

Notes on Contributors

Judy Birmingham is now Honorary Associate Professor at Sydney University and ASHA Life Member. She retired in 1996 after 35 years at Sydney University, much of it developing, teaching and doing Historical Archaeology, a new interdisciplinary course which was triggered by a student excavation at a pottery site in NSW. Founder member and Secretary of ASHA back in 1969, President, Series Editor thereafter, and Joint Editor of the journal from 1980 on after Graham Connah stepped down as its eminent first Editor. Her conference papers, articles, book chapters and shared books aimed to develop an Australian perspective and ASHA as a publication outlet. During the 1970s she played an important role in embodying historical archaeology in national and state legislation through the Heritage Commission, ICOMOS and the NSW Heritage Council, in the 1980s her focus was on teaching and practice, including the Regentville excavation. The 1990s saw a new research direction, examining the interaction of colonists and indigenous populations by means of surface exploration in Central Australia, still the focus of current interests and publications.

Alasdair Brooks is a teaching fellow in historical archaeology at the University of Leicester, UK. He has previously worked as an artefact specialist on a variety of sites in Australia, the UK, and the United States. He is the author of *An Archaeological Guide to British Ceramics in Australia, 1788–1901*, and undertook some of the ceramics analysis for Graham's Lake Innes project. He is currently in the early stages of a collaborative project on British ceramics in Venezuela.

Aedeon Cremin trained in Ireland and completed her PhD at the University of Sydney where she was a senior lecturer until 2000. She is currently a visiting fellow in the School of Archaeology and Anthropology at the ANU. Aedeon's research has shifted from Europe to Asia through working with the Greater Angkor Project in Cambodia (2001–2006) and now in a planned collaborative project with the University of Yunnan, China.

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Edward Higginbotham studied archaeology and anthropology at Cambridge (BA 1975, MA 1979), before becoming a Sydney-based consultant in historical archaeology in 1980. He graduated from Sydney University with a PhD on the archaeology of rural settlement in 1995 and has excavated a wide range of urban and rural sites. His interests are focussed on the usage of both historical and archaeological evidence to provide a more complete understanding of the human condition (website – www.higginbotham.com.au).

R. Ian Jack is Senior Fellow at St Andrew's College in the University of Sydney, President of the Royal Australian Historical Society, and a heritage consultant. He has retired from the Department of History at Sydney, where he was a co-founder of Historical Archaeology in 1974. In partnership with Judy Birmingham and Dennis Jeans, he wrote the two

volumes of *Australian Pioneer Technology* in 1978 and 1982. Subsequently, with Dennis Jeans, he wrote *Regional Histories of New South Wales* and, with Aedeon Cremin, *Australia's Age of Iron: History and Archaeology*. Publications relevant to slab buildings include the two editions of *Exploring the Hawkesbury: a Heritage Field Guide*, 'High Barns and Maize Barns in New South Wales' in *The Victorian Barn*, ed. Miles Lewis, Melbourne 2007, and 'Wooden Vernacular Buildings in the Hawkesbury: their Form and Function', in *Cumberland Vernacular: Conservation of the Vernacular Timber and Iron Structures of the Cumberland Plain*, Historic Houses Trust, Sydney 2008.

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Tim Murray teaches Archaeology at La Trobe University. His research interests include: the history, philosophy and sociology of archaeology; theoretical archaeology (particularly issues of temporality); contact archaeology; the archaeology of the modern world; heritage issues. His current research focuses on historical archaeology (particularly on transnational archaeologies of the modern world, urban archaeology and contact archaeology), the history and philosophy of archaeology, and the Origins and Growth of the Tongan Maritime Empire. His most recent books are *Milestones in Archaeology* (2007) and (with Christopher Evans) *Histories of Archaeology* (2008). He is editor of *The Bulletin of the History of Archaeology*.

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Kim Vernon is a zoologist and archaeologist, with degrees in both Arts and Science from the University of Queensland. She has worked on archaeological research projects in Australia, the Middle East and Canada. Kim's research interests include microscopic analysis of archaeological remains, molecular analysis of bioarchaeological material and, most recently, molecular analysis of disease in human and animal remains.

Andrew Wilson researches and teaches at the Archaeological Computing Laboratory, University of Sydney. In addition to undergraduate computer applications courses he runs training workshops for students, humanities scholars and professional archaeologists. Andrew joined ASHA in 1976 and served on the committee for many years as well as co-editing the Newsletter from 1988–1992 and working on the Editorial Committee from 1995–1999. His research interests include computer applications in archaeology, especially application of GIS and GNSS to archaeological excavation, survey and analysis and to cultural heritage management. He has a particular interest in historical Geographic Information Systems (HGIS) and the interpretation and analysis of historical maps using GIS, and the archaeology of Aboriginal-European interaction in Australia. His recent projects include the mapping for the *Macquarie Atlas of Indigenous Australia* and the on-line *Dictionary of Sydney*. He is involved in fieldwork projects in Greece, Cambodia and Chile and on remote sites in Central Australia and the Pilbara.