905
Net write down of assets	74	169
Net loss from sale of assets	-	56
Gain of sale of assets	-	(13)
Collections - gifts and donations	(4,684)	(1,101)
Non-cash proceeds from investments	(1,420)	(817)
(Increase)/decrease in net receivables	(1,038)	(535)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	60	(89)
(Increase)/decrease in other non-financial assets	(85)	(148)
Increase/(decrease) in employee provisions	598	762
Increase/(decrease) in other provisions	677	-
Increase/(decrease) in supplier payables	(701)	1,482
Increase/(decrease) in other payables	58	98
Net cash from/(used by) by operating activities	4,975	6,312

#### **Credit Arrangements**

The Museum has a purchasing card arrangement for the purchase of minor items.

#### **Credit Facilities**

Credit card limit	300	300
Credit used	(17)	(5)
Credit unused	283	295

#### Notes To and Forming Part of the Financial Statements

	2007	2006
Note 10: Remuneration of Council Members		
The number of Council members of the Museum included in these figures are shown below in the relevant remuneration bands:		
\$ Nil - \$ 14,999 \$ 15,000 - \$ 29,999 Total number of Council members of the Museum	8 1 9	9 1 10
Total remuneration received or due and receivable by Council members of the Museum	\$ 120,174	\$121,057

The remuneration of Council members includes all members concerned with or taking part in the management of the Museum during 2006-07, except the Director. Details in relation to the Director have been incorporated into Note 12: Executive Remuneration.

#### Note 11: Related Party Disclosures

#### **Council Members of the Museum**

The names of each person who has been a member of the Council during the year were: (duration of appointment in brackets):

#### Chairman

The Hon A Staley 22 September 2002 to 21 September 2005 and 6 October 2005 to 5 October 2008

#### Members

Mr D Barnett	22 April 2005 to 21 April 2008
Mr B Chow	15 May 2003 to 14 May 2006 and 15 May 2006 to 14 May 2009

20 November 2003 to 19 November 2006 Dr T Duncan

Dr J Fleming 27 August 2003 to 26 August 2006 and 27 August 2006 to 26 August 2009

Ms M Gibney 24 June 2004 to 23 June 2007 Ms S Hasluck

19 February 2004 to 18 February 2007 and 19 February 2007 to 18 February 2010

Dr J Hirst 27 August 2003 to 26 August 2006 and 27 August 2006 to 26 August 2009

Mr C Pearson 9 August 2002 to 8 August 2005 and 6 Oct 2005 to 5 Oct 2008

#### **Executive Member**

Mr Craddock Morton 24 June 2004 to 23 June 2007 and 24 June 2007 to 23 June 2010

#### Outgoing Members in 2005-06

8 August 2002 to 7 August 2005 Ms C Santamaria

#### Transactions with Council members or their related entities

The aggregate remuneration of Council members is disclosed in Note 10. The Museum is not aware of Council member related party transactions occurring during the year which would be required to be disclosed.

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Note 12: Executive Remuneration	2007	2006
The number of Senior Executives who received or were due to receive total remuneration of \$130,000 or more:		
\$145,000 - \$159,999 \$160,000 - \$174,999 \$175,000 - \$189,999 \$190,000 - \$204,999 \$295,000 - \$309,999 \$310,000 - \$324,999	1 1	1 2 1
The aggregate amount of total remuneration of officers shown above:	\$ 841,160	\$837,203
No separation or redundancy payments were made to officers shown above during the year.  The officer remuneration includes all officers concerned with or taking part in the management of the Museu during 2006-07.	ım	
Note 13: Remuneration of Auditors  Financial statement audit services provided to the Museum by the Commonwealth Auditor-General.  The fair value of services provided was:	\$ 53,000	\$46,500
No other services were provided by the Auditor-General during the reporting period.		
Note 14: Average Staffing Levels		
The average staffing levels for the Museum during the year were:	249	254

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Note 15: Financial Instruments

#### Note 15A: Interest Rate Risk

Financial Instrument	Notes	Floating In	terest Rate			Fixed Intere	st Rate			Non-Inter	est Bearing	Total		Weighted Average	
														Effective Int	erest Rate
				1 Year o	or Less	1 to 5 Y	Zears	> 5 Y	ears						
		2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2006	2005	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	%
Financial Assets															
Cash at bank	5A	2,174	796	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,174	796	5.57%	4.95%
Cash on hand	5A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	24	20	24	n/a	n/a
Receivables for goods and services	5B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	160	225	160	225	n/a	n/a
Interest receivable	5B	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	2,423	1,320	2,423	1,320	n/a	n/a
Investments	5C	-	-	41,130	19,436	-	18,000	-	-	-	-	41,130	37,436	6.12%	5.79%
Total		2,174	796	41,130	19,436	-	18,000	-	-	2,603	1,569	45,907	39,801		
Total Assets												369,394	356,848		

Financial Liabilities															
Trade creditors	7A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	889	1,622	889	1,622	n/a	n/a
Accrued expenses	7A									834	870	834	870		
Total		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,723	2,492	1,723	2,492		
Total Liabilities												7,293	6,729		

#### Notes To and Forming Part of the Financial Statements

Note 15B: Fair Values of Financial Assets and Liabilities

	Note	Total Carrying Amount \$'000	Aggregate Net Fair Value \$'000	Total Carrying Amount \$'000	Aggregate Net Fair Value \$'000
Financial Assets					
Cash at bank	5A	2,174	2,174	796	796
Cash on hand	5A	20	20	24	24
Receivables for goods and services	5B	160	160	225	225
Interest receivable	5B	2,423	2,423	1,320	1,320
Investments	5C	41,130	41,130	37,436	37,436
Total Financial Assets		45,907	45,907	39,801	39,801
Financial Liabilities (Recognised)					
Trade creditors	7A	889	889	1,622	1,622
Accrued expenses	7A	834	834	870	870
Financial Liabilities (Recognised)		1,723	1,723	2,492	2,492

2007

2006

#### Note 15C: Credit Risk Exposures

The Museum's maximum exposure to credit risk at reporting date in relation to each class of recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as indicated in the Balance Sheet.

The Museum has no significant exposures to any concentrations of credit risk.

All figures for credit risk referred to do not take into account the value of any collateral or other security.

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Note 16: Appropriations

Particulars	Departmental Outputs		Lo	ans	Equ	ity	Total	
	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2006 \$'000		2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	
Year ended 30 June								
Balance carried forward from previous year	-	-		-	-	-	-	-
Appropriation Acts 1 and 3	40,026	39,784	_	-	-	-	40,026	39,784
Appropriation Acts 2 and 4		-		-	3,493	1,071	3,493	1,071
Available for payment from CRF	40,026	39,784		-	3,493	1,071	43,519	40,855
Payments made out of CRF	40,026	39,784		-	3,493	1,071	43,519	40,855
Balance carried forward to next year	-	_		-	-	-	-	-
Represented by: Appropriations Receivable	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	

This table reports on appropriations made by the Parliament of the Consolidated Reserve Fund (CRF) for payment to the Museum. When received by the Museum, the payments made are legally the money of the Museum and do not represent any balance remaining in the CRF.

Notes To and Forming Part of the Financial Statements	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
	Ψ 000	Ψ 000
Note 17: Assets Held in Trust		
Purpose - the trust fund, set up under section 7 of the National Museum of		
Australia Act 1980, is for the receipt of monies or other property vested in		
the Museum on trust. Monies are applied in accordance with conditions, where		
specified, which mainly relate to the development of the National Historical		
Collection. These monies are not available for other purposes of the Museum		
and are not recognised in the financial statements. Monies held were transferred		
to the Museum operating account to fund National Historical Collection purchases,		
consistent with the original donor's wishes.		
Balance carried forward from previous year	_	_
Receipts during the year		
Interest received	-	_
Available for payments		
Payments made	-	-
Balance carried forward to next year held by the National Museum	-	
Note 18: Assets Held in the National Museum of Australia Fund		
Purpose - the Fund, set up under section 34 of the National Museum of		
Australia Act 1980, is for the receipt of gifts and bequests (otherwise than on		
trust) of monies, or monies received from the disposal of property given, devised,		
bequeathed or assigned to the Museum. These monies are recognised in the		
financial statements.		
Balance carried forward from previous year	-	10
Receipts during the year	14	13
Interest received	<u> </u>	
Available for payments	14	23
Payments made	(14)	(23)
Balance carried forward to next year held by the National Museum		
Note 19: Compensation and Debt Relief		
Compensation for detriment caused by defective		
administration	-	-
Waiver of debts	-	-
Exgratia payments	-	-
Payments in special circumstances under S73 of the Public Service Act	<u>-</u>	-

#### Note 20: Reporting of Outcomes

Note 20A: Outcome of the National Museum of Australia

The Museum is structured to meet a single outcome, being: Australians have access to the National Museum's collections and public programs to encourage awareness and understanding of Australia's history and culture.

Two outputs are identified for the Outcome, comprising:

Output 1.1: Collection Development and Management

Output 1.2: National Exhibitions, Programs and Services

#### Notes To and Forming Part of the Financial Statements

Note 20B: Net Cost of Outcome Delivery

	Outcome 1		Total	
	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Expenses				
Administered	-	-	-	-
Departmental	47,081	46,377	47,081	46,377
Total expenses	47,081	46,377	47,081	46,377
Costs recovered from provision of goods and services to the non-government sector				
Administered	-	-	-	-
Departmental	2,633	2,015	2,633	2,015
Total costs recovered	2,633	2,015	2,633	2,015
Other external revenues				
Departmental				
Sale of goods and services - to related entities	-	-	-	-
Interest	2,768	2,481	2,768	2,481
Donation and bequests	4,698	1,114	4,698	1,114
Net gains from disposal of assets	-	13	-	13
Other	606	513	606	513
Total Departmental	8,072	4,121	8,072	4,121
Total other external revenues	8,072	4,121	8,072	4,121
Net cost/(contribution) of outcome	36,376	40,241	36,376	40,241

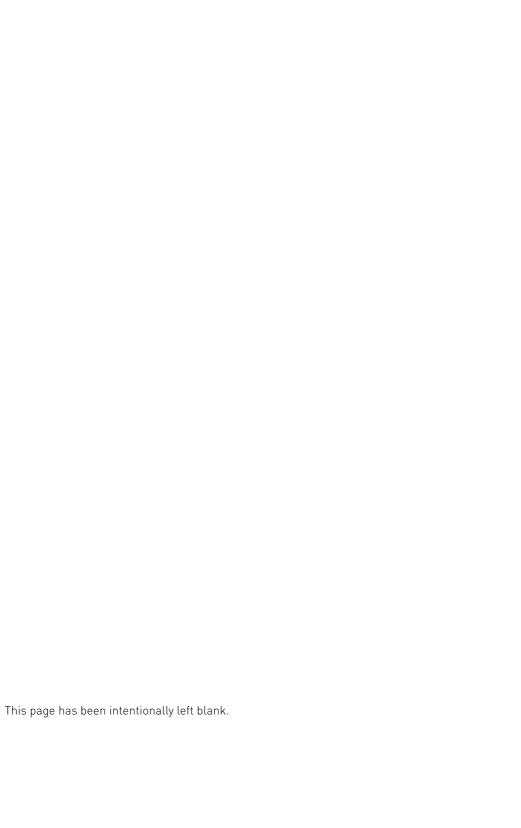
The National Museum of Australia utilises cost drivers to determine the attribution of its shared items. This system is based on surveys of corporate activities and by use of actual costs and staff numbers where appropriate.

#### **Notes To and Forming Part of the Financial Statements**

Note 20C: Major Classes of Departmental Revenues and Expenses by Output Groups and Outputs

	Outcome 1			Total		
	Output 1.1: Collection Development and Management		Output 1.2: National Exhibitions, Programs and Services			
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Departmental expenses						
Employees	3,446	3,395	15,533	15,625	18,979	19,020
Suppliers	2,954	2,977	16,770	16,736	19,724	19,713
Grants	-	-	518	514	518	514
Net loss from assets disposed	-	-	0	56	0	56
Depreciation and amortisation	1,165	957	6,621	5,948	7,786	6,905
Write down of assets		-	74	169	74	169
Total departmental expenses	7,565	7,329	39,516	39,048	47,081	46,377
Funded by:						
Revenues from Government	8,826	6,095	31,200	33,689	40,026	39,784
Sale of goods and services	-	-	2,633	2,015	2,633	2,015
Interest	445	372	2,323	2,109	2,768	2,481
Other non-taxation revenues	4,684	1,101	620	525	5,304	1,626
Net gain from disposal of assets	-	-	-	13	-	13
Reversal from previous asset write downs	-	-	-	1	-	1
Total operating revenues	13,955	7,568	36,776	38,352	50,731	45,920

The Museum's outcomes and outputs are described in Note 20A.





# Part five

**Appendices** 

## Appendix 1

## **Council and committees** of the National Museum of **Australia**

Council members are appointed under section 13(2) of the National Museum of Australia Act 1980

#### Council

#### Members as at 30 June 2007

#### The Hon Tony Staley AO (Chairman)

LLB (Melbourne)

Director, RAMS Home Loans Pty Ltd

Chairman, Cooperative Research Centres Association

Chairman, Energy and Water Ombudsman (Victoria)

Chair. AUDA (Australian Domain Names Administration)

Chairman, Partners in Performance International

22 September 1999 – 21 September 2002

Reappointed: 22 September 2002 -

21 September 2005

Reappointed: 6 October 2005 - 5 October 2008

Attended 4/4 meetings

#### Dr John Hirst (Deputy Chairman)

BA (Hons) PhD (Adelaide)

Scholar emeritus La Trobe University

27 August 2003 - 26 August 2006

Reappointed: 27 August 2006 - 26 August 2009

Attended 4/4 meetings

#### Mr David Barnett OBE

Farmer/journalist

17 December 1998 - 16 December 2001

Reappointed: 27 March 2002 - 26 March 2005

Reappointed: 22 April 2005 - 21 April 2008

Attended 4/4 meetings

#### Mr Benjamin Chow AO

BE (Sydney)

Managing Director, Sydney Subdivision Pty Ltd

Councillor, Bond University

Director, Invocare Ltd

15 May 2003 - 14 May 2006

Reappointed: 15 May 2006 - 14 May 2009

Attended 3/4 meetings

#### Dr John Fleming

PhD (Griffith)

President, Campion College, Sydney

27 August 2003 - 26 August 2006

Reappointed: 27 August 2006 - 26 August 2009

Attended 2/4 meetings

#### Ms Sally Anne Hasluck

Dip Ed (London)

Museum consultant

19 February 2004 - 18 February 2007

Reappointed: 19 February 2007 -

18 February 2010

Attended 4/4 meetings

#### Mr Christopher Pearson

BA (Hons) (Flinders), Dip Ed (Adelaide)

Editor and columnist

SBS Board Member

9 August 1999 - 8 August 2002

Reappointed: 9 August 2002 - 8 August 2005

Reappointed: 6 October 2005 - 5 October 2008

Attended 4/4 meetings

#### **Executive member**

#### Mr Craddock Morton

BA (Hons) (ANU)

Director, National Museum of Australia

Acting Director: 15 December 2003 -

23 June 2004

Director: 24 June 2004 - 23 June 2007 Reappointed: 24 June 2007 - 23 June 2010

Attended 4/4 Meetings

#### Outgoing members in 2006-07

#### **Dr Tim Duncan**

BA (Hons) PhD (Melbourne)
Director, Hinton & Associates, Financial
Communications

20 November 2003 – 19 November 2006 Attended 2/2 meetings

#### Ms Marian Gibney

BA/LLB (Hons) (Queensland)
Deputy General Counsel, ANZ Corporate
Centre, Technology and Dispute Resolution
Legal Group

24 June 2004 – 23 June 2007 Attended 3/4 meetings

## Deputies of part-time members appointed under section 15(1) of the Act

There were no appointments of deputies of part-time members during the year.

