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## Laughing Melbourne green

*The Edna Awards*

*It was*

*"a hoot of a night"*

*ACF thanks all those who  
contributed*

□ Illustration by Chris Trewavas

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## Post election shake-up: a new Minister and a chastened Coalition



### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

by Phillip Toyne

ment who has embarked on the complex and difficult task of attempting to fully understand what a sustainable society really means. In this regard he is quite dissimilar to Senator Richardson, who was such a successful advocate for more immediate conservation objectives.

Mr Kerin's attacks on certain Cabinet decisions, such as Helsham's recommendations for Tasmania's forests, and mining in Kakadu, were aimed as much at the process used to reach them as to the result. He quite rightly saw them as populist outcomes (not a bad thing in my view) and not made in the context of any long-term strategy towards either a conservation plan or an industry restructure. He has been equally pointed in his attacks on industry groups for failing to engage in serious examination of ecological sustainability and its implications for their economic aspirations.

Much media attention has been given to the appointment of the new Federal Environment Minister, Ros Kelly, and to ACF's lobbying on the matter.

I feel it is imperative that ACF clearly expresses a view on who should represent the interests of the environment for the next three years in federal Parliament, and we welcome Ros Kelly to this key Cabinet portfolio.

I have met the new Minister several times, and shortly after her appointment she visited the Melbourne office to meet our staff. She has impressed everyone with her enthusiasm and commitment to maximising non-government organisation consulting. I am optimistic that she is well suited to this role, and am hopeful she will approach such vital issues as the resolution of NSW's south-east forests conflict and the establishment of a new Federal Environment Protection Agency with a sense of urgency.

You may be aware of our failed attempts to encourage Senator Richardson to stay on after a highly successful term in the portfolio. Some were surprised at my suggestion that John Kerin would make a suitable replacement, given his attacks on the 'greenies' in speeches last year. The reasons were straight forward enough. I believe that Mr Kerin, a long-time member of ACF, is the only Minister in the Govern-

ment who is both tough and intelligent.

I have asked the new leader of the Opposition, John Hewson, and Mr Chaney, for a meeting to discuss their policy review.

As the first year of ACF's Aboriginal Liaison project comes to a close, I am looking forward to a conference, to be held this month on environmental issues surrounding Aboriginal pastoralism. The conference, jointly organised by ACF and Central Australian Aboriginal organisations, will bring together Aboriginal landholders, ACF staff members and representatives of Government funding authorities, and will discuss the future of those Aboriginal lands which are undertaking pastoral operations.

ACF's Aboriginal Liaison Officer, Jo Willmot, will be coordinating the conference, in cooperation with representatives from Central Australian Aboriginal organisations. We will keep you informed of this and other conferences through Conservation News.

Finally, I must mention a great morale booster.

Last month, organisers of the Melbourne Comedy Festival held a benefit night, called *The Ednas Awards*, for ACF. It was great! The evening, hosted by Andrew Denton, featured many of the stars of *The Big Gig, Comedy Company, D-Generation, Fast Forward* and *Hey Hey!*'s *Saturday*. It was great fun and a valuable fundraiser. Hopefully it will become an annual fixture. My special thanks go to Wendy Harmer for creating the idea and doing so much work towards realising it. □

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## ACF calls for consumer action on Japanese Companies

Japan is the largest consumer of tropical timber in the world, using as much as 20 million cubic metres every year. This is mainly in housing and construction, furniture making and paper manufacture. At present 80 per cent of its tropical timber is imported from the forests of South-East Asia, and most of that comes from the island states of Sarawak and Sabah, in Malaysia. The timber is extracted despite the desperate protests, on a world scale, of the indigenous people of the region, whose lives and culture depend entirely on these forests.

For some years conservationists have been calling on the Japanese Government to curb its tropical timber consumption. Their pleas have fallen on deaf ears, and consumption continues to rise.

In response, the international rainforest conservation movement has turned its attention to the Japanese corporations, involved in tropical timber exploitation. Some of the largest companies in Japan, producing such everyday products as

Canon cameras, Fuji electrical equipment, Mitsubishi and Nissan cars and NEC computer equipment, are associated with Japanese Trading Houses which are involved in tropical deforestation, particularly in South-East Asia.

The eight main Trading Houses are: C Itoh, Marubeni Corp, Sumitomo Forestry, Nissho Iwai, Nichimen, Mitsui & Co, Sumitomo Corp, and Mitsubishi.

Japanese companies are renowned for the enormous pride they hold for their products, and place great importance on their reputation and good public image.

Environment groups worldwide have called for consumer action affecting both the market and public image of these companies. It is hoped this will be sufficient to persuade them to put pressure on the Trading Houses to change their logging activities.

ACF is asking the public to become aware of the role Japanese corporations play in international rainforest destruction. As consumers, you have the ability to help

change exploitative company practices. By avoiding the products of the associated companies, and by writing to the Trading Houses themselves, urging them to halt their tropical timber operations, ordinary Australians are able to play a vital role in protecting the earth's precious remaining tropical forests.

For further information on this campaign, and for a list of addresses, contact Felicity Wishart or Paul Davenport, at ACF's Melbourne Office, tel: (03) 416 1455 [toll free (008) 338 928]. □



## And this little piggy went who knows where?

The ACF has called on the Federal Government to introduce stringent laws governing the regulation of genetic engineering activities in Australia.

