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1. Report on A.G.M.

The A.G.M. was held on the 13th March and 29 persons attended. A National Executive Meeting was held immediately prior to the A.G.M. Reports were presented by the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary, the Membership Sub-Committee and the Bibliography Sub-Committee.

The Minutes of the Meeting will be distributed to the Membership shortly.

The President informed the meeting of problems with the Constitution and that legal advice had been sought. It was decided that the Constitution would be amended and the final version be checked by a Solicitor. Any Constitutional amendments will be put to the next A.G.M. and will be circulated amongst the membership prior to this. However the National Executive will have to make Rules on points not covered in the Constitution at present and will operate according to these when required, until these Rules can be ratified by an A.G.M. Would you please write to the Secretary of A.A.C.A. Inc. if you wish to suggest or add anything to these amendments. Major areas of concern are the responsibilities of and the relationship between the National Executive and its various Sub-Committees and the definition and categories of membership. The membership is being asked to complete a questionnaire on these matters so that the National Executive can be guided by its feeling when formulating amendments. The Secretary reported on the distribution of the Register, other literature produced by the Assoc., plans for future booklets and pamphlets and on workshops held during the year. She also presented the 1982 updated Fee Scale. The new addition of the Register will be ready in May.

The Treasurer reported that the Assoc. is financial and that subscriptions could remain the same for another year.

The Membership Secretary reported that the Assoc. now has 15 Members, 8 Affiliates, and 16 Associates.

A representative of the Membership Sub-Committee presented a policy statement from the outgoing Membership Sub-Committee. This has been taken into account in framing the questionnaire on membership criteria being distributed.

The Bibliography Sub-Committee has produced a form with instructions which has been appended to the Newsletter. Please note you will receive only one form and you will have to make as many photocopies of the form as you will need in order to list all your Reports present and future. These will be compiled and produced for sale through the Assoc. This will help to remove our reports from the so-called 'grey area' of Archaeological literature, as well as making it easier for us to contact colleagues who have worked in similar areas.

At the A.G.M. application forms for group Insurance were distributed

Completed forms should be returned to the President as soon as possible. If you are interested and have not yet told the Assoc. please do so and you will be sent the relevant forms.

There were no reports from other States.

#### Elections.

Elections were held of a new National Executive and Membership Sub-Committee to hold office for 2 years. The new committees are:-

#### National Executive

President: Laila Haglund  
 Vice President: Philip Hughes  
 Secretary: Val Attenbrow  
 Asst. Secretary: Nicola Stern  
 Treasurer: David Bell  
 Members: Anne Bickford, Sandra Bowdler, Helen Brayshaw, Mary Dallas, Gwenda Happ, Ian Johnson, Margrit Koettig, Mike Pearson, and Jim Stockton.

#### Membership Sub-Committee

Membership Secretary: Margrit Koettig  
 Members: Anne Bickford, Helen Brayshaw, Rosemary Buchan, Laila Haglund, J Hall, Philip Hughes, Ronald Lampert, Isobel McBryde, Kate Sullivan, Margorie Sullivan.

The Association would like to thank the outgoing Committee Members and welcome the new Members.

## 2. ACTIVITIES FOR 1982

Workshops on the involvement of Aboriginal Consultants and on the criteria used in the assessment of archaeological sites are planned for June and September respectively. Notice will be given of these in following Newsletters. If you would like to contribute to either of these workshops please write to the Secretary as soon as possible.

We have instituted a series of more social meetings to make contact and exchange news amongst the membership.

The first will be held in conjunction with ANZAAS on:-

Wednesday, 12th May.

at 7:30pm

at Macquarie University, North Ryde, Sydney.

in Building E5A Room 143

The Prehistory Lab.

Wine, Cheese and an informal talk will be provided.

We hope to see you there.

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## NEWSLETTER No. 11 - Addendum

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At the Third Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 13th March 1982 it was agreed that a statement made by the retiring Membership Sub-committee, which was read out at the AGM, should be included in the Newsletter following the AGM.

This statement was not included in the Newsletter recently issued and is therefore given below:-

### POLICY STATEMENT MADE BY THE MEMBERSHIP SUB-COMMITTEE ON 12TH MARCH 1982:

1. The retiring Membership Sub-committee reiterated its interpretation of the current criteria for Membership, i.e. that the Members should consist of 'sole or senior archaeologists': that is, archaeologists who can practice in a professional manner in their general field without supervision; which does not mean without advice.
2. The Membership Sub-committee would like to reiterate that applicants can apply again for consideration for Membership.
3. Rejection as a Member in the AACA does not prevent archaeologists from accepting or carrying out consulting work.
4. Applicants are encouraged to present their applications in sufficient time for proper assessment by the Committee. Applicants who present rushed applications do themselves a dis-service for which the Membership Sub-committee cannot be responsible.