### **Directions to Council by the Minister**

None.

#### **Meetings**

Four meetings were held in Canberra as follows:

19 July 2006	no. 113
19 October 2006	no. 114
14 February 2007	no. 115
3 May 2007	no. 116

# Audit and Finance Committee of Council

#### **Terms of Reference**

- To examine and recommend the Museum's annual financial statements for Council's endorsement.
- To review internal audit reports on the Museum's activities and, on behalf of Council, monitor action taken.
- To consider Reports of the Auditor-General on the Museum's operations and advise Council of the implications and monitor action taken.
- 4. To advise Council on any other matters referred to it.
- To consider the development and implementation of both Budget and off-Budget operational and business strategies.
- 6. To review the Museum's identified strategic risks and monitor risk management plans.
- 7. To review the Museum's fraud risk assessment and fraud control plan and, on behalf of Council, monitor action taken.

#### Members as at 30 June 2007

Mr David Barnett OBE (Council Member)

Attended 4/4 Meetings

Mr Benjamin Chow AO (Council Member)

Attended 4/4 meetings

#### Outgoing members in 2006-07

Ms Marian Gibney (Council Member and Committee Chairman) Attended 4/4 meetings

Mr Craddock Morton (Museum Director) Attended 4/4 meetings

#### **Meetings**

Four meetings were held in Canberra as follows:

19 July 2006	no. 37
19 October 2006	no. 38
14 February 2007	no. 39
1 May 2007	no. 40

#### **Collections Committee of Council**

#### Terms of Reference

- 1. To advise Council and the Director generally on the collecting policies of the Museum and on the management of the National Historical Collection.
- 2. To consider proposals for deaccessioning and disposal of objects from the National Historical Collection and to make recommendations to Council.

#### Members as at 30 June 2007

Mr David Barnett OBE (Council Member and Committee Chairmanl Attended 4/4 meetings

Dr John Fleming (Council Member) Attended 2/4 meetings

Ms Sally Anne Hasluck (Council Member) Attended 4/4 meetings

Dr John Hirst (Council Member) Attended 4/4 meetings

Mr Christopher Pearson (Council Member) Attended 4/4 meetings

Mr Craddock Morton (Museum Director) Attended 4/4 meetings

#### **Outgoing member**

Dr Tim Duncan (Council Member) Attended 1/2 meetings

#### **Meetings**

Four meetings were held in Canberra as follows:

19 July 2006	no. 13
19 October 2006	no. 14
14 February 2007	no. 15
3 May 2007	no. 16

#### Sponsorship and Development Committee of Council

#### **Terms of Reference**

- 1. Provide guidance on strategic directions for the Museum's sponsorship and development functions.
- 2. Provide direction on obtaining sponsorship for temporary exhibitions.
- 3. Support the Museum's efforts to secure external support for developing the National Historical Collection.
- 4. Assist with industry introductions where possible.

#### Members as at 30 June 2007

Mr Benjamin Chow AO (Council Member and Committee Chairman) Attended 3/3 meetings

Ms Sally Anne Hasluck (Council Member)

Attended 3/3 meetings

Mr Christopher Pearson (Council Member)

Attended 3/3 meetings

Mr Craddock Morton (Museum Director)

Attended 3/3 meetings

#### Outgoing member in 2006-07

Dr Tim Duncan (Council Member)

Attended 2/2 meetings

#### **Meetings**

Three meetings were held in Canberra as follows:

18 July 2006 no. 13 18 October 2006 no. 14 13 February 2007 no. 15

### **Functions and powers** of the National Museum of Australia

#### Functions of the Museum

- 1 The functions of the Museum are:
  - (a) to develop and maintain a national collection of historical material
  - to exhibit, or to make available for exhibition by others, historical material from the National Historical Collection or historical material that is otherwise in the possession of the Museum
  - (ba) from time to time as the occasion requires, to exhibit, by itself or in collaboration with others, in Australia or elsewhere, material, whether in written form or in any other form and whether relating to Australia or to a foreign country
  - (baa) to exhibit material, whether in written form or in any other form, that relates to Australia's past, present and future
  - to conduct, arrange for, or assist in research into matters pertaining to Australian history
  - (q) to disseminate information relating to Australian history and information relating to the Museum and its functions
  - to develop and implement sponsorship, marketing and other commercial activities relating to the Museum's functions.

2. The Museum shall use every endeavour to make the most advantageous use of the national collection in the national interest.

#### Powers of the Museum

- 1. Subject to this Act, the Museum has power to do all things necessary or convenient to be done for or in connection with the performance of its functions.
- 2. Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), the powers of the Museum referred to in that subsection include power:
  - to purchase or take on hire, or to accept as a gift or on deposit or loan, historical material
  - (b) to lend or hire out or otherwise deal with (otherwise than by way of disposal) historical material
  - (c) to accept gifts, devises, beguests or assignments made to the Museum, whether on trust or otherwise, and whether unconditionally or subject to a condition and, if a gift, devise, bequest or assignment is accepted by the Museum on trust or subject to a condition, to act as trustee or to comply with the condition, as the case may be
  - (q) to collect, and make available (whether in writing or in any other form and whether by sale or otherwise), information relating to Australian history
  - to make available (whether by sale or otherwise) reproductions, replicas or other representations (whether in writing or in any other form) of historical material

- (f) to make available (whether in writing or in any other form and whether by sale or otherwise) information relating to the Museum and its functions
- to occupy, use and control any land or building owned or held under lease by the Commonwealth and made available to the Museum under section 8
- (h) to erect buildings
- (i) to purchase or take on hire, or to accept as a gift or on deposit or loan, and to dispose of or otherwise deal with, furnishings, equipment and other goods
- (ja) to charge such fees and impose such charges (in addition to the charges fixed by regulations) as are reasonable in respect of services rendered by the Museum
- (jb) to raise money for the purposes of the Museum by appropriate means, having regard to the proper performance of the functions of the Museum
- (k) to act as trustee of moneys or other property vested in the Museum on trust
- [m] to act on behalf of the Commonwealth or of an authority of the Commonwealth in the administration of a trust relating to historical material or related matters.
- 3. The Museum shall not dispose of historical material except in accordance with section 9 or 9A

- 4. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any money or other property held by the Museum upon trust or accepted by the Museum subject to a condition shall not be dealt with except in accordance with the obligations of the Museum as trustee of the trust or as the person who has accepted the money or other property subject to the condition, as the case may be.
- 5. Nothing in this Act requires the Museum to perform its functions or exercise its powers in relation to historical material that is owned or otherwise in the possession of an authority of the Commonwealth, being historical material that is used for the purposes of the authority.

Source: National Museum of Australia Act 1980

## **National Historical Collection: Material acquired** and approved by Council 1 July 2006 - 30 June 2007

#### Material acquired and approved 19 July 2006

#### **Acton Sod Turning collection**

A ceremonial shovel used by Prime Minister John Howard on 1 October 1998 to turn the 'first sod' to mark the building of the National Museum of Australia and the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies.

Donation

#### RF Alder collection no. 2

A homemade spirit level and a broadmouth shovel

Donation

#### Diana Baxter collection no. 2

Correspondence relating to early pastoralist Janet Templeton (1785-1857).

Donation

#### John Boddington collection

The clock from the wreck of the Southern Cloud, Australia's first major civil aviation disaster.

Donation

#### Julie and Antonia Bos collection

A collection of furniture used by itinerant shearers between 1920 and the 1960s, as well as objects that illustrate wool production and domestic household technology during the first half of the twentieth century.

Purchase

#### **David Collins collection**

Two first edition volumes of An Account of the English Colony in New South Wales: With Remarks on the Dispositions, Customs, Manners &c. of the Native Inhabitants of that Country by David Collins, published in 1798.

Purchase

#### Adi Dunlop collection

A multicoloured crocheted conical hat-shaped beanie made by Adi Dunlop for the Alice Springs Beanie Festival.

Donation

#### Sipau Audi Gibuma Headdress collection

A headdress made by Sipau Audi Gibuma from the Torres Strait.

Purchase

#### Goobalathaldin (Dick Roughsey) collection

The Coming of the First Missionary, by Dick Goobalathaldin Roughsey, painted in 1981.

Purchase

#### T. K. N and J Helms collection

Two travelling trunks used by Rudolph Andreas Christian Helms and Margrethe Ingeborg Helms (nee Møller), when they migrated to Australia from Denmark in 1885 and 1922, respectively.

#### **Graham and Inoa Inglis collection**

A bomb fragment from the Darwin Post Office site, destroyed in 1942 during the first Japanese air raid on Darwin.

Donation

# Irrigation (Deniliquin and Tatura) collection

A collection of objects relating to the practice of irrigation in Deniliquin, New South Wales, and Tatura, Victoria.

Donation

#### Olive King collection

Three Australian and 10 commemorative medallions and plaques belonging to Sergeant Olive King, a Sydney woman who served as a volunteer ambulance driver in Europe during the First World War

Purchase

# Major Thomas Livingstone Mitchell collection

A first edition copy of *Three Expeditions into the Interior of Eastern Australia with Descriptions of the Recently Explored Region of Australia Felix, and the Present Colony of New South Wales*, by Major Thomas Livingstone Mitchell, published by T & W Boone, London, 1838.

Purchase

#### Nineteenth-century North-West New South Wales Aboriginal Artefacts collection

A shield, *lil-lil* club, three boomerangs and two fluted fighting clubs from north-west New South Wales.

Purchase

#### Margaret O'Callaghan collection

A commemorative plate produced as a souvenir for the cancelled 1949 visit of King George VI to Australia and New Zealand.

Donation

#### Jan Phillips collection

Two East-West Airlines flight attendant uniforms from late 1970s to early 1980s.

Donation

#### **Project 2000 Taskforce collection**

An Olympic Flame cauldron, a Canberra Olympic football banner and two Fédération Internationale de Football Association flags.

Donation

#### The Reverend JW Schomberg collection

A homemade gramophone, three boxes of gramophone needles and 35 records dating from the early 1930s.

Donation

# Dr A Stepanas World War II Displaced Persons collection

A leather wallet handmade by Agota Stepanas while in a displaced persons' camp in Germany after the Second World War, and a plywood suitcase.

Donation

#### **David and Gianna Sudholz collection**

A nature study book used and compiled by Mary Kendall, a school teacher working at Natimuk, western Victoria, in the early twentieth century.

#### Lorie Thompson collection

An Anzac Day 2/4th Field Ambulance banner. Donation

#### Merle Tonkin collection

An Ancient Order of Druids collar and a Masonic long service jewel.

Donation

#### Wagilag Sisters 1920s Bark Painting collection

This painting on bark is the oldest known example of the Wagilag story, a significant religious story from north-eastern Arnhem Land.

Purchase

#### **Petronella Wensing collection**

A 1953 painting by Alec Rotteveel of a Friesland (Dutch) farmhouse, and two wooden chairs, belonging to Dutch immigrants, Petronella and Michael Wensing.

Donation

#### **Dulcie Williams collection**

A basket crafted by specialist Masig Island weaver Dulcie Williams

Purchase

#### Material acquired and approved 19 October 2006

#### **Anzac Pilgrims collection**

Eight souvenirs from Anzac Day ceremonies held at Gallipoli.

Donation

#### **Arthur Billington collection**

Two Aboriginal boomerangs.

Donation

#### **Martin Boyd Pottery Tumbler collection**

A 'Darwin' series tumbler by Martin Boyd. Purchase

#### John Burdett collection

A collection of objects belonging to Frank Burdett, who served in the citizen forces during the First World War and provided support to Australia's war effort on the home front as a volunteer in the Second World War

Donation

#### Cairns and Far North Queensland **Environmental Centre collection**

A possum suit and two banners used in the 1980s by the conservation movement during its campaign to achieve World Heritage listing for the rainforests of Far North Queensland, now the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area.

Donation

#### **Allan Coogan collection**

Six traditional ceremonial objects including a string bag, handheld fishing net and dancing stick, headband, plumed ceremonial ornament and a spear, made by the Yolngu people of the Yirrkala community.

Donation

#### **Kevin Hannan collection**

A mourning locket belonging to Winnie O'Sullivan, the fiancée of Australian boxer Les Darcv.

Donation

#### **Rhys Jones collection**

Computer equipment used by Professor Rhys Jones (1941–2001) during field-based research in 1981 into the prehistory of the Kakadu region.

#### John Kelly collection

An enamel mug and 'make-do' fruit tin billycan used by John Kelly, a stockman and shearer who lives and works on the Wytaliba/ Weilmoringle cattle station in north-western New South Wales.

Purchase

#### Ray and Dallas Maple Family collection

A dingo-skin rug made in 1871.

Donation

#### John Murray collection

Two embroidered silk postcards and handkerchiefs from the First World War, and a program from the Anzac Day ceremonies held at Serapeum in Egypt in 1916.

Donation

#### **Lucille Pead collection**

A souvenir boomerang from the XVI Olympic Games held in Melbourne, 22 November to 8 December 1956.

Purchase

# The Reverend and Mrs WH Robinson collection

A souvenir napkin ring and dress worn to the ball for the opening of Parliament House in Canberra in 1927, attended by His Royal Highness the Duke of York.

Donation

#### Lionel Rose collection no. 1

Boxing trunks belonging to Aboriginal boxer, Lionel Rose

Purchase

#### **Scout Heritage Centre collection**

A copy of the *Jamboree Daily*, the official program and location map published for the 1935 Australian Boy Scout Jamboree in Frankston, Victoria.

Purchase

#### **Harold Stevens collection**

An A1 Autographic Kodak Junior camera, camera case, instruction booklet and tripod used during the 1920s and 1930s by amateur photographer Harold Stevens, to document family life at his home in Rockdale, Sydney.

# Material acquired and approved 14 February 2007

#### **Ainslie Primary School collection**

A 'jungle gym'.

Donation

#### Art Exhibitions Australia collection

A chromolithograph, Goldsmith's Work from Australia, about 1862, and a colour lithograph, A View of the Principal Thoroughfare as It Appeared in the First week in August, 1853, Shewing the Second Church Erected for the Diocese of Melbourne, about 1853.

Donation

#### William Beausang collection

A collection of 140 objects commemorating the life of Sir Charles Kingsford Smith and other early Australian aviators, collected by William Beausang, who worked for Kingsford Smith as an engineer in the late 1920s.

Purchase

#### Don Bradman collection

A cricket bat used by Don Bradman in the first test match against England, at Trent Bridge, in 1934.

Purchase

#### **Bristow-Smith collection**

A brass nameplate bearing explorer Ludwig Leichhardt's name, dated 1848.

Purchase

#### John Coleman collection

A 1950s child's dress-up cowboy suit made by the Sydney toy manufacturing company Lindsay's & Co.

Donation

#### Dog Registration Tag collection

Eight copper dog registration tags dating from 1893 to 1932, incorporating the 'Advance Australia' coat of arms.

Purchase

#### **Elizabeth Durack collection**

Four watercolours by Elizabeth Durack.

Purchase

#### **Groote Eylandt Women's Material** collection

A collection of objects made and used by women from Groote Eylandt in the Gulf of Carpentaria, for the collecting, cooking and preparing of food.

Purchase

#### **Alex Gurney collection**

Four caricatures on masonite by Australian cartoonist Alex Gurney.

Donation

#### Frank Gurrmanamana collection no. 2

A woven grass fish-trap.

Purchase

#### **Gwenda Heginbothom collection**

A ceramic coffee service decorated with an image of the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

Donation

#### Irene Kopievsky Ben Chifley Tie collection

A necktie worn by Ben Chifley, a letter from his widow Elizabeth Chifley, and a petrol ration ticket.

Donation

#### Alan and Mary Lockett collection

A timber jack.

Donation

#### Joe McGinness collection

A wharfie's hook and tuckerbox

Donation

#### Miss Australia Company collection

The Miss Australia crown, the Miss Australia Charity Queen tiara, and 34 photographs of Miss Australia titleholders from 1953 to 1987.