This follows the unauthorised release of transgenic pigs, by Metrotech, a company owned jointly by the University of Adelaide and Metro Meats, in SA. The pigs were reportedly transported to an abattoir and slaughtered for human consumption.

The University's Institutional Biosafety Committee, and the Federal Government's Genetic Manipulation Advisory Committee, should have assessed the release proposals for potential hazards, but were not told of it.

ACF has called on the Federal and South Australian Governments for a public inquiry into the secret releases and for the withdrawal of an \$800,000 government grant for the project.

'This scandal proves that the present

voluntary code of genetic engineering review is weak and open to abuse,' said ACF's Genetic Engineering Campaign Officer, Bob Phelps.

Dr Barry Lloyd, Director of Metrotech, argued that the University had to conform to the voluntary guidelines but these did not apply to a private company.

This was refuted by the Chairperson of the Genetic Manipulation Advisory Committee, Professor Nancy Mills, who said that Metrotech 'had failed in its duty to put the proposal to us'.

'The living products of genetic engineering are being taken over by companies which set themselves above the guidelines,' said Bob Phelps.

In ACF's view responsibility rests with

the Federal Government. Phillip Toyne, ACF Director has met Senator Nick Bolks, Federal Minister for Administrative Services, and urged him to establish a new national system of strong, enforceable laws on all proposed releases of genetically engineered plants, animals and microbes. The new system should be open fully to public scrutiny.

Members and supporters are asked to write to Senator Bolks (c/- Parliament House, Canberra, 2600) calling for an immediate inquiry into the secret release of the transgenic pigs, and to act promptly on establishing national legislation based on the Victorian Law Reform Commission's recommendations on genetic engineering.

For further information contact Bob Phelps, at ACF's Melbourne office. tel: (03) 416 1455. □

## Clearing runs amok in south-west WA

The clearing of native vegetation on farmland in the south-west of WA is fast becoming an urgent environmental concern in that State.

In the three years, to 1989 applications to clear 154,065 ha were lodged by landholders. Approval was granted for more than 127,500 ha (or almost 85 per cent) of the area applied for.

It has been estimated that about 2.5 million ha of native vegetation need protection on south-west farmlands, and with factors such as dieback, stock grazing, salinity and insect attack—as well as clearing—deterioration is occurring at the rate of 50,000 ha each year. Native vegetation also continues to be cleared on private land for woodchipping and timber plantations.

Conservationists find the high level of clearing extremely alarming. Despite widespread land degradation in all areas where clearing takes place applications are still being approved.

The situation is acutely apparent in the Albany Agricultural Advisory District, on the south-coast. Here an estimated 44,700 ha of native vegetation remained on private land in 1988. Within a year one-fifth of this had been cleared. At such a rate private land will be all but denuded of remnant native vegetation, and the rich variety of fauna and flora it houses, by the mid 1990s.



Clearing approved by the Department of Agriculture, near Denmark, on south coast, WA. □ Photo by Craig Chapella



This will contribute further to problems currently bedevilling farms in the district. The land is already degraded by soil and water salinity, waterlogging and erosion. In addition, the expanded area under agriculture will exacerbate existing pollution and excessive eutrophication problems in south-coast waterways.

Conservationists are particularly concerned by the threat clearing poses to the many rare, threatened and geographically restricted species of flora and fauna. The south-coast region is one of the top three most significant regions in Australia where emergency efforts are required to conserve endangered species of flora. Of the 565 species documented as rare or threatened, seventy-five have been gazetted as in need of special protection by the WA State Government. This represents one-third of all gazetted rare flora in the State.

However, the economic realities facing local farmers are dire. Many are under severe pressure from debt, and see land clearance as one avenue open to them for increased production. Although clearing is expensive, farmers assume an immediate and long-term cost benefit from increased production. Environmentalists see the situation in a different light. So do figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in February this year, which show a continuing increase in salinity in WA, with the area of previously good farmland affected almost doubling in the last decade. Over 5,000 properties in WA are affected by salinity.

ACF has called on the WA Government to implement reforms of the land clearance system. Currently, clearing controls are administered by the WA Department of Agriculture through the Soil and Land Conservation Act. Landholders intending to clear more than one hectare must notify the Commissioner for Soil Conservation. ACF's recommendations include public advertising of all clearing notifications; an environmental impact assessment, including detailed hydrological, soil and biological studies, for all clearing proposals over 10 ha; training for Departmental Officers and Land Conservation District Committees on land degradation assessment and a broadening of the definition of land degradation to include ecological and biological conservation factors. Where previous approval to clear has been given, but the work not yet carried out, ACF asks that the approval be revoked and the proposal assessed under the new system; and finally, that no clearing should be permitted for plantation establishment or woodchipping.

Members are asked to write to the WA Premier, Carmen Lawrence, and the Hon. Ernie Bridge MLA, Minister for Agriculture, (both at Capita Centre, 197 St Georges Terrace, Perth, 6000) urging the WA State Government to provide greater commitment and resources towards protection of the valuable remnant native vegetation left on private land in the State's south-west.

by Basil Schur  
WA Project Officer &  
Jill Reading, RLO - WA

## Fraser Island logging continues as Inquiry commences

Logging is to continue in Fraser Island's National Estate forests during the Fitzgerald Inquiry, following the first public hearing on 2nd April.

Conservationists believe continued logging during the Fraser Island Fitzgerald Inquiry (FIFI) will pre-empt the outcome by degrading the very values the Inquiry is attempting to assess. The satiny and brush-box forests with their giant trees represent a significant reservoir of the natural heritage values of the Great Sandy Region. The forests are unique in that they are confined to the Great Sandy Region, the major occurrence being on Fraser Island.

