NOTICE OF ORDINARY MEETING

The fifth general meeting of the Society for 1977 will be held in the
Museum Education Building, North Terrace, Adelaide at

8.00 Monday 25 July, 1977

AGENDA

1. Apologies.

   A copy of these minutes is attached.

3. New members.

The following papers and journals from other Societies and Organizations
will be tabled at the meeting.

Conservation Council of Australia Inc. Newsletter Vol. 5 No. 1 and No. 2
Anthropological Society of Queensland Newsletter May 1977
Anthropological News Vol. 14 No. 5

5. Speaker.
Mr. Bob Ellis, Curator of Relics, Aboriginal & Historic Relics Preservation,
will give an address to the Society entitled,

'Cultural Heritage Programme'

6. August Meeting.
The August meeting will be held Monday 22 August, 1977.
MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Monday 27 June, 1977

held in the Museum Education Building, North Terrace, Adelaide at 8.00 pm. In the absence of the President, Mrs. Val Campbell, the chair was occupied by Mr. G.L. Pretty. There were 16 members and visitors present.

1. Apologies.
   Apologies were received from the following members:

   Mrs. Val Campbell
   Mr. & Mrs. V.A. Tolcher
   Mr. R.D.J. Weathersbee

2. Minutes.
   The minutes of the general meeting held Monday 23 May, 1977, having been circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and confirmed.

3. New members.
   The chairman announced that the following had been elected by the Council as new members to the Society:

   Miss Lynette Joan Martin, 244 Frome Street, Adelaide
   Dr. Michael Francis Barbetti, 11 Rhyl Avenue, Wayville
   Miss Susan Piddock, 5/21 Laught Avenue, Black Forest

   Papers and journals from various other Societies and Organizations were tabled.

5. Speaker.
   Mrs. Angela Calder gave an address to the Society entitled,

   'Ethnoarchaeology in N.E. Thailand'
NOTICES

1.

Assistance required by the Friends of the S.A. Museum

The following appeal has been received from the Friends of the S.A. Museum. Any member who can assist is urged by this Society to advise before 1 August, 1977.

"During the 1976 Adelaide Festival of Arts, the Friends of the S.A. Museum operated a Coffee Shop on the lawn in front of the Museum. It was a great success, raising $2,600 for the Museum's acquisition funds, but, more importantly, it was a most effective public relations exercise for the Museum.

We would like to open it again during the next Festival of Arts in March 1976 but unfortunately our membership is not sufficiently large to supply sufficient volunteers to operate it effectively.

As a Society closely affiliated with the Museum we hope that your members would be prepared, if possible to help the Museum to present a good image to the public and to raise money to augment its currently totally inadequate acquisition funds.

I would be most grateful if you could appeal to your members, on our behalf, for volunteers to assist in the serving in the Coffee Shop.

Our intention is to open the Coffee Shop from 10 am to 10 pm during the Festival, including weekends.

If any of your members are prepared to offer their services, could you ask them to send their names and addresses with the time and days on which they could serve to:

Hon. Secretary,
Friends of the S.A. Museum,
S.A. Museum,
North Terrace,
ADELAIDE, S.A. 5000 or telephone 2967207

We would be grateful if the offers could be made by 1st August so that a decision to operate the Coffee Shop can be made in time to complete the planning.'

2.


The site is some 70 miles east of Alice Springs, an area of reef mining discovered in 1897, and worked up until World War I. In the 1930's there was another small rush to the area, and many of the old mines were re-worked.
2. (Cont'd).

Of the various mines that make up the whole of the Arltunga field, this area was the richest, and a surprising number of structures remain, in various stages of decay. The main purpose of the 1978 season will be to record all remaining structures, mines and the tracks between - the latter 'helped' by the miners in the 1930's bulldozing those between the mines. Apart from the classification and recording, a certain amount of excavation will be carried out to confirm or refute the documentary evidence that is available.

The season will run from the end of April until August or September. It will be warm to hot during the day, and cool to frosty at night, and it is necessary to camp. At least one large tent and possibly more will be available, but it will be very cold at night, especially in June and July. With the help of members of the N.T. Reserves Board there should be a reasonable supply of water, and contact with the outside world. The camp site is some ten minutes walk from the main working area.

Volunteers would be expected to bring warm, waterproof and sensible clothes for the bush, including boots and gardening gloves, and if possible, fly veils. It would be useful if they could bring their own clip board, pens, pencils, rulers and rubbers, but not vital. It is hoped that food will be provided, but this depends on the finances available. There will probably be a weekly trip into Alice Springs for supplies, collecting of mail, washing of clothes, etc. It would be appreciated if people could stay for at least one week, preferably longer - it may be possible to organise a sightseeing holiday of the Centre after the rigors of the dig.

Would anyone interested please write, as soon as possible, to:

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