Purchase

#### Miss Australia Memorabilia collection

A Miss Australia Quest silver pendant, pianola roll and calico apron.

Purchase

#### **Albert Namatjira Prints collection**

Four Albert Namatjira prints produced by Legend Press after 1957.

Purchase

#### Odette O'Neill collection

Twelve artefacts (including woven baskets, carvings and arrowheads) collected in the late 1930s.

Donation

#### Lin Onus collection

Firing the Humpy, an oil painting by Lin Onus.

Purchase

#### **Trevor Reed collection**

Three charts of the Murray River, drawn and used by paddle-steamer skippers.

Donation

#### Strongman collection

Handmade hub caps, steering wheel, armrest, interior sun visor, front grille, stamped window glass, number plate, tools and other material used during the construction of the Holden prototype no.1.

Purchase

#### **Dulcie Tscharke collection**

A spear-thrower painted by Albert Namatjira.

Purchase

#### **Tania Verstak collection**

This collection documents Tania Verstak's experiences as a participant and winner of the 1961 Miss Australia Quest and the 1962 Miss International contest.

Donation

#### Yawkyawk collection

Three woven pandanus Yawkyawk figures made by Kunwinjku artists, Lulu Laradjbi and Marina Murdilnga.

Purchase

# Material acquired and approved 3 May 2007

#### **Tony Albert collection**

Campfire 2000, an artwork by Tony Albert.

Purchase

#### John Batman collection

Three documents relating to the private life of John and Eliza Batman.

Purchase

#### Tina Baum collection

A Harold Blair album recorded in 1963, featuring his songs 'The Holy City', 'How great Thou art' and 'I'll walk with God'.

Donation

#### Jon Belmonte collection no. 2

Clothing and documents relating to Jon Belmonte's experience as a member of the Fynwest and P&C Stevedores' trained workforce during the 1998 waterfront dispute.

Donation

#### **Bessie Campbell collection**

Reconciliation, a painting by Bessie Campbell.

Purchase

#### **CSIRO Marine Research collection**

Two expendable bathythermographs used by CSIRO Marine Research to develop a network of recorded ocean temperatures for the International Tropical Global Atmosphere program from 1984 to 1994, and for the World Ocean Circulation Experiment program from 1990 to 2002.

#### **Donovan Family collection**

A silver cigarette box, bassinette, telegram and parish newsletter.

Donation

#### **Everitt and George Family collection**

A Redington toy theatre.

Donation

#### Bill Fegan collection

A 'pelican' and a pair of weatherproof work over-trousers used by Bill Fegan in 1967 while working on the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### Christine Filiamundi collection

Sixteen photographs of the construction phase of the Guthega project of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### Stan Goodhew collection

A blowlamp used by Stan Goodhew in 1954 while working on the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### Evonne Goolagong Cawley collection no. 2

Evonne Goolagong Cawley's 1971, 1974 and 1980 Wimbledon trophies, as well as two tennis racquets used by her during the 1971 and 1980 tournaments.

Purchase

#### Joe Gordon collection

Photographs, a steam gauging recorder, and a poster promoting the Adaminaby Grand Ball, held on 17 October 1950 to celebrate the first anniversary of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### Ken Johnson collection

A gelignite box, slide rule, programs, invitations, manuals and project reports belonging to Ken Johnson, an engineer who worked on the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### Kids like Us — Hi-5 Performance Costume collection

Five performance costumes worn by the children's entertainment group Hi-5, as well as their Boom, Boom, Beat CD and a DVD featuring the song 'Opposites attract'.

Donation

#### Norm Kopievsky collection

A frying pan from the Jindabyne Dam construction camp, and two manuals related to Norm Kopievsky's work as a power station operator on the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### Tanya McIntyre collection

A screen-printed poster created by Tanya McIntyre, entitled Stop the Miss Victoria Quest, 1984

Purchase

#### Samuel Marsden collection

A copy of A Short Account of the Character and Labours of the Rev. Samuel Marsden, Formerly Principal Chaplain of the Church of England in New South Wales, by Reverend William Wooll, published in 1844 to raise funds for the erection of a church in the Parish of Marsfield, Parramatta.

Purchase

#### **Keith Montague collection**

The Snowy Mountains Authority's information manual prepared by Keith Montague for the Queen's visit in 1963, together with a program and publications relating to the history and milestones of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### **Nova Peris collection**

Nova Peris's gold medals from the 1994 Hockey World Cup, 1995 Hockey Champions trophy, 1996 Atlanta Olympics, 1998 Commonwealth Games and the 2001 Australian National Championships, as well as her team uniforms.

#### Les Price collection

A T-square from the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme's drawing office in Cooma, and a beer tray from the Cabramurra staff wet canteen.

Donation

#### Frank Rodwell collection

Two hard hats used during the construction of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electric Scheme.

Donation

#### John Sheppard collection

Three placards requesting the public express their views on the proposed World Heritage listing of the rainforests of Far North Queensland, now the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area.

Donation

#### Vic Skermer collection

Two painted Tiwi spears made by Black Joe, or Wampi-awajawmirri, a prominent Tiwi artist at Snake Bay (Milikapiti), Melville Island, in the late 1950s.

Donation

#### Jan Taylor collection

This collection documents Jan Taylor's experience as a participant and winner of the 1964 Miss Australia Quest, including her participation in the 1964 International Beauty Congress.

Donation

#### **Gay Walker collection**

This collection documents Gay Walker's experience as a participant and winner of the 1972 Miss Australia Quest

Donation

#### **Helen Wood collection**

This collection documents Helen Wood's experience as a participant and winner of the 1957 Miss Australia Quest

#### **Inward loans**

# Inward loans extended between 1 July 2006 and 30 June 2007

**Australian Museum:** collecting bottle for display in the Horizons gallery.

Australian National Maritime Museum: three iron ballast pigs, two Marlborough schist stone ballasts, two Muggerite stone ballasts, rat's skull, Beardman jug and pewter spoon for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Australian Spatial Information Business Association:** sextant and case for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame:** camel bell for display in the Horizons gallery

**Australian War Memorial:** General Sir Brudenell White's uniform insignia with 13 pieces for display in the Nation gallery.

**Australian War Memorial:** muskets, bayonet, sword, carbine, rifle and revolvers for display in the Gallery of First Australians.

**Beachley, Layne:** surfboard and World Championship Trophy for display in the Nation gallery.

**Berry and District Historical Society:** Thomas Greer's headstone for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Boekel, Trish:** section of 1870s fence post for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**Bradbury, Steven:** Australian team racing suit for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Burgman, Albert:** wine bottle for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder:** silver trophy for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**Coolgardie Museum:** Afghan curled slippers and Koran for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Department of Administrative and Information Services:** compass and case, surveyor's pole and survey book for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**D'Urso, Roseanne:** Mario Sardi's 1942 internment diary for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Donovan, Brenda:** blazer and tie for display in the Gallery of First Australians.

**Dyett, Ian:** walking cane used by Sir Gilbert Dyett for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Freeman, Julie:** child's suitcase and *Forget-me-not* artwork installation for display in the Gallery of First Australians.

**Geoscience Australia:** gypsum crystal specimen for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**Goldfinch, Andrew:** Commander Colin Buist's sword and original pouch for display in the Nation gallery.

**Hahndorf Academy:** wooden yoke, hymn book, nails, Deutsch biscuit, prayer booklets, fresh egg basket and Lutheran newspaper for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Historic Houses Trust of New South Wales:** military jacket and Short Indian Pattern musket for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Holt, Nicholas:** porthole from the shipwreck *Cheviot* for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Horak, Olga:** *Exodus* (1965), sculpture by Olga Horak, for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Jones, Stanley:** megaphone for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**McGrath; Victor:** turtle shell mask for display in the 'Dhari a krar' exhibition.

**Marcus, Professor Julie:** tin trunk for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**Meehan, Dr Betty:** two silcrete flakes, grindstone fragment and piece of haematite for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**Melbourne Football Club:** signed Melbourne Football Club Hall of Fame football and Melbourne v. Carlton perpetual trophy for display in the Nation gallery.

**Milton, Michael:** Olympic ski suit, downhill ski, outrigger and Olympic gold medal for display in the Nation gallery.

**Morris, Louise:** Ashes letter opener for display in the Nation gallery.

**Muncaster, Ron:** *Old Mother Time* costume for display in the Eternity gallery.

**National Library of Australia:** plate, calipers and painting for display in the Horizons gallery.

**National Trust of Australia (WA):** locking bar pipe slice and locking bar pipe piece for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**Northcliffe Pioneer Museum:** butter churn, saw and spoon for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Note Printing Australia:** bas-relief sculpture of the coat of arms by Leslie Bowles, and steel engraved die of the one dollar note for display in the Nation gallery.

**Perry, Matt:** part of Stinson aeroplane wing for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Perry, Rose Marie:** 'Irish Famine Orphan's' seachest for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Quayle, Simon:** Bali tour T-shirt for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Qunyh-du, Ton That:** Le Thanh Nhon's *Yarra River* painting for display in Acton West meeting room.

**Rip Curl:** Doug Warbrick's surfboard and Rip Curl wetsuit for display in the Nation Gallery.

**Somerville, Doug:** two honey pots for display in the Old New Land gallery.

**South Australian Maritime Museum:** SS *Aldinga* model for display in the Nation gallery.

**State Library of New South Wales:** dress sword and telescope belonging to Captain James Cook, cabin tea caddy, silver caddy spoon and shore-bearing plate for display in the Horizons gallery.

#### Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority:

thimbles, pins, buttons, marbles, glass lens, slate pencils, glazed earthenware cup and saucer, lead game piece, coins and carved bone handle for display in the Horizons gallery.

**Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority:** roof tile, brick, jug, friction tube, Sydney mud oyster shells, a quarter-penny (Britain), two half-pennies (Britain), one keping (Malacca), one quarter-stuiver (Dutch East Indies), one 10 reis (Brazil) for display in the Horizons gallery.

#### **Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority:**

wooden dominoes, 'Pearlware' teacup, base of ginger beer bottle, dice, 'Harvest Pattern' mug, transfer printed plate with 'Eton' scene, tobacco pipe bowl, tobacco pipe bowl and stem, and gold and enamel earring for display in the Horizons gallery.

Taylor, Peter: 'Oppy' brand Malvern Star bicycle and BSA Cycling catalogue for display in the Nation gallery.

Van Reyk, Paul: handwritten recipe book for display in the Nation gallery.

**VicRoads:** traffic signal, 'Walk' signal and 'Don't Walk' signal for display in the Nation gallery.

Western Australian Maritime Museum: four coins, sounding lead and astrolabe replica for display in the Horizons gallery.

Western Australian Museum: mummified thylacine head (Thylacinus cynocephalus) from Mur-el Elyen Cave, Nullarbor, for display in the Old New Land gallery.

Western Australian Museum, Kalgoorlie-Boulder: camel water tank for display in the Old New Land gallery.

Youl, John: set of medals and photograph for display in the Old New Land gallery.

#### New inward loans between 1 July 2006 and 30 June 2007

Beachley, Layne: bikini for display in the Nation Gallery.

EJ Whitten Foundation: Victorian State of Origin jumper for display in the Nation Gallery.

Hamm, Mary: pink baby suit for display in the Eternity gallery.

Hartigan, Mildred: fur stole and accompanying box for display in the Eternity gallery.

Harvey, Marika: pair of shoes for display in the Gallery of First Australians.

**Henderson, Mark:** fire sculpture for display in the Gallery of First Australians.

Hessling, Werner: pair of leather trousers, baby pillow, 'Crossing the equator' certificate, onboard journal, ceramic stein, 11 newsletters, milk can and wooden tray with glass inlay for display in the Horizons gallery.

Horner, Jack: address book for display in the Gallery of First Australians.

Kay, Patrya: four egg cups, plate and toast holder for display in the Old New Land gallery.

Kee, Jenny: handmade doll for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Lee, Ben:** guitar for display in the Eternity gallery.

McHugh, Dorothy: Anne Clarke's whistle for display in the Nation gallery.

Macleay Museum, The University of Sydney: plaster fish for display in the Eternity gallery.

Melbourne Cricket Club Museum: Australian Davis Cup blazer, miniature Davis Cup (1959), and Davis Cup trophy (1986) for display in the Nation gallery.

National Trust of Australia (Victoria): paint palette and knife, child's boots from the gold rushes, keys to Como House, Ripponlea estate plant tags, George McCrae sketchbook, pieces of wallpaper, and four diaries belonging to Mrs Goss for display in the Hall.

**Netball Victoria:** 1940s state netball uniform for display in the Nation gallery.

Parsons, Peter: silver teapot and photograph for display in the Nation gallery.

Performing Arts Museum: pair of Dame Edna Everage's spectacles for display in the Nation gallery.

Powerhouse Museum: cochlear implant, demonstration cochlear implant, speech processor, microphone headset and accessories, and tricord adaptor with instructions for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Sharp, Judy:** framed drawing for display in the Eternity gallery.

**Vang, Chai and Por Ye:** rice-sifting basket and carry basket for display in the Australian Journeys gallery.

**Voller, Margaret:** silver serving spoon, silver thimble, opera glasses, silver watch and chain for display in the Nation gallery.

**Western Bulldogs Football Club:** Footscray Football Club jumper (Charlie Sutton, 1954) and Melbourne Football Club jumper (Brian Dixon, 1954) for display in the Nation gallery.

#### '67 Referendum

**Australian Electoral Commission:** voting booth and ballot box.

#### 70% Urban

**Chappell, Duncan:** Gordon Hookey's painting *Day of Mourning.* 

**Pacific Blue Art and Event Management:** painting by Gordon Syron, *Judgement by his Peers* 

**Silbert, Stuart:** painting by Julie Dowling, *Sisters* (2004)

#### **Behind the Lines**

**Rowe, David:** sculpture, *The Budget Process* 2006.

#### Between the Flags

**Arriola, Peter:** Second World War 'Bear' flying suit/lifeguard suit.

Blahuta, Paul: 18 framed paintings.

**Bondi Surf Bathers' Life Saving Club:** marchpast costume, surfoplane, and a set of shark jaws.

**Burnie Surf Life Saving Club:** two shark spears.

**Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club:** framed collection of 12 Surf Life Saving Medals.

**Fremantle Surf Life Saving Club:** surf-reel, and surf trophy made by the crew of HMAS *Sydney*.

**Harvey Bay Surf Life Saving Club:** surf-reel, life jacket, and rescue tube.

**Hood, Natalie:** Wishart Medal for Victorian Surf Lifesaver of the Year.

**Horsley, Gavin:** Clarke Medal, and Surf Life Saving Association NSW medal.

**Jones, Mrs Bryce:** Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club Perpetual Trophy.

Life Saving Victoria: inflatable swimsuit, club badge, four banners, trophy, wooden Lumaroo board, fibreglass surfboard, wooden surfboard, Inaugural Iron Man trophy, swimsuit, cap, pennant, two badges, and a throw ball.

**McKinnon, Gary:** stinger suit, two medals, medallion, mother-of-pearl shell award, and certificate

**Marsh, Kim and Leanne:** 1940s double-ender surfboat.

**Newcastle Regional Museum:** two NSW Championships trophies, blazer, silver teapot trophy, trophy mug and two swimsuits.

North Narrabeen Surf Life Saving Club: surf costume, medal, championships program, pennant, commemorative display of cap, costume and medal, trophies, and certificate.

**Penguin Surf Life Saving Club:** march-past costume.

**Powerhouse Museum:** pennant and long hoard

**Rankin, Ron AM:** helicopter rescue tracksuit and T-shirt.

**Surf Life Saving Australia:** 231 club caps, two trophies, three pennants, two medals, megaphone, bronze statue, two certificates, two badges, five cloth badges, sticker, cork belt, coaster and 27 championships programs.

**Swanbourne–Nedlands Surf Life Saving Club:** three swimsuits, two pennants, surf-reel and line, wooden surf-ski, and a shark spear.