In a joint submission to the Inquiry, Queensland conservation groups called for logging to be restricted to trees under one metre in diameter, for no logging in sites that have not been logged to date, and for an end to clearfelling and regeneration burning.

Mr Fitzgerald QC accepted the submission. However, he declined to make a recommendation to the Queensland Government to modify forest practices on Fraser Island by transferring logging to regrowth areas.

Fraser Island has been logged for more than a century, and is now nearing the point where it will be confined to regrowth areas as the virgin resource is exhausted.

For the Forestry Department's management programme and seventy-year rotation cycle to be as sustainable as it claims, there should be sufficient timber available in regrowth areas without touching the last remnants of old growth forests. An immediate transfer of logging to regrowth forests should represent a relatively minor change for the industry.

The resolution of a partial moratorium on logging during the Inquiry remains a political one, and the Forestry Department is under increasing pressure to justify its activities.

Prior to the initial hearing, Premier Wayne Goss stated that conservation groups would not receive financial assistance to partici-

pate in the Inquiry. A disappointing statement, considering that non-government organisations must contribute to a growing number of inquiries without being disadvantaged by well-resourced government agencies. Conservationists have little confidence in the process when they are denied access to an effective level of contribution.

One of the terms of reference for Commissioner Fitzgerald is "the establishment of principles, systems and procedures for the orderly development and implementation of policies and the resolution of issues or disputes". By conducting this Inquiry as a model and resourcing community groups from the outset the Commissioner's attempts to establish a means by which to solve disputes would be facilitated. ACF reasons that conflicts over land use can best be resolved in the public interest by encouraging community groups with a valid interest to present well-researched cases.

Members are asked to write to Wayne Goss, Premier of Queensland (PO Box 185, North Quay, Brisbane, 4002), urging his Government to call a halt to logging on Fraser Island. Queensland members are asked to write also to their local State Parliamentarian stating that Fraser Island is of great conservation significance to all Australians and deserves full environmental protection.

by Mark Horsman  
Campaign Officer, Old

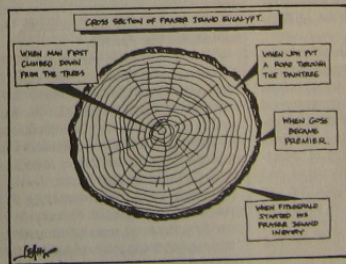
## Pitjantjatjara paintings arrive for ACF exhibition

ACF has received a new consignment of the popular Aboriginal sand-paintings. These replace those sold in the highly successful on-going exhibition at our Melbourne office.

The new paintings are from Pitjantjatjara country, which extends from the Western Australian border to Uluru (Ayers Rock) and south into the desert country of South Australia. It includes the Musgrave, Mann, Everard and Petermann Ranges and eastwards across the Stuart Highway to Finkle.

The paintings depict mythological or dreamtime stories representing the traditional culture of the artists. Throughout the ages, these stories have been told through song and dance as well as drawings in the sand. Now, many of the artists are using acrylic on canvas and have made a dramatic impact on the national and international art world.

The exhibition is held at ACF's Melbourne Office (tel: (03) 416 1455) and is open during office hours. Paintings may be collected at the time of purchase. □



□ graphic from Courier Mail, 3rd April, 1990

## ACF builds up its team

ACF's Forward Plan is off and running. The significant new appointments early this year of Karen Alexander as Environment Manager and Rhonda Morris as Marketing Manager has set in motion the planning, management and implementation of their separate Programme Plans, so that ACF can more rapidly achieve its environmental goals.

Karen Alexander, in her position as Environment Manager, is keen to expand the education, research and staff development programmes of ACF. During two successive terms on the ACF Council and as a member of the Executive, she strongly promoted a longer term plan for ACF, with a clear definition of future goals. 'The environment crisis means we do have to build Rome in a day' she said, 'but it helps to know where to get the bricks, who is getting them and who is feeding the builders.'

Karen applauds the high level of expertise which already exists amongst ACF's campaign staff. Even so, she states that it is essential they 'feel absolutely comfortable whether talking economics, ecology or education to the Prime Minister, the mining industry or a local parent's group; doing a television debate or organising an election - and', she concludes, 'I'd like to see ACF offering such staff development sessions to the environment movement and the community.'

Working with Karen as programme coordinators are Mark Diesendorf, on Global Change, Jane Elix, on Natural Resources and Mike Krockenberger, on Bio-Diversity.

Mark Diesendorf works from ACF's Canberra Office. His work involves coordinating ACF's campaign to lead and diminish the impact of the greenhouse effect, through promoting the efficient use and renewable sources of energy, and to protect the ozone layer. Mark's background is as a public interest scientist in the areas of environment, energy, health and peace.

Jane Elix began working with the ACF over three years ago. Starting as the NSW Campaign Officer, she was then appointed National Liaison Officer, and most recently National Land Degradation Coordinator. Based in Sydney, she is responsible for promoting sustainable use of natural resources, including pulp and paper, mining, tourism and agricultural industries.



ACF's new Environment and Marketing Managers discuss future strategies with the Programme Coordinators. L-R: Karen Alexander, Mike Krockenberger, Mark Diesendorf, Jane Elix, Vivienne Zethoven and Rhonda Morris

She will also be concerned with waste minimisation and pollution abatement. Jane will continue to coordinate the growing network of Rural Liaison Officers, in addition to two Soil Conservation Officers and the Trade Union Liaison Officer.