#### **Civil Rights**

**Curthoys, Professor Ann:** SAFA political badge in accompanying pouch.

#### **Collector Cam display**

Lynch, Brian: three pedal cars, a tricycle, nine posters, six boxed games, 17 toy cars, trucks, tractors and motorcycle with side-car, a model cannon and mount, boxed matchbox car, a model motorcycle, two wind-up toy cars, eight tin toy cars, 14 metal toy cars and truck, six plastic toy cars and trucks, folio of children's maps, quoits set, novelty bottle, cardboard clock, coin tube, train set, Yates seed display, four tea tins, 37 tins of various products, model Christmas pudding, 20 cardboard grocery boxes, midget tyre repair kit, cash register, and six tin signs advertising grocery products.

#### **Cook's Pacific Encounters**

**McDonald, Frank:** 1788 marble bust of Captain James Cook by Augustin Pajou.

#### Miss Australia

**Laing, Dawn:** pair of gold cufflinks and three shirt studs.

Santaguida, Kathleen: fundraiser award.

#### **Migration memories**

**Barker, Roy and June:** map, coolamon, stone flakes, grinding stone, weaving, seed and mussel shells, and fishbone.

**Colless, Jennifer:** opal-cutting machine, opal-cutting wheel, plastic jars with shellac flakes and sealing wax pieces, glass and metal jar, facsimile parcel, dop sticks, and pre-1950s Benson & Hedges tobacco tin.

**Malinovic, Dusan:** woollen forage cap and baseball-style cap.

**Miglietta, Lovelyn:** handbag, passport, airline ticket, baggage receipts, boarding pass stub, two Australian \$20 notes, and sheet of paper.

Nagy, Sheila: biscuit tin.

**Persson, Frans:** handmade model of a landscape.

**Treweeke, Joan:** branding iron, pottery fragment and grinding stone.

#### **Outward loans**

#### New and renewed outward loans

Australian National Maritime Museum (extension): Endeavour cannon and trolley.

**Australian War Memorial (extension):** three objects, for exhibition in the South African War Gallery.

**The Grainger Quartet:** four AE Smith musical instruments for rehearsal and performance at the Eugene Goossens Hall, Sydney.

**Museum Victoria:** a tablecloth and footstool for display at the Immigration Museum *Swiss-Italian* exhibition.

**National Exhibition Touring Support Victoria:** two artworks by Ian Abdulla for display in the touring exhibition *Murray Cod.* 

**National Trust of Queensland (extension):** *Endeavour* anchor for exhibition at the James Cook Historical Museum. Queensland.

**Old Parliament House:** six objects for display in the exhibition *Scarred and Strengthened:* Australians in the Great Depression.

**Old Parliament House:** three sculptures and a paperweight for display at Old Parliament House.

**Queensland Museum (extension):** Cobb and Co. coach no. 112 for display at the Cobb and Co. Museum, Queensland.

**South Australian Museum:** two drawings by Noelle Sandwith for display in the *Australia's Muslim Cameleers* exhibition

### Conferences, forums, seminars and lectures hosted by the **National Museum of Australia**

Date/Program	Title/Description	Speakers
3 July Film screening and panel discussion	A Frontier Conversation	Craddock Morton, Director, National Museum of Australia; Professor Ann Curthoys, Manning Clark Professor of History, The Australian National University; Claire Haywood, writer, director and producer; Margo Neale, National Museum of Australia
3 July Lecture	'Star formation through cosmic time'	Professor Michael Dopita, Australian Research Council Federation Fellow, Research School of Astronomy and Astrophysics, Mt Stromlo Observatory, The Australian National University
11 July Lecture	'Demography, destiny and public policy' (with The Australian National University)	Pru Goward, Federal Sex Discrimination Commissioner
17 July Lecture	'Future challenges in higher education' (with The Australian National University)	Jenny Macklin, Deputy Federal Labor Leader and Shadow Minister for Education, Training, Science and Research
19 July Forum	Developing the Production Proposal for Short Films (with ACT Filmmakers)	Louise Smith, producer, Film Depot Pty Ltd
25 July Lecture	'The determinants of Australia's demographic future' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Peter McDonald, Professor of Demography, The Australian National University
26 July Lecture	'Transnational lives' (with The Australian National University)	Dr Cassandra Pybus, University of Sydney, and Visiting Fellow, Humanities Research Centre, The Australian National University
27 July Forum	Discovering Cook's Collections	Adrienne Kaeppler, Smithsonian Museum of Natural History; Dr Paul Tapsell, Director Maori, Auckland War Memorial Museum; Lissant Bolton, British Museum

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28 July Symposium	Discovering Cook's Collections (with The Australian National University)	Professor Howard Morphy, Centre for Cross-Cultural Research, The Australian National University; Dr Mike Smith, National Museum of Australia; Professor Paul Turnbull, Griffith University; Dr Nigel Erskine, Australian National Maritime Museum; Adrienne Kaeppler, Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, Washington; Professor Greg Dening, Centre for Cross-Cultural Research, The Australian National University; Dr Paul Tapsell, Director Maori, Auckland War Memorial Museum; Doreen Mellor, National Library of Australia; Lissant Bolton, British Museum
31 July Symposium	The Trading System in Crisis: The Threat from Proliferating Preferences (with The Australian National University)	Professor Jagdish Bhagwati, Columbia University, New York
1 August Lecture	'Transitions and risk: Rethinking Australian social policy' (with The Australian National University).	Brian Howe, Professorial Associate, University of Melbourne, and former Deputy Prime Minister
2 August Seminar	Producing <i>Paradise Road</i> (with the UC Film Production Society, University of Canberra)	Sue Milliken, film producer
8 August Lecture	'Social policy: Its contribution to prosperity in the decade ahead' (with The Australian National University)	Tony Nicholson, Executive Director, Brotherhood of St Laurence
10 August Lecture	'Fusion energy and ITER: An opportunity for Australia' (with The Australian National University)	Dr Barry Green, the Directorate-General Research, European Commission, Brussels
14 August Lecture	'When art meets science' (with The Australian National University)	Dr Tim Wetherall, sculptor and scientist
17 August Seminar	ARIA Seminar (with The Association of Research between Italy and Australia)	George Negus, reporter

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19 August Lecture	'In movies no-one can hear you screen' (with The Australian National University)	Gavin Tyrrell, motion and screen graphics designer
22 August Lecture	'Responding to demographic change in the Australian Public Service' (with The Australian National University)	Lynelle Briggs, Australian Public Service Commissioner
23 August Forum	The Legal Requirements for Developing, Producing and Distributing Productions (with ACT Film Makers)	Katherine Giles, Arts Law Centre of Australia
29 August Lecture	'Aboriginal population statistics: Australia's statistical performance' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Richard Madden, Director, National Centre for Classification in Health, University of Sydney
31 August Lecture	'Intergenerational inheritance of income' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Susan Mayer, Dean of the Harris School, University of Chicago
1 September Forum	National Wattle Day forum: Debate on Australian Values and their Linkage with Australian Citizenship	Dr Ingrid Moses, Chancellor of the University of Canberra; Ian McAuley, Adjunct Lecturer, University of Canberra; Dr David Headon, Cultural Advisor, National Capital Authority
9 September Lecture	'Animation' (with The Australian National University)	Jonathan Nix, director and animator
12 September Lecture	'Australia's economic future' (with The Australian National University)	Wayne Swan MP, Federal Shadow Treasurer
13 September Forum	Weather Forecasting: Magic or Science? (with Canberra Skeptics Inc.)	Clem Davis, Visiting Fellow, SRES, The Australian National University

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15 September Seminar	'The trading system in crisis: The threat from proliferating preferences' (with The Australian National University)	Senator Marise Payne, NSW Senator and Chair of the Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee; Senator Joe Ludwig, Queensland Senator and Manager of Opposition Business in the Senate; Professor Jon Altman, Director of the Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research, The Australian National University; Professor John Warhurst, Professor of Political Science, The Australian National University
20 September Forum	Norfolk Island (with the National Trust of Australia)	Professor Maev O'Collins, author and Emeritus Professor, Visiting Fellow, The Australian National University; Alan Kerr, former Administrator, Norfolk Island; Eric Martin, conservation architect
21 September Forum	Forgiveness: A Time to Move On	Lama Choedak Rinpoche, Tibetan Lama
25–26 September Conference	South Asia: Integrating and Looking East? (with The Australian National University, AusAID and La Trobe University)	Professor Robin Jeffrey, The Australian National University; Bruce Davis, Director General, AusAID; Professor Brian Stoddart, Vice Chancellor, La Trobe University; Stephen Howes, Principal Economist, AusAID
27 September Forum	Interactivity: The Future (with ACT Filmmakers)	David Gurney, producer
28 September Forum	An Australian and Everest	Geoff Bartram, mountaineer
28 September Lecture	'International political marketing research: Towards a modern agenda of aims and means' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Phil Harris, Otago University, New Zealand
28 September Seminar	'People and spaces in Italian architecture' (with the Association of Research between Italy and Australia)	Aldo Giurgola, architect

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30 September Lecture	'Games' (with The Australian National University)	Andrew James, lead artist at Irrational Games Australia; Jay Kyburz, lead level builder at Irrational; Simon Eschbach, software engineering graduate, University of Canberra
3 October Lecture	'The changing face of Australia's rich' (with The Australian National University)	James Thomson, Business Review Weekly
10 October Lecture	'Water scarcity and its global consequences' (with The Australian National University)	The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP, Minister for the Environment and Water Resources, Member for Wentworth (NSW)
11 October Lecture	'Coping with the demographic challenge: Fewer children and living longer' (with The Australian National University)	Dr Jeff Harmer, Secretary, Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
21 October Seminar	'The Murphy legacy in troubled times' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Michael Coper, Dean, Faculty of Law, The Australian National University; Graham Fricke QC, Visiting Fellow, The Australian National University; Professor Kim Rubenstein, Director, Centre for International and Public Law, The Australian National University
24 October Lecture	'Pensioners' incomes, living standards and attitudes' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Peter Saunders, University of New South Wales
24 October Lecture	'International political marketing: Challenges and implications in political party management' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Phil Harris, Otago University, New Zealand
25 October Forum	What do the Broadcasters Want in a Good Documentary? (with ACT Filmmakers)	Sharon Connelly, Board Member, Wide Angle Tasmania, former CEO, Film Australia
25 October Forum	Bullying in Homes, School and in the Community: Diagnosis, Prevention and Management	Dr John Irvine, child psychologist

Date/Program	Title/Description	Speakers
26 October Seminar	'World of fairs: Reflections on international exhibitions, national identity and the meaning of progress' (with Museums Australia)	Professor Robert Rydell, University of Montana, USA
30 October Lecture	'Is superannuation the 800 pound gorilla of the Australian capital markets?'	Dr David Chessell, Director, Access Economics
31 October Lecture	'Modelling our future: Population ageing and social policy' (with The Australian National University)	Professor Ann Harding, National Centre for Social and Economic Modelling, University of Canberra
3–4 November Conference	Public Law Weekend: Perspectives on Accountability (with The Australian National University)	Professor Kim Rubenstein, Director, Centre for International and Public Law, ANU College of Law; Professor Geoff Gallop, Director, Graduate School of Government, University of Sydney; Federal Magistrate Murray McInnis, Federal Magistrates Court of Australia; Justice John Basten, Supreme Court of NSW; Kelvin Thomson MP, Member for Wills, Shadow Minister for Public Accountability and for Human Services; Senator George Brandis, Senator for Queensland; Henry Molot QC, Department of Justice, Canada; Guy Dehn, Director, Public Concern at Work, UK; Professor John McMillan, Commonwealth Ombudsman; Simon Cohen, Assistant NSW Ombudsman, Police NSW; Professor Michael Coper, Dean, ANU College of Law
13 November Forum	Was Canberra a Good Idea? (with Canberra Skeptics Inc.)	Professor Don Aitken, AO
19 November Forum	Fear Forum	Rodney Fox, Rodney Fox Shark Museum, Adelaide
20 November Forum	AIATSIS and the support of Indigenous studies (in association with AIATSIS)	Steve Larkin, Principal, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Research Centre

Date/Program	Title/Description	Speakers
27 November Forum	Australia and the Death Penalty (with the Centre for International and Public Law, The Australian National University)	Professor Kim Rubenstein, Director, Centre for International and Public Law, The Australian National University; Professor William Maley, AM, Director, Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy, The Australian National University
27 November Forum	Dust06: Showcase of Emerging New Media Artists (with The Australian National University)	Students from the Centre for New Media Arts, The Australian National University undergraduate and postgraduate programs
29 November Forum	Cinematographer and High Definition Video (with ACT Filmmakers)	Jenny Lalor, Producer, Burberry Productions Pty Ltd, Screen Producers Association of Australia
4-6 December Conference	Addressing Poverty: Pro-Poor Growth and Financial Inclusion in Asia Pacific	Frannie Leautier, Vice President, World Bank Institute; David Hulme and Caroline Harper, Chronic Poverty Research Centre, University of Manchester; Andrew McWilliam and Kathryn Robinson, The Australian National University; Daniel Gibson and Wang Chaogang, World Bank, Beijing; Peter van Diermen and Theo Levantis, AusAID; Joe Remenyi, Deakin University; Deirdre McKay and Amanda Cahill, The Australian National University; Jon Altman, Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research The Australian National University; Susanna Price, ADB; John Young, Overseas Development Institute, London; Mark McGillivray, United Nations University, World Institute for Development and Economics Research; Michael Bourke and Bryant Allen, The Australian National University; Mahendra Reddy, University of the South Pacific; Tim Costello, CEO, World Vision Australia; Miliakere Kaitani, University of the South Pacific; Jonathan Sibley, Central Queensland University
5–6 December Forum	Addressing Global Poverty: Pro-Poor Growth and Financial Inclusion in Asia Pacific (with The Australian National University)	Professor Ian Chubb, AC, Vice-Chancellor, The Australian National University; Robin Jeffrey, Director, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, The Australian National University; Frannie Leautier, Vice President, World Bank Institute; The Hon Judi Moylan MP; Bob McMullan MP

Date/Program	Title/Description	Speakers
13 December Forum	The Future Isn't What it Used To Be (with Canberra Skeptics Inc.)	Colin Steele, Emeritus Fellow, The Australian National University
3 February Forum	Wear Now (with The Australian National University)	Dr Melinda Rackham, Director, Australian Network for Art and Technology; Joanna Berzowska, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada; Dr Stephen Barrass, University of Canberra; Robin Cranston, CSIRO
4 February Panel discussion	Behind the Lines 2006	Guy Hansen, National Museum of Australia; Bruce Petty, cartoonist, the <i>Age</i> ; Peter Nicholson, cartoonist, the <i>Australian</i> ; Jon Kudelka, cartoonist, the <i>Australian</i>
6 February Forum	Mind's Natural State: Levels of Buddhist Meditation	Lama Ole Nydahl
9–11 February Forum	Public Confidence in Courts (with The Australian National University)	Chief Justice Murray Gleeson, AC, High Court of Australia; Dr David B Rottman, National Center for State Courts (USA); Mr Duncan Kerr, SC, MP; The Hon Philip Ruddock MP, Attorney-General; Dr Peter Cashman, Commissioner, Victorian Law Reform Commission; Deputy Chief Justice John Faulks, Family Court of Australia
13 February Forum	Latest Developments in the Research on the 'Hobbit' (with Canberra Skeptics Inc.)	Professor Colin Groves, The Australian National University
4 March Panel discussion	'Ben Chifley: A local man'	Guy Hansen, National Museum of Australia; Matthew Higgins, National Museum of Australia; Tony Barry, Actor; Susan West, Music Education Program, The Australian National University; Andrew Pike, Filmmaker and Distributor; Sam Malloy, Chifley Home Museum, Bathurst
21 March Forum	Cross-Cultural Cloaks: Possum Skin and Maori Dog Skin Cloaks (with the Museums and Collections program, Research School of the Humanities, The Australian National University)	Artists Keren Ruki and Vicki Couzens; Margo Neale and Amanda Reynolds, National Museum of Australia