As the new Bio-Diversity Programme Coordinator, Mike Krockenberger is responsible for issues relating to natural ecosystems, land and coastal management, native wildlife conservation, international tropical forests and genetic engineering. He will also be working with Aboriginal people maintaining bio-diversity on their lands. For the past two years Mike has worked in Darwin as the Coordinator of the NT Environment Centre. He was also an NT Councillor and a member of the ACF Executive.

With the appointment of Rhonda Morris, in January, ACF's Marketing Programme was launched. In her first three months Rhonda has reviewed ACF's computer and phone systems, with the intention of providing a better service to staff, members and supporters. Restructuring of direct-mail activities has also commenced, and together with ACF Enterprises she has arranged for a new style of catalogue which fully reflects ACF's environment concerns and activities. It will be released later this month.

Before joining ACF Rhonda had spent eight years with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. Here she worked first as the National Sales Manager in the Marketing Division and was responsible for the supervision of Direct Mail and Retail operations. Later she became National Retail Manager, with overall responsibility for the management, development and operation of all ABC retail activities. This comprised eleven shops around Australia and a turnover in excess of \$15 million.

The Marketing Programme has four main strands: Ventures and Fundraising; Business Ventures (ACF Enterprises, Direct Mail, Bookclub, Product development); Public Awareness (Publications, Library, Information and Education); Administration and Finance.

Vivienne Zethoven, previously ACF's Administration Manager, has recently been appointed Administration and Finance Coordinator. The position of Membership and Fundraising Coordinator has been advertised, while Coordinators for Business Ventures and Public Awareness will be filled in the near future.

The role of ACF's Marketing Programme is to assist the Foundation by providing financial resources for further campaigning and to increase public awareness of ACF's activities. □

## NSW Environment Plan gives hazardous industry inside running

The NSW Government has released a Draft State Environmental Plan aimed at making it easier for industries to locate in areas where they were previously prohibited. The State Government's watered down definition of a hazardous and offensive industry will circumvent court decisions which have to date prevented such industries from being located in environmentally sensitive areas.

ACF, in a submission to the Department of Planning, has called for the immediate withdrawal of the Draft Plan. ACF will be contacting metropolitan councils in NSW warning them of the implications of the legislation and seeking their support for its withdrawal.

Under the Draft Plan, local governments, which are already under-resourced in terms of expertise and money, face the complex task of evaluating highly techni-

cal and sensitive data. It will force local government bodies to expend significant resources on the assessment of development proposals to site industry in areas where they are currently prohibited. They will also be burdened with the task of having to continually monitor these industries to ensure they don't pose "significant" risks to human health and the environment.

The Plan requires that councils consult with the State Pollution Control Commission and other appropriate bodies but does not oblige them to follow these authorities' recommendations. Thus, industry which could pose a risk to health, life or the environment may be approved by councils.

The general public has no legal recourse through the Land and Environment Court, to object to such development unless it is a "designated development" under the NSW

Environment and Planning Act.

For example, under existing planning laws the Land and Environment Court prevented the proposed Ashlands toxic chemical plant on the Central Coast from proceeding. However, if the Draft Plan is adopted plants such as Ashlands could be given the go-ahead by local Council.

Members are strongly urged to write to the NSW Premier, Nick Greiner and the Minister for Planning, David Hay (both c/- Parliament House, Macquarie St, Sydney 2000) calling for the withdrawal of the Draft State Environmental Planning Policy - Hazardous and Offensive Development, and request that it be redrafted in full consultation with environment groups. Contact your local Council stating your concerns about the Draft Plan.

by Sue Salmon  
Campaign Officer, NSW

## Speak up for Victoria's wilderness

The Land Conservation Council of Victoria has released an initial descriptive report as the first stage of its special investigation into wilderness in Victoria.

ACF and The Wilderness Society strongly urge all those concerned about the future of Victoria's last wilderness to write a submission to the Council supporting the protection of these areas. The closing date for submissions is 8th June.

For further information contact Peter Allan, at ACF's Melbourne office, tel: (03) 416 1455 or Georgina Stewart, Victorian Campaign Officer, The Wilderness Society, 59 Hardware Street, Melbourne, 3000. tel: (03) 670 5229.

## Crabb heads new Victorian green Ministry

The Victorian Government, in a major Cabinet reshuffle, has appointed Steve Crabb as the new Minister for Conservation and Environment. The new Ministry comes from the amalgamation of the Department of Conservation, Forests and Lands with the Departments of Environment and Water Resources.

This could well have the effect of increasing the profile of environmental issues in the community and in State Cabinet.

However, given the size of the new Ministry, and the fact that Mr Crabb is also Minister for Tourism, there is concern that he will not be able to give environmental issues the attention called for by the community.

Conservationists are keen to examine the structure of the new Department, as it will have a significant impact on the way in which environment issues are dealt with in Victoria. A strong well-resourced environment division, independent of the more development-oriented sections of the Department, and free to continue its monitoring and enforcement role is needed. This division should have direct access to the Minister rather than just the Director-General of the Department.

Meanwhile, the Premier, John Cain has committed his Government to pursuing policies of sustainable development, and the first act of the new Minister was to scrap planned expansion of alpine ski resorts - a move which augurs well for the future protection of Victoria's environment. □



## WHERE HAVE ALL OUR SPECIES GONE? *solving the problem of diminishing diversity*

**N**obody can put a precise figure on the number of species inhabiting the globe. Estimates vary enormously. Many scientists believe there could be as many as 30 million, while others put the number well in excess of this. Whatever the figure, it is becoming awesomely apparent that many species, too many species, are now threatened with extinction.

The quest to find appropriate mechanisms to save as many of these as possible has provided some exciting new initiatives.

One approach, aimed at conserving the planet's biological diversity, forms the basis of the IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources) programme and is now gathering international momentum. While a number of international treaties, both global and regional which address the conservation of species, already exist, the IUCN recognises that relatively few deal directly with protecting areas of critical biological di-

versity.

IUCN states that so far 'no binding international convention is aimed at the conservation of diverse gene pools within species'.

At the behest of its member organisations, including the ACF, IUCN began drafting a new treaty for the global protection of biological diversity. In general terms, the objectives of the proposed treaty are to 'promote the conservation of biological diversity by means of the preservation *in situ* of wild genetic resources'.

The IUCN draft treaty proposes:

- An International Fund for the Conservation of Biological Diversity.
- An Advisory Committee on the Conservation of Biological Diversity.
- A World List of Areas of Outstanding Importance for the Conservation of Biological Diversity, with references to obligations concerning requirements for environmental impact statements; and conservation of species or communities of spe-

cies threatened with extinction at world level, and species which have been designated by the Conference as requiring prior attention.

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) agrees with the IUCN that there must be a new and comprehensive treaty.

However, while UNEP has now taken over the reins of the negotiating programme, environmentalists have some concerns at the lack of effective progress. In Australia, the ACF, the World Wide Fund for Nature, Greenpeace and The Wilderness Society are working closely together to ensure that this country plays its part fully in these critical international talks.

The Prime Minister has indicated his full support for the current negotiations, and expects Australia to take a lead.

Letters to the Federal Minister for the Environment, Ros Kelly, and the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Gareth Evans, (both c/Parliament House, Canberra ACT, 2601)



Australian sea-lion

□ Photo by Andrew Hartley. Courtesy of Commission for the Future

are urgently needed.

In your letter, ask them to ensure two things. Firstly, that Australia promote a truly comprehensive convention (*not* a quick and flimsy "framework treaty"), and secondly, that the focus of the treaty remains on "wild places and species" (*not* on domesticated breeds and agricultural areas).

If successful, this convention will provide both the resources and technical expertise required to protect crucial areas of biological diversity in developing nations. These are the countries most in need of support, and where the bulk of the world's species still remain.

by Michael Kennedy  
World Wide Fund for Nature Australia



Numbat - on Australia's list of endangered species

□ Photo by Dick Whitford. Courtesy of WWFA

## National Threatened Species Network

The World Wide Fund for Nature Australia (WWFA), and seven peak conservation organisations, with the support of ACF, are in the process of establishing a 'National Threatened Species Network' to promote the conservation of threatened species and their habitats.

The programme has been supported financially by the Federal Government's Endangered Species Advisory Committee (ESAC). A national co-ordinator for the network will be working from the WWFA office in Sydney, and State and Territory Co-ordinators will be employed by the Conservation Council of WA, the Conservation Council of SA, the Queensland Conservation Council, The Tasmanian Conservation Trust, the Total Environment Centre in NSW, the Conservation Council of Victoria and the Environment Centre of the Northern Territory.



Each co-ordinator will be guided and directed by an Advisory Committee, consisting of other major conservation organisations (including ACF, The Wilderness Society and Greenpeace) and scientific institutions.

The overall aim in establishing a National Threatened Species Network (NTSN) is to enhance community support for the National Endangered Species Programme and similar state initiatives.

The NTSN will operate in a number of ways, building upon past experi-

ence in education and campaign efforts. It will distribute information on matters affecting the conservation of threatened species, participate in national and local campaigns to save species and habitats, monitor the implementation of treaties, legislation and strategies directed at wildlife conservation, and a host of other essential activities.

We need your participation in this process. If you would like to become involved in the efforts of the threatened species network anywhere in Australia, contact Michael Krockenberger, at ACF's Melbourne office [tel: (03) 416 1455] or one of the organisations mentioned above.

They will be eager to hear from you - the bigger the network the more chance of success.

by Michael Kennedy  
NTSN Co-ordinator WWFA

## Joint ACF/ARU paper recommends shift to rail transport

The ACF and the Australian Railways Union (ARU) have launched a major campaign to revitalise and modernise Australia's public transport systems.

A joint ACF-ARU policy paper entitled *Mobility in a Clean Environment - Towards a new National Commitment to Australia's Railways* was presented to the Prime Minister, Bob Hawke and Senator Graham Richardson, as the Federal Minister of Environment, in early March.

The paper says there is an overwhelming need for Commonwealth commitment to modernise and extend both the long distance freight and passenger rail network and urban public transport systems in Australia. The document lists a range of policy initiatives needed to achieve this.

The ACF believes a significant shift from road to rail is crucial to the success of national and state strategies for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from the transport sector. ACF Director, Phillip Toyne, described Australian cities as having some of the worst transport energy conservation characteristics in the world. 'Our per capita consumption of transport energy is already high and increasing. The future environmental cost of ignoring this problem will be enormous if we do not act now,' he said.