Date/Program	Title/Description	Speakers
30 March Forum	Whitefella Forgetting, Blackfella Remembering	Dr Maria Nugent, Monash University; Associate Professor Bain Attwood, Monash University; Associate Professor Mark McKenna, University of Sydney; Margo Neale, National Museum of Australia
12–13 April Forum	Climate Law in Australia (with The Australian National University)	Professor Tim Bonyhady, The Australian National University; Associate Professor Robyn Eckersley, University of Melbourne; Dr Peter Christoff, University of Melbourne; Charles Berger, Australian Conservation Foundation; Professor Rob Fowler, University of South Australia; Andrew McIntosh, Australia Institute
5 May Forum	Don't Laugh This is Serious (with The Australian National University)	Tim Cox and Clift Wizzmedia Pty Ltd
20 May Forum	The Historical Imagination (1)	Frank Moorhouse, novelist; Dr Lenore Coltheart, historian; Dr Peter Stanley, National Museum of Australia
26 May Symposium	Stories from the 1967 Referendum (with Reconciliation Australia)	Dr Jackie Huggins AM, Deputy Director of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research Unit, University of Queensland and Co-chair of Reconciliation Australia; Professor Peter Read, National Centre for Indigenous Studies, The Australian National University
27 May Symposium	Discovering Lake Mungo	David Kaus, National Museum of Australia; Dave Johnston, Chairman, Willandra Lakes World Heritage Area; Roy Kennedy (Nyiaampaa), Mary Pappin Senior (Muthi Muthi) and Lottie Williams (Barkindji), Elders Council from the Three Traditional Tribal Groups; Michael Westaway, Executive Officer, Willandra Lakes World Heritage Area; Cliff Ogleby, Department of Geomatics, University of Melbourne

Date/Program	Title/Description	Speakers
8 June Forum	20 Years of Plant Breeder's Rights in Australia (with the University of Queensland, The Australian National University and Griffith University)	Doug Waterhouse, President, International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants, Registrar of Plant Breeder's Rights, and Director of Plant Breeder's Rights Office; Kathryn Adams, Senior Research Fellow, Australian Centre for Intellectual Property in Agriculture (ACIPA); Dr Paul Brennan, consultant, and member of the Plant Breeder's Rights Advisory Committee and the Advisory Council on Intellectual Property; Geoff Budd, General Counsel, Grains Research and Development Corporation; Garry Fullelove, Business Manager, Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries (Qld); Dr Matthew Rimmer, Associate Director, ACIPA; Jay Sanderson, Research Fellow, ACIPA; Dr Warwick Stiller, Cotton Breeder, CSIRO
13 June Forum	Fluoridation – Dogma and Dissent (with Canberra Skeptics Inc.)	Nick Ware, retired university research officer
15 June Forum	Leichhardt — The Man, the Mystery, the Science, the History	Matthew Higgins and David Hallam, National Museum of Australia; Dr Darrell Lewis, The Australian National University; Emeritus Professor Rod Home, University of Melbourne; Dr Tom Darragh, Museum of Victoria; Emeritus Professor Henry Nix, The Australian National University; Dr Philip Jones, South Australian Museum; Dr Martin Woods, National Library of Australia; Dr Susan Martin, La Trobe University; Dick Kimber, historian
24 June Forum	The Historical Imagination (2)	Mathew Trinca, National Museum of Australia; Dr Libby Robin, science and environmental historian; Dr Nick Drayson, environmental historian, novelist and nature writer
28–30 June Conference	Restoring the Rule of Law in International Affairs (with The Australian National University)	Judge CG Weeramantry, former Vice- President, International Court of Justice

### **Australian Research Council** linkage grants

#### **Projects in progress**

#### **Australian Indigenous collectors and** collections

LP0455562

Partner: Research School of Social Sciences.

The Australian National University

Dates: 2004-06

This project looks at the contemporary and historical roles of Indigenous people in shaping private and public collections, and at the history of ideas of communal ownership and responsibility that influence the stewardship of many cultural collections today. It reverses the usual emphasis on Europeans as collectors of Indigenous objects and explores the extent to which Indigenous people were active players in building public collections, rather than the passive subjects of museum collecting.

Increasing visitor frequency: An approach to understanding and forecasting how cultural-attraction visitors respond to various incentives to increase visitation rates

LP0455321

Partners: Powerhouse Museum, Australian Museum, Museum Victoria, Australian War Memorial, Australian National Maritime Museum, University of Sydney

Dates: 2004-08

Museums have been steadily losing visitors over the past decade. While current research indicates that this may be due to greater competition for leisure activities, little is

understood about how people make choices to visit or not to visit cultural attractions. The aim of this project is to develop, demonstrate and test a random utility theory-based modelling approach allowing managers of cultural attractions to understand and predict likely visitation consequences of initiatives.

New literacy, new audiences: A model for cost-effective Australian content generation and multi-platform publishing via co-creation and multi-site distribution

LP0562264

Partners: Queensland University of Technology, Powerhouse Museum, Queensland Museum, Australian Museum, State Library of Queensland, Qpix, Australian Centre for the Moving Image

Dates: 2006-08

User-created media content, as opposed to professional broadcast media, has traditionally been regarded as amateur and unsuitable for broad appeal. New technologies and the popularity of interactive media offer new possibilities for low-cost but professional quality user-created content. Our industry partners are seeking new ways to engage their users and consumers, and to share their content-rich sites with each other and the public at large.

#### Migration memories: An analysis of representations of Australian migration histories

LP0455051

Partner: Centre for Cross-Cultural Research, The Australian National University

Dates: 2005-07

This project looks at the representation of Australian migration histories in museum exhibitions. The investigation process has three critical ingredients: storytelling through material culture; regional locations as sites of research to provide a comparative perspective on the migration experience; and the creation of small exhibitions locally and in a national setting as a method of research into the migrant experience.

#### Cultural collections, creators and copyright: Museums, galleries, libraries and archives and Australia's digital heritage

LP0669566

Partner: University of Melbourne, Arts Law Centre of Australia, Australian Centre for the Moving Image, Australian Film Commission, Museum Victoria, Museums Australia, National Gallery of Victoria, National Library of Australia, National Museum of Australia, Powerhouse Museum, The Library Board of Victoria

Dates: 2006-09

This project investigates current and emerging ways of using digital collections in museums, galleries, libraries and archives, in light of copyright law and the interests of creators. It serves the strong public interest in facilitating digital access to collections while efficiently managing copyright. Exploiting the potential of digital media and maximising Australia's creative capability both depend on providing adequate incentives for content production while granting access to creative material as a resource for new production. The project will help Australia better manage its digital cultural collections and balance the interests of creators, institutions and public accessibility.

# Indigenous participation in the Australian colonial economy: An anthropological and historical investigation

LP0775392

Partner: The Australian National University

Duration: 2007-09

The project will enhance our understanding of past relations between Indigenous people and the wider community. The proposal has the potential to mediate the extreme positions in the 'history wars' by investigating the various types of accommodation and mutuality of interests which informed many early encounters on and beyond the frontier. It will also widen the focus of settler–Indigenous relationships from those between Indigenous people and Anglo-Celtic Australians to include relations with other ethnicities including Afghan settlers.

#### Completed projects

# Bronze Age textiles from Dong Son coffins in Vietnam

LP0453881

Partner: School of Archaeology, The Australian

National University

Completed: March 2007

# The Australian Dictionary of Biography online and emerging national information systems: Networking research capability

LE0668026

Partners: The Australian National University, University of Melbourne, University of Sydney, Macquarie University, University of South Australia, Griffith University, Monash University, National Library of Australia, National Museum of Australia, National Archives of Australia

Completed: December 2006

# Studies in the degradation of dyes and pigments in ink on paper, in photographic media and on painted surfaces

LP0453482

Partner: University of Canberra

Completed: March 2007

# **Appendix 8 Professional activities**

#### Albert, Trish

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Using Indigenous artefacts to teach Aboriginal culture', workshop presented at Garma Festival, Northern Territory, August 2006.

#### Archer, Eric

**Committees:** Member. National Collections Preservation Committee.

Member, Community Heritage Grants Program Selection Panel.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Lecturer. 'Conservation at the National Museum of Australia', The Australian National University Museums and Collections program, Museum Management Course, Canberra, September 2006

Publications: 'Saving the lifesavers: The story of the recovery of the *Lifesaver* series of paintings by artist Paul Blahuta', Friends Magazine, vol. 18, no. 2, June 2007, pp. 6-7.

#### Arnold, David

Publications: 'Talkback Classroom International — civics and citizenship in action'. paper on National Capital Authority website, January 2007.

'Preparing for a second Australia-Korea Talkback Classroom Forum', in Friends Magazine, vol. 18, no. 2, June 2007, p. 31.

#### Arthur, Jay

Committees: Member. ACT Place Names Committee

Panel member, Abby Cooper's PhD, 'Victorian Aboriginal sporting history: Towards a display at Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre', The Australian National University.

Panel member, Jill Bough's PhD, 'The social and environmental history of the donkey in Australia', University of Newcastle.

Forum organiser, Stories from the 1967 Referendum, in association with Reconciliation Australia National Museum of Australia Canberra, May 2007.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: J Arthur & N Michaelis, 'Representations of Link-Up in the National Museum of Australia', talk at the National Forum of Link-Up Co-ordinators, Melbourne, May 2007.

Publications: 'The Cootamundra Girls memorial, in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander News, vol. 4, no. 1, 2007, p. 10.

'The 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum', in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander News, vol. 4, no. 1, 2007, p. 5.

#### Bach, Joanne

**Committees:** Secretary and newsletter editor, Museums Australia Sports Heritage Special Interest Group.

Publications: 'Preface' and 'Stories from the surf', in M Higgins, Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving, National Museum of Australia Press, Canberra, 2006, pp. ix-xi, 9, 18.

Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving', in Friends Magazine, December 2006, vol. 17, no. 4, p. 10.

Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving', *Capital Magazine*, issue 25, November – December 2006, pp. 42–3.

'Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving', *Signals*, Australian National Maritime Museum, March – May 2007, no. 78, pp. 7–11.

#### Beasley, Lyn

**Committees:** Vice-president and Treasurer, Museums Australia Education Special Interest Group 2006.

Member, Museums Australia National Council 2007 (Education Special Interest Group representative).

**Publications:** 'Museum theatre in education', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 17, no. 4, December 2006, p. 41.

#### Bezzina, Helena

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Interpreting the museum', workshop presented at Pushing Boundaries: The History Teachers' Association of Australia National Conference, Perth, October 2006.

H Bezzina & P Clelland Gray, 'Object interpretation', workshop presented at the History Teaching Association, Primary Teachers' Fellowship, Canberra, January 2007.

#### Blackshaw, Adam

**Committees:** Member, Albury Library Museum Exhibition and Program Advisory Committee.

#### Castles, Prue

**Committees:** Treasurer, ACT Division Committee, Australian Institute for the Conservation of Cultural Material Inc. (AICCM).

#### Coates, lan

**Staff exchange:** Visiting Curator, Department of Africa, Oceania and the Americas, British Museum, March – July 2007.

**Committees:** Member, Museum of Riverina Advisory Committee.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Session chair, Discovering Cook's Collections public symposium, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, July 2006.

#### Conduit, Georgia

**Committees:** Executive member, National Capital Attractions Association.

#### Cooper, Carol

**Committees:** President, Australian Registrars Committee.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Lecturer, 'Collection management issues at the National Museum of Australia', The Australian National University Museums and Collections program, Museum Management Course, Canberra, September 2006.

President's opening address, 'Risky business: Managing responsibilities and solutions', Australian Registrars Committee Annual Conference, Hobart, November 2006.

**Publications:** 'President's report', in *Journal of the Australian Registrars Committee*, vol. 52, July 2006, p. 3.

'President's report', in *Journal of the Australian Registrars Committee*, vol. 53, November 2006, p. 3.

#### Coronel, Rebecca

**Committees:** Member, Museums Australia Temporary and Travelling Exhibitions Special Interest Group.

#### **Cummins, Luke**

Committees: Treasurer. Museums Australia (ACT Branch).

#### Douglas, Louise

Committees: Deputy convenor, Canberra Museum and Gallery Advisory Committee.

Chair, Commonwealth Cultural Institutions Public Programs Working Group.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: L Douglas & T Kirkland, Lecturers, 'Marketing the museum', The Australian National University, Museums and Collections program, Museum Management Course, Canberra, August 2006.

Faculty member, 'Our Museum, Our Community: Our Partnership' professional development program (sponsored by the Fund for Arts and Culture in Central Eastern Europe), Bucharest, Romania, September 2006.

Panel member, Times of Change: New Developments forum, Museums and Galleries New South Wales, Museum of Sydney, November 2006

#### Dunski, Maciei

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Quartz — a better way to do our business', paper presented at Aurion Corporation Annual Conference 2006, Gold Coast, October 2006.

#### Edmundson, Anna

Publications: 'Dhari a Krar exhibition launched during NAIDOC week celebrations', in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander News, vol. 3, no. 2, 2006, p. 9.

'George Nona visits the Museum', in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander News, vol. 4, no. 1, 2007, p. 9.

#### Fitzgerald, Colleen

Committees: Member, Museums Australia Education Special Interest Group (ACT Branch).

#### Conferences /seminars/workshops:

'Facilitating student investigations — critical thinking about museum objects and exhibits', workshop presented at Australian Secondary Principals' Conference, Canberra, October 2006.

'Making the most of museums to build critical and historical literacy', workshop presented at History Teachers' Association of Victoria Conference Melbourne October 2006

Publications: 'The National Museum of Australia goes on the road to students in Central Australia and the Top End', in Friends Magazine, vol. 17, no. 3, September 2006, p. 43.

'Celebrating summer between the flags', in Friends Magazine, vol.18, no. 2, June 2007, pp. 32-3.

#### Fox, Steven

**Committees:** National Treasurer, Museums Australia July 2006 - May 2007.

Member, Expert Advisory Panel, Old Parliament House Heritage Management Plan, Canberra.

#### Garland, Roger

Committees: President, Museums Australia (ACT Branch).

Member, Museums Australia National Council (ACT representative).

Chair, Organising Committee, Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra.

National Secretary, International Council of Museums Australian National Committee (from May 2007).

Member, Working Party, Museum Partnerships Program, International Council of Museums Australian National Committee

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Lecturer, 'The evolution of project management at the National Museum of Australia', The Australian National University Museums and Collections program, Museum Management Course, Canberra, August 2006.

Lecturer, 'Governance and museums', The Australian National University Museums and Collections program, Museum Management Course, Canberra, September 2006.

'Governance for Pacific cultural institutions: A cultural focus on performance management and achieving sustainable outcomes', training workshop presented for the Pacific Islands Museums Association, Suva, Fiji, October 2006.

Chair, 'Examining strategy and management', presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Greenslade, Andy

**Committees:** Art Advisor, Drawing Together Art Award, Australian Public Service Commission, 2007.

A Greenslade & M Neale, '70% Urban: The curatorial rationale and works', presentation (including tour) to Friends of the Museum, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, May 2007.

**Publications:** 'Ernabella collections', in *World of Art and Antiques*, 72nd edn, February – August 2007, pp. 192–4.

'Urban views of Indigenous resilience and recovery', in *Capital Magazine*, May 2007, pp. 48–9.

'Ernabella collection, a living document', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 18, no. 2, June 2007, pp. 8–10.

A Greenslade & M Goode, 'Kimberley Girls style comes to Canberra', in *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander News*, vol. 4, no. 1, 2007, pp. 6–7.

#### Hallam, David

**Committees:** Assistant coordinator, ICOM-CC Metals Working Group.

Member, Scientific Committee, Bigstuff07, Bochum, Germany.

Member, Scientific Committee, Metals 07, Amsterdam, Holland.

**Publications:** LD Hallam & M Higgins, 'A voice from the desert: The Ludwig Leichhardt nameplate', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 18, no. 1, March 2007, pp. 16–19.

#### Hansen, Christine

**Committees:** Editorial Board, *Aboriginal History Journal*, The Australian National University, Canberra.

#### Hansen, Guy

**Conferences/seminars/workshops:** 'History of the collections of the National Museum of Australia', paper presented to Braidwood Historical Society, June 2007.

#### Harvey, Daina

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Lecturer, 'Public programming at the National Museum of Australia', The Australian National University Museums and Collections program, Museums and Society Course, Canberra, September 2006.

D Harvey, S Kelly, D Mason & S Powell, 'A report on the use of hand held technologies in the public programs of cultural and collecting institutions', paper presented at the Cultural Management Development Program Seminar, Canberra, December 2006.

#### Henderson, Rowan

Publications: 'Cricket collection in safe hands', in Friends Magazine, vol. 18, no. 1, March 2007, p. 20.

#### Higgins, Matthew

Publications: 'Another piece of Southern Cloud laid to rest', in Friends Magazine, vol.17, no. 3, September 2006, p. 20.

M Higgins & D Hallam, 'A voice from the desert: The Ludwig Leichhardt nameplate', in Friends Magazine, vol. 18, no. 1, March 2007, pp. 16-19.

#### Hoffmeister, Tristan

Committees: Member, Interpretation Australia Association (ACT representative).

Interpretation Australia Association Representative, Guiding Organisations Australia.

Member, Australian Tourism Export Council.

Member, Museums Australia Front of House National Network.

#### Jensen, Sophie

Publications: 'Miss Australia: A nation's quest', in Friends Magazine, vol. 17, no. 4, December 2006, p. 10.

'Miss Australia: A nation's quest', in Friends Magazine, vol. 18, no. 1, March 2007, pp. 10-12.

'Miss Australia: A nation's quest', in Capital

Magazine, issue 27, March - April 2007, pp. 46-7.

#### Kaus, David

**Committees:** Member, National Photography Festival Organising Committee, Canberra.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Convenor, 'Discovering Lake Mungo' public conversation with archeologists and Barkindji, Muthi Muthi and Nyiaampaa elders, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Kirkland, Trish

Committees: Member, Canberra Business Council Executive.

Member. Tourism Taskforce.

Member, Advisory Committee, National Capital Educational Tourism Project.

Co-convenor, Marketing and Sponsorship Committee, National Photographic Festival.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: T Kirkland & L Douglas, Lecturers, 'Marketing the museum', The Australian National University, Museums and Collections program, Museum Management Course, Canberra, August 2006.

#### McNaught, Pip

Committees: Secretary, Museums Australia Community Museums Special Interest Group.

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

Chair/convenor, 'Practical presentations in exhibitions', seminar at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

**Publications:** 'Stories from the surf', in M Higgins, Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving, National Museum of Australia Press, Canberra, 2006, pp. 19-21, 28, 38, 39.

'The Springfield medicine chest', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 18, no. 2, June 2007, pp. 14–16

#### Michaelis, Nancy

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

N Michaelis & J Arthur, 'Representations of Link-Up in the National Museum of Australia', talk at the National Forum of Link-Up Co-ordinators, Melbourne, May 2007.

#### Morton, Craddock

**Committees:** Member, Australian National Commission for UNESCO.

Chair, National Cultural Heritage Committee.

Member, Council of Australasian Museum Directors

President, ICOM Australia.

Director, Art Exhibitions Australia Board.

Executive Member, Museums Australia National Council.

#### Nason, Rebecca

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Convict love tokens', presentation to Friends of the Museum, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, February 2007.

**Publications:** 'The right snuff: Philip Gidley King's snuffbox', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 17, no. 3, September 2006, pp. 14–15.

#### Neale, Margo

**Committees:** Member, Indigenous Working Party, *Australian Dictionary of Biography.* 

Member, Advisory Board, Australian Centre for Indigenous History, The Australian National University. Member, National Australian History Summit, Parliament House, Canberra, August 2006.

Member, Botany Bay Interpretative Think Tank, Kurnell Point, Sydney, organised by Department of Environment and Conservation, Kurnell, January 2007.

Member, National Jury for the Kurnell Point Captain Cook Memorial, March 2007.

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Where historians fear to tread: Art as history', presented at the Australian Historical Association conference panel Aboriginal History: Exchanging History Genres, at The Australian National University, Canberra, July 2006.

Opening speech, Warka nganampa munuru: our work is many and varied (exhibition of works by Amata women), Stephanie Burns Fine Arts, Canberra, July 2006.

M Neale & Rocque Berthiaume (University of British Columbia), Lecturers, Landmarks History Program, The Australian National University, Canberra, August 2006.

Opening speech, *Three Generations* (exhibition of works by Minnie Pwerle, Barbara Weir and Teresa Purla from Utopia, Northern Territory), Solander Gallery, Canberra, September 2006.

Chair and commentator, The Protection of Moveable Cultural Heritage national workshop (collaboration between the Museums and Collection program, The Australian National University and the National Museum of Australia), Canberra, March 2007.

Chair and commentator, Whitefella Forgetting, Blackfella Remembering public forum, Centre for Historical Research, National Museum of Australia, March 2007.

Opening speech, *The Women's Show*, Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, March 2007.

Panel member and facilitator, 'Marking time: 10 years since the Bringing Them Home Report, 40 years since the Referendum', Museum Collections and Public Cultures program, The Australian National University, Canberra, May 2007.

M Neale & A Greenslade, '70% Urban: The curatorial rationale and works', presentation (including tour) to Friends of the Museum, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, May 2007.

Opening speech, *Two Strong Women* (exhibition of works by Sally Gabori and Naminapu Maymuru White), Chapman Gallery, Canberra, June 2007.

Introduction, 'Il Lamb Nai Pombrl Molga Kundal Al: Who is this person? Black or White?' (performance by Dr Michael Mel as part of the Art and Re-enactment conference), National Museum of Australia, Canberra, June 2007.

Chair and respondent, 'New directions in art at Te Papa', seminar by Jonathon Mane Wheoki at Museum Collections and Public Cultures program, The Australian National University, Canberra, June 2007.

**Publications:** 'People of the Cedar: First Nations Art from North West Coast Canada', in *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander News*, vol. 3, issue 2, November 2006, p. 8.

#### Nink, Kipley

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Chair, Stories from the 1967 Referendum forum, held in association with Reconciliation Australia, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, May 2007.

**Publications:** 'Reckitt's blue and boomerangs, and other nineteenth-century Indigenous artefacts', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 17, no. 3, September 2006, pp. 8–9.

'The Joe McGinness tuckerbox and wharfies' hook', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 18, no. 2, June 2007, pp. 12–13.

#### Parker, David

**Committees:** Member, ACT Branch Committee, Australian Institute for the Conservation of Cultural Material Inc. (AICCM).

#### Paulson, Barbara

**Publications:** Editor, *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander News*, vol. 3, issue 2, November 2006, and vol. 4, issue 1, April 2007.

#### Pegram, Aaron

**Publications:** 'Jakarta bombing', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 17, no. 2, June 2006, pp. 10–11.

'Grieving for an Aussie hero: A locket for Les Darcy', in *Collectibles Trader*, November 2006 – January 2007, pp. 58–9.

'Les Darcy and a locket', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 17, no. 4, December 2006, p. 11.

'Advance Australia and a collection of dog registration tags', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 18, no. 1, March 2007, pp. 14–15.

'Finding Frank Gardiner: A curator's frustrating investigation into a pistol in the National Historical Collection', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 18, no. 2, June 2007, pp.18–19.

#### Pickering, Michael

**Committees:** Referee, *Museum Management* and *Curatorship* journal.

**Publications:** Illustrated commentaries in Georgia Rouette, *Exhibitions: A Practical Guide for Small Museums*, Museums Australia, 2007, pp. 6, 9, 12, 18, 21, 27, 35, 37, 75, 81, 87, 93, 101, 103, 105, 107, 113.

Book review, Peter Vallee, *God, Guns and Government on the Central Australian Frontier*, in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 18, no. 1, March 2007, p. 31.

#### Rajah, Satish

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Lecturer, 'Implementing OHS Procedures', Museums Studies course, Canberra Institute of Technology, May – June 2007.

#### Reynolds, Amanda Jane

**Committees:** Member, Tayenebe Steering Committee

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Eternity series: Fear forum', chair of public forum (featuring shark attack survivor Rodney Fox and Janet Perry), National Museum of Australia, Canberra, November 2006.

'Editing stories', talk presented at Keeping Culture — Launceston Writers Panel, Tasmanian Living Writers' Week, University of Tasmania, Launceston, August 2006.

'Collecting culture', talk presented at Keeping Culture — Devonport Writers Panel, Tasmanian Living Writers' Week, Tiagarra Aboriginal Culture Centre and Museum, Devonport, August 2006.

'Cross-cultural cloaks: Possum skin and Maori dog skin cloaks', chair of public forum presented by the Museums and Collections program, The Australian National University and the National Museum of Australia, Canberra, March 2007.

Chair, 'Working together: Museums and communities', panel at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

Chair and respondent, 'New directions in art at Te Papa', seminar by Jonathon Mane Wheoki, Museum Collections and Public Cultures Program, The Australian National University, Canberra, June 2007.

**Publications:** 'I treasure hearing stories', in *Friends Magazine*, vol. 17, no. 4, December 2006, pp. 16–17.

#### Robertson, Sarah

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Report on 2005 National Museum of Australia travel scholarship to the United Kingdom' (for palaeopathology studies at the University of Bradford), staff seminar presented at the National Museum of Australia, Canberra, July 2006.

#### Robin, Libby

**Committees:** Member, Common Names Committee (national), Birds Australia.

Coordinator, Australasian Environmental History Network.

Editor, Ecological Humanities Corner,

Australian Humanities Review

Member, National Committee for the History and Philosophy of Science, Australian Academy of Science.

Member, Commonwealth Working Party, Australian Dictionary of Biography.

Member, Editorial board, *Australian Humanities Review* (e-journal).

Editorial board member and Book Reviews Editor, *Environment and History*, White Horse Press, Cambridge, United Kingdom.

Editorial board member, *Gippsland Heritage Journal*, Kapana Press, Bairnsdale, Victoria.

Editorial board member and Book Reviews Editor. Historical Records of Australian Science.

Editorial board member. International Journal of Environmental History and Environmental Justice, Pondicherry, India.

Editorial board member, Landscapes, Windgather Press, United Kingdom.

Editorial board member, reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia.

#### Reviewing/refereeing, journals: Altitude,

Australian Archaeology, Australian Humanities Review, Australian Journal of Botany, Australian Journal of Environmental Management, Australian Rangelands Journal, Australian Forest History Society Proceedings, Cultural Studies Review, Environment and History (United Kingdom), Environmental History (United States), Eras — Monash School of Historical Studies Journal, Gippsland Heritage Journal, Historical Records of Australian Science, Kronos (South Africa), Journal of Environmental Management (Cambridge, United Kingdom), Proceedings of the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales, reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia. Tasmanian Historical Studies, The Rangeland Journal.

#### Reviewing/refereeing, book manuscripts:

Cambridge University Press, CSIRO Publishing, Federation Press, Melbourne University Press/ Publishing, National Museum of Australia Press, Oxford University Press, University of New South Wales Press, University of Queensland Press.

#### Reviewing/refereeing, organisations:

Australian Research Council, EarthWatch Australia, National Research Foundation of South Africa.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Australia and world history', workshop at Royal Academy of Sciences (IHOPE scoping meeting), Stockholm, May 2007.

'Exploring historical imaginings through works of fiction', in conversation with N Drayson & M Trinca, Historical Imagination Series, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, June 2007.

Biodiversity and production: Converging ideas for Australian conservation', panel presentation for European Association at Environmental History Annual Meeting, Amsterdam, June 2007.

#### Schamberger, Karen

**Committees:** Member, Chinese Australian Historical Society Management Committee.

**Publications:** 'Places lost and found', *Phanfare*, no. 221, November - December 2006, pp. 4-6.

'An object biography: Little Red Riding Hood wall hanging', Phanfare, no. 224, May – June 2007, pp. 7-12.

#### Sear. Martha

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Lecturer, 'Museums and communities', The Australian National University Museums and Collections program, Museum Management Course, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Shephard, Denis

Committees: Secretary, Australian Map Circle (from February 2007).

Secretary, Organising Committee, Australian Map Circle conference: Finding the Limits, Canberra, February 2007.

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Railway material in the National Historical Collection'. presentation to Friends of the Museum, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, April 2007.

#### Smith, Mike

**Committees:** Co-editor and member, editorial board, reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia.

#### Stanley, Peter

**Committees:** Member, Army Military History Projects Committee 2006–07.

Member, Australian History Summit, Parliament House, Canberra, August 2006.

Member, editorial board, reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia.

#### Tonkin, Susan

**Committees:** President, Evaluation and Visitor Research Special Interest Group, Museums Australia.

#### Trinca, Mathew

**Committees:** Adjunct research fellow, Centre for Public Culture and Ideas, Griffith University.

Member, Advisory Board, Australian Science and Technology Heritage Centre, University of Melbourne.

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Response to critiques', presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

'Exploring historical imaginings through works of fiction', in conversation with N Drayson & L Robin, Historical Imagination Series, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, June 2007.

#### Weber, Thérèse

**Committees:** Co-editor and member, editorial board, reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia.

#### Wehner, Kirsten

Conferences/seminars/workshops: Lecturer,

'The National Museum of Australia: Past and present', The Australian National University Museums and Collections program, Museums and Society Course, Canberra, February 2007.

'Response to critiques', presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Wilmot, Lisa

**Committees:** Member, Commonwealth Small Agencies Forum.

# Research and scholarly activities

#### Archer, Eric

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Sustainable conservators — sustainable collections', paper presented at the AICCM preventive conservation seminar, Sustainable Buildings — Costs vs Conservation Needs, Museum of Sydney, September 2006.

'Sustainable collections management practice: Collections and conservators', paper presented at the INTACH/AusHeritage Symposium, Museums for the 21st Century, New Delhi, March 2007

'Collecting at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at the INTACH/ AusHeritage Symposium, Museums for the 21st Century, New Delhi, March 2007.

'Significance applications at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at the INTACH/AusHeritage Symposium, Museums for the 21st Century, New Delhi, March 2007.

#### Arnold, David

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Australian History Mysteries', paper presented at Our History: Questions, Answers and More Stories conference, Charles Darwin University, Darwin June 2007

**Publications:** 'Museums as contested history sites' and 'Classroom resources currently available from the National Museum of Australia', in *Primary and Middle Years* Educator, Australian Curriculum Studies Association, vol. 4, no. 3, 2006, pp. 3–13.

Would your students put the 1967 Referendum in an "Australian human rights hall of fame"?". in *Teaching History*, journal of the History Teachers' Association of New South Wales. vol. 41, no. 1, March 2007, pp. 60-2.

#### Baum, Patrick

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Maximising storage — a timely solution for the National Museum', paper presented in the Remote and Regional section at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Beasley, Lyn

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Inspired theatre by an inspiring partnership', paper presented at Many Players Many Parts, the third national forum on performance in cultural institutions, Melbourne, October 2006.

'Environmental education at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at the National Summit for the Australian Network of Places for Sustainability, Alice Springs, April 2007.

#### Bezzina, Helena

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'The National Museum of Australia and learning', paper presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Blackshaw, Adam

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Engaging audiences through digital content co-creation', paper presented at the American Association of Museums Annual Meeting, Chicago, May 2007, and to staff at the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington, May 2007.

#### Coates, lan

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'A collector's life', seminar presented at the Centre for Anthropology, British Museum, London.