The report points out that there has been a surge in national road investment and a substantial under-pricing of road damage attributable to heavy freight vehicles. Between 1979 and 1985 the number of six-axle trucks on the nation's roads doubled and was responsible for subsidised road damage costs of \$828 million (\$32,000 per vehicle, on average).

Roger Jowett, ARU Assistant National

Secretary, says the bias towards road transport has 'resulted in soaring road maintenance costs, increased road accidents, highly inefficient energy use and consequently unnecessary Greenhouse gas emissions'. He believes there 'are very strong environmental, economic and social arguments in favour of a major shift in land transport policy from road to rail'.

'A concerted Federal Government initiative is needed to tackle the massive social and economic problems that dependence on road transport has created' he concluded.

Major initiatives suggested by the report include the equalisation of land transport pricing principles, for both rail and heavy vehicles; full federal funding for the upgrading and standardisation of the Adelaide/Melbourne rail link and the upgrading of the Melbourne/Sydney/Brisbane sections of the national rail network by the year 2001. The report also calls for a comprehensive assessment of the adequacy of all national rail infrastructure, regular and planned Federal investment; and allocation of rail fuel excise payments to fund infrastructure development.

Please write to Prime Minister, Bob Hawke and to the Federal Transport Minister, Kim Beazley (both c/o Parliament House, Canberra, 2600) and your State Transport Minister, urging them to fully consider the policy initiatives presented by the ACF and ARU.

For further information, contact Paul Rutherford, National Liaison Officer, in ACF's Canberra office, tel: (06) 247 2472, or Jonnic Ridley, Trade Union Liaison Officer, at ACF's Melbourne office, tel: (03) 416 1455. □

## Consumer nations stall on CFC phase-out date

The heat is rising on the issue of ozone-depletion as nations around the world wind up negotiations aimed at reviewing the Montreal Protocol. The review is expected to be concluded in London next month.

Australia, New Zealand and the Nordic countries, have been promoting the most vigorous phase-out schedules for CFCs, halons, carbon tetrachloride, methyl chloroform and hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs). However, further pressure is needed from other major producer nations such as the USA, Japan and the United Kingdom.

Of most concern at present is the issue of methyl chloroform. This compound has been discovered to be particularly significant as its concentrations are rising rapidly. Although it has a short lifetime and a relatively low ozone-depleting potential relative to the CFCs, its large volume use means that it is a major contributor to the ozone depletion problem. Although substitutes exist for nearly all methyl chloroform uses, attempts to eliminate its emission by including a strict phase-out schedule in the revised Montreal Protocol have been resisted by industry.

HCFCs, which are often touted as an environmentally friendly alternative to CFCs, have a significant ozone-depleting potential and in many instances have a significant greenhouse warming effect. In a move not welcomed by industry, Australia and the Nordic countries have called for the use of HCFCs to be restricted to essential applications only and for production to be phased out by 2010. The chemical company Du Pont is, for example, promoting HCFC use in aerosol propellants for hairsprays and other non-essential applications.

by Bill Hare  
ACF Research and Policy Analyst

## WATCHING BRIEF

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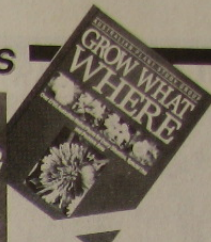
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ACF supports WATCHING BRIEF

## NEW BOOKS



Two significant publications on sustainable development are among the new titles available this month through Conservation Books. If you have any enquiries about these or other books, contact Gary Wardrope, ACF Books Co-ordinator, at the ACF Melbourne office, 340 Gore Street, Fitzroy, 3065. tel: (03) 416 1455, toll free (008) 338 9281.

### The Fate of the Forest. Developers, Destroyers and Defenders of the Amazon.

S. Hecht & A. Cockburn, Verso, 1989, 266pp, \$39.95

A history of the conflicts over the Amazon rainforest. This volume offers the key to understanding why the rainforest is burning and what future there might be for the Amazon. It spans geological upheavals of 50 million years ago, goldfever of the 16th Century conquistadors, schemes of Brazil's military dictators in the 1960s and 1970s, to the rampages of the big ranchers and their gunmen.

### Sustainable Development: Challenges for Australia

Lyuba Zarsky, Commission for the Future, 1990, 28pp, paperback \$5.50

The author argues that sound economics and ecological wisdom need not be at odds and that a national strategy of sustainable development is the intersection of these principles.

### Blueprint for a Green Economy

D. Pearce, Earthscan, 1989, 192pp, paperback, \$14.95

Sustainable development is defined and discussed at length. In doing so it is

found that in economic terms, valuing the environment and through environmental accounting, sustainable development is a feasible and practical concept.

### Descent of Spirit: A Conspectus of E.L. Grant Watson

D. Green(ed), Prima Vera, 1990, \$19.95

An inspirational volume: Essays and stories by naturalist Grant Watson about coral reefs, butterflies, ants, sea slugs, the behaviour of dust. The book is illustrated throughout with etchings reproduced from the original editions of Watson's work.

### Grow What Where

Australian Plant Study Group, Viking O'Neil, 1990, 421pp, \$40.00

An informative guide covering all aspects of native plant selection in over 100 lists, such as resistance to frost, snow or pollution, plants that retard fire, provide wind-breaks and ability to control soil erosion or absorb water. This is a greatly expanded edition with an extra 700 species of plants listed.

### Jervis Bay: Paradise Lost

F. Kristo: Feral Ink, 1989, 266pp, paperback, \$4.00

A stunning photographic record of what may be lost if development is allowed to proceed in this environmental oasis. □

To order these books, send cheque with order to ACF Conservation Books, 340 Gore Street, Fitzroy, 3065. ACF members may deduct 10% discount on books only. Discounts do not apply to other ACF products.