#### Cooper, Carol

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Safety solution in our stores', paper presented in the Remote and Regional section at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

'More than "the exact words". William Barak's drawings and the recounting of Kulin stories to AW Howitt', paper presented at Drawn Together: The Production and Collection of Indigenous Drawings in Australia, Centre for Cross-Cultural Research, The Australian National University College of Arts and Social Sciences, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Coronel, Rebecca

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Practical approaches to exhibition project management', paper presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

#### **Cummins, Luke**

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

L Cummins, D Harvey & N Sutton, 'Dora Fay Davenport: How to achieve domestic bliss: Reminiscence theatre at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at Many Players, Many Parts: The Third Forum on Performance in Cultural Institutions, Melbourne, October 2006.

#### Douglas, Louise

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

L Douglas, R Coghlan & M Trinca, 'An Australian journey: Building a national museum in a multicultural society', paper presented at Large/National Museums in a Global World conference, National Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen, May 2007.

**Publications:** Exhibition review, 'On the box: Great moments in Australian television', in reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia, vol. 1, no. 2, September 2006, pp. 162–7.

#### Edmundson, Anna

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'The National Museum of Australia's Pacific Collections', paper presented at the Museums and Collections Seminar Series, The Australian National University, Canberra, May 2007.

'Authenticity and the North-South divide in contemporary Aboriginal art', paper presented at the Thresholds of Tolerance: History, Human Rights and Art conference, The Australian National University, Canberra, May 2007.

**Publications:** A Edmundson & M Neale, 'Learning to be proppa: Aboriginal Artists' Collective, proppa NOW', in C Turner & D Williams (eds), *History, Human Rights, and Art: Thresholds of Tolerance*, The Australian National University Press, Canberra, 2007, pp. 29–38.

#### Fitzgerald, Colleen

#### Conferences /seminars/workshops:

Exploring new ways of presenting student perspectives, paper presented at Snapshots of Remote Communities Teachers' Seminar, Geelong Gallery, February 2007.

#### Garland, Roger

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'The evolution of project management at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at the Third Annual Australian Project Management Conference, Melbourne, August 2006.

#### Hall, Laina

**Publications:** Review, 'Daryl Dellora, *The Life, Times and Travels of the Extraordinary Vice-Admiral William Bligh: An Interactive Graphic Novel*', in *History Australia*, vol. 4, no. 1, June 2007, pp. 17.1–17.2.

#### Hallam, David

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'The use of electrochemical techniques to study protection systems on metals; from theory to museum application', paper presented at Eastern Analytical Symposium, New York, November 2006.

'Breastplates in the National Museum of Australia's collection', staff seminar presentation with D Kaus, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, June 2007.

#### Hansen, Christine

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Collecting Indigenous collectors', paper presented at the Charles Darwin University/ Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory History Colloquium, Darwin, October 2006.

#### Harvey, Daina

Conferences/seminars/workshops: D Harvey, L Cummins & N Sutton, 'Dora Fay Davenport: How to achieve domestic bliss: Reminiscence theatre at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at Many Players, Many Parts: The Third Forum on Performance in Cultural Institutions, Melbourne, October 2006.

#### Helman, Susannah

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'A missionary's life on Moa: Rev. Junius W Schomberg', paper presented at the Second ANU Missionary History Conference: Asia–Pacific Missionaries: At Home and Abroad, Canberra, August 2006.

#### Henderson, Rowan

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Peddling history at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at the Australasian Cycling History Conference, Geelong, April 2007.

#### Hetherington, Michelle

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Putting a face to the name: Portraits of the 18th century hero as Captain Cook', paper presented at the 13th David Nichol Smith Seminar in Eighteenth-Century Studies, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, April 2007.

#### Higgins, Matthew

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Surveyors at the snowline', paper presented at Australian Map Circle conference, National Library of Australia, Canberra, February 2007.

**Publications:** 'A mountain sense of place', in *Memories in Place: Art in High Country Huts*, Craft ACT, Canberra, 2006, pp. 24–32.

Between the Flags: 100 Years of Surf Lifesaving, National Museum of Australia Press, Canberra, 2006.

#### Hoffmeister, Tristan

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Visitor services at the National Museum of Australia', paper presented at the Front of House National Network at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Jensen, Sophie

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Fear and loathing in public spaces: Museums and emotion', the 11th annual Maurice Kelly lecture, Museum of Antiquities, University of New England, Armidale, March 2007.

#### Kaus, David

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area Keeping Place', paper presented at the Legacy of an Ice Age Conference, Lake Mungo, September 2006.

'Edmund Milne, amateur collector', paper presented at the Indigenous Collections Forum, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, March 2007.

'Professional development in preparation for the Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area Keeping Place', paper presented at the World Heritage of Human Origins Conference, Mildura, April 2007.

'The National Museum of Australia's Pacific Collections', paper presented at the Museums and Collections Seminar Series, The Australian National University, Canberra, May 2007.

'Breastplates in the National Museum of Australia's collection', staff seminar presentation with D Hallam, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, June 2007.

**Publications:** 'History of Aboriginal breastplates', in T Tremblay (ed.), *Unreal Shields: Revisiting Kingplates — Creating Etchings with Attitude*, Bannggu Minjany Arts & Cultural Centre, Cairns, pp. 25–32.

#### Nason, Rebecca

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Furniture in the National Museum of Australia: First Fleet table', seminar presentation at the History of Furniture Symposium, Canberra, March 2007.

#### Neale, Margo

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Out of country: Too many cooks spoilt the broth', paper presented at Strangers on the Shore: A Conference on Early Coastal Contacts with Australia, National Museum of Australia, Canberra, May 2006.

M Neale, Dr Peter Read, Professor Ann McGrath & Denis Foley, 'Indigenous ways of telling history', National Museum of Australia staff seminar, Canberra, August 2006.

'Alice's necklace — Using Black collections', paper presented at Indigenous Knowledges — A Workshop for Practitioners, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), Canberra, September 2006.

'Cultural exchange for minorities', paper presented at the Practitioners' Forum (for the Australia and Japan Visual Arts Forum), National Art Centre, Tokyo, September 2006.

Second keynote address, 'Journeys down under: Australia's experience with biennales and triennials', at a public forum for the Australia and Japan Visual Arts Forum, National Art Centre, Tokyo, September 2006.

'Art as history', paper presented at the Thresholds of Tolerance: History, Human Rights and Art conference, The Australian National University, Canberra, May 2007.

**Publications:** M Neale & A Edmundson, 'Learning to be proppa: Aboriginal Artists' Collective, proppa NOW', in C Turner & D Williams (eds), *History, Human Rights, and Art: Thresholds of Tolerance*, The Australian National University Press, Canberra, 2007, pp. 29–38.

#### Oakman, Daniel

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Student sojourners: Museums and the transnational experience of international students', paper presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

#### Paulson, Barbara

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

'Presenting Indigenous knowledge and culture inside a museum', paper presented at the Indigenous Knowledge in the Workplace Conference, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, Canberra, September 2006.

#### Pickering, Michael

**Publications:** 'Policy and research issues affecting human remains in Australian museum collections', in J Lohman & K Goodnow, *Human Remains and Museum Practice*, UNESCO, Paris, 2006, pp. 42–7.

#### Reynolds, Amanda Jane

**Conferences/seminars/workshops:** 'That's my writing', paper presented at the National Museum of Australia staff seminar series, Canberra, March 2006.

**Publications:** AJ Reynolds (ed.), *Keeping Culture: Aboriginal Tasmania*, National Museum of Australia Press. Canberra. 2006.

#### Robin, Libby

**Publications:** 'Weird and wonderful: The first objects of the National Historical Collection', in *reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia*, vol. 1, no. 2, September 2006, pp. 15–29.

How a Continent Created a Nation, UNSW Press, Sydney, 2007.

'Back home to ecology', in Australian Humanities Review, issue 41, February 2007, http://www.lib.latrobe.edu.au/AHR/archive/ Issue-February-2007/EcoIntro.html.

'Home and away: Australian sense of place', in Australian Humanities Review, issue 41, February 2007, http://www.lib.latrobe.edu.au/ AHR/archive/Issue-February-2007/EcoRobin. html.

#### Schamberger, Karen

#### Conferences/seminars/workshops:

K Schamberger, M Sear & J Wilson, 'World wide webs: Transnational biography in the museum', paper presented at Transnational Lives conference. The Australian National University, Canberra, July 2006.

#### Sear, Martha

Conferences/seminars/workshops: M Sear, K Schamberger & J Wilson, 'World wide webs: Transnational biography in the museum', paper presented at Transnational Lives conference. The Australian National University, Canberra, July 2006.

'Unworded proclamations: Exhibitions of women's work in colonial Australia', paper presented at the Seize the Day: Exhibitions, Australia and the World conference. Melbourne Museum, October 2006.

#### Shephard, Denis

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Tools of surveying and mapping in the National Historical Collection', paper presented at 400 Years of Mapping Australia conference, Darwin, August 2006.

#### Smith, Mike

Publications: 'Characterising late Pleistocene and Holocene stone artefact assemblages from Puritjarra rock shelter: A long sequence

from the Australian desert', in Records of the Australian Museum, vol. 58, 2006, pp. 371-410.

MA Smith & J Ross, 'A re-investigation of the archaeology of Geosurveys Hill, northern Simpson Desert', in Australian Archaeology, vol. 64, 2007, pp. 50-2.

MA Smith, PSC Tacon, D Curnoe & A Thorne. 'Human dispersal into Australasia', in Science, vol. 315, 2007, pp. 597-8.

#### Stanley, Peter

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Selfdenying ordinances: Historians and selfcensorship', paper presented at The Bill Chill: Self-Censorship in an Age of Uncertainty conference, Museum of Sydney, March 2007.

'Ken Inglis and Sacred Places', paper presented at the Sacred Places Revisited forum (part of Allan Martin Week), The Australian National University, Canberra, May 2007.

"I have never been in a battle ...": Reflections on writing about war', paper presented at the Writings on War Symposium, University of South Australia. Adelaide. June 2007.

**Publications:** "Whom at first we did not like": Australians and New Zealanders at Quinn's Post, Gallipoli', in John Crawford & lan McGibbon (eds). New Zealand's Great War: New Zealand, the Allies and the First World War, Exisle Publishing, Auckland, 2007, pp. 182-93.

#### Thorley, Peter

**Publications:** Exhibition review. 'Colliding Worlds: First Contact in the Western Desert 1932-1984. Melbourne Museum'. in reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia, vol. 1, no. 2, September 2006, pp. 152-6.

#### Trinca, Mathew

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'The National Museum of Australia: Representing a culturally diverse nation in the 21st century', paper presented at the Memory of Nations international conference, Deutsches Historisches Museum, Berlin, and at the Menzies Centre for Australian Studies Seminar Series, University of London, March 2007.

M Trinca, L Douglas & R Coghlan, 'An Australian journey: Building a national museum in a multicultural society', paper presented at Large/National Museums in a Global World conference, National Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen, May 2007.

**Publications:** M Trinca & K Wehner, 'Pluralism and exhibition practice at the National Museum of Australia', in C Healy & A Witcomb (eds), *South Pacific Museums: Experiments in Culture*, Monash University ePress, Melbourne, 2006.

'The control and coercion of convicts', in J Sherriff & A Brake (eds), *Building a Colony: The* Convict Legacy, Studies in Western Australian History, no. 24, 2006, University of WA Press, Nedlands, pp. 26–36.

Review, Andrea Gaynor, Harvest of the Suburbs: An Environmental History of Growing Food in Australian Cities, in Historical Records of Australian Science, vol. 17, no. 2, 2006, pp. 291–3.

#### van Reyk, Cinnamon

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'ABC Collector Cam: Breeding new cabinets of curiosities or creating collector fever?', paper presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

'Birds of Paradise case — a study of a cabinet of curiosity', paper presented at Imperial Curiosity: Objects, Representations, Knowledges, Colonialism and its Aftermath conference, Hobart, June 2007.

#### Weber, Thérèse

Conferences/seminars/workshops: 'Keeping culture and collecting voices: The National Museum of Australia's Tasmanian project', paper presented at Institute of Professional Editors National Conference 2007, Hobart, May 2007.

'Practical approaches to exhibition text', paper presented at Museums in a Changing Climate: Museums Australia National Conference, Canberra, May 2007.

**Publications:** Book review, Louise Ravelli, *Museum Texts: Communication Frameworks*, in *reCollections: Journal of the National Museum of Australia*, vol. 2, no. 1, March 2007, pp. 109–11.

#### Wehner, Kirsten

**Publications:** K Wehner & M Trinca, 'Pluralism and exhibition practice at the National Museum of Australia', in C Healy and A Witcomb (eds), *South Pacific Museums: Experiments in Culture*, Monash University ePress, Melbourne, 2006.

#### Wilson, Jennifer

Conferences/seminars/workshops: J Wilson, M Sear & K Schamberger, 'World wide webs: Transnational biography in the museum', paper presented at Transnational Lives conference, The Australian National University, Canberra, July 2006.

# Environmental performance and ecologically sustainable development

During 2006–07, the Museum continued its commitment to the conservation of natural resources through improved energy management and the implementation of a number of other initiatives aimed at minimising the impact on the environment from its operations. Under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, all Commonwealth agencies are required to report on their environmental performance and contribution to ecologically sustainable development. The table below details the Museum's key activities during 2006-07.

Paragraph/Item	Requirement	Activity/Contribution
Paragraph 516A(6)(a)	How the activities of the organisation accord with	The Museum has in place an Environmental Management System (EMS) that meets or exceeds the requirements of ISO14001 to assist all staff to undertake their work in a manner that minimises the risk to the environment.
	the principles of Ecologically Sustainable Development	A key element of the EMS is the Environmental Management Policy, which highlights the Museum's commitment to operate within the principles of ESD wherever possible.
	(ESD)	The promotion of ecologically sustainable development is woven through the content of the Museum's permanent and temporary exhibitions, as well as its programs designed for students, its public programs, and its administrative and decision-making processes.
		Examples include the Old New Land gallery, which emphasises the interrelationship between humans and the environment, particularly in 'Australians Living Inland', which explores the relationship of three communities, Kalgoorlie, Wagga Wagga and Alice Springs, to their environment and water sustainability.
		The Museum continues to contribute both funding and expertise, wherever possible, to the protection and improvement of the Canberra environment via its partnerships with The Australian National University, Australian National Botanic Gardens, CSIRO Black Mountain, Environment ACT, Lower Sullivans Creek Catchment Group and the National Capital Authority.
		An example of this is the Museum's ongoing contribution of resources to the Lower Sullivans Creek Catchment ecologica survey, a nationally significant project that aims to develop a biodiversity management plan for the Lower Sullivans Creek Catchment area.

Paragraph/Item	Requirement	Activity/Contribution
Paragraph 516A(6)(b)	How the administration of legislation by the organisation accorded with the principles	The Museum's functions, as set out in the <i>National Museum</i> of <i>Australia Act 1980</i> , continue to remain consistent with the spirit of ESD principles. These include programs that 'improve the total quality of life, both now and in the future, in a way that maintains the ecological processes on which life depends'.
	of ESD	Fundamentally, the Museum's functions are to:
		<ul> <li>develop and maintain a national collection of historical material</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>exhibit historical material from the National Historical Collection or historical material that is otherwise in the possession of the Museum</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>exhibit material that relates to Australia's past, present and future</li> </ul>
		• conduct research relating to Australian history
		• disseminate information relating to Australian history.
		Also, see (a) above.
Paragraph 516A(6)(c)	How the outcomes	The outcome specified for the National Museum in the government's 2006–07 PBS is that:
	specified for the organisation in an Appropriations	'Australians have access to the National Museum's collections and public programs to encourage awareness and understanding of Australia's history and culture.'
	Act contribute to ESD	While not directly contributing to ESD, an increased awareness and understanding of Australia's history and culture by the public is still relevant to ESD principles.
Paragraph 516A(6)(d)	The effect of the organisation's activities on the environment	The Museum's activities have the potential to affect the environment through consumption of energy, waste production, and the impact on local waterways, flora and fauna.
		See (e) below.