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## NOTES



### THE GREEN CLEANER the sweet smell of success

ACF staff member, Barbara Lord can only be described as a rip-roaring success. Her book *The Green Cleaner - How to clean nearly everything* sold its first 15,000 copies in the fortnight before Christmas. To date, distribution stands at 45,000, with yet another reprint about to roll off the press.

The book has been on WA best sellers list twice and made the top ten list in Victoria in February. Barbara has become an overnight celebrity, and is constantly being sought for interviews for radio, television and newspapers across the nation.

She wrote *The Green Cleaner* following hundreds of requests from listeners to her ABC radio segment on 3LO in Melbourne. ACF is thrilled by the interest shown in this remarkable book and the desire by the public to use alternatives to chemical cleaners. The title says it all. By following the book's simple advice readers will learn much that can be done at home to help safeguard the earth.

*The Green Cleaner* is available from ACF's Melbourne Office (Conservation Books, 340 Gore Street, Fitzroy, 3065) for \$7.95 (plus \$1.50 post & packing). □

### Brave new initiatives announced for PNG forests

A two-year moratorium on the granting of new licences for logging has been declared by the Government of Papua New Guinea. The moratorium, which will be effective from July this year, was among several significant new initiatives announced at the Tropical Forest Action Plan Round Table Conference last month.

At the Conference, the PNG Prime Minister, Rabbi Namaliu, removed the Minister for Forestry's power to grant licences at will, gave local people representation on provincial and national forestry boards, and stipulated a requirement for 100 per cent land-holder support before any licences could be issued. He also called for other countries to place import restrictions on tropical timbers not taken from appropriately controlled logging coupes.

Australia has taken a key role in supporting these initiatives and will be active in establishing a national conservation strategy to identify areas for parks and reserves.

Members are encouraged to write to the Hon. Rabbi Namaliu, Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea (PO Box 6605, Boroko, PNG) congratulating him on his courageous stance. In your letter ask also that his Government protect such environmentally valuable areas as Collingwood Bay and the Lak region in Southern New Ireland, which are likely to be logged before July. □

### New draft policy for Antarctica

The Antarctic Campaign Group has prepared a revised draft of the ACF Antarctic Policy.

Members are invited to comment on this draft policy and can obtain a copy of it from David Westlake, at

ACF's Melbourne office,  
340 Gore Street, Fitzroy, 3065. tel: (03) 416 1455.

#### PUBLIC MEETING - MELBOURNE

CAPE YORK PENINSULA  
a pristine tropical paradise - but for how long?

Thursday, 24th May, 1990  
Carringbush Theatre, 415 Church Street, Richmond  
**GUEST SPEAKER - DON HENRY**  
National Director World Wildlife Fund  
**SLIDE PRESENTATION BY RICHARD HILL**  
Department Conservation and Environment (Victoria)  
Tickets: \$4.00

for more information contact Felicity Wishart or Paul Davenport  
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#### ACF ENTERPRISES

## A catalogue for LIVING GREEN

Increasing community interest in the environment has prompted ACF to produce an information catalogue of environmentally sound consumer goods. The catalogue covers a diverse selection ranging from solar watches and calculators to recycled papers and quality all-natural hair and skin care products. It also includes an assortment of environmental-education products.

The catalogue gives valuable advice on how to be an environmentally responsible consumer, as well as outlining the dramatic effect you can have on industry and product development through your consumer choices.

The only disappointment in this exciting new initiative is the difficulty ACF Enterprises experienced in obtaining environmentally safe products which were made in Australia. It is hoped the situation will improve over the next twelve months as Australian industry responds favourably to consumers environmental demands.

Let industry hear your voice. Buy for the environment. □



## RAC seeks input from conservationists

The Resource Assessment Commission is currently seeking conservationists input into its first reference. The reference asks the Commission to 'identify and evaluate options for the use of Australia's forest and timber resources'.

The Commission is a new Commonwealth organisation set up to look at major complex resource-use issues and reports directly to the Prime Minister. The ACF was closely consulted when the Commission's legislation was drawn up and will be making a submission to the Inquiry.

The Commission has been specifically instructed to look closely at the ACF strategy for Australia's forests - as set out in *The Wood and the Trees* (ACF Publication, 1988) and to make sure that all environmental and ecological considerations are taken into account in developing its options.

If you wish to put your view in the Commission or seek more information contact Tessa Segrave, Resources Assessment Commission, Locked Bag 1, Queen Victoria Terrace, Canberra, ACT, 2600. tel: (06) 271 5231. □

#### PUBLIC MEETING - MELBOURNE

VERY FAST TRAIN  
Need or Greed?



A panel of expert speakers examining issues related to the Very Fast Train  
● the Multi Function Polis ● Public Transport  
Chaired by

Dr Joe Camilleri of La Trobe University

7.30 pm Monday 28 May  
CHADSTONE HIGH SCHOOL  
Ivanhoe Grove, Chadstone

organised by VFT Working Group  
c/o Environment Centre, 247 Flinders Lane, Melbourne  
tel: (03) 654 4521

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## Have you renewed?

ACF Membership renewals are now due.

By now you should have received your Membership Renewal Form.

Please continue to support the environment by renewing your

Membership by 30th June, 1990.

As of the 1st July, 1990, Newsletter and Habitat mailings to unfinancial members will cease.

Renew now so that your mailings will continue without interruption and encourage your friends and family to join ACF by filling out the Membership Form provided on the back page.

Don't forget that Members receive a discount on their subscription to *HABITAT-Australia*.

## LETTERS

### Defeated Labor member criticises ACF election strategy

Peter Milton  
Boronia, Victoria

As the defeated ALP candidate for the seat of La Trobe as an ACF member I would like to comment on the Federal Election strategy of the ACF and The Wilderness Society.

ACF members will be aware that the strategy was to run a campaign for support of the conservation movement to vote 1 for the Democrats and 2 for the ALP in all Federal Electorates. There is no doubt that this strategy played a major role in the return of the Hawke Government.

At the risk of being accused of "sour grapes" I would submit, however, that this strategy worked to the disadvantage of individual Labor Parliamentarians, such as myself, who had a strong environmental record of practical achievements equal to that of Democrat Senators.

Specifically the strategy encouraged disaffected Labor and uncommitted voters in La Trobe to vote 1 for the Democrats with the problem that not all these votes came back to myself. The allocation of second preferences in La Trobe showed that 74 per cent of Democrat votes came to me and, although this was an increase of 9 per cent on the last election, it still represented a loss of 26 per cent which went to the Liberal Candidate whose conservation philosophy would be alien to conservationists.

My purpose in writing is to urge that, at future election campaigns, the conservation movement support individual candidates, particularly sitting Parliamentarians on the basis of their known environmental record. It must be remembered that regardless of the published comments of a Labor Government, or its ministers, individual Parliamentarians can influence government decisions, as the change of attitude on Antarctica bears witness.

In my own case my success in promoting, for example, the protection of rain forests, revealing the dangers of the nuclear industry, prevention of the Antarctic

Minerals Regime, and opposing food irradiation, apart from my record on peace and disarmament issues, should have gained me a No 1 vote from all conservationists in La Trobe. In such a situation I could well have won the seat and continued to advance the aims of the conservation movement from a strong resource base. The present strategy does not encourage Labor Parliamentarians to fight for a change in Government policy.

#### Editor's note

*In La Trobe the ACF vote for the environmental campaign had the effect of increasing the Democrat vote from 10 per cent to 18 per cent (the highest in Victoria). This increased the flow of Democrat preferences to the ALP (from 62 per cent to 74 per cent), resulting in 9,101 votes flowing through the Democrat candidate, Greta Jungworth to Peter Milton, compared with just 4,029 votes in 1987. Unfortunately Mr Milton still needed more than 1,842 votes to win over the Liberal candidate, Bob Charles.*

*ACF has long recognised the enormous amount of valuable work Mr Milton has put into environmental protection in the federal sphere. This factor contributed to our decision to campaign in the seat of La Trobe, rather than choosing other electorates where sitting members had done nothing for the environment.*

*Although it was a serious consideration whether or not to support individual candidates, assessment of their credentials was impossible in the time available - especially as many were unknown until the polls closed on 5th March. It was also particularly difficult given the array of green candidates. Mr Milton's role in preparing the party for more favourable responses to the ACF/TWS questionnaire was obviously crucial; however, he is part of a national party, and the promises of that party is the determining factor at election time.* □

### Environmentalists must promote socially useful employment

Jack Munday  
Croydon Park, NSW

For the last two decades both in the trade union movement and the environment movement I have vigorously opposed the fallacious notion that there must be a choice between jobs or environment.

Conventional, corporate and political wisdom too often continue to pose protecting the environment as being in conflict with job creation.

Surely we should be insisting on jobs and the environment - a habitable environment and socially useful employment.

The Tandberg cartoon (Conservation News, March, 1990) "Are you going to let a few trees stand between me and my job?" can easily be misinterpreted as environmentalists being unconcerned about workers' jobs.

I believe environmentalists must consistently argue for socially useful employment and workers must be relocated if work they are currently performing is environmentally harmful.

We must come up with tangible alternatives. For example, I feel the ACF has not intervened sufficiently in the public transport debate in Victoria. Surely it was a golden opportunity to argue for a greatly extended public transport system and arguing to restrict the dominance of god-car in urban areas.

The total integration of economics and the environment is surely a pre-requisite in convincing people of the need for a sustainable development ethic. □

### Easy answer!

Peter Morris  
Norwood South Australia

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DON'T BUY NEWSPAPERS  
P.S.

Why doesn't ACF fund billboard advertising encouraging sentiments such as the above. □

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### CHILDREN FOR CONSERVATION



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We have been meeting once a month since last September and have been actively involved in several interesting projects. Treeplanting, fundraising, sharing information, excursions and letter-writing. Our latest adventure is producing our own radio programme, which is expected to go to air in June or July. We have a team

of adults on our core committee who are ordinary people, but totally committed to working as a task force to conserve the planet for our children. We know there are more of you out there who are willing to work with us - and we need you. We need you to identify yourselves, so that together

we can mobilise the kids into saving planet earth! I look forward to receiving inquiries about working with children in your own community, for the conservation of our planet. Our group will be honoured to act as a model if you're interested.

Contact me on Friday's at ACF's Melbourne Office, tel: (03) 416 1455 (toll free: 008 338 928).

Jo Brazill

Coordinator, Children for Conservation

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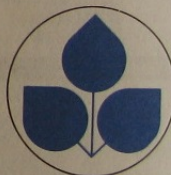
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