Paragraph/Item	Requirement	Activity/Contribution
Paragraph 516A(6)(e)	The measures (if any)	Various strategies have been put in place to reduce the Museum's environmental impact.
	taken by the organisation to minimise this impact	These strategies, along with relevant targets and objectives, have been developed as part the Museum's EMS.
		These include the reduction of energy consumption, increase in waste recycling, decrease in water use, and the use of environmentally friendly cleaning chemicals. The EMS includes procedures aimed at assisting all staff and volunteers to minimise the impact to the environment from their work. These have also been incorporated, where relevant, into the Museum's Contractor Site Book to make contractors aware of their requirements in relation to environmental management.
		The Museum has joined Greenfleet, a not-for-profit organisation that plants trees in nearby forests to offset carbon emissions from our vehicle fleet.
		The greenMuseum group was formed during the year. This group aims to raise staff awareness of environmental issues to enable them to play a part in reducing the Museum's impact on the environment.
		Reduction of energy consumption: The Museum's energy monitoring system allows independent monitoring of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system to enable accurate tracking of energy usage across the Acton site. Ongoing monitoring will provide quantifiable historical data that will assist in the revision of system operation and in the development of energy management strategies.
		The Museum is purchasing 8 per cent of its electricity from renewable energy sources.
		A review was commenced of chiller operations to ensure they match building load and demand.
		There is an ongoing program to change lighting in the exhibition and administration areas, by replacing 50 watt dichroic lighting with 35 watt lighting that provides a broader light output at a reduced lux level.
		Lighting products are continually reviewed to seek more efficient alternatives. The Museum's energy monitoring system allows tracking of changes in energy usage.
		Photoelectric cells were installed on all external lights to reduce their use.
		(continued)

Paragraph/Item	Requirement	Activity/Contribution
Paragraph 516A(6)(e) (continued)	The measures (if any) taken by the	<b>Recycling:</b> The Museum continues to recycle paper, cardboard, toner cartridges and glass/plastic bottles in the administration areas.
(continuea)	organisation to minimise this impact	Recycling bins were designed, fabricated and installed in the Hall. They will be provided in outdoor areas during 2007–08.
	·	<b>Water use:</b> The Museum is currently investigating the use of waterless and hybrid urinals.
		Watering was reduced in all outdoor areas.
		Environmentally friendly cleaning chemicals: All cleaning chemicals used by the Museum's cleaning contractors meet the specifications set out in AS/ANZ ISO 14001:1996 'Environmental Management Systems — Specification with guidance for use' and AS/ANZ ISO 14004:1996 'Environmental Management Systems — General guidelines of principles, systems, and supporting techniques'.
Paragraph 516A(6)(f)	The mechanisms (if any) for reviewing and increasing the effectiveness of those measures	The Museum's EMS incorporates guidelines for all Museum activities to reduce their impact on the environment. It also promotes the management of energy, waste and water at the Acton and Mitchell sites. A mechanism to monitor and review performance is an integral part of this system. An extensive review of the targets and objectives was carried out during the year to ensure that the EMS remains relevant to Museum operations and continues to meet changing government requirements.

# Freedom of information

# Freedom of information procedures and initial contact points

Enquiries concerning the procedures for seeking information from the Museum under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 may be made in writing or by telephone to:

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The Director and General Managers are the authorised decision-makers under the Act

### Categories of documents

The Museum holds minutes, reports and submissions associated with Council and its committees; general records, including correspondence, reports and minutes of internal meetings in relation to the activities and functions of the organisation; administrative documents such as management, staffing, finance and personnel records; and documentation relating to the Museum's collections. Some educative material is made available for purchase by the public. Documents made available to the public free of charge include descriptive brochures about the Museum's public programs.

# National Museum of Australia Client Service Charter

#### Our vision

The National Museum of Australia — a recognised world-class museum exploring Australia's past, illuminating the present and imagining the future.

The National Museum of Australia is committed to three integrated themes:

- people's interaction with the environment
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage and cultures
- Australian society and history.

The Museum recognises that you as a client have rights and responsibilities. As our client, you have the right to:

- he made to feel welcome and at ease
- be treated with respect
- visit the Museum during opening hours as often as you like
- be stimulated and engaged by our exhibitions and programs
- have fair and equal access to the Museum.

As our client, your responsibilities include:

- telling us what you did and didn't like in a timely manner
- treating our staff, volunteers, contractors and exhibitions with care and respect
- being honest and fair in your expectations.

#### What you can expect from us

If you visit us, we will:

- acknowledge and welcome you on arrival
- inform you through our exhibitions, programs and stories
- provide a range of quality merchandise in our retail outlets
- be friendly and courteous at all times
- answer your questions as best we can
- provide you with information and directions
- ensure a safe and comfortable environment
- provide staff who are knowledgeable and enthusiastic to assist you.

If you write to, fax or email us, we will:

- respond to you as soon as possible, but in no longer than 10 working days
- where this is not possible due to the nature of your query, inform you of the time needed to provide a response.

If you telephone us, we will:

- be available between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm each working day
- welcome your call and always identify ourselves by name and our work area
- aim to resolve your query by the end of the call. If the nature of the call is more complex we will respond to you within three working days.

If you visit our website, we will:

- ensure it is available 99 per cent of the time
- ensure that major Museum publications, policies and information are available.

The National Museum of Australia welcomes your feedback, whether it is formal or informal. positive or negative. If you make a complaint, we will:

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- · ensure you are treated fairly and with respect
- aim to resolve the complaint on the spot. If, due to the nature of the complaint, this is not possible we will aim to have the complaint resolved within 10 working days or advise you of the reason for any delay
- ask you to be honest and be reasonable in your expectations
- respect your privacy and keep information about you confidential and in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988.

Client Services Manager GPO Box 1901 CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601 Telephone: (02) 6208 5006

Email: yourcomments@nma.gov.au

If you are dissatisfied at any time with our handling of your complaint, or feel that your complaint has still not been dealt with satisfactorily (after using the Museum's process), you may contact an office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman.

Commonwealth Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Telephone: 1300 362 072 (toll free)

#### Monitoring and review

The charter was reviewed in 2006 and found to be working well. A summary of our performance against this charter can be found in Part 3 of this report.

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# **Appendix 12**

# Disability strategies

# The museum as employer

Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007-08	Actions for 2007-08
Employment policies, procedures and practices comply with the requirements of the <i>Disability Discrimination Act 1992</i> .	Number of employment policies, procedures and practices that meet the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.	100% of employment policies, procedures and practices met the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07.	Revise where necessary Museum employment policies, procedures and practices and promote to managers and staff. Monitor and report on the progress of the Museum's Workplace Diversity Plan.
Recruitment information for potential job applicants is available in accessible formats upon request.	Percentage of recruitment information requested and provided in:  accessible electronic formats  accessible formats other than electronic  Average time taken to provide accessible information in:  electronic formats  formats other than electronic	100% of recruitment information was available in electronic format.  100% of recruitment information was available in hard copy format. Hard copy large print is available upon request.	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07. Information is provided in electronic format within two working days. Information is provided in other formats as required, e.g. Braille and audio.	Implement new recruitment functionality which will enable lodgement of job applications via the internet and central electronic storage of applicant information.

# The Museum as employer (continued)

Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007-08	Actions for 2007-08
Agency recruiters and managers apply the principle of reasonable adjustment.	Percentage of recruiters and managers provided with information on reasonable adjustment.	Recruiters and managers were provided with information on reasonable adjustment both upon request and more generally in the new Recruitment Guidelines.	At least maintain same level of performance as in 2006– 07 and increase awareness of reasonable adjustment through the Museum's Workplace Diversity Plan and relevant guidelines.	Review and revise where necessary Museum employment policies, procedures and practices and promote to managers and staff.
Training and development programs consider the needs of staff with disabilities.	Percentage of training and development programs that consider the needs of staff with disabilities.	100% of internal training and development programs considered the needs of staff with disabilities.	At least maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07. 100% of training and development provided externally considers the needs of staff with disabilities.	In the case of centralised training programs coordinated by the Museum, the Museum will ensure that training venues and programs consider the needs of staff with disabilities.
Training and development programs include information on disability issues as they relate to the content of the program.	Percentage of training and development programs that include information on disability issues as they relate to the program.	Where relevant to the content of the program, 100% of training and development programs included information on disability issues (e.g. training programs included OH&S, Customer Service, Fire Warden, Performance Management).	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07. Continue to recognise and develop training on disability issues on a regular basis for all Visitor Services staff.	Continue to review training program content to ensure, where relevant, disability issues are adequately covered.  Provide annual training in disability awareness for Visitor Services (i.e. Front of House) staff.
		Disability access and awareness training was provided to all Visitor Services staff, and was also made available to Shop and Public Programs staff.		

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Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007-08	Actions for 2007–08
Complaint/grievance mechanism, including access to external mechanisms, in place to address issues and concerns by staff.	Complaints/grievance mechanisms, including access to external mechanisms are in operation.	Workplace Agreement and Service Charter provide these mechanisms.  An information session was held for all Senior Managers on how to prevent and manage disputes and grievances in the Museum, particularly those relating to staff complaints and grievances.  The Museum's EDC network was expanded to comprise 12 contact people and appropriate training was provided to all EDCs. EDCs provided information to staff about issues relating to harassment and bullying.	Maintain level of performance as in 2006–07.  Maintain and support the equity and diversity contacts (EDC) network in line with the relevant guidelines.	Review and revise, where necessary, information for staff about complaint/ grievance mechanisms, procedures and practices and subsequently promote to managers and staff.

# The Museum as provider

Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007–08	Actions for 2007-08
Providers have established mechanisms for quality improvement and assurance.	Evidence of quality improvement and assurance systems in operation.	The Museum's Visitor Services Interpretation program included Auslan interpretation for hearing impaired visitors on tours and talks, five times during 2006–07.  A three-wheeled scooter continues to be maintained and provided for visitors.  After feedback through the Client Service Charter, seating was placed near the entrance to the Museum to provide a resting spot for visitors making their way into the Museum.  Hearing induction loops in the Studio, Visions and Circa theatres continue to be maintained and provided. The purchase of new tour equipment enables use with personalised hearing loops and options for single and dual headphones with clearer reception.  Touch trolleys are available in a number of public areas in the Museum (updated periodically). (continued)	Continue to provide Auslan interpretation for identified days, tours and talks during the year.  Continue to monitor use of three-wheeled scooter.  Identify signage improvements.  Implement Auslan guided tours program.  Increase number of interpretation activities suitable for people with disabilities.  Continue to monitor hearing induction loops and reporting of feedback to Media Operations area.  Continue development of new touch trolleys or other tactile opportunities.  Continue to support individual needs particularly in relation to disability during face-to-face interpretation.  Continue collecting data to ensure representative sample size.  Icontinued	Monitor effectiveness of Auslan guided tours and public programs.  Monitor use of three-wheeled electronic scooter.  Monitor effectiveness of larger font used on signage.  Conduct at least five guided tours for people with a disability.  Provide disability awareness training for Visitor Services Hosts.  Report results and make recommendations for change Continue to make programs accessible to people with disabilities.  Commemorate International Day of People with a Disability, and Hearing Awareness Week.  Establish networks with disability support programs.

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Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007-08	Actions for 2007-08
Providers have established mechanisms for quality improvement and assurance.	Evidence of quality improvement and assurance systems in operation.	Visitor Services have expanded the number of face-to-face interpretative products in direct response to visitor requests. These face-to-face interactions provide the opportunity to identify and tailor talks for individual visitor needs.  In the Museum's routine exit interviews, a question was included about visitor disability/limits to access.  Auslan storytelling offered on first Sunday of each month.  To celebrate International Day for People with a Disability, an integrated dance forum by people with disabilities was presented by Morgan Jai-Morincome and the Radiance Dance Troupe, a community-based women's integrated dance group.  During July school holidays an Auslan-interpreted Tim the Yowie Man workshop was offered to hearing impaired children and their families.	Increase number of interpretation activities suitable for people with disabilities.  Increase number of activities for people with disabilities.  Offer free of charge program participation to people with disabilities.  Use large font in signage to promote the program.	

# The Museum as provider (continued)

Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007-08	Actions for 2007-08
Providers have an established service charter that specifies the roles of the provider and consumer and service standards that address accessibility for people with disabilities.	Established service charter that adequately reflects the needs of people with disabilities in operation.	Client Service Charter specifies the role of both provider and consumer, and Service Standards as defined in the Client Service Charter reflect the needs of people with a disability.	Maintain same level of performance as 2006–7.	Continue to provide an avenue for feedback through the Client Service Charter brochure.
Complaints/grievance mechanisms, including access to external mechanisms, in place to address concerns raised about performance.	Established complaints/ grievance mechanisms, including access to external mechanisms, in operation.	Client Service Charter provides mechanisms which reflect the Australian Standard AS4269 — 1995.	Review mechanisms, based on feedback from clients.	Continue to respond to visitor feedback through the Client Service Charter.  Continue to ensure Client Service Charter considers complaints/grievance mechanisms.

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# The Museum as purchaser

Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007-08	Actions for 2007-08
Publicly available information on agreed purchasing specifications are available in accessible formats for people with disabilities.	Percentage of publicly available purchasing specifications requested and provided in:  accessible electronic formats  accessible formats other than electronic.	Publicly available information regarding purchasing specifications is available in electronic and hard copy formats via Austender.  Big print available on request.	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07.	Review and revise, where necessary, Museum procurement policies, procedures and practices and promote to managers and staff.
Processes for purchasing goods or services with a direct impact on the lives of people with disabilities are developed in consultation with people with disabilities.	Percentage of processes for purchasing goods or services that directly impact on the lives of people with disabilities that are developed in consultation with people with disabilities.	Where relevant to programs, focus groups sourced from the community and consultants used to review 100% of proposed and existing program and service delivery.	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07.	Further consultation and expert advice where considered appropriate.
Purchasing specifications and contract requirements for the purchase of goods and services are consistent with the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.	Percentage of purchasing specifications for goods and services that specify that tender organisations must comply with the <i>Disability Discrimination Act 1992</i> .	Where relevant to a program, specifications and requirements were consistent with the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07.	Review specifications and requirements where relevant to ensure ongoing consistency with <i>Disability Discrimination Act 1992</i> .
		A suite of standard form documents was developed for the purchase of goods and services. These templates specify that contractors and service providers must comply with the <i>Disability Discrimination Act 1992</i> .		

# The Museum as purchaser (continued)

Performance indicator	Performance measure	Level of performance 2006–07	Goals for 2007-08	Actions for 2007-08
Publicly available performance reporting against the purchase contract specifications requested in accessible formats for people with	Percentage of publicly available performance reports against the contract purchasing specifications requested and provided in:	Where requested, reports against the contract purchasing specifications are provided.	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07.	No new actions identified.
disabilities is provided.	<ul> <li>accessible electronic formats</li> </ul>			
	• accessible formats other than electronic			
	Average time taken to provide accessible material in:			
	electronic formats			
<ul> <li>formats other than electronic.</li> </ul>				
Complaints/grievance mechanisms, including access to external mechanisms, in place to address concerns raised about provider's performance.	Established complaints/ grievance mechanisms, including access to external mechanisms, in operation.	The Museum's Client Service Charter provides these mechanisms.	Maintain same level of performance as in 2006–07.	Continue to ensure Client Service Charter considers complaints/ grievance mechanisms.

# Advertising and market research expenditure

Advertising agencies	
Jack Watts Currie	\$221,017
The Couch	\$232,750
George Patterson Y&R	\$12,790
Swell Design	\$12,981
Market research	
Newspoll	\$41,724
nsf consulting	\$12,188
Media advertising	
TMP Worldwide	\$856,566
Prime	\$194,211
Recruitment advertising	
All sources	\$43,259
Total	\$1,627,